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Nothing is more simple than greatness; indeed, to be simple is to be great.—Emerson.

It was a famous victory, but there not seem to be agreement on who

The strength of Hughes lies in the fact that almost every one believes he could be elected.

When that steamship service to Cape May begins, a new summer pleasure will be added to the delights of living in Philadelphia.

Most of those who say they do not know what Supreme Court Justice Hughes believes on current questions are men who would not support him anyway.

The first Sunday in June was a masterpiece. Whatever he did, the Philadelphian, as a New Englander said about the countries at war, had a fine day for it. The crying need of Philadelphia at

present time seems to be for swimmin' holes for the boys, where they can tie one another's shirts into knots as their grandfathers in the country did before A man with a discriminating eye

will not find it difficult to pick the future steel magnates from among the students of the Northeast High School who are broadening their technical education by working in the Midvale steel mills.

Associate Justice Brandels will have an opportunity to discover what the public thinks of him when he comes to this city to attend the Zionist convention next month-if he is not already satisfied with the revelation through the vote of the

Another season is beginning when nake the effort, that Europe has no place half so interesting to a patriotic American as Philadelphia, where the beautiful building in which the Declaration of Independence was adopted is preserved in a fitting setting.

To eliminate lawsuits under the workmen's compensation act. New Jersey establishes a legal 'aid bureau. The advantages are manifest, for even in the explicit wording of the law doubts are certain to arise and the unscrupulous "runner" may make as much from deplorable cases as he once made in street car accidents. The leech has no place here, and the State which establishes compensation is bound to make the workinge of its laws as easy as justice permits

The London Nation has had harsh things to say about this country, so it is particularly gratifying to read the plea made by Henry W. Massingham, its editor, in the current issue. The cabled excorpt ought to set Americans as well as Britishers thinking deeply:

This Power (the United States) hav-This Power (the United States) having done us and humanity a substantial service at critical points of the conflict, now, in the person of her President, offers to associate herself with an international settlement that Sir Edward Grey has defined as the thing he wishes to get out of the war. And we treat this advice as an unwarranted intrusion on our blissful enterprise.

\* \* How can this but confirm the impression that more than one American has carried away from our shores—that we are the real obstatele of that we are the real obstacle of

Apparently the United States has som friends in Europe. Belittling her, here or abroad, will do small good.

Pennsylvania, second in population of the States, has virtually second from evidence, indicated that an inferior Ger- to do a favor, who doesn't misspell our the Union," says a Washington dispatch to the New York Evening Post. If the citisens of Philadelphia imagine that they are represented in Congress they are desfried to disappointment. The Evening Post has taken the 124 rollcalls in the Sanate from the opening of the session to the first of June and discovers that Churchill of her victory. Mr. Churchill ator Penross voted exactly 11 times. Of the 113 times the senior Senator ed he was paired less than a dozen so that his party suffered as much as his State. With the future of the pro-McLomore resolution, which nearly was not even in Washington a-Heprosentatives, for in the 62 votes a other Representatives scaled down tite mate. J. Hampion Moore leads the Ament but 8 times. For the

or to express opinion was largely n partisan. Their duty as critics of the majority was never more necessary. The total result has been that the country is not governed by a party system, but by a one-party system-precisely the wrong thing, precisely what the founders least

# THE CHICAGO CONVENTION

There is no want of good presidential timber in the Republican party. If the lightning does not strike either Bossevelt or Hughes, it may single out a Lincoln.

'N NO epoch, not even that Imme diately preceding the Civil War, has the Republican party been confronted with graver responsibilities or with greater opportunities for service than now. The convention about to assemble in Chicago, to which the destinles of the party have been confided, must clear away the rubbish, strike deep to find the essentials, make a platform which will underwrite the future prosperity of this nation and supply a fighting leader whose service to the country as a whole

will be no less inspiring than his re-

habilitation of the party itself.

