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THE BATTLE IS ON

THE Mayor's announcement that neither Thomas W Conningham nor George W. "is accredited by the administration; is the logical outcome of the showdown in the Council, when the men who were elected on s ticket pledged to his support turned tail " were over to the enemy

That the men who voted to kill the veto are not accredited by the administration was apparent on the face of the facts. Mr. Cunningham and Mr. Coles are the masters of of the men who betrayed their con stituents. If the creatures are to be turned down it is much more important that their erentors be deprived of whatever influence they may have had or may have hoped to have with the Mayor

The Mayor says in offect to these ment "Gentlemen, you have adjust yourselves with the men who are doing their best to rain my administration. You must accept the consequences of your course.

The Mayor refers to a readjustment which tration. "constructively and politically." In this delicate way does he give notice to other men who have been dickering with the enemy that the time of reckening is appropeling and that those of them who are holding jobs under him might as well look for some other occupation in the near future.

All he has to do to secure the exervhelming support of the best sentiment in the city is to continue the fight in the was be bes-

THE SHORT-RUN NUISANCE

THE province of the Public Service Commission is accurately realized in the complaint just registered with that body against short runs of the Market street elevated

It is underiable that the plan recently executed of making Sixty third instead of occasioned serious inconvenience, especially to passengers obliged to make connections with the suburban service radiating from Sixty minth street. At the other end of the route many trains are booked to run only to

Schoolules of this kind are assuredly unfavorable to the cause of rapid and modern ised transit. Decision on the matter is in-contestably whitin the field of the Public Service Commission, which was organized, among other reasons, with a view pe examining alleged abuses by quasi public our

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THAT OLYMPIC APPROPRIATION COUNCILMAN DEVELON'S objections to

nehelf in the fund provided for the payment of the expenses of the heat contestants in the Olympic games have been sustained to the city solicitor. The Council physical the appropriation in spire of its doubtful legality. Not the legal officer of the city has advised the controller that there is no warrant in for a private lettere.
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the isolation of their becomings indust that a fax of two puts on the dollar would raise agonformed to tending certainly to restrict at least \$1,000,000 notice, cars. That is no and chemicate the Clair which chasiness. egick as the government needs to but its bills. But he seems men say that the collepensive is would be accommunical to a serts of announces to the public and would be unpopular. And the politicians who do not wish to . - into the business men need essly, have been saying that no sales tax law would be passed.

There is a disposition, however, among Thee say that we already have a 4 per cent tax on drugs which is collected by he druggist when he makes the sale, and

made without great inconvenience to any one. Otto H. Kahn, one of the best economic experts in the country, has appeared before the ways and means committee to urge a general sales tax of one-third of 1 per cent as an experiment. If this should prove successful, then the rate could be raised and other taxes be abolished. Mr. Kahn was listened to respectfully, for the members of the committee are aware that he speaks with wide knowledge inspired by a broad public

IF YOU AREN'T A CYNIC YOU'RE OUT OF FASHION

Does an Occasional Grafter on the Grill or in Jail Prove That the Country Is Off to the Dogs?

A NOTHER dellar a year man seems to have gone wrong and grafted a million et more for himself and his friends by using confidential information available in one of he federal departments in the scheme which sent coal to \$20 a ton in New England a little while ago. This news tossed out by the Senate's committee, will give the cynics custher short interval of complete happi-

Everybody's doing it, they will tell you And certainly a casual survey of the current news in this city might make it appear that good many men in some of the government's bureaus, like the dollar-a-year men of popular legend, are working not for the government at all, but for themselves. That s a fantastically unjust assumption. But t is the accepted one just now. To be fashcomble, to be admired as one of the true ognoscenti, you must declaim at dinner that on buy your gin from a revenue agent and that your stock tips come bang from a mem-ber of the cabinet or from Tumulty himself. A great many people will be foolish enough

