

ONE STREET CLEANING CONTRACT THE PEOPLE WILL HANDLE

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LET US GET DOWN TO BUSINESS

WE VIOLATE no secret when we say that a factor in the selection of Hog Island as the site for the largest ship fabricating plant in the world was the fact that it was outside the city limits of Philadelphia, and therefore not subject to the harassments of local politicians and gangsters.

The chief engineer of a huge plant now in process of construction within the last few days threw up his hands in horror. "Good heavens!" he exclaimed, "but what are we ever to do if that crowd of cut-throats and highwaymen get after us? We expect to work on a small margin of profit anyhow, and if that bunch start demanding graft we'll be left in a predicament sure enough."

There are sections of the city in which the value of property has decreased, with corresponding municipal losses from taxation, for no other reason than that the police protection paid for by the taxpayers is no protection at all, except for law-breakers and the beneficiaries of gang favoritism.

Government is a business proposition. We do not mean by this that government is simply a corporation, to be administered efficiently as is any other successful corporation.

they fire a shell or a bomb into the German lines. In this fight all service ranks the same.

THE SERPENT STRUCK

AS AN instigator and fomentor of dissension and conspiracy, the former Ambassador from Berlin appears to have measured up to the best standards of kultur. Bolo Pacha was one of his instruments. There were others, and the American Secret Service probably has their names.

With revelations of intrigue almost daily given out, utterly damning in their detailed accuracy, ordinary men begin to wonder at the restraints of fiction. These things might have happened in the days of Nero, but who dreamed that they could be occurring all about us in this era? Millions for the propagation of pacifism, millions for subsidizing diplomatic privileges, hospitality outraged and secret war waged against a friendly country!

FOOLISH QUESTION NUMBER 2

THE latest foolish question is, "Why doesn't Mayor Smith kick Director Wilson out of office?" The answer is, of course, that Director Wilson had a good deal to do with putting Mr. Smith in office.

THE SECOND MARNE

THE short patch of Belgian coast line, which is Haig's objective in his present drive, is German soil, as the German mind views the war. It is that coast, at England's gateway, which Germany feels she must have to be "safe" in the future.

NAME OF THE PARTY

DOWN MEETING PARTY" may not be the best name imaginable, but names are not going to count much in November. With such a cause as the independence of government as they have to fight against, any name or none at all would be satisfactory.

READING FOR THE SOLDIERS

The list of books sent to our soldiers shows a preponderance of military and adventurous literature. Naturally, this would be the first preference by young men still absorbed in the novelty of warfare, and still comparatively ignorant of its horrors.

"DANDIES" MAKE SNAPPY FIGHTERS

Neatness is One of the First Rules a Soldier Must Learn

BEFORE he went into the army he never took care of his clothes. His trousers were never clean, his necktie did not stay straight, and his hat was a new suit. He was clean enough, but he didn't look clean, somehow.

It is well known that the neater the enlisted man is, the more his military qualities appear. The same applies to his personal cleanliness, his uniform, not to mention his leggings, shoes and other paraphernalia.

The same is true of officers. For years officers of the regular army have had a reputation for their "neatness," including men reported to be among the best in the service.

The Recruit's First Lesson

Such officers practice what they preach. They are required to insist that their men be neat and spick-and-span, and it is up to them to give the example.

THE ITALIANS OF PHILADELPHIA

THE ITALIANS of Philadelphia had their mass-meeting last night, to protest against the political and social, which have long afflicted the section called "Little Italy."

Saving Shoe Leather

The keeping of shoes clean and shined not only improves the appearance of the soldier, but saves the leather as well. The same rule applies to the soldier himself.

KING FOR A DAY

Who, does this busy street in glittering pomp and pride, With tramp of horse's feet Comes in such state to ride?

Tom Daly's Column

WHAT THE FARMER SAW

John D. Rockefeller, he Seemed as pleased as pleased could be. Seen him stop, stoop down an' pass Long lean fingers through the grass,

UNCLE SAM SLOW TO AWARD MEDALS

Congress Asked to Provide Recognition of Heroism—Trade School for Girls

TO THE Editor of the Evening Ledger: Sir—Your interest in education prompts me to send the announcement of the Philadelphia Trade School for Girls, which since June, 1917, has been operating under the Philadelphia school mobilization committee.

What Do You Know?

