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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...

THE RIGHT REPLY
PRESIDENT WILSON'S second refusal to countenance any reopening of the anthracite coal wage controversy is a vigorous and logical reflection of public opinion.

THE TEACHER EXODUS
EIGHT more resignations of teachers received by the Board of Education brings the total from September 1 up to fifty-two.

THE PRICE OF VICTORY
THERE will be a big time, of course, when Philadelphia's contingent from the Olympic games returns about September 27.

WHY HAYS IS CONFIDENT
THE prediction of a Republican landslide made by Chairman Hays, when he arrived in town yesterday, is supported by evidence.

ANOTHER COX BULL
GOVERNOR COX has announced that he believes the League of Nations should interfere in the domestic affairs of one of its members when the citizens of another member nation think those affairs affect international relations.

AN APOLOGY TO THE LADIES
SIR HARCOURT COURTLY himself is outside by the cooling courtesy marking the complete surrender of the Vire leaders on the theme of political self-determination by the Philadelphia county committee of the Republican women's committee of Pennsylvania.

Tom Watson, of the Vire controlled city committee, in letter addressed to Mrs. Walter S. Thomson, 'that the Republican city committee stands ready to work with your committee and with all Republican organizations in the present campaign.'

POISONERS GROWING RICH IN THE BOOTLEG COMBINES
Money-Mad Outlaws, in the Lead for the Moment, Are Banishing All Chance for a "Liberalized" Dry Act

FOR a demonstration of unmitigated anarchy you do not have to look to Russia nowadays or to the bomb-throwers of Goldman or the gangsters of the underworld. You need go no farther than the various groups of pseudo-respectable voting citizens who are saturating a good many American communities with adulterated or imitation whisky and getting rich by an open and wholesale defiance of the laws of the United States.

THE question now is not of the rights or wrongs of the Volstead act. It does not relate to the wisdom or unwisdom of absolute prohibition. What normal-minded people are beginning to ask is whether a handful of thugs and illiterates can really be permitted to make the federal authorities and the constitutional laws appear foolish.

It has been a matter of common knowledge for months that the saloons in Camden were on the old basis of open red-eye openly arrived at. The raids directed by Prosecutor Wolcott might have been made months ago had his plans been completed.

THE survivors in the liquor business are men of the sort who made the saloon destined and hated. There were men and firms in the brewing and distilling business who quit decently when the prohibition amendment went into effect.

WHAT is to be the final result of this orgy? For an answer to that question it is only necessary to read between the lines of the current issues of the day by Mr. McAdoo, who, to the astonishment of many of his associates in the Democratic party, expressed definite opposition to any revision of the Volstead act.

MEADOO extends that the whisky business is now far more dangerous than it ever was because it is being organized and run on a business basis. It is being run on a business basis and until the government appropriates large sums not only for prohibition enforcement but to insure continuing respect for its own authority.

THE federal agents themselves complain of lack of money and facilities. Precedents established by successive congresses certainly have made their work more difficult by requiring evidence that in every prosecution shall be final, absolute and unmistakable. Most prosecutions instituted by the government are fought by battalions of lawyers who like a good many of their clients, have grown wealthy in a few months.

then a good many men who are feeling lucky now may go to jail. The federal government is sometimes slow in dealing with outlaws. But unless it has changed mightily, it is sure.

MAYOR AND STREET CLEANING
WHEN Mayor Moore says that there is no truth in the report that the contemplated city loan will contain no provision for raising money for the purchase of equipment for cleaning the streets, as he and his associates are still considering the matter, he does not clear away the doubts of those who voted for him believing that he would abolish the contract system absolutely next year.

WHILE the Mayor has refused to tell the public what he intends to do, he has continually dwelt on the difficulties in the way of municipal street cleaning at this time. But the obstacles which he has mentioned have always existed and always will exist. They have been overcome in other cities, and they can be overcome here if there is a determined purpose to carry out the plan laid down in the charter.

WORD is coming from the City Hall that the Mayor's advisers are telling him that it would be a mistake to try to begin cleaning the streets without a contract on January 1. It is understood that they have been saying that there is not time to make the necessary preparations. This objection will have some force if the policy of procrastination is continued until the last week in December.

WHY WATSON WON
THOMAS E. WATSON, of Georgia, has been accused of being all kinds of a wild man, but it is evident from the returns on the senatorial primaries in his state that this outlandish reputation is by no means lacking in political shrewdness.

A GOOD START BY THE WOMEN
NOT the least of the good features of the woman suffrage is the reopening of the whole subject of pre-election formalities. Thousands of men in this city and elsewhere have been indifferent to this indispensable initial procedure and thousands have even been chiefly ignorant of their duties.

THE assessors, lifted out of obscurity, are on their mettle. Delinquencies are likely to receive pretty full publicity, since the right of the women to vote in the November election depends directly upon the inclusion of their names on the lists.

ONLY recently the United States Shipping Board gave out a statement showing, for various ports, the length of time vessels were delayed, unloading and loading again—what is known as the ship's "turn-around." For Philadelphia the time figure was twenty-one days. But no shipping men here believe that figure. All agree that it should have been much shorter.

Until the coal strike ends we shall not get excited over the threat of a strike in the Los Angeles "movie" studios.