They are the people who smile wisely when they hear that a felon in McKenty's penitentiary is reported to be the brains and driving power of a complicated and highly profitable drug syndicate and that an agent of the Revenue Department is supposed to have been standing guard over \$25,000 worth of unreotics seized by the police in a house from which he stuff was to have been peddled to the underworld. They know, these supposticated folk, that the jolly old world is going to the dogs. So they are londiv saving

And they make sensible people infinitely

Simple nonesty is not a deamatic quality It ought to be so regarded, but it isn't It is no more astonishing, no rarer, than the kindly rains and quite as necessary to the continuing life and order of civilization. It is because personal rectifude is the commonest of virtues that it is never set to music or advertised in newspaper headlines. Crowds do not assemble in the streets to store at an honest man. Crowds are interested in the exceptional and surprising things. Crowds concentrate their attention on lawbreakers because the lawbreaker is a significant phenomenon-as full of meaning s the straw on the surface of the current.

It is the current that really matters. Prooked dollar-a-year men and crooked federal agents such is you can occasionally find are random floaters east up from below. They are interesting enough in their way but they move always in obedience to silent and mighty forces that cannot be easily defined or dramatized in the day's news. They move to jail, to disgrave, to a dismal finish

one sort or another When investigating committees no longer pursue and punish men who betrayed the government and the public, and when crooks in the federal service learn to sleep enally, expicism of the sort that is fashionable now will be institled. For one dollar a year man who became a grafter and a cheat there were housands who left their own businesses gave the best they had to the government and returned to private life without ever getting a line of blame or praise in the dispatches. They did the expected and the conventional thing

For one employe in a federal department as authority dishenestly, there are ards of honor and integrity even against ereat odds and hardships. Were it othergreat olds and hardships. Were it other, wise, government in the United States would be impossible and a time would have arrived when we could have nothing to do but hand

complain about the tone and the implications of newsparser headlines. Yet every day in the week these same headlines make it clearer that crockedness and disconnecty do

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in change the filest whishy business. There is, meanwhile a very real danger force the provisions of the Volstend law, a corse cell is developing in the background.

The difficulties encountered by government agents who have to contend with the illegal traffic in narcotle drugs are vividly suggested in the news of the raid made by Captain Tempest Cocnine, morphine and heroin are easily transported, easily smuggled. The easterns authorities will always find it extremely hard to deal with those who bring these dangerous substances from ships in that an extension of the system could be part. Before the dang traffic can be elimi-

nated or really checked in this and other countries governments will have to control the manufacture of all narcotics and supervise their distribution. If the traffic flourishes in this country it is largely because in the rush to eliminate the saloons Congress paid no attention to the inadequaries of the Harrison act, and in the war on alcohol quite forget to concern itself with the question of substitutes that are far more dangerous and deadly.

Appropriations made to enforce the dry laws were wholly inadequate. The men assigned to the job are underpaid. They are offered bribes at every turn and they deal for the most part with men who, making money so fast that they hardly know what to do with it, are preferrly willing to share with any one who will give them any sort of protection. Yet violators of the liquor laws are actually going to jail. That e something. It proves that the federal departments and their men are going seri-

ously about an extraordinarily difficult job Beneath the surface there are signs of ishonesty and corruption. But they are not nearly so numerous or so significant as some people suppose. The men who do their duty honestly-and they are innumerablerepresent a stabilizing force that still domitates in all the departments of the govern-ment. You seldom hear of them. It is the erook who gets the advertising, which, in mercy ways, is not the last mort of his

PEACE ARMOR IS NO ARMOR

IN PRINCIPLE there is little distinguish I ing the British prime nainister's pre-scription for peace from that published by the autocrat of all the Russias more than twenty years ago.

The famous rescript of Nicholas II was basically a plea for international disarmament. Its direct consequence was the first Hague conference of 1899, giving rise to an international arbitral court.

