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THE AVERAGE NET PAID DAILY CIRCULATION OF THE EVENING LEDGER FOR OCTOBER WAS 102,145.

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The extravagant woman can throw more out of the back door with a teaspoon than her husband can bring in the front door on a shovel.

WHO IS MY NEIGHBOR?

PERHAPS the Christmas spirit was responsible for it, but it may have been just the common everyday spirit of humanity that moved the policeman sent out to arrest a tailor on the charge of larceny to keep the warrant in their pocket for awhile. They found the man's four little children huddled under a blanket for warmth. There was neither fire nor food in the house and had not been for twenty-four hours.

STOP MUNITION PLOTS

THE Government has assumed that explosions in munitions factories and fires in steel mills engaged in making war supplies are not accidental. They have been too frequent and confined too closely to plants dealing with the Allies for the theory of chance to be accepted. It may have been merely a coincidence that on November 10 there were disastrous fires in the Bethlehem Steel Company's work, in the Midvale Steel and Ordnance Company's plant and at the Edgemoor works of the Baldwin Locomotive Company, and the next day at the Roebbing steel rope mill. But when the fires occurred the Government called on the State authorities for assistance in finding out the guilty and bringing them to punishment.

PROTECTION THAT DOESN'T PROTECT

ENGINE Companies No. 11 and No. 22 went to a fire in Passyunk avenue yesterday with rotten hose. When the water was turned on the hose attached to two engines burst, and when the men tried to use the chemical engine they found the pump out of order. If this had happened without warning there would have been some excuse for it; but it has been notorious for months, if not for years, that much of the hose in the possession of the Fire Department is unfit for use and is likely to give way at any time. It has been impossible for the men in charge of the department to get the money for the new equipment needed.

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THE Colonel, without intending to, has stated the case for American non-intervention as well as it could have been put by any one. Instead of defending what the sentimentalists might call American indifference, however, he is condemning it, and he extends his disapproval to the inaction of the Administration in Mexico and Belgium.

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Humanity has been outraged in Armenia, but not for the first time. It has been outraged in Russia and in Bulgaria, where the Jews have been mercilessly slaughtered in times past. But no responsible statesman—that is, no statesman with power to commit the United States Government to a course of interference—has advocated armed intervention to punish either Bulgaria or Russia. Every instinct of chivalry impelled to such a course, but chivalry does not sit in the seats of the powerful.

Tom Daly's Column

ABOUT three-quarters of a century ago Charles Dickens brought the Christmas spirit back to England, and since that time it has become the custom in many homes, not only there, but many other where, to devote several evenings about this time of each year to

WATCH YOUR MILLIONS

THE mad rush of the Organization to put through a loan of unparalleled size inevitably raises doubts in the minds of taxpayers. They are not forgetful of how their money has been squandered in the past, and they would like some assurance that the new burden of debt will not result in swelling the fortunes of a few politicians, rather than in the achievement of necessary and desirable public improvements.

A FALSE NOTE

DETERMINED on originality at any cost, the French have gone to the extent of introducing a soft sweet note of friendship into the general chorus of hate which now inspires the world. A week or so ago we were informed on competent authority that we were the most-hated people on earth. Germany and England were equally "agin us," and it was written in the great book that we ought to go out into the garden to eat wormwood.

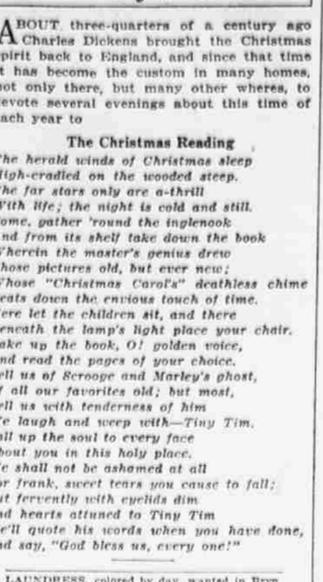
WHY NOT ASK LA FOLLETTE?

