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HOW CHILDREN ARE KILLED TT IS difficult for a small boy to resist the temptation to steal a ride on the rear of a truck when it is going his way. It is difficult for the driver of any vehicle following the truck to stop in time to keep from running over the boy when he jumps down at the end of his ride.

A large proportion of the serious accidents in the streets arise from the boys' Johnson, superintendent of mails, explains that the letter boxes are in for their spring renovation and repainting and that the old and soiled cards are to be replaced in three weeks by new ones. Nevertheless, mere mortals can't help wondering why useful and confidencepreeding guides, however shabby, had to

be removed before the substitutes were ready. But the Burlesonian empire moves in a mysterious way its blunders to perform. And perhaps, after all, the inculcation of mistrust in letter boxes accords with the policy which continues to shake public faith in the mail service itself. In all that relates to the wrong way of doing things, the present administration of the Postoffice Department is beautifully logical.

BREAD UPON THE WATERS IN FROM THE PHILIPPINES

A Timely Lesson in Foreign Policy Came With the Delegation Bearing the Fili-

pinos' Request for Independence IF THE representatives of the Philippine Legislature had made their appeal for freedom to the Peace Conference rather than in Washington yesterday they would have struck at the

place where their future destinies must actually be determined. Unless a decent peace can be -nade, the pathways of weaker peoples will remain always, as the President observes, perilous.

The incident in Washington and the promise implied in Mr. Wilson's letter. read by Secretary Baker, should recall to the conferees at Paris a vivid sense of their responsibilities. It gave the Presi-

dent an opportunity to remind the world of the nature and extent of the issues waiting decision in Pavis. It is characteristic of Mr. Wilson that the opportunity was not neglected.

The essential purpose of a league of nations is to insure the peace and safety of a people like the Filipinos. For peoples do not make war. Governments do not make war if they are left to themselves. It is the invisible forces that exist too often above governments which devise philosophies of conquest to harass and destroy helpless peoples and unexploited territory.

The present condition of life and thought in the Philippines proves that we have so far been proof against this sort of influence-the same influence that gave Europe over to ruin. The visit of

the Filipino delegation to Washington symbolizes a triumph of self-restraint and an achievement in Triendship. The nurpose of the mandatory clause in the Paris covenant is intended to elim-

inate the ancient menace to small nations. It goes to the very heart of war's causes, because, if it is properly enforced, buccaneers of promotion and thugs of diplomacy can never again drag their nations after them in wars that begin with private ambition for supremacy in

undeveloped areas of the earth. Civilization will be permitted to expand peacefully as it has expanded in the Philippine Islands. The Filipinos deserve their freedom. But it is questionable whether the United States can ever be relieved of the cost and the burden which our responsibility to them has always entailed until their future is definitely assured under the system for which the American delegates have waged an un-

equal fight at the Paris conference.

past these essential human obligations without disaster. Occasionally it appears that the reverse of the rule may be workable. So the older diplomatists used to believe. But they gave their countries at last over to flames and grief.

The Philippine Islands have not been exploited and debased. The people have been trained for twenty years or more in the duties of government. They have responded magnificently to the American approach. They have cost us a stupendous lot of money and anxiety; yet it begins to seem that they have been worth the price and the trouble. We ourselves may be able to learn something from them and profit through an understanding of what their friendship means.

Does the result of our past relations with the Philippines and China and Cuba and other helpless or harassed people carry a lesson for the men who must hereafter direct our international poli-

cies? Shall we cultivate the friendship of Mexico or the enmity of the Mexican people ?

Will there be in Europe, in the east or in the west or in the middle any nation that can charge us in the years to come with having helped unjustly in their oppression? If so, then we are manifestly in a bad way.

The next Congress will be able to give definite answer to the Filipinos. The islands are "within sight" of their independence. But they cannot safely be set adrift in a world of violence and intrigue. Obviously the President is working in their behalf. But he must find an answer for them in Paris and not in Washington.

