# JUST GOSSIP ABOUT PEOPLE

## Nancy Wynne Tells About the Wilmer Biddles' Dance at the Ritz-Carlton Last Evening—She Tells of Luncheon in Palm Beach

THE dance given by Mr. and Mrs. J. Wilmer Biddle last night was a beautiful affair. It was held in the Junior ballroom at the Ritz-Carlton and was given for Mrs. Biddle's daughter, Virginia Gordon, and for Ellin Mackay, of New York, and Dorothy Haxall, of Baltimore. Virginia Gordon has been having a perfectly wonderful time this winter, for she has gone out as much in Baltimore as in this city, and she's so attractive she's asked to everything.

There were a great many dinners last night. The Sydney Hutchinsons entertained for their niece, Cintra Ellis, and the John Cadwaladers entertained for Eleanor Hart, the William Harts' daughter. Another dinner was given by Dr. and Mrs. Bob Le Conte for Lydia Clothier, and still another for Evelyn Drayton, at which the Dorr Newtons were hosts. Mrs. Newton was Inez Drayton and is a first cousin of Evelyn's father, Robert Massey Drayton.

The Henry Michells entertained for Gina Heckscher and Barclay McFadden, whose engagement, you remember, was announced a few weeks ago, and there were several other parties as well.

There were about two hundred guests, some of them debutantes and others friends of Mr. and Mrs. Biddle. Mrs. Biddle received the guests in the anteroom to the ballroom. She looked extremely handsome in a gown of gold and blue brocade. Her two daughters, Anne and Virginia, the latter the debutante, were exquisitely gowned in velvet frocks. Anne's was orange colored and Virginia's was rose pink, trimmed with chiffon. Ellin Mackay, who is Mr. Clarence Mackay's daughter, you know, wore a white frock, and Dorothy Hexall, the other guest of honor with Ellin and Virginia, looked sweet in a gown of blue brocade. Supper was served at 12:15.

MR. DE WITT CUYLER and Mr. Wilson Catherwood have been down in Palm Beach on a trip and the Edward Stotesburys gave a luncheon in their honor at El Mirasol, their Palm Beach estate, on Thursday. Mr. John Bell and Mrs. George McFadden were also among the guests at the luncheon and the E. Clarence Jones, Mrs. Edward Thomas, Mrs. J. Kearsley Mitchell, Mr. Stotesbury's daughter, and several other men and women.

A great many Philadelphians are in Palm Beach. The William Wardens, of Germantown, have gone down to their villa and Brownie Warburton is there with her cousins, the Gurnee Munns, and the Joe Wideners left yesterday for that resort.

I HEAR that Charlie Morgan is assisting Virginia Sterry in New York in the production of "En Casserole," which the alumnae of Miss Spence's school will give on Valentine Day. I also hear that Julia Shanley and Marie Leary are to give a dance called "Pep and Ginger" and I'm wondering if it's the same dance that Kitty Coxe, now Mrs. Andy Porter, danced last year at the "Talk of the Town."

You remember it, don't you? Kitty was dressed in brilliant red and had a small hat like a red pepper on her hair. She turned the most wonderful cartwheels you ever saw. I can't think who Ginger was in that dance. Teddy Browning's name is somewhere in the back of my head, but I could not swear to it.

I suppose if Charlie Morgan starts to running dancing in New York, we won't have him over here much, though I doubt if the Charity Ball would let him go without a good-sized fuss. And, of course, he's got to teach the Mask and Wiggers to dance for their annual show, so we won't let him lose us. Charlie Morgan and George Kendrick were among the best dancers the Mask and Wig ever produced.

THE General Dabney Maury Chapter of the Daughters of the Confederacy will have its luncheon today in the palm room of the Bellevue-Stratford for the new president, Mrs. Francis I. du Pont. There will be about thirty women present, among them Mrs. Archibald Barklie, Miss Caroline Sinkler, Mrs. James Halsey, Mrs. Harrison Taylor, Mrs. Heron Crosman and others whose names I do not recall.

WHAT a smart hat Mrs. Fitz-Eugene Dixon is wearing these days! I saw her at the Morning Musicale last Monday. The hat is a sort of mustard-colored one of duvetyne with a high crown and small brim rolled on the left side and tilted jauntily on the right, where a smart feather is placed at a dashing angle.

AUNT MOLLY went to spend the afternoon with her small niece and nephew while mother went shopping. She played exhaustively all afternoon thinking it necessary to entertain the two continuously. Finally Edith, who had played enough even for her taste, looked at her aunt and remarked: "Oh, let's stop, Auntie; won't you never grow up?" NANCY WYNNE.

## SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

Among the guests who will attend the theatre party and supper at the Ritz-Carlton this evening which Mr. and Mrs. Frederic H. Strawbridge, of Torworth, Germantown, will give in honor of their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. J. Clayton Strawbridge, will be Mr. and Mrs. Harrison C. Caner, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. William John Caner, Mr. and Mrs. George A. Huhn, 3d, Mr. and Mrs. Walton Clark, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. John Winthrop Cleghorn, Miss Sarah M. Harrison, Miss Marguerite L. Harrison, Miss Elizabeth S. Jeanes, Miss Helen L. Sewell, Miss Rachel Price, Miss Barbara Boyd, Miss Elizabeth Boyd, Miss Henrietta MacD. Wilson, Mr. Clayton McElroy, Jr., Mr. Philip Price, Mr. Henry Brinton Coxe, Jr., Mr. John H. Blye, Mr. Frederick Schaeffer, Mr. John K. Strubing, Jr., Mr. S. Hudson Chapman, Jr., and Mr. John A. Leiper.

Mrs. Charles Howard Collet, of 2003 De Lancey place, entertained at bridge yesterday in honor of her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Tristam C. Collet, 2d, and Miss Miriam de S. Litchfield, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Everett Starr Litchfield, of Boston, whose engagement to Mr. John Trevor Peirce was recently announced. The guests included Mrs. Paul Rehmann, Mrs. Peirce, Miss Mary L. Scull, Miss Margaret H. Davis, Miss Marian H. Button, Miss Butterworth, Miss Henrietta MacD. Wilson, Miss Charlotte Fahnestock, Miss Anna M. Walthour, Miss Elizabeth Ross and Miss Catharine Pearson.

Mr. and Mrs. Corbit Lovering, of Jenkintown, will entertain at a dinner on Friday evening, February 10, at the Green Dragon in honor of their daughter, Miss Dorothy Lovering, before the meeting of Mrs. Charles Stewart Wurts' Dancing Class.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip S. Clarkson, of Spruce Park, have issued invitations for a dinner on Monday evening, April 17, in honor of their daughter, Miss Therese E. Clarkson, at the home of Mrs. Charles Price Maule, 2217 Rittenhouse square, before the Easter meeting of Mrs. Charles Stewart Wurts' Dancing Class.

The last of Mrs. Hutchison Scott's first series of dances at the Supper Club will be held this evening. The second series will begin February 11.

Among those who attended the luncheon given today in the palm room of the Bellevue-Stratford by the General Dabney H. Maury Chapter of the Daughters of the Confederacy in honor of the newly elected president, Mrs. Francis I. du Pont, were Miss Caroline Sinkler, Mrs. T. G. Shepperd, Mrs. Joseph M. Cox, Mrs. Archibald Barklie, Mrs. James T. Halsey, Mrs. Harrison Taylor, Miss Bray, Mrs. George L. Garrett, Mrs. Charles Maule, Mrs. Joseph M. Wolle, Mrs. T. Heron Crosman, Mrs. T. Irving Reichmer, Mrs. Walter Howard Johnson, Mrs. J. Ogle Warfield, Mrs. Joseph Jeannes, Mrs. Bowman Leaf, Mrs. Hector McNeal, Mrs. John M. Gates, Miss Florence Duke, Mrs. Walter Farley, Mrs. Clark Durant, Mrs. M. T. Alexander, Mrs. D. G. Register and Miss Bessie Register.

Miss Nannie R. Dale, daughter of Mrs. Richard C. Dale, of 135 South Eighteenth street, will sail this month for Europe, where she will spend some time.

Mrs. Jay Cooke, of 2204 St. James place, will entertain at bridge on Thursday evening, February 9.

Mrs. Abram S. Valentine and her daughter, Miss Carolyn H. Valentine, and her son, Mr. Abram S. Valentine, of 411 East Willow Grove avenue, Chestnut Hill, who are traveling abroad, are spending the winter in Switzerland, where Mrs. Valentine's son is attending school.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Montague Lewis will entertain at a small dinner at the Bellevue-Stratford on Thursday evening next.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Horace Hepburn are being congratulated upon the birth of a daughter, Carolyn Morley Hepburn, born on Wednesday, February 1. Mrs. Hepburn will be remembered as Miss Dorothy Chapman Morley.

Mrs. John Joyce, Jr., of Little Brook Farm, Berwyn, entertained at dinner at the Bellevue-Stratford in honor of Miss Margaret M. Joyce before the Miss Hill's School dance yesterday. The guests included Miss Letitia B. Owens, Miss Sue R. Davis, Miss Mary A. Wagner, Mr. Carr Pross, Mr. J. Henry Pool, 3d, Mr. John Kendall, of Pittsburgh, and Mrs. Charles Van Wert, of New York.

Among the out-of-town guests who attended the wedding of Miss Gertrude Gilbert, daughter of Mrs. George S. Lasher, of Lorraine, Rydal, and the Bellevue-Stratford, and Mr. Rudolph R. Loening, of New York, which took place very quietly at the Bellevue-Stratford at 12:30 o'clock today, were Mr. and Mrs. Albert Loening and Mr. Albert T. Loening, of New York.

