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13 ASHCART STATSMEN
IT WILL COST \$200,000 less than the lowest contractor's bid for the city to clean the streets in the two districts in which it is doing the work this year.

Director Caven and Mayor Moore are planning to have all the streets cleaned by the city beginning on October 1. To do this they must secure an appropriation from the City Council, and they must take over the contracts from the contractors under a provision in the contracts which permits them to do this on three months' notice.

Notice must be given not later than July 1. Thirteen members of the Council yesterday afternoon lined up in opposition to the plans of the Mayor and the Director of Public Works and in support of the contractors and against efficiency and economy.

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NO SEATS FOR WAR WRAITHS
AT THE CONFERENCE TABLE
Even the Delicate Questions Involving America and Japan Can Be Settled by the Parley Method Now Invoked in Washington

SINCE nothing quite so much depresses Jingles and fire-eaters as an appeal to reason, it is logical to conclude that Secretary Hughes and Ambassador Shidehara have had a more than satisfactory conference.

IN fairness to the governments of both the United States and Japan, it may be said that each has exhibited commendable restraint in the handling of situations of extreme delicacy. The real damage, serious but happily far from irreparable, has been done chiefly by irresponsible cliques and propagandists, deep-lunged and shallow-minded.

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THOSE MACHINE-GUNS
THE discovery of 600 machine-guns hidden on board the steamship East Side while at her pier in Hoboken cannot be ignored by the Government.

IN MY particular garden in the Adirondacks I never even pretended to bring the flowers up in orderly ranks or think that I could say to one, "Go there," or to another, "Come here," because owing to the nature of the ground it was impossible to put it exactly—and to a certain inaccuracy in the matter of mathematical details, a tendency to rather guess than know on the part of the gardener, was a regular feature.

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By SARAH D. LOWRIE

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HE'S LEARNED SOMETHING



NOW MY IDEA IS THIS

Daily Talks With Thinking Philadelphians on Subjects They Know Best

GERALD M. TAMBLYN
On the Physical Extension Idea

THE physical extension idea is one of the most important that the exponent of physical training has to put into effect at the present time.

HUMANISMS

By WILLIAM AHERTON DU PUY
ONE day up at Albany Charles Evans Hughes was working busily at being Governor of the Empire State when a stranger was admitted by his efficient secretary and drew up a chair to the other side of his desk.

THE man stated that he had been an inmate of Sing Sing until three days earlier and that he was there to advise the Governor as to the manner in which penal institution should be conducted.

Today's Anniversaries

- 1775—Battle of Bunker Hill, the first notable engagement of the American Revolution.
1818—Charles Francis Gounod, famous as the composer of the opera "Faust," died in Paris.
1860—The Danish Missionary Society was formed by the priest, Hans Falk Rasmussen.
1867—An international conference concerning coinage and monetary currency opened in Paris.

Today's Birthdays

- Adolphus Frederick, former Grand Duke of Mecklenburg-Strelitz, born thirty-nine years ago.
Edward J. Berwind, one of the foremost of American financiers, born in Philadelphia, twenty-three years ago.
Tommy Barron, former champion heavyweight pugilist, now residing in England, born in Canada, forty years ago.

A Justifiable Suspicion

From the Ohio State Journal.
We suppose when a conscientious person of reform temperament throws himself head and soul into some new nation-wide movement he reflects that he will study the subject later and find out a little something about what his talking about, if he has time.

A Kansas Killjoy

From the Kansas State Journal.
"Manus," Roberts, is a handling in the Council Grove Republican. A wedding of a death's head at a wedding party is a parody on a wedding waltz we recall that old couple of grim foreboding. "To change the name and not the letter is for the worst and not the better."