DOMESTIC POLITICS AT PARIS OF ALL the forces which beset and bedevil the delegates in Paris, home politics is perhaps the most potent. Every statesman has been plagued by it, and whether the attacks have been warranted or undeserved there can be no question that they have hampered harmony and progress at the peace table. Just now it seems to be Lloyd George's

turn to be embarrassed. The chicks hatched by his fervid oratory during the British general election last December are grown up and have come home to roost. The premier, speaking for his Coalition party, which carried the country, categorically promised that Germany

would be made to pay the entire cost of the war. The pledge was demagogic and, on analysis, quite incredible. England, by a large majority, however, was in the

mood to fool itself into believing it. The opposition carefully pigeon-holed the rash blunder for use at a politically opportune moment. That time has now arisen, for, of course, the imposition of any such indemnity is impossible.

Mr. Lloyd George is thereupon exhibited by one faction in the role of a promise-breaker. His supporters, by innuendo, and lately by some direct utterances, are pointing to Mr. Wilson as the obstacle. English enthusiasm for the President is said to be waning. This is inevitable in circles seeking to justify the British premier.

Naturally the infusion of domestic politics into an international situation simply piles on the agony. To a large extent it missed fire when American factionalism sought to becloud the league-ofnations issue. But Lloyd George is a more vulnerable target, placed in the unenviable position of pleasing neither

CONGRESSMAN MOORE'S LETTER

Troubles of Henry Young and Other Fish Dealers-The Late Henry W. Bartol's Grievance Against a Consul

Washington, D. C., April 5. PEOPLE here are trying to get a closer Meyer Loudon, the New York Socialist, who went out of Congress March 4, was given much time to discuss the subject and could see nothing in it but a movement of the people to free themselves from unjust conditions. Colonel Thompson, who headed the Red Cross work in Russia for while and who loaned the new regime \$1,000,000, told a group of congressmen that the uprising was that of the majority of the people who were striving to rid themselves of landlordism and whose goal was the right to acquire and occupy land on their own account. Raymond Robins, an

ardent Progressive, whose work for Roose velt in 1912 entitles him to a hearing and who is credited with having the confidence of the so-called Bolsheviki, expresses the opinion that the existing government should be recognized because it represents the sentiment of the Russian people. As to one thing, most of those who incline to use the soft pedal on Bolshevism agree. They say that German landlordism has very influential and quite intolerant in Russia. In some respects they liken the situation to that of the Irish people in their

fight for freedom from British rule. Up to date, however, the term "Bolshevism" has been treated in Washington as synonywith anarchy or nihilism. erally linked up with the I. W. W. and kindred organizations. For a time it was applied by certain statesmen here to the Nonpartisan League over which Mr. Townley, of North Dakota, presides. The Town-

ley organization coquetted with both Wilson and Roosevelt, however, and today is in control of the state of North Dakota. It is a curious fact that while the Nonpartisan League dominates the North Dakota Legislature and maintains that only farmers shall be put on guard, the largest percentage of increased income taxes recently reported by the commissioner of internal revenue comes from that state. And as to that, there is a reason. North Dakota is a great wheat-growing state and the President has guaranteed the American farmer \$2.26 per bushel for his wheat, no matter world price is one-half that sum. if th Moral: The material interest of a party or nation may sometimes overawe their loftiest ideals. FROM Bolshevism and the ideas of Wood-

fresh fish-sea bass, weakfish, porgies and the like-is going some, but the President must eat and so must the Bolshevists, and there you are. Henry W. Young, of the Reading Terminal; M. P. Howlett, of Dock street; E. V. Vandergrift, of North Front street, and a respectable group of Philadelphia fish dealers are up against the problem of getting fresh fish to the mar ket. They have been obtaining their supply from pond nets on Five-Fathe largely Banks Shoal and the war department has gradually come to believe that pond nets in nearby waters are dangerous to naviga-. Seafaring men have also been complaining of the nets because of broken ooles in the water when fishing is not under way. It is said that the loss of one or two tugs may be charged up to sunker piles in the ocean. The chief of engineers has been conferring with parties in interest since the issue seems to be squarely drawn

row Wilson to the everyday topic of

between the fish men and the navigators This same problem has been fought out in numerous other instances along the coast particularly in the Chesapeake bay and the sounds of North Carolina.