Dr. and Mrs. P. F. Moylan, their daughter, Miss Agnes M. Moylan; Dr. and Mrs. J. J. Moylan, Miss Marie Roach and Dr. Louis F. Love left last Thursday for Palm Beach, where they are staying at the Royal Poinsiana until after Washington's Birthday.

### GERMANTOWN

Miss Clarice Mayer, of 6002 Greene street, will be the guest of honor at a luncheon and bridge party to be given by Mrs. J. Harbeson Barnes, of the Lenox Apartments.

The junior members of the Women's Club of Germantown will give a play and dance on Wednesday, April 19, at the Germantown Cricket Club.

Miss Margaret Bickley, 341 Pelham road, will entertain at luncheon and theatre party in honor of Miss Clarice Moyer. The other guests will be Mrs. Don Hinckley, of Buffalo; Mrs. Charles Carson, of Roanoke, Va.; Mrs. Thomas Morris, Miss Dorothy Pryor, Miss Janet Young and Miss Dorothy MacBride.

Miss Sue B. McCalla will give a small tea Thursday afternoon in honor of Miss Mary Louise McCown, of 6804 Emlen street, Germantown.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Thompson Bilyea are receiving congratulations upon the birth of a son, Carl Thompson Bilyea, Jr. Mrs. Bilyea was Miss Elizabeth Hess, of New York.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bromley, of Wissahickon and Hortter streets; Mr. and Mrs. John L. Steele and Miss Nancy Steele, of Elkins Park, are staying at the Traymore in Atlantic City for a few days.

### WEST PHILADELPHIA

Mrs. William H. Abbott and her daughter, Mrs. Frederick C. Dwyer, entertained at their home, 4842 Walton avenue, last evening. Among the guests were Mrs. J. Roebuck, Mrs. S. Sputka, Mrs. W. Scott, Mrs. A. Bartol, Mrs. F. J. Massey and Miss E. Robuck.

Mrs. Saylor, of 5848 Cedar avenue, entertained a few of her friends at a luncheon on Thursday afternoon at the Arcadia.

Mr. and Mrs. Ferd. Caballero will entertain Mr. and Mrs. John Imley, of Baltimore, over the week-end at their home, 5120 Locust street.

### NORTH PHILADELPHIA

The engagement of Miss Josephine Marie Larkin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Larkin, of North Philadelphia, to Mr. E. Raymond Clinton, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Raymond Clinton, of North Broad street, Logan, has recently been announced.

Miss Ida Waronker, of 922 North Sixth street, entertained the members of her sewing circle on Tuesday evening. Those present were Mrs. Silverman, Miss Edna Mark, Miss Margaret Schatz, Miss Frances Kendall and Miss Regina Victor.

### ALONG THE READING

Mr. Frederick Nichols, of Mount Pleasant avenue, Ambler, has gone abroad for several weeks.

Mrs. Samuel Garre has been entertaining her mother, Mrs. Joseph Collier, of Brooklyn.

## Recent Bride

Photo by Goldensky.

**MRS. DAVID R. SABLOSKY**

**Who before her marriage on January 24 was Miss Katherine Segall, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Segall, of 3238 Carpenter street**

## A SUB-DEB

Photo by Marceau.

**MISS MARY VIRGINIA ALLEN**

**The attractive daughter of the Rev. Percy S. Allen, D. D., and Mrs. Allen, of 2124 Spruce street**

## MISS GERTRUDE GILBERT BRIDE OF NEW YORK MAN

### Wedding Takes Place at Noon in Mrs. Lasher's Apartments

A wedding of interest was solemnized very quietly at 12:30 today, when Miss Gertrude Gilbert, daughter of Mrs. George S. Lasher, of Lorraine, Rydal, and the Bellevue-Stratford, became the bride of Mr. Rudolph R. Loening, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Loening, of New York. The ceremony was performed in the apartments of the bride's mother at the Bellevue-Stratford. The Rev. Dr. Glenn White, rector of Christ Protestant Episcopal Church, of Riverdale, N. Y., officiated. The bride, who was given in marriage by her brother, Mr. John Gilbert, was unattended. She was attired in a simple gown of velvet, fashioned on long lines; the skirt was slightly draped; her tulle veil was arranged in a cap effect of point lace and clusters of orange blossoms. She carried a shower bouquet of lilies of the valley.

Mr. Albert T. Loening, a brother of the bridegroom, attended as best man.

A small breakfast followed the ceremony for the immediate families and relatives. On their return from a wedding journey, Mr. and Mrs. Loening will live in Princeton, N. J.

