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in southern California and Mexico and that he will draw a salary of \$50,000 a year.

A FOUR-YEAR PROGRAM FOR PHILADELPHIA

- Things on Which the People Expect the New Administration to Concentrate Its Attention: The Delaware river bridge, A drydock big enough to accommodate the largest ships...

THIS list by no means includes all the public improvements the need for which has been discussed for years.

ONE ON THE POISON SQUAD

IT HAS been apparent for some time that the political poison squads are in action against Mr. Hoover.

THE University of Pennsylvania is at the forking of the ways: rather, it has already proceeded along one of the forks and can scarcely return.

FROM DAY TO DAY

MR. WILSON has lost suddenly and utterly the politician's power to do the right thing in the right way.

THE VANISHING "FLU"

HERE and elsewhere the influenza is rapidly abating. Oddly enough Philadelphia suffered less than many other eastern cities.

HUGHES AS REVOLUTIONIST

CHARLES E. HUGHES contributes a novelty to the presidential preliminaries. "Far-be-it-from-me" candidates are as thick as they are coy.

SEND BACK THE WOODEN CARS

DIRECTOR HINES'S order providing for the discontinuance of all regional and district offices of the federal railroad administration on March 1 gives a practical, reassuring reality to the imminent extinction of government ownership.

CABINET GRADUATES

A LOT of sympathy is being wasted on Mr. Lansing. The former secretary of state may in his secret heart be thanking heaven for Mr. Wilson's quick temper.

lacks headquarters from which it can be adequately directed and expanded. Philadelphia is one of the art centers of the world. It has private collections unrivaled in variety and value.

Recent events have disclosed the inadequacy of the water supply. Plans for correcting this evil must be made so that there may be no shortage in the homes or in the factories.

The relation of the city to the housing problem is direct, even though the houses must be built by private capital. It was said a few months ago there was room for only about 3000 new houses in the streets that have been opened and severed.

Many other things will have to be done, but what the city needs just now is concentration of its attention on a few definite projects such as those mentioned and driving force enough in the City Hall to push the projects ahead as fast as the money can be made available.

THE GOWNSMAN

WE ARE about to turn the leaf at the University—which should mean Pennsylvania to all true Philadelphians. We are about to turn the leaf, if not to close a completed volume and take up another of which we know not yet even the print.

THE primary function of the provost or president of a great university is leadership in education. His is the hand that guides, prunes, fosters: the eye which foresees.

IF WE accept this latter conception of our functions it is clear that the state is our only recourse and that in common decency we must be given of right what we have used for so often in forma pauperis.

THE most dangerous of all adversaries is he who laughs in the midst of battle. Hoover is laughing at the poison squad and that is why somebody ought to intervene and stop a fight that otherwise will have a nasty end for somebody.

It is all very well to berate Mr. Wilson for his firm opposition to the new allied policy in the Adriatic. Yet it is well to remember that a vast and increasing mass of intelligent opinion in Europe is also opposed to this policy.

Woes and afflictions continue to pile upon the folk who have Mr. Hylan for Mayor. Who could imagine the bitterness of mind of a city compelled to live day after day in full sight of rivers and streets filled with cracked ice without anything to mix it with?

Influenza is indeed a wicked malady. It completely missed Amserongen.

Joseph Caillaux, former premier of France, charged with treason, is said to be much bored by his trial. The gentleman should not be so blasé. He should, at least, simulate an interest if he has it not.

Occasionally a prophet receives appreciation from his own people. The United States Yarn Dealers' Association has sent birthday felicitations to Marne Henry Waterson, characterizing him as "the artful spinner of the highest quality yarn."

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THE power of a man like Wilson comes from the people in ways which we do not mean when we use that phrase.

Such a man, like the hero of the Greek fable whose strength ebbed when his feet were off the ground, is only strong when his contact with the people is firm and secure.

When they are not, he is thinking all the time of what the people will say about what he is doing.

He is seeking to regain their favor. Or he is angry at their desertion of him. His power is gone.

He is like a great baseball player when his confidence leaves him. He fuses with his bat, he fidgets with his uniform, is mad at his luck and "pops up" or "fans out."

