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A FOUR-YEAR PROGRAM FOR PHILADELPHIA

Things on which the people expect administration to concen the new administra trate its attention:

The Delaware river bridge.
A drydock big enough to accommodate the largest ships.
Development of the rapid transit system.
A convention hall.
A building for the Free Library.
An Art Museum.
Enlargement of the water supply.
Homes to accommodate the popu

RESPONSIBILITY FOR DIRT

DOCTOR FURBUSH'S indignation over the filth in the back alleys in which Philadelphia abounds reflects both upon the police who have failed to report deposits of trash and refuse. and upon the contractors whose delinquency seems to be chronic. The indictment for outrageously insanitary conditions can also be lodged in part against property owners and tenants or two, but it has done nothing. The beginning. inured to the local custom of regarding alleys as dumps. In fact, the responsibility is joint and relief can only come from vigorous and intelligent cooperation.

The three city departments concerned - Health, Public Works and Public Safety-should unite on some; program in which their corrective resources can be co-ordinated. The education of the public is an ideal less easy of attainment, but it should be pursued ceaselessly and with as emphatic punitory agencies as are legal. When the citizens themselves are fully aroused accomplishment by the three departments will be inevitable.

Corrupt government, unclean politics, insolent and greedy contractors have

SUFFRAGE HOPE STRAWS

THE depressing outlook in Delaware is a severe test of suffrage optimism. Crumbs of comfort are now discernible in Louisiana. They are not of alluringly nutritious possibilities, but wholly negligible

John M. Parker, who has called the Vice President on the Progressive

associated may exert in Louisiana a welcome influence on behalf of suffrage. In any event, it is slightly safer relief was so swiftly extinguished this are connected with financial and busi-

COMMON SENSE IN GEORGIA THE eleventh-hour withdrawal of

Mr. Wilson's name from the Georgia presidential primary ballot is probably to be ascribed less to mysterious influences than to the pressure of common sense. The White House is said to have accorded no recognition to either the beginning or the finish of this fantastic move.

As almost everything in politics can be argied from contradictory standpoints, the professional interpreters can prove that the President is Indifferent paign or eager for it or opposed to it. But if the public is momentarily capable of nonpartisan thinking, it should realize that Mr. Wilson as a candidate belongs to history, not to prophecy.

The practical result of the clearing situation is that the Paimer forces in Georgia can now frankly go to the mat against the battalions of Hoke Smith, who has long been unsympathetic with the President's policy on the league and the treaty.

A DIPLOMATIC NOVELTY

THE charges of ingratitude ledged by States because of our rejection of the try we shall have the problem of ilpeace treaty may soon have to be re-

the foreign affairs committee of the cease to regard it as a purely local House of Representatives expresses for question. Those rural districts where the pact of Versailles none of the con- good schools are most needed are least tempt to which the Senate gave such able to provide them. Yet under our fluent utterance. In fact, the resolu- present system the citizens in those tion places emphatic reliance upon all districts run their own schools, keeping those clauses of the treaty in which them open fifteen or twenty weeks in Germany makes submission to the charge of ill-paid and poorly equipped

the treaty we declined to accept all rights accruing to us under that instru- April by Dr. Frank E. Spaulding, one ment. But Germany signed up. Her of the best-equipped educational ex-surrender is on record, and by that perts in the country. Doctor Spauldrecord the House resolution abides even ing was called to the superintendency though our part of the contract was re- of schools in Cleveland after a school

The arrangement is described in lan-

formed that it must within forty-five Evening Bublic Ledger days declare that it has ceased to be at war with the United States and that it waives and renounces on behalf of minimum definite comprehensive obitself and its nationals any right or jects which should be sought in public benefit against the United States or its education are essential elementary nationals that it or they would not have knowledge, training and discipline, the right to assert had the United States occupational efficiency and civic re-

ratified the treaty of Versailles.' sponsibility. A program necessary to Who said the treaty was dead? The achieve these objects involves a minirespect here paid to that document is mum school year of thirty-six weeks, unique. Indeed, in the history of diplo- adequate laws compelling regular atmacy there is no parallel to a situation | tendance throughout the school year of Building in which one principal which has turned all children between the ages of seven down a contract flatly insists it be and sixteen, effective public control of scrupulously earried out by the other elementary private tchools to insure party.