But although the powers of this tribunal were subsequently enlarged, the elastic and familiar phrase "outraged national honor" played its customary and damaging part. It was generally understood, although not always frankly admitted, that the very matters supposedly compelling nations to take up arms were beyond the jurisdiction of This weakness was shockingly exposed by

the world war, when the tribunal was now-The conflict was begun by nations armed to their full capacity. The ancient argument that armament was peace insuronce was tragically exploded. It is the destruction of that delusion

which enhances the significance of Mr. Lloyd George's definitely expressed views. While there is an utter absence of novelty in his doctrine, the background of circumstance has markedly changed. In its eighth article the covenant of the League of Nations declares that "the mem-

bers of the lengue recognize that the maintenance of peace requires the reduction of national armaments to the lowest point consistent with national safety and the enforce ment of common action of international ob It is, of course, arguable that possible interpretations of the phrase national safety' are perilously numerous. The

menning of the article depends vitally upon the measure of co-operation of the various tations in a sincere and specific disarma-The British premier recognizes the situation in his solemn warning against naval and military competition. A single nation unsympathetic to a reduction plan can ren-

der it negligible in practice. Opponents of the league signed at Versailles are logically sound when they insist, as Senator Borah does, that disarmament is the fundamental safeguard of pence. But not without a complete perversion of truth can it be maintained that a workable machinery for reductions is not contained in the covenant.

It is this point which Mr. Lloyd George emphasized yesterday in the presence of the British and dominion delegates returning from the Genera meeting.

Naturally, since his government is a memher of the league, the British premier favors development of material already in istence. It is probable that mankind in general cures less about the particular apparatus employed than the measure of its ef-

Disarmament holdly and consistently our ried out appeals to humanity on two im-

It has never yet been universally tried. thereas all other peace plans have failed. It appeals overwhelmingly and incentro

WOMEN MAY HOLD OFFICE

T IS unnecessary to change any laws of the state in order to qualify women for hold ing patch office, according to an opinion of The Governor had asked him whether he

could appoint a woman as clerk of the Luerne county courts. The attorney general tells him that he can. The constitutional amendment giving the ope to women has apparently conferred on he women not only the privilege of voting.

at the privilege of sharing with the men all the priviles of government.
Women are eligible to membership in the tate Legislature and for sents in Congress and for the presidency. They are also eligi-

ble for the mayoralty and for membership in the City Council. If they can get the momination for any office, and if they poll more votes than any other candidate, there is nothing now in the way of their performance of the duties of any office, No other view is tenable unless we are to

ment of the constitution. The privilege of voting carries with it all the obligations of itizenship.

LEAGUE COURT PROGRESS

DROSPECTS that the International Cours P of Justice will soon be more than a fig-ment of benevolent imagination have been materially enhanced by the signature by twenty-two nations to the protochl giving executive approval to the plan. As the majority of the delegates of nations registered approval only after consultation with their home governments, it is expected that sauction by the various Parliaments will not long

It has been plain from the outset that confidence in the league will be emphatically strengthened by an exhibit of practical machinery. Although on the whole the perfermance of the conneil and the assemble in Geneva was creditable, mere discussion dies not entirely satisfy the longings of those who hope for a tangible organization of peace

Especially is this true of some American critics of the lengue. When the world court actually comes into being, the best of all the arguments on behalf of a society of nations will be available

All but the most vantankerous irreconcils bles are in hearty sympathy with an innational arbitral tribunal, endowed sowers vastly more vigorous and comsive than those of The Hague cour dore. aver, when the judges are duly age and and are actually at their posts some the confusion now existing regardin- one coercive functions of the legal struc : e are certain

to be dispelled. In the presence of one actuality it will be easier to grasp another, and sincere examination of the text of the league covenant will show that the obligation of the nations to arbitrate their differences is stated four a five times. To incorporate a compulsory lause in the court plan is mere redundancy, and it is rather puzzling to find so much furor raised over the omission

THE ANTHRACITE GOUGE

Will Penns Ivania Follow in the Steps of New Jersey? - The Fartical Brumbaugh Commission and What It Didn't Do

By GEORGE NOX McCAIN THE next Legislature has its work call

Yet the question of most vital interest to Philadelphia is not, as yet, a part of its

out for it.

program.

