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PENNYPACKER AUTOBIOGRAPHY

The Organization of Patriotic Societies, Changes on the Bench and a Trip to Cuba Made the Early '90s Active Years for Mr. Pennypacker

readjusting the personnel of his staff. General Goethals becomes acting Quartermaster General—all officers are in the "acting" class, or virtually should be, holding their posts only because no better man can be found. War is no respecter of persons or of reputations.

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It is a help to popular Government the world over when the people of a city elect a man of the character of Andrew J. Peters. By so doing decisively they serve notice upon all the other cities of the country that honest men are still to be found in public office.

HUNS CORRUPTING THE TURK

THE Turk has usually been considered a barbaric, primitively cruel, lacking in ideals of civilization. He has been labeled "unspeakable." From the record one might have thought the Turks had reached the maximum of intolerance, rapacity and brutality.

BEHIND THE TIMES

WE THOUGHT we had passed the sedition stage long ago until the little group of willful college boys across the river put out their short-lived journal. Since the days of sedition we have had the "make-the-rich-pay-for-their-war" campaign and the "make-the-Allies-define-their-aims" campaign.

NAILING ANOTHER LIE!

WHEN you hear a German lie, nail it on the spot! General Nicholson is in command at Camp Meade, and there were brought to his attention stories of shortages in overcoats and heavy underwear. The General did not have much to say, but he said enough.

MORE COURT INCIDENTS

Judge Jenkins, being a Democrat, only remained on the bench for a year, and following the next election was succeeded by Mayer Sulzberger, a Republican. Sulzberger was a Jew, born up the Rhine in Germany, and holds high rank among his people over the world, being learned in letters and of strong influence.

A BABY BOND, LIKE ALL OTHER BABIES, WILL GROW.

The pacifists want to stop the war; fighting democracy wants to end it. Maybe the etymology of Bolshevik can be related to the "brkheesh" of Prussian gold.

IT DOES NOT MATTER MUCH WHETHER THE FORMER CZAR HAS ESCAPED OR NOT. THE BIG QUESTION IS, CAN RUSSIA ESCAPE?

The Government is not asking children to finance the war. Let them have at least this Christmas as usual. The slayer of Eppley came here to vote and not to kill, and the Fifth Ward shooting was only an accident, he tells the jury.

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The installments of Governor Pennypacker's "Autobiography of a Pennsylvanian" temporarily will appear on the editorial page of the Evening Public Ledger.

CHAPTER IX—CONTINUED

ABOUT this period began the organization of patriotic societies, as they are called, composed of the descendants of those who participated in events of consequence in American history.

A TRIP TO CUBA

In 1894 my daughter Josephine and I made a trip to Cuba on the fruit steamer Braganza, built on the pattern of the Alabama, and on the way saw the island of San Salvador, or Cat Island, which was the first land found in America by Columbus.

An exceedingly interesting society of this character, of which I have repeatedly been the president, is the Netherlands Society of Philadelphia, before referred to. Its membership is not so large as to be cumbersome and there is an intensity and fervor about the spirit manifested at their annual dinners on the 23d of January, the anniversary of the Convention of Utrecht in 1713, which I have found nowhere else.

MEETING PROMINENT PERSONAGES

On the 21st of November of the same year the Art Club gave a reception to Joseph Jefferson, which Mrs. Pennypacker and I attended. We found him the same genial personality on the floor which his acting indicated on the stage.

CUBAN CUSTOMS ODD

From Baracoa we went to Mata and Yumuri, two other little ports in eastern Cuba, to secure bananas. At the latter the Yumuri River flowing from the mountains empties into the sea.

WHAT DO YOU KNOW?

1. Who is the British First Lord of the Admiralty? 2. Where is Ypres? 3. What is insulin? 4. Who was Cress? 5. Name the author of "The Culprit Fay." 6. Which is the Buckeye State? 7. How is an amendment to the Federal Constitution proposed and ratified? 8. Who was called "The Father of the Constitution"? 9. What is hazy? 10. Who founded the American Red Cross?

ANSWERS TO YESTERDAY'S QUIZ

1. Charles A. Fieg, of Chicago, formerly of Philadelphia, is the newly appointed general manager of the Emergency Fleet Corporation. 2. Odessa is a large city in southern Russia, on the Black Sea. 3. California is the Golden State. 4. Apollo was the sun god in classical mythology. 5. Lenefellow wrote "Hawatha." 6. Coal is more or less completely fossilized vegetation of the carboniferous era. 7. The first medical school in the United States was established at the University of Pennsylvania in 1764. 8. Fabian Feltich: A sort of dilatory strategy meant to keep the enemy occupied, but without offer of battle. So called from the Roman general Fabius Maximus Cunctator (Delayer). 9. General Winfield Scott was called "Old Fuss and Feathers" because of his fastidiousness. 10. A filibuster is an obstructive or delaying tactic.

in the middle, worked both ways with unweary zeal, and kept it up for half an hour and perhaps longer. I sat there and blandly listened. After a while Sulzberger arose from his seat and paced to and fro behind me with his hands hidden in the folds of his gown. Presently, unable to control himself longer, he came leaning over me and whispered, "You damned hypocrite!"

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