Unselfish admiration of the pact cannot be carried beyond that point, for erly trained teaching force every mem-

The Local School Survey Will Be tain the public schools, and that at Good as Far as It Goes, but It Cannot Compass the Whole Issue of Illiteracy

FOR reasons growing out of the wark that serious attention is being given to the problems of education by the general public which used to be confined to professional educators. The war disclosed two disconcerting

facts. One was that hundreds of thousands of American youth of the draft age were virtually illiterate. They is to direct the survey of the local came from all parts of the country and from the cities as well as from the rural districts. The other fact was that hundreds of thousands of citizens of Spaulding's article, some extracts from foreign birth or parentage had no which are reprinted in another column proper understanding of American on this page today. ideals or theories of government.

Thoughtful persons were disturbed as they considered the dangers that lay as they considered the dangers that lay in this mass of ignorance and in this A whispers of victory in the hours of large group of unassimilated foreigners. Revolutionary agitators were at work among the unlettered and the alien. They were sowing the seeds of discontent in the hope that they could reap It is the voice of faith and of imaginaa harvest of violence which would enable them to set up institutions here which had been conceived in the tyrannies of the Old World. Instead of letting matters drift, a concerted movement has begun to direct the processes of education in such a way as to remove illiteracy and to Americanize the

This movement is making progress Right here in Philadelphia we see evidence of it in the agreement of a group comes dramatically in the season of of private citizens to provide the money miracles when life is stirring and reo pay for a school survey. surgent under all the black wastes of

The Board of Public Education has signs to prove that cold and terror and been considering a survey for a year destroying winds are not an end but a committee appointed to arrange for it has talked about the matter, but there world. But no one with faith or imwas a strong feeling among the con- agination will believe that it can last. survey was useless. They said more than once that there was nothing about the schools which they did not know the schools which they did not know the light we need. And they canand that a survey would involve a not rest, they cannot be still. The imuseless expenditure of money.

Those who knew better, however, is within them and it will give them no have persisted. The schools were not peace until they find the goal for which doing what they should do, and they they, like all those who have gone bewere determined that something should fore them, must struggle through all be done to disclose to the public both pain, at all costs. the merits and the shortcomings of the school system and to call attention to the evils that needed to be corrected.

he evils that needed to be corrected.

As a result, private citizens have

If THE Prince of Wales doesn't weaken he will, perhaps, come to agreed to finance the survey, and a capitalized to the utmost some low committee of six members of the school know his own dominions as well as capitalized to the utmost some low public standards of sanitation. When we begin to understand that dirty back alleys are fully as dangerous to health and progress as dirty main streets we shall not be such easy victims.

American Presidents do theirs. Georgian information is a by-product of our presidential campaigns. Even the defeated candidate, having swung around the circle of the states, retires a minimum school year of thirty-six weeks; second, adequate graphical information is a by-product of thirty-six weeks; second, adequate laws, effectively enforced, compelling the defeated candidate, having swung around the circle of the states, retires a minimum school year of the triple of thirty-six weeks; second, adequate laws, effectively enforced, compelling the defeated candidate, having swung around the circle of the states, retires around the circle of the states are the majesty of the state around the circle of the state around the circl for it out of funds at his disposal. indispensable yet even in liberal Brit's The first task that confronts the com- ain. What is not an absolute necessity mittee is to decide whether to select an may, however, be highly advantageous expert of its own to direct the work to royalty, and it is certain that the and to secure answers to the questions very extensive travels of young Edward to be put to him, or to accept the offer must prove a humanizing equipment

for his prospective role. of Doctor Finigan. Just at present he is heading for The expert, whoever he may be, San Diego, having passed through the Legislature of his state to meet in will be asked to study five speMay to consider the nineteenth amendment, is not a typical southern goveducational needs of the city based