THE late Henry W. Bartol, whose will is being contested in Philadelphia, was a very positive man in some respects not referred to by the contestants. He did not like the American consul at Nice, where he lived when in France, and made certain charges against him. The State Depart ment caused an inquiry to be made, and when the report came in Mr. Bartol insisted that it was in effect a whitewash He treasured up his evidence and sought to open up the whole subject at Washing ton before his death at the Union League It was this untoward incident that relieved the director of the consular service of an unpleasant controversy. Mr. Bartol had traveled much and kept himself informed upon the consular situation. He believed he American consuls should live up to cer tain standards and sometimes expressed himself freely with regard to them.

AND THOSE WHO RUN MAY READ THEREBY



THE CHAFFING DISH

institution.

been simplified.

have stripes for foreign service."

We doubt it.

1884--"My Stockton if I failed to like,

ton's?

Today is the birthday of Frank R. Stock,

ton, and lovers of quiet humor might cele-

brate by dusting off their copies of "Rud-der Grange" and "The Late Mrs. Null" and

settling down for a happy evening. Has

Philadelphia ever begotten a novelist with

a more genial sense of humor than Stock-

As Robert Louis Stevenson wrote, in

It were a sheer depravity, For I went down with the Thomas Hyke

And up with the Negative Gravity!"

We see that a Mexican field marshal

called Blanquet has left Brooklyn, the well-

known home of lost causes, and has started out to act as a wet blanket for Carranza's

happiness. General Blanquet's secretary says that the general will turn Mexico

upside down right speedily; but the trouble

is, does anybody in that tormented land

know when she's right side up and when

General Blanquet's campaign may

ecretary is staying snugly in New York.

It May Have Happened

asked the girl's father of the young man

who happened to be the circus press agent

If Statesmen Were Watched Like Baseball Players

GOSSIP in the training camps has it that Davie George, Britain's stumpy little portsider, is holding back some real stuff until the Big Time starts. Ever since Davie came out of the Welsh bush league those on the inside have buzzed him as a mound artist with unusual dlass. In some of the warming-ups he has put over giltedged flings that moan through the ether like dangerous business. Big Wood Wil son, the lanky catcher, has to vaseline his mitten to domesticate some of those snaky shoots. Dave has real stuff, and is also there with the willow.

Big Wood is in fine form, and with the

the Kaiser will never know what a narrow escape he had. Mr. Spaulding, or "Pete," as we are accustomed to call him spulied

for a commission in the chemical warfare service last fall. His application was approved and he was given the customary ten days' grace to wind up his business affairs. He hired a man to take his job gave away his clothes to the poor and needy and was all set to get into khaki. The ninth day of the ten, however, happened to be November 11.

Tigerizing the Urchin

The Zoo is a great help to parents of young children. The Urchin has taken

such a fancy to one of the tigers out there that he wants to emulate that noble beast The bird that thrills the dusk at eve particulars. This sit But gladden ere the echoes leaveproblems. If the Urchin is disinclined to The hedgerow and the heath! finish his evening glass of milk, all that is needful is to say, "The tiger always finishes his milk," and presto, it vanishes. If the are waiting still. Urchin doesn't want to be interned in his crib at nightfall, one need only say, "The lips long since we kissed. tiger has gone to bed." If he shows a de-And over hill and moor and plain. sire to acquaint himself with a safety razon Through golden sunshine, silver rain; . one remarks casually, "The tiger doesn't We go to find out own again. like razors," and he couldn't be hired t Who keep the faithful tryst. touch one. And so on, all down the line of taking baths, having nails clipped, wear ing mittens and testing the crushing power of door-hinges. Truly the Tiger is a grea us on! sky, the sea and sod. The life of love and joy and song. The sky-roofed home where we belong People laughed at Doctor Osler when he suggested that men of sixty might be chloroformed without loss to the world. But maybe he had the right idea. Support wrong they had tried it on Hindenburg and Lu-About the feet of God. dendorff, how our troubles would hav -Harry Varley, in the New York Times, As a returned doughboy said to us after watching them piling into a Walnut street P. R. T. Puliman: "All you need is to paint Hommes 40, Chevaux 8 on the side overdoing it. of the car, and the passengers ought to

"The Romany men, the freedom-ioving gypsize who for four years have worn the khaid, are being demobilized and go back to their home-which is the whole, wide world."

