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GUILTY, BUT INNOCENT

With the formal publication of the minority report of Councilman Roper relative to the uncompleted investigation into the scandal which grew out of rumors of attempted bribery in connection with a movement in Council to permit trolley cars to run on the tracks of the Pennsylvania Railroad...

THE PANAMA CARD

It is not difficult to credit the rumor that President Harding has informed the Senate Republican leaders of his disapproval of early action upon Senator Borah's bill to remove the right of American vessels passing through the Panama Canal...

IS THERE A BOND SCANDAL?

The Bureau of Municipal Research criticizes the recent issue of \$5,000,000 in 5 1/2 per cent fifty-year bonds in three installments...

THE BOON OF SHADY ROADS

VIOLIOUS suggestions for adorning the State highways have been made from time to time, including one to consecrate the leading routes as war memorials...

Union of Communists. One boasts fewer than 6000 members. Its rival has a membership slightly in excess of 6000. So Chicago announces heatedly that "the Reds are not asleep" and implies that the rich of the land and the Government at Washington must still be on guard.

COUNCIL MUST COME TO TERMS WITH MAYOR ON GAS

Mr. Moore's Position on the Gas Question is Economically Sound and Politically Impregnable

VIRTUALLY every reason which Mayor Moore assigned for vetoing the Hall gas ordinance applies to the ordinance introduced in City Council yesterday afternoon by Councilman Weglein.

Mr. Weglein offered, along with his ordinance, a resolution providing for the appointment of a committee to confer with the Mayor, the gas company and others on the terms of a new or modified gas lease.

It is a question whether the whole body of City Council, as well as the District Attorney's office, cannot be called upon to share that odd distinction. Mr. Roper flatly charges that the case was not investigated.

CONGRESS AS A PEACEMAKER

REPRESENTATIVE PORTER, co-author of the congressional resolution declaring peace, expresses the belief that "American soldiers will remain in Germany until they have adjusted our affairs with that country."

THROUGH CRIMSON GLASSES

EVERYWHERE but in Chicago—and perhaps in Pittsburgh—the thing called Red Radicalism is being trotted out. Even in Russia the folk who a little while ago were proud to be called Red are rather shamefacedly trying to appear before the world in a color less trying to the normal eye.

What ever arrangement is evolved will have to be presented by the President to the Senate, where it can be ratified only by the assent of two-thirds of the members.

withdrawn from the Rhine and the Alien Property Custodian will be without warrant to seize German funds.

WHO'LL SAVE NEW YORK?

HOW many millions in small change have you contributed for the salvation of the political situation in New York City? Do you believe that New York should or can be saved?

A great many people will pause to debate that question in their hearts. But all those who continue to insist on the election that it is never too late to mend and that a city may be down without being out will feel like sending messages of hope and cheer and spiritual encouragement to the folk in Manhattan who have organized to fight for the city.

The trouble with New York is that it is too big. It has too many minds. The Tiger has one mind, one method, one appeal, one desire. But Brooklyn has codes and beliefs peculiarly its own.

Major Curran and Senator Lockwood are honest and able men. That will not help them greatly so long as the average politician in every party thinks first of himself and then of the good of the community.

TOO MUCH CONSTABLING

CONSTABLING in New Jersey isn't the soft and sweet thing that it used to be when any driver of an automobile was liable to be arrested for any slight infraction of elaborate road rules and made to pay a fine in the nearest justice's office.

AS ONE WOMAN SEES IT

THE Bryn Mawr College summer school has turned out to be so practical as well as pleasant for all concerned that one would not be surprised to find it a permanent one. No doubt the professors who have given the courses have learned as much as the working and business girls who have studied under them.

THE above interesting conclusion to the "collective mind" of some 60,000 workers. If it is a conclusion based on true facts, or if it is a conclusion based on incorrect statements, are questions open for discussion, but there is no question about its being a conclusion of some 60,000 men and women workers.

