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If all the year were playing holidays, To sport would be as tedious as to -Shakespeare.

The New York Tribune's article on "The Decline of the Lawyer" does not refer to fees.

When Mr. Hughes breaks the silence he makes a noise that can be heard from the Atlantic to the Pacific.

There is a widespread opinion that the reason for the removal of the State Entomologist lies beneath the surface.

will not be as long as Mr. Hughes's, In the words of the dime novel, little remains to be said.

The President's acceptance speech

The ladies who play golf on the Cobb's Creek course ought to know that high heels are as much out of place there as sport shoes in a ballroom.

Provost Smith evidently struck fire when he said the University needed \$20,000,000. The Alumni Association is planning to raise a quarter of it.

Philadelphia is building one new garage for every ten new houses. Now that a touring car can be bought for \$360 it is likely that we shall build ten new garages for every single new house.

'A Spanish woman crops up in the news as the villain in a bandit raid. It is only a few days since the Spanish uncle fraud worked right here in Phila-

Roland Morris admits that the historical Democratic tariff position was wrong. The country had condemned it so many times that the wonder is that he did not discover this long ago.

opinion among the Allies that they will win the war. The only thing which gives us the same hopeless feeling is the unanimity of opinion among the Central Allies that they will win the war.

munitions in or near Philadelphia? Are they properly guarded against accident or intention to destroy? Is every safeguard for the city being taken? Is the law being scrupulously observed? These are questions to which an answer may be given now. Otherwise a very definite answer may come later on.

The Deutschland starts on her hazardous voyage home with nothing but good wishes. She has stayed long enough in our port to make us feel friendly toward her. We wish to see her again, and many of her fellows. We cannot forget, on command, that her stepsisters have strewn the seas with our dead. But we are willing to wish her bon voyage and to wonder how much longer Germany will hold out in the war which drives her commerce undersea.

By a singular oversight nothing appeared in the papers concerning the fall of Verdun, which took place yesterday. The American press is so dominated by the Entente that it refused to take the Crown Prince's word for it. It is true that the Crown Prince missed it on April 1, and on several dates since. But he is a gentleman and a member of the infallible, divine-right Hohenzollerns. The "Fatherland" ought to look into this serious case of lese majeste.

The Senate caucus did well to cut off all extraneous amendments from the child labor bill. The fate of that bill must be decided definitely on its own merits, and skilful as politicians may be they are not justified in placing the immigration bill with its intolerable literacy test in the same offering for the sident's signature. A Republican and a Democratic President have vetoed the literacy test. It has no standing. And the certainty that President Wilson would veto it again was the motive for attaching it as a rider to, the child labor hill. The trick is a bit too low, even for such a time.

The explosion in Jersey City on Saturday night has been followed by the usual demand that a law be passed to make such things impossible in the future, as though explosions could be prevented by a few words printed on a piece of paper. There is doubtless law his support in the States where women enough already to compel the exercise of | do not vote. er care in the handling of explosives. Phat is needed, more than new statutes. ts a proper realization of the risk in the kind of a statement that was expected virtiance. They say that the explosion ing the issues. He dodged none in his was caused by a fire in a barge tied up admirable speech of acceptance, and he to the pier where it had no right, and will face the music when he begins his that the barge was there because its campaign on the stump. If the country place it will require an investigation | the voting begins.

to discover the truth; but, assuming that there was no plot, there was carelessness and neglect somewhere or the thing could not have happened. The punishment of those responsible for the neglect will do more to prevent a repetition of the disaster than can be done by the passage of a whole volume of new laws. Every one familiar with the subject knows that explosives can be handled with safety if oper care is exercised. The explosions in the munitions factories hereabouts have been caused not by careless handling of the completed product, but by some accident in the process of manufacture. The armies abroad have handled millions of pounds of explosives without accident. There is no need of any city working itself into a panic of fear.

### SIDE-SWIPING THE COASTAL TRADE

THE Administration ship purchase bill, conceived by Mr. McAdoo under conditions which no longer exist, if they ever did exist, has been amended into a hybrid sort of thing which has fangs without venom and is likely to prove as useless as it is unnecessary.