The candidacy of Mr. Roosevelt is gamble with fate. It is based on the assumption that Teutonic victories during the summer will assume such propor tions as to magnify vastly the necessity for preparedness on a grand scale. Were victory for the Allies assured, there would be, unfortunately, no great demand for defense measures in America, a majority of the people being so short-visioned that they refuse to look beyond the horizon of immediate events. What the people do fear is German aggression. The em phasized Americanism which Mr. Roose velt is preaching is a mighty program to arouse the nation from its lethargy, to visualize for it the new place the United States has taken among the nations of the earth, the new burdens which have been or will be thrust upon it and the necessity of meeting them in a generous, sensible and provident way. But it is a program the success of which must fluctuate with the tide of military events across the ocean. Peace this summer for instance, would crucify a Roosevelt campaign. There are, however, thou sands of good Americans of the think ing type who are convinced that a show down is in order and that, win or lose It is time for the nation to give a verdice on the kind of virile Americanism for which Mr. Roosevelt stands and which he, in fact, personifies. That he would make a strong, efficient and thoroughly reliable Chief Executive is not a question for debate. He has proved himself by actual trial.

Mr. Roosevelt is no tariff man. He emphasizes the military feature of preparedness. It is industrial preparedness. however, which may readily prove to be the most vital to the welfare of the nation It is perfectly apparent that the pros perity which now exists is a fictitious, abnormal, war prosperity, induced by no legislation enacted by the Democrats, but, on the contrary, existing in spite of low tariffs. It is a difficult thing to oust an Administration under which prosperity exists, whatever the cause of that posperity. One of the most important func tions of the Republican campaign will be the education of the people and the exposure of the fallacy that this is a Democratic prosperity. The tariff issue is to day the great issue, even more so than the summer tourist will spend his vaca- in the past. To trifle with it is to trifle tion money in America. The Easterners with the bread and butter of the people will go West and the Westerners will and to parley with soup houses. It is come East. They will all discover, if they imperative, therefore, that the Republican platfo protection plank.

It is claimed that the chief duty of the convention is to pick a winner. Justic-Hughes as a harmonizer has exceptional qualities. He had no part in the factionalism which was rampant in 1912. Of his orthodoxy there is no question. His merit as an executive has been amply proved. So, too, has his ability as a cam paigner. Silence in him is a virtue, but when he does speak there is the heat of the branding iron in his text and the thunder of Jupiter in his blows. There is in him none of the elements of the demagogue or the trickster and all of the elements of logical, virile and convincing statesmanship. He would appeal to the ntelligence of the country with com pelling force.

The party expects of the convention sobriety of judgment, not a panic stam pede. It expects, too, a candidate who measures up to the grave responsibilities of this era, when nations themselves are in the making and a new trade map is in the drawing. Should Roosevelt and Hughes come to a stalemate, a Republic can of superb abilities is Philander Chase Knox, Republican candidate for the United States Senate from this State, and in Mr. Weeks, of Massachusetts, there is presidential timber of the first class.

# THE NORTH SEA FIGHT

CEARCHLIGHTS of fact playing on the North Sea battle of last Wednesday and Thursday have a distinct tendency to minimize Germany's victory. Just as the original British Admiralty report admitted reverses, so the German official announcements are now yielding. The first report, uncontradicted through lack of man fleet had inflicted disproportionate injuries on the British and made good an escape. Had that report been confirmed the blow to British prestige would have

been terrible. Unfortunately for Germany, she has been unable to persuade even Winston has never undergone that experience of patriotism which dazzles and blinds men yet even he cannot feel that Wilhelm has displaced Jellicoe as Admiral of the Atlantic. Berlin gives the story away untry's honor at stake, when the when it says that "the German high seas fleat" met the "greater part of the moded the entire international policy of ern British navy." If, out of the greater he President, was presented, Senator part of the English superdreadnoughts, Germany was able to sink not one, and had to suffer the loss of a vessel of the in increases, did not stir the Pennsyl- Derflinger class, if she paid for the In- lish ships, being far less than the enemy's vincible and Indefatigable with the West- made the attack with more quickness and ten in the House J. R. SC Scott and faisn, and for the battle cruisers with W. Oriest were shount 44 times and cruisers she could less well afford to side they presently sheered off to a con spare, has victory is Pyrchie or worse. The North Sea and the Atlantic are still

> It was a brave fight, with aggression on both aides and with a shifting of numeri- in number and bulk and were much nat experiently. Birategically the Gar- stronger and bigher built and we pre-

# Tom Daly's Column

DRAKE'S DRUM Drake he's in his hammock an' a thou sand mile away

(Capten, art tha sleepin' there below?) Slung atween the round shot in Nombre Dios Bay.

