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LAMENTABLE BREAKDOWN

ONCE more the Board of Public Educa-tion has met and failed to elect a superintendent of schools. It has failed because its members have

been unable to agree on anything. They cannot decide whether they should elect Philadelphian or an outsider, and looking that ability they cannot come down to a consideration of individual cambidates

The proper thing for them to do is to elect the best man available no matter where he lives. Their backing and filling for the past months have forced some of the ablest school men in the country to refuse to become candidates. The list of availables is thus narrowed and is constantly growing narrower. If the failure to agree continues much longer the board will be fortunate if it can find any one at all willing to accept service as superintendent under it.

This breakdown of the school board is lamentable. It will justify every friend of the school system in demanding that a radical change be made in the constitution of the board at the earliest possible date.

SATISFACTORY SURPLUS

THE city closed the year with a surplus ▲ of \$1.854,000 above expenditures. This came about chiefly because the receipts during the year were larger than the amount estimated when the budget was adopted. Yet it is to the credit of the administration that there was an unexpended balance of \$700,000 left from the appropriations to various departments.

If the proper kind of economy is practiced this year there will be a much larger unexpended balance on December 31.

The Council is already planning to use the surplus for salary increases, but it would better wait a while before appropriating it.

ANOTHER PEACE CONFERENCE?

THE Vare-Cunningham alliance, which in Lits fury, its methods and its aims has been dimly suggestive of the German-Turk combine, has evolved an anenymous Bethmann Hellweg to send out tremulous appeals for a peace without victory. When Mr. Moore deturn- from his vacation this inevitable proposal will probably take definite

What is to be done about it? What it the eral demand for open covenants of peace | a hed on tunultuous inauguration eye, openly arrived at.

OUTLAWED MOTORCARS

Tr WOULD be far better for everybody concerned if Superintendent Mids, his police and the off- als of the State Highway Department world stop quilbbling mong frightfulness that has been applied to motor drivers without new Herror plates and set the annual rist of confusion in the motor division at Harrisburg may be avoided in the

Two things the authorities might do. They could make it obligatory for owners and drivers of national discounter future up-plications before December 15. On they could help to organize as systems of heanth offices or substations through which a conoffices or substations through which mater licenses might be board at country centraling in the larger cities. The latter method has been in operation for years in several of the states where moter registration is leavy. It is a method under which the burden of taker that overwhelms the State Motor Liense tributed with a year to avoiding just the sort of delay and annovance that motor revuswhere in Pennsylvania.

The row emut of he the radio and the state authorities - without any arquirent use or purpose. The tainted identification lists for the pull his year are not yet out. The lists for last to mare still in the hand-of the police. The blue tags are for the moment network to a research than the vellow

JAPAN AND US.

TT 18 wheering a me and then to here same Japanese discuss the respection trace groups between Tokio and Westington be ruse of

American exclusion and long base.
Roland S. Manny published the feed damn.
In an address to the Published phys. Greate of the Penn-element Burkers Association, said what all well in sound proof kneer to be true when he issuited his heavers that the Japanese mither seek for desire buy sections trouble with the United States. Such resentment as exists among Jananese is doobserved, to the Culifornia laws, which discriminate dom Tolly between Japan or and other pliens

There is the sale of the date over America ean question who is a sidence discrete in the news or in public solders. In California the lines of exclusion and discremention are somewhat houself drawn. That they are not so inflexible as the have which feath the rights of foreigners in Japan, where no one land. And to be entirellized in Japan som have not only to go through all the forms common in ether commenced too must com-plete the process to assuming a Japanes-

THE UNCLUNCING CLIMATE

A WARM want i or a cool cannor always fends the multipling to creark that the climate is changing. The conark has been made thousands of times during the last two

But the meteorologists know that there has been no change in the average temperature since records began to be kept. Of course, the climate of Philadelphila today is very different from the elimina a bish reconited has to the eliminate of the glacial age.

