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RELL, 2000 WALNUT KEYSTONE, MAIN 2000. The time for filing nominations for the

primaries expired, so far at the estab-Public Ledger, Independence Square, cerned, on Thursday. The names of three aspirants were officially entered. Member of the Associated Press Boies Penrose is the Republican nomi-THE ASSOCIATED PRESS is nec. A Mitchell Palmer and Eugene exclusively entitled to the use for C. Bonnivell are republication of all uses disputches cratic candidates to this disputches cratic candidates Bonnivell are recognized Demo-

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A FOUR-YEAR PROGRAM FOR PHILADELPHIA

Things on which the people expect the new administration to concen-

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 Muscum.
Enlargement of the water supply.

OVERWORKED MAYORS

WHEN former Mayor Smith a gate- plore the reasons which have induced biography is printed, bound, dedi- it is to open a rich field of speculation. cated and given to a tensely waiting world it is sure to include some moving

If a citizen detects an oder in an ley or in a contract; if he has a hope or a plan or any reason to feel down-hearted about the trend of public af fairs, he will not sit slown embris and write a letter. He will call a com- Pennsylvania. mittee and appoint a deparation. Committees invite the chief expentive to linner, committees report to him clabtees call to ask a simple question. And

wante hist Mr. Moore, in restablishing the character of his activities in Considered a precedent that will make the character of his experience and a characteristic debate.

When the measure of his abilities and pretation for political purposes of which the character of his activities in Considered to his experience and a characteristic debate.

There Brashen began his real work thought.

When the measure of his abilities and precedence of his activities in Constant Mel'ormick and some of his in the field of science. As one writer that will make the whole country is progressive, count of the accomplishments of his when the Middle West becomes hard a characteristic debate. liberal schedule. But it will permit the Mayor to snatch a little time from the

THE FIRST STEP

MAYOR MOORE was elected on a senatorial manners and procedure. The platform condenning contractor electorate of Pennsylvania has made rule, and especially rule by the street-

permitted the city to along its own any Pennsylvania Republica, streets instead of larving them cleaned whatever his mental califier. The first step; and not a very long so numerous, between elections, large

one, toward carrying out this program not only emphasized these conditions. mittee on city property and service in illustration of brilliant legislative asking the finance committee to find achievement originated by the senior \$25,000 to pay for an impairy into the senator. When no special instances ability of the city to clean its own have been forthcoming. Pennsylvania

This is the right way to go about it The administration must first know the bus had constructive value, ements of the problem before trying . Penrose is a bad influence in our

When this information is succeed a Mayor will then be able to decide whether it will be profitable financially. politically and morally for the city to ret rid of the contractors. If the instreet-cleaning bureau, the city is pretty sure to get the fact-

WATER RUNNING TO WASTE TT TAKES only twenty new gallons

of water a day to supply the meedtunities are provided in the Democratic sprinkle their lawns in summer and use large quantities f water in their ormany bullets A. Mitchell Palmer has practiced law, has been a congress-Bureau, has been citing these lighter ind comparing them with the dails ronsumption of 100 gallete by the restlents of the city.

He is at last saying that immediate waste. It amounts at the lowest estimate the learning has been evidenced in his tion records of the Black sea. may reach twice that amount. He says, can principles of freedom and some detail of her Uncle Samuel's business, ambled out of the port of Fedosia and breezed in at Constantinople, 500 miles where economy of constantinople is not Judge Bonniwell has consistently ered by the installation of meters.

Chief Davis knows what ought to be Can be and the Mayor persuade

THERE will be no contest in the state Republican organization for the ed and Fourth districts, as both the methods nor convinced of their sinee and anti-Vare factions have in cerity. The former Democratic naed Representatives Edmonds and tional chairman. Vance McCormick.