Legislature of his state to meet in will be asked to study five spePanama Canal while mercurial Culebra by a good four-year high school course
was engaged in one of its tantrums, and professional training at least
the provided by a good four-year high school course
that the notorious cut equivalent to that provided by a good ment, is not a typical southern gov- educational needs of the city based It is unfortunate that the notorious cut His election last November upon its population, its varied indusmarked the defeat of a notorious ring tries and its commercial needs and its blasting, but even this incident was no which had throttled the state for years. social life. Under this head will come without its illuminative appeal, The prince's present itinerary carries a visit to Australia. He has

In 1916 Mr. Parker was nominated for suggestions as to the best way to supply these needs by an adjustment of the schools of all grades to meet the already seen Canada, a strip of the There is a faint chance that the forces demands upon them and by the estab- United States and some British posof liberalism with which he has been lishment of technical schools or of more technical courses in the schools already may "cover" all of the imperial doin existence. Then will come a study main. It is interesting to wonder how of the physical equipment of the schools George the Third would have acted had to entertain hopes of Louisiana than and an examination into the care of he been more of a royal rover. it was of Miss' bpi, where promise of that equipment. These two problems ness administration rather than with the technical side of teaching.

The fourth problem will be an inquiry into the professional organization and administration of the schools; that is, with the system of teaching and superintendence. And the fifth will be an If the Supreme Court's action is favor nquiry into the things which the able it will at least reduce the danger, chools are consciously trying to do if any exists, of the presidential eleand the success which attends their tion being thrown into the courts. efforts.

When the report is made the public will know just where the defects in advocates of "direct action" the schools are and what can be done they have legal means of getting what to remove them. Then it will be up to the taxpayers to decide whether to a ow the present conditions to continue or to pay the money needed to give the city a school system fitted to the demands of a community of 2,000,000 people with a varied industry and a nopulation made up of a score of dif-

But we shall fail in our duty if we to a savings account. confine our thinking to the educational problem of Philadelphia. As our popdation is recruited from the rural dis- for our hesitate about paying more for the ed criets, we are vitally interested in the kind of schools which those districts ucation of our children? maintain. We may give to all our children all the education of which they are capable, but so long as uneducated our former allies against the United young people come here from the countimes and that only times of adequate production wear a rosy hue.

> literacy to struggle with. Education is a national issue, and the opinion is spreading that we must

It is true that in refusing to ratify A plan for improving conditions is set forth in the Atlantic Monthly for survey had disclosed the defects of the local system, and he set about putting ruage which admits of no misinterpre- into effect the recommendations of the Under penalty of a ban on com- committee which made the survey. He

EDUCATING APNATION

ment of school administration in Yale

Doctor Spaulding declares that the

regularity of attendance, and a prop-

The average salary of teachers is

EASTER

mortal voice of command and prophecy

A ROVING PRINCE

suffrage amendment until its validity

lative assembly is to help to

It was not merely coincidence that

fireman who saved a bottle of

whisky from a local fire had an up-to-

The President is discovering that

ighteousness without authority is a

great provoker of the short answer.

is necessary.

was taking a hand.

shiny Sunday.

case it is ratified by thirty-six state

must suffer.

own imperfections.

University.

A Program for Doing the Work Set Forth by an Expert

Dr. Frank E. Spaulding, contributes to the April Atlantic Monthly an article on educational problems, from which the following extracts are taken. Doctor Spaulding is a graduate of Amherst College, student at the University of Berlin, the College of France, the Sorbonne and the University of Leipsic, and has been superintendent of schools in Newton, Mass.; Minneapolis, Minn., and Cleveland. O. He is about to take charge of the department of school administration in Yale University. proper standards of instruction and

OF THE many impressive revelations of the great world war, none was more impressive than that of the supreme importance of education. In Russia and Prussia the whole world witnessed the dire disaster resulting, more money for the support of the in the one case, from the lack of uni-Doctor Spaulding says that versal education, in the other from misit costs \$650,000,000 a year to maindirected or false education. And both the strength and the weakness of our least \$2,000,000,000 should be spent. own country have been easily traceable a year. It ought to \$1500. Until the to the excellencies and the deficiencies salary is raised it is absolutely imrespectively of our educational provipossible to secure properly equipped sions and efforts. teachers in sufficient numbers to supply the schools, and until the rich com