THE long road, the white road, the road without an end Has called its children back again from

out the bloody fray. The task we had to do is done. The war we had to win is won, With faces to the setting sun We're tramping on our way.

The white stars, the bright stars, the velvet sky above!

And oh, the endless joy of life that's in the earth beneath.

With throbbing notes of pain that grieve, The few loves, the true loves, we know We have a rendezvous with some whose The old trail, the bold trail that ever-lures The days and nights of beauty in the The road that winds through right and There is really no lack of self-deterination at the peace table. In fact, some of the most obstinate delegates seem to be

BACK TO THE ROAD

custom of stealing rides.

Councils is considering a bill to make it unlawful for boys of school age to climb on the rear of vehicles. A fine of \$25 is provided for the offenders and a fine of \$100 for the truck driver who permits the boys to ride.

This bill may not be in the proper form, but some legislation is necessary that will empower the police to prevent the boys from risking their lives for the make of a ride. Then the police must enforce the law.

CONSIDER THE SCHUYLKILL

TINKEMPT banks, shabby wharves, dump heaps, stockyards, unsightly industrial plants between Lesgue Island and Valley Forge all vanish in the picture of the beautified Schuvlkill as drawn the Fairmount Park Art Association in its recommendation for a war memorial parkway.

The conception is rather breathtaking. The sprightly Joseph Pennell, who is championing the much longer memorative highway-one across the ntinent, in fact-calls it "the grossest blishness." Nevertheless, it is stimuting to consider large-scale improvements. Often they are accomplished in part and occasionally a really monuntal project gets executed.

Moreover, anything which directs atation to the artistic possibilities of the chuylkill is commendable. Nature has been lavish with the historic stream, but man, especially of late years, has failed to make the most of its charms.

The Chicago river is no more depressar a sight than the Schuylkill south of Fairmount waterworks. The stockds are only one of its disfigurements. on in the park, needed embankment k notably on the east shore above ward avenue bridge, has hung fire for Railroads and a huge ironworks

havoc with the scene at the "Falls." It may be years, if ever, before the remaly comprehensive scheme of the Association takes completed form, in the meantime any suggestion is or than a lack of interest in a scenic . There are stretches where the itself has not treated it too resectfully. They would be appropriate

LETTER-BOX LAXITIES

IN if citizens who hesitate to drop heir letters in boxes which lack the n cards announcing the hours of are chargeable with super-tern, their timidity constitutes when af stupidity on the part

Certainly nothing could be more dramatic in times like these than the tone of the appeal sent by the Philippine Legislature to the American government .nd the statement left for the delegates by Mr. Wilson. Here was the revelation of an international policy which has always run counter to the accepted rules of national expansion and the old diplomacy. All America has contributed to the help of the Filipinos. Taft contributed his patience and his gifted mind and the wisdom of a good heart. Roosevelt adhered to what he loved to call the square deal. But school teachers, engineers, builders and soldiers gave to this people

some of the best years of their lives. The government itself has always interpreted in the islands the individual code of the every-day American.

Mr. Wilson, who has exalted the principle of fair play as an international policy, is not indulging in rhetorical felicities when he insists that he tries only to interpret the common thought of his country.

This national ideal, internationally expressed, has been sneered at often enough. It has been blindly called altruistic and visionary. It has been said that it wouldn't and couldn't work. Those who called us mystical and impractical were the "practical men" in diplomacy, the rainbow chasers who now stand harassed. impotent and wholly desperate amid the ruin that their own theories have made

In the light of recent events and for our own guidance in the crises that are to come it may be interesting to see where our "mysticism" ultimately leads. "You have truly treated us as no nation ever before treated another under its way," said the spokesman for the Philippine Congress.

of the old world.

The wise and sensitive mind of China has cherished for the United States nothing but confidence and endless esteem since we refused to participate in the shameful loot of the Boxer indemnities. Cuba said she would fight upor our

side to the last man. Is it nothing to have the confidence and the friendship of the whole world in a time of universal bitterness and hate? We have not applied any new principle of international relationships. Rather, we have reverted, in all our contacts with other peoples, to a principle that is as old as civilization. We have merely admitted the validity of reason

nd the right of every man to common

All the history of dynasties and na-ons, from Babylon to Berlin, makes it sin as day that was cannot chest or li-

ose who tried to credit what he promised or those who have been fighting him right along.

