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AR OF FINANCIAL WONDERS
A cursory glance over the summary of the financial history of the year which this newspaper is printing in detail than ever before will reveal a picture of the country's financial resources.

LO, THE SHOOTERS!
I will not regret that in a year of bowing thrones and bowling Bolsheviki, the country has seen the rise of a new class of men.

GOVERNOR'S ENTORAIAGE
The staff of the Governor of Pennsylvania is hardly superior to that of the staff of a body of political amateurs.

IN DEFENSE OF THE COMICS
It is not surprising that the new Polish State is being established in the East.

THE PEACE OF A STRONG MAN ARMED
The most significant announcement regarding the attitude of the United States which has come from Paris was contained in a dispatch to this newspaper from Clinton W. Gilbert, printed on Saturday, December 27.

THE Dalmatian Question
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rights of the purchasing public to receive sixteen ounces for every pound which it pays, thirty-two ounces for every bushel and thirty-six inches for every yard.

Protection of the people against this is not really paternalism, but in essence a part of the general system of policing which seeks to punish any one who attempts to get money on false pretenses.

Men who gave the world freedom and those who endured martyrdom for the sake of humanity did their fighting decently in the open after a plain statement of their case.

Violent radicalism and anarchy, expressed actively or as a political principle, are not unnatural in parts of continental Europe.

There is nothing in America to justify any shadow of this sort of thing. Life here is not fixed in strata.

It has been a policy of the police sometimes to exaggerate the importance of any effervescent idiot who found relief in chanting red platitudes from a soap box.

This absurd stunt of the City Hall mind, its suspicion of anything it did not understand, inevitably had an effect directly opposite to that which was intended.

Soap-box orators always began with hints of police oppression and talk of the minions of "a higher power."

Freedom of speech is assured in theory under the Constitution. Freedom of speech has frequently been denied in practice to the orators for new political

doctrines. And from this starting point all the propagandists of unrest have managed to build up a spurious literature of oppression.

There are evidences to indicate that the old habits of mind have again afflicted the Philadelphia police. It appears that men who called themselves Bolsheviki wanted to make public speeches. They were not permitted.

But there seems to have been a determined refusal to let our local Bolsheviki talk. Any one with a knowledge of the Bolsheviki mind here or abroad could have told the Mayor or Director Wilson or Captain Mills that a Bolsheviki who is not permitted to talk is violently unhappy.

Therein probably is an explanation of the bomb outrages in Philadelphia.

Every flip saxonizer, in the end, an enemy of the cause which he presumes to represent. Every petty crime done in the name of liberalism is an obstacle to the further progress of liberal ideas.

Part two of the American policy will insist that the American navy equal that of the greatest power. Any agreement with England on the division of the seas will not place the American navy subordinate to any other.

We discussed this announcement at length on the following Monday, and interpreted it as an informal notice to the Peace Conference that this nation, which had gone into the war to assist in reaching justice, was one of the great powers of the world.

Nothing would so aid him in this as a natural resource. If need be, he could be supported by Congress's authorization of a big war.

Neither the President nor the Secretary of the Navy is ignoring the uncertainties of the Peace Conference.

Mr. Daniels is not speaking for the Administration when he talks in this vein. He is putting into words the hopes and purposes of self-respecting, red-blooded Americans of all political parties.

THE READER'S VIEWPOINT

Three Months' Pay for Soldiers
To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger:
Sir—In reference to Senator Chamberlain's speech in the Senate yesterday, I would suggest that if the members of Congress and together with the House of Representatives and the War and Navy Departments to pay the men released from service at least ninety days' or three months' pay, it would obviate one of the difficulties he pointed out.

Make the Sabbath a Delight
To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger:
Sir—The important point to realize is that a straw showing how the wind blows in relation to a larger question, the whole question of the modern Sunday as such; what it is, what it is for, how it should be observed, rather, why it should be observed.

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Every American wishes the new greater Serbia, which is to be a Balkan, which will absorb the territory of the Serbs in Macedonia. Mr. Daniels cannot forget the American people that the two interests of this new State were among the interests of the Balkan States.