Now is the time to take stock o hese impressive revelations; to look munities tax themselves to provide into the demands and the opportunities of the future. * Let us try to money for maintaining schools in the sketch in broad outlines merely the outstanding characteristics of an educommunities the whole country cational program, indeed a minimum program, such as is immediately needed in these United States. The members of the committee which schools would doubtless find their un-

derstanding of the problem before them THIS program consists of two parts broadened if they should read Doctor First, a brief statement of the objectives of American education for the immediate future; and second, an out-

program of education which shall "bring effectively within the reach, not defeat. In darkness it sings miracuonly of every boy and girl, but also of every adult citizen, all the training, lously of the light. In humiliation it physical, mental and moral, literary, technical and scientific, of which he is cries again the promise of triumph, and in storm it tells of assured tranquillity. capable," sets an educational tive none too advanced for America. tion. It is older than the world. It Indeed, there will be those to claim has guided and led and driven the race not only that we have long had such an objective, but that we are realizing it. upward out of utter darkness, and be-

cause of it all written history is a There are three minimum, definite comprehensive objectives that American record of humanity's conflict with its public education should at once set for itself. They are: First, essential ele-Easter is the symbol of its purpose Easter commemorates the greatest admentary knowledge, training and disciventure of the human spirit, great pline; second, occupational efficiency promises fulfilled, immortal hope justhird, civic responsibility. tified. In this part of the world it

Essential elementary knowledge, discipline and training should be understood to include so much as results from the successful completion of winter and when everywhere there are the full elementary school course in the best school systems-a course requir ing, as a rule, eight years of regular attendance, thirty-six to forty weeks This surely is the winter of the a year.

The present eight-year elementary school course, as it is carried out ever servative members of the board that a There is new life beneath the waste and in the best school systems, is not here proposed as a fixed or final ideal, es-pecially in details, of the first objective of public education. It should be un-derstood to be inclusive, not exclusive, of any improvements that may be made in content, in method or in organization affecting the latter years of the typical elementary school course. This first objective is the indispens

able basis of the other two-occupa tional efficiency and civic responsibility; it makes the full achievement of these two practicable. A PROGRAM adequate to the achieve-

American Presidents do theirs. Geo-features: First, a minimum school year do nothing. But stumping for kingship is not elementary course is completed, or until the advance or his, 'fair-price' and spensable yet even in liberal Brit's a certain age, preferably sixteen, is a certain age, preferably sixteen, is reached; third, effective public control of all elementary private schools, to insure the maintenance therein standards equal to those maintained in public schools, and to insure the regular and full attendance of pupils regis tered therein; fourth, a teaching force every member of which has a general education at least equal to that afforded two-year normal school course. The mere statement of these simple

measures for the achievement of our first educational objective should be sufficient to convince any intelligent person of the necessity of their adop-DARTLY because of the short school sessions to the east. Eventually he

year, partly because only partial advantage is taken even of this short year the amount of schooling that we Amerienns are getting is startlingly little. As a nation, we are barely graders! According to the well-considered es

Maryland's course in seeking an injunction to restrain the secretary of state from proclaiming the federal timate of Doctor Evenden in his recent study of teachers' salaries and salary schedules, "About 4,000,000 children passed upon by the Supreme Court, in are taught by teachers less than twenone years of age, with little or no h school training, with no profes-nal preparation for their work and like spite, but may be wisdom, who are, in a great majority of cases, ducts of the same schools in which er teach. education of country school

The one effective argument against chers generally is several years less than that of city teachers; even so, alowing for one or two possible excep-ons, it is extremely doubtful whether they desire when their views are sushe average education of the whole tained by the majority of the people To take a leaf out of their Book of up of elementary teachers in any of our large cities exceeds that of a four-year high school course, including in Violence by ejecting them from a legisthe average all professional education as equivalent, year for year, to high their contention that "direct action"