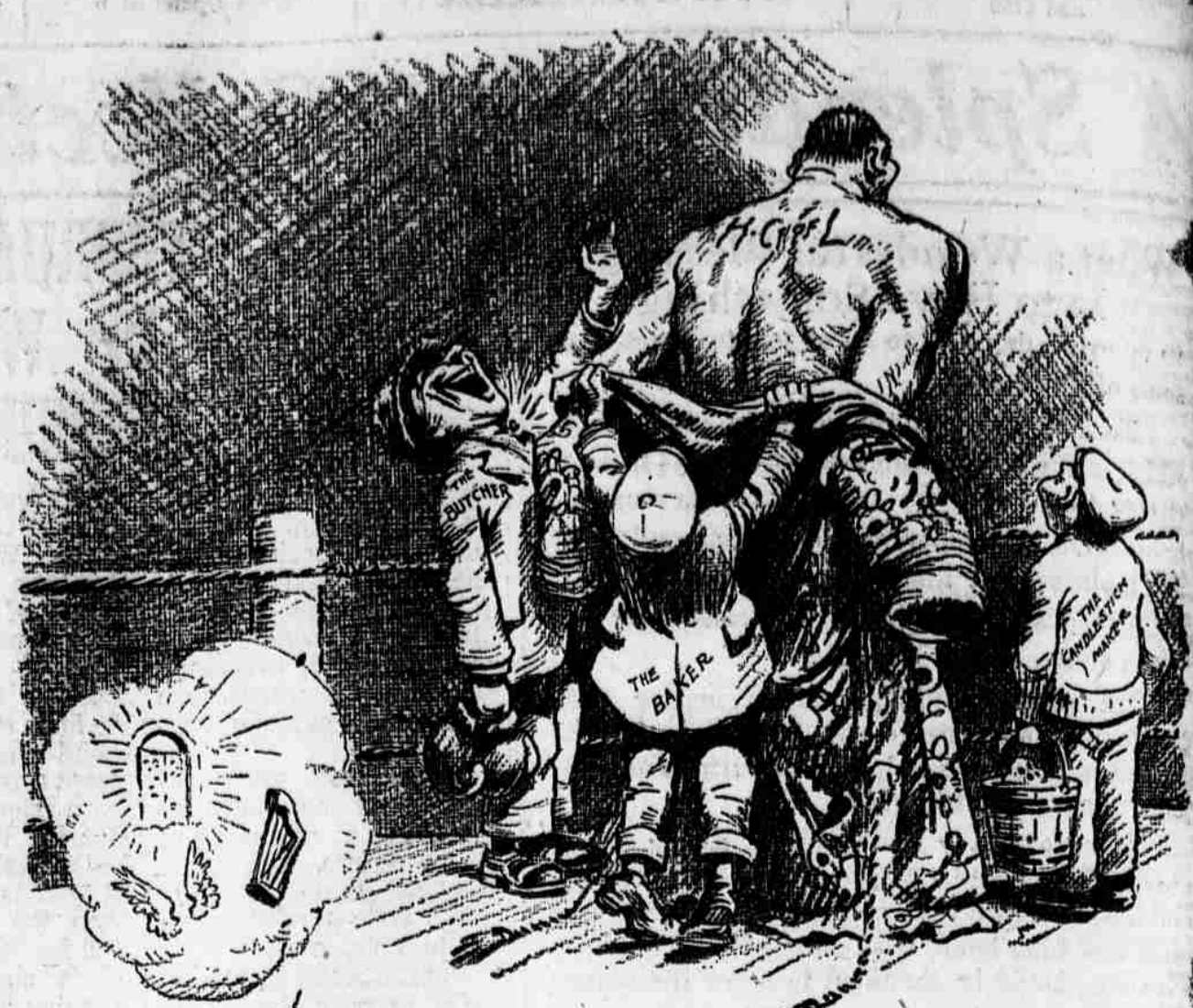
THE most supremely confident man in the world is now only an obstinate man.

And all that happened was that the public withdrew from him its favor.

SPEAKING of the fall of Clemenceau, the London Nation says: "The underlying fact is some indefinable instinctive jealousy of greatness. The average Frenchman feels as the average Athenian used to feel, that a strong leader, even in a democracy, is potentially a tyrant."

And it goes on to say that it was this jealousy of greatness which led to the arrest and long imprisonment without trial on charges which seem trifling of Callaux, of the murder of Jaures and the acquittal of his slayer and to the defeat of Clemenceau for the presidency.

YEAH, SOMEHOW THE PUBLIC SEEMS TO HAVE LOST INTEREST IN THE H. C. OF L.



GOO-GOO-GA! A Song of the Baby Clinic Babies. I'm a thin little baby. I kick and I squeal! "She's a bad baby," every one said. But here at the Clinic they say: "Not at all! She's not being properly fed!"

What Do You Know? QUIZ. 1. What is the Septuagint? 2. What was the first name of Cardinal Richelieu?

Answers to Yesterday's Quiz. 1. The Maine was blown up in Havana harbor on February 15, 1898.

THE SPARK. READERS of riddles dark. Solve me the mystery of the Spark! My good dog died yesterday night.

My good dog died yesterday night. His heart of love through his eyes of light had looked out kind his whole life long. In all his days he had done no wrong.

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