Dr. Arthur P. Keegan has been day when he accused the judge of named by the anti-Vare people to con- "wrecking our party " " to out the nomination of William S. Vare manipulate it in the interest of the the First district. In the Third dis- Penrose machine. rict the Vares are supporting Harry C'

backing Charles Delany. Alfred M. Waldron. Their op- as either excited or indignant. The sole have not indorsed him, but they Republican nominee will be re-elected of named any one to run against and the chorus of laments over Penn-

im, and in the Sixth district George sylvania's fate will fruitlessly rever Evening Public Tedger P. Darrow, supported by the Republis berate. P. Darrow, supported by the Republiberate. Solemnity is not in such can Alliance, is to be allowed to run sounds. The cynic may extract mirth without opposition, as, the Vares have from them.

Participants in the May primaries

publicans, have the privilege of voting

for Boics Penrose as the senatoria

But this is seldem done and is almost

invariably ineffectual. Penetleally

Mr. Palmer and Judge Bonniwell.

lion people.

sents itself;

honor of representing some nine mil-

Pennsylvania principle of protection.

possible this nequisition of knowledge

this state and city was actually re-

He is denounced as a machine poli-to an and is disbelieved as a reformer.

ent in the United States Senate!

And yet he, and he alone, is the Re-

Not all of the Democratic minority

missible to write in other names.

Penrose or not nominating any-

The chronic scoffer, bowever, only not put up any one against him. The fight between the two factions touches the situation upon the surface.

Martin, Secretary and Treasurer:

Collins, John B. Williams, John J.

Will centered in the Third district. Here and there in Pennsylvania there where all the influence that the city are perplexed seekers after truth. Here where all the influence that the city are perplexed seekers after truth. Here ABOLTORIAL BOARD, administration can bring to bear will be and there are administration can bring to bear will be and there are the period of Mr. ties transcend those of the Penrose-Delany, a business man of wide experi- Palmer-Bonniwell trio. Here and there I NCLE JOHN has joined his wife in ence and sound principles, committed is an honest man who might conceivdaily at Penne Lapour Unitedna to an improvement in local political ably make an effective senator,

Press Pulsos Uniding practices. He ought to be nominated at the primaries on May 18.

Tot Ford Building to Washington, and for the primaries of the primaries o find no entrance in Pennsylvania politics leading to Washington, and for guished citizen.

First, because fitness for He wouldn't have it that he was a PENNSYLVANIA'S BEST? sire for it; and second, because no im- working life in a rolling mill. He was pression can be made on the "machine

by an outsider. Let it not be said that Mr. Hoover, inknown six years ago, is an instance of something different. Let it not be of something different. Let it not be said that men like Frank H. Vanderlip. desired that she should have the politiwho has lately been mentioned in New cal privileges I had. York for the Senate, suggest examples that exceptions have anything whatever dresses. elect a United States senator next fall. to do with proving rules.

And leteit not be said hereafter that the frills out of functions) he included Pennsylvania is badly represented in her in his discourse, the upper house of Congress. For then the docility of an aggriced electorate might be recalled. The word "hypocris" and the phrase "rooted indifferwould never do.

mediately concerned with railroad op- shall be glad to be with the one who eration to assume that an earlier ap- walked with me and always under nominee of their party. It is, of course, pointment of a special wage commission would have prevented the insur- THERE are old-timers on the Southgent movement within the unions which I side. Pittsburgh, old millmen, who has confused and interrupted traffic on remember Brashear as a millwright. neaking, the option is of nominating western and midwestern lines. The fundamental question is not one of his wife, ambitious as he was, spent commissions. It springs from jeal-their evenings in the study of astron-The Demograts have the choice of ousies, misunderstandings and preju- omy. Because they had no money to These three men, and these only, are put forward as contestants for the may attempt to arrive at a permanent

hope for the best. In other states, where there is often a greater variety of nominating petitions, the task of estimating public thority of the older brotherhoods are the silvering process after two years opinion may be complex. In Pennsylvania the drift of popular sentiment is the balance that experience and experioneed leadership usually provide, right kind of a wife; ant to be much more compact. To ex-Their grievances are against the stronger unions as well as against the It is, for instance, easy to cite Mr.

