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A "DRIVE" WORTH WHILE

THE lessons in fund-raising drives which Philadelphia learned so quickly during the war can be applied in no better way than in the prompt successful completion of the campaign to place a million dollars at the disposal of the University Hospital.

MORE SHIPYARD MIRACLES

AS A wonder worker, Hog Island is so prolific that a surfeited public has come almost to accept miracles as commonplace. Only for Hog Island, however, is the latest performance "ordinary."

WISDOM FROM ADMIRAL CONZ

MILITARY and naval commanders who cherish illusions are failures, as the German general staff and admiralty strikingly demonstrated in the war.

LESSONS OF THE GREAT FLIGHT

THE romance of the flight by airplane squadrons over the American continent is balanced by practical considerations which were less conspicuous in the transatlantic "hops."

A HARD NUT TO CRACK

INVESTIGATION into the housing situation by representatives of the state government has begun with the declaration by the man in charge that there is no law under which the profiteers can be reached.

tion was begun it was announced in Harrisburg that about the only remedy in sight was publicity. It was said the profiteering landlords might be shamed into decency by exposure.

Even if it shall be decided that Congress can regulate rents in the national capital, it is evident that the states have no such power over rents outside of the state capitals.

JOB MERCHANTS ARE DOOMED

Vare's City Committee, Citadel of the Assessment System, is Tottering Under a Fatal Snub

THERE are few places even in this wicked old world where you have to pay a thumping fee in good money for the privilege of working for a living.

The Mayor and Sunny Jim can afford it. But a question might be raised in the cases of underpaid policemen who stand out in the rain or firemen who do the city's most dangerous work.

WHAT MANCHESTER DID

THE two-page advertisement of Manchester and its ship canal which appeared in this newspaper yesterday ought to have been suggestive to every alert-minded Philadelphian.

Breakers Ahead

A local restaurant keeper doctored a waiter a dollar for breakage. It was a bad break, the waiter thought, he broke everything in sight.

A Question of Dough

Even if flour dropped to \$4 a barrel, which isn't probable, it wouldn't bring back the five-cent loaf.

Perhaps it is because of woman's long

training in the art of getting money out of friend husband that the women's teams are ahead of the men's in the University Hospital million-dollar drive.

Though a former lieutenant governor of

Pennsylvania is doing his best to popularize the patched shoe, no kindly genius has yet arisen with courage enough to popularize the patched overcoat.

The farmers in the industrial conference

want it distinctly understood that the soil tilters won't stand for a steer.

THE GOWNSMAN

The Graduate School
stitutions throughout America, variously called colleges and universities, graduate work and study begins.

GRADUATE schools came into existence partly because of foreign examples; more because it was felt that there must be some opportunity for a man who wished neither to be a lawyer, a physician, nor a minister.

THIS double function of the graduate school has clung to it with some damage to its free activity in each function.

THE GOWNSMAN has often wondered why teaching is not recognized more commonly as the art that it is, a technical matter pure and simple, to be learned like any other technique—piano-playing, golf, bridge or sermonizing—by practice.

Among the things on the credit side of

this terrible war just over, the things that seek so eagerly to find and set against that black balance of debt and loss, a more general recognition of the practical value of the trained mind may be set down as an indubitable item.

WITH the schools and the colleges devoted to that general education which should be open as a foundation to all and with the technical school, whether of trade, science, medicine, law or education, applying education to the practical purposes of the case, the graduate school takes its place at the apex of our educational system.

On Being Broke

FORTUNATELY—or unfortunately—a man who is broke is not necessarily a bankrupt. No court takes over and manages his affairs for the benefit of his creditors.

There are, however, other and just as

exciting sensations along the daily pathway of our unfortunates. Think of the excitement attendant upon receiving change out of a last "twonie" after asking the butcher for "three pounds of lard!"

So far the industrial conference's long

suit is adjournment. But we won't give up hope till sine die is tacked on it.

Death is still losing at the railroad

grade crossing.

THE CHAFFING DISH

A Country Boy's Diary

- 1st. Put shoes and stockings on.
2d. Filled the kitching bin.
3d. Played mumble-beg with John.
4th. Had carache and 'ol in.
5th. The kitchen stove was lit.
6th. I went to Boy Scout Drill.
7th. Our cat had a rat.
8th. The hired man caught a chill.
9th. Sassed Teacher, and got licked.
10th. I split some hickory logs.
11th. Apples are all picked.
12th. Today I washed the dogs.
13th. Cleaned the stable out.
14th. Grandpa had the gout.
15th. Lost my big front tooth (One I used for eating crust)
16th. Robert swears it's true.
Warts grow on you when you've cussed.
17th. Tonight I hid.
Two large mice in Sister's bed;
18th. Fought the Thompson kid;
He's too big; he punched my head.
19th. Punks big and ripe.
See them in the field in rows;
(Stole it from the laundry line)
My old knife, I lied his nose.
20th and 21st.
My, that turkey's getting fat!
If he ain't eat soon, he'll burst!
22d. Killed a rat.
23d. My Dad declared.
No Thanksgiving Day this year—
(Giminy but I was scared . . .
He just said it so I'd hear.)
24, 25, 6 and 7.
Jack 'ol Lanter's carved out clean;
28th. I'd be in Heaven
If 'twas only Halloween.
29th. My punkin face.
Go! to make a corking ghost;
I'll scare old Sister Grace
When she sees it on the post.
Dad's new nightshirt, on a pile;
(Stole it from the laundry line)
What a spook that's going to make,
With the punkin head to shine!
30th. I've got a scheme;
Wait till Sis has gone to bed;
I'll wait till he hear her scream
When she sees that punkin head.
31st. Well, how'd I know
That Dad's shirt would all get burned?
Sister yelled and went on so—
Never fool with girls, I've learned.
Our hired man says big black witches
Fly tonight and choose their queen.
Guess it's true. Dad tanned my britches—
Pretty rough, on Halloween!