An' dreamin' arl the time o' Plymouth Hoe.

Farnder lumes the Island, yarnder lie the ships, Wi' sailor lads a-dancin' heel-an'-toe,

in' the shore lights flashin', an' the night-tide dashin'. He sees et arl so plainly as he saw e

Drake he was a Devon man, an' ruled the Devon seas

long ago.

(Capten, art tha sleepin' there below?) Rovin' tho' his death fell, he went wi' heart at ease. An' dreamin' arl the time o' Plymouth

Hoe. Take my drum to England, hang et by

the shore; Strike et when your powder's runnin

f the Dons sight Devon, PR quit the port o' Heaven,

An' drum them up the Channel as we drummed them long ago." Drake he's in his hammock till the great

Armadas come (Capten, art tha sleepin' there below?) Slung atween the round shot, Hatenin' for the drum,

Hoe. Call him on the deep sea, call him up the Sound, Call him when ye sail to meet the foe.

An' dreamin' arl the time o' Plymouth

Where the old trade's plyin' an' the old flag flyin' They shall find him ware an' waitin', as

they found him long ago! HENRY NEWBOLT. ENGLAND appears to be in need of a lusty drummer just about now. And if Drake should be hard to awaken it might be well to look for a wrestler who

can get a strangle hold on the foe; a half-Nelson won't do. The Usual At first he fell to drinking A little. 'T was appalling

How, low and lower sinking,

### He shortly drank to falling. Warm Weather Warning

ULDN'T it be simply a matter of jus-W tice to issue a special warm weather warning to kind but unsuspecting folks, covering the period beginning next toks, covering the period beginning next Wednesday and ending possibly on Saturday night or Monday, the 12th, at the very latest? Something to this effect.

For Wednesday, etc. —Shortly after high noon there will be several sharp raps resembling the pounding of a wooden hammer on a block of marble. This will be followed by immense clouds of overheated attractions which will access to receive the received at the second of the second mosphere, which will arise as in great rolls of articulate smoke from the ventilators and other exits of a certain block of wellknown real estate situate along Wabash avenue, between 14th and 16th streets, in the Middle West. This terrific heat wave will be accompanied by much rumbling of oratorical thunder and frequent flashes of forensic lightning. The populace will be greatly wrought up, but the storm will pass without doing very much serious damage. Several well-known shores will be strewn with wreckage, but the vacation season w proceed as usual. E. A. M.

# What's Your Sword of Damocles? Mine is that my

augural address. FIDJITZ. lelphia.

Jeffery Farnol, whose eyesight prevents im from enlisting in the British army, is already at work on another long novel t "Beltane the Smith."-Literar THE only object of which, of course, is to inform us that Mr. Farnol, being unable to serve his country in any other

### Lines on a Sunset From Banks of the Lower Schuylkill By CHARLIE GALOOPY

way, intends to donate his royalties to

the war fund.

sit beside my cabin on the ashdump with my pipe, Looking westward as the sun sinks low, There's a flood of feelings rising from my soul that is surprising, And it drives my hand to make these

verses go. Tis a picture rare with beauty that can As the sun across the river sinks away, hrough a haze of smoke and ashes when a locomotive dashes,

And the whistles blow and mark the close of day. The horizon of tall chimneys and of brickpiles and of cars Shows a rugged line of muddy, rusty gold; Fis a scene so soul-inspiring thus to see the day retiring,

### The Democracy of the Flivver An "auto school" at 16th and Spring Garden streets, according to Nally, flaunts WE LEARN TOU HOW TO RUN ALL CARS.

FORDS OUR SPECIALTY We Have Yet to See

The unknown correspondent, asking us

name. Canning Contest Sir-Here are a couple of phrases

resent for your cannery: 'You must come see us some time." "The pleasure's all mine." J. L. S.