references to the time-killers who Pennsylvania for one of the two sens-stream endlessly in and out of the big total seats. He has been regularly signalers have been only loosely or-ley's folly." an airplane, the sport of spartment on the second floor at City returned and his tenure of office seems ganized. Naturally, when the train- a generation, is now known to have to be dependent exclusively upon the men's brotherhoods were agitating such been constructed on scientific lines, the Every Mayor has the same story to extent of his days and of his ambition, cessfully for increases the humble one thing lacking being adequate engine tell of bores and butters in, of ax. Not until analysis goes deeper does workers had to shift for themselves. Sower. He is popularly supposed to spinders and friends of somebody's the least obscurity in the situation apfriends of somebody's the least obscurity in the signation appropriate the point of the Mayor. Mr. Moore is not an expension with all the hard things that are said son that the trackmen made futile of him, and a fascinating problem in threats of a strike some months ago.

Pennsylvania psychology at once pre- The newer unions of semiskilled rail and kindly things he did was the enworkers could not and cannot tie up couragement he gave Brashear.

Langley was at this time in charge For Boles Penrose is, in a manner of traffic for the simple reason that their of the Allegheny Observatory. He was speaking, a political bogic tona. It has places may be easily filled. It was not tionary, less intent upon the welfare of pacified. Resentment against the older point in Brashear's life orately about a hole in a payement, the people than upon the selfish and organizations therefore was sharpened Critics of the quality of his states—
would be worth his salt if he wasted his time as a Major is supposed to wante his Mr. Moore, in establishing tabled of hours for callers, his establishing the character of his activities in ConMichael of hours for callers, his establishing the character of his activities in ConMichael of hours for callers, his establishing the character of his activities in ConMichael of hours for callers, his establishing the character of his activities in ConMichael of hours for callers, his establishing the character of his activities in ConMichael of hours for callers, his establishing the character of his activities in ConMichael of hours for callers, his establishing the character of his activities in ConMichael of hours for callers, his establishing the character of his activities in ConMichael of hours for callers, his establishing the character of his activities in ConMichael of hours for callers, his establishing the character of his activities in ConMichael of hours for callers, his establishing the character of his activities in ConMichael of hours for callers, his establishing the character of his activities in ConMichael of hours for callers, his establishing the character of his activities in ConMichael of hours for callers, his establishing the character of his activities in ConMichael of hours for callers, his establishing the character of his activities in ConMichael of hours for callers of his activities in ConMichael of hours for callers of his activities in ConMichael of hours for callers of his activities in ConMichael of hours for callers of his activities in ConMichael of hours for callers of his activities of his activities in ConMichael of hours for callers of his activities in ConMichael of hours for callers of his activities in ConMichael of hours for callers of his activities and their companies. Meanwhile as the parameter of his not money alone that will frage the parameter of the parameter of the parameter of the par

WHAT IS EDUCATION?

But this answer has not satisfied the N EVERY reference to a school sur-I vey there is, for some people, a them Mr. Penrase could hardly fail to be well neguainted by this time with

surface of a complicated problem. A thousandths of an inch. He next com thorough examination of the school system in this city and a report such as ferometer of Professor Michelson, with might follow after a survey impartially an error limit of one five-hundredmade would have infinite value. The project ought to be welcomed by the school officials themselves, who are offen too close to their work to see is sters a temperature change of one oneoften too close to their work to see it hundred thousandth of a degree in a full light.

The school system gathers moss. has been significantly contrasted with other states whose work in Congress has been significantly contrasted with other states whose work in Congress has been significantly contrasted with the congress has been significantly contrasted with other states and creepers fasten them selves to it. Dust gets in the mechanism. The disposition to teach children a little of this and a little of that, to crowd their hours with a dizzying assorting will be considered with the congress of the state's most eminent of crowd their hours with a dizzying assorting the contrasted with the congress of t also wearsily. His motives are con- flavor vocational training with a dash it were, declaring positively that the stantly under suspicion. Such pressure of classicism and to pepper the routine state had no equal to Uncle John.

