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THE CABINET LOGGERS

WHILE Mayor-elect Moore has been piling up cabinet timber for his inspection, Mr. Moore has been at pains to make it known that the loggers have been bringing the sticks out of the woods on their own responsibility...

ONE PHASE OF TRANSIT RELIEF

DIRECTOR TWINING'S analysis of the Mitten plan for bettering transit conditions has force and lucidity to commend it. With statements of both sides of the case now in hand Councils ought to be able to reach some decision that will neither dispose too easily of the public's rights nor handicap legitimate improvement of transportation facilities...

THE JOHNSON GALLERY SITE

THE expectation that the court will eventually approve the plan for exhibiting the Johnson pictures in an appropriate new structure instead of in the late collectors' Broad street home is hopefully suggested in the virtual selection of the Parkway site for the gallery. Mayor Smith has agreed to urge Councils to recommend the transfer of \$75,000 of the unused peace jubilee fund to start the work at Twenty-second street and the new thoroughfare...

WILL WE GYRATE?

THE possibilities of the gyroscope, most fascinating of inventions, are limitless. This may explain why it has so seldom been limited in practical use. Elmer A. Sperry, a specialist on the subject, revived the other day one of the old dreams of its application to wretched vessels. Members of the Society of Naval Architects whom he was addressing heard him with interest and were particularly intrigued by his forecast of "a great forward step" in "a new era opened up for the American passenger service"...

that with all the luxuries of a palace ocean liner a steady pool table has not yet been numbered. Furthermore, the gimballs in which the lamp bracket swings are gyroscopic in plan, and with all their zeal for an equilibrium they unquestionably do move. That their complex activities are preferable to the forthright pitching and rolling of a de luxe steamship is something for the harassed traveler to decide. The beneficence of the gyroscope will depend largely on whether its antidote for one kind of commotion is soothing or merely ingenious.

ROUND UP THE SPENDERS OF LENINE'S RIOT FUND!

Today's News From Geneva Shows That We Should Deport About Two Shiploads of "Borers From Within"
LITTLE by little, as high priests and seminarists of bolshevism are dragged and kicked out into the light, it is becoming possible to see what their variously defined out actually is at bottom.

It is the underworld trying to drag society down to its own level. It is the lazy, the immoral, the sensual and the idle and their hatred for law and orderly justice. It is the gutter, the uninspiring slum and the jail reaching out for the throat of civilization.

The true Bolsheviks can go only one step further. They can demand to have the insane asylums emptied into Washington, the British houses of Parliament and the French Chamber of Deputies. Then the Red theory will have reached its logical culmination.

FREE PORTS

THE suggestion that Hog Island be turned into a "free port" after it has served its purpose as a shipyard is made by Representative Edmonds. It is a fascinating idea, this, of a great walled district into which foreign raw materials may be received free of duty, manufactured into finished products and shipped abroad. It has appealed to the imagination of some Americans for more than twenty-five years.

Time for Action

The debate in the United States Senate has served the good purpose of enlightening the country on all phases of the peace treaty, and it has convinced most people that it must be a mighty document to withstand so well the subject. But these good ends have not been served, public sentiment demands of Congress a speedy settlement of the question so that measures of reconstruction may be considered and an end put to industrial and economic unrest.

He's Willing

We gather from rumors concerning his name with the office of director of the Department of Health that the middle name of Dr. Edward B. Gleason is Parkie.

Good Americans

Good Americans, while loathing bolshevism and disloyalty, will not allow their anger to cause them to break the laws they are soon to defend. Common law and common sense are sufficient to rout the Reds.

Reds who planned to take over the Hog Island shipyards may read with profit the lines of Burns concerning the best-laid schemes of mice and men.

Germany, in accordance with the terms of the peace treaty, will soon begin to ship coal to Belgium. So far as the Hun is concerned it will be fuel for potential fires.

The Bolshevik plan to start a world revolution in America proves that Lenin was as big a dud as a deposer of American psychology as was Kaiser Willie.

Meanwhile the conclusion is forced upon the public that the differences concerning Article X are largely the differences between Tweedledum and Tweedledee.

High ideals may not be able to save the peace treaty, but partisan politics will probably rescue it at the last minute.

England has returned to Germany 225,000 German prisoners. Everybody satisfied, doubtless.

Perhaps the blizzard that was headed this way got discouraged at the ending of the coal strike.

The calling off of the coal strike caused stocks to jump. With surprise, we presumed.

The ex-kaiser has raised the salary of his gardener forty cents a week. Here we have further evidence of his extravagance.

Oh, well, Miss Lowell probably hasn't lost any flesh over what happened at the Contemporary Club.

Who proposed the steel strike? Whose idea was it? Who formulated the policy that, applied by the soft-coal unions,

would actually have tied up industry, stopped railroad trains and ultimately put the country in a state of siege? It is idle to believe that the strikers were not without legitimate grievances and that there is not fault on the side of employers in many instances. But who insisted, against all efforts to bring about arbitration, upon the plan for a stupendous demonstration of force?

