

Iowa State Bystander

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Cuban conundrum: What shall we do with our vice-presidents?

Does the actress who plays a thinking part only have to "make up" her mind?

The voice of a man has been known to carry three miles through a 20-foot trumpet.

Does anybody remember the name of the gentleman who became president of Haiti a few weeks ago?

It will be possible to forget the Maine, perhaps, after it has been removed from Havana harbor.

Mexico plays the stronger hand. She is building trading vessels instead of warships with which to deal with Japan.

A Brooklyn girl married a Chinaman to spite her parents, which is one phase of the yellow peril never thought of before.

This eventful year is also the 300th anniversary of the invention of the telescope, one of the most far-reaching achievements of all time.

Great Britain just now is in a state of feverish excitement over its army. If the excitement keeps up some one may be tempted to enlist.

Aristocratic hotels in London now offer pedigree oysters to their guests, many of whom long have been acquainted with pedigree lobsters.

Man arrested for trying to do up the Canadian customs. As the illustrious Nelson would have put it: "Canada expects every man to pay his duty."

Of the appropriation of \$500,000 authorized by congress for participation at the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition \$350,000 will be used in the construction of buildings.

Headwear made of straw was already in use among the ancient Greeks, but straw hats, like those we wear, did not come into use in Europe until half a century ago.

Caviar is now made in large quantities at Lake Winnepig on sturgeon roe. It is shipped to Hamburg in kegs and comes back to this country in tins and jars as Russian caviar.

Baltimore's contribution to the earthquake sufferers was not the largest in the world, but it was large enough to prove that the people of this city are generous and charitable.

Castro, it is decided in Venezuela, is to be tried on the charge of assassination conspiracy. But then Castro is in Europe and the old recipe applies to the occasion: "First catch your hare."

How little reliance is to be placed upon memory is further illustrated by the clashing and contradictory descriptions of Lincoln's inauguration by those who were on the spot and saw it all.

Whist, mon! It is being told about that better Scotch whisky is made in this country than in Scotland. It may be better, but the amount of good Scotch whisky made anywhere is mighty small.

The state superintendent of instruction in Wisconsin says the college girls eat too much candy. The Daily Cardinal of the University of Wisconsin, after investigating, has decided this is true. The girls deny it.

A physician in Indiana died from an operation which he voluntarily underwent to prove a certain theory. It is true this way of testing theories is more or