Two Philadelphians, John Wana of elementary study with violin play. gang nurchine formerly powerful in ing is suggestive of a trend proceeding maker and the Rev. Dr. Russell H. Conto confusion. garded by some persons as detrimental

system appears to need simplification. palifican nominee for a Pennsylvania

OUR CRUMBLING NAVY

dent Wilson. The amplitude of Mr. stock model. She isn't specially geared that he is simultaneously an aspirant for the Senate and the Presidency. Meanwhile he is attorney general of the United States, in which office made ruins of all the time and navigation. opposition to certain elementary Amer-

and dispensers of the contents of the an hour. But there must have been world, cup which formerly cheered, and under intervals in which this lanky little ernorship of Pennsylvania in 1918 was to fifty land miles an hour. the most decisive in the history of the

This will be black news in Washington. It is fresh proof that the navy is going bang to pot. The commander of comional nominations in the Sec is affectionate toward the Bonniwell the Cole is pretty sure to be summoned to be fearful of the night. before a despuiring Senate committee and grilled until he tells the last sickening truth about the dismal episode.

indeed betrayed some heat the other Shipyard plants in Cadiz, Spain, to are closed on account of strikes. In

Which would you rather beft, fishing rod or a carpet cleaner?

UNCLE JOHN BRASHEAR

'Pennsylvania's Most Eminent Citizen"-"The Scientist Having the Most Friends in the World"

That is the way Pittsburghers, who loved him, will think of the death of Dr. John A. Brashear, once officially named as Pennsylvania's most distin-

a wife-made man, he said.

It was because of his wife that he

went, had what I had, and I always

She went where he went. Invariably which fit the case. Let it not be said she was near when he made public ad-If the gathering was at informal (and he had a way of taking

He has been known to stop in the middle of a sentence, look inquiringly at his wife and say, understandingly, "Oh! Tie!" and then straighten his neckwear and resume his address. He might then be passed. That seemed to take a boyish delight in the embarrassment he caused her in this

way. There is much I want to do before receited to it as and otherwise executed the primaries in this paper, and also the local news of whom there would be more than a time that the problem of the entire state electorate and the primaries.

The RAILWAY INSURGENTS I die," he said in a letter to the present writer a few years ago. "There are so many things unfinished. But at last I discontinuous are also reserved. stood.

> had recently married, and he and dices deep rooted among the unions buy a telescope, they set to work to themselves, and any commission that make one for themselves. In their home may attempt to arrive at a permanent they set up an engine and a lathe and settlement can only strive carnestly and the tubes and ground the lenses. Most of the rail organizations in the years to grind. Then they started a insurgent movement against the au- twelve-inch glass-and broke it during new. So they are without the tact and patient grinding and correcting. That's the time, boys, when a fellow needs the

And they set to work again and made another, and this one proved successful

DROF. S. P. LANGLEY has won Penrose as the conventional choice of Switchmen, some classes of shop I high posthumous fame because he we doubt it. A man takes joy in doing Moreover, Professor Langley did very Not the least important of the useful

been held that he blackens the name of unnatural that their demands had to work done by the young millwright and began to intrust him with the observa-He has been called a chronic reac, erful unions were dealt with and tory instruments. It, was a turning

committees call to chant of the disap- cynical service to tyrannous financial among the men who engaged in the pointments of an othersecker, commit- and industrial influences in this state, demonstration which culminated yes-Muck-rakers have hitterly reminisced terday in rail troubles about Chicago. in the evenings and ever and anon for us. room with the thousand and one call.

Standard til certificates and Mr. Pen- have to settle differences among the bodies in the Pittsburgh newspapers who want to get semething out of the city.

Standard til certificates and Mr. Pen- have to settle differences among the bodies in the Pittsburgh newspapers the city. the notorious incident of the Archbold Mr. Wilson's newest commission will wrote brief articles about the heavenly

tronomy and that without it much of that history could not have been writ-

The excellence of the work done at nalist, is so interested in new things suggestion of superfluous officialism and the Lick Observatory is freely attribu-waste off. This is because of numerited to Doctor Brashear's skill and ons and futile efforts made in other genius, and many of the spectroscopes eities to reform the public educational from the principal observatories of the system suddenly in a blaze of enthu- world were sent to him to be reworked and remodeled.

dening contractors.

