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ONE LAW JUSTIFIED AN ENTIRE SESSION AT CAPITAL

THE "million-dollar" Legislature, so described because its upkeep cost the Commonwealth that sum of money and not because its appropriations amounted to so small a sum, has been violently denounced and criticized for its slothfulness and inability to measure up to the requirements of the times. It was, however, true to type, and neither better nor worse than its predecessors of similar political origin.

SCHOOL FOR YOUNG AMERICANS

THE enactment by the Legislature of the bill providing the nautical schoolship is of major importance. The value of the seas and shipping to the world has been demonstrated during the present war in a spectacular way.

PIANO TO BANDWAGON

"BEATING the ivory" doesn't hold a candle to beating the Germans. This is pianist Percy Grainger's evident opinion as, getting a haircut and an oboe, he enlists in the Fifteenth Coast Artillery Band.

his example to the profit of both themselves and their public. Many a near "artist" of the long-haired Bunthorne type could find a swift cure for his soul-sickness by putting his share of a war march on a big bass tuba.

"Other times, other customs" is being dramatically emphasized these days. Sir James M. Barrie exemplified its truth some years ago in a play wherein a corpulent financial magnate was supposed to be wrecked on an isolated tropical isle.

OUR VETERANS GET READY

WE NEED not be surprised if the American contingent which has arrived in France is heard from at the front in a very short time. It will be heard from, too, to the greater glory of the nation, we have no doubt, seeing that these bronzed veterans have had more real action and better training than any force put into the field in Europe in August, 1914.

SHELLS KILL A NEWSPAPER

I HAVE had an interview in Paris with M. Claude Hulley, editor and owner of the Courrier de la Champagne of Rheims, the oldest and most important newspaper in the cathedral city. It has just ceased publication; to be exact, on May 10. At an early hour of the morning, long before daylight, a German 230 shell struck full upon the building and blew it, hand press and all, to kingdom come.

Tom Daly's Column

JOHN B. SOLILOQUIZES They've had their (hic), their parley, An' sure as (hic) you're born, They've hit me in the barley, As well as (hic) the corn.

FALL AND RISE OF SARRAIL

FRENCH General in Command in Balkans Has Had Many Ups and Downs By W. R. MURPHY GENERAL LOUIS SARRAIL is the big figure looming over the Balkans. Press dispatches from Macedonia and Greece announce that the spring drive in the cockpit of Europe has entered its opening phase.

THE RHEIMS COURRIER DE LA CHAMPAGNE DEMOLISHED BY THE BOCHE, WHILE THE CATHEDRAL STANDS

"The Courrier de la Champagne," said M. Hulley, "has recorded daily the number of shells that have exploded in our city since September, 1914; recorded it faithfully, and flashed the news to every paper in France while it had a telegraphic service."

THE BUTT O' THE LOAFERS

Oh! they needn't be so sly, All them lads when I pass by, Wid their skinkin' o' the eye

FOURTH O' JULY CELEST

Now, said hat, we're worn an' sick, But tis joy to think, sly, That you never held a brick—

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WHAT DO YOU KNOW?

- 1. Who is the general directly in command of the American troops just arrived in France? 2. Who was the official spokesman of Italy? 3. What is the "Old Fritz," recently allowed to be the Kaiser as now dwelling in Elysiun Fields and supposedly decorated with the performance of a French Bayreuth triumph? 4. What are the two great rivers of Mesopotamia? 5. What is the area of Pennsylvania? 6. On what day was the independence resolution actually passed by the Continental Congress? 7. What was the ancient name of Paris? 8. Who was "Old Fritz"? 9. What great English statesman said, "The people never give up their liberties but under some delusion"? 10. What present King of Serbia is Peter I.?

THE X Y Z CASE

I DESIRE no other inscription over my gravestone than "Here lies John Adams, who took upon himself the responsibility of the peace with France in 1800."

Some local pride. Speaking of "local pride," the house organ of a Detroit automobile concern prints a picture of the intersection of State street and Woodward avenue, Detroit, and labels it "One of the busiest corners in the world."

NATIONAL POINT OF VIEW

One war at a time, as Lincoln said. Probation can be settled later—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

HOW CAN I SERVE?

By Norman Hester of the Victorians There are strange ways of serving God, You sweep a room or turn a sod, And suddenly to your surprise You hear the whirr of seraphim

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WHEN LINCOLN'S GHOST WALKS

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WE MUST RUN OVER TO NEW YORK

Today to pay our respects to the American Press Humorists, who are in convention there, and to break the ear of the naughty young World reporter who reported us as having run away for a day's outing in Sleepy Hollow Cemetery.

WHAT YOU CAN DO WITH A PEN

John D. Rockefeller would do a check for \$5,000,000. Some day that will be forgotten; it was only a small thing for him. But you can write a line with a pen and make somebody happy or break a human heart.

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