ANCHORED SHIPS MEAN LOSS
River Won't Seem So Busy When Vessels Have Quick "Turn-Around" and Port Prospers

A FEW days ago Director Sproule, of wharves, docks and ferries, mildly asked City Solicitor Smyth for an opinion on what he should do regarding the slowness in the construction of the two new municipal piers, Nos. 82 and 84, South Wharves.

PHILADELPHIA, as a port, has reached a crisis. Captain Joseph E. Gately, of the United States Shipping Board office in this city, is authority on many legal questions. It is now perfectly useless to try to attract any more shipping to this port for the simple reason that there is not a single wharf available for a new line along our entire waterfront.

IT IS quite the ordinary thing for the traveler on the Camden ferries to point to a score or more of ships anchored in the river and to make some remark tending to show that he thinks their presence proves the activity of the port. But it doesn't.

THERE is now in the stream a ship named the Holyoke Bridge, which is 5200 tons gross and close to the average size of the Delaware River boats. It is an approximately correct for the 1446 foreign trade and 2380 coastwise trade ships that use this port in the six months ending June 30 last. Figures on carrying charges for ships will vary, of course, with the valuation of the vessels and that ranges anywhere between \$150 and \$200 per deadweight ton.

Apprentice System Wiped Out
With the coming of the war the old apprentice system of work was practically wiped out. Apprentices in various fields of endeavor are now to all intents and purposes a thing of the past.

What Do You Know?
1. What is the origin of the expression "case and carry"?
2. Where is the Ligurian coast, which has been shaken by an earthquake?
3. Why did the famous invention of Elias Howe?
4. How many times did King Henry VIII marry?

Answers to Yesterday's Quiz
1. The narrowing northern part of Idaho had narrow northern portion of West Virginia are called the Alleghenies.
2. The most conspicuous and earliest early in the United States was the Erie Canal.

Great Fields Open
For instance, there is an enormous field in the textile industries. Tailoring offers a field that has undreamt of possibilities. The needs for skilled men in this field are tremendous. The remuneration is well worth the effort, but to become real help-givers, the completely revolutionized. The development of superior workmen in this field means not only a better living for the workers themselves, but also a better living for the community.



NOW, MY IDEA IS THIS!

WILLIAM C. ASH
On Vocational Growth in Schools

VOCATIONAL art in the public schools has been revolutionized in the last five years, states William C. Ash, director of practical arts and vocational education in the public schools of this city.

APPEALING to the parents and taxpayers, is the tangible direct results which it has obtained. Where formerly the pupil went out from school poorly equipped to make any real headway for some time in his chosen occupation, today he is better equipped to struggle along unaided and unguided, he now goes out, as it were, with a flying start.

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SHORT CUTS

- Buy a baby bond for baby!
Parley Christensen is evidently no poor Parley.
Bergdoll's lawyers never dreamed they had so tricky a client.
Wood alcohol continues to be the most effective prohibition agent.
It is the firm conviction of the radical agitator that labor is to prey.
Camden has done her best to prove that prohibition isn't a dry subject.
Miners who have returned to work have proved that they are Americans first.
Most political candidates are familiar with the location of Robin Hood's barn.
Presumably school teachers haven't been making money enough to buy the baby bonds.
Perhaps if the auto handits could be induced to make a noise they might get pinched.
Secretary Baker would have made a very interesting witness at the trial of Sergeant O'Hare.
Mr. Bryan will not allow the Democratic candidate to be even one-half of 1 per cent wet.
It isn't chance that disgraces gambling so much as the crookedness that seeks to eliminate chance.
One evil of jazz dancing is that it gives fanciful "music uplifters" a chance to inveigh against all dancing.
Wonder if the Home Hoosh Association is back of the effort being made to dissolve the California raisin combine?
A bull was recently sold in Buenos Aires for \$38,800. That's pretty nearly as big a price as it brings in a political campaign.
One grievous thing we have to look forward to is an election crowd mixing its bass with soprano as it watches the election returns.
Our Lone Pedestrian says there are a few motorists who pay no more attention to a traffic light stop sign than if it were merely a comma.
The man who first spoke of "working for a dead horse" must have been looking into the future at an underlying company in a transit corporation.
The Japanese beetle is now a menace. It is worth while to put up with a little inconvenience in the shape of a quarantine to prevent it from becoming a scourge.
A leading psychologist writes to tell the world that there is no difference between the mental powers of men and women. Some of the more advanced feminists think will sound like a libel.
The Sun and New York Herald and the Kansas City Star are at odds as to whether autumn is at her best in Gotham or K.C. But where autumn is at her worst is the habitat of any hay feverite.
Every paragraph in the country having made his little comment on the greatest corn crop in the history of the country, the farmer will now proceed to worry over his shipping problems.
Perhaps the suggestion of Governor Cox that Johnson and Taff be acted upon by the League of Nations would be debated upon by the more advanced feminists that will sound like a libel.
The president of the Lancaster Live Stock Board of Trade predicts a cattle shortage for more advanced of the United States, which, he says, will mean higher meat prices. His deduction is probably correct; but need not be meat-eaters turn to fish, which is plentiful.
When Millerand and Giolitti meet at Aix-les-Bains.
And Millerand asks Giolitti's aid to make to force the Hunns to shovel coal upon the hearths of France.
Will he receive the aid he seeks? Ah, but still it will not hurt at all to ask man to man.
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