As for protection, species and according to the fact of the protection of the contractors.

A new charter had been franced which tariff policy can scarcely be avoided by what is the matter with the schools ing of Professor Rowland, with a limit what is the matter with the schools ing of Professor Rowland, with a limit the city to adopt its own any Pennsylvania Republican in office.

The fact is that they perceive only the ling error of one two-hundred and diffy. In 1881 he prepared the speculum

sortment of activities and studies, to Schwab who made the nomination, as

well, were named by Governor Brum-Viewed from the outside, the school baugh as second and third choice

If a child is able to read he can learn TT WAS in that year, too, on his almost anything. If he is made able I seventy-tifth birthday, that leading to read not only books but the world citizens of Pittsburgh, in recognition of around him, he will be really educated.
The ideal school would be one in which children might learn to think.

The ideal school would be one in which children might learn to think. scientist having the most friends in the world." A fund of \$50,000 was raised, THE torpedobout destroyer Cole is providing for the continuance after his death of the teachings along scientific

on records of the Black sea.

The Cole, engaged with some obscure Besides having acted as chancellor the Cole, engaged with some obscure Besides having acted as chancellor. supported the former manufacturers flat. Her speed average was forty miles of high honors from all parts of the

And always he was the same quiet. the most melancholy circumstances, fighting ship of ours cut the ancient unassuming Uncle John, ever ready to the defeat as a candidate for the gov- waters of the Black sea at a rate close give a kindly word and a helping hand. And now he lies by the side of the wife he loved and who loved him, and over them the epitaph he himself se- who fought the Persian, down to Ru-We have loved the stars too foudly

> tendencies, as it were, without woman noets' regiment. to guide him aright.

the Fifth district the Varea have and M. Waldron. Their opening of the Lig mail-order swords into plowshares.

The public, which has to choose between Mr. Penrose and Mr. Palmer and Judge Bonniwell, cannot be described swords into plowshares.

The opening of the Lig mail-order house on Reosevelt boulevard on August 1 is calculated to make Mr. Burle-swords into plowshares.

Nobody would complain if prices one dropped with the thermometer.



THE HIGH SPOTS

HOW DOES IT . Attorney General May Deport the STRIKE YOU? .

Wets If the Middle West Elects the Next President

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He writes of his old country: "1

thought that the unbroken Polish front keeps bolshevism off, and that the ap-

parently reborn state has one heart and one soul, one indomitable will, from the

very morrow of rising from its grave

because it can't get white paper enough

But it is as easy to borrow a wife

Life is so standardized that the half

Hiram Johnson says his radicalisa

is that of Roosevelt -a square deal. It may be that the gentleman at once flat-

ters and libels himself. He is not wholly

Rooseveltian; and those who called him

radical may simply have been con-fused in terms. Perhaps what they

meant to call him was a bilious reac

Two bills are before the New York

hour or whatever it is that one has to

spend upon his newspaper in the morning is exactly the same for every mem-

to supply copies to all who want it.

as a newspaper.

AN ATTORNEY GENERAL, who will deport Governor Edwards, of New Jersey; Governor Smith, of New York, and Mr. William Barnes, of Albany, Mr. William Barnes, of Albany, Mr. William Allen White tells us to expect if the Middle West elects the next President.

Historian in the coin of his own newly liberated land.

The rate of exchange will do as much to stop inomigration to this country as any restrictive statute that may get through Congress.

To buy a steamship ticket in the dethe next President.

And of course the Middle West will preciated currency of almost any European country which took part in the

It does everything for us. It amends our constitution for us. makes our laws for us.

It amends our constitution for us.

