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will go to the German-Americans in the United States and undermine faith, not in the President, but in the country. They will do incalculable harm even now when their authenticity is denied. And they have done Senator Gore no good.

THE VOICE OF THE NATION

Every crisis in American history has strengthened the national idea as expressed by Hamilton. Out of the present negotiations with Germany there is likely to come the feeling that the world must understand that when Washington speaks, it is with the emphatic voice of the whole nation.

Tom Daly's Column

WE HAVE been invited to attend a meeting in New York tomorrow of "Men and Women of the Irish Race in America," to voice the sentiments of the nation against England. In yesterday's papers we read of a counter demonstration. Well, we can't seem to be able to get to that meeting tomorrow, but we submit this song for the occasion:

IN UNION STRENGTH. Come, all ye true-born Irishmen, And listen to my song! We'll raise our nation's voice again To roar the Ancient Wron. Behold in war's tithic throes The tyrant averts today: He counts on us to fight his foe. What are we going to say?

PRECIOUS JEWELS OF HUMBLE ORIGIN Pearls for Buttons and Queens' Ornaments—An Important American Industry—Mystic Properties of the Turquoise

THE pearl, it seems, is no more a real stone than that jewel of which Shakespeare wrote in the uses of adversity. Sweet are the uses of adversity. Which, like the toad, ugly and venomous, Wears yet a precious jewel in his head.

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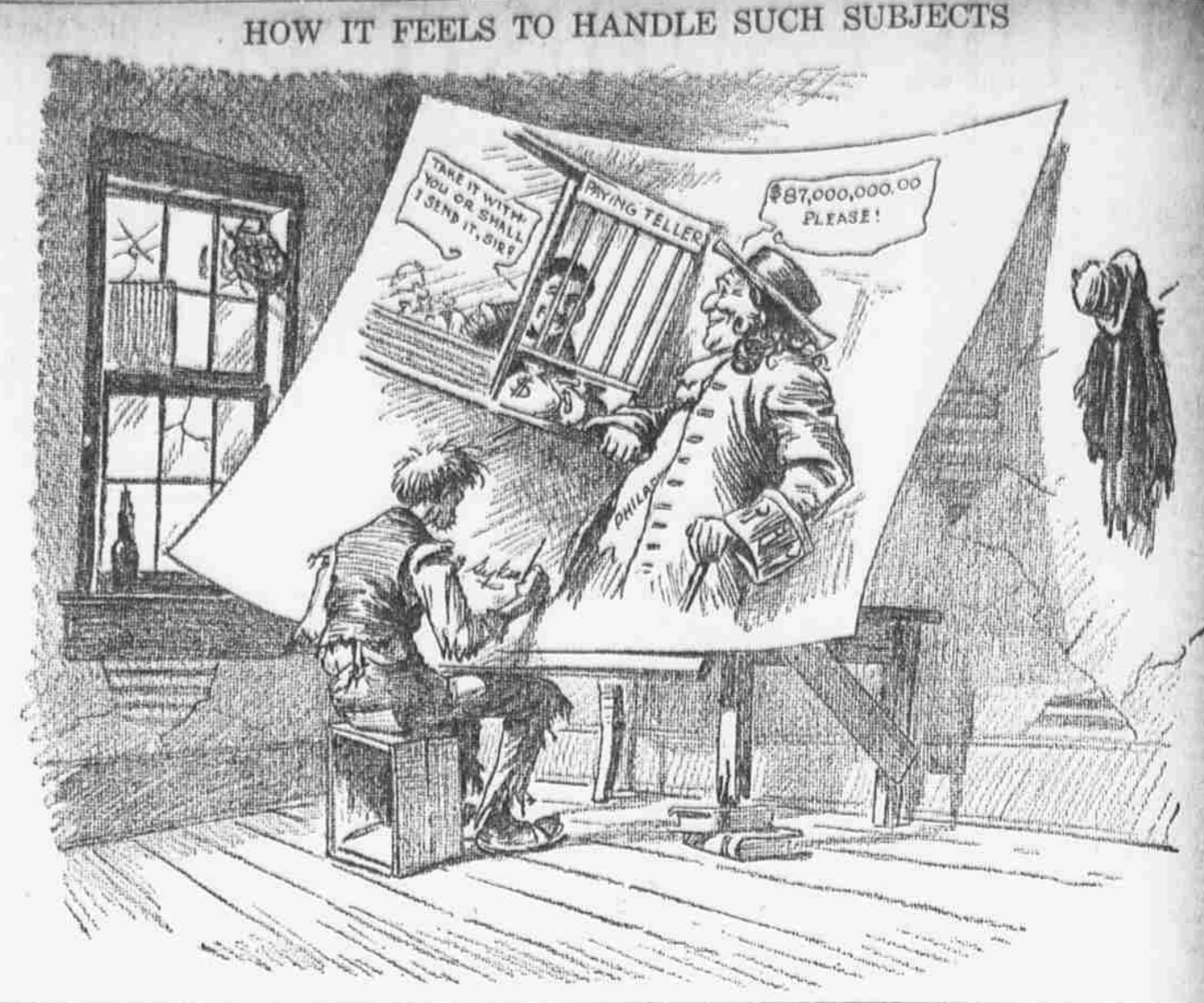
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THAT fellow Frank Oliver, who batted about .065 when he was Fordham's second-string center fielder, has the nerve to pull this in the current Fordham Alumni News:

THIS Comes From the Business Office "I want to put in your 'Lost and Found' column an advertisement like this: 'Wallet containing considerable sum of money and papers. Finder will keep money; return papers,'" said the man.



What Do You Know?

Queries of general interest will be answered in this column. Ten questions, the answers to which every well-informed person should know, are asked daily.