In order to see the evils of an excess THE training of young men for civic profit tax one has only to consider what I responsibility and vocational effiwould happen if the same rule applied ency should culminate in a full twelveyear of instruction, discipline and training, to be carried on directly under the auspices of the national gov-We pay more for food and clothe children than formerly; why

ernment.

outh of the land should be mobilized y a complete draft carried out by the Dyers who threaten to strike should War Department, only those seriously member that strike times are blue crippled physically and the mentally mean and that only times of adequate incorporate their rejected as unfit. being rejected as unfit; incompetent for one of the fundamental aims of this Some of training should be to make fit.
Some option should be allowed the dividual concerned as to the age at thich he should enter upon this year.

It shall be enacted—probably it already has been—that it shall be a penal offense punishable by fifteen years imprisonment to a nursery for any landcourse of training should be to make fit. individual concerned as to the age at the New York Assembly ousted the Socialists on All-Fools' Day. Fate which he should enter upon this year of strictly compulsory training. He lord to refuse to let an apartment to a should not be allowed, for example, to couple because they have children or begin it before reaching the age of to dispossess any couple having chilseventeen years and six months; and dren.
he should be required to begin it before passing his twentieth birthday. rights date appreciation of what is meant by This option would permit most boys in to life high schools to complete their courses ments. before entering on this year's training;

college to precede their college with this year of training. WE ARE not now prepared. We are no more prepared today for the Today is merely a stepping stone between a damp Friday and a sun great emergencies of peace that confront us than we were prepared three Some of the Blue Hen's chickens chief resource in preparing for war. of our incomes as is left to us by the Now education, deliberate, intensive profiteers fleeing before Mr. Palmer's were counted before they were hatched. and sustained, must be our basic re-Delaware simply postponed the source in preparing for peace.

HOW DOES IT . Vigorous Gestures Made at Profiteers Have Soporific Effect on Their Victims

Only people too stupid to be clerks

Mr. Palmer's hands are full!

He says teachers should be well paid.

The best, in the way of instruction

Life is not so difficult after all.

But what would it be without our

g g g

"DID beer save the Briton?" asks a headline over a special article in a

the British lived for generations on poor diet, yet lived.

Why, by reason of the vitamines in

their beer, is the triumphant reply.

The trouble with this theory is that

factors committee (English), the au-

thority on vitamines, says there are no

Careful tests were made and none was

Says the report: "Bottled ale and

neuritic and anti-scorbutic accessory

That is, it cures neither scurvy nor

The vitamine is trying to get into our

If the Anti-Saloon League is wise it

Those who like it will vote for it,

vitamines or no vitamines, and whether

q q q

WHAT are these vitamines which are trying to get into the campaign and

into common speech? They are the latest proof that your stomach was right

when it rejected the chemist's conclu-

sions that all you needed were "calories

ference in what form they were offered.

chemists were wrong. Your stomach liked butter, and did

Both were grease. But butter is rich

You liked fresh food better than pre-

Fresh food has the vitamines; pre-

You liked well-cooked food and gen-

erally were right, for in food properly

ou get scurvy.

If without another, you get beriberi.

rickets; and if older, various ills that

The vitamine is the greatest of all re-

And it lends no hope to the theory

that we shall live some day on a scien

for April 18—the U. of P. sophomore

served food generally has not.

vitamines are destroyed.

spring from malnutrition.

tifically prepared tablet.

number of highbrows.

prepare a vitamine is nature.

in vitamines and butter substitutes are

Your stomach was right and

reason for beer than that they like it.

it saved the Briton or not.

the special report of the accessory

beer.

argument of the writer is that

newspaper.

How?

factors.

STRIKE YOU? and All Is Right as Right Can Be

ANYHOW, WE KNOW WHAT HE'LL DISCARD

ATTORNEY GENERAL PALMER ing the teachers away from the schools to be clerks and day laborers. against the profiteers.

The war upon the profiteers is one in which all the victories are with the profiteers and all the honors are with the selves to be school teachers, and not very many of those.