PAGING A LOST IDEAL

THERE are city-bound men, and even women, so rushed and abstracted and so far removed in knowledge and sympathy from the land and its blessings that they are never sure that potatoes do not grow already fried or that the pea doesn't reach maturity until neatly canned.

Such as these, whose tables are renoved by two or three days from the farms, never know the full glory of corn caught upon its native cob and boiled within five minutes after it has left the field. They are not aware how inevitably all garden vegetables leave the best of their flavor in the past when they are a day or two old.

Were this knowledge not strange to a large part of the city's population there would be prolonged applause for the Mayor's suggestion of an elaborated curb-market system for the coming summer. A curb market properly managedas it used to be here in the ancient days and as it still may be found in Lancaster and Bethlehem and Lebanon-is the only institution that can actually offer great riches at a r luced price.

It isn't too early to talk about curb markets. Those planned last year were successful. Philadelphia might wisely borrow a habit from its earlier history and establish markets such as still persist in the smaller cities of the statereasured institutions altogether useful and beautiful to see. This city is belted for a depth of thirty miles with the richest farm land in the world. All progressive farmers have automobiles and most of them like to sell their produce direct. Obviously the need of the city i an enlarged and central area for a farm

market. Some day or other the plan may reach perfection. The Art Jury may take it up. There may be a place of color and

marble pillars and happy ladies and genlemen carrying baskets in the old manner. Then we may talk of culture!

The government has removed the limitation on the price of meat. Now we won-der whether it will go up or go down.

Sufferers from chaotic transportation facilities in Russia desire most of all few car-wheel revolutions,

Many persons who have heretofore subscribed to Matthew Arnold's belief in the rightness of minorities must feel like changing their opinion when they consider how William Male Thumpson was re-sourced Mayor of Chiloso

Arid West Virginia

WEST VIRGINIA statesmen have an in-genuity, a subtlety and humor that make limited "dryness" almost Bacchic. The Legislature has passed a bill restricting to twenty-five gallons the wine that any one person may make for himself in a year. Much. little enough, too much twill serve. The same bill makes it an offense for a nonresident dealer in intoxi cants to sell any of them that he knows are to be carried into West Virginia. How West Virginia is going to punish resi dents, how she is to prove that the nonresident vender of sin knows whither it is

to be directed-who knows? The romantic charm of the measure however, is the provision "giving state, county and city officers authority to confiscate all aircraft used for the purpose of transporting liquor into the state or from one place to another within the state.

One sees the state liquor constables, ad mirals of the air fleets of the law, pursuing and fighting the argosies of alcohol, the squadrons of bottleships. From balloon anchored at conveniently low altitudes demijohns of the forbidden are dangled down to the easer waiters below. Here an observation balloon, law or liquor, watches the enemy. There a parachute with sev eral cases darts from the winged been wagon. Behind the clouds many a bottle is keeping cold. Here an enormous aerial buffet car is crowded with customers. A lively picture and a crowded sky. Some and not the dullest part, of "the future of viation" is there .- New York Times.

There has been no commander yet whom Germany has dreaded as much as

she does General Treaty.

It is the Filipino notion that no kind of expansion is so admirable as that of liberal ideas and consistent democracy.

That suggested bonfire of the wooder ships seems to have been as extravagantly fanciful as many another red notion.

Rhine whines are bearing both French and German labels nowadays,

Missouri not only wants to be shown but is going to be, now that the womar suffrage bill has become a law there,

If William Hohensollern is tried according to Carlos Bentfuck, at las d innovant of one thing-that "whe o with Harold Berbis"

careful grooming he has had all spring should be able to swallow up anything that comes over. Some of Geo. Clemenceau's salivaries wriggle queerly, but Wood just smiles at them and they plunk right in the little old hollow mitt. Eddle House is pretty noncommittal these days, and seen in ing quarters he didn't elaculate anything but bits of toothpick; but inside much cossin says that he was heard talking in his sleep to the effect that .Wood's v was better than ever, and that any man promenading the base-paths would need to basten.