that period are of no interest to purchasers

of sensonable clothing at the present time. The local weather bureau announces that the mean temperature for 1920 was 54.4 degrees above zero, which is the average for n long period of years. It also announces that there were 112 clear days. This is a onsiderable number for a region which is in the rainy area of the eastern slope of the Appalachians. We should be thankful that we have the sun for so many days. It snowed on twenty-nine days and there were 132 days on which the rainfall amounted to

The small snowfall makes this an agreeable climate. A hundred and fifty miles further north it is not uncommon to have a numberd days of sleighing in the winter. We are fortunate if we have ten days. Wheeled vehicles can be used all the year around with no inconvenience. The absence of sleighs from the city streets does not indiente that the climate has changed since the days when Washington lived near Independence Hall. If one goes to the suburbs he will find in the average winter just as much snow as Washington and Franklin used to find in Market street when the town was small and no attempt was made to remove it

WASHINGTON'S LOSS IS THE NATION'S GREAT GAIN

Harding's Veto of a March 4 Hullabaloo and Jamboree Will Restore Dignity and Good Taste to a Sober

Occasion

THE high cost of bad manners is probably I largely accountable for their popularity. Americans, as they are eager to assert, are which means, among other things, that their tolerant generosity extends to payment for things which are not only intrinsically valueless but which are positively vexations. This sufferance of what really ought to be the insufferable has strained to distressing extremes at presidential inaugurations. Mr. Harding

has snapped the cord. Dashed by a mandate to the arrangements committee are hopes of a misrepre-sentative inaugural ball, hopes of Washingon hotel keepers with window space to sell, hopes of pompously caparisoned "marching" clubs, of tinhorn politicians, of rowdies miscalled revelers. Hans Breitmann's famous party has not passed more irretrievably into nothingness than the expectations heretofore entertained of staging again one of the most preposterous scenes in the native social

Senator Knox, battling as emotionally for a fifty-thousand-dollar ceremony fund as though the fate of his precious separate peace with Germany were once more at take, is halted in midcourse. Mr. Borah. who has been insisting that a ten-dollar bill would suffice for inauguration "fixin's," suddenly finds himself underbid.

The President-elect respectfully requests that "Congress will not appropriate any fund whatever," and has expressed the wish that the "ceremony take place within the Capitel or on the east porch, in its simplicity without extra preparation for the

It is inconceivable that the national legislators will oppose this explicitly stated program. They are probably stunned at the outset by the injection into the situation of the principles of good taste.

The novelty alone can hardly fail to excite interest. That of the commercialists, who have capitalized the quadrennial inaugurals with the zest of a war profiteer domineering over compliant victims, is conceivably of dark and rueful complexion.

The public for a moment may feel rather at a loose end. The plight of an imaginary monarch who found the world "extremely flar with nothing whatever to grunble at" ianalogous. It will seem queer not to be jammed upon jerry-built grand stands wearily to witness the defile of boobies from Painted Post and Lonesome Pine. It will seem strange not to hand over the Hope moral? The answer to these queries is not diamend or its equivalent for the exquisite difficult. It should take the form of sign privilege of converting a billiard table into

> But even inexpensive reforms in time win their meed of favor, and it is not, furthermore, to be predicated that Washington will not be crowded on March 3 and 4 nor that ome ordinarily infelicitous lodgings will not be in demand.

But the conventional spectacle, the undignified and sparrious jamboree will be modwhited. If the urge to parade is irrepressible, the will to sametion is not what it ones

My. Harding is the liest preson in the land to discountenance a licere, nepular manifestation. It is the specious character of the Engageration trimmings which is offensive, and what the President elect has so ematically done is to distinguish between renlits and sham.