It affects the pocketbook of every homeowner and housekeeper in Philadelphia and east of the Alleghanies.

The newspaper-reading millions are daily regaled with the sapient dissertations of Senator Penrose on cabinet possibilities, and the detailed story of the incomings and outgoings of Governor Sproul. It is kept outgoings of Governor Sproul. It is kept posted on just how Joseph R. Grundy and State Chairman Crow propose to wallon the eternal daylight out of each other, and when Mayor Moore will jay righteous hands on another crooked cop.

But the proposition that involves many the control of the con

But the proposition that involves million of hard-earned dollars of the public has been relegated to the limbo of neglected

TT IS the vital question of coal-of profi-A teering by wholesalers and retailers in anthracite, the universal home fuel or Philadelphia.

New York has benten Philadelphia to it.

Repoklyn ba-

The district attorney of Brooklyn has started an investigation that is still on.

The Senate committee at Washington has also taken up the issue. It threatens the and criminal prosecutions. New Jersey's Legislature has been called upon to act and queer revelations are promised when the inquiry gets under way. Massachusetts has taken steps through its

fuel administrator to turn on the light. l'ennaylvania has done nothing. It will have the opportunity to redeem itself within the next sixty days.

As FOR Philadelphia, it has done nothing. It has made a feeble protest, and let it go at that; but there has been no The citizens of the third city in the coun

try are seemingly satisfied with the situa-tion. They are content to pay exorbitant prices—and thank the extertioners for the privilege.

In Washington they have started to clean things up. The Calder committee on Mon-day raided the headquarters of the National Coal Association and seized its books. The committee means business. Philadelphia, which is always the object

of discrimination, metaphorically holds out its pocketbook to the coal barons, big and little, with the words, "Help yourselves, gentlemen, to what you think is right, and give us as much coal as you can spare in return."

BUT Pennsylvania has not been without its anthracite coal commissions in the

Usually they have been merely white-washing squads. Some of them have been netually apologetic to the coal companies. By your leave, gentlemen, we would like to have some information about your bustness. has been the sycophantic, almost groveling, attitude of these commissions. If the coming Legislature acts to dis-cover the cause of the existent price condition, it should be by a commission of real investigators.

last antheacite commision, appointed under the joint resolution of June 15, 1915, by Governor Brumbaugh, was a farce.

It held meetings, summoned officers and representatives of various wholesale and retail coal concerns, examined coal trust offi-cials, and then made its report.

It was an apology rather than a report. It found nothing wrong. It was a weak, watery, flabby affair, from start to finish. It confined itself to the operators' side. Not a miner or other individual interested in the actual work of digging coal was put

The only commendable thing that a read ing of the Brumbaugh anthracite coal com mission report discloses is that it served without compensation. It didn't deserve

HERE are a few gems from this remark able document: unte means the commission has not under taken to verify any of the figures."
"It is respectfully suggested ...

that the average margin of profit per ton is substantially reduced by the sale at a loss of the steam sizes." Also: "By prepared sizes are meant those size "By prepared sizes are meant those sizes larger than pea and which sizes the operators are able to sell at a profit " the remaining smaller or steam sizes being in every instance, produced at greater expense than that at which such sizes can be marketed."

The indifference or ignorance displayed by the Brumbaugh commission could not be better set forth than in the above statement better set forth than in the above statement taken from its "preliminary conclusions."

Steam sizes of anthracite are a byproduct. It was so testified under oath at
the Brooklyn hearing of the Caider committee a few days ago. W. H. Williams,
vice president of the Hudson Coal Co., testified that steam sizes of anthracite, being a
by-product of mine and washery, were, by product of mine and washery, were therefore, so much "velvet."