It has offered the Democrats, however, an opportunity to achieve by cunning a thing which they have been endeavoring for years, directly or indirectly, to accomplish. There is a law which prohibits any ships except those built in America from engaging in the coastal trade. For generations that law has stood on the statute books, its inspiration originally having been the experience of Great Britain and other maritime nations. Although this inhibition has prevented no man or set of men from engaging in the trade by conforming to the requirements of the statute, the Democrats have been pleased to believe that a monopoly existed and that it behooved the party, in pursuance of its wrecking policy, to drive this monopoly out of business. There was one sure way of doing it, and that was by substituting a foreign monopoly, for it was apparent that opening the trade to any ships, no matter where built, would drive native American industry off the coast, just as American shipping was driven off the high seas by the fatuous policy of administrations, Republican and Democratic, which were fooled into believing that the way to revive and nourish shipping was to hobble it. But the American people were too shrewd to be Frederik has gone, strong Christian and deceived. If everything else was lost, they still did have their coastal ships, and they intended to keep them. So they refused to sanction legislation devised to deny the coastal trade that protection | The warlike Swedes! No longer on the which for decades it had enjoyed and under which it had flourished.

But now the cunning of the Democrats asserts itself. They have seen in the their purpose. They have inserted a seemingly innocent clause authorizing the Government to purchase foreign ships not only for the foreign trade, but also for the coastal trade. The plan is so simple. A phenomenon to which we are An American citizen cannot buy a fornot quite reconciled is the unanimity of eign ship and use it in the coast trade, but under the proposed law the Government could buy such ships, lease them to the private citizen and so accomplish the one thing against which American senti-

The President has declared that the rehabilitation of the American merchant marine is a prime necessity. Leading themselves. There is not, we believe, any American opinion which indorses an opto strike at the very heart of what marine destroy the nucleus around which must be formed the new marine we are so anxious to get. The ship purchase bill, the very thing which is supposed to have on the oceans, is being used as the instrument for the prevention of that identical purpose. If it is not trickery, it approaches it very closely.

vict itself of bad faith, or even of double dealing, it must join with the Republicans in excising from the pending bill this wholly indefensible and inexcusable lieve, knowingly indorse it otherwise Nor should our local trade bodies be backward in forwarding their prompt protests against this legislation, for its American marine and for American shipyards which have only just begun to

# HUGHES IS FOR EQUAL SUFFRAGE

AR HUGHES has placed himself MR. HUGHES and suffrage. He has not dodged the issue as Mr. Wilson has done by saying that it is a matter for the States to settle. He has said that the Federal constitutional amendment should be passed by Conness, submitted to the States and rati-fied by them promptly.

This declaration will doubtless bring to his support all the ardent women voters in the Commonwealths where the right of suffrage has already been granted, and it should lead all the male voters who favor the reform to unite in

The declaration of Mr. Hughes in his telegram to Senator Sutherland is the diness and the exercise of constant from him. He does not believe in dodr are did not want to pay a fee of \$25 | does not know now where he stands on terage or towage or something of all the vital questions it will know before

# Tom Daly's Column

HEIMWAERTS Good luck to you, Deutschland! May your journey's end be all you

But it's too bad you didn't have room aboard for all your friends here who do ungallant things in the dark.

We may say, however, that after listen ing to the organ for an hour we were convinced that it beats the Wister Park



Ledger Athletic Association. He has his own troubles. Bill Cooper is one of his pitchers. Bill is a graduate of the Pennylvania Institution for the Deaf and Dumb. Shaner is not, but he has to know the sign language in order to tell Bill how rotten he is-and how often. Shaner is rapidly learning the language. The other day Bill was particularly limburger, Shaner told him, But Bill flashed this alibi on his weary fingers. "Say, I know I'm some bad today, but it's like this: My arm's dead because I had to address a deaf and dumb mass-meet ing last night,"

Editorials in the T. R. newspapers on the speech of acceptance yesterday morning reminded us somehow of dear old Jim Riley and his poem about the "Squidgycumsquees 'at swaller theirselves."

nore. Fine! Come again, Doc.

