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WHICH IS THE TRUTH? THREE stories have been told by Lieutenant Governor Beidleman in the last week about the \$3000 check with his endorsement on it in the Auditor General's office.

"HIGHER UP" MAJOR MOORE acted properly in ordering the immediate discharge of two inspectors in the Department of Wharves, Docks and Ferries who were found to be in the pay of structural metal contractors whose work they were supposed to inspect and regulate.

RUMOR AND MR. HUGHES WASHINGTON is a whispering gallery, a hall of echoes, and it was perhaps inevitable that accounts of cross-purposes in the Arms Conference, the treaty interpretation blunder and the atmosphere of dabbity which is a familiar by-product of closed sessions should inspire rumors of Cabinet friction.

WHAT ARE THE POLICE FOR? THE new Mayor of Youngstown, O., announces that he intends to have some one small at the head of every policeman every four hours and report whether he detects the odor of whisky or other strong drink.

GERMAN "LOGIC" AGAIN THE German falling for overrating a case is once more revealed, this time in the elaborate report on trade conditions issued by the Hamburg Chamber of Commerce.

rational arguments. Their plea for sane financial adjustments is accompanied with a request for the return of German colonies. An echo of the arrogance of mid-war days is audible.

IS SUPER-VAREISM THE NEW MENACE IN PENNSYLVANIA?

Some indications of a contemplated Extension of Contractor Government to Control Vast Highway Funds AMONG the unchastened and unteachable spirits of these turbulent days it seems necessary now to list Edwin H. Vore, contractor de luxe, State Senator, ex-boss of Philadelphia and aspirant to the dictatorship of Pennsylvania politics.

Mr. Vore apparently has learned nothing by the shocks of his recent experiences on the home grounds. It was demonstrated here, as it is being demonstrated almost everywhere else, that the mixture of business with subterranean politics is no longer tolerable to ordinary intelligent taxpayers.

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There is no intention here to question Mr. Vore's right or the right of companies he controls to do public work. But so ambitious a contractor is not a safe person in politics.

THE world moves spasmodically. For years there may seem to be no progress and then suddenly something happens. It is like the bolt which cracks under ground for many days, putting out roots and gathering moisture before there is any indication on the surface that a vital force has been at work.

THE International agreement which has been negotiated in Washington is like the first tender leaves of the bolt pushing themselves above the ground. It has been talked over for years and every one has admitted that it would be a good thing. But its passage of growth had not been fulfilled. It took the forcing process of war to make it sprout.

ington Conference probably the most important thing that has happened has been the negotiation of an agreement between the British Government and Ireland for setting up the Irish Free State.

A GREAT PROJECT

DR. W. C. BRAISTED, president of the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy and Science, is about to give evidence of the faith that is in him as to the future of that century-old institution.

LESSONS OF READING WRECK

AT of God or frank of fate are phrases which it is impossible to apply to the sacrifice of twenty-seven lives in the shocking railway disaster at Bryn Athyn. The preventableness of the catastrophe was evident in the earliest accounts of the circumstances a few weeks ago.

The responsibility of the Public Service Commission and of the Interstate Commerce Commission, which supports Mr. Doherty's contention, is thus unmistakable. How far the former body can go in compelling the installation of steel passenger rolling stock has never been fully determined, but it is certain that if properly aroused no small amount of pressure can be exerted.

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"HEY, THERE!"



NOW MY IDEA IS THIS!

Daily Talks With Thinking Philadelphians on Subjects They Know Best

CHORAL singing and the organizations established and maintained for that purpose have a distinct cultural value to the community in which they exist, whether it be large or small, according to Henry Gordon Thunder, leader of several of the principal singing societies of Philadelphia and other Pennsylvania cities.

VALUABLE TO THE STUDENT "If the performance be a good one there is a remarkable opportunity for judging the effect of the work upon the individual well as obtaining an intimate personal knowledge of how the effects are produced by the combination of the voice parts and those of the orchestra. From the point of view of the student of music the whole matter is a thing of inestimable value. By this I especially mean the public performance, because things which often sound well in the studio do not always sound so well in public."

