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FIREBUGS UNCHECKED

THE theory of spontaneous combustion advanced by some of the officers of the State police to explain the continuing destruction of barns and harvested crops in the neighborhood of this city doesn't carry a convincing sound.

DENBY STANDS CORRECTED

VARIOUS people will read various meanings into the text of the findings of the Naval Board of Inquiry which, after inquiring into the flaming charge of misbehavior and intoxication flung by Secretary Denby at the cadets who visited Philadelphia for the Army-Navy football game, found nothing wrong.

SHOCKED INTO SOBRIETY

THE assassin of President Narutowicz, of Poland, appears to have been a madman or, at least, a semi-witted fanatic. That the murderer acted upon his own responsibility and without accomplices is a probability in which patriotic Poles are seeking a refuge of consolation.

THE PRECEPTS OF BORAH

SENATOR BORAH can hardly be counted on to expatiate upon the sanctities of Europe and the possible continuation of the United States should a policy of international cooperation be adopted. His latest indictment of World chancelleries is, however, accompanied by a set of rules for good behavior which may be regarded by his admirers as acquitting him of the charge of being merely a destructive critic.

TURKEY COOLING OFF

AS THE Lansing conference goes on indications of the strategic character of Turkish resistance increase. Not a proposal made by the Western Powers has been amicably received by the Ottoman representatives. Yet in almost every instance the display of insubordination has been succeeded by conciliation or partial surrender.

rights of racial and religious minorities in all that concerns their life and property, including protection for educational, religious and charitable institutions.

The spectacle of amenability now presented is, of course, the direct consequence of the concord of the Western Powers, supported by American opinion as expressed by Ambassador Child.

In his diplomatic dealings his boldness is tempered by his gifts as a realist in facing facts. The trouble in the past has been that facts so often played into his eager hands.

EXTRAVAGANT WISHES THAT WON'T BE GRANTED

The intimations that Legislative Appropriations Must Be Kept Within \$90,000,000 Heartening to Pinchot's Supporters.

ALTHOUGH Mr. Pinchot has made no formal statement on the subject, it is assumed that Dr. Clyde L. King, chairman of his Budget Committee, is speaking for him when he writes to the heads of the State departments informing them that the appropriations for the next two years must be kept within \$90,000,000.

The heads of departments had submitted estimates to Dr. King calling for \$220,000,000, whereas the appropriations for the current two-year period were only \$118,000,000.

It is a sad commentary on the point of view of the department heads in Harrisburg that they should think it expedient at this time to ask for an increase of \$100,000,000 in expenditures. They cannot have expected that their estimates would be accepted either by the new Governor or by the Legislature.

There is abundant evidence to indicate that the destruction of costly farm property heretofore is due to incendiaries. The police might as well admit this. The State owes it to the farmers to provide all the additional forces that may be required to clear up a very ugly mystery.

A TEXT FOR DRYS

THERE is sure death, observes Judge Dickinson, in the whisky that is being peddled nowadays. There always was death in whisky. Wood alcohol and fuel oil happen merely to have quickened its pace.

ANOTHER FILM CASUALTY

ROSCOE—Fatty, if you will—Arbuckle is beginning to move as a café society in Toledo. He was the first cinematic victim of the hysteria which is, in a way, being called "hollywood."

THE MERRY "HA-HA"

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WOMEN AS JURORS

THE suggestion that a law be passed exempting from jury duty all women who object to serving is made in the hope that it would remove the reluctance of women to have their names placed on the lists of voters.

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tion of armaments and ratification of the Washington conference treaties. If Europe will heed his instructions on these subjects, the Senator from Idaho is willing to admit that America could lend a helping hand without fear of corruption.

White his fellow citizens generally are in no mood to deny this, it is permissible for some of the number, particularly those with memories, to question the inclusion of one significant feature in the program of virtue. Mr. Borah stipulates for official confirmation of the arms treaties.

His demand acquires special interest from the fact that his efforts to defeat these pacts in the Senate were vigorous and spectacular. To what change of heart or adjustment of viewpoint is his conversion due? Is it possible for Idaho as well as Europe to err?

Whether at the cost of consistency or not, Mr. Borah is now to be found denouncing France and Italy for neglecting to adopt a course which he formerly condemned. Indeed his present attitude suggests that further revisions of his original contentions may be in prospect.

It is not entirely extravagant to assume that American membership in the mathematical League of Nations might initiate machinery for the accomplishment of some of the reforms in Europe, which Mr. Borah considers indispensable to the welfare of civilization.