Sons of the Vikings!-facing that proud race.

teave Ships fear this fortress; -- peaceful rip-

ples lave The strand where English James was

morning face Before he saw the Shadow from the grave This house is Hamlet's though he never

Its stairs, or saw its figured tapestry;-Seel here's Ophelia's violet, that sad

Handing It to the Neighbors (Ad in Hulmeville Delaware Valley Advance.)
I. Leonard K. Cox. a citizen of the

sidents of said borough that I am

a July 20. I also wish to advise the gen one of their business and that I am per-Yardley, Pa., July 19, 1916.

EDUCATION INCOMPLETE The fellow who brags of his college And all his great learning's a bore, The man who is proud of his "knowledge Is badly in need of some more. A Grouch.

igner" to write Irish dialogue, the thing that wearles us most is the stock story of the Irish soldier who "surroundered" twenty or more Germans single-handed.

Go Down Among the Flowers the deep color of heaven upon it, is start-ing up in strength of goodly spire; and whose purity, washed from the dust, is opening, bud by bud, into the flower of or you. "The Larkspur listens-I hear, I ar!—And the Lily whispers—I wait. John Ruskin (Sesame and Lilles) 1819.

and the healthy love of the out-of-doors

Go down among the flowers, my children.

McTAVISH.

So still I slave and try to save With thriftlness and care From every pay to send away The sheckels I can spare.

boat on the gentleman's residence? In G. W. D.

Amputate Ankles Close to Ears Sir-One of our children came in the other lay, crasy with the heat, and asked me if pewod stanza,

pemon lie chewed sticken, What would you do?

gallantry deserves! WHEN we were in Portland, Me., the

other day we saw and heard one of the great organs of the world. It is the Kotzschmar Memorial Organ, installed in the auditorium of the new Portland City Hall by a prominent Philadelphian whom we shall not mention by name since we do not wish to be called down by the business department for advertising him; and we might easily be con victed of such a desire, being, as we are, under obligation to him for a very pleasant boatride recently.

Accordion Band all hollow.



OUR most distinguished contrib abroad, Dr. Maurice Francis Egan, Minister to Denmark, sends us this sonnet written on the occasion of the Shakespeare celebration at the Castle of Kronborg, Elsi-

the brave And hardy soldiers that kept well this

wont to pace;shipping bill an opportunity to attain Here young Prince Hamlet showed his

She loved so well, and from the tender sod

MAURICE FRANCIS EGAN.

lorough of Yardley, wish to notify the ending to my own business, and that it seeps me busy, and when I require the ervices of any resident to attend to any of my personal affairs I will so notify

ersistent rumor that I am to be married fectly capable of managing my own affairs without assistance from the residents of the borough. LEONARD K. COX.

Next to reading the efforts of a "for-

Will you not go down among them! Among those sweet living things whose new courage, sprung from the earth with The devil is mortally afraid of roses and larkspurs and Illies given to us for joy

I work and sweat, my clothes all wet; For goodness sake it's hot! I cannot go where cool winds blow— Such joy is not my lot. My winter's dope was full of hope Of summer at the shore. But many bills and sunder tils Took all I'd saved and more, The success the heat of city sirect. The wife and kid have fied:
When they get back, ains, ainck!
I fear they'll find me dead.
-W. L. Sacrey.

on gentleman's summer residence on Toms River. N. J. Apply this evening, etc. Where is the young man to row the

MILLIONAIRE FOUND DEAD IN BED

Although His Lawyer Was Convicted of Murdering William Marsh Rice and Then Pardoned, the Cause of His Death Is Still Unexplained

