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Philadelphia, Thursday, February 7, 1918

#### WHY MAKE UNCLE SAM THE GOAT?

THE shoulders of Uncle Sam are broad and his digestion is magnificent, but we assumed that the day had passed long ago when a Hercules was expected to hold the world on his shoulders. We view with ne alarm the hysterical calls from every uarter of the country for the United lates to step in and selze this or that industry. If there is a local sore anywhere Uncle Sam is expected to produce a poultice. He has his hands full attending to his own business just now without being equired to act the part of hero in the oneact farce entitled "Let George Do It." It is reported that commercial interests St. Louis are calling loudly on Mr. fcAdoo to seize the local trolley system and operate it. There is an insistent r in' Philadelphia also for Secretary Daniels to perform some wonder of alhemy and seize or cause to be seized the of the P. R. T. It is not Secretary Daniels's business to operate trolley lines most he could do would be to urge fr. McAdoo to act. But Mr. McAdoo is slready an Argus with his eyes in the tail of a peacock. "McAdoo about everything" may furnish a superb example of the sapacity of the human being when driven o cover, but to load more responsibility on him and burden him with the operation trolley lines might break the camel's sek. No, it would not be fair. The man is entitled to a chance and the nation uld let him have it.

We confess that we are somewhat nauented by the spectacle of inefficiency exbibited in these days by some corporations use operations are vital to the success the war. It may not be humiliating to the management of the P. R. T. that the ervice it offers is so "rotten" as seriously to impede the war preparations of the tion, but it is distinctly humiliating to Philadelphia, where the thunderbolts of de racy are forged, to have one of its ading utilities so inefficiently handled that men sincerely laboring for the nation feel justified in calling on the Government. for relief. We have no patience with the sort of patriotism that falls down on the We wonder how any persons conducting a business vital to the nation at this critical period can fail to deliver and repard the failure as a mere casual occur rence. Shame on such people, we say, for they pile the load on Uncle Sam and enfashle him in the heat of the struggle. The P. R. T. has been warned for months it counted its cash each night that a huge new population was moving into the listrict and that its equipment would be taxed to the uttermost. It had ample warning that war was inevitable. There are other companies operating trolleys which read the signs and ordered material for months and months in advance. They dered it, too, from a number of bases in order that the failure of one source of supply should not be fatal. To be caught unprepared, as the P. R. T. was, is a conion of inexcusable improvidence. It in licates, too, a laxity in municipal control that must be rectified. If the P. R. T. canot be efficient voluntarily it must be made efficient by force. It is true that the Government has been corlously considering radical action in tranit affairs, both here and elsewhere. Washngton is particularly irritated over the erable service furnished the Frankford anal and munition plants in other sec-The Philadelphia situation was der consideration long before public laint became general. It is still consideration, although we have on to believe that it has already been ed that there will be either quick lief or prompt and radical action. There not going to be much more quibbling. repeat, however, that it is an outthat Washington must give its attento affairs of this sort. We again on the local company that it volungo the limit in rectifying existing and relieve the Government of the or excuse for taking possession local lines.

northeast, and Esbly, 18 miles east. That would be similar to enemy forces at Doylestown, Valley Forge and West Chester. The French beat them back 70 miles with the help of only about 350,000 Englishmen, and now there are as many English-speaking soldiers in France as there are French. If the Germans can take Paris they could have taken Ypres. There, when they sprang their poison-gas surprise, they tore a five-mile gap, had a four-to-one numerical advantage and superiority of artillery. And yet they did not take Ypres. Their plan now seems to inflict a big casualty list on the American expeditionary force. They do not expect the American soldier to break. They expect you to break, here at home, and cry for peace. Never mind

citizen, and he has chosen the way he is

to go.

about the American soldier. He can take

care of himself. He is of age, a voting

### THE TUSCANIA

EARLY reports of appalling loss of life on the Tuscanla were succeeded. during the night by more comforting dispatches. Instead of a calamity comparable in its magnitude to the tragedy of the Lusitania, a splendid "record of efficient rescue work is shown. Nearly nine-tenths of the officers and men have been landed in freland and there is a probability of further survivors. We underwrote a costly premium of blood when we cast the die in April. We expect to pay the price without murmur or complaint. The Hun has struck a blow which will cause our people to clench their teeth and tighten their armor. This is the sort of warfare that forced us into war and it is the kind of warfare that will keep us there until the Hun drops to his knees.