Vic Orlando is still the dark horse in his outfit. Some of the early dopesters this outfit. figure that Vic is lying down on his game because Manager House wouldn't come across with the right kind of dotted lines come in the contract, but that doesn't sound likely.

Old Geo. Clemenceau is still in the game and his arm isn't crystallized by any means He can still clout them over the bleacher when they come the way he likes them and he can make snoots at players twent; years his junior. His fast ball is said to have considerable whisker.

. . . Ig Paderewsky has turned up at training quarters and after he has been to the barber he will undoubtedly make good or the third corner. Ig is a bit temperamen tal, but the flossy Pole has a genuine brand of goods. Wood was winging some at him across the green and Ig scooped them in like netting herrings.

Social Chat

Our friend Dave Yablock, who sells papers and magazines and pepsin comfits under the statue of Ben Franklin at Sixth and Chestnut, claims to look like Marshal Foch. He has a portrait of Foch clipped from this month's Ladies' Home Journal posted up over his stand to prove it; and indeed, after carefully comparing the picture of the generalissimo with Dave's features we are bound to admit that there' something in what he says. But Dave will have to let his mustache grow a little longer.

Speaking of likenesses, John French she isn't? Wilson is in town from Cleveland, and we take this opportunity of informing him that Vachel Lindsay is trespassing on his very hopeful indeed, but we notice that his Both these facial estates lightfully alike. They both happen to belong to poets, too, John being the most realistic bard that ever came out of West town School. John Wilson's nickname at town School. John Wilson's nickname at that, plous Quaker academy was "Beer"; we are wondering whether he will be able to retain it after the 1st of July. John Wilson is a sensible kind of poet; he earns his living by being a lawyer in Churcher He sensible with sensit "Not merely that," replied the circus agent readily and in boldface, "but easily agent reachy and in bolinace. But easily and obviously in the colossus of all homes, presenting in one domestic menage and for the first time in all history not merely many but all earth's greatest comforts, revealing magnificent mammoth pleasures Cleveland. He speaks with gentle of an ersay he wrote recently "On the Na ture and Requirements of Poetry," the manuscript of which was accidentally de revealing magnificent mammoth pleasures such as have never been seen before nor deemed possible of achievement, the most astounding domestic contentments ever as-sembled under one roof, the world's great-est assemblage of desirable emotions, new and novel cults of kindness and superb feats of infrients forbearance and genistroyed during the spring housecleaning in his home. Now if John had been merely a poet that would have blighted his life; but as it is he can soon make some plaintiff heal the wound.

Another caller at the sanctum of th haffing Plah was Eugene Spaulding, illedelphian who new three on an inter-

What Do You Know?

OUIZ

- 1. Who is the British commander of the troops opposed to the Bolshevists in the Murmansk region of Russia?
- 2. What is the largest city in Egypt?

3. What are the Eddas?

- What kind of color in called nacarat? 5. What is the correct pronunciation of the ican Indian word sachem and what does it mean?
- 6. Who is the head of the German armistice commission who has just been in conference with Marshal Foch at Spa?
- 7. What is spikenard? 8. What is the meaning of the tifle, "Met-ropolitan of Athens"?
- 9. What kind of musical instrument is a
- 10. How many American Presidents were of Dutch parental ancestry, and who were they?

Answers to Yesterday's Quiz

- Geneva is just now in favor as the off seat of the league of nations, although King Albert is said to have strongly advanced the claims of Brussels.
- 2. The war between Japan and China, end-ing in a Japanese victory, began in 1894 and was ended by the treaty of moseki in 1895.
- "But can you support her in the kind of home to which she has been accustomed?" The America's Cup (for yacht racing) has been in American possession for nearly sixty-eight years.
 - 4. St. Petersburg, now Petrograd, . founded by Peter the Great in 1703.
 - 5. Thomas Hardy wrote the novel, "Far From the Madding Crowd."
 - The weather bureau official describes a wind blowing more than eighty mileo an hour as a hurricane.
 - 7. The United Etates paid Spain twenty million dollars for the Philippine Islands.
 - B. Gruyere cheese gets its name from the town of Gruyere in Switzerland.
 - s. "Labor" and "parlor" in the American spelling. "Labour" and "parlour" is the Whethale.

frinh whisky from an ill