The solemn significance of the induction into other of a President of the United States is inherent in the event. The early in-augurations breathed, indeed, something of

The first chief ungletrate, frequently so terly criticised for what was then thought the a predilection for elaborate formulities. delivered his first inaugural address within the Schute commber of the federal state boase Broad street, New York; the second within the modest Senate building at Sixth and Chestnut streets in this city.

he resolving without the walls, but murching cities had not yet been born and profiteering

and trettess in his give over a political victory, his own inauguration was by common consent "the suddinest thing ever schibited in America". His descriptive powers were s fervent four years later. Indeed the hast of the Federalist Presidents had no diget personal knowledge of precisely what

The tory that the professional democrat-Thomas Jeff tson, rode on horseback to the congressional building and hitched his horse to a fence peet on imagination day is a proved canard. But the coming Problem if wall from his boarding house, attended and his predomeson was not at the Capitol to greet him. John Adams, nursing his poinful partisan grievance, was to that time on his homeward fourney to Massachusetts,

For a considerable period in the early history of the republic luminorations were and of valgar pretentionsness. Madison's avertiture was informal. The oath was taken in the Souate, A cavalende of citizens co-real lames Monroe to the Custof in 1817 and the unpers thrilled over a crowd which numbered from five to eight thousand perons. The same, however, was spontagonas, managed by worked-up fulls, un honest and Jacksonian jubilations, something akin to Receive limin factors, although by 1829 the and aspect of inaugurations was beginning to imports their essential gravity. The daging of William Henry Harrison's inesticare in 1844 bespulse a miles change in erconomint manners, that was not for the The receilfed traditions that Investigate grown up have evolved a situation in which the spans to pride are not sharp.

which had long since crased to be a praise-worthy factor in the proceedings. Cries of anguish arose, for that function, strictly commercialized, had come to be an agent of financial recuperation, a money making af-

simply added to the woes of the professional organizers without materially bettering the

general atmosphere of the inauguration. Mr. Harding, it is plain, would prefer his installation to take place within the Capitol, although he will consent to the administering of the oath in the open air. There is no irrevocable rule on the subject and, as ex-plained above, all the early Presidents were ishered into office indoors. The act so performed would leave the withers of true den racy unwrung. The spiritual import of the inauguration should be the republic's chief concern. The simpler the scene the more will its inherent qualities of grandeur be

The President elect cannot, of course, di vert the throngs from Washington on the greatest day thus far in his career. Nor is it in any way proper that the inaugura-tion should sound the note of exclusiveness or disregard of popular enthusiasm.

But inauguration day reforms, especially

long the lines of good taste, common sense

and decorous behavior, have long been

needed. Avaricious and unsernpulous victim= izing of the public warrants effective rebuke The Harding standard of dignified simplicity can be beneficially observed by the crowd. The economy which the incoming President's appeal enables the legislators to practice is as novel as it is desirable. Even tore commendable is prospect of the restoration of the impressive and lofty sentiments which should properly accompany one of the ardinal formalities in the functioning of the

POLICE AS MORAL CENSORS

DIRECTOR CORTELYOU'S announce ment that the police "will not raid so ciable card games in private homes" has an old, an astonishing, sound in this time and place and generation.

Only unmistakable evidence of serious rime can justify the entrance of a policeman into a private home, and such evidence should be used as the basis for a warrant, If we are to assume that the police may act at will as custodians of public morals and ep its of the private conscience of citizens, then you never will be able to tell when a patrolman may come knocking at the doo f what once used to be your castle. The privacy of a man's home is supposed to be guaranteed under all modern law. It is a ule that has always guided the legal thinking out of which the Anglo-Saxon codes have

"Lieutenant Montgomery informs me," the director continues, "that he entered and raided the house at Fifty-fifth and Spruce streets because the husband of one of the women found playing poker there asked him o interfere." Are we to suppose that the alice are to go to the assistance of all harassed husbands who cannot maintain authority over their wives? If that is what we are coming to, the police ought to be the first to worry. They do not know what they are letting themselves in for. The public may have to look forward to a time when policemen will feel justified in committing breaches of law and order far more serious than those they charge against persons arrested on their amazing excursions into pri-