#### CONTROVERSY WITH MR. "DAVE" LANE

WE PUBLISH elsewhere an interview with Mr. "Dave" Lane, who is irritated by an editorial which recently appeared in this newspaper. The object of that editorial was not particularly to demand the overthrow of present Republican leaders. as Mr. Lane imagines, but to point out to business men everywhere that Repubicanism is a system of economics, not imply a maze of theories, and that it is essential to the well-being of the nation. that, in the great trade revival after the war, new policies should be formulated in accordance with Republican principles and ot Democratic theories.

It is apparent to the casual observer that there will be a grand assault on the Republican party in this State next fall. We wished to emphasize, and we emphasize now, the fact that in the approaching crucial struggle the business men of Pennsylvania must see to it that they go to battle under a leader equipped to vindicate the principles of the party and assure their triumph.

#### MAN THE SHIPYARDS

CHARLES PIEZ, general manager of the Emergency Fleet Corporation, yesterday issued a statement that does much to clarify a situation heretofore extremely obscure. We quote:

The Shipping Board now has 716 ship The Shipping Board now has 716 ship-ways; 302 are for wooden ships and 411 are for steel construction. The yards in which they are established are only work-ing one eight-hour shift per day, six days a week. This is monstrous. If we are to keep ahead of the submarine we must run three shifts ner day. fifty-two wasts is shifts per day, fifty-two weeks in the year.

We can multiply the shipbuilding capac ity of the nation by three immediately by obtaining the necessary labor. We can put ships now on the ways into the water in one-third of schedule time if the labor can be got. Mr. Piez asks for 250,000 volunte workmen, at a standard and high wage. The emergency is great, the opportunity for patriotic service is still greater, and no man who can perform any of the tasks required should hesitate to offer himself. Man the shipyards.

### INCIDENTS IN A GOVERNOR'S LIFE

Pehnypacker Relates How Rush of Events Produced Many Interesting Episodes

#### PENNYPACKER AUTOBIOGRAPHY-NO. 10 (Copyright, 1918, by Public Ledger Company)

NDER the influence of Durham and others an act was passed taking away from the Mayor the appointment of certain heads of departments and vesting it in the City Councils. It is extremely unlikely that Durham 200 acted out of regard for the principles of government, and altogether probable that he was trying to get ahead of Weaver and to provide against like conduct on the part of future Mayors. The newspapers of the city, equally impervious to any considera-

tion of what would be for the benefit of the municipality, were against anything the organization wanted or tried to do, and, therefore, with great violence opposed the measure. They called it vile names and made ugly pletures. They assumed that I would yeto the bill. They argued that my integrity and my zeal for the welfare of the community and all my well-known great virtues left no other course open. Delegations of lawyers, preachers and citizens came to Harrisburg and argued the matter before me. 1 wrote an opinion and, resting on the ground that it involved a matter of govornmental policy, that the bill had been passed by a majority of over two-thirds of the members of the Legis lature, more than enough to aveccome the veto of the Governor, that the representatives from Philadelphia had so voted, and

that it was in line with the domocratic ten dencies of the time, I signed the bill. Incl. dentally it may be added that, except in cases of exceptional fitness, no man bern abroad, like John Weaver or Rudolph Blankenburg, ought to be elected Mayor of Philadelphia, for the reason that, baving no part in her traditions; he cannot he in sympathy with the asnirations and thought of her people. He would be continually trying to make her imitate Hamburg or some other minor European town which he has abandoned, criticizing the ways which made her famous, sending the Liberty Bell to be exhibited along with fat cattle at

State fairs, and doing similar antics which would show his mistit.

Republican Convention On the 26th of April the Republi can convention met and nominated J. Lee

Plummer for State Treasurer and Charles E. Rice, James A. Beaver and George B. Orlady for Judges of the Superior Court. One of the resolutions set forth: The Intense Pennsylvanianism of Gov.

error Samuel W. Pennypacker, the ring-ged honesty of his administration and the independence, fearlessness, wisdom and watchful care with which he has executed the laws, safeguarding in every possible way all the interests of this Com-monwealth, command our admiration and respect.