### LEE—PRICE

Miss Martha Eyre Price, daughter of Major General and Mrs. William Gray Price, of Chester, was married at noon today at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Chester, to Lieutenant Richard Lee, of the Engineer Corps of the United States Army, son of Mr. and Mrs. John P. Lee, of Rocky Mount, Va. The Rev. Francis M. Taitt, rector of the church, officiated. General Price gave his daughter in marriage, and Miss Elizabeth E. Price and Miss Virginia E. Price attended their sister as bridesmaids. Lieutenant James P. Jervey, Jr., of Camp Humphrey, Virginia, was the best man, and the ushers included Lieutenant Otto Praeger, Jr., of Camp Humphrey, Virginia; Lieutenant Arthur W. Pierce, of Fort Howard, Maryland; Lieutenant Howard L. Peckham, of Camp Humphrey, and the bride's brother, Lieutenant William Aldrich Price. A breakfast at the home of General and Mrs. Price followed. Owoing to a recent death in the family the wedding was a small one. Upon their return from a wedding journey Lieutenant and Mrs. Lee will be stationed at Camp Humphrey, Virginia.

### WHETSTONE—JACOBS

A wedding of much interest to the West Philadelphia younger set will take place this evening at the Church of the Holy Apostles, Twenty-first and Christian streets, at 7 o'clock, when Miss Margaret Jacobs, of 825 North Forty-first street, will become the bride of Mr. Robert Whetstone, of 501 South Forty-ninth street. The Rev. George Herbert Toop will officiate. The bride, who will be given in marriage by her father, Mr. George W. Jacobs, will wear white bridal satin and duchess lace, and will carry a bouquet of orchids, sweet peas and bridal roses. Mrs. J. Macallister, the matron of honor, will wear a flame-colored dress of taffeta and carry a bouquet of Cecile roses. Miss Isabel Jacobs, sister of the bride, will act as maid of honor, and will wear a silver and blue taffeta dress and will also carry a bouquet of Cecile roses. The flower girl, Miss Mary Catherine Harcourt, of Chelsea, will wear white and carry an old-fashioned silver basket of mixed flowers. Mr. Walter Whetstone, brother of the bridegroom, will act as best man, and the ushers will be Mr. Ralph Harcourt, Mr. Chester S. Ivory, Mr. H. Weston Clarke and Mr. Howard N. Jacobs, brother of the bride. Immediately after the ceremony a reception will be held at the Aldine Hotel. After an extended wedding trip, Mr. and Mrs. Whetstone will be at home at Fifty-fourth and Walnut streets after March 15.

### FRANKFORD

Mrs. Walter Eastburn, of 1659 Penn street, will entertain at bridge at her home on next Thursday afternoon.

The Woman's Club of Frankford will hold its regular meeting on Wednesday afternoon next in the Frankford Library. The club has started a current events course. Lectures will be given by Mr. Ragleul and Mr. Vautier, of the University of Pennsylvania.

Mrs. RaymondAult, of 4712 Leiper street, has issued invitations for a musicale to be given at her home, Linden Hall, on Saturday evening, February 11, for the benefit of the Emergency Aid of Frankford.

Mrs. J. Hammer and her daughter, Miss Gladys Hammer, of Orthodox street, are spending several weeks in Atlantic City as the guests of Mrs. Ray MacDonald, of South Albany avenue.

### FALLS OF THE SCHUYLKILL

Mr. and Mrs. John Foyle, of 3528 Ainslie street, will entertain in honor of their niece, Miss Esther Stead, at a graduation dinner and party at their home this evening at 7:30 o'clock. Miss Stead was one of the fifteen who was graduated from the Breck Public School. Krall and Crawford streets. She will now attend the Germantown High School. The table will be decorated with the Breck School colors—old gold and blue. American Beauty roses, forget-me-nots and potted plants will decorate the table. Among the guests will be Miss Sara Kyle, Miss Dorothy Riddlough, Miss Mary Morehead, Miss Alice Leach, Miss Lillian Dunlap, Miss Elizabeth Cubbin, Miss Freda Steinle, Miss Gertrude Trommer, Miss Matilda Starrette, Mr. Louis Adleman, Mr. James Davison, Mr. James Dunlop and Mr. John Griffon. Mr. Arthur Patterson, the principal of Breck School, will deliver an address.

### DELAWARE COUNTY

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Hoffer entertained the members of their bridge club at their home on Saturday evening. The members of the club are Mr. and Mrs. Edward Grauley, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Maguire, Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Statzell, Miss Mabel Phillips and Mr. Russell Glein.

Mrs. James Henry Hurtt, Jr., of Ridley Park, entertained at a bridge party at her home on Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Irwin, of Lansdowne, are spending a fortnight in Chicago as the guests of friends.

### SOUTH PHILADELPHIA

Miss Agnes Mary Kane and Master Daniel Mohan Kane will entertain at their home, 2418 South Garnet street, this evening in honor of the first birthday of their brother, Master Billy Kane, Jr. Among the guests will be Miss Helen McDevitt, Miss Mae McDevitt, Miss Helen Boyce, Miss Eleanor Boyce, Miss Peggy Kelly, Master James Rodgers, Master James Boyce, Master Francis Boyce, Mrs. Thomas McDevitt and Miss Catharine Boyce will assist in receiving.

