public service.
Our municipal administration, as trustee of the citizens, should take the initiative immediately and be the pace-maker in order to relieve existing congestion and provide adequate future transit facilities and promote the very best interests of the city and its citizens. Money, labor and industries are
now available for the work. Normalcy
is virtually with us, yet we do not ecognize it through our abnormal vi-

Every progressive newspaper in the city should blast away incessantly until this vital need is furnished and finished in

and you are great.

W. E. JENKINS.
Philadelphia, May 26, 1922.

Mathematical and Nautical To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger: Sir—I wish to call your attention to a quiz in last Tuesday's EVENING PUB-LIC LEDGER, May 16, under the head-ing "What Do You Know?". "Quiz— In traveling westward around the world is a day lost or gained?" Under "Answers to Yesterday's Quiz," printed in the edition of Wednesday, May

ad in the edition of the state of the state

Here I wish to offer a correction. First. The day is lost and not gained. Second. The international date line

The date line is purely an arbitrary line and is not officially accepted by any government, but its adoption has been for purposes of practicability. It starts at the North Pole, passing through Bering Strait, then slants to the west to clear the projection.

searing the latitude of the Fiji Islands, it makes another swerve to the castern, so as not to conflict with the date in Australia and the adjacent islands of

It at no time comes in close prox-imity to either of the 100th meridians, east or west. (Consultas and you will see.)

(Consult any reliable at-The navigators' date line is the 180th meridian, nearly in the middle of the

from Greenwich.

A ship sailing westward lengthens its day by one hour for every fifteen degrees of longitude moving with the sun, and by a certain amount corresponding to the difference of longitude made to the difference of longitude made to the difference of longitude made to the chin's run equivalent to good by the ship's run, equivalent to four minutes of time for every degree it steams, and by going westward entirely

This is evident, since by going around the earth from the east to west, traveling westward, our ship has in respect to itself diminished by one the number of revolutions made by the earth during this time. (Remember, opposite direction to the carther retains) tion to the earth's rotation.)

Steaming to the eastern, the reverse naking one more revolution than the earth does. (Same direction as the earth's rotation.) Now let us get down to "brass tacks."

A ship sailing westward through Saturday, May 20, 1922, finds itself in longitude in 179 degrees 50 minutes 45 seconds west and the time 11 hours 50

This position would be approximately one-quarter of a mile or fifteen seconds of arc from or to the east of the 180th of arc from or to the east of the ready midnight.

meridian and the time nearly midnight.

Say the speed of our ship is ten knots. The last abode of our failen braves.

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These flowers, all of a different hue. per hour. At this rate the intervening distance from our position 170 degrees 50 minutes 45 seconds W, to the 180th meridian would be consumed within 1 minutes 30 seconds

meridian would be consumed within 1
minute 30 seconds.

We would now fir.d ourselves on the date line, with Saturday behind us, past, and Sunday A. M. beginning on the eastern side of the line or in west longitude. On the western side of the line, or in east longitude, Sunday would be past and Monday A. M. beginning.

Thus we would be literally precipitated into "next week," losing one day Sunday and starting our entrance into east longitude with Monday.

The only length of day equivalent to time that the ship would have of Sunday would be the ship would have of Sunday would be literally precipitated into "next week," losing one day Sunday and starting our entrance into east longitude with Monday.

The only length of day equivalent to time that the ship would have of Sunday and starting our native land.

The only length of day equivalent to time that the ship would have of Sun-

would be thirty seconds. A ship in a similar position in east ongitude and sailing eastward would A ship in a similar position in east longitude and sailing eastward would have just completed a day's run through Sunday in east longitude, and after crossing the line would find herself en-

tering the A. M. period of another Sunday in west longitude, thus gaining a day and having two Sundays in making the eastward passage.
Should we find ourselves at 8 A. M.

Sunday, May 21, 1922, in west longitude, with sixty miles to go to the date. we could still carry on with the same day-namely, Sunday.

Having had meridian altitude that day

(sun on the meridian) in west longitude, at our next or succeeding meridian altitude on the day following we would call Tuesday, having lost Monday, HOWARD F. HOZEY.

Questions Answered

Federal Reserve System o the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger: Sir-Kindly publish in the People's Forum a complete description of the Federal Reserve bank system. Thank you.

The Perlistein.

Philadelphia, May 25, 1922.

recognize it through our abnormal vision developed during the war, when everything was on an intensive and tremendous scale.

Our municipal transit facilities now meed real intensive widespread action to avoid embarrassment and loss of prestige during the construction and operation of the Sesqui-Centennial. Every progressive newspaper in the city should blast away incessantly until this wital need is furnished and finished in fast time.

H. P. G. COATES. rital need is furnished and finished in fast time. H. P. G. COATES. Philadelphia, May 27, 1922.

Displeased by Zander-Gump Verdict for the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger:
Sir—Will you kindly hand the enclosed to Mr. Sidney Smith and greatly oblige.

Mr. Smith—I am really disappointed in the verdict of Zander vs. Gump case. I don't think it fair she should get that money. Can't you let something happen in favor of poor Uncle Bim. He loves her, but she does not love him, that's why it isn't fair. I she shollowed the Gumps for some time and you are great.

"Maid of the Mist" To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger:

Sir-On August 21, 1921. I saw two boats at the foot of Ningara Falls, each named the Maid of the Mist. One was smaller and much, older than the other and was evidently not in regular service. I have seen these two boats several times.

W. A. McCREA.

Philadelphis. May 24, 1922 Philadelphia, May 24, 1922.

What was implied in the People's Forum statement that two boats named Maid of the Mist were not in service at the Falls at the same time was that they were not engaged in regular passenger traffic. There have been several vessels so called since the original Maid achieved her famous dash through the rapids fifty-five years ago, and the small craft you saw in 1921 was evidently one of these that had been retired from service.

A Figure of Speech

Bering Strait, then slants to the west to clear the projection of the Aleutian Islands and give them the same day as the United States.

It then returns to the 180th meridian and drops south into the tropics, keeping far to the eastern of the Japanese Archipelago and the Philippines, until, respectively. The water a few feet below the bottom of a "trough" in a storm is perfectly trangul, the storm causing only a superficial agitation. ficial agitation.

Poems and Songs Desired

Memorial Day

To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger: Memory turns back today the pages of yore. Each battle of the Civil War is fought once The navigators' date line is the 180th meridian, nearly in the middle of the Pacific Ocean and exactly twelve hours from Greenwich.

A ship satting westward lengthens its

Ten-Year-Old's Memorial Poem To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger: around the earth will have lost one day at the arrival at the starting point.

To this navigator the second of the month would be the first, or Monday, Sunday.

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NORMAN BOSSEN.

Ten years old. 2407 Frankford avenue.

Pupil of Adams School. MEMORIAL DAY

By Norman Bossen
This is the day when all are sad.
Thinking of each failen man and lad.
Whose lives had ended before their times
In making a-right another's crimes.

takes place and our ship gains one day. We think of the men that have followed and of all who for a righteous cause had bled: our men all dangers were gallantly braved.

Twas our soldiers who made peace in this iand, a creation: 'Twas our soldiers who fought to make us s

nation.

All the United States memorializes you, Fallen defenders of the red, white and blue. As I walk through row on row of silent

As a token of gratitude I give to you.

"Soldier, Rest! Thy Warfare O'er' To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger:

Philadelphia, May 29, 1922. SOLDIER, REST

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Fairy strains of music fall.
Every sense in slumber dewing.
Soldier, rest! thy warfare o'er.
Dream of fighting fields no more; Sleep the sleep that knows no breaking. Morn of toil, nor night of waking.

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