QUESTIONS 1. What State entered the American Union on the condition that a provision for the gradual abolition of slavery be inserted in its constitution? 2. What is the greatest wine-producing country in the world? 3. What is a holograph will? 4. Who was Zebulon B. Pike? 5. What was the Greek name of Cupid? 6. What is a rhumb? 7. Who said "Good Americans when they die go to Paris"? 8. What is the most active volcano in the insular possessions of the United States? 9. What was the final resting place of the illustrious dead in Norway? 10. What is the meaning of the nautical term "spit"? ANSWERS TO YESTERDAY'S QUIZ 1. The term Prime Minister was unknown to the law in England until 1805, when by a royal warrant the holder of the postoffice was given precedence in the first formal mention of the title in 1838. In a public document was in the Treaty of Berlin in the opening clause of the opening clause of the Treaty of Berlin referred to as "First Lord of the Treasury."

THE reason Ellen Terry asks permission to decline the title of Dame Commander of the Empire is probably because she has long been crowned in the hearts of the English-speaking playgoing world and deems no higher honor possible. Those who have studied the work of the Washington Conference have been impressed with the skilled diplomacy of the Japanese delegation. But it needs occasion no surprise. A man usually measures up to his job. And just how big a job Japan has been doing in the Far East, in China, Korea, Siberia and a few other out-of-the-way places. Of 2841 deaths investigated in Chicago in the year ending December 31 only fifty-seven were caused by bad whisky. What stomachs these Chicagoans must have! We learn further that in 345 days there were 622 murders. Being an ambitious burglar will probably try to make it one a day during 1922. The Public Service Commission, having all the facts of the Bryn Athyn wreck at disposal and being also the recipient of valuable recommendations for the prevention of similar disasters in the future, may be confidently expected to take whatever action seems advisable to the members of the Public Service Commission. Arthur J. Balfour's stand on submarines is spoken of in the London papers as a most victory. It may be so. But we seem to be forgetting that George Bernard Shaw said something of the kind concerning George Carpentier and that his ruling did not prevent Dempsey from taking the big end of the purse. The cause, of course, are not parallel. It is their divergencies that make a comparison interesting.

SHORT CUTS John Bull appears to have tossed Horatio Bottomley. Every department store is check-full of busy exchange editors these days. Good-by, Old Year. To which, those who wish may add "Good riddance." Mr. Beidleman seems to find a plain tale needs a confounded lot of explanations. "Charge Theft of Fourteen Hams."—Headline. Enough to start a road company. "France rattles the saber," says the New York World. Also her friends and critics. To revise an old saying, what is nobody's business is everybody's business, Mr. Eisele. The North Pole is said to be slipping. Evidently following the example of some of its explorers. Those who feel their anger mounting should remember that many a man tumbles at his iniquity. Japan's refusal to be a privileged signatory to the treaty saves the pact, but not Senator Lodge's face. Eugene Debs is to tour the United States. Not nearly so big a news story as a vow of silence would have been. W. L. George, English novelist, now in New York, who says Germany is a natural law-breaker, has evidently been standing in line at some ticket window. One of the grimmest commentaries on the times is the question discussed by a college fraternity: "Shall we have coast checkrooms in our chapter houses?" The reason Wall Street isn't scared at the stories of German synthetic gold is that Wall Street knows if Germany had it she'd pay her debts before publishing the fact. Any man who has doubts as to the limits of foreign citizenry may be removed by changing to live in a district where a case of smallpox is discovered. With a treaty governing the Pacific and an agreement calling for the reduction of capital ships, the Washington Conference cannot be considered as other than a glittering success which smaller matters cannot obscure. Those who have studied the work of the Washington Conference have been impressed with the skilled diplomacy of the Japanese delegation. But it needs occasion no surprise. A man usually measures up to his job. And just how big a job Japan has been doing in the Far East, in China, Korea, Siberia and a few other out-of-the-way places. Of 2841 deaths investigated in Chicago in the year ending December 31 only fifty-seven were caused by bad whisky. What stomachs these Chicagoans must have! We learn further that in 345 days there were 622 murders. Being an ambitious burglar will probably try to make it one a day during 1922. The Public Service Commission, having all the facts of the Bryn Athyn wreck at disposal and being also the recipient of valuable recommendations for the prevention of similar disasters in the future, may be confidently expected to take whatever action seems advisable to the members of the Public Service Commission. Arthur J. Balfour's stand on submarines is spoken of in the London papers as a most victory. It may be so. But we seem to be forgetting that George Bernard Shaw said something of the kind concerning George Carpentier and that his ruling did not prevent Dempsey from taking the big end of the purse. The cause, of course, are not parallel. It is their divergencies that make a comparison interesting.