At 2 o'clock on the morning of May 11 we were aroused by a call on the telephone for help. At Paxtang a freight train on the Pennsylvania Railroad met with an ac cident, the result of which was that one or two of the cars fell on the westbound track. Just then the express passenger train going westward came along, struck these cars and exploded a lot of dynamite on the freight train. It was a remarkable combination of fortuitous events. About twenty persons were killed and about a hundred injured. On one of the sleep ers were James R. Tindle and his wife, the daughter of Senator Knox, who were both somewhat cut with glass. She is a

little woman, but she showed her breeding and at once took command of the situation. She walked in her night dress and bare feet a mile along the track to Steelton and there suggested calling me up Bromley Wharton wen

#### PASSING THE BUCK IN WASHINGTON

**Responsibility for Lack of Airship** Timber Shifted by Officials. Where the Fault Lies

> By OSWALD WEST Pormer Gove WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.

THE aviation feature of America's war program will fall flat unless the aircraft production board adopts vasily improved methods from those it has been pursuing to obtain spruce timber from the forests of Ore-gon and Washington.

Spruce is almost as essential to the pro-duction of airplanes as the motor. It is used in all the parts of an airplane where wood is meeded because it is light and pil-able and does not shatter when hit by a builts. bullet.

Only an average of 2,000,000 feet a month have been produced from the Oregon forests an compared with the estimates of the air-craft heard that 12,000,000 feet a month were needed to heep make with the air-bin production program.

The maximum production has not been obtained because of red tape in Washington and the failure to place on the alrecast pro-duction board a man to have charge of the spruce situation who was a practical west-ern lumberman. The fault at the bottom of this whole

attuation in that the alternation of this whole attuation in that the alternation of the second did not understand the situation it was up against to obtain so much spruce. They though it was just a problem of ordering stuff, foot-ing the bill and receiving the spruce split, its obtained at the second second second second second second of the second second second second second second second of the second Ing the bill and receiving the aprace quickly. Obtaining aprace satisfies to go into air-planer is a geganite task. Sprace is one of our scatterist timbers. There is more of it in the forests of Oregon and Washington than anywhere else. But in the root favor-able locations the growth of sprace is only about 16 per cent of the total and law than 10 per cent of what is carried to the mill, or about 1 per cent of all the tunker, is suf-able for airmanes. ble for airriganes.

Colonel Disque, a retired army officer, was but in charge of the production in Oregon, and George W. Long, the manager of the Weyerhauser Timber Company, the biggest inber concern in the world, was put in Washington to have supervision over Disque, if Long had given Disque the proper co-operation all would have been different. But Long did not know the logging game in Oregon and Washington, and did not give the proper attention to recommendations and requests made by Colonel Disque, and that was where production was curtailed. I came to Washington the first time about

January 1 for the purpose of bringing these conditions to the attention of the aircraft board, but the people here were too busy to take the matter seriously. They have been se wrouped up in the development of the Liberty motor that everything size has been but side of not right of.

I came back here again a few days ago to call the attention of the alternal board to the seriousness of the situation. I have boped that my criticism would be helpful Instead of putting jumbermen of the board they hired furniture men and cantern timber men totally unfamiliar with the spruce situ

Mr. Long has been dropped from the aircraft production board and Colonel Disque has been given a free hand. I believe the duration will now materially imprave, When I came here to call the attention of be Covernment to the serious situation in by State I went to Secretary Baker and all the way down the line to the elevator boy, but found nobody who would admit where the authority existed, and I have not found inybody yet who will admit he is responsi de for this situation.

As a general rule the members of the air-craft production board are a lot of bright, sincere, patriotic and hard-working men who are doing the very best they can. The mistake was in not putting a western lum Their erman in charge of getting out the sprice, f they had they might have gotten their stimate of 12,000,000 feet a month instead of 2,000,000 feet. If they will give Colonei Disque the funds

and authority and cut the string on him from this end he will come year to getting the stuff out.

Since the fault with their system has been arought forcibly to their attention the air-raft board has cut the strings and red tape from Disque.

