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A FOUR-YEAR PROGRAM FOR PHILADELPHIA
 Things on which the people expect the new administration to concentrate its attention:
 1. The city's water supply.
 2. A gradebook big enough to accommodate the largest school.
 3. Development of the rapid transit system.
 4. A building for the Free Library.
 5. The management of the water supply.
 6. A program to accommodate the population.

SEEING PHILADELPHIA
 JUDGE BROWN did not issue a command to the members of the City Council who are to follow him in a personally conducted tour of the Municipal Court. Graciously the judge put his summons in the form of an invitation. Of course, most of the members of Council will turn up, if only for the purpose of greeting the multitude of their friends who are warmly placed in Judge Brown's notice for the politically indigent.

A VITAL NEED
 IN HOLDING UP attempts to prevent the condemnation of ground on Race street between Eighteenth and Nineteenth streets Mayor Moore has helpfully contributed to the convention hall project. Other sites no doubt will serve, but here certainly is one sufficiently near the center of town to be worth careful consideration. It is the fashion occasionally to deem a city-owned permanent convention auditorium. We have joggled along many years without one. Is it really necessary?

Visitors to the physically comfortable, admirably arranged Democratic convention in the great hall in San Francisco have their enthusiastic affirmative answer ready. It is part of the firm convictions also of any enlightened believer in civic progress. The sooner the convention hall program is expedited the better will the metropolitan pretensions of Philadelphia be justified.

JURYWOMEN, OF COURSE
 THERE is no reason to believe that women will perform their duty as jurors any less capably than they exercised the franchise right. After an inevitable season of more or less condescending jesting on the subject, the public will adjust itself to the new order, and what was novel will take on the aspect of authorized normality.

DUELS, SMALL AND GREAT
 IN HIS condemnation of dueling as a "foolish practice" and his refusal to meet his challenger upon the so-called field of honor, Leon Daudet, one of the leading swordsmen in France, cites the war as the cause of his conversion. To this prominent Royalist deputy the idea of killing or the attempt to kill is barbarously repugnant. His position implies a wholesome respect for the law and the processes of the courts.

ADRIATIC PEACE AT LAST
 BY THE reported settlement of the long-standing Adriatic question Italy seems to have been the gainer. Zara is to be hers, the railway to Fiume and the corridor through which it runs. The city of Fiume itself is to be erected into an independent state. Jugo-Slavians surrender claim to certain islands in the Adriatic, but gains some compensation in the favorable rectification of the Italian frontier.

made by the European powers was the rigid enforcement of the secret treaty of London. Mr. Wilson emphasized the virtue in a third course, "mutual agreement between the Italian and Jugo-Slav Governments," without outside interference.

AN INSTITUTION TO DO WHAT NO ONE ELSE DOES
 The Bureau of Municipal Research Justifies its Existence by its Achievements for the Taxpayers

THOUSANDS of citizens are doubtless wondering what is this Bureau of Municipal Research which is about to make a survey of the Municipal Court, and why it troubles itself with such matters.

In the first place, it should be said that the bureau has no official standing. It is a voluntary organization of private citizens maintained by private contributions.

It maintains a staff of technical experts who establish working relations with different city departments. It gets all the facts about the duties and methods of those departments, subject to confirmation by the public official in charge.

The arrangements made for their survey of the Municipal Court, which is just now under fire, is a tribute to their demonstrated fair-mindedness and impartiality. No one who is aware of what the bureau has done in the past thinks for a moment that the investigators are going into the Municipal Court with the purpose of serving the ends of anything but the truth.

The activities of the bureau are continuous, whether its experts are called in by the city or not. Among the subjects on which it has been gathering data for years are municipal street cleaning, the budget, the classification and standardization of the salaries of civil employees, the correction of the mandamus evil and the freeing of the city from meddlesome interference by the state legislature.

When the city is ready to move in these matters the bureau has the information at hand for its guidance. There must be changes here in the status quo in the state constitution before the mandamus evil can be wiped out entirely and before we can have that measure of home rule which is required if we are to be able to carry out a consistent policy in the management of our own affairs.

The classification of the civil service employees and the standardization of salaries has made some progress. A report on the subject has been made to the Civil Service Commission by its own special investigators. The bureau is committed to the adoption of such a plan as that recommended by these investigators. It can back up the principle of the recommendations with convincing data that are now available to any public official who wishes to bring about the reform.

The campaign is still on and the bureau is on the front line with its ammunition dry and ready for use.

where there is inefficiency. Their recommendations are based on a study of the facts ascertained at first hand and interpreted in the light of broad knowledge. Their accuracy with which they work is well illustrated by the fact that the local bureau in the eleven years of its existence has never been sued for libel.

The institution justifies its existence both by its purposes and by the efficient way in which it carries out those purposes. Just now, when the Council is at work on the budget for next year preparatory to fixing the tax rate, the bureau is drawing special attention to the sinking fund and is backing up the demand of the Council for exact information concerning the status of that fund.

The statement has been made that the sinking fund commissioners have in their possession a surplus of \$4,000,000 turned over to them of previous tax levies, and that this amount is in jeopardy of the immediate needs of the fund. No one but the commissioners knows the exact truth, and they have not yet been persuaded to tell.

