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A FOUR-YEAR PROGRAM FOR PHILADELPHIA

Things on which the people expect the new administration to concentrate its attention:
The Delaware river bridge.
A dredging big enough to accommodate the largest ships.
Development of the rapid transit system.

AUTOBIOGRAPHICAL JOYS

IF THOMAS B. SMITH is really writing in his memoirs, he betrays a lively appreciation of perhaps the most fascinating of all fields of literature. There will be great company for the Mayor. Indeed, that illustrious character which includes Roosevelt, Casanova, St. Simon, Voltaire, Franklin, Pope, Evelyn, Amiel, Henry Adams, Henry Waterson, W. N. P. Barbellion, Lord Fisher, Samuel W. Pennypacker and Eric Ludendorff cannot easily be surpassed.

MAKESHIFT POSTAL PLANS

IF ANY proof of the painful inadequacy of the postoffice at Ninth and Market streets were needed it could be found in the expansion plan which John A. Thurston is to urge upon Washington officials this week. It is proposed to remove the space in some centrally located building to care for the overflow work.

OPERA CODDLING ENDS

THERE is little reason to believe that the forthcoming auction sale of the Metropolitan Opera House will be detrimental to the progress of music drama in this city. When Mr. Statesbury's \$100,000 mortgage is satisfied an era of operative coddling here will come to an end.

ALICE PAUL OPTIMIST

MRS. ALICE PAUL does not seem to be discouraged by the defeat of the equal suffrage amendment in Delaware last Thursday. She is confident that it will have better luck this week.

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that he hoped to have the line in operation before he left office. President Mitten, of the P. R. T., has been saying lately that it ought to be in operation next winter.

It seems that we never are but always are to be blessed. The services which the new elevated line to supply is always eight or ten months in the future.

BOSSSES AND PROVIDENCE
RULE AMERICAN AFFAIRS

Why Do We Disregard in Peace the Great Principles for Which We Make War?

AMERICANS have fought time and again in a white passion for the principles of self-government. Cheerfully they have thrown their lives and property into every struggle. In periods of emergency they were for the democratic ideal as if they were in quest of a holy thing, a zeal. Whoever openly questioned them was annihilated.

It is after each of our victories that we have been most mysterious. Having achieved a sacred thing and having achieved it, after enough at staggering cost, we promptly lose interest in it. For we in the United States are not actually self-governing. We are governed by Providence and politicians.

TENTS FOR THE HOMELESS

UNLESS something is done in the near future the housing situation in this city will soon be almost as serious as that in the devastated regions of France.

As there is a demand for at least 20,000 more tents than are found, there is a population of 100,000 without proper accommodations. If all we had to do was to provide shelter for this population some way out could be found.

There is no attempt to analyze Mr. Hoover, to consider his motives, his virtues or his possible defects. The bosses, big and little, consider such exercise of a lively intelligence altogether superfluous.

"What," they say with genuine indignation, "has Hoover ever done for the Republic? What has he ever done for the Democrats? Where has he been all these years when party organizations had to be held together—when elections had to be won?"

Hoover, in other words, never carried a banner. He never carried a torch. He never wore the elephant's tooth. He never carried a banner of the Democratic party in an official capacity. Moreover, he isn't understood. He isn't branded. The high sign is unknown to him.

The interesting thing to remember is that this general taboo is not on Hoover himself, but on any man who neglects to answer questions and have his actions viewed by the proper authorities for any sort of excursion into American politics.

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the business of government, which he is content to leave in the hands of men who make a profiteering trade of politics, affects him intimately every day of his life. For the errors and the inefficiency of elected officers the voter pays heavily in excessive taxes, in hardship, in deprivation. It is easily possible to conceive of circumstances in which he must pay with his life. Yet he can be indifferent.

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The Michigan vote will enable observers to discover whether the popular demand for Hoover has seriously begun, and it will also indicate upon the attitude of the machine politicians who are ready to trim their sails to catch the breeze which will keep them in the running. So the eyes of all the politicians are on Michigan today.

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send a shell 500 miles. Engineers can figure out the resisting strength that would be required, and they can plot the curve that the shell would take in its flight, carrying it a long way above the atmospheric envelope of the earth. We're ready to believe anything—except the war is to be no more.