### By JOHN ELFRETH WATKINS

Medical Experts Disagree

murder, Coroner's Physician Donnelly

and Dr. Hamilton K. Williams, who had

assisted with the autopsy, went on the

stand and swore that only the vapor of

chloroform could have produced the ef-

fects noted in the lungs. They were

backed by the testimony of two other

Patrick was sentenced to death. Four

and a half years he languished in the

death house at Sing Sing, and 17 times

during this terrible period he saw fellow

Rice's death the young lawyer had been

him in the Tombs Prison after he had

been sentenced to death. Thenceforward

presented the facts to specialists. One

of these, Dr. William Smith, of Kirksville,

Mo., a stranger, who had not known Pat-

rick, volunteered to help her and circu-

lated in Patrick's behalf a petition, which

was signed by 250,000 persons. Mrs. Pat-

rick charged that \$2,000,000 of the fund

left by Rice for the founding of the negro

institution in Texas had been spent in

the endeavor to send her husband to the

electric chair. As the result of her fight,

Patrick's sentence was commuted to life

six years later he was pardoned by Gov-

Valet Jones mysteriously disappeared

"FUTURES"

Happy the man whose wish and care A few paternal acres bound,

Whose herd with mik, whose fields with

Whose flocks supply him with attire;

Whose trees in summer yield him shade,

Hours, days and years, slide soft away In health of body, peace of mind, Quiet by day,

Sound sleep by night; study and case

Together mixed, sweet recreation, and innocence, which most does please

With meditation.

Thus let me live, unseen, unknown;

Thus uninmented let me die; Steal from the world, and not a stone

Tell where I lie

In winter, fire.

content to breathe his native air

ernor Dix, of New York.

of a dozen medical men.

Patrick was brought to trial for the

TN THE autumn of 1900 William Marsh | pillow, but when cross-examined the valet Rice, a millionaire Texan, 85 years of again changed his story, stating this time age, lay ill in New York city. He was that he had, at Patrick's instigation, attended by his regular physician, Dr. placed over the face of the sleeping Rice It springs, where, fair and unpolluted, she Immortal lives through the great Poet's Rice and any Dector Curry with chloroform standing. Rice died and Doctor Curry issued a death certificate, giving bronchitis and senile decline as the causes of leath. The body was embalmed in the usual manner with a fluid containing formaldehyde. There was no hasty burial. Indeed, the corpse was held for 45 hours after the embalming.

Rice left about \$8,000,000. Two wills were found. One had left the estate in trust to a man in Houston, Tex., for the founding of an institution in that city for | Physicians, but were contradicted by that the education of negroes. But just before Rice's death he drew a new will in the presence of two witnesses, both of whom have since sworn that they saw him sign it. This later will changed the trusteeship of the estate, giving it to Albert T. Patrick, a young New York lawyer, whose father had been freight manager of a railroad in Texas owned by Rice, at whose advice the young man had come to in his innocence induced her to marry

# The Valet in the Case

The morning of the old millionaire's leath Patrick appeared at the bank of S. lawyer, she sifted all of the evidence and M. Swinson & Sons, New York, and presented several large checks purporting to have been signed by Rice. A defect in one of the checks caused suspicion, and Rice's home was called upon the telephone. Charles F. Jones, Rice's old valet, answered and stated that the check was genuine, but the bank insisted that Mr. Rice should give his verbal approval Then the bank was informed that Rice was dead, and an investigation followed. The trustee under the first will came

o New York and interrogated the valet, fones, a weakling, whose contradictory answers caused grave suspicion. Jones was arrested, given a third degree, and under that ordeal stated that Patrick had killed Rice by the administration of after the commutation of Patrick's sencorrosive sublimate and other poisons. The case was called before William Travers Jerome, then a Magistrate and afterward District Attorney, Patrick was held and an autopsy on the body of Rice was ordered. This autopsy was conducted at the morgue by Dr. Edward J. Donnelly, Coroner's physician, and the wellknown poison expert, Professor Witthaus, later examined the viscera. Nothing unusual was noted in the body except two small patches of "consolidation" at the back of one lung. According to sworn testimony, the Coroner's physician, after examining these patches, stated: "The old man must have had a cold," and Doctor Witthaus, on being offered the lungs, Professor Witthaus had taken the viscera, all the other remains were cremated. According to the testimony of Robert Aurich, the attendant at the morgue, a physician connected with the prosecution had remarked: "I wish I knew more of micro scopy. Then I could make a pot of money out of the Rice case."

