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EAST TRENTON LOOKING UP. East Trenton takes a long step forward with the opening of a thoroughly equipped Day Nursery in a building specially erected for the purpose.

BAD NEWS FOR POSTAL EMPLOYEES. There is bad news from Washington for ill-paid Post Office employees in President Coolidge's announcement that he is against the Kelly-Edge bill to increase salaries of clerks and carriers.

SUNDAY RECREATION. It seems that some members of the Legislature draw the line between Sunday movies and Sunday outdoor pleasure, when amendment of the Blue Laws is urged.

"HELD M'KINLEY HEAL." Magnificent work is being done to bring the \$200,000 drive for McKinley Hospital to a triumphant finish, but much remains to be accomplished.

FLY IN THE OINTMENT. "Passage by the House of Representatives of the Longworth compromise schedule of income tax rates is heralded as an Administration victory, but if the published figures are accurate, the result, if endorsed by the Senate and the President, will not carry much joy to the Treasury Department."

TAXES IN THE TOWNSHIPS. Some people will insist on connecting the demand of the agricultural districts for a "dirt" farmer on the County Tax Board with the recent jacking up of assessments in the townships.

SEVEN-CENT FARE UPHELD. Mayor Donnelly has not weakened in his purpose to agitate for a five-cent trolley fare, in the face of General Manager Peartree's statement that under a zoning system many riders would pay two fares of five cents, instead of the present single eight-cent fare.

GRATIFYING SHOWING. Trenton's fire loss the past two years amounted to less than half a million dollars and on this there was insurance in the sum of \$1,000,000. The result reflects renewed credit upon the efficiency of the local fire department and also upon the intelligent foresight of realty owners.

"WE POINT WITH PRIDE." Fresh indications of the city's growth are cropping out at frequent intervals. At the first reunion of the Mercer County Bankers' Association last Tuesday evening, over 140 persons were on hand to represent bank directors, officials and employees generally.

RESTORING HISTORIC LANDMARKS. So many historical blunders have been made in the past that perhaps there is even for the unusually critical spirit with which the progress of the Douglass House movement has been followed.

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newspaper business could make any such showing. Yes, the town is going ahead by leaps and bounds.

THOROUGH INQUIRY DESIRABLE. The term "official investigation" has come to carry an implication of guilt somewhere, so Governor Silzer has used the more tactful term "a survey" in his expressed desire for an inquiry into the condition of New Jersey public schools.

TWO BIRDS WITH ONE STONE. There is a way to aid the starving German children and get a quick return on the investment. A concert of the first quality will be given at Crescent Temple a week from tomorrow night, the proceeds of which are to swell the local fund, and the Liederkreis Singing Society, under whose auspices it will be held, has taken pains to arrange a program of unwonted excellence.

LITTLE RED SCHOOLHOUSE FALLACY. The public school, while dear to the heart of every right-thinking American, is still constantly under fire for alleged failure to educate our children up to the full measure of critical expectation.

JUSTICE FOR THE NEGRO. The Negro problem is coming home to Trentonians in acute form. For many years people in the North have felt competent to advise the South off-hand as to how they should treat the colored brother.

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PSALMIST ON OIL. Somehow Uncle Sam does not share the joy the Psalmist felt when he wrote, "Who will prosper my head with oil?"—Boston Transcript.

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When the prized Old Barracks on Willow Street were restored a few years ago, it will be recalled that an entirely new stone section had to be built in, so as to connect two wings which for a long time were separated by the full width of Front Street.

Plans have been perfected to effect such a restoration in the Douglass House as will make it correspond with historical accuracy to the building in which Washington and his Generals conferred on the strategic movement that confounded the confident calculations of the British and resulted in an epochal victory at Princeton.

Purely as a musical entertainment of variety and distinction, the affair merits a house full of patrons, but in view of the purpose, there should be and probably will be an overflow audience.

It is quite certain that the State investigators will have the cordial cooperation of prominent New Jersey educators, for really wide awake schoolmen in their franker moments admit that a good deal of what has been set afoot by them with the best possible intentions, is still largely experimental.

It is a somewhat new angle of official vision. It is not a new thought, however. Much may be said for Sunday baseball that does not apply to the movies, and it will be found that many more people endorse the former than the latter.

It is a big jump from the little red schoolhouse to our present million-dollar High Schools. The United States ought to have the most enlightened citizenship in the world and probably has.

Two venerable Trentonians, who passed away within the last few days, were genuine links with the city's early history. T. B. Taylor, for over fifty years treasurer at Taylor Opera House, talked familiarly of a time when Bechtel Hall on East Front Street was the only local place of theatrical entertainment, and he lived to see playhouses spring up like mushrooms all over town.