- 1. Who is the Italian Ambassador at Washington? 2. Name the Acting Secretary of War. 3. In general, which is the more valuable American crop, wheat or cotton? 4. About what is the maximum speed for express trains adopted by standard railroads of America as consistent with the "safety first" motto?

Answers to Yesterday's Quiz

- 1. In the Bay of San Pablo, off Vallecillo, near San Francisco, Cal. 2. Philadelphia painter (1738-1826) who was President of the Royal Academy. 3. William H. Seward. 4. Woodrow Wilson is President, Melvil DeBardeleben is the most prominent member of the Executive Committee.

Ten Animals

- 1—The dog Kratin, which accompanied the hero of the Trojan war. 2—Balaam's ass, which spoke with the voice of a man to reproach the disobedient prophet. 3—Jonah's ant, of which he said, "Go to the ant, thou sluggard."

No Easy Way

Editor of "What Do You Know?"—I am a young man and would like you to advise a career where the work will not be too hard. The man looking for a snap is on every get-rich-quick "sucker" list.

When the Year Began

Editor of "What Do You Know?"—I was reading "The Spectator" last night and noticed the first time that the essays are dated in peculiar way. The first essay bears the date March 1, 1710-11. Can you tell me what this means?

"If I Should Die Tonight"

Editor of "What Do You Know?"—Referring to the poem called "If I Should Die Tonight," printed in your column in tonight's Evening Ledger, I found the following selection in a volume of Ben King's Verses, published by 1914, Forbes & Co., of Boston and Chicago, page 145: "If I should die tonight, I should like to see you." "If I should die tonight, I should like to see you." "If I should die tonight, I should like to see you."

NATIONAL POINT OF VIEW

The Bureau of Mines has done a great work, but it cannot be safeguarded without the help of the operators and the men who are directly affected.—Birmingham Age-Herald.

WHERE ROLLS THE OREGON

Let's begin with Washington and Oregon, reversing the usual order of naming and describing the States of the Union. Just now we're looking for interesting facts of history.

Pearls of Great Price

Nor oysters only. Pearls may be found in almost any bivalve, and some of the most valuable are taken from the shells of fresh water mussels. The pearl fisheries of the Mississippi are of much greater importance than is generally supposed.

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The History of the Country Justifies Every Student in Concluding That This is Not Really a Compact and Homogeneous Nation.

With the greatest difficulty that the original thirteen colonies were persuaded to surrender their independent existence, State loyalty was greater than loyalty to the United States. It took the great crisis of the War of 1812 to give birth to the national feeling.

No Restitution

Some men we know have taking ways, But of aloof aloof! There are but few who know of who Have ways of bringing back.

Safety First, But Help!

Dear T. D.—Some guy, the head of the department at my place of employment, owes me a buck and I'm kind of leary about asking for it, as he is my boss. How would you call his attention to this?

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Repeated attacks by the Arabian camel riders indicate that the Turks are keeping on the lump.

Brander Matthews says that the highbrows are hurting the theatre. The next move is up to Brander.

Air raids on unfortified and ungarrisoned English towns are just a little worse than submarine raids on merchant shipping.

Mr. Marshall (Vice President) says he will either be a candidate for re-election or will retire. This appears to be a safe prediction.

One of Mr. Garrison's friends says that he is a man of broad outlook. But that won't help him much, now that he's on the outside looking in.

The Kentucky Republicans who endorsed Fairbanks for President do not seem to understand. It's for 1916, not for 1912, that nominations are now in order.

When the thrifty and distinguished Chautauque lecturer contemplates the report that a movie star is to receive \$10,000 a week he must regret that he did not decide to do his acting on a different platform.

Freddy William, the accomplished Crown Prince, has been called home, it is said, and Duke Albrecht of Wuerttemberg is in charge of the operations about Verdun. It seemed over here that Freddy was doing quite well in his place.

An Iowa court has decided that in spite of the anti-tipping law a barber may legally accept a 25-cent gratuity from a customer. If this is the usual tip, the Iowa farmers must be about as prosperous as the Wilmington sweater-makers.

For perhaps the one hundredth time a German of authority and prestige has declared that the shortage of food in Germany is a "British myth." For the third time Germany is preparing to destroy British merchant vessels because of the starvation policy of the Allies. Will the editor of the Fatherland be good enough to explain?

Prof. Irving Fisher says that a baby is worth \$50, an adult \$4000, and by that process an aging person begins to be worth a negative quantity. That is very clever, no doubt, but figures are notoriously untrustworthy. Almost all of us have known babies who were priceless, and many an adult couldn't get a \$4000 loan from a bank if he pledged himself, soul and all.

Still, in spite of heroic efforts, some 300,000 tons of freight remain in cars, jammed on sidings of the Pennsylvania Railroad. The Commercial Traffic Managers' Association of this city is bravely fighting the congestion, and every effort made by its directors should be commended. It is pointed out that the break must come within 48 hours or the city will cut itself off from both coal and steel as well as other raw materials. The effect would not be immediate, but it would be disastrous, and coming at a time of prosperity would become a calamity. It seems that this is not so much a question of blame for the causes as of praise for those who can solve the riddle.

Such is the incurable stupidity of every censorship. It never interferes at the right point. A bill for a national censorship of moving pictures is coming up at Washington. We trust it will fail. There is a deep reason for the fact that the word "censorship" is commonly used as implying "block-headed"—Saturday Evening Post.

Precisely. And the stupidity of moving picture censorship is only the outward show of a corroding evil in the minds of those who would employ it. Wasn't it the Saturday Evening Post which once suggested that if printing were invented today there would be a great "moral" movement for a national censorship of the press? Yet the power of the printed word never became a power for good until it was free of every censorious limitation and responded only to the decency of the people whom it served. The moving picture is entitled to the same liberty.

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