Some Figures on the Textile Industry Which Form the Opinions of the Collective Mind of the Workers

I GIVE the figures which follow for what they are worth. They are not either those of the employers or of the employees in their arrangement. They are partly those of the Philadelphia Bureau of Municipal Research, partly those of the United States Labor Bureau, partly those of individual manufacturers.

YEARS ago, when I used to run a penny bank up in Kensington, lots of the mill and factory families put their savings in the penny bank. In the brief period during which one run by the factory owners, because they did not wish their employees to know how much they saved.

THE textile industry in Philadelphia, it is estimated, is worth \$1,000,000,000. It has been affected to a degree as any other by the present business depression. Every competent authority, however, admits that this depression is temporary and that the reaction from unhealthy wartime inflation.

THE average annual wage received by the Philadelphia textile worker in 1915 was \$21.33. In 1916 the least possible amount upon which a workman's family could live in health and decency in the city of Philadelphia was \$21.33.

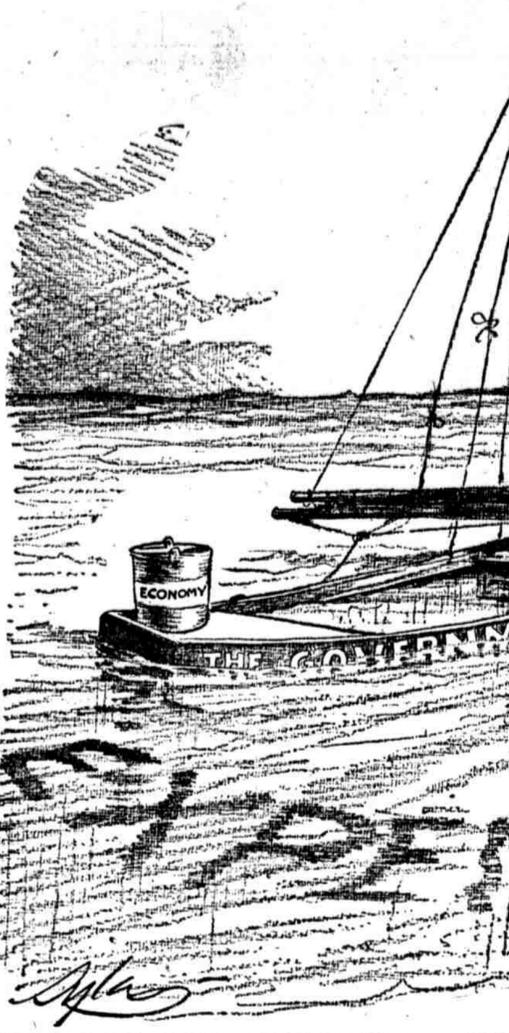
THE average textile worker was, therefore, receiving in 1915 a wage that was less than half the amount necessary to maintain the health and decency of himself and his family.

WHAT DO YOU KNOW?

1. Karl Hansburg has been called a "de-lavant" emperor. What is the meaning of "de-lavant"?
2. When does the centenary of Mexican independence occur?

Answers to Yesterday's Quiz
1. The first name of Barnum, the famous showman, was Phineas.

BETTER GET BUSY



NOW MY IDEA IS THIS

Daily Talks With Thinking Philadelphians on Subjects They Know Best

DIRECTOR FRANK H. CAVEN On the City Farm
WHAT the city farm, now being operated, has great possibilities for the future is the opinion of Frank H. Caven, Director of Public Works.

IRRIGATION. Outside of this, the farm has cost practically nothing. And this slight expense has been more than repaid by the speed with which incapacitated horses are able to be returned to their work.

SHORT CUTS

This is the way it sometimes goes: Rum, rum, rum, arrest. His mourners testify that Caruso had a heart as well as a voice of gold.

With Paris and London in harmony, Berlin can dig nothing out of Silesia but potatoes. Senator France seems to have a peculiar fancy for assimilating a large amount of valued misinformation.