Another change that will help materially is that it has been arranged to mill the tim-ber in the west and bring east only finished parts. Heretofore only an average of 16 per cent of the lumber sent east was used on the airplanes. If the aircraft board will eliminate the red tape from this end and go about the job properly, the Gregon and Washington humbermen will bring the spruce out of the forests in ample quanti-

ARMY SLANG

# "BUT THEY SHALL PAY AS IF THEY WERE TEN THOUSAND!"



#### "WOMEN SMOKERS DISGRACE TO SEX"

#### Scene in Hotel Denounced-Postoffice Here Not to Employ Women Mail-Carriers

To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger: Sir-The writer was one of a number who dined at one of the largest hotels in the city last Thursday afternoon after listening to a recital given in the Academy of Music by Jascha Helfetz. Scated at one of the tables n the ladies' grill room were three women moking cigarettes with all the sangfroid of typical men of the world They were

the regulation knaki uniform of the U.S. , and seemed perfectly oblivious to the lances of disapproval that were cast in A. and A. and seemed perfectly oblivious to the glances of disapproval that were east in their direction by other guests in the room. When 1 voiced my surprise and disgust at such unladylike proceedings, my hostess hastened to assure me that sile had never seen anything of the kind before at this hotel. She said she frequently lunched there with her husband. "At night, when the gay set are in evidence, such a sight may be viewed," she said, thut it rarely occurs at 6 p. m."

to work. I saw a line-a long line-of kiddies and their dads and moins, all yank-ing sleds behind them or pushing baby car-riages and wheelbarrows. I didn't ask them lages and wheelbarrows. I didn't ask them chither they were bound. I knew. That there was a car of coal just ahead was as evident to me as it was that a P. R. T. re-frigerator hadn't creaked by in forty-five minutes. And I knew that those youngeters and their elders would pounce on that coal and -steal, friend Samuel called it yesterday -take enough of the precious anthracite to keep their little two-story homes warm for another twenty-four hours. And I wished I had the time to go with them and st-ake

my share. Of course, if one's cellar is loaded to the joists with coal one doesn't need to how cold it may happen to be and care one can call it stealing if one wishes, But, take it from me, Steve, if the bandit

barons that run the coal yards won't take my money and give me my share. Samuel and his plate friends can holler "Stop thief" all they wish, but I'm going to see to it that my kiddles keep warm. And they are warm today, for 1 got mine last night. HARRY SHANER. Philadelphia. February 6.

## SCHUYLKILL DAM PROJECT

to the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger Sir-In connection with the proposed new So nowadays the man prefers dam in the Schuylkill River to provide a To make his love by mail. supply of water for the city, the city engi neers seem to think it would be necessary to have a supplementary steam plant to gen-erate power during the period of low water All lovers now use Valentines For paying their respects Which are of many choice designs For use of both the sects. TOM DALY. in the river, a period extending over about three months every summer. Would it not be a saving to the city to build the hydroelectric plant even if it could be operated for only nine months of the year and to buy the power for the other three

Little Polly's Pome VALENTINES

That Spring is now at hand.

For it is in the Spring you know A young man's fancy turns To thoughts of love and tries to show How his devotion burns.

Once on a time when nights were still A man would seek his maid And stand beneath her windowsill And sing a serenade.

It must have sounded soft and sweet Beneath the moon and stars But now at night the noisy street Is full of trolley cars.

And she would have an awful time To sit up there aloft And hear her lover sing his rhyme In accents mild and soft.

And there might be more ears th To hark his tender tale

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It is the time when Valentines Are greatly in demand And also they're the surest signs

#### ING TO BREAK OUR SPIRIT

NBURG boasts that he will ge ris by April. What if he did? Id not and the war. The Gery got to Paris at the be-

### TEN TO FOUR ON THE GODDESS

THE great goddess who will rise in front of City Hall inviting us to drive Liberty spikes into the base of her statue differs from the gigantic wooden Hindenburg in Berlin in this respect, that the money she will take in will be worth 100 cents to the dollar, while the wooden god into which the Berliners drive their slavery spikes gets money worth about forty cents on the dollar, so low has the value of the German mark fallen. Our goddess pays 4 per cent The German god has only four chances in ten of paying back so much as the capital invested in him.

Anyhow, we are not likely to have a harder winter.

In boasting about Paris Mr. Hindenburg may he thinking of Rome.

The war may have developed no great poet, but it has certainly brought forth some great liars.

If the President will not have a War Cabinet maybe he can be persuaded to have a Cabinet during the war.

According to Mr. West, who comes from Oregon and ought to know, if we expect to have airships we must "spruce up."

We do not doubt that the Germans will make a serious test of the quality of the American troops. The American troops are willing.