Mr. Attorney General Palmer fixes our two-room apartments and feed upon what for price of sugar at fourteen cents. what Mr. Palmer, with his flying The children whom we can crowd into the top price of sugar at fourteen cents.

It is a magnificent service to the squadrons, can save us of elusive dollar

are going to have little or only bad in-Sugar at once goes to twenty cents. struction. What to do? Palmer gets the glory, the sugar-makers take the profits and the public pays the bills, feeling a deep sense of pays the bills, feeling a deep sense of gratitude to the vigilant attorney.

After this telling blow to the sugar profiteers, Palmer goes after the other profiteers with a "flying squadron."

It is good for a first-page story in it the newspapers. page in the Metropolitan Magazine.

the newspapers. Nothing ever happens from Palmer's efforts except still higher prices.
Yet the public is pleased.
It likes to see its officials stirring in its interests, though it knows they will s none too good for the young.

The safety of the nation depends upor The lives of devotion led by-but why Another problem is solved! We feel easier in our minds now that some one has said that one of the first duties of a democracy is to pay its

teachers well. Attorney General Palmers, our York Legislatures and our General Woods?

TF IT weren't for Palmer making his picturesque gestures that relieve the public indignation and thus make easier the paying of bills, some one might get angry and go out and hang a profiteer. The little child runs into a chair and

bumps his face. Nurse, to soothe him, says: "Watch nursey slap the nasty old chair!'
The comedy fools no one. Palmer gets votes out of it

The profiteer tucks away a few additional profits. The citizen pays the bills, a little easier in his mind because nursey has slapped the chair, although he knows the chair was not hurt. more flying squadrons! More top prices for sugar!

THE New York legislature has passed eleven bills to check the profiteering real estate owner. The nasty old landlord chair gets eleven separate slaps!

Will rents be lower? beriberi. Was sugar lower when the attorney general fixed a price of fourteen cents upon all sugar, except Democratic sugar from Louisiana, which should be twenty national campaign, which might become as issue, not of wet and dry, but of vitamine and anti-vitamine. cents The landlords are meeting the emer-

gency created by 50,000 families in New York without homes quite energetically and effectively.
You, we will say, are a New York tenant who has been leasing an apart ment of six rooms for \$900 a year. The landlord turns you out to re-

model his apartment.

He cuts your six-room apartment up into three two-room apartments and rents each for \$1000 a year.

He makes three blades of grass grow where one grew before.
With one single apartment he re-

duces by two the number of homeless For this patriotic service he makes the modest charge of \$2100 a year.

the modest charge of \$2100 a year.

Just as the sugar profiteers and the other food and clothing profiteers could not get away with it except for the lieving the public emotions, so the rent profiteers in New York could not get away with it except for the splendid gestures of the New York Legislature.

chemists were wrong.

Your stomach liked butte not like butter substitutes.

Both were grease. But be in vitamines and butter substitutes.

You liked fresh food bette served food.

And you were right. For this year of training, all male

lature. shall be enacted-probably it al-

lord to refuse to let an apartment to a Having thus spoken vigorously for the cent discoveries about food, rights of childhood, we shall settle down to life in our \$1000 two-room apart-

And whatever temptation exists to would also permit those going to raise a family in such quarters at such work a rent will be mitigated by the food and clothing profiteers whom Mr. Palflying squadrons are forever mer's harrying.

6 6 6 THERE is another problem. That is A finding schools enough for the chilfront us than we can raise in our two-room years ago for the emergencies of war. dren we can raise in our two-room Education, hasty and Lectic, was our apartments at \$1000 a year upon such

The Public Service Commission has no terrors for the Shanks' Mare Transit ng squadron A It appears that the profiteers are hir-

What Do You Know?

QUIZ

 How did hokey-pokey gets its name? 2. Who is the highest commander the American troops now on t Rhine?

3. Name two former chieftains of Tammany Hall. 4. One southern state is to consider the equal suffrage amendment in May and another in July. Which are these states?

Who said "Is civilization a failure or is the Caucasian played out"? What is a pantechnicon?