Here's one b. b. scribes should can; "Put a run across the pan." I'm yours truly, TIRED FAN. The Antiquity of "Low Visibility"

From Camden's History of Queen Elliza TN THE fighting (with the Armada) or I the 28d of July (1588) the Spaniards shots flew for the most part over the heads of the English, without doing execu tion. The reason of this was that the Eng agility; and when they had given a broad venient distance and leveled their shot so directly at the bigger and more unwield; ships of the Spaniards as seldom to mistheir aim. Their ships far exceeded our

Is Law Enough to Make All Boarding Houses Safe for Young Women-Other Matters This Department is free to all readers who wish to express their opinions on subject of current interest. It is an open forum; and the Evening Ledger assumes no responsibility for the views of its cormonondents. fly to a mere symbol is a crime; to be willing to die for an ideal is sublime. BOARDING HOUSE LICENSES To the Editor of Evening Ledger: Sir-My attention has been called to datement in the EVENING LEDGER of May 29 to the effect that "It requires no license to be a boarding house keeper in Phila-

THE VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

The impression given by the story on "Boarding House List for Guidance of Girls" is that the law in nowise covers the question of the boarding house. If this is the impression that it was intended should be given, the fact is overlooked that the housing act of June, 1915, specifically requires all rooming houses, which means houses where five or more boarders are lodged, must have a license from the Board of Health, which license costs \$2, and must increasing deafness will make it impossible for me to hear William Jennings Bryan's increasing Bryan's increasing deafness of Health, which license costs \$2, and must be displayed in a conspicuous place upon the walls within and close to the outer entrance of the house. Such a license can only be obtained when the building is in a sanitary condition, is provided with ample water supply and tollets, with provisions for privacy; also when the number of occurants rivacy; also when the number of occupper room conforms to certain definite, legal standards. Moreover, the Bureau of Health nay formulate rules and regulation orning other matters pertaining to the health and safety of the boarders. These provi-sions were inserted in the act as the result f a survey of boarding houses made in

> If any boarding houses are being operated as boarding houses for five or more persons, without having obtained a Board of Health license, the conductors of such are violating the law and are subject to a fine of from \$5 to \$50, with the costs of prosecu-

It would be a comparatively easy matter to prevent these changes in the manage-ment of boarding houses, which are quite frequently responsible for the conditions frequently responsible for the conditions that make such houses unsafe for girls moving to the city. So far, the enforcement of this provision has been woefully inadequate, owing to the failure of the city to provide a sufficient number of inspectors to cover all such properties. The important point, however, is that there is ample law on the statute books and ample power to adapt the law to protect in all respects the health and safety of the occupants of such buildings, but that the failure which the good people noted in your paper of the 28th protest against is one paper of the 28th protest against is one that can be limited and should be limited by the municipal government.

BERNARD J. NEWMAN,

Executive Secretary Philadelphia Housing Association. Philadelphia. June 3.

(The statement that "it requires no li-cense to be a boarding house keeper in Philadelphia" was made by a welfare That I quite forget my supper's growing worker, who apparently was not fully in-formed.—Editor of EVENING LEDGER.)

# WHAT FANATICS HAVE DONE

To the Editor of Evening Ledger:
Sir-Permit a "contributing editor" to
take issue with a regular one. I am suffering from Forditis, which is mental anguish when any individual or newspaper deinterprets the spirit of Henry Ford. You have been responsible for an augumenta-tion of that disease. In an editorial the other day you called

In an editorial the other day you called Henry Ford a fanatic because he said, among other things, that the flag was aimply "something to rally about" and that "patriotism was the last resort of a scoun-drel." You dispose of Ford by saying the arguments of fanatics were unanswerable. I think you have hit the nail very well on the head, but what is your definition of a fanatic? Because a man sees differently from the crowd is no reason to presume he is a fanatic. Judged by that standard the world's greatest thinkers were fanatics. There have been some work. to presume he is a fanatic. Judged by that standard the world's greatest thinkers were fanatics. There have been some wonderful "nuts" in history—and I'll guarantee Henry Ford was not sympathetically quoted on that matter of history. What was shocrates but a "nut"? and Martin Luther, Oliver Cromwell. Patrick Henry, George Washington, Abraham Lincoln and John Brown? You can't dispose of a man who disagrees with you by peremptorily calling him a fanatic. Henry Ford says the flag is merely something to rally around. Well, isn't it? Minus all the patrictic meaning-leas verbiage, is the flag anything clase than they had surrendered to the railroads in the matter of railway mail hay? There surely is no answer. But why didn't your correspondent seek to ascortain whether Ford believed in railying about a flag that was symbolic of human progress? Ford would have answered affirmatively, and I am sure he would have anded that the giorious Red, White and flim, "with its noble and inspiring history, has been captured by the assumes of human progress the traitors to America; and that if thus helps the traitors to America; and that if thus helps the traitors to America; the flow of the case of the complitude was superficious. The insult to the computation of the manufacture of the case of the complitude was superficious. The insult to the computation of the first America is a food to raily around that is the flag and inspiring history.