Miss Ida Posternak will spend this week-end with friends in Allentown.

### NORRISTOWN

Dr. and Mrs. Francis Krusen, of 214 East Freedley street, are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son, David Edward Krusen, on January 31.

The 1922 winter graduates of the Norristown High School were the guests of the 1922 summer class at an informal dance at the Gotwals gymnasium on Tuesday, the evening of Commencement Day. The members of the high school faculty were also among the guests. The Class Committee in charge of the arrangements for the event included Miss Gladys Burrows, Miss Frances Munsberger, Mr. Clarence Allabough and Mr. Fred Hauser.

The N. J. Club gave a sleighing party to Fortside Inn, where supper was served, on Wednesday evening. Those present were Miss Mabel Yocum, Miss Mary Frey, Miss Margaret Houston, Miss Helen Kelly, Miss Vida Vercoe, Miss Helen Houston, Mr. Atmore Bright, Mr. Meredith Mowday, Mr. Leroy Carn, Mr. Harry Snyder and Mr. Joseph Downs.

### MOORESTOWN

The Woman's Auxiliary, met in the parish house of Trinity Lutheran Church on Friday at 10:30 o'clock. Luncheon was served, with Mrs. William D. Lippincott and Mrs. Burr as hostesses. The Guild, with Mrs. M. Sumner as chairman, met in the afternoon.

Mrs. Herbert Longaker, of West Main street, entertained the Girls' Club, of which she is a member, on Monday evening.

Mrs. Randolf Malseed, Mrs. C. L. Henderson and Mrs. S. E. Jones attended a five hundred party in Camden on Tuesday afternoon.

## *Through a Woman's Eyes*

By JEAN NEWTON

### DISLIKING OUR PARENTS AND HATING OUR CHILDREN

Are you up to date? Do you keep informed on the latest scientific revelations of this age of psychology, psychiatry and psychoanalysis? Then you know the latest theory—no, not Prof. Einstein's, that's old by now—but the brand-new one about the parent-offspring animus.

Parents, we are told, hate their children, the sentiment is heartily reciprocated, and it is time that we stopped deluding ourselves on the subject.

No, say the learned fathers of this theory, the idea that parental love and filial affection come naturally is an outworn fallacy. Science, this new science, shows that they cannot.

How can it be natural; it says, for a woman to love a selfish little animal that gives nothing and is always making demands, that takes her time and her energy, ties her down and keeps her from doing everything in the world that she wants to do?

How can it be natural for a man to be wrapped up in what keeps his nose to the grindstone and brings him nothing but worry and discomfort?

No, if they will look the facts in the face, parents will find that they really hate their children.

On the other hand, how can it be natural for children to love the source of the perennial "thou shalt not," the hand that is always shoving them back on the road of disagreeable things when they want to do as they please? It is natural for them to hate their parents and they really do! It is time, we are told, to quit fooling ourselves.

I wonder if the long-haired men and strange women who belong to the circles where they start these things find them to be true of themselves—or do they think they are exceptions?

Does the young poet who is chanting free verse think it was hate that made his mother toil and scrimp to get him through college or that it is resentment now which makes possible her encouragement, her faith in him, her one desire to see him succeed before she passes content into an easier world?

And does he think it is antipathy toward her that makes him want to get there mainly to see the joy and pride he has learned to read in her eyes? Oh, no; even with his perverted prating of science and new thought, with all his silly twaddle, even he isn't unnatural enough not to love his mother.

Science may be able to tell us things we don't know about ourselves, but it cannot tell nature that it isn't. Real science is nature, discovered and classified. And I am sure it is only the chafing dish scientists who would try to tell mothers, who from the first quickening of the new life within them have known no greater love, that it is not natural for them to love their children, or who would try to tell those children that they hate their parents.

I have known light-headed children, thoughtless children, a few selfish and ungrateful children. But I have never known any with an antipathy for their parents or any in whom the natural love for their parents that is an integral part of them did not at some time or other come to the surface.

I have known a foolish parent, an unwise parent, even a selfish parent, but never any who were not, according to their light at least, doing the best they could for their children.

# THE PEOPLE'S FORUM

## Letters to the Editor

### Liked "Flu" Editorial

*To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger:*

Sir—Your editorial on "The Flu" was good. Now hold up to public scorn the persons who persist in sneezing and coughing in public places, in trolleys, on trains, etc., without protecting the public by placing a handkerchief before their nose or mouth. The 1918 flu was spread by them and 1922 will see the same story if they are not suppressed. Run cartoons and big first-page warnings. MEDICUS.

Philadelphia, February 1, 1922.