The police have enough to do in keeping order in the streets. They have neither right nor business to enter a dwelling without a warrant or unless they are summoned from within

TWO MEN

HOOVER is growing. He has his own extensive private affairs to look after. yet he is conducting the greatest work of reconstruction and relief that has been undertaken since the war ended and doing much of the service that the governments of Europe would have undertaken had they been more far-sight d and more sensitive to the general need of their times,

In addition to all this, without advertising or the sounding of trumpets. Hoover is leading the Federal Engineering Council, an rgunization formed by the federated societies of American engineers, in a scientifically organized effort to bring about better tech. fque as well as better and more humane edutionships in American industry. He and his associates have set out to eliminate waste, to reorder many of the processes of production and to make big industries and ttle at once more efficient and more renonsive to the needs of the country and its people. They have assumed a task that Congress fumbled and then put aside.

Mr. Harding is growing, too. It is becoming newly apparent that he isn't going to be forced by party, group or individual interest to take the United States back toward he reads that lead inevitable to war and waste. He has found that among the best minds of the country there are many which exhibit the sort of excellence that belongs in nuseuras. The destructive philosophies which grow out of late and hysteria are in a way to centrol too many minds here and in Europe. Harding is still determined to keep is vision clear.

Harding and Hoover will in a short time be two men from whom the country may expect much. Closer co-operation between would be good for the United States and for all its people.

PRESIDENTS WITH A TRADE

THE election of Mr. Harding to member-A ship as a journeyman printer in the Marion Typographical Union calls attention to his unique distinction. He is the first and only printer eleved to the presidency, and he is the fourth man with a trade to b lected. Washington was a surveyor and Fillmore and Johnson were tailors and Grant were profe-sional soldiers, although Grant worked as a tanner. All the rest of the Presidents, save the elder Harrison, have been lawyer-

Indeed, there is no profession which leads so surely as law to public life in America. Monroe, it is true, did not practice law very long, for early in life he became an office holder and thereafter he abandoned the practice of his profession. Both Roosevelt and Wilson were admitted to the bar. Roosevelt never practical and Wilson, after naiking a vain effort to earn a living as a lawyer in Atlanta, turned to teaching,

McKinby, who was a lawyer, did not have many clients, but both Benjamin Harrison and Grover Cleveland were prominent at the bar before they entered public life, and Marrison reotened by law office after he retired and practiced until his death. Clevehand was a consulting afterner for a little while, but he seen gave up all active work and lived in retirement in Princeton.

It is worthy of note that last year neither the Republican per the Democratic candidate for the or dency was a lawyer. They were both Ohio newspaper publishers and they had both devoted their whole life to the new spaper business. It is worthy of note also that both Tafe and Rossevelt after their retirement from the pre-blency turned their attention to journalism and became editorial

contributors to periodicals. 16 Mr. Harding has absorbed from his trade some of the practical wisdom which distinguished Franklin, the greatest American prouter, his administration should be hellformly such -ful-

thank is being found with the declaration of floring is that braids concurs support of Chienge half be way to never trapable ste-nographic from getting married is to rules their subries. The dissenters declare that if a girl love, a man she'll marry him what-ever her salary may be. Very pretty, but not very true. Though a woman may saenot very true. Though a woman may suc-rifice much for love, a fat pay envelope has occasionally been known to not as a deter-rent. The trouble with the Chicago man's

AS ONE WOMAN SEES IT

Manner of Paying Bills Is Sometimes an Index to Character, as a Girl About to Marry Once Discovered

By SARAH D. LOWRIE

MOST women, I suppose, have almost married other men than eventually became their husbands, and have been deterred more by a series of small negative signs rather than by any one big obstacle. There something heroic about a big obstacle that intrigues a romantic temperament, and some-thing very unheroic about small delinquencies that gradually flatten out enthusiasm.

I remember a woman once telling me that her doubts as to the man she had thought herself in love with were re-enforced by what seemed at the time a small happening, but what more experience of life impressed her as having been "significant of much."