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY LEADS IN THE PRODUCTION OF ICE CREAM

ITS output for the year named—the last figures available—were 11,273,000 gallons. That amount is the equivalent of 225,400 barrels of fifty gallons each.

It was also shipped outside to New York, New Jersey, Delaware and Maryland from Pennsylvania factories. These five banner ice-cream counties in the order of the output are Philadelphia, Allegheny, Dauphin, York and Lackawanna.

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CONSIDERATION

FOR collection of liquor taxes from convicted felons interesting for the legislature. He then for the same offense he may be arrested after which, presumably, he may be sued for damages to most any vicarious "Shucks!" he says, "so long as you ain't caught it don't mean nothing."

MILLIONS IN CANDY

And More Millions in Ice Cream. Pennsylvania the Greatest Producer in the World—Helping Austria. The Edna Hughes School

BY GEORGE SOX MCGAIN

CHRISTMAS time is harvest time for the candy men. If you disbelieve the statement take a look at any candy store any day and see the crowds thronging around the counters.

All sorts of figures are quoted to prove that Americans are the greatest consumers of candy, bar none, among civilized nations.

That we Pennsylvanians have a cosmopolitan sweet tooth is also demonstrated in that we are the largest producers of ice cream in the country, if not in the world.

It is estimated that Americans annually consume approximately \$1,000,000,000 worth of candy, chocolates and confections.

The Government, as is well known, took over large chocolate factories and sent all their product to France during the World War.

AS TO ICE CREAM?

A Business in that industry is a better one than it was a year ago. It has gone ahead with giant strides. Total in the year 1920 five counties in Pennsylvania manufactured and sold over \$23,000,000 worth of ice cream.

It wasn't all consumed in those counties, however. Of it was eaten in Pennsylvania. It was also shipped outside to New York, New Jersey, Delaware and Maryland from Pennsylvania factories.

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NOW MY IDEA IS THIS!

Daily Talks With Thinking Philadelphians on Subjects They Know Best

MARGARET WILLIAMSON

On Folk and Esthetic Dancing for Children. The development of dancing of various kinds has been one of the most interesting features of the work of the public playgrounds, according to Miss Margaret Williamson, executive secretary of the Playground Association.

MUCH USED IN PAGEANTS

"Ethnic dancing is much used in pageants and other demonstrations, and therefore has become a very popular activity. The folk dancing, which seems to have lost little in popularity, but the esthetic dancing has been largely taken up by the older children, and is now being taught to their younger brothers and sisters."

ETHNETIC DANCE MORE DIFFICULT

"The folk dance is easily learned, but the esthetic dance does not come even in several years. The esthetic dance works out the idea of the music to which it is danced, and as a consequence there are a great many and greatly varied steps in it."

AMERICA USES MANY DANCES

"In America we find that there is interest in almost every kind of dance, especially in the esthetic ones. Various dances are used for the esthetic dances, some of which are performed in a perfectly natural manner, and because the feelings aroused by the music are expressed in the dance, and the physical benefit to be derived from them are the chief advantages of the dances as used in playground work."

GREAT CULTURAL VALUE

"Both the folk dancing and the esthetic dancing have great cultural value. They are not only a part of the education of the child, but they are also a part of the education of the adult. They are a part of the culture of the people, and they are a part of the culture of the world."

SHORT CUTS

- Christmas cheer radios as well as radiates nowadays.
Only a few days more for the Christmas seals to perform.
"Make it snappy," said the Weather Man, and Jack Frost obliged.
After all, Europe would rather have our exports than our experts.
State authorities may yet find an effective insect powder for fire bugs.
Moscow hangman has hanged himself. One really good job to his credit.
Compared to pre-war practices Christmas turkeys are still roosting high.
The way the Atlanta crowd sees it K. K. means Korral Kash Kwicky.
The Irish never liked English soldiers so much as when they saw them leaving.
As we understand it, the agriculturists want to run the railroads on the bloc system.
Memoirs frequently make trouble. Lloyd George's are doing it ahead of publication.
Santa is just about ready to strap on his pack. After Christmas he himself will be strapped.
It may be that the reason the farm bill is so inconsiderate is that it feels it has a real grievance.
Brennan, of Michigan, would like to know how much Pennsylvania coal is being sent to Canada. There are Pennsylvanians who would like to get the same information.
Answers to Yesterday's Quiz
1. The name Alaska is derived from the Aleut word "alaska," meaning "great country."
2. Alibi is a Latin word meaning "I was not there."
3. The right of a belligerent to capture and seize any sort of property in a territory is called "military law."
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