### Mummers Advertise Our City

*To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger:*

Sir—Please permit me to congratulate you on the editorial proclaiming the mummers' parade on Broad street on New Year's Day as "the greatest show on earth." It is really a pity that the big business men, and those active in the affairs of the city, do not recognize the tremendous advertising value of this parade, and the fact that it brings several hundred thousand visitors to Philadelphia. The same amount of advertising could not be bought under other conditions for ten times the amount of appropriation allowed. It is deplorable that the business people of Philadelphia do not recognize this fact when, recently in the Pottsville Journal, there was a boast of the fact that the smaller towns in Schuylkill County have awakened to the realization of the great value of the mummers' parade, and rejoice over the number of people they were successful in keeping in their own home towns, who in former years had come to Philadelphia to see the parade.

If your paper and the other Philadelphia dailies will make a drive for a greater appropriation, to be announced in February or March of each year, the mummers' parade which, by the way, can only be held on January 1, would be the greatest show in the world, and do much toward putting Philadelphia in the fore rank of all the municipalities. I am positively sincere in saying that there are two fancy dressed clubs parading the streets on January 1, either of which are five times greater than the much-heralded and talked-of Mardi Gras at New Orleans, and for which the business men and residents of that city contribute more than three thousand dollars annually.

Again expressing my thanks for your timely words of praise and the hope that you and your paper might carry on the good work that you suggested in the editorial, I am,

H. BART McHUGH.

Philadelphia, January 28, 1922.

### Wants Widow Foiled

*To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger:*

Sir—I am very much upset that your cartoonist, Mr. Smith, insists on allowing the Widow Zander to continue to work her wiles on poor Uncle Bim, and that he seems to be hoodwinked enough to fall for her honeyed words. Talk about your "woman with a serpent's tongue," that Zander woman seems to keep her tongue wagging with such a skillful art that she has our Australian millionaire quite hypnotized in his inability to fathom her honeyed words. Please, please, Mr. Smith, help Andy to foil the widow.

MRS. W. L. EXE.

Philadelphia, January 30, 1922.

### Suggests Help for Policemen

*To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger:*

Sir—I read the letter of "Mrs. A. B." concerning the trials and tribulations of the police. She should write to Director Cortelyou concerning the case of her husband being shifted away from home. Why does she not visit Mr. Cortelyou personally? He is a very considerate gentleman and will no doubt listen and take favorable action.

Years ago the letter carriers also had long hours of toil, but gradually through perfecting their organization, they have gained better working conditions. The police should get busy and likewise organize for their mutual protection and betterment of working hours and pay for overtime, but I realize the obstacles in the path of this goal.

Take, for instance, the incident several years ago around City Hall when many policemen turned out to protest against certain grievances and were dispersed by their fellow cops on horseback. And then over in Boston when the police went on strike there, other men took their places. This gave the police an idea how it feels to have your job taken away by non-union men. I am acquainted with the affair over in the Twenty-sixth Police District, where some of my friends, sergeants and men, got in trouble because they committed the grave error of taking a nap, after many months of hardships and personal sacrifices maintaining law and order, protecting life and property and keeping the warring factions of workingmen from committing acts of violence, with no extra pay for extra duty and no praise from the "bosses." Every man should have the right to organize and join the organization of his trade, profession or business.

The captain of industry has a right to join his club, the business man should join the business association in his immediate neighborhood, and last, but not least, the working man should join the union of his trade or calling.

Some people only have time for a policeman in cases of emergency; before and after that they have no time for the guardian of the law, nor care what becomes of him.

Concerning our Mayor, let us have only words of praise for him. Time and time again he has asked for more men for the police force. But it takes money to run the city government and Mr. Moore is trying to do the best he can.

We all have our trials and tribulations. Every man, policeman, fireman and others who are compelled to work overtime, should receive extra compensation. I sympathize with "Mrs. A. B.," for I know what she is talking about.

GEORGE SCHULTHEISS,
Letter Carrier.

Philadelphia, January 24, 1922.

### Our Dependence on Farmers

*To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger:*

Sir—I see where various deep thinkers are becoming nettled over the alleged farm bloc. There is not a man, woman or child in any city whose job does not depend on the prosperity of the farmer. Every manufacturer of anything whatever sells either to people who again sell to farmers or else he sells to people who in some other way get their money directly or indirectly from farmers, as people in small towns, etc.

So every factory worker in Philadelphia owes his job to the farmer, and the newsboy who sells a paper or the jazz orchestra which gets some of this factory worker's money, get their money indirectly from the weedbenders. Even the college professor peeping sedately from behind the potted palms to issue ultimatums and deep thoughts gets his job from the farmer, because farmer made the money from the farmers to send Ormond to college.

The money to pay for the steel in the new bridge across the Delaware will be paid for by the taxpayers who make "classy clothes" to sell to jobbers in Chicago. They sell them to small town merchants who sell them to farmers or people in small towns who get their money in some way from farmers.