 Who mortgages a property, a mort-gagor or a mortgagee? . What is a mammee? The New York Legislature's hands

9. What is the predominant religion of Persia? Ah, there is General Wood! Let him write a piece about it in his What is the particular day devoted to ultra-radical manifestations in

Answers to Yesterday's Quiz

Monterey is a city in California, ninety-four miles south by east of San Francisco. It was for a time the capital of California when the territory of that statewas a Mexican province. Monterrey is an important city in Northern Mexico in the state of Nuevo Leon. I. Monterey is a city in California,

Alabaster is the name of several varieties of carbonate or sulphate

Thomas Jefferson's election was decided by the House of Represen-tatives in 1800 and John Quincy Adams's by that branch of Con-gress in 1824.

President Wilson signed the dec-laration of war with Germany on April 6, 1917.

6. The colors of the flag of Brazil are

8. Thomas Hughes wrote Brown's School Days." stout and beer as bought on the market are lacking in both the anti-

The "stool of repentance" was originally a low stand placed in front of the pulpit in Scotland on which persons who had incurred what its merit. The great masters of chamber tical censure were placed during divine service. Georgia was founded by James Oglethorpe in 1733 as a refuge for debtors.

Extremists in most of the towns in the Ruhr district are forcing workers to will procure the special report and con- quit their jobs and join the Red army, found those who wish to give any other a species of radical intoxication to which the Allies may yet be called upon to apply a truly Rhural test.

THE VAMPER

(With Apologies to Rudyard Kipling) Vamper—A boaster; one who adds some thing new to an old thing.—Dict. FOOL there was and I heard him swear,

Even as you and I. That things as they are, are very unfair. That where they are round they ought to Raising his hue and cry.

Oh! The cares he sped and the snares he spread.

With his labors of tongue and pen.

And all for the people who did not know.

And he could not see that they never would know, They being honest men

A fool there was and his breath Even as you and I; Turmoil and strife and discontent He scattered with venom wherever he repared the vitamines survive.
When it is "cooked to death" the

If you eat food without one vitamine For a fool is nat'rally twisted and bent Raising his hue and cry Oh! The time he lost and the slime If without a third you get, if a child,

And the ideal things he planned; And all for the people who didn't know He was raising his imbecile hue and cry. And could not understand

The fool was tripped in his foolish pride, Even as you and I; When the people carelessly threw him When we try to do that we'll all die. The only chemist who knows how to For with things as they are we are boaster's vaporings scorn and Another inteflectual treat featured Even his hue and cry.

freshman pants fight. Already great Now it isn't a shame, for we cannot blame The sting of the people's brand. excitement is being manifested as to will display the greater ng to know that the things that

Than the fool's vain jangle are better

For these we can understand, -William J. Eldridge THE CRITIC TALKS TO MUSIC LOVERS

Weekly Comment on Things Musi. cal in Discriminating Philadelphia

THE Society for the Publication American Music has announced to result of the examination of the first group of compositions submitted to a After the examiners' committee, which was composed of some of the best-known musicians of the country, had read the musicians of the country, had read the works submitted six were recommended for publication. These six were played before the board and the advisory music committee, also composed of famous musicians, and a string quartet by Alon Reiser and a sonata for clarinet (or violin) and piano by Daniel Gregory Mason were chosen. The other four compositions recommended for publication will be published as soon as the funds of the organization permit.

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The names of the composers of the other four works were not made public although there seems to be no reason for withholding them. It was through no lack of merit in the composition that publication at this time is impossible, and it would give the composers of these works the satisfaction of knowing where their works ranked in the opin-ions of the eminent musicians who made up the board. These men, however, did not know the names of the composers all the compositions being submitte with a private mark of identification.

IN MAKING its report to its members the society gave some interesting figures as to the cost of publishing music. The average cost of publishing the parts of a string quartet is \$350, and when the score also is published the cost rises to about \$700. Therefore it is small wonder that music publishers are charged. about issuing serious music written in the classic forms, for which the demand s necessarily, but unfortunately, small, for it means that they face a certain oss in doing so.

