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THE REVIVAL OF BUILDING ACTIVITY IN Philadelphia has for some months been evident to even the most casual observer.

Specific testimony of these changes is furnished by the Bureau of Building Inspection, which reports a record six months in its history.

It is time for earnest statisticians to elucidate a situation which is undoubtedly in part a reaction from the enormous slump in building caused by the war.

THE PRESIDENT'S threat of an extra session to secure passage of the Ship-Subsidy Bill is met by the passage of a resolution in the House to adjourn until August 15.

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LOW-GRADE POLITICS Decades of Enslavement of the Republican Voters by the Party Organization Bring Inevitable Decadence

THE outstanding feature of Pennsylvania's political system, aside from its low-grade morals, is its reactionary tendencies.

THE ELECTION OF William C. Sproul as Governor worked a change in these departments. The outstanding achievements of Mr. Sproul's administration have been the reorganization of the public schools under Dr. Thomas E. Finegan, and the inauguration of a comprehensive highway system under the late Commissioner Lewis S. Sadler.

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NOW MY IDEA IS THIS! Daily Talks With Thinking Philadelphians on Subjects They Know Best

JAMES BOYD On Philadelphia as a Flower Center PHILADELPHIA is probably the leading city in the United States in the matter of horticultural interest.

Interest in Flowers and Vegetables "It is a mistake to regard the efforts of the organization as being restricted entirely to the raising of flowers.

What Do You Know? QUIZ 1. Did George Washington sign the Declaration of Independence?

Answers to Yesterday's Quiz 1. The first daily paper in the United States, the Advertiser, was issued in Philadelphia in 1741.

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SHORT CUTS

North Dakota took the bone out of the bonus. Where is the bunch that got Bunche boosed?

As the Bakersfield, Calif., jury has been there when I was, but the speeches were much the same. Yeh. Same old stuff.

Griffith and Collins deserve well of the country. They practiced forebearance and it ceased to be virtue and are now showing firmness, even though it hurts.

Former United States Senator Cole, nearly a century old, after visiting the Senate, said, "I didn't see a man who was there when I was, but the speeches were much the same." Yeh. Same old stuff.

The Irish Free State is measuring up to its job. The fact that it is now an ostrich is a punch will be quick to open to the hand of friendliness when occasion offers. Friends of Ireland hope the time is near at hand.

The plea of the National Disabled Soldiers' League that no bonus be paid to able-bodied veterans until disabled men have been adequately cared for is so obviously based on justice and common sense that the country dare not ignore it.

June having taken her umbrella and departed, we were prepared to see July and in gaily posing her parasol. But be careful, dear month! Safety first, July first! Who knows what dangers your early days may bring forth? July Fourth frimans.

"Is Jules Verne about?" asked Charley Hall when Council got the Mayor's estimate for public improvements needed for the Fair. Jules is a bunk number. Next all his flights of imagination have been exceeded by the sober facts.

Many sermons will be preached from the text furnished by the voters of North Dakota and not all the lessons drawn will be justified by the facts. But, at least, nobody will be brass enough to contend that the bonus of McCumber is a victory for the bonus.

"A jug of wine, a loaf of bread and thou beside me sitting in the wilderness," sang Omar Khayyam. "The wilderness were paradise enough. Were Omar living in New York today he might dispense with the jug of wine. A baker there has been discovered peddling loaves containing half pint flasks.

After Dr. Harold E. Longsdorf had finished two surgical operations in the Burlington County Hospital and had put out a fire in a basement and then performed three more surgical operations he was ready to call it a day. "Life," quoted the doctor, "is just one darned thing after another."

Mayor of Buffalo insists that a dealer in his dog shall carry a meat-dealer's license. Lawyers for heated pug vendor protest, contending that the resident largely vegetable. Issue joined. Contentant at the links. Somebody bartering up the wrong line. Business and canine. Wood.