The farmer, in reality, is building the new bridge. The moral is, let the clover kickers prosper. Better let them get the jack than these steel magnates who ship it over to Europe to buy titles. T. H.

Philadelphia, January 30, 1922.

### Favors a Bonus

*To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger:*

Sir—Relative to tonight's editorial, "How Many Service Men Want the Much-Talked-of Bonus?" I am sending you news clipping. Also the Legion has printed pamphlets covering the whole ground of facts as to why it is a "National Duty" to make some such financial provision, or its equivalent. Your editorial staff should have one. It is easily obtainable!

It seems all, or most all, our Allies have already done so—that in every case where the matter of a bonus has been submitted to the people for a vote they have overwhelmingly approved of it.

Personally, I think the question is one of national policy—national practice—and largely apart from the Legion, other organizations or individuals. I do not believe that we, the wealthiest Nation, can afford to fail to do what the other nations have already done. I think failure to do so will have a bad effect on preparation for any future conflict, if nothing else.

A. C. MINTZER.

Philadelphia, February 2, 1922.

## Questions Answered

### Made-Over France

*To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger:*

Sir—Please state how much of the land that was destroyed in France through the war has been made over for cultivation.

SAMUEL T. COOPER.

Philadelphia, January 31, 1922.

Of the 7,000,000 acres of land in France made unfit for cultivation by the effects of battle from 1914 to 1918 only 280,000 acres will not be in a condition to permit sowing during the next season.

### Our Allies' Debts to Us

*To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger:*

Sir—Please state the amount of the debt that our allies owe this country at the present time. What countries are the biggest debtors? Has any interest been paid?

W. L. G.

Philadelphia, January 31, 1922.

The amount of money owed us at this time is approximately $12,000,000,000. Our largest debtors are England, $4,277,000,000; France, $2,007,477,000; Italy, $1,031,358,000; Belgium, $336,715,000; Russia, $187,729,750, etc.

Some of the money loaned our allies has been paid back in the form of paying the interest regularly. Russia is not paying interest on the money loaned to her November 15, 1917. The other nations paid interest in full up to the spring of 1919, when they ceased to pay on account of the unsettled exchange situation.

### Homesteading

*To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger:*

Sir—Please state what is the law or the rule in regard to a person who makes a homestead entry of public land living on it?

H. W. L.

Philadelphia, January 31, 1922.

A homestead claim may be established either in settlement on a quarter section of land or by filing written application at the land office. Settlement may be made by any person who has the legal qualifications as to age, citizenship, etc. A foreign-born person who has not taken out first papers cannot make a homestead entry. In order to make settlement a settler must personally go upon and improve or establish residence on the land he desires. To make his claim good he must within a reasonable time establish and thereafter continuously maintain an actual residence on the land, and if he fails to do this or in case of death, his widow, heirs or devisees fail to continue cultivation or residence, or if he or his widow, heirs or devisees fail to make entry within three months from the time he first settles on surveyed land, or within three months from the filing in the local land office plat of survey on unsurveyed lands on which he made settlement, the right of making entry of the lands settled on will be lost in case of an adverse claim, and the land will become subject to entry by the first qualified applicant.

## *Poems and Songs Desired*

### A Sterling Poem

*To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger:*

Sir—I would like to appeal to your readers to help me find a poem by George Sterling entitled, "A Wine of Wizardy," published some years ago in a magazine. This poem at the time of its printing, created considerable discussion as to its rightful place.

H. H. T.

Philadelphia, January 31, 1922.

### "There Are Noontides"

*To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger:*

Sir—I would appreciate it if a reader would send in a poem from which the following lines are taken:

"There are noontides in autumn when summer returns,
Though the leaves are all garnered and sealed in their urns."

MARION T. STOUT.

Camden, N. J., February 1, 1922.

### "The Menagerie"

*To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger:*

Sir—A few nights ago "A Constant Reader" asked for the words of the following song, which I have copied from an old college songbook:

THE MENAGERIE

Van Amburgh is the man who goes to all the shows;
He goes into the lion's den and tells you all he knows;
He sticks his head into the lion's mouth and holds it there a while,
And when he takes it out again he greets you with a smile.

Chorus:

The elephant now goes round
The band begins to play;
The boys around the monkey's cage had better keep away.

That hyena in the red cage, most wonderful to relate,
Got awful hungry the other day and ate up his female mate;
He's a very ferocious beast, don't go near him little boys,
For when he's mad he shakes his tail and makes an awful noise (imitation of growling).

Next comes the anaconda, boa constrictor, oft called anaconda for brevity.
He's noted the world throughout for his age and great longevity;
He can swallow himself, crowd through himself and come out again with facility,
He can tie himself up in a double bowknot with his tail and wink with the greatest agility.