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"WHAT! ME A SPARRING PARTNER FOR THAT GUY?"



HOW DOES IT STRIKE YOU? Senator Harding Is Handicapped in His Presidential Candidacy by His Striking Resemblance to McKinley

"THERE goes Senator Harding," said a man some months ago. "He looks more like McKinley every day." Candidates, beware of looking like William McKinley!

Look like Naacel Lennie or Georges Clemenceau or Theodore Roosevelt or whom you will, but do not look or be like William McKinley. William McKinley was the fine flower of what may be called the later Victorian age of politics.

He was a sort of American male Queen Victoria, given to white carnations and pacific relations with his party and with Congress.

That is the kind of man you would wish your grandfather to be, as lovely and obsolete as that other Victorian thing, Tennyson's poetry.

IT WAS an interesting experiment to invite him and offer him to the suffrages of the country in the person of Senator Harding.

Mr. Harding did it because he had to. He was the kind of man of McKinley, where the McKinley tradition survives and molds public men.

He looks like McKinley. Should we go back to the McKinley type? The answer is that the three leading candidates for President are General Wood, Mr. McAdoo and Mr. Hoover. Nothing mid-Victorian or later Victorian there.

Aud Mr. Harding is a tragedy. LISTEN to what a French observer of the most conservative papers of Paris: "Germany is moving inevitably toward catastrophe because she can no longer feed more than 55,000,000 inhabitants. She has lost nearly 7,000,000 peasants and agricultural workers."

And the prospective loss of Silesia will deprive her of 42,000,000 tons of coal annually. Mr. Hoover once estimated that there were 20,000,000 more people in Germany than could now be employed and fed.

His estimate and that of the French journalist are not far apart. The war was not a Europe and left not only a million dead but a million more who were left and there was nothing for the losers to do but starve.

Before starting Germany will try bolshevism. BEFORE entering upon a modern war it would be well to be mighty sure that you can win and win easily. Look at the losers in the late war.

Look at Germany with 20,000,000 people left without the hope of living. Look at Austria: 10,000,000 or 10,000,000 people left without resources, smaller but with less hope for the future than Germany.

Look at Russia, demoralized and ruined; though having great natural resources she will get upon her feet again. And the victors are only just better off than the vanquished.

But that is not all. Before there had to be a strike. The operators were convinced that in no other way could prices be raised quickly. The miners saw advantages in a strike, too.

It was good for the morale of the organization. Count Apponyi says the present peace treaties are not regarded as permanent. The United States Senate gave him some ground for that belief.

What Do You Know? QUIZ

- 1. What flower is particularly emblematic of Holland?
2. What kind of animal is a vampire?
3. Who were the Toltecs?
4. What is basil?
5. What is a ballmark?
6. When did the great fire of London occur?
7. How many times did Henry Clay run for the presidency?
8. In what country did the ex-president, recently killed an editor in a duel?
9. What Latin word do the initials "S. S." stand for, when used in the text of "for instance"?
10. How is the date of Easter determined?

Answers to Saturday's Quiz

- 1. The word hokey-pokey is a corruption of "hoocus-poocus."
2. The highest commander of the American troops on the Rhine is the President of the United States.
3. Two former chieftains of Tammany Hall were William M. Tweed and Richard Croker. The former died in 1878. The latter has lately been living in Florida.
4. Louisiana is to consider the equal rights amendment in May and North Carolina in July.
5. "Is civilization a failure or is the Caucasian played out," is a quotation from Bret Harte's famous humorous poem "Plain Language From Truthful James."
6. A pantomime is a furniture warehouse of a moving van.
7. A mortgagor is one who gives a mortgage. A mortgagee is the person whom the property is mortgaged.
8. The mamee is a tropical American tree with a large yellow-pulped edible fruit.
9. The predominant religion of Persia is Mohammedanism of the Shiite sect, which is regarded by the Turks and Arabs as unorthodox.
10. May Day, May 1, is particularly devoted in Europe to ultra-radical manifestations.

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MARKET ST. BET. 12TH AND 13TH
OLIVE THOMAS
In "OUT YONDER"
GLOBE
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