That such a means was futile, that it will always be futile because we happen to have in this country a great majority of intelligent people who can neither be scared nor stampeded, is aside. The signs of systematized propaganda and of organized effort to embitter great masses of the foreign-born against the government are pretty general and pretty definite.

The people ought to know more about this peculiar activity. The government ought to know more about it. If we are still technically at war any effort to weaken or injure the government may be punished as it ought to be punished.

If the time has come for new prison camps, let us have them. The Bolsheviks and their supporters have become a common nuisance. There is a simple cure for the trouble. It is not necessary to be violent. If the Department of Justice will gather in all the really active extremists really known to it there will be enough to fill about two ships. When these ships distribute their passengers among the European countries from which they came we can go peacefully about such social and economic readjustments as may be needed in the United States.

THE PEN AND PENCIL CLUB OF PHILADELPHIA

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MAYOR-ELECT MOORE'S LETTER

Walter, Winston, Evans and Sheppard, Old-Time Antagonists, Enjoyed Working Together for Entire Republican Ticket

JOHN WALTON, chairman of the committee of one hundred; John C. Winston, chairman of the committee of seventy, who has been sick recently; Powell Evans and Howard H. Sheppard, who has figured for many years in the reform movements in the Twentieth ward, have had a fine old time mixing up with regular Republicans on the same platform at meetings held to advance the entire Republican ticket. A feature of the campaign was the appearance of these old-time antagonists working for the common cause—the election of a ticket pledged to put into effect the new city charter and give it a square deal.

CHESTER E. ALBRIGHT, of the Bureau of Surveys, was once associated with William E. B. Roberts in building operations. He helped to lay out the Glenside, Elkins and Latham Park operations. Roberts was one of Philadelphia's earliest operative builders who gradually branched out to the suburbs. He was an important realty factor in the days of Whelan and Elkins.

MAJOR ROBERT BRIDGES, of East Cambria street, who lives in Harrisburg part of the time, is the head of an organization known as the Pennsylvania League of Patriotic Workers. The league lines up on the Republican side of every political controversy and is inspired very largely by the noble utterances of its chairman. The major is strong on Philadelphia and Pennsylvania patriotism and likes to "hold fast to the principles true" and stand proudly by the "old-Red, White and Blue."

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TREATY FIGHT DRAWS TO CLOSE

Conflict Between President and Congress Leaves Issue Open—Senate, Overseas, Insists, Like an Inferior, on Its Equality

By CLINTON W. GILBERT
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THE great fight between the Executive and Congress, represented by the Senate, is drawing to a close. It is possible to count the victory, like the "famous victory" in the poem. The wounded lie in the trenches, how seriously has not yet been decided; probably it will turn out to be a mere scratch, which will be forgotten in the years to come.

"Gassed" is the American public, and it will recover. Dead, none.

Victory? The Executive has asked for an armistice, but, like the Germans, doesn't know that he has been beaten, and as there won't be a disarmament the prospects of another great war are excellent.

THE trouble with the fight has been that it never could settle anything. Some say this war never could settle anything. The issue between the President—and by the President I mean not Mr. Wilson, but the office—and Congress is moral, not legal. Legally the two are equal; morally they are miles apart. And Congress has been fighting to reassert that it is legally equal to the Executive, a thing which the constitution says it is, but which, in fact, it has not been for a long time.

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What Do You Know?

- 1. What is a grange?
2. Prince Sixtus, brother of the Empress of Austria, has just married a French girl. In what significant incident of the war did he figure?
3. How many ships were built at Hog Island in fifteen months?
4. Who was Edward Whymper?
5. Who is the patron saint of Spain?
6. What is George M. Cohan's original surname?
7. What is a helix?
8. From what language do we get most of our words connected with the theatre?
9. What is the difference in England between a solicitor and a barrister?
10. What is a quinquagenarian?

Answers to Yesterday's Quiz

- 1. Two famous books written by foreigners concerning American government and institutions are "The American Commonwealth," by James Bryce, an Englishman, and "Democracy in America," by De Toqueville, a Frenchman.
2. The first fall of Jerusalem occurred in 586 B. C., when the Babylonians, under Nebuchadnezzar, captured the city and destroyed the temple.
3. St. Andrew is the patron saint of Scotland.
4. Germany built 705 submarines during the war.
5. In the French phrase "bon mot," the final "t" is silent. The "n" of "bon" has a nasal sound.
6. The House of Lords has voted against admitting women members.
7. Henri Vieuxtemps was a noted Belgian violinist and composer. His dates are 1820-1881.
8. Three kinds of whales are sperm whales, right whales and blue whales.
9. The Washington Monument, counting from the first day of its construction, is seventy-one years old.
10. William Penn obtained Pennsylvania in payment of a debt of sixteen thousand pounds due to his father, Admiral Sir William Penn, from the king of England.