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ROOSEVELT'S EXPENSIVE CAMPAIGN.

The announcement of the primary costs in New York state for the Roosevelt cause, showing the expenditure of over \$50,000, probably indicates the beginning of another explanation of the sudden rise in Roosevelt votes in last week's conventions. Money talks, and it has been extensively used in the states where the primaries have been held. In the direct appeal to the people it has to be used freely to accomplish results, and the expenditures in Pennsylvania are estimated to have run as high as a quarter of a million, Allegheny county getting \$100,000. This great use of money was what it was supposed the primaries would stop in opposition to machine operations, but with a money machine the expenditures are greater and the control is apt to follow the coin. Money has been used in many instances and it is a peculiar condition of affairs that the lavish spending of money by the Roosevelt men in his own state strengthened the belief in the fact that he is being backed by the money interests.

It is remembered that a scandal was stirred up by the great expenditure of money in the Stephenson case, and the very Lorimer against whom Roosevelt is always ranting, evidently offered the suggestion for the securing of a desired office regardless of the cost. In two instances a national scandal was provoked. Money, not the people, called the Colored, and money, not the people, is boosting his campaign. It was in reference to machine politics that Roosevelt spoke in Nebraska, Thursday, when, after wrongly charging President Taft with intrusting his faith to Senator Lorimer, Peonosa, Gallinger and others, he said: "When I was president I saw all these men. I consulted with them, but I didn't let them be my master. Wherever there was a line-up between them and the people I was against them."

Will he listen, it is possible, to George R. Perkins, Frank A. Munsey, Senator Flinn and others?

SECRETARY KNOX'S VISIT.

In sending Secretary Knox to the Central and South American countries, President Roosevelt desired to secure a better understanding between the governments than that which had sprung up in some quarters through outside influences. How successful he was in accomplishing the errand, time alone can tell, but there is satisfaction in the fact that he is optimistic as to the results and he is in a position to judge. By frankly setting forth the attitude of the country and the wisdom of the larger nation helping the weaker to help themselves, he believes the spirit of uneasiness has been dispersed. By such a visit and a declaration of the policy of the country to be for the interests of all in strengthening Pan-American ties, Secretary Knox had an important duty to perform. That he did it well is believed and a check thereby put on the influence which have been at work to create a spirit of ill will. It should steady their confidence in our motives and result in increased good will and better commercial relations. There has been great unrest in those republics as they are subject to disturbing influences much of the time. This naturally gives this country concern and embarrassment because of the relations involved by the Monroe doctrine and the fact that Secretary Roosevelt's tour of the South American republics, the benefit therefrom will be lasting.

BENZOATE OF SODA.

In the state of Indiana, where State Food Commissioner H. E. Barnard and the board of health have been working so hard in the interests of pure food laws, there is general interest in the recent decision on benzoate of soda. In the report it is held that the state has the right to prohibit the sale of foodstuffs which contain benzoate of soda. This question as to the dangerous qualities of the preservative has long been before the people and the answer has been eagerly sought as to what it is and what it does. It has been one of the most important objects of attention in the pure-food crusade. It was first used as a remedial agent, but it had come to be extensively used as a powerful agent for the stopping of decay which was already under way.

Most people have no desire to eat food in which decay has developed. Expert chemists not in the employ of the government have testified to the danger of the drug. If it is not dangerous it is used to fool the people into believing that food is fit to eat when, as a matter of fact it is not, and through its use the "arrested" decay is foisted on the people as a pure article. The contest on both sides has been hotly fought, and it is likely that the Indiana decision will be appealed for a higher opinion. If it is harmful the drug should not be permitted in the country, let alone Indiana.

It is the newspaper that prints the latest and only the reliable news that makes its appeal to the people in times like these. The Bulletin Friday morning had news which the metropolitan journals will not have until today.

Captain Smith of the Titanic was doing his duty. The speed craze is so intense that speed is an asset, and so why great liners strive to make surpassing speed records. Public demand is at the bottom of some of our woes.

When President Taft has been admitted to the Maryland division of the professional chauffeurs' union, he'll make no attempt to speed beyond the constitution, run down the common people or fall to keep to the right.

It is the ocean greyness with the proper equipment of lifeboats that will do the business after this.

SAFETY BEFORE SPEED.

There is no rule of the sea which requires the collision of vessels before both are on the same course, or for collision with any obstruction after due warning has been given, yet such seems to have been the case with the lost Titanic. The steamer Mesaba had wired the Titanic of the great field of ice and bergs which it had encountered and was going to the south to avoid. The Titanic expressed thanks, but failed to follow the advice and speed was not even reduced.