THILAUELPHIA has a coal exchange. It is supposed to have been organized to protect the public, as well as to conserve the interests of its members. From recent experience, it has stood fell, y while the public was being muleted.

hy while the public was being muleted.

It is an instance similar to that at City
Hall, where policemen on the force have
ested by and watched a victim being
'frisked' without offering any interference.
The alleged renson is that the coal exchange dare not speak above a whisper for
fear of offending the big producers from whom it receives its supply. That is

Neither hope nor help, therefore, can us xpected from this source. If the Legislature can be aroused by publie sentiment to take action, it may be able to afford relief. And the Legislature should not

THE HAUNTED STREET

Williout, the night is quiet as th The moon has set; the clouds like phan-

I set and shudder, for along the pave I hear a wailing banshee passing by. And nerves once more their normal quiet

laan, coming down the asphalt street, n bob. Cat causes them again to twitch and quake. or is this all; the bobent's scarcely still

When through the dreadful night, right past the house.
one hepless souls, long lost laguenting shrill: Then demons, shricking in their mad ca-

east, they sound like these, shricks, groans and wails.

Fiends' laughter fierce; hourse sobs of those that mourn;
No wonder that a timid mortal quails
Before the varied types of motor horn.

H. H. in the New York Herald.

Charity Where It Pays room the Richmond News-Leader The great heart of America cannot escape the obligation to provide Europe with coal— not while Europe offers four times what it is

One Explanation

from the New York Herald. The holiday mails are not at all congested. Optimists will explain that this is not on account of hard times but because, after so much prosperity, nobody can think of a gift that the favored friend hasn't already.





LOOKS MORE LIKE THANKSGIVING THAN CHRISTMAS

NOW MY IDEA IS THIS!

Daily Talks With Thinking Philadelphians on Subjects They

DR. MELVIN P. BURNS On Fields for Church Work

ONE big field for the churches to work in is that of the districts changing from strictly residential to semiresidential areas interspersed with foreigners or more especially with cheap boarding houses, according to Dr. Melvin P. Burns, superintendent of the department of city work of the Board of Home Missions of the Methodist Church.

Dr. Burns has divided his program here into four larger branches, following the planadopted in other cities since the beginning of the city work of the board, in connection opening of the centenary drive

foreign speaking, subdivided into American ization and Christianization work, and (4) semiresidential.

'For many years the church has been on the retreat from all of these communities. The 'downtown church' is seldom a very thriving institution, and it is only recently that the different denominations have awakened to the importance of this field. In fact, it took the war to open the eyes of the church to the great necessity of work among the foreign. Before that no denomination had given this work serious attention.

Boarding Houses Replace Homes

"Then there is one great section of all cities which has just begun to be considered; i. c., the area of shabby gentility, formerly filled with the houses of the welltormerly much with the houses of the well-to-do who have begun to move out into the suburbs or at least into the outer districts of the city. Foreign born begin to creep into these localities or, more frequently still, they become the area of countless boarding houses, tenanted by young people seeking work in the city.
"Instead of remaining to work among

these classes, the church has pretty generally followed the former inhabitants out into the suburban or outer districts. Only just recently has the fight been taken up again in this very necessary field.

"And in coming back on to the battlefield the churches must necessarily disregard former standards, precedents and statements of theology. They must work out a new fundamental program broad enough to cover the actual needs of every party in these

of theology, they had work out a new fundamental program broad enough to cover the actual needs of every person in these variously populated districts.

"Such a campaign was attempted in New York city not so many years ago in respect to the old Union Church, which once had been popular and well-filled, but which one day woke up to find itself in the center of a hotel, apartment house and theatre district. Instead of selling the church and abandoning the fight, the board installed a fighting, progressive minister and spent a great deal of money on welfare work.