Next comes the curious, awful bird, from the mountains' highest tops,
He's been known to eat up little girls and then to lick his chops.
Oh! the show it can't go on, there's too much noise and confusion;
Oh! ladies, stop feeding those monkeys peanuts, it'll injure their constitution.

JACK GILLOTT.

Bridgeton, N. J., January 31, 1922.

Sam Chadrose asks for the words of a song entitled "Hail Philadelphia." We do not assume that he means the college song, "Hail Pennsylvania." If there is a song sung as the title given, a reader may be able to supply it.

Poor Tailor, Center Square, Pa. You misunderstood Hook's request. She did not ask for Lincoln's address at Gettysburg (also of which we have not for a poem descriptive of that address).

F. D. Stack: Thank you for sending us a copy of your congenial song, and a ready reader, and printed on January 24 in the People's Forum.

W. Morris: Thank you for sending us the poem, but it is printed in the People's Forum on Saturday, January 28.

F. J. Morris: Thank you for sending us the poem, but it is printed in the People's Forum on Saturday, January 28.

## *Read Your Character*

*By Dinsho Phillips*

### Broken Words

The foregoing title does not refer to fractured promises. Its meaning is long "literal." It is the characteristic of that type of handwriting which you have often seen, no doubt, in which the words are not written with a continuous stroke of the pen. In this the writing of the person who breaks his or her written words up into two or three pieces by failing to join letters here and there.

In its most common form this characteristic shows itself in the failure to connect a capital letter with the rest of the word by a continuous stroke. This is the simplest and least significant degree. The extreme is [illegible] writer makes nearly every [illegible] separately, or writes in convenient groups of two and three letters, leaves considerable of a gap between the groups, giving the written page a rather disconnected appearance.

Such writing as this is an indication of intuition. Those who write this way are those who make up their minds quickly, as a result of instinctive inner consciousness rather than of deliberate, conscious reasoning. Within the limits of their experience these intuitions are likely to prove more dependable than a labored attempt to reason a thing out.

You've met people, no doubt, who jump at a conclusion and then proceed deliberately to prove or disprove it to themselves. These are the people who do it, and this somewhat inverted process is really the most logical and efficient one for them to follow. Many people regard intuition as a lower faculty than reason. It isn't. As a matter of fact, it is a kind of reason itself, an automatic reasoning power that works more rapidly than its owner can follow it.

**Tomorrow—Determined Hands**

## Who Is to Blame: Mistress or Maid?

### The Status of the Servant

*To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger:*

Sir—I see the discussion of the servant-girl problem has been resumed and the solution is problematical, when one considers the different sentiments expressed by servants and employers. It is true the servant receives more wages than the mill or store girl, but she has longer hours, less freedom and less privileges.

The advantages that the office or factory girl has over the servant are more than the equivalent of wages. If the servant's wages were multiplied by 100 she wouldn't be compensated, because she confesses inferiority that no other working class would think of doing. For instance, her living quarters are entirely in the back part of the house; she has access only to the back door, back stairway; she eats from delf dishes and uses tin or aluminum knives, forks and spoons.

Moreover, in addition to the family, she is compelled to wait on the trained nurse, seamstress and the woman who comes to do a day's work. Her employer calls her Kate, or whatever her name is, and refers to the manicurist or hair-dresser as Miss So and So. Then there is the strapped apron, the emblem of the servant.

The war is responsible for the increased number of wealthy people who were brought up in the environment where the luxury of a servant is absent, and, with their recently acquired wealth, they can afford to indulge in comforts that are a novelty to them, while the servant hasn't even an easy chair or a couch and has to sleep in a cheerless, heatless and poorly lighted room. The "Maggie and Jiggs" class of society seems to predominate nowadays and some of them betray such lack of etiquette that I would advise them to read a book on etiquette. They know as much about good manners as a kangaroo does about playing a piano, and then they look upon a servant as an illiterate plebeian person who has no inferior.

The employers eliminate themselves from being instrumental in creating the servant problem, but they don't hesitate to involve the servants, and attribute its existence entirely to them. Why have they the privilege of not having to furnish a reference, while the servant must be guaranteed from any standpoint? Today we read of a woman who is prominent in social activities, charitable work and all the rest, and tomorrow we will read where her husband is arrested for embezzlement, bigamy or some other offense.

Then they talk of "dishonest" servants. In days of yore the servants were slaves, and if the modern employers could recall those days they would consider the servant problem solved. ANNIE M. O'BRIEN.

Wayne, Pa., January 31, 1922.

### Time Off for Servants

*To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger:*

Sir—The mistress is to blame invariably for the servant trouble. After a girl has worked twelve hours, why not allow her to go home instead of keeping her? There she can receive her company, play her piano, take her music lessons. All maids should be allowed to leave their place of employment by 6:30 P. M. every day. Why keep tabs on every hour of her life while she is employed? LUCIA ASENSIO.