THE Nebraska Republicans are finding it difficult to get a satisfactory presidential candidate to put on their preferential primary ballot. Justice Hughes insisted that his name be withdrawn a few days ago, and yesterday it was reported that Colonel Roosevelt had refused to consent to appear on the ballot.

THE JINNEY VICTORY

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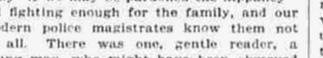
THE KAISER'S MISSION IN VIENNA



LAUNDRESS, colored by day, wanted in Bern Mawr. Pa.; one living in the vicinity of Boys Mawr preferred.—Adv.

The "For-It-Was-Indeed-He" Club

THERE was once, in Revolutionary times, a man so fond of fighting that folks called him "mad"—"Mad Anthony," to be exact. He seems to have absorbed and breathed out again pretty nearly all the fighting spirit that frequented the atmosphere in his vicinity while he was on earth.



W. W. Here's a sign in Harrisburg: CRYSTAL HOTEL ROOMS \$1

AT BREAKFAST

Dr. J. H. Morgan, the genial president of Dickinson College, in the quaint old town of Carlisle, the delicious sausage under immediate discussion provoked much interesting discourse upon the "eats" for which this countryside has become famous; even from the time (1799) when the Rev. Dr. Nisbet, Dickinson's first president, wrote that he could find in Carlisle "no distinction except wealth, which few people possess here, tho' many live in luxury." It's a curious thing that when men, growing talkative over the pleasures of the table, begin to brag of the superior excellence of the larders of their localities, the food always mentioned as of particular merit is sure to be some sort of pork product.

IS IT YOUR GOAT THAT THE POLICE DEPARTMENT GOT?

It is easier to make automobiles than to make peace. "Thou too sail on, oh Ship of Ford; Sail far, the country's getting bored."

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THE UNHEROIC DOVE OF PEACE

War Cannot Be Conquered by a Sword of Steel, but Only by a Symbolic Sword—Dramatic Engineering

IN THE course of time various methods of stopping war have been advocated. Mr. Ford seems to believe that war can be stopped by request. Others are of opinion that horror will do it. Common sense disposes of the first proposition. History is against the latter notion.

THE HORRORS OF PEACE

The pacifists and the militarists are the extremists and seldom meet on a common ground of argument. The militarists, as William James said, do not deny the bestiality of war, nor its horror, nor its cost; they only say "that these things tell but half the story." They only say "that the war is worth them." And while the pacifists are pointing to the horrors of war the militarists are pointing to the horrors of peace.

CHRISTMAS HINTING

You never have to advise the young folks to do their Christmas hinting early.—Detroit Free Press.

NATIONAL POINT OF VIEW

If ever there was a time for a self-respecting nation to attend to its own business now is the time for the United States of America.—Chicago Tribune.

AMUSEMENTS

GARRICK—NOW TWICE DAILY, 2:15 and 8:15 FOR A LIMITED ENGAGEMENT
PALACE 1214 MARKET
Mary Pickford in "MADAME BUTTERFLY"
FORREST—Now—Mats. & Saturdays GABY DESLYS
FERGUSON in "OUTCAST"
LYRIC TONIGHT AT 8:15 SHARP
RALPH HERZ in "THE NEW COMEDY"
"RUGGLES OF RED GAP"
ARCADIA CHESTNUT Below 14th
METROPOLITAN OPERA HOUSE
The Battle Cry of Peace
ACADEMY OF MUSIC
BURTON HOLMES Fri. Eve. Grand Canyon
CHESTNUT ST. OPERA HOUSE
GLOBE Theatre MARKET ABOVE 15th
Kitty Francis & Co. Assisted by LOIS CLARK & CO.
STANLEY Theatre MARKET ABOVE 15th
NIXON Today S. MILLER KENT
Peoples—Broadway Rastus
Troadero BROADWAY BELLEVILLE and La Pallatrea