Whoever invented the use of the word "super" did the Kaiser a great service. There are actually numbers of good Ameri cans who believe all this super stuff.

The tragedy of this city's coal muddle is obscured because few are interested in mortality statistics. But our death rate of 22.7 against Chicago's 13 and New York's 15.8 tells the story.

We have faith in American inventors Signs of their work are beginning to appear Some of us remember that a few thousand workmen were asked for months ago "to be nterned for secret work."

The Vares appear to have thought better it and decided not to oppose J. Hampton pore for re-election. It would be wise, on a whole, to let the city have at least one ve with a sellonel point of view.

for the Tindles in an automobile, brought them to the mansion, where they were put to bed and treated, and there they remained for a day or two. The Senator, coming on from Washington, found that they had not been seriously injured.

On my suggestion the Legislature appropriated \$39,000 for the purpose of crecting an equestrian statue of Anthony Wayne

at Valley Forge. The commission appointed consisted of Richard M. Cadwalader, president of the Pennsylvania Society Sons of the Revolution: John Armstrong Herman, great-grandson of General John Armstrong, and Colonel John P. Nicholson, the authority on the nistory of the War of the Rebellion. The sculptor selected was H. K. Bush-Brown. I myself went to his studio at Newburgh-on-the-Hudson to examine the statue and rejected the first model because the General was represented with his eyes turned to the ground. I wanted him looking toward the enemy on the front, with nothing to indicate excitement or to lessen the recognition of the seriousness and thoughtfulness of his character. The statue in bronze was later placed on the outer line at Valley Forge. where the Pennsylvania troops stood, and it faces toward the position of the British in Philadelphia. It is regarded as an unusual artistic success, and is the first recognition ever given the great soldier by the State.

#### Death of Judge Dean

Justice John Dean, of the Supreme Court, having died, I. on the 8th of June, appointed Judge John Stewart, of Chambersburg, to fill the vacancy. I had had many associations with Stewart-a slender, vigorous and eloquent Scotch-Irishman, and only a month before we met at Middle Spring, near Shippensburg, where a monument was dedicated and he delivered the oration. He has proved to be a useful memher of our highest court. It is only just to Senator Penrose to say that he was not only satisfied with the selection but nimself suggested that it be made. Sunday, June 11, I made an address at

Manheim, in Lancaster County, on the occasion of the presentation of the red rose which had been reserved as the rental for the land given by Baron Stiegel to the church. It is rather an impressive and idealistic ceremony, attracting always much attention. Miss Boyer, one of the tescendants of Stiegel, presented to me a large glass goblet made by him which she had inherited.

Tomorrow Governor Pennypacker tells of his fight with Israel W. Durham over the State In-surance Department.

NUTTY: OR TWO BLOCKS OFF is were not so busy with more h it might be interesting to look the man asked Chestaut, who suices as Fillert street the site

The following vocabulary of army slang as been compiled by The Wadsworth Gas Attack and Rio Grande Rattler Beans-The commissary sergeant Bean-Shooter-A commissar Black-Strap-Liquid coffee, sary officer Blind-Septenced by court-martial to forelture of pay without confinement, Bob-Tail-A dishonorable discharge or a ischarge without honor. Bone—To study: or, a mistake. Bootlick—To flatter. Bow-Legs-Cavalryman. Buck-Private--A term sometimes used in eferring to a private. Bucking for Orderly—Giving clothing and accouterments extra cleaning so as to com pete for orderly Bunkle-A soldier who shares the shelte comrade. ist-To reduce a noncommissioned off Bust er to the grade of private. Butcher-The company barber, Canned Horse-Canned beef, Chief-Name by which the chief musician of the band is usually called by the enlisted Cit-A civillan Citx-Civillan clothes. C. O.-Commanding officer. Coffee Cooler-tine who seeks a "soft" detail. Crawi-To admonish Crawi--To admonish, Doughoy-Infantryman, Duff-Any sweet edible. Fogy--Ten per cent increase of officer's ay for each five "years" service. Found--To be deficient or wanting in any-

thing, especially an exam. Gold Fish-Salmon. Goat-Junior officer in post, regiment, sic. Goats-Awkward, Ignorant, eginerit, etc. Goats-Awkward, Ignorant, Guard House Lawyer-A soldier with a smattering knowledge of regulations and military law; quite loquacious and liberal with advice and counsel to men in the guard-house or other trouble. Hive-To discover, to catch. Hoho-The provost sergeant. Holy Joe-The chaptain. I. C.-Is condemned by an inspector. Jaw-Bone-Credit (to get things on "jaw sone," to buy things on credit). Jump-To admonish. Major-Name by which the sergeant ma-or is usually called by the enlisted men. Mule Skinner-A teamster. G. D.-Officer of the day; or, olive drab.