JOURNEY'S END
 POETS and a great many journalists are and will continue to be profoundly moved by the spectacle that attended the burial of an unknown British soldier in Westminster Abbey yesterday and by the thought of all France fallen quiet while an unidentified polli was carried to a grave made for him under the Arc de Triomphe. Too much of what they have been writing reveals a sort of passionate admiration for what they frankly regard as supreme magnanimity or fine condescension on the part of governments that permit such wide departure from the rules of ancient precedent. And by this you may know that poetry and journalism are not yet quite what they ought to be.

Way, after all, is there anything avering in the thought of a martyred Tommy in the Abbey or a polli under the Arc de Triomphe or a doughboy in a tomb such as ordinarily is reserved for the exalted of the earth? Great poets are buried in Westminster. They only wrote epics. The soldier lived them. Kings are in the Abbey, too. They reigned. But they reigned only because of the strength and the patience and the generous faith of men like that one who now shares their resting place.

As a result, the kindly critic went on to explain, though the main villagers of the first Philadelphia are scattered now from Whitmarsh to Torresdale, they can always be counted upon to rally back to the center of things—which is not far yet from Independence Square—to help or to enjoy any of the things that belong to the life of the old Philadelphia.

He insisted, by way of proving this theory, that the old village families were still out to take the most by friendliness in the village; that you saw the same names on every charity and public undertaking for the orchestra committee to the new woman's Republican committee, and in the new and in the old. He maintained that the newcomer was generally there because he had married into an old village family, or was brought in by business intimately connected with one.

THE newspaperman and the dry cleaner and the apothecary and the postman and the umbrella merchant, the tobacconist, the corner grocer, the Chinese laundry, the corner barber, the man who lives up and down and across and back have met and shaken our heads. We are pleased and excited. She had left everything to the crippled child because she thought it better to let it be and help us to be when we stopped in to get our last supplies. We all feel sorry for that last sufferer, night when she died, and she had been to the hospital for a week before we had brought on the acute end.

Now if that is not village indolence to the fore, what is it? He did know the name of her opposite neighbor?

WHEN I arrived home too late to register for voting on the regular days I was helped by the whole neighborhood to find the man—the son of the dishwasher—who would know my door number. He did know it and it was on the second day of October found all obstacles smoothed for my registration. We did not know each other, but he had known my door and I had known his, so it was all right!

EACH winter there is a great coming and going of snow carts at either end of this block, and what looks like two manholes are used, down which snow is shoveled by the wagon load. Passengers are impatient with the rapidly disappearing snowfall. The inhabitants of these streets that are not an outlying village of the town, are once again for this or that campus activity, he has gained that broadening, eye-opening contact with the workaday world which his more prosperous classmates has yet to experience.

AS ONE WOMAN SEES IT
 Outside View of Philadelphia That It Is a Series of Connected Villages Is Somewhat Borne Out by the Facts

A WOMAN who has been off doing war work and then reconstruction work for four years returned home assured me that she found Philadelphia changed.

I asked her why she judged us off our own ground—at Northeast Harbor instead of Chestnut Hill.

I REMEMBER an interesting outside view of Philadelphia by a man who had very reason to know it well, and who certainly judged it very kindly. He said it was a series of connected villages, each village having had an original life of its own, and that the student part of its population, Bryn Mawr could never act like Swarthmore, nor could Darby feel like Jenkintown. Each section of the town and each suburb was a village in its own right, and the village, yet all of them had this in common, that they were settled by persons who had spread out from one main village on the banks of the Delaware, the first village of Philadelphia—or if they were not settled from that main village altogether, some family of importance from that main village had been a factor in the making of the outlying village, so that there was a certain family resemblance.

As for instance, he went on to explain, most of the villagers of the connected villages that make up Philadelphia and its suburbs liked good food, and insisted upon the best quality of food; they were very fond of outdoor, open-air sports. The farmers have hunted for generations, rowing and cricket and tennis and golf and horse racing and gambling, fishing and shooting, relay racing, hockey, soccer ball, stock farms, dog fanciers, cattle breeders, dairy farmers, and all the rest of it. They had an outdoor games of all types come naturally to Philadelphians. There are more country clubs and more spaces for exercise in the open air than in any other city in the world. Their foreign populations swarmed in the narrow streets in intersecting alleys; the veritable Philadelphians make for the country as early as the dawn and stay as late as is possible. Those who can afford only one house go to more ample streets in outlying sections.

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One young man that I know of worked his way through the Wharton School and in department stores, and even writing motion-picture scenarios and short stories for magazines have supported students.

Some Cannot Stand Strain
 Of course, not all working students are successful in keeping up with their studies and eventually graduating. Some lack the physique. Some are unable to adjust their work to the nature of the work they choose. Others choose a work which proves more alluring to them than studies and they renounce the classroom.