Both Mr. Taylor and Mr. Dickson were modest gentlemen, cheerful octogenarians, and proud of the city's growth and progress.

Keeping the polls open until 9 p. m. had more merit when workmen's quitting time was 6 o'clock.

A lot of social pleasure will be crowded into the next two days. Lent, which comes in on Wednesday, is not so rigorously observed as formerly, but even yet it affects to a considerable extent the town's Winter round of gaiety.

It makes one's chest swell with pride to read that the city's tax rates have jumped \$29,000,000 since last year, provided you do not read the explanation too pointedly in your coming tax bill.

The Legislative Manual is out for 1924, bulging as usual with useful information concerning a multitude of subjects connected with state, county and city government. Sketches of state institutions, brief biographies of state officials to the number of 250, a complete list of municipalities, rosters of county officials, and election figures in great detail stand out conspicuously in the contents, but there is much more in the 611 pages to keep up the reputation of the Manual as one of the best and most carefully edited works of its kind in the United States.

Even if the groundhog was right in his guess, Spring is only a couple of weeks off.

In the distant past, Scotch "planters" crowded the native Irish out of much of Ulster, and now report has it that Scotland is being invaded by Irish immigrants to the number of 600,000 or more. Turn about is fair play.

Condemnation of the fourth prisoner charged with the murder of two bank messengers in Brooklyn last Fall is all right so far as it goes, but after conviction usually comes a long-drawn ordeal of appeals to other tribunals, based on technical points of more or less flimsy substance. It is the allowance of such dilatory proceedings that brings the law and the courts into contempt and encourages other criminals to take a chance with banditry and man-killing.

If you sometimes wonder what the corporations do with their big profits, a current item is enlightening. The Pennsylvania Railroad is about to spend \$60,000,000 for fifty new locomotives, 12,000 freight cars and other equipment.

The rooster makes most noise, but it's the hen that lays the eggs.—Forbes Magazine.

Reputations, like little fishes, may be bled in file.—Exchange.

Gov. Smith Among Strong Claimants For Presidency

In no survey of the available candidates for the Democratic nomination for the Presidency can the name of Governor Smith of New York be omitted. He is a strong, fearless and highly popular Democrat. He comes from, politically, one of the most evenly balanced States in the Union. Few observers doubt his ability to carry New York in a national election.

Governor Smith has an admirable record. In the campaign for the Governorship, which he won against Governor Miller, who had given the State an excellent administration, the Republican newspapers of New York city freely admitted his exceptional abilities, his clean and resolute handling of administrative problems. This factor and all due credit should be given the Republican newspapers, for it had much to do with his election.

His political record has many times been tested. Without shouting defiance from the housetop, he has quietly put the "bosses" in their places and yet held their respect. "Mr. Smith" is so many New Yorkers call him, is a mighty fine type of man. He was born in poverty, remained among his old neighbors on the East Side when he rose in the world, raised a large family and kept his name free from any taint of cheap partisan politics.

It will be well to keep an eye on Governor Smith, of New York. He is a schoolmaster in the best sense of the word, a man of the country, a marvellous vote getter in his own State. And he is a solid, substantial citizen, neither a member of the "machine" nor a head-headed American who makes good his promises of efficiency in government.—Boston Post.

LABOR'S LITERARY CABINET. The Labor government in Great Britain contains a number of the authors of more books than any previous administration.

EDISON AND THE FLAPPER. Thomas A. Edison approves the flapper, and why not? She is partly a product of Edisonism.

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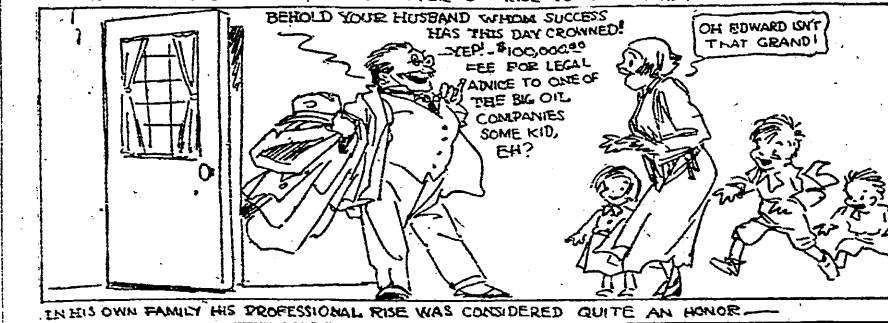
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