Her mother and she were downtown together on a shopping expedition, and between matching samples her nother west into an

matching samples her mother went into an office of an agency that compiled confidential information regarding the business status. solvency, semisolvency and insolvency of the householders and business and professional firms and individuals of the city and vicinity. While ther mother was making her inquiries as to the reliability of a certain firm in the town which had made a bid to do a certain piece of work for a chilanthene in which piece of work for a philanthropy in which she was interested, the girl wandered about the outside office, which was deserted for the moment. Spread out on a desk was a book, indexed, for filing names. Under each name was a small summary of the person or family or firm giving the general characteristics. or firm, giving the general characteristics of credit, reputation for prompt or tardy payments, evidence of prudence or recklessness in spending, etc., that each name suggested from the more specific records kept on file by the agency gathered from many sources,

HER own name, or rather her family's, was what she turned to look for first, and she found to her satisfaction that her people were listed as being prompt dischargers of all money obligations and, in fact, noted for the quickness of their settlement of the control of t ment of bills. She turned to look up the man with whom she was more or less in love, and she found he was not regarded as a prompt payer or what might be called a good asset. She found that a number of persons whom she knew were designated as tardy in the payment of bills, whose credit was none the less good, with that drawback noted, so she less good, with that drawback noted, so she turned back to study the summary of her lover to discover where he differed from the other tardy payers, when a clerk entering the office interrupted her investigations with scared apologies and alarmed chagrin. The matter in the book was, he assured her, not for casual inspection, and her easy and innocent access to its contents, being the result of his own culpable carelessness, made his telling very peremptory.

of his own culpable carelessness, made his telling very peremptory.

Her trouble of mind over the seeming carelessness with which the man whom she had been considering marrying had always spoken of money obligations was not lessened by this experience. She would have married a poor man without much hesitancy, but in the face of her bringing up in the matter of owing money, his carelessness loomed up as an obmoney, his carelessness loomed up as an ob-stacle to their real team play. That and stacle to their real team play. That and other straws eventually prevailed and she

other straws eventually prevaled and she broke with him-fortunately for her.

The bitterness of this result of a glimpse below the surface, however, left her with a keen sense of obligation in all business transactions and a kind of hurt dread of carelessactions or of postponoment in money dealings. ness or of postponement in money dealings.

THERE are some firms as well as many I individuals whose credit is good who, as part of their business assets, do not pay their bills until the very last legal moment. But, however successful they are in keeping the added interest or in keeping their capital free for other ventures or in tiding themselves through a tight part of the year, their mestion in the community. selves through a tight part of the year, their position in the community always suffers from their reputation. It is always coupled with their name and mentioned with varying degrees of dislike as one of the unadmirable traits of their characters. No transaction with them is left to their honor, money is lent to them after delay and after all legal safeguards are attended to with a rigid exaction of the last item of interest if the relation is that of a business venture; if they are in their private capacity, their tardiness are in their private capacity, their tardiness in paying debts works a kind of irritating have among their friends that no amount of generosity or carclessness in their giving gifts

THE curious thing is that lavishness in

I remember recommending a governess once to a very rich and agreeable woman for her little girl. At the end of the spring term when the governess went off for her holiday, the woman and her little girl went off to Europe. The salary for the last term was owing the governess and she was not paid until August 20. The result was that the governess could not plan the trip she had hoped to take during the summer, not having hoped to take during the summer, not having the cash on hand. She had enough to stay at home on, but not enough for her trip. The woman who swed her the salary had a habit of not booking at any bill for three and not paying any under six months. She said it was nonsense. Her credit was good; people knew they would get the money sooner or later. A little later because it suited her was all must of the larginess the point being was all part of the basiney, that they got their money, that they got their money, was all part of the business, the point being

It did not himiliate her that she owed working people and professional people and unknown teaple for the clothes she had on, for the food she ate, for the education of her child; all the time she was going about in the clothes, long after she had eaten the food and had parted from her child's gov that the money she was spending between the receiving of her bills and the settlement of receiving of her fills and the settlement of them was money that she was borrowing without interest from persons with whom she would have been begriffed to have any inti-

A MAN once explained to me that owing mease. The merchant buys on credit and sells to you on credit, affecting so much more for your none-too-prompt payment, just as you may make ever a more large or put borrow money and give a mortgage or put down collateral, and no one is injured thinks the worse of your.