On Official Terms-Not to be on speaking except officially.

#### A VALENTINE FOR HINDY

denburg says he will be in Paris by April. Hindy, of the armored fist !

May the humble colyumist Tell you of our proud design? We will be your Valentine!

For you, Hindy, we'll concoct Rhymes such as our teacher shocked, When she found them on her desk, Vulgar, pointed and grotesque.

Like those coarse and common jeers, ntines of boyish years, We will tell you, you Big Thug. When to Shut Your Ugly Mug!

And Paris? Well, when we get at you We will nail upon your statue This for you and Bill, your tool: Hindy, Hindy, April Fool! FUROE AMERICANUE

At a table directly opposite the trio sat a little Jananese girl about five years of age. The child was watching the women closely as they blew circles of smoke in the air. The almond-shaped eves were opened wide in wonder and we could easily imagine that questions like these were fitting through the childish mind: "If they are men, why do they cat with hats on?" and "If they are women, why do they smoke?" We are obliged to suffer the antics of a

certain class of women who think it is smart to copy the vices of the opposite sex, but all normal, right-minded persons think that such actions are undignified, disgusting and absolutely unwomanly. Henrik Ibsen says, "We are waiting for the spiritual emancipation of women in the world, as no country can rise above the standard of its women." When omen lower the moral standards of the race ts degeneration is inevitable

its degeneration is inevitable, "Women who smoke cigarettes are a dis-grace to their sex," said a gentleman recently, and he does not stand alone as he voices this opinion; it is the one held by the solid, re-

and he does not reach and the totes the optimion; it is the one held by the solid, re-spectable clitizen the country over. A woman who values the respect of her husband or son must not induke in this offen-sive habit, which is becoming, of fate years, all too prevalent, and which will mar the perfections of American womanhood in the cyes of a sneeringly critical world. We may differ in opinion as to the pro-priety of public cligarcite-smoking by our womankind, but there can be only one senti-ment in regard to the proper use of the uni-form. No matter what the wearers of it may be inclined to do when in private, in public, at least, it should not be put to shame by improper word or deed, and the dubious act is an affront no less than the more flagrant an affront no less than the more flagrant deed or the open insult.

JULIA P. HAZARD, Swarthmofe, Pa., February 5.

#### NO WOMEN MAIL CARRIERS

To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger: To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger: Sir—A persistent but unfounded report has been circulated by the Philadelphia newspapers that women will be employed as carriers by the postmaster of Philadel-phia. The source of this rumor is not known, but in spite of repeated denials by the postoffice authorities and by this office, it persists in finding its way into newspaper columns, possibly on account of its sensa-tional news value.

columns, possibly on account of its sensa-tional news value. An examination to secure eligibles for the positions of clerk and carrier in the Philadelphia postoffice has been announced to be held on March 9. Both men and women who comply with the requirements will be admitted. In the announcement issued by this office it is plainly stated that women ap-plicants are only desired for the position

It has not been necessary up to this time It has not been necessary up to this time to resort to women mail carriers in the city of Philadelphia, nor is such action, to my knowledge, contemplated at present. District Secretary. Third United States Civil Service District. Philadelphis, February 5.

#### ST-AKING COAL

#### To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger:

Sir-While walking near South street bridge yesterday. In broad daylight, walking to keep warm and hoping the while one of the several P. R. T. Banana line cars would she an and give me a life on my wre

I am not aware of the amount of powe sold to consumers in the city by the Philadel-phia Electric Company, but it would seem that the demand upon the electric con for power must be much greater in than in summer.

have a capacity for power great eno supply the maximum winter demand,

has more power than it has use for the elig may be able to make a deal that would pay better than building a steam plant that would be used only three months of the year FRANK I. BIRD.

