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OLD ALBIS EXPLODED
The negligence of street-cleaning contractors is pertinently disclosed in Director Winston's review of conditions in West Philadelphia.

HOISTING A DANGER SIGNAL
Every man at the Chamber of Commerce luncheon yesterday afternoon who listened to the protest of Nicholas Murray Butler against the meddling of government with business doubtless endorsed his views.

STIMULATING HOUSE BUILDING
The Housing Association's plans for fitting Philadelphia to its population are a combination of practical advice and good wishes.

JUGO-SLAVIA REACHES OUT
IN THEORY the alleged refusal of the Jugoslavians to consider the treaty of London as a basis of compromise with Italy is justifiable.

PRACTICAL GENEROSITY
THE CONGRESS accepts the President's suggestion and authorizes a loan of \$10,000,000 for food relief in Poland, Armenia and Austria.

and means committee of the House and greatly astonished his auditors by forecasting that about \$83,000,000 of the former \$100,000,000 appropriation would be paid back.

There can be no question that humanity will be nobly served if the new request for relief is granted. But the color of the case is no longer one of wholly unreciprocated altruism.

SENATOR REED AS AN ARTIST
Merry Times Await Presidential Candidates Who Wander in No Man's Land Without Old-Guard Passwords

PROFESSIONAL politics is for the most part a scrimmage between limited groups of men who use party organizations to sustain their own egotism and their own interests.

HOME RULE FOR THIS CITY
ATTORNEY GENERAL SCHAFER'S opposition to a city home-rule provision in the constitution is incomprehensible in view of his exasperation

What Is a Dollar Worth?
Every man who wishes to sell will agree with the officers of the Operative Builders' Association

Art and the Bridge
The state art commission is interesting itself in the appearance of the proposed Delaware river bridge

It Is Beautiful Weather We're Having
The sun came out yesterday, and its golden rays, by means known only to Professor Einstein

Two Sovereign Citizens
A \$500,000 school bond issue was passed in a district near Cleveland by two lone voters.

Ancient Aviator
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always men of great character, who could not have survived in the esteem of the people without unusual qualities of some sort to lift them out of the political mob.

Harding, Wood, Coolidge, McAdoo, Hoover, Hitchcock, Borah, H. Johnson and Sprull are representative, in their various ways, of all that is best in the American character.

McAdoo was subtly attacked as an agent of Wall street seeking the White House as a bribe from within.

The crowd that leaped to the attack on Hoover is the crowd that fought Roosevelt. They will fight any man who insists upon believing that change is but another term for the progress that is necessary to a healthy national life.

Hampton Carson's assertion that home rule for cities was secession and meant the dismemberment of the state is hyperbole. It has not worked that way in the states where it has been tried.

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THE GOWNSMAN

EXCEPT for the one experience which has already been communicated to these columns, the Gownsmen has never seen a ghost; and even then he was not certain.

AND yet there is a persistency in stories of apparition and supernatural influences which is remarkable. Take all the ghosts out of history and fiction, beginning with the Witch of Endor and ending with Edgar Allan Poe, and we should miss them.

IF WE will think of the ghost abstractedly—as we cannot ever find him in the concrete—we notice that he has always responded to the intelligence and character of those who believe in him or create him.

AND on this basis all our literature and art is founded, for literature and art are nothing but our thoughts, even our superstitions, seen in a glass, sometimes indistinctly, sometimes unhappily much distorted, but dependent always on the image which is only reflected by chance and in part.

NOW this is precisely the thing, in this matter of ghosts, about which your Gownsmen complains. Our ghosts of "scientific" observation, precisely like those of the old chateaux, are so gaudy, so ineffectively so disillusioning, so utterly and gibber where we expect the profound utterance of the oracle of Delphi.

PERHAPS, after all, we have just as good a spirit world as we deserve—if we can imagine no better. For we get just as much out of our ghosts as we ourselves put into them, and no more.

Doctor Hyslop's suggestion for the establishment of a laboratory where experts may find out whether a ghost is or not is of no interest to those who are already convinced that the ghost does not walk off enough nor with a satisfactory stride.

Mr. Smith's Laborious Job
An office for the Congressional Record is located in Statuary Hall, House wing, where Mr. W. A. Smith is in constant attendance to receive subscriptions.

NO ARMISTICE HERE



THE CHAFFING DISH

HERE'S the tender bud of violets and lacy ferns unrolled. For it's spring along the Black Rock road, and each zephyr tells the story of a wealth of fairy gold.

SOFT and intricate and lacy, like an antique bridal veil. Falls the water over the old dam breast. And the falling leaves are golden and they make a shining trail.

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THE TOMB

THERE is a garden that I know. Where your white tomb is set. On which the falling petals flow. From roses of regret; And you are dead, my love, although My lips may kiss yours yet.

Intimate Glimpses of Great Men
Little do those who see the Quizzeter wearing his white vest margins and buttressed among his encyclopedias and works of reference, imagine that in social circles he is esteemed, not to say adored, for his realistic imitation of a barking seal.

Answers to Yesterday's Quiz
1. Carier Glass takes the place of the late Senator Martin, of Virginia.

WHAT DO YOU KNOW?

1. Who is surgeon general of the United States?
2. What is the meaning of the word recumbent?
3. Who was "The Great Commoner"?

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