But owing meney to retail stores and a trade-men and to the men and women who work for you personally is not like owin money to a bank, whose business it is a lend money on security and for a fixed in terest. You are taking advantage of the more selling in the more selling for the more selling to the more necessity if you keep the money which is their foot, your honor at their foot, them waiting for th fort. Every time your ame is mentioned think and say: "That person owes me money; he should each day until he pays me what is mine, not his!"

Paying hills promptly is often the tradition

of a family, just as carelessness in the use of money is a family habit rather than an innate view. A difference of standards in this respect is at the root of much matrionial unhappiness and much unnecessary

miliation. We talk a great deal about the generosity of the American father and husband; as a matter of fact, the business arrangements of parents, the marriage settlements logal understandings and the flance of a girl about to marry, my both kinder and no way of taking generesity and Justice for granted.

France's attifude toward Germany is the uniter of coal and her threat to occupy the Ruhr district arouse envy in the heart the Runy metricy arouse entry in the heart of every housenmoder. Just think how happy it would make a man if he could meet his coal dealer with the hold front France presents! Think of the joy there would be in telling that guy nort if he didn't behave you would be the his proceed to occupy his and card and discense strict justice coal in donestic slices without any regard for his tenderest feelings whatsoever, Vea, yea! Then there would certainly be the happy days.

Dr. Koch, German minister of the interior, and Dr. Dumba, once Austrian am-bassador in the United States, who fear an worry us most never happen.

"NO, THANKS, I WASN'T ELECTED AS A CIRCUS!"

EXTRAVAGANT

FLUB-DUBBERY

even eats a larger fish if it once gets him at

Must Be Careful of Vicious Fish

yery much a corner lounger leaning against a telegraph pole or a saloon, lazy and stodgy, having ability to move quickly, but seldom

caring to do so. If a tautog is dispossessed of a favorite nook among the rocks it will

attack the intruder viciously and keep things

"I had difficulty at one time with twe

larger almost killing the smaller, until I had

as their companions. There has never been

mny trouble since,
"The matter of procuring of sea water is

another question which is not easy. We in Philadelphia get about 70,000 gallons a year.

"From all these items it can be seen that

an aquarium and its upkeep is not the sim-plest thing in the world, but one of the most

What Do You Know?

QUIZ

Wind blook, is said to have been the in-spiration for Charles Dickens "The Philavick Papers"?

 What colors are topages?

 What is a menuge?

Answers to Yesterday's Quiz

dent Marshall.
2. Anierican Samon, of which the chief town

Riley is the middle name of Vice President Marshall.

of the United States south of the
equator.
It important Jener is a profife and successful English playwright. Among his
dramass pre-Mrs. Dates Defense."
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The Lars and "The Case of Rehelhous Susan."
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Daily Talks With Thinking Philadelphians on Subjects They

WILLIAM EDWARD MEEHAN On the Work of the Aquarium

a number of years in age. A great many which we have brought here from Atlantic City or other ports died after four or five days. On the other hand, there is a jewfish ANY people have the entirely erroneous days. On the other hand, there is a jewfish now here which is over twelve years old.

