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What is sauce for the goose should be sauce for the propoganda.

Delinquents who were awaiting punishment in the Domestic Relations Court found that the court itself was delinquent, one Judge having gone on a vacation and no one having been assigned to take his place.

At a time when Americans are ready to think that all the world is adversely critical of them, it is encouraging to read the message of Romain Rolland that he read the "peace-without-victory" speech "with joy" and that he believes it "puts the United States at the head of civilization."

The difference between the assessed value of the property of the American Philosophical Society in Independence Square and that of the plot on the Parkway which is to be given by the city in exchange should not lead to any reconsideration of the plan.

Boycotting pushcart vendors and small shopkeepers has little effect at first, but the determined housewives of South Philadelphia seem to have pressed the highest evil one step back toward its root, for these merchants are now reducing the amount of their purchases from wholesalers.

The Gore-McLemore resolution, which would have surrendered American right to use the sea in the way that Germany now demands we shall surrender it, was tabled in March, 1914, by a vote of 276 to 142 in the House and 68 to 14 in the Senate.

Doctor Schurman, president of Cornell, declares colleges must take themselves more seriously, "as there is a spirit of revolt against colleges in the air. He finds too much of a tendency to take college as the vestibule to the house of fashion. The revolt springs from a desire to be well as from the nagging of the past."

have been educating themselves at night, after their work, mastering the same books that are perused in the daytime leisure of undergraduates that there is "revolt." It is the revolt of educated men against the exclusive spirit of badly educated college men.

GUNS THE LAST RESORT

HAIR-TRIGGER action of the police in dealing with the rioting sugar workers strikers must be regretted by every calm citizen in the community. The killing of two men and the wounding of several others may have been unavoidable, but nothing in the reports of what happened sustains this view.

Rioting is indefensible. There is no disposition anywhere to defend the persons responsible for disorder. It is the duty of the police to preserve the peace and to prevent the destruction of property.

WHY THE UNIVERSITY DESERVES STATE FUNDS

IN ANOTHER column of this page we print a letter from Provost Smith, setting forth briefly some of the services which the University renders to the State and to the cause of higher education in general as a justification for its appeal to the General Assembly for a generous appropriation.

Since 1791 the University has been more or less under the care of the State. Indeed, on that date it was made the University of the State of Pennsylvania.

In spite of its private endowment, the University is in a very real sense a public institution, entitled to an increasing measure of support from public funds. Its growth makes continual demand for more money.

STEALING THUNDER OR WHAT?

THE Ford, Bacon & Davis transit report has been submitted. It has been read by Director Twining and by other men who have access to the records in his office. But it has not been made public "because it must be submitted first to the Mayor."

ENGLAND'S CANDOR

BOTH Sir Edward Carson's statement to the Commons on the submarine situation and Lloyd George's speech of warning about ship shortage are remarkable for their grim candor. The British public is frankly told that the U-boat peril is by no means past and that disaster is certain if the greatest sacrifices and efforts are not made at once.

The German Government, which goes in for national psychology (and usually gets it wrong), will find nothing in these confessions by its most hated enemy to gloat over. It sent Zepplins with the foolish notion that the English would be terrorized, and has now stopped sending them after it found that the English were taking them as interesting fireworks.

ROSTAND TALKS OF THE GREAT WAR

Stayed Away From America on Roosevelt's Advice—Wrote a "Song of the Stars" for Us

By HENRI BAZIN
Special Correspondent of the Evening Ledger in France.

IN THE salon of his home, 4 Avenue de la Bourdonnais, seated close to a grand piano upon whose open keys a great lamp of Chinese blue porcelain sheds a soft light, I spent an intimate hour this evening with Edmond Rostand of France.

Most great artists are assimilated in the public mind, consciously or unconsciously, with a single work, the chef d'oeuvre of a distinguished career. M. Rostand is a poet whose fame as a dramatist and dramatic writer is safely anchored among a mass of work of distinctively high quality, upon three chefs d'oeuvre. He is perhaps one of two or three living French artists whose name is a sufficient international guarantee of his undying fame.

"One of the regrets of my life," he said, "is that I have not yet visited the United States, where, with the single exception of France, my work has had its most appreciative understanding and intelligent stage portrayal. It is a regret I hope to eradicate from my memory after the war is over. As a matter of fact, I was willing to leave in 1915, and had begun to make arrangements for it, when the war broke out. I would not be willing to appear before the American public in a poetical or literary capacity. The war is the all-absorbing thing, and I have no time for background, since it is a contest between humanity's highest ideals and the lowest and most selfish."

THE VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

Provost Smith's Appeal for State Aid—Mr. Fall's Lost Pacifism

MR. FALL'S LOST PACIFISM
To the Editor of the Evening Ledger:
Six—Here in West Philadelphia in the University of Pennsylvania we have an enrollment of more than 9000 students and a teaching staff of about 700, making a total population of 10,000 people on the west bank of the Schuylkill, veritably a little city within the great Philadelphia. This student body comes from every county in this State and every State in the Union, as well as from foreign countries.

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SOME RUSSIAN MUSIC

Not-Too-Soulful Program Played Finely by the Orchestra
They routed the foes of Russia at the Academy yesterday afternoon—not Boches nor Turks, but the critical gentry who associate all Slavic music with the wailing of a cello stood out with particular clarity. The harps were touched to lovely issues. Indeed, the whole band gave itself to its agreeable task with more address and spirit than it had displayed just before its recent trip. The breath of New England was, or seemed to be, still in its lungs.

Coldest at El Paso

R. R. H., JR.—The lowest temperature so far this winter at El Paso, Tex., was 17 degrees above zero, December 9, 1916, according to the El Paso office of the Weather Bureau. No doubt the mean upon which was situated Camp Stewart, the Pennsylvania National Guard encampment, experienced colder weather, for it is at a greater altitude than El Paso.

Answer to Yesterday's Puzzle

SINCE the uncle paid \$1200 for a third interest, the entire business was worth \$3600. Of this, young man (1500) and senior (1200)—1 1/2 times as much, Senior took \$800 of Uncle Dombey's contribution and Junior \$400. Then the three interests were equal.

CRACK-THE-WHIP



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.

Tom Daly's Column

THE VILLAGE POET
Whenever it's a Saturday, wife gives me things to do. To help her raise her children (and me just your duty, too). So here am I on Chestnut street, when all my work is through, To find a "baby punisher" and see what noise is new.

WHAT IS WRONG WITH THIS?
There are puzzle pictures in which one is summoned to find "What is wrong with this?" Well, it turns out that while the wind is blowing the smoke north, the chimney apron strings are being blown down south, and you put your finger on that and say "Hi."