It is sad to say, but it is doubtless true, that there is not a sufficient de-mand in the United States today for string quastets, or any other form chamber music to let a publisher of even, no matter who wrote the mus even, no matter who wrote the music nor how good it might be. The aim of the society at present is confined to chamber music, although if the organization grows, as it should, orchestral and other large forms of music will be taken up later. At present, however, the cost of issuing orchestral music makes it prohibitive. makes it prohibitive. THE society is filling a distinct need

In American musical life, for the figures quoted show that it is not the lack of merit that makes it impossible for the American composer to have his serious music printed. The average publisher of music is not in business for his health or for philanthropy, nor for the purpose of aiding the cause of good American music, unless he can do so without cost to himself. There are, however, some notable exceptions, for a goodly number of compositions have been published by one or two American publishers at what must have been a heavy loss, and the publishers knew it when they agreed to bring out the

works.

Most publishers, unfortunately, are not in a financial position to do this, and it is hardly fair to expect it of them. For these reasons there is a great need for such an organization as the Society for the Publication of American Music. The organization is run at the smallest possible cost, as the administration is ntirely without expenditure of the funds of the society, all the officers giving their services, thus allowing the dues of the members (the only source of in-

2. The word leeward should be pro-nounced as though it were spelled small annual dues. abaster is the name of several varieties of carbonate or sulphate of lime. It is also a massive fine-grained sulphate of lime, as distinct from the carbonates and was particularly used by the ancients for receptacles for unguents.

Thomas Jefferson's election was decided by the House of Represended by the House of Representation of the best cellists who has such as the sum of the best cellists who has the sum of the service of the best cellists who has the sum of the service of the best cellists who has the sum of the service of the service

appeared before a Philadelphia audience of New York, piano. In all its concerts the trio showed a fine ensemble and much beauty of tone, the latter being The "Sans-Culottes" literally "the ganization. The programs of the trio were worthy of the lower Parisian classes in the French Revolution.

The programs of the trio were worthy of especial mention, for they were all of the highest classical standard, but the concerts were neither too long nor too heavy. Mr. Such and his associates evidently take no stock in that greatest heresy of chamber musicians

no matter what its merit. They stuck to the great masters of chamber in the trio form and they played these works with the reverence and close attention to detail which is essen-tiol in the true presentation of such

masterpieces.

Philadelphia cannot have too many such organizations (no pun intended) conducted on such sound lines, and it is to be hoped that the artistic success which the trio achieved will lead to its many than the success which the trio achieved will need to its continuation and that it will meet with the financial success which its artistic ideals and its fine performances deserve.

AT. LAST week's concerts Mr. Sto-kowski gave us the sequel to an experiment, the first part of which was given a year ago. This was in the Mozart G minor Symphony, which this season he played with the full orchestra; last year he was it with tra; last year he gave it with an or-chestra the size of the average orchestra of Mozart's day. The result justified the statement made in these columns a year ago, namely, that Mozart wrote an orchestra as much in advance of his time as his musical thoughts were ahead of his own day, and that his great compositions are worthy of per-formances by the most complete organ-

izations possible to attain.

There can be little doubt that the composition sounds far better when performed with the full resources of a modern orchestra than when the smaller number of instruments is used. It is true that some of the detail, especially the parts of the French horns, is not so clear, but as Mozart had not the so clear, but as Mozart had not the melodic horn in his day, and used the instrument only for the purpose of adding color and not melody, this loss is insignificant when compared with the enormous gain in volume and tone quality. The work, like nearly all of Mozart's prepared compositions is quality. The work, like hearly all of Mozart's orchestral compositions, is largely for strings and the gain in sonority in this section and in the tonal beauty, which is possible only with a large number of the stringed instruments, especially in the softer passages. more than compensates for any loss in the detail of the more insignificant in-struments. At the same time the per-formance last year, compared with this senson's, was most interesting and in-

The depressing fact is that the man grown lazy and careless does not often recover until Fate kicks him severely; and there is possibility that the same holds true of civilization.

As a candidate Hoover lacks the art

intercourse, Germany is in- is about to take charge of the depart- i inevitable.