In view of conflicting stories at the present time and lack of exact data, allowances must be made, but the fact nevertheless remains that there was a needless sacrifice of life which was probably promoted by the frenzied contest for speed supremacy. Implicit faith in the unbreakable ship and therefore inadequate life saving apparatus. The line was trying out a new boat, the greatest ever. They were willing to take the chance, and cast aside the warnings of danger, for the flood of business their first trip would attract. They were keeping pace with the demand of the times. It might be termed a joy ride at sea. The one chance of such a result in a thousand similar accidents had been taken, and that one was the greatest ocean tragedy. A detour about the ice pack or reduced speed would have made the ship late in port, but how much better had it required two weeks to reach port than to have sent 1,600 souls to eternity in that manner.

It is about time ocean speeding was stopped. Legislation can regulate the conditions under which passengers are protected, and hereafter it is believed that the steamship lines will realize the advantage of advertising safety and lifeboats rather than speed and unbreakable ships. Investigations are to be made both here and in England, but it is noticeable that the great ship was one which had never reached this shore. It furnishes the example, however, by which ocean and coasting vessels are to be judged.

CONVENTION CAUCUS DAY.

There is much to commend in the action of the state republican convention in the passage of the proposed change in rules which makes it necessary to hold the caucuses for the election of delegates to the state convention on the same day. Under past methods it was up to the town chairman to call a caucus when he wished, which was an irregular method of procedure that has now been overcome. The objection to the plan, which prevents a flock of leaders from circling the towns in behalf of their interests, was all put forward by E. S. Banks of Fairfield, whose interest was in behalf of the small towns. His argument that the small towns are handicapped for half-room is true, but the average town hall is not so crushed with business that the use of a caucus is not secured a few minutes in the evening for a caucus. The change will appeal to the voters of the state, as it is a declaration for straight politics and against professional politicians.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Happy thought for today: Stay on land and admire the sea.

Many a sermon can be preached from last Sunday's awful catastrophe. An American girl was the first woman to fly across the English channel.

Roosevelt is no longer admired as "the man with the big stick," since his campaign as a political stickler.

Too bad it wasn't arranged to have Roosevelt and the national democratic convention in Baltimore on the same day.

The woman on the crest of the social wave is liable to think she is the cream of society when she may be only the foam.

If Roosevelt was only a rogue player he might accurately describe his work in the republican party as the split shot.

The recent English strike lasted only five weeks; but the aggregate loss was \$25,000,000. The miners' share of this was \$40,000,000.

The man with the hoe will be busy from now on. He has plenty to do if he cuts down the big importation of foreign potatoes.

The object of investigation and legislation concerning the steamships should be to make them as safe as they claim to be.

Lafadio Hearn describes the sea as a rolling, creeping monster. In view of the recent catastrophe, this does not seem to be absurd.

A Chicago woman says from experience that it was to get on in the face of difficulty to displace with-bone with backbones.

The new French liner, 122 feet long, which sails from Havana for New York today, is not likely to take the most northerly course to gain time.

Tourist: A Victim; A Citizen; communications sent The Bulletin for publication, must bear the name of the sender as an evidence of good faith.

If Roosevelt could only extend his legislation to include new steamship legislation he would have plenty to talk about and confine himself to facts.

Premier Roblin of Manitoba regards the Canadian constitution as being perfect, and therefore concludes that the initiative, referendum, and recall would make of it a botch.

Nature is not so merciless, perhaps, as she seems. If just beyond her ruthlessness lies the land of eternal bliss to which man has a transfer, the benefits must exceed the harm.

The Cincinnati young woman who is advocating a curfew at 9 o'clock for all men, little realizes the obstacle ahead of her. The Cincinnati ordinance committee consists of nine men.

It is no wonder that Bruce Ismay wanted to get away from the questioning of his patrons and locked himself in his stateroom behind the sign, "Don't knock," but it's a charitable mind which could obey the sign.

THE MAN WHO TALKS

If you are sensitive, you need hardening up just as much as an athlete in poor condition. Do not sensitiveness is a fault and a weakness, and the chances are that it is not hereditary, if you think it is. It is an easy and cowardly way to excuse faults by blaming our parents for them. The kind of mind exercise we all need is to blame ourselves more; then we shall discover that we are inclined to blame other folks less. Not that the charges alleged to be hereditary are; and if they all were, that is not a defense for them, since we may acquire the ability to overcome them. Will be the hammer God has given us to break old habits with, and to beat into shape new ones, which are more beneficial and more to our credit. The life of our ancestors, but to live a life which shall conform to divine principles and be positively a life of our own.