There is or should be trouble about to the general. He sought to bring about the defeat of certain amendments to the postmasters and his letter as a should be incompleted to the railroad allows the bring about the defeat of certain amendments to the postmasters and his letter was strongthened by an official pager in communicating with the postmasters and his letter was strongthened by an official pager in communicating with the postmasters and his letter was an official also that he told the members of the Eenate Committee on Post-offices that they had surrendered to the railroad and the inter

flag no longer stands for American Ideals as our friend Maurer puts it, and as y" Sunday would if he were preaching this sort of philosophy, to hell with the flag. \* \* But America today is in the hands of the Tories. What England failed to do in 1776 and 1812 she accomplished in 1914 and 1916. When the leaders of Amer ican thought were unpurchasable and true to only the embryonic American ideal. England was unable to conquer us; but now she buys us through J. P. Morgan & Co., until its lackey arouses again in this country all the religious and econor ror which has distinguished England's treat-ment of Ireland. And, so if we prepare against the invader, we will be fighting not our own battles, but those of England Why, then, prepare? Why prepare against the foreign foe when our preparedness will serve only to keep us in subjection?

THE LION'S SHARE

long as ballots are mighty we stand a chance to drive the invader out; but we stand no chance if we give the Tory crowd our military machinery CECIL MONTAGUE.

### Philadelphia, June 2. RAPID-FIRE CALCULATION

To the Editor of Evening Ledger: Sir-I happened to notice the within osed article on the matter of "Rapid-Fir Calculation" (the report of the victory of Miss Frances A. Snyderman in the William Penn High School concentration contest). I am not a mathematician, but in the course of my work I have discovered certain rules of mathematics and one in particular which would clip about 17 seconds off the record made by Miss Snyderman. It occurred to ne in the matter of a certain popular raffie or chance game being conducted in the city, and the chances ranged from 1 cent to 50 cents. What is the answer as to the total amount derived from the raffle? I do not find the rule in an arithmetic book, but found that the following is true: Multiply the largest number (50) by the mean (25) and add the mean (25), giving a total \$12.75. No one needs a piece of paper perform this work and it can be done in tew seconds. In your proposition add a cipher and add 10 and the result is 210 few seconds. Any one who can not do this in 10 second in his mind is deserving of sympathy. CHARLES H. HASSERT.

### Philadelphia, June 1. LAZINESS VS. DRUNKENNESS To the Editor of Evening Ledger:

Sir-In your editorial, "Wages and Laziness." you do certainly "speak a mouth-ful" when you say "it is useless to quarrel with human nature." No labor organization can help the lazy man, the man who is always watching for a chance to loaf, or thinks he can do so and get away with it. There is a hue and cry against the man who drinks, but there is not much to choose between him and the lazy man. Be-tween these two characters the bosses get gray-headed and hard-hearted, and who can blams them?

The conscientious employer and the conscientious employe suffer alike from hav-ing to contend with circumstances brought about by the unreliability of the lasy or the drinking employe.

How to eliminate them is one of the questions which the wisest humanitarian will have to "go some" to solve satisfactorily. Of course, in time they do eliminate themselves; but in the time it takes for the elimination to take place what a lot of crowbie and patience is endured by all rouble and patience is endured by all nds! This is one of the things that makes the business man "tired" and helps to put many of them "out of business." JOHN J. FLEMING.

# DECAPITATE HIM

Philadelphia, June 3.

There is or should be trouble ahead for ames I. Blakslee, one of the assistant continuators General. He sought to bring hout the defeat of certain amendments

# What Do You Know?

Secretary Newman, of the Housing Association, Writes That There Queries of general interest will be answere this column. Ten questions, the answers to which every well-informed person should know, are asked daily.