Many Work in Vacations
 Just as more students are working in school term, the number working out of town is increasing. Each September sees scores of fellows, bronzed and fit, fortified with a well-filled purse from summer employment,



NOW MY IDEA IS THIS!
 Daily Talks With Thinking Philadelphians on Subjects They Know Best

GEORGE E. NITZSCHE
 On Working Way Through College
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JOHN BURROUGHS
 Soft blows the wind through the rustling tree.
 It brushes the coat of the wood pewee.
 It sweeps back the branches and sighs as it goes.
 I'm off for a place where the sea-weed grows.

What Do You Know?
 QUIZ
 1. Who was Peter de Hooch?
 2. What sum was paid by the United States to Louisiana territory?
 3. What is meant by a "raison d'etre"?
 4. What is the largest city in Mexico, after the capital?
 5. What country is ruled by King Haakon?
 6. Who wrote "The Biglow Papers"?
 7. How does breadfruit grow?
 8. In what century did Joan of Arc live?
 9. What French general was wounded at the battle of Brandywine in the Revolutionary War?
 10. What are ephemeris?

Answers to Yesterday's Quiz
 1. The only American President inaugurated in April was George Washington. The ceremony took place in New York on April 30, 1789. There are no formal inauguration ceremonies when Vice Presidents become President through the death of the chief executive. On those occasions simply the oath is administered.
 2. A mesalliance is a marriage with a person of inferior social position.
 3. The word should be pronounced "may-zai-yans," with the last syllable accented.
 4. Cornelius Vanderbilt, born in Staten Island, 1794, was the founder of the fortunes of the Vanderbilt family. At the age of sixteen he established a freight and passenger ferry between New York and Staten Island. Later he became a large owner of steamships and a dominant figure in railroads. He consolidated with the Hudson River Railroad in 1867. He died in 1877.
 5. Tartarum is a plant used in tanning and used in salads and in making Aphrodisiac vinegar.
 6. Amnesia is a defect or loss of memory. It is the loss of the ability to recall events or understanding of language, the vocal organs remaining intact.
 7. General Butler, military governor of New York in the Civil War, was known for his opponents as "Old Cock Eye."
 8. Henry W. Longfellow wrote "Tales of Wayside Inn."
 9. The farson is a herring-like fish, some- times attaining the weight of 160 pounds and the length of six feet.
 10. The empire of the Incas, principally in Peru, was conquered by Spain in Pizarro in the sixteenth century.

SHORT CUTS

So far the only cut in bread is with the bread knife.
 Only a Public Service Commission can suppress a Snow Storm.
 Baseball magnates have postponed celebration of Armistice Day.
 As a mirth-provoker, the theatre ticket scalper considers the law a headliner.
 Considering the pap on which they were fed, it is no wonder some war babies thrived.
 Ever and anon the shrewdness of a knave hides itself in the frankness of a fool.
 It must be confessed that the Armistice Day celebration lacked something of glad abandon.
 The shipping board investigation proves that truth is not only stranger than fiction, but nastier.
 Among other things, the American people voted Senator Harding a 1000 per cent Snow Storm.
 Veterans are now reaching the point when they are willing to declare that it was a pretty good war as long as it lasted.
 Kinde Corn, as usual, will be master of ceremonies at the Thanksgiving celebration; but Harleycorn will be an outsider.
 Herbert Hoover has greater interest in the fate of 3,500,000 children in Europe than that city in common with the rest of the country, he is merely giving an imitation of a worried civic official passing the buck.
 When Mayor Hylan blames the press of New York for the crime wave which is hitting that city in common with the rest of the country, he is merely giving an imitation of a worried civic official passing the buck.
 The secretary of the National Coffee Roasters' Association has figured out that, as a result of prohibition, 10,000,000,000 more dollars in the entire year of 1919. Some bean, some bean!
 It is extremely fortunate that Leon Daudet, who has just refused to fight a duel on the ground that dueling is a foolish practice and that there is no place in a man's home, in that stuff anyhow. The eleven of them and there is no possible excuse for misunderstanding his declaration.
 A pugilist has been sued by his wife for divorce because, she alleges, he used her for a punching bag. But in that any words, we ask you, than for a poet to insist upon reading his stuff to the partner of his occasional joys and multifarious sorrows? Now is it?
 A foolish knave in Wilmington, Del., tried to rob a house occupied by five sisters three of them screamed from as many windows and two of them with plants. It may be taken as axiomatic that every knave is also a fool; there is one who now will admit it.
 Somehow we can't work up any sympathy for "Sylvia Pankhurst's girls" who were thrashed by the women members of an angry London crowd because they had been beaten tin cans during the minutes of silence dedicated on Armistice Day to the war that they most detest.
 Bolshevik Propaganda
 From the Los Angeles Times.
 The Chicago barbers announce an advance in the price of hair-cuts to an even dollar. There are a lot of Bolsheviks in the Illinois city now and this will not tend to reduce the number. There are plenty of men who feel that no hair-cut is worth a dollar and they will let their decorations grow before shedding this exorbitant sum. The barbers are accordingly offering to pay \$10 a gallon for hair tonics that used to cost them \$2; but that doesn't explain anything, as they make a separate and a fancy charge for bathing a man's dome. In that stuff anyhow. The principal reason for the increase is that the barbers think they can collect it. Maybe they can, but long hair is apt to be fashionable this winter.