While there are many who agree with Solomon that there is no new thing under the sun, there are those who believe in new things and many another alleged new thing. Those who agree with Solomon take exception at the point of the new soul. A new era is usually enough like the old one to meet like an old one; and new thought is found in old books in less concentrated form perhaps than it is presented to us today. As to new souls, they will have to be recognized as such, for they dream old dreams over, and think they are new; and dress up thoughts so old that they are world vagrants in literature, and that they lack originality. The new soul is recognizable from its verdure just as a new mound is; and perhaps they furnish the aptest of life. If there isn't anything new about the sun it may be better to think there is.

Boys who get busy in their early teens make successful men. If they have a purpose and keep on the main track. The boy must keep his ears open and his eyes open and his mouth shut (it's healthiest to breathe through the nose), and keep his mind on the broad of his industrial gauge is narrow. He should not worry about doing too much, or knowing too much. It is not hard work that kills a person, it is failure to take notice of the admonishing signals when he overdoes it—it is not work that kills, but folly. The boy who takes such an interest in his employer's business, and who makes it as "our business," is making roots in the sustaining soil, for it is the feeling of partnership which makes him attentive to all the little economies. It makes him prompt in the best thing for me. I am the better for it, and perhaps matters will improve in a few days. Anyway I'll stay and take the risk. Whew! what a vile odor I notice of California poppies 5 inches apart, and two of petunias 8 inches apart. Now if I had a little more of this inspire you to try to have it in use. It not only means better vegetables or flowers for the table, but better health because of the open-air exercise.

SUNDAY MORNING TALK

The High Cost of Right Living.

I shall not bring coals to Newcastle by telling you anything about the high cost merely of living. The butcher, the baker and the candlestick maker are giving you all needful instruction along that line, millions of American families are finding it a serious problem to keep ahead of the bill collector. At this time we speak rather of the high cost of right living. Kindly note the qualifying adjective. I want to take the discussion for a moment or two into a higher realm, and give freely of mere physical existence. Existence is not necessarily expensive. A crust or two and a few glasses of water a day will do the trick for any of us. Generally, right living, on the other hand, whether one is accustomed to dine on terrapin or on black bread, is a very costly proposition. And it will be no cheaper if the price of foodstuffs goes up or down. It is not an easy matter in this world to stand up to one's ideals. Such loyalty, whatever the school system, books used to tell us, means struggle and sacrifice. He who hitches his wagon to a star is going to find rough traveling. The best and most genuine people in the community are not always the people receiving the largest degree of popular acclaim. The man who lives clean, tells the truth, works for the public good without any ulterior motives is by no means sure of receiving all the bouquets. Instead, he is likely to get kicks and cuffs, and sneers. The better a man is, the more will all his enemies hate him. History proves the case up to the hilt. You have a reason why Dante, the most luminous spirit of his age, one of the greatest poets of all time, was a broken-hearted exile. You have a reason why noble-spirited Paul of Tarsus must lay his neck on the headsman's block. You have a reason why Alexander the Great, the greatest of humanity, must die at the hands of implacable enemies. The world has a way of stoning its prophets and setting at naught its moral leaders. Any one who has lifted his head above the level of his times has had to face the opposing spirit of commercialism and utility. Our country is no exception in this regard to its predecessors.

His biographer tells how, during the last 19 years of his short life, the composer Mozart lived in the great pleasure-loving city of Vienna. He was in extreme poverty, eking out a precarious support by giving concerts and teaching. Often he actually suffered from cold and hunger. His compositions brought him in little or nothing, the public preferring the "rag-time" of that day to the more serious work of the composer. When the publisher told him that he must write in an easy, popular style or not a note would be printed, nor a cent paid him, he replied, "Then, my good friend, I have only to resign myself and die of hunger."

It doesn't cost much merely to live, to exist, to be here in the harbor mud; but to live right—that is an expensive matter. The man who stands for a principle, suffers for the truth, and proves loyal to an ideal must frequently exercise a great deal of will and a patience in sacrifice that moral misers know nothing about.

The costliest product in creation is a righteous character, and it is worth all it costs. The best things in life come high. If you start out to buy a genuine Franz Hals or Rembrandt you are likely to pay for it at about the rate of \$100 per square inch. A sign painter will cover a whole board fence for you at a cheaper rate than that. If you get the masterpiece you are going to acquire a big bill. And it is not otherwise with character.

When a man invests in a good life he invests in that which will outlast to die, and the supreme end of his life. Any material success is as dust and ashes beside that. When one comes to realize these things he is conscious of no sacrifice and no regret, he gladly pays the high cost of right living.

THE PARSON

A girl may not marry the best man at her own wedding, but she should try to make the best of the man she marries.

PROPHECIES OF SPRING

A bunch of violets, both blue and white, was given to me today by a little girl. Needless to say, I was very greatly pleased with them, for aside from some pussy willows, they were the first messengers from the woods to me, and they told me of many things delightful to hear. Among the things they promised to send me were their own lovely fragrance to me the weeks go on, and assured me those should be taller than they. Sweeter they could not be, for the blue ones were fragrant with the purest of the wild and the fresh odor of the earth, while the white ones had in addition to all this, a delicate fragrance resembling one of the Easter lilies, though far less powerful than the perfume which filled our churches a week ago.

