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TERMS OF THE DISPATCH. DAILY DISPATCH, One Year, \$10.00. DAILY DISPATCH, Six Months, \$6.00. DAILY DISPATCH, Three Months, \$3.50.

PITTSBURGH, TUESDAY, JAN. 7, 1930.

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It is to be hoped that the Council will act from higher motives. The necessity of placing such an institution wholly beyond the mutations and influences of city politics is manifest. The popular interest is only to be served by a management which will secure the best interests of the community.

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POLITICAL SOAP-BOILING.

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Mr. Foster, who has been a witness in the suit which Tallmadge & Martin, New York printers, are bringing against the League for a bill of \$12,000 for campaign printing.

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Mr. J. D. Carothers' Among the Many Names Sent to the Senate.

WASHINGTON, January 6.—Among a very long list of appointments sent to the Senate by the President were the following postmasters:

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is shown in the discussion of the competition of Canadian railroads, and the statement: "What, if any, method of regulation should be applied to the competition by Canadian common carriers in our traffic is a question for Congress to determine."

THE OVERHEAD WIRES TO GO.

The announcement of Mr. Bigelow, the head of the Department of Public Works, that he has concluded an arrangement with the various electric companies, by which all their wires will be put under ground, shows a gratifying and surprising progress.

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