It furnishes our political revolts little money, he may turn it into an untold amount of the money of his own It starts our new political parties land,

ades, writing English better than alcount of the accomplishments of his When the Middle West becomes hard-shop would be a history of modern ast boiled, the whole country is hard-boiled, as passionately by the sense of the new And the Middle West is now become Poland as if he had spent all his days hard-boiled in spite of Mr. William in his native land.
Allen White, who, being a true jour- He writes of his onfess to some little gratification at the

that not even Lenine scares him.

BUT the Middle West does not go poorest peasant to the highest magnate. The magic sense of independent It does not see the loke in the de-portation of Emma Goldman and Alex-

ander Berkman, and can't see that there three times devastated country to put forth its physical strength, and on the abroad a wet as a Red. where Mr. Whire, being like the Athenians in the Bible, is forever enrious about novelties, the Middle West has lost its curiosity.

The magic sense of independence stirs every son of a liberated ention in

this country.

The United States may bid for the It has settled down. It has found a good-enough faith.

It will go on for a generation be-peoples of the defeated countries, but what the men believed who not for those of the newly freed natarted the Progressive movement, even tions. when that movement has turned junker. The Middle West is our greatest con-

9 9 9 BUT Mr. White is right about pro-

The dream of a liberalized Volstead t has quickly faded. There is as much likelihood of deporting Governor Edwards and Gov-ernor Smith as there is of an early re-ber of the same class of society.

turn to light wines and heers.

The Democratic hope of carrying the the morning, and everybody you know slection by being wet in New York. New Jersey, Connectiont, Mussachusetts, Ohio and Wisconsin and dry

or you read it on the car or train elsewhere was more grasping at straws. Even the most optimistic Democrats have stopped talking about the "great

revolt against prohibition. Booze carries straw votes, but not elections. Men cast their newspaper ballots for Edwards to show what real sports they how they must and shall have their liquor.

The parties don't take them seriously.

They take Mr. White's threat of deporting the wets much more seriously. 9 9 6

THE Russian Bolshevists know what I to do with their poets. A regiment of poets sounds funny

But the poets, whom we think of as a delicate and effeminate race, but who Legislature designed to bar Socialists from participating in politics in that state. Another instance of confounding are netually nowadays excellent busi-ness men, who by a little co-operation have put poetry back on a sound industrial basis and made it pay, have ever hysteria with patriotism. Such bills been fighters, from the old singer in the trial basis and made it pay, have ever Nibelangen Lied, who was but they rob citizens of swordsman of them all, down to D'An-nunzio, who has defied the whole allied

world at Finne, or from Sophocles

pert Brooke, who died at Gallipoli, and be expected to hit the line hard. Joyce Kilmer, who gave up his life in of other industrial disputes will note that a frequent color scheme is: "Bled Mrs. Mary Roberts Rinchart in-tends to go to Chicago as a delegate at-large even if she has to rout out the Man To any poet thus seeking. Trotzky is while, see red, feel blue!" Lower Ten. She sees man in lower obliging. He gives him a berth in the

And whatever the report of the school survey may be, it will be met with 9 9 the wail, "Where is the money to come Beware of politicians, warns Doc-Wood. Yes, Indeed. One of 'em

might have a bar'l. going back from this country with No backward spring has ever dis-1000 American dollars will be a mil-

What Do You Know?

QUIZ

What was the number of the Roman Vestal Virgins?

Name six edible citrus fruits? What is the largest city in Sicily?

How many kings have ruled over the modern kingdom of Belgium? Who were they? And if an immigrant has been in this Who was Suctorius?

What is a lapwing? 10. How many states formed the South-ern Confederacy from 1861 to

Answers to Yesterday's Quiz The top stripe of the American flag it must be said in a not asked by any one.

The Sargasso sea, occupying the in terior of the great gyration of the Gulf Stream, lies in the Atlantic ocean between latitudes 16 and 28 north and longitudes 30 and 59 Italian operatic psychology to the test. It derives its name from he abundance of the scawced Sargassum bacciferum."