In Defense of the Comics
To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger:
Sir—Permit me to enter a few words in defense of your funny page which came under a cruel attack recently by one of your correspondents.

Happy Land!
The new Polish State which is being established in the East, is being established in the East.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 1.
BUSINESS men and others who have been giving anxious attention to the revenue bill may be obliged to revise their estimates before the conference of the two houses get through with their work.



CONGRESSMAN MOORE'S LETTER

Real Fight Over the Revenue Bill Will Be Before the Conference Committees—How Mr. Blankenburg Backed His Faith in George W. Norris's Farm Loan Bonds—Lieut. C. G. Berwind's Rise in the Navy

Washington, D. C., Jan. 1.
of them under stress of war. Lieutenant Berwind is a son of the big coal family which figures in Newport society and among the New York financiers.

WHEN big Ted McAlpin used to tell the young newspaper boys at the old Journalists' Club that their line of work "unfitted them for methodical business," he evidently had not met with Philip S. Collins.

WHEN Mrs. Blankenburg and Harry T. Stoddard, executors of the late Rudolph Blankenburg, filed their account showing that the late Mayor had invested heavily in Liberty Bonds and had put \$25,000 in bonds of the Federal Land Bank, it was a reminder of the relations existing between the former Mayor and his Director of Wharves, Docks and Ferries, George W. Norris.

WASHINGTON hears that Harry A. Berwind's son Charles is now on the staff of the admiral in charge of the naval forces at New York.

PRETTY nice thing to have a few thousand acres to plant, farm or shoot over when you want to leave "the muddling crowd" for a couple of months, but that's about the situation with W. L. Hurley, the big Camden merchant.

1919
By Lieutenant Grantland Rice, Third Army, A. E. F.

NO FLASH from the rusting guns; No clotted crimson river runs From Flanders to Lorraine; The white year dawns above the hosts Beyond the last red flare.

How quiet now the lost trench seems. How still across the fold. Where lately through our broken dreams The mighty thunder rolled; Where through our restless, shaken sleep We heard the big shells sing.

Can it be that at last the red Has brought its final flash? Where no more out the bloody sod A bayonet shall flash?

Can it be down the world we may Wake up at last to know The soft, white dawn of some lost day We dreamed of long ago?

Today no storming vanguard leaps To leave its share of slain; At dawn no rolling thunder sweeps From Flanders to Lorraine.

One can only hope men's plans for the deportation of about three thousand enemy aliens who plotted against the United States causes us of the Hun mines that these fanatics believed to spread in peaceful waters are still floating around to do their bit when the opportunity offers.

What Do You Know?

- QUIZ
1. Who is the Assistant Secretary of the Navy who was killed for France today?
2. Who wrote the poem "Marco Bozaris"?
3. What are the meeting days for the President's cabinet?
4. What is the meaning of "in lieu of"?
5. Where is the Mont Crisis tunnel?
6. Where was Richard Kipling born?
7. What American city according to the last census contained the largest negro population?
8. What is the meaning of the Latin word "quiescent"?
9. Whence does cognac get its name?
10. Who wrote the score of the opera "Faust"?

Answers to Yesterday's Quiz

- 1. Carlisle is the English border city which President Wilson visited.
2. The mean distance between the moon and the earth is 238,855 miles.
3. Richard Lovelace was an English cavalier poet, especially noted for his "To Althea in Prison" and "To Lucasta, on leaving her to the Wars." His dates are 1618-1658.
4. Belgium means early in day, like year, etc.
5. There were fifteen stars and stripes on the flag over Fort Mifflin which inspired the Star Spangled Banner.
6. Palermo is the largest city in Sicily.
7. A linctus is a medicine with a tent-shaped shell, sticking tight to rocks.
8. Pedro Calderon de la Barca was a famous Spanish dramatist. One of his masterpieces is "Life is a Dream" (Vida es Sueño). His dates are 1600-1681.
9. Faustball appears as a character in the Shakespearean play, "The Merry Wives of Windsor" and the two parts of "King Henry IV." His death is described in "King Henry V."
10. A Jib is a triangular mast, from the center end of the jibboom to the foremast head in a square rig. From the foremast to the masthead in smaller ones.