"Now, another peculiarity about fish is one probably pretty well known, that is, their absolute lack of fraternal feeling or sentiment found generally in the animal kingdom. This is probably because, from birth, the life of a fish is one continuous struggle for existence, and it is not usually a case of the 'survival of the fittest' but of the smartest and most active. It often happens that a small fish tricks and outwits and even eats a larger lish if it once gets him at Mass people have the distance an aquarium it is only necessary to have a tank of water, eatch some fish and throw them in, and then feed them bread crumbs occasionally when they look hungry, according to William Ed-ward Mechan, superintendent of the Philadelphia Aquarium

On the contrary, says Mr. Mechan, those in charge of an aquarium have to be both good doctors and good psychologists, since fish have a variety and complexity of both diseases and idiosyncrasies, much after the fashion of land creatures, man or Must Be Careful of Vicious Fish

"That is another thing that those in charge of an aquarium must watch. Vicious, ugly fish must not be put into the same tanks with inoffensive, defenseless specimens. It seems, in many cases, that the fish is a conscienceless bully. If it gets it into its head that it is boss of a tank, the lives of the other fish will be made miscrable.

"An example that we may mention is a tautog or slippery bass, which resembles very much a corner lounger leaning against

in the first place," declares Mr. Mec-"living fish on exhibition seem to have an even greater fascination and attraction for the average man or woman than animals have, or in fact any other living thing, animal or vegetable. Probably the biggest reason for this popularity is that we are a land-living people, who only go out to sea occasionally, and even then only on the surface. We see animals all around us, perhaps not always the varieties generally found in zoological gardens, but at least of kindred species. On the other hand, all the average man sees of a living fish is a flash or swirl in the water, and so that fish is clonked in an interesting mystery.
"It is also true that a fish in a tank is,

with very few exceptions, exactly the same as a fish in its native haunts. The same is not true of animals. Few if any of them have the same mode of living and habits in aptivity that they have in their native state, One of the few exceptions referred to in regard to fish is that certain species who in their homes under the sea or in streams cling persistently to the bottom and never comto the surface except to spawn or in case of extreme hunger, nevertheless, in captivity, come very often to the surface of the water and stay there, regarding onlookers curiously as if they, too, wondered at the strange specimens before them.

Aquariums Always Popular

Aquarioms Always Popular
"At any rate, aquarioms seem always to
be very popular. The one in New York has
a larger attendance than the British Museum
or the Bronx Zeo. The Philadelphia
aquarium itself, until the building of the
art gallery made it almost inaccessible, used
to have an attendance of 400,000 a year.
"It was hall in 1012 and was intended to

"It was built in 1912 and was intended to contain mainly lish of Pennsylvania, that the people might know the finny specimens of the people might know the unity specimens of their own state. Its general object, as is true with all aquariums, was educational, and that it is at all times. In a short time a new nedition will be opened, which will make it one of the largest nonariums in the world. "And now as to the care of fish, which is something may then a continuous." something more than a combination of a tankful of water and a few bread crumbs. In the first place, all the different fish must be fed the foods they are accustomed to and that fit their pseudiar characteristics. For that lit their premiur characteristics. For example, there are some which are almost wholly vegetarians, such as the German earp, which is not, as is sometimes believed, a caunibal fish. The carp in rooting un-vegetable foods at the bottom of the body of water sometimes destroys the sequestered abiding place of other fish and cause their death, but it never tails other fishes. eds on mad, or rather on minute organism

feeds on mind, or rather on minute organisms of mind. An example here is the mind shad. Some fish will not eat fish, but will live on mollusks or crustaceans. Others will cat no cut fined, but insist on a diet of living things. Still others are almost emisyorous.

Must Study Whims of Appetite In every case the whims of appetite of each individual fish must be studied and met.

There are some varieties, however, which, no matter how much attention they receive, annot live in captivity. These are generally known as the pelagic fish or wanderers of the sea. They live far out in the middle of ersal call of famine in food. In this sors are the bluelish, the herring family and, we might say, the shark, which is not truly a fish at all.