"Chirissa Harlowe" and "Pamela" Liberty and union, now and forever

one and inseparable," was the con-clusion of Webster's famous reply to Hayne, delivered in Congress in 1820,

A musette is a small French bag-Venezuela was the last of the South

There is this much to be said for prisoner in the pen: He is bothered A CHICAGO newspaper asks its read-and the high cost of living has no terror for him.

> The city lacks laboring and technical men for municipal improvements. What the country appears to need is a federal labor reserve.

Every additional manifestation of er of the same class of society.

You read your paper at breakfast in paign argument for Herbert Hoover.

The Mayor's motto now reads: "More money for policemen and firemen. Shorter hours for visitors." Or you read it on the car or train

going to the office, and so do all your friends.

You can borrow yesterday's newspaper or an empty flask, but today's take on intrinsic value enough to innewspaper at the hour when you want it and every one else wants it is no more loaned than is liquor. terest diplomatists.

In the absence of a labor board perbaps the striking switchmen tried outja board.

MOODS

SUDDENLY we have moods O into which our unsuspecting thoughts slip for long falls through hidden depths And strike at last the unseen pool and Dark, troubled circles

far slight echoes— earthy pebbles dropping o the unknown deep wells of eternity

MacKnight Black, in Contemporary

WHO KNOWS? THE fairest thouse I ever see

Ah' lovely sights come then to me-they d fill you with surprise, I often wonder at those times, Indeed, if I am here, The captain of the football club has been made president of the Hoover Club, of Swarthmore College. He may And if I'm not in other clima Where all those things appear Striking dyers reading the history

We know that thought can fleetly far By time and space ungoaled:
Why mayn't I be truly there?
With what my eyes behold?
Bee must libe I've other eyes
With vision keen to sgan, Whose power all distances defies Disprove it, if you can

And if there be strange things to com-And if there be strange tonigs to con Beyond the gates of Death Why may there not, as well, be some While yet we have our breath? Man hath five senses; had he more I'm confident he might A myriad mysteries explore That now are wrapped in night. now are wrapped in night.
SAMUEL MINTURN PECK

THE CRITIC TALKS TO MUSIC LOVERS

Weekly Comment on Things Musical in Discriminating Philadelphia

THE opera has occupied the center, and for that matter, both sides of the stage this week. The pending sale of the Metropolitan Opera House and the probable dissolution of the Metropolitan House Opera Co., an organization totally different from the Metropolitan Opera Co., has brought before us again the annual question, "Is Philadelphia to have any grand opera next year?"

Almost as familiar as the aunual

"howl" regarding the operatic offerings of Mr. Gatti-Casazza in Philadelphia has become this question as to whether the present is the last year, of opera here. It has always been answered in the negative before and the chances are a thousand to one that it will be so answered next season. At almost every performance there is standing room only and as the Met. has never been conspicuously free with "paper." the chances are that the company has made a nice profit on its sixteen Philadelphia per-formances. If it has not, the only reason is that it does not pay to give an opera before so few as 4000 persons. One of the most significant omens that there will be the usual season of opera next year in this city is that at the performance of 'L'Amore dei Tre Re' on Tuesday evening, the programs contained cards inviting subscriptions for next season. The answer to this may have some bearing on the several questions to come before the board when Mr. Kahn returns.

MR. GATTI gave the opponents of his operatic policy another chance to become more er less excited, according to the individual temperament of the excitee, when it was announced last Tuesday that the next offering of the company would be "Lucia di Lammer moor." As it is the last performance of the season but one, it is therefore extremely likely that Philadelphia will not see any of the novelties of the season except "Zaza" and "Cleopatra's

The critics often ask the question What do people attend the opera mostly for, to hear the music or to hear some favorite singer or east? The question, like most of those propounded by the critics, has never been satisfactorily answered, nor is it likely to be, and is, therefore, good to ask again the following season. However, the performance of "Lucia" next Tuesday may throw an interesting light upon the matter. The east, like all those of the Metropolitan Opera Company, is a good one, but there is no one of Galli-Curcian box office powers to sing the title role, no is it as a whole the strongest that the Metropolitan could produce.

What President of the United States was inaugurated in April instead of March?