The Spell of the Wisashickon

THE fire trees sweet and cool and green,
The placid water still and clear,
With here and there a blossom seen;
What peace awaits one here!

FROM music and heat, from fret and tears

To rustling leaves and thrushes' lay,
Set free from vain desires and fears—
One happy hour of the day.
DOROTHY DEWITT WIGGINS.

Acid Ejaculations

How is it
That so many friends of mine
Have gone into the
Insurance business?
DOVE DULOJET.

Exporting the Half-Baked Beans?

Coming back from Boston with large padded van, will take full or part load from Boston at reduced rates—Ad in Newark, N. J. paper.

Speaking of animals, Randolph Hartley

tells us an amusing tale about Thurston, the magician, and a lion which played an important part in one of Thurston's tricks. In order to produce the right effect on the audience, it was necessary for this lion to present a rather fierce and savage appearance, and as it was really a staid and friendly beast, inclined to fraternize and not at all bloodthirsty, Mr. Thurston had to spend a good deal of time in embittering its disposition. The shrewing of the tame, as it were, Mr. Thurston took the animal out to his summer home and spent the greater part of the summer in persuading the lion to hate him, so that he would roar and behave with the proper ferocity when his turn came. He used to go out and drag the lion's meat away from it; poke it with sticks, make faces at it, and try in every possible way to arouse its anger. As he is a very kindly man and fond of animals, this was a sore trial to the unfortunate Mr. Thurston, who used to go about his task of enraging the lion with great reluctance. Finally he got the lion to the point where it would show signs of irritation when he came anywhere near it, and the trick went off nicely. But, as the gentle magician said, it nearly broke his heart to have that lion hate him so.



OCTOBER

DAY of smoke and flame,
O ancient festival day!
Upon the altars of the earth
The heavenly fires play.
All passion, all desire,
Fulfillment, prophecy—
Fuse into one consummate hour
Of quiet ecstasy.
Before those veiled hills,
The lake adoring lies;
And shadowed in the quiet lake
A migrant legion flies.
The meadow grass is mown,
In withered sheaves the grain;
And where the corn stood tall and sweet,
The stubble gleams again.
Again the hidden rites,
The old mysterious haze;
Again the leafy miracle,
The sacrificial blaze.
Up from the sacred fires
A fragrant mist distills,
As incense round a temple-dome,
It floats about the hills.
The plowman drives his blade
In furrows deep and long;
"Flowers to the earth, earth to the sun,"
The plow's primeval song.
My soul, an upturned field,
The autumnal sun hath blessed,
Drinks of the ancient promises
And gives herself to rest.
O day of smoke and flame,
O sacrificial Day!
Upon the altars of the earth
The heavenly fires play;
All passion, all desire,
Fulfillment, prophecy—
Fuse into one consummate hour
Of quiet ecstasy.
Theresa Virginia Beard, in the Bellman.

What Do You Know?

- QUIZ
1. Who commanded the forces which won the great British victories in Palestine in the war?
2. What is the abbreviation for hundred weight?
3. What English newspaper is known as "The Thunderer"?
4. On what charge was John Brown, of Ossawatimie, executed?
5. What is a poetaster?
6. What was the real name of Mercator, who invented the Mercator system of world map projection?
7. What is the capital of Egypt?
8. Who was Melming?
9. Who were the principal commanders on the American side in the Mexican War of 1840-1848?
10. Who founded the Mormon Church?
Answers to Yesterday's Quiz
1. General Leonard Wood was born in New Hampshire.
2. Italy ratified the German and Austrian treaties by royal decree.
3. The matador is assigned to deliver the death blow to the bull in a Spanish bull fight.
4. Elias Howe invented the sewing machine.
5. "Beaux arts" means "beautiful arts." In usage, however, "fine arts" is the English equivalent.
6. An ohm is a unit of electrical resistance.
7. A sampler was a piece of embroidery worked by a girl and preserved as a specimen of proficiency.
8. A toccata is a composition for piano, organ, etc., originally intended to exercise the touch. It may also be a prelude, overture, fantasia or suite.
9. The great elector was Frederick William of Brandenburg, the great-grandfather of Frederick the Great.
10. The battle of Gettysburg lasted three days.