### QUIZ

1. What post in the British Cabinet is the nearest equivalent of that of our Secre-tary of State?

2. Where did the old Lafayette Hotel stand in Philadelphia? 3. What Republican presidential nominees were nominated by acclamation?

4. For whom was the British cruiser the Black Prince named? 5. What is the motto of the French republic?
6. Where are the Andes Mountains?

7. In Florida does the temperature ever fall below freezing point? 8. Where is the great Simplen tunnel? 9. Did the Popes ever reside anywhere but in Rome and, if so, where?

Answers to Saturday's Quiz

1. Skagerrak is an arm of the North Sea between Norway and Denmark. Noah and his three sons and their wives are the eight persons mentioned in Gene-sis as having been on the Ark.

3. Philadelphia was the capital from the es-tablishment of the Government until 1800 4. J. Fenimore Cooper wrote "The Last of the 5. The sword of Damocles hung by a thread; to "sit under" it is to be in constant

To "hang plumb" is an expression derived from the use of the plumb (or lead) line.
 Shriock in "The Merchant of Venice" de-manded his "pound of flesh."

8. A snake's tongue is harmless; it stings with

### 9. In recent years about 300,000 persons have left this country annually, presumably to reside in another country. 10. John M. Walton, City Controller.

# Machinists and Mechanics

Editor of "What Do You Know."-Will you kindly answer the following: First. When you are a thorough machinist what is the principal work? Second. Is there any difference in a machinist or a mechanic? Also please state (3) the average wag for the above. P. W. JOHN. wager

1. A machinist is one who constructs machines or engines, or is skilled in the use of machine tools. 2. A mechanic is one skilled in the use of tools, as a carpenter or a bricklayer. A machinist is a mechanic, but a mechanic is not necessarily a ma-chinist. 3. The wages of each vary from \$3 to \$5.50 a day in normal times.

# "Ultimate"

H. H. S .- "An ultimatum which does no ultimate" is hardly classical English. It is admissible in the spirit of humor, of course

Editor of "What Do You Know"-Can you tell me whether city and county em-ployes of Philadelphia, except police and firemen, are eligible to pensions;

CIVIL SERVICE. Yes. An act of Assembly of May 20, 1915. created a Municipal Pension Fund and a governing board. City and county employes, 50 years of age or over, in the employ of the city or county 20 years, are entitled to a pension of half their average monthly makes of the last five years of service, prosalary of the last five years of service, pro-vided no pension shall exceed \$100 a month. Employes contribute 2 per cent. of their monthly salaries, but not in excess of \$4

### per month. Head of Tuskegee

R. S .- Major Robert B. Moton su Booker T. Washington as head of Tuskegee Institute. He has assumed office.

#### Origin of "Star Spangled Banner" Editor of "What Do You Know"-Who

"The Star Spangled Bannar was "The Star Spangled Hanner" written, and under what circumstances? Did the man who wrote the words write the music? (3) If one of the principals in a limited round boxing contest should hold the world's championship, and be knocked out, would he lose his title? Is it necessary for the articles of agreement to read "for championship"?

HAMBURG. HAMBURG.

championship"? HAMBURG.

The words were written by Francis Scott Key. In 1814, during the British attack on Baltimore, he went under a flag of truce to the British fleet to arrange for an exchange of prisoners and was detained on the frigate Surprise during the bombardment of Fort McHenry. He watched the progress of the fight, and in the morning seeing the flag "still there," composed the words of the song. He did not write the music. It was sung to the music of "Anacreon in Heaven." (2) If the men fight at the proper weight for their class and it is understood that a decision is to be reached in whatever way the law of the State permits, the title of champion passes to the winner whather the articles read "for championship" or not. But if it is clearly understood that the bout is only for exhibition purposes, with no careful specificalities made about weight and in Britang and made about weight and in Britang and made about weight and in Britang and made of the present the life.

### THE ROCKEFELLED FAMILY MYSTERY

Father of the Oil King Diags peared in 1857-No One Knows What Became of Him

By JOHN ELFRETH WATKING Copyright, 1916.

PEDDLER gesticulating in the A and-dumb language surprised by Richford housewives who opened their as to his vigorous knocks. And been he was so young, so tall, so virile, so has some his affliction readily struck into hearts of these dames enough pity to part them buy whatever trinkets he might an gle before their eyes.