"Such fish simply will not live in confined spaces for any considerable length at time. The directors of one aquarium spent ighteen years before they secured a sharks which accommodated themselves to confined quarters and lived more than a few months. The best longevity for sharks obtained here has been four months, with the exception of one time when we had a said shark which lived over half a year, and was

NOW MY IDEA IS THIS lic up in the air ever since they got down.

is its color scheme-yellow label and red tape. If Mr. Harding wishes to realize the

SHORT CUTS

The naval balloonists have had the pub-

of a compromise cabinet let him look

at the present one. And the country still looks forward hopefully to the day when Mr. Harding puts on his fighting clothes.

Mr. Harding probably realizes by this that to "compromise" with the Old Guard is to take its orders.

State College has opened a cooking school for men. Getting ready, evidently, for the reign of feminism. Any man who wants to call Penrose a stand-patter will first have to explain his

flop on the emergency tariff. As a political machine hates a surplus, organization leaders have another cause for complaint against Mayor Moore.

An officeholder's definition of economy in government is something that ought to be applied to some other department.

Whether the German indemnity be large small, its amount will have to be definitely fixed before trade can know stability. The wonderful exploit of the naval bal-

conists is, incidentally, teaching the world a useful lesson in the physical geography of the far north. The motortruck is going to solve all our transportation troubles—just as soon as we are able to build roads that will stand their

Opposition in Albany to further investigntions by the Lockwood committee may be due to the conviction that enough of scanreinfactions get about 40,000 gailons a year, shipped directly from the ocean. We insist that the water be of a specific gravity of at least 1,0023, and this necessitates going out pretty well from the shore. Some fish could not live if the specific gravity was less than 1,0019. With offices in Philadelphia, Pittsburgh

and Scranton, the state registrar of motor vehicles would not have to be making apologies and explanations. Philadelphia's latest Four Hundred (the auto drivers arrested for failure to earry a 1921 license) should organize to prevent a

recurrence of the round-up. Perhaps the Allies would play in better hick if they collected the indemnity through the en-kniser. He seems to be able to get

anything he wants from the Germans. A Rutland, Vt., man has found a pint bottle of whisky concented in a sofa let bought second-hand three years ago. This should stimulate interest in antiques.

The only thing Republican leaders age certain of is that when they divide 100 jobs by 207 applicants there will be nothing left over-unless it happens to be hard feeling

Since it has been demonstrated that ever so many nutomobile drivers arrested on Monday for failure to display 1921 license tags were in no wise to blame, will they have their fines remitted? And if not, why

Despite prohibition, "gentlemen in their causs" have been replaced by "gentlemen in their hiccups," The disease epidemic in Switzerland and England has found lodgment in New York.

Even as peace plants were turned but war plants in the face of emergency, so may war plants be turned into peace plants with profit; but those whose trade is war are

If Washington business men suffer an duly because of the shelving of the inaugural parade perhaps they may be able to induct meress to vote them the money without the

preliminary fuss and feathers,

n good showing.

One way to keep the death rate down (in percentages) is the New York way, which is to boost the population away about of the state and federal census. This seems no estrich-like feat until one realizes that it is the effort of a political machine to make

If it is true that Mr. Harding called off the inaugural parade after reading of the inaugural parade after reading of the washington matrix were prepared to charge for their routes, it may be that here and there it washington there are hord keepers was and their their themselves because their greet also loved them to avance themselves.

wholes was a mean proper wight expecially famed for his consider the fits dittes are 1793-1752 (same is Whitefrairs, a precise of Loudan, which was long a senethiny for levelyent deftors and erinimals; before any asylum for lawbreakers. It is thousant that Alson (low table Alentha), so long the dehagads ground between France and themany as great the application of the norm.

The first battle of the Metric means. layasian of Germany in the spring by armed Soviet forces, may console themselves with then killed by a hawksbill turtle kept in the distanced reconstration, a money uniting affair to compress to for funds considered at the discount of the first truth, not its firstly. Valorable is a creable designable may be a scorrengly to the community same tank. The average life of a Sala is about elaber the though that many of the things that months, although, of course, many live to be was so long ago that the temperatures of I forts attendant thereon. But Mr. Wilson I mak capable mother.