Compare the blue of the little white violet with the great, swinging incense cups of the lilies, and the wonder grows still greater that these flowers, if you have any, are already down so close on their short stems, clinging so timidly to Nature's motherly breast, should gather sweetness enough to so cheer and enliven one's senses with a glad feeling that spring is coming.

All of us hail the violets with rejoicing for they seem to be advance heralds for the long procession which is to come later. Even their gorgeous cousins, the pansies, cannot turn our affection from the modest little wild flowers, if you have any, are already down so close on their short stems, clinging so timidly to Nature's motherly breast, should gather sweetness enough to so cheer and enliven one's senses with a glad feeling that spring is coming.

Another forecast of spring came to my notice a few days ago. The first robin appeared on our lawn, and a plump, downy specimen almost as big as the adult bird was, too. He looked about him with an air of disgust at the state of things in general, and plainly evidenced his chagrin at the lack of preparation for his coming.

"Why," said he, "the laws are not all cleaned up yet, and the plowing is not done in the neighboring garden where I mean to dig my feet. I wish I had remained a little longer in the rice fields at the South. But I'm getting so corpulent, it's right northward seemed the best thing for me. I am the better for it, and perhaps matters will improve in a few days. Anyway I'll stay and take the risk. Whew! what a vile odor I notice of California poppies 5 inches apart, and two of petunias 8 inches apart. Now if I had a little more of this inspire you to try to have it in use. It not only means better vegetables or flowers for the table, but better health because of the open-air exercise."

OTHER VIEW POINTS

"Crowded schools" is a general complaint around the state. Some towns are building new, to get relief. No town has yet been known to have the children—Ansonia Sentinel.

If the vice president of China had held the similar office in the United States he would never have been assassinated. Nobody would have known who he was.—Waterbury Republican.

While Mr. Roosevelt is criticizing the creation of a commerce court by full warrant of law, we should like to ask him why he created the Remsen board without any visible warrant of law?—Springfield Union.

Theodore grieves at the marine disaster, but his grieving, as far as he gives evidence, is mainly because it momentarily diverts the spotlight from him, and compels him for the time to surrender the first page position in the newspapers.—New Haven Register.

The Connecticut republicans made no half-way job in endorsing the administration of President Taft. Col. Roosevelt wasn't mentioned, but there was pointed reference to some of the things he stands for and which were condemned in the resolutions.—Bridgeport Telegram.

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Unearthing an Ancient American City.

The secret of the first peopling of America is expected to be read in the inscriptions found among the ruins of Quirigua, the ancient Maya city of what is now a tropical jungle of Guatemala, 60 miles inland from the Caribbean sea.

This city is being uncovered from the debris and growth of centuries by E. L. Hewett of the Archaeological Institute of America.

The temple walls and hieroglyphic-covered monuments already brought to light are claimed to show a civilization superior to that of ancient Egypt, and the city is thought to have flourished in the time of old Rome.

Why Go So Far?

According to the Rochester Herald, Senator Lopez is contemplating a trip to Buenos Aires. But would the wild man in Buenos be any more satisfactory to him than the one in the Outlook office?—Kansas City Journal.

An Oil Engine.

If the sanguine expectations of Dr. Rudolph Diesel of Munich are realized, the steam engine must soon give way to the oil engine. The Diesel engine, which has shown high efficiency, differs from other oil engines in having no expansion, no limitation device and in being operated without explosion—one stroke of the piston compressing air to about 500 pounds per square inch, raising the temperature to about 1,000 degrees, while the next stroke admits a jet of oil, which is quietly burned, giving the necessary expansion.

Occasionally a woman seeks a divorce on the grounds of incompatibility because her husband's income isn't compatible with her ideas of comfort.

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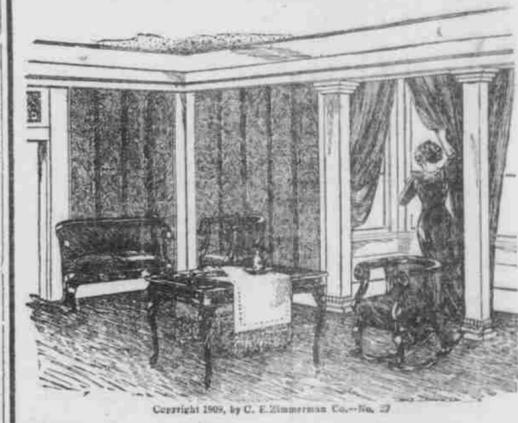
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