### IS FRUIT ANIMAL OR MINERAL?

Sir-Will you kindly answer me in you

There are three kingdoms, animal, vege table and mineral. By the process of ex-clusion it is easy to find out to what kingdom fruit products belong .--- Editor EVENING PUBLIC LEDGER.]

If any man should call these "Friend." If he thou as kind and hall him "Bruther." We know (an old saw to amend) That "one good term deserves another."

Where'ls St. Mihlel and what brings it int the news?

2. Who is Francis T. Bowles? What was the Clayton -Bulwer Treaty?

What is the meaning of f. o. b.? Who wrote "The Deerslayer"? Identify Mark Twain.

8. Which city was called the "Mistress of th

#### 10. Name the Muse of History.

Toul is a French fortress of the first class the chain along the Alonce-Lorraine fre tier. It is fourieen miles west of Nancy. the chain along the Alsace-Lorraine from the r. It is fourteen miles west of Nancy.
On the Fahrenheit the freezing point is 32: building point is zero, builting point is zero, builting point is 32: freezing point is a canadian province direct. It is the west of Manitoba and north of Montana and North Dakota.
Coffee is the chief produce cultivasted in Brazil.
The Sudan" is a term new designating the same the Sabara Desert and the conze. and het ween the Sabara Desert of the south.
About 3.240,000 of the 4.390,000 inhabitants of Ireland are Catholies.
Coheferic Irascible: angry.
Pantascon: a five-sided figure.
Tribury: a desenate of three plays, beaks or

Post.

The ultimate consumer was permitted to make arrangements to dig his own potatoes, but unfortunate circumstances forbid his tab-ing the same course with reference to cost —Washington Star. Jerusalen, Basdad and Mecca-the three

the holy cities of falam-are all in the hands of the Allies. This is the Entents's answer to the holy war that Germany sought to for ment in the Mohammedan possession, Great Britain and France. St. Louis For

ACORNS 20 WHEN we start hunting for the sort of WHEN we start hunting for the sort of acorns we need for analysis in this little, laboratory our path runs most frequently in the direction of Girard College. The speci-men we have before us at this moment was known as "Sammy" in that institution, of which he is a worthy product. He was turned loose with the class of "s" and imme-diately landed a little job for himself in the passenger department of the Pennsylvania Railroad. He became at once an assistant to the chief. R. W. Downing, because every good office boy is an assistant to his bost, and Sammy was a good office boy. Do you remember the handle of the hig front door on Fourth street? Well, Sammy didn't polish

on Fourth street? Well, Sammy didn't polish that up, but he did his own work so well and quickly that he had time before quitting time to do a little thinking for himself. The

time to do a little thinking for himself. The result of this thinking was a determination to break into the treasury Hepartment where the money was. He applied for the job of officeboy there and got it—on a "Dutch raise." Robert W. Smith, the treasurer, offered him \$20 per month. He had been getting \$25, so he "went down to go up." For that was the important sprout of this acore, and the twig was bent in the direc-tion of success. It wasn't long before he was in charge of the dividends and the new stock allotments, and in 1902 he was sent

stock allotments, and in 1902 he was sent to London to deliver to subscribers there \$10,000,000 worth of bonds of the \$50,000,000

\$10,000,000 worth of bonds of the \$50,000,000 issue of that year. He performed that little trick acceptably and coming back settled down into the routine again. All this time he was specializing in the general invest-ment end of the railroad business and quictly storing under his hat much valuable infor-mation. This required such constant appli-cation that he is not now the expert golfer he should be, or even that he thinks he is (See handicap list. Whitemarsh Country and Cape May Golf Clubs.) It is said, upon no

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better authority than the gossip of some

his opponents on the links, that certain financiers observing him at play, in the year 1913, leaped to the conclusion that he might

be good for something else. So, ladies and gentlemen, we present Samuel J. Steam treasurer of the Fidelity Mutual Life Insur-ance Company, of this city. T. A. D.

NATIONAL POINT OF VIEW

The eastern Siberians should not be en-couraged in their demand for purchase by the United States. We have enough Sibe-rian weather already.—New York Evening

Of course, the electric company must

In the summer when the electric company

Philadelphia, February 6

# To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger:

worthy paper (if you know) whether frui products belong to the vegetable kingdom? Philadelphia, February 2. L J. C.

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What Do You Know?

QUIZ

What President was born in New Hampshire!

9. What is a clearing house?

Answers to Yesterday's Quiz