After his examination, Professor Witthaus reported an absence of poison in the viscera and a few days later the story of Valet Jones was changed. He now swore that Patrick had not polsoned Rice, but had smothered the old man with a

### What Do You Know?

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

What is a cassowary?
 Under whose charge is the Washington National Monument?

3. Who is the Public Printer?

8. About how long ago dld Goethe live?

### 9. Who is the Chief Secretary for Ireland in the British Cabinet? 10. Who said "Give me liberty or give me

Castor oil is so called from its resemblance to castoreum, a secretion of the beaver, the Greek name for which is kastor.

A cataract or a waterfall is a chignon and a chignon is a large, bun-shaped mass of halr arranged in a net at the back of the head.

Sir William Ramsay, who died last week, was one of the most distinguished British chemists,

5. Theodore Roosevelt and William H. Taft are the only living American ex-Presi-dents.

convicts pass the grating of his cell to 7. The Eric Canal was completed in 1825. enter the death chamber. At the time of The Congressional Club, incorporated by act of Congress in 1908, is an organization composed of the wives of men in official life in Washington. engaged to a woman whose confidence

The original Chestnut Street Theater stood at 603-5 Chestnut street.

### this devoted wife waged an untiring battle Exercise for Boxers for his freedom. Like a veteran criminal

boy 15 years of age and am very tall for my age and I would like to be in the best of condition about two weeks from today. As one of my exercises will be boxing would greatly appreciate if you would tell me what time of the day I should box and what other exercise I should do and what foods I should eat. I work from 7 o'clock in the morning until 6 at night.

Eat wholesome food, avoiding pork, veal and pastry of all kinds. Milk and toast are very good with meals. If you are thinking of taking up boxing it is necessary o have good wind and this can be done by ong walks with occasional sprints. Keep ors as much as possible and when you imprisonment on December 20, 1906, and reathe fill your lungs and exhale slowly. It would be a good idea to get a punching bag for exercise and also light dumbbells, about one-half pound each, to use both morning and remained in hiding for three years

The total population of Japan proper and her possessions, Formosa, Korea and Saghalien is 75,476,000, according to figures Pity the schoolboys of 1950, who will have to learn by heart the history of the present decade. The 196 drastic notes alone n Financial and Economic Annual of Japan for last year. Japan proper has a population of 54,282,898, or about 1000 to the square mile. The increase has been more than 6.000,000 in the last 10 years. Korea has gained 4,000,000 in the same period and has been added to the total population of Formosa. There is a large pre-ponderance of males over females in all

# Who Said It?

you tell me who said this: 'Maidens, like moths, are ever caught by

And Mammon wins his way where scraphs might despair."

life was based.

Editor of "What Do You Know" Has Rabindranath Tagore ever been in Amerbeen in Ame POETICUS. Tagore was in America four years ago.

QUIZ

4. Is Adelina Patti still alive?

6. What is bechamel sauce and why is it so What is the "Murder League of Britons"?

# Answers to Yesterday's Quiz

4. Macadam pavement is named from John L. Macadam a Scotch highway engineer, who invented it.

6. Andrew Jackson is generally charged with introducing the spoils system. 8. Paul S. Reinsch, of Wisconsin, is American Ambassador to China.

Editor of "What Do You Know"-I am

# Population of Japan

Editor of "What Do You Know"—What is the present population of Japan?

PACIFIC COAST.

parts of the empire.

Editor of "What Do You Know"-Can

Perhaps some reader may be able to help

He is now on his way here from Japa and is expected to arrive in Sun Fran-ciaco to heptember, whence he will mak his way inhousely to the Atlantic coast.

# OF THE two years of war's emotions Which we now can pass in review, no sense is more difficult to recapture

The Touch of Steel on August 2,

1914, Gave Us a Tingle

Which Has Since

Died Out

OF GREAT WAR

FIRST THRILL

than the very first-the swift, sudden thrill of adventure which came over us two years ago today. The later phases we can reconstruct. Actually, in all the literature of the war, nothing finer has been done than Just this work, published a year ago by the subtle American humanist, Simeon Strunsky. The days of the Uhlans, the phases of Von Kluck and the Marne, the shifting passions and confidences of the world after the middle of August we can remember and record. But the earliest days are hard.