Nevertheless it is practically certain that the Opera House will be crowded to the doors, but the audience, outside of the regular subscribers, will be largely Italian, who, while they represent a very considerable proportion of the opera going public, do not represent the gen Where and when was the first third-rail electric railway operated? eral musical culture of the city outsid of this one field.

IT IS only the cognoscenti-and of these operatically the Italians have in Philadelphia as elsewhere a far greater proportion than any other nation—who want to hear all the novelties of the op-eratic season. To ask this for Philadel-phia, with only sixteen performances to the season, is an impossible request, and it must-be said in fairness that it is

is red.

2 The name "Napoleon of Finance" was originally given to Julien Ouvrard, a wealthy French contractor. His dates are 1772-1847.

3 An English earl's wife is a countess, thiram Johnson ran for Vice President on the Progressive ticket with Roosevelt, in 1912.

But there is this difference: the Hallian operatic expert, like the German symphony expert, does not object to hearing the old favorites over and over again. This, when one comes to think of it, is the reason for the longevity of the great symphonic and operatic compositions, for if the public did not want them it may rest assured that the con-

Perhaps Mr. Gatti is applying the Italian operatic psychology to the American temperament. At any rate, there is the usual kick after the an-nouncement of the presentation of one of the veterans of the operatic stage, but are celebrated novels by Samuel of the veterans of the operatic stage, but Richardson, the English eighteenth the next Tuesday evening everybody is there as usual.

THE question of how far the singers I are affected emotionally by the parts which they represent had a curious dem-onstration at the close of the second ac-The Russians are called Muscovites from Moskova, the Russian name of Moscow.

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On Transcription at the close of the second act of "L'Amore dei Tre Re" last Tuesday evening. As noted in the review in the EVENING PUBLIC LEDGER on Wednes day, the scene was one of the most pow erful in an opera which is full of stron; American republics to enter the situations, and it was enacted with the League of Nations. Didur, Miss Muzio and Mr. Amato

As the curtain falls, the aged blind king is carrying on his shoulder the bod of his son's wife, whom he has jusstrangled in rage over her infidelity, and is preceded by the broken-hearted husband. The scene is one of immen-strength and is accompanied by the most dramatic music of the whole opera. To audience rose to the superb interpretation it had witnessed and was intensel enthusiastic, as well it might be, for

finer tragic acting has never been seer when the principals responded to the vociferous acclamations of the audience they were all visibly affected by the in tensity of the situation through which they had just passed, and it was not until the fourth or fifth recall that aux of them began to display the customar; stage demeanor in responding to the applause of an audience. This attitude is not unusual on the part of great dramatic singers and actors, but it is rarely that the mood persists for so a time as it did on Tuesday evening. But then again it is rarely that such a piece of acting is seen as was given at the close of this act. The emotional effect upon the audience was almost a-

great, but naturally the recovery was quicker. THE Metropolitan Opera Co. is sin-I gularly fortunate in having two such dramatic actors as Mr. Didur and Mr. Mardones among its basses. lost a great tragedian when Mr. Didu became a singer. Both he and Mr. Mardones have the most rare quality of being able to act consistently part-

highly diverse in character. No one who witnessed the remark able comedy of Mr. Didur as the Sheriff in "Gianni Schiechi" last scason would believe it possible that the same man could do with such strength and fidelity to character the tragic part of Archi baldo in "L'Amore dei Tre Re." Me Mardones this year gave us on two successive operatic evenings a display of character almost as diverse. His Don Basilio in "The Barber of Seville" was a perfect riot of congredy, both vocal and histrionic, and the following week he portrayed with equal skill the benign character of the Abbott in "La Forza del Destino."

The Metropolitan is fortunate in nearly all its male singers, but in no department more than in its two leading basses. With the exactitude of interpretation which is insisted upor nowadays, it is no longer sufficient for an opera singer to depend upon voice alone to carry him through. Men like alone to carry him through. Men like Didur and Mardones are making verlifficult the job of the basses of the next operatic generation.