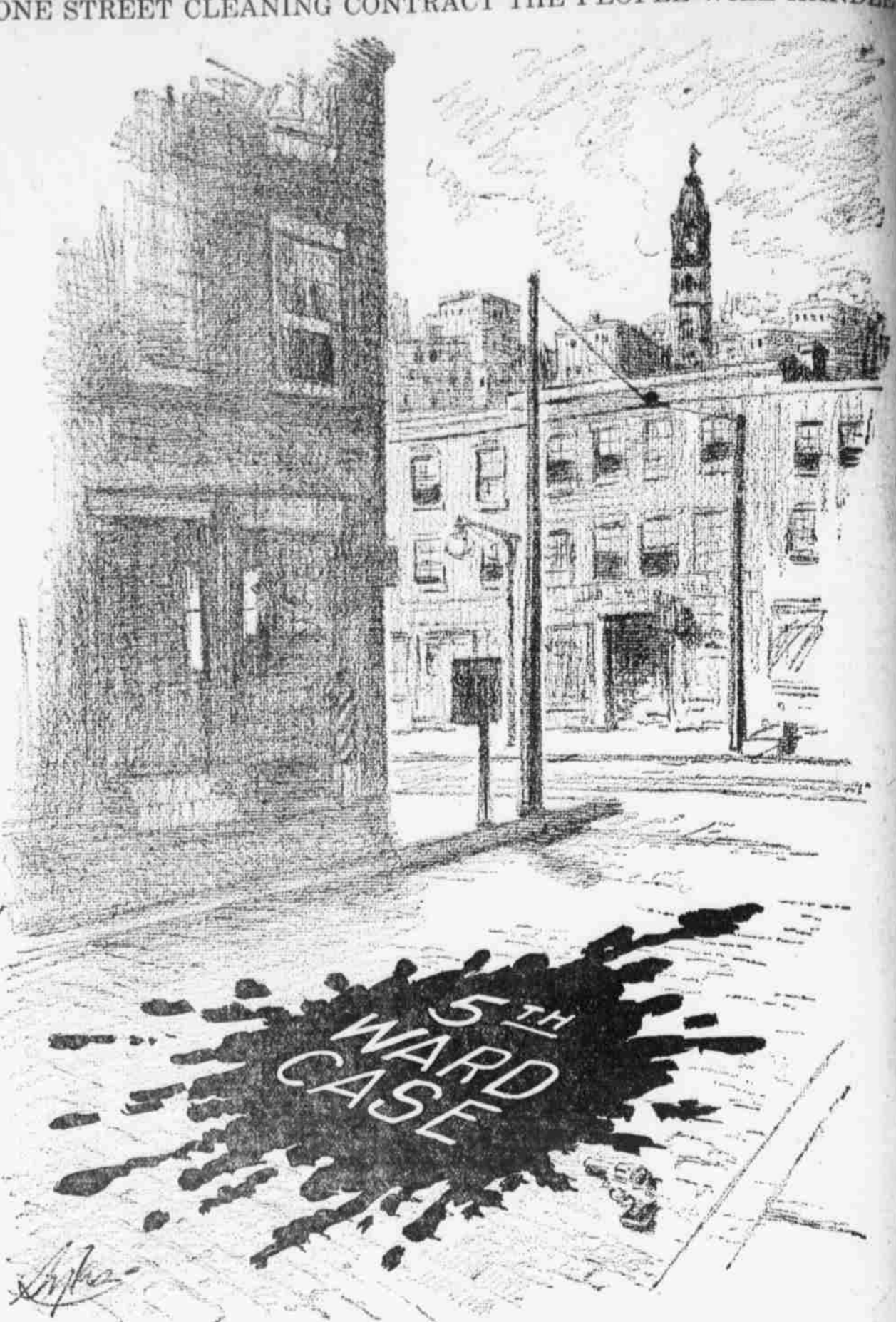
QUIZ 1. Who is Vincent Lombardi? 2. What was the origin of the saying "We'll all hang together"? 3. About when did the automobile come into use?

GERMANY'S LOSSES

Germany cannot win. Though false at first at the beginning, her declaration that now she fights defensively is true, and will so continue to the end.

SENATORIAL REPORTE

Senator Penrose and La Follette were walking down Pennsylvania avenue arm in arm when suddenly La Follette said: "Did you see that, Penrose?"



Advertisement for the Philadelphia Trade School for Girls, detailing its purpose, curriculum, and the need for trained workers in the war effort.