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THE BOARD AROUSED
ONE aspersions long cast at the Board of Public Education has suddenly become invalid. When the president resigns, when the agitated atmosphere crackles with contradictions, when the retirement of the superintendent of schools is urged, that important executive body which meets at Nineteenth and Market streets cannot be called somnolent.

WHERE PARTISANS AGREE
WILL H. HAYS, in Chicago yesterday, promptly answered the Republican women conferees from fourteen states who asked for a tabloid platform for 1920. This speedy crystallization of principles involved success of the party campaign, reduction of taxes, development of better relations between labor and capital, promise of an administration of law and order.

PALATABLE RESERVATIONS
THE twelve Republican mild reservationists who are said to be considering a fusion with forty-four Democrats in the treaty tangle are in a position to do the country an immense service.

DISTURBERS OF THE PEACE
IF THERE is one thing that the world cannot afford it is misunderstanding between America and Britain, or any statement of the sympathy that grew up automatically between the two great divisions of the Anglo-Saxon world in the years of the war.

British propaganda for the war and administered the system in a manner that offended the good taste of many Englishmen and many Americans, is still at his old job. It is Beaverbrook who is presumed to have sent a mission of clergy-men to the United States to explain the Irish question to the American people.

WAR AT THE HALL?
OFFICEHOLDERS allied with the Vares who found themselves temporarily or permanently jobless yesterday when the new city solicitor suddenly dismissed the entire staff of his department need not rail at Mayor Moore or Mr. Smyth.

MR. BRYAN EMERGES INTO THE LIMELIGHT
He is Willing to Be a Candidate on His Record and a Government Ownership Platform

IT BEGINS to look as if the next Democratic national convention would be forced to consider the availability of Mr. Bryan for the presidency.

Without Honor
CONSIDERATIONS of honor and of decency are restraining influences among all civilized people. Normal men hesitate before they lie or steal or answer friendliness with enmity.

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The Evil Men Do
We anxiously fear that the old song may be truthfully parodied to read, "The Bolshevik boy has been fired. He has gone, but he left his dope behind him."

THE CHAFFING DISH
And One on the Mayor's Shoulder
After yesterday's experience, we venture the guess that some of the chips that passed in the night were those that fell when City Solicitor Smyth bowed to the line.

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Wouldn't it be cheering if civil service could be substituted for the uncivil service one so frequently meets with in street cars, stores and restaurants?

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D'Annunzio's cashier has demped with a million lire. The Young Lady Next Door But One calls it "lyric," and hopes the poet has one left to twang.

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Instead of trackage increasing on United States railroads in 1919, it decreased 923 miles. If this kind of thing keeps up it is going to be hard on shoe leather.

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The Russian situation will have probably cleared by the time we have become reasonably familiar with the country's geography.

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The greatest crime of the Turk is not that he has made the Armenians suffer, but that he has made their suffering a commonplace.

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The one and only touch of genius about Barleison is his firm belief that he knows a darned sight more than the rest of the country.

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What many of our solous fail to realize is that Uncle Sam is a healthy guy and can stand a whole lot of criticism.

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It may at least be conceded that the habit of reticence acquired in the navy is not chronic.

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Speaking of conferences, for the "un-speakable" Turk to have any "say-so" seems a contradiction in terms.

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Colonel Harvey is the country's foremost humorist. He has suggested Senator Lodge as a presidential possibility.

THE CHAFFING DISH
Perhaps the Milwaukee product doesn't claim to be more than a 2.75 patriot.

THE CHAFFING DISH
Cheer up, son. The longer you keep a resolution the easier it is to keep.

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How-letter days this year are January 16 and March 15.

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When Jack Frost loses his grip somebody else finds it.

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WHEN Toby died, his disconsolate family thought that never again would they take to their hearts another dog. Perfections such as Toby's could not be thought of as centering once more in any creature of the canine race; and we went on for a time dreary and dogless. It was then that the foreign aristocrat, Nicholas, came into our lives.

THE GOWNSMAN
NICHOLAS II
NICHOLAS was born in a chateau on the Lake of Geneva and just about the time of the breaking out of the great war. Being too young to travel, he delayed the young woman who was to escort him to America, so that both narrowly escaped being interned in Germany.

THE GOWNSMAN
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OF NICHOLAS it might be said as of some other aristocrat, that he was possessed of customs, but no manners. His customs in time fell into abeyance and his manners improved until he grew to be a handsome young fellow, sleek, white of hair on a delicate pink skin, his ears only properly spotted, lithe, graceful and a beautiful runner.

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IT IS difficult to think of two ideas so repugnant as those of a dog and work. In efficient Germany, even dogs used to work for the Fidelity, helping to drag carts, sometimes harnessed with a woman, and this Hunnish practice extended beyond Germany's sometime borders.

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WHETHER born of aristocratic disdain or of some romantic streak undiscernible in his honorable pedigree, Nicholas ever yearned for the larger, outside world. Neither persuasion nor discipline could curb him of his runaway habit, a dog, a man, a cat, a gawky, and he was off to freedom to adventure, happiness. Many were the ransoms that he paid for his return from points at times miles away. It is said that he always headed for New York and the great white way, which is not substantiated.

THE GOWNSMAN
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We were contemplating upon the decline of beards and whiskers in politics, visiting the small and neatly trimmed mustaches of the Mayor and some of his new cabinet as they sat lined up for inspection at a luncheon yesterday. Then we remembered that Mr. Cattell is still city statistician.

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War has somewhat abridged woman's leap-year privilege.

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In "For All We Have and We Are" Kipling has shown his possession of the supreme faculty of uttering in imperishable phrase the emotion of his people.—Brander Matthews, in the New York Times.

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Where I know not; but this I witness (Dawnlight flooding the landscape fair), Eastward flying, your snow-white legions, Course their way through the dewy air.

Those interested in the Public Welfare Department at least feel assured that there is plenty of activity on the top floor of the Tustin Building.

What Do You Know?

- QUIZ
1. Where is Drivink, reported captured by the Poles in a drive against the Bolsheviks?
2. Who is secretary of the interior?
3. Why is puce color so called?
4. Who was the great epic poet of Portugal?
5. What is the meaning of the Latin phrase "coram publico"?
6. What is a thebesda?
7. When was the Bessemer process of steel invented?
8. What was a sackbut?
9. Name two important cities in Persia.
10. What state in the Union has an arc for its northern boundary?

Answers to Yesterday's Quiz

- 1. Dr. William Osler died at the age of seventy.
2. His surname should be pronounced with the "o" long, as in the word only.
3. The turkey is a domestic fowl native to America.
4. The Tudor monarchs of England were Henry VII, Henry VIII, Edward VI, Mary I and Elizabeth.
5. The ruler of the Jugo-Slavs is Prince Regent Alexander, son of King Peter of Serbia.
6. The cathedral in Seville is the largest Gothic church in the world.
7. Jean Paul Friedrich Pichter, German satirist and philosopher, was popularly known simply as "Jean Paul."
8. The corsairs were privateers, particularly privateering vessels of Barbary.
9. Frederick Gillett is speaker of the House of Representatives.
10. The average maximum age attained by elephants is 100 years.