It was the year 1838. Richford was modest New York village that lay up as Cayuga Lake. This peddier appearing on denly at its doors was destined to himself in a black secret that for a century cast gloom over what is po the most famous family in America.

That fascinating, itinerant pack-bear who thus appealed to the pity of Richfe housewives had lately appeared with a family at a farm on the outskirts of tow He had just turned 23, was keen of eye as joyful of heart, without fear or conses -the dashing kind of adventurer women love and men suspect. His me was William Avery Rockefeller. He not a jot deaf, noither was he mute, though for months he made his new ne bors converse with him by pencil, upon. slate which he carried. He disapper for long periods at a time, presumably peddle his wares throughout the neighb ing country.

Then, after a while, his role changel He suddenly outgrew his affliction as became "Doctor" Rockefeller, in and dispenser of a wondrous for cancer. Thereafter he generally turned home with plethoric purse. Index he was soon buying fine clothes, expens shotguns, fast horses. He became a few less whip, a dashing equestrian, a fine slot a beau among women. In short, he was to chief sporting character of the commun Yet he was a strict abstainer from albeby He would have been quite the fine gentle man in appearance but for the eccentric of leaving off his necktie, the better to display a big diamond stud in the bosom of his shirt.

### Went Out Never to Return

Mystery always shrouded his long absences and his plenteous supply of res noney. It was while on one of his prelonged trips that he met Eliza Davison, prosperous farmer's daughter, whom brought home to Richford as his wife. 6 of the several children born to them w John D. Rockefeller, present-day king if American multimillionaires. About fo years after the birth of this child of des tiny the family commenced a long an edious period of movings-to Morava Ohio; Oswego, N. Y.; Strongsyille, Ohi and Parma, Ohio. During this period the cancer doctor was home but little; ye while there he always improved his pro erty by indulging a fad that seemed welnik inconsistent with his lack of domesticity This was a penchant for planting trees Grove after grove still stand as monume to his memory. Finally, in 1857, he move his wife and children to a snug brick house in Cleveland. Soon afterward he took his hat from its peg, stepped forth into th night and became but a hazy men His son, John D., was then 18. During the next 32 years the deserter's patient will waited vainly for his return. Then it overtaken him. Luckily, her sons had a

The mystery of William Avery Rose feller's disappearance continued, enough, to be overlooked by press and piblic alike until a long time after his pa John D. had flashed into the financial firms ment as a luminary of the first magnitude Then some chance writer sounded the alers. and scribes and detectives, professional and amateur, sallied forth to beat every built for the lost father of America's most con spicuous citizen. In the years that have since followed our country and Camata have both been scoured and a fortuse has been spent in hunting down false close The late editor, Joseph Pulitzer, put a be, price on the lost man's head and is said to have lavished \$8000 on the mystery. A one time rival newspaper sleuths assigned to the case waged an exciting war of with necessitating the employment of telegraphic codes such as those used by great military forces in the field.

passion for money making. The welf all

not lurk long at her door.

Newspapers Hunt for Him

In the exciting hunt for the missing mas Rockefeller detectives have crossed the paths of the newspaper scouts. The separent secrecy cloaking operations of the former agents has aroused suspicion that the vanished man's sons have dreaded his discovery by outside interests that might reveal the secret back of his disappearance

The most persistent theories as to Wiliam Avery Rockefeller's career after leave ing his wife locate him, variously, as wealthy lumber magnate of Canada, as a ranchman of Northwest United States, 15 "Dr. Lavering," of Madison, Wis., and a "Dr. Levingston," of Freeport, Ill. The first two theories were but vague from the outset. The Madison address at which b was said to reside was found to be no existent and the sleuth who hunted "Di Levingston" to his lair in Freeport arrive there some time after that gentleman had

died. Skeletons rattle louder in the full di of the rich than in the empty closets of the poor. America's wealthlost citizen has been called by a distinguished biographer vorld's most tragic figure." Has his det nelancholy been due to the riddle of hi father's fate or to fear that some tragely connected therewith might one day be

venied to a pitileas public? FROM COLONEL TO COLONEL The strangest thing of all is that a intelligent and disinterested nen, that a considerable body even of observing thinking men, could be deceived by the gram and proceeding of Theodore Experimental Courier-Journal.

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