They are hard because after the midnight misery of these two years we are not willing to confess how joyously wa met the first onset of arms. The seemingly impossible has happened in America, for our whole huge advantage from the war has been vicariously taken. We have not suffered, yet we have been purified. We have not fought, not died; vet we have been ennobled. From the first we understood our odd role which was to be not that of a spectator at a play but of the living prize for which knights engaged in battle. We shrank from war, but it held our eyes. Unaware of the vast forces which were ready, spiritually unprepared for the horrors which were to come, we breathed fast at the new excitement in the world.

### The Joy of Battle The time was to come when the air

we breathed was stifling with gunpowder, and later still was acrid with the seas which swept over the Lusitania's dead. Of that we were innocent. We knew only that the heavens were bursting into gorgeous colors of fire, that the hand of man had leapt to his sword and the bright blade shone in the wild light. We read of American tourists hurrying pell-mell out of Europe, and we wished that we might be there. We should not hurry. We should stay and see the most magnificent spectacle of our time. The world had been full of a million little things in which we took a passive interest. A great wind came up and swept them away and our nostrils extended to We had been prepared for complications the minute Germany and Russia

came in, and it was on the second of August that we knew for fair that they were in. Patrol engagements were reported, Ambassadors had departed and in the west France was mobilizing her armies. There was the rub. With Russia, it may be said, we had no sympathy. We had had too much to do with her revolutionaries, had sent contributions and protests for too many Kishineffs, had seen our only treaties cast aside because Russia would not recognize American citizenship complete. But France! We could hardly forgive her alliance with Russia. We felt, in spite of many disagreeable things, that her proper alliance was with us. And there came back a memory of Versailles in 1871, of that day when William I was proclaimed German Emperor in the palace sacred to every tradition of imperial and republican France.

We did not order our sympathies, but with Germany against Russia and with France against the world. They might

### have remained so to this day. Our First Sure Things

Of two things we were firmly convinced. That Russia would be snapped back, broken and defeated as she was, of seemed to be, by Japan, and that France would fight gallantly but unavailingly against the superior German arms. Ger man efficiency was already beginning to be a bit of a tradition. It was in the air. In our vague speculations we turned t England for assistance. We knew that England had the habit of fighting on the winning side. And this is what she gave

us on this day: (Official) The policy of Great Brit-ain will not be affected in any way by the announcement that Italy has decided to remain neutral.

Italy will have to settle later on with her own partners as to the justifica-tion of her action. • • The French Government has never been di-rectly or indirectly led to believe that Great Britain was pledged to any par-ticular method of discharging her obligations to France, and although she will remain (adhere?) strictly to the spirit and letter of the understanding. his Majesty's Government have not decided if they will interfere. • • • They have always reserved to themselves the right of determining how they shall play their part in the Triple

From that day dates the distrust of England, which can be discovered under any number of layers of Entente sym pathy. It was the time before rainbow colored books appeared justifying this or that. It was the time when we had hoped greatly that Sir Edward Grey might stop the whole thing. At that serious moment of secular history, when a nation had to announce itself to the world, we saw Ens-land weighing her chances, almost heard her counting coin. We know now that she did come in, with a fine enthusiasm, with high moral purposes which she carefully explained to the world and to here self. But our trust was never hers, and may never be.

A joyous terror was our supreme emotion then, and we listened half-heartedly to those who spoke of the awful sacrifices, the carnage and the brutality which must ensue. We laughed at agitators of peace and at the Socialists. We floute danger to ourselves. We felt, in fact, that this war was not the destruction but the saving, of civilization. It mean that men could and would fight again and the barbarian in our blood answere still vicariously, the call. It was not noble feeling, but it was that on which the spectacular glory of the earth's long

We look back at it now. Is it shameful to confess that we did not care? For haps it is, but our indifference to the disasters of others was not altogethe that of self-certainty. We did feel that if it were put up to us we should have done at least as much.