"As a result the theatre people and the hotel people were attracted. Girls flocked to the noonday lunch which was arranged, the young people of the neighborhood came in great numbers to the recreational rooms and from a membership of fifteen the Union Church increased that number to from 300 to 500.

Success Can Be Repeated What the Rev. John Benson did there, and other up-to-date clergymen have done in other downtown churches in many cities of the United States, can be done elsewhere. the United States, can be done elsewhere.

"In addition to the foreign born, which have probably been thoroughly discussed in connection with all forms of welfare work, but which still constitute an important church work, there is the question of the most central part of the city, the region of big hotels and clubs, containing largely a transient population, but with just enough regularity and the city, the region of the city of the region of the city of the region of the city of the region of the city.

transient population, but with just enough permanent residents to make it an integral part of church work.

"These hotels can be reached and their occupants brought to church. This has "These hotels can be reached and their occupants brought to church. This has been proved in a number of instances. But there must be more than the Sunday service and the Wednesday night prayer meeting. There must be social work of all kinds, including the provision of cheap lunches, rest rooms, games, entertainments and the like. The hotels can be reached by invitations distributed to every room, and the clubs in the same way. But this will not suffice. It is more than a question of getting the people once to attend a church service. That service must be vital and compelling enough to bring them again, and, above all, it must be backed up by real, up-to-date welfare work with a purpose. Once the transients are brought in, even if only temporarily, the residents will come to the churches also for the simple reason that they will see that those churches stand for something that those churches stand for something

that those churches stand for something definite and progressive.

"Then, of course, there is the phase of work among derelicts—an entirely different page of the book, but one just as vital. The supplying of work for such people, at the same time inculcating Christian and Ameri-

Know Best

can ideals in them, is a work which the churches can and must do. People in Boarding Houses Lonesome "Finally, as before mentioned, there the boarding house area. This is really a

simple as well as a very vital field, for the reason that young men and women, in fact, all persons in boarding houses, are usually lonesome and long for companionship. If the progressive church in the neighborhood can offer that to them there will be no diffi-culty in getting them to church.

"But in order to do this the churches must forget old-time projudices and narrow-mindedness. Pool tables and billiard tables are important factors, as is dancing and the atricals. If they are scorned, that many handles to the problem of social welfare work are broken and without the problem. three years ago.

"The four divisions," declares Dr. Burns, social intercourse, most of the young people will not be brought to the church

The Fact Remains

From the Indianapolis News, The senators who are investigating the coal situation are finding out a good many things that other people suspected, just as other investigators have found out such things, but what good does that do as long as the coal men are determined to keep prices

Hard to Recognize From the Cincinnati Enquirer.

Along with the difficulty of recognizing Mexico will come the difficulty of recognizing Chicago in her new robe of righteous In Reduced Circumstances From the Cleveland Plain Dealer The former kniser has lost a large part of his wealth, and has now an income amounting to a bare \$600,000 a year. Still, he can do pretty well with that in Holland, which

is an inexpensive place to live in. From the Galveston News. It may be that Argentina and Senator McCormick intend to join in forming an outlaw League of Nations.

What Do You Know?

 How should the beginning of this ancient Christmas carol, "God rest you merry gentlemen" be punctuated? Who was Tamerlane and when did he

 What was the dominion of Poseidon in Greek mythology? 4. In what famous naval battle did the winner declare "We have only just begin to fight"?

How many kings of England were named 6. Which of the four gospels were written by original disciples of Jesus?

T. What and where is the "Niagara of s Name four famous operas by Verdi. What part of the country was the first to express official approval of the consti-tution of the United States?

10. Where is the Rubicon?

Answers to Yesterday's Quiz

Abraham Lincoln delivered his famous Gettysburg address in November, 1863. "Dr. Faustus" and "Edward II" are two of the most famous plays of Christopher Marlowe. Port-au-Prince is the capital of Haiti on the island of that name.

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A proa is a double-ended swift sailing cance, with one side flat, which is kept to leeward, and a lateen sail. It is used by natives of the Malay archipeingo and the Mariana islands.

Chirvoyance literally means clear are ing, from the Latin "clarus" clear, "videre," to see, by way of the French.

Encausite is the name applied to paintings executed with vehicles of which wax is the chief ingredient. The term from the Greek, "burnt in," was appropriately applied to the ancient methods of painting in wax because neat was required to effect them. A cymbalo or combalo is a stringed mu-sical instrument played with hammers. The Paris newspaper named after the Barber of Seville is the Figaro, Figaro, the Seville barber, as created by Beaumarchais, was the repository and dispenser of current gossip, news and general information.

The height of the dome of the Capitol at Washington from the base line of the east front is 287 feet 5 inches. Waits are bands of persons singing carols from house to house on Christmas.

SHORT CUTS A few more drug raids may reduce auto

Burglaries are combinations of sharps

Let us hope the auto bandits won't hold

Protected vice is chortling over the swat handed the Mayor.

up Santa Claus.

Stocks may be going down, but stockings will go up tomorrow night Curious how a conviction sometimes places a hale on the head of a criminal

Candy dealers are apparently the last o discover that money is growing scarce.

The trouble with cabinet making is that the work has so frequently to be done over Perhaps Judge Landis has now reached stage when he can afford to be tempera

The operations of the drug ring see designed to prove that truth is stranger the melodrama.

May we deduce from the Christmas tree of City Hall that Santa Claus is the Main Guy thereabout? Mayor Moore has a hard fight ahead of He hasn't a soul back of him but he people of Philadelphia.

Being so justly and painstakings coasted, the Municipal Court ought to be done when it's Brown. Refore directing homilies at Wilming ton, let it be noted that it wasted no tim

The careful citizen will do his but to aid the starving babies before the reggman has a chance to hold him up and get the money.

in sending its embezziers to juil.

Congressman Cannon says he is opposed to the government doing anything that pri-vate individuals can do. Except talk, Uncle Joe : except talk.

Not much chance for Santa using his sleigh this weather.
No: but we can at least see the rain. dear.

New York's police commissioner says there is too much conversation between policemen on post and it must cease. On the other hand, it silence is golden the yeggs may cop it.

If it should be proved that an auto-bandit was collecting funds in order to pro-vide a well-laden Christmas tree for his children, a sentimental public would doubt-less be ready to applaud him. That charming little ditty. "Let a Get It While the Getting's Good." sung with immense success by the Brown Quince-tets, may, unfortunately for the warblers, refer to the ax that is being sharpened for them.

Roses are still blooming in Nantucket.

Mass., but this has absolutely nothing to do
with the fact that the Massachusetts Legis
lature has made women eligible for office
and that there are ninety-four applicants for

Is the coal scandal due simply to slave business methods? The public that palpi-tatingly awaits the name of the patriotic dollar-a-year man who headed a ring that gathered in a rake-off from every govern-

Jack Dempsey told Rotarians at Sal Lake City that he couldn't make a speech, but just to be sociable he would fight anybody present. And that's all there was to it. News items are so disappointing. Up to date fiction would have had the challenge are evented and the challenge

accepted and the champion defeated. A free translation of the Brown state A free translation of the Brown statement reads something as follows:
Now that it has been alleged that the
Municipal Court is managed inefficiently;
that money is being wasted there and that
one of the court's chiefest functions is to
provide jobs for the jobless so that a hold
may be kept on city politicians, it is well
for us to realize that charity is a beautiful
thing; that initation is the sincerest flattery; that Lincoln may have had the right
dope about fooling the people, but it hasn't
yet been demonstrated; that business is to
complicated for ordinary people to grasp, and

complicated for ordinary people to grasp, and that it is a mean man who knocks his own city. To which may be added in the words of the poet, "F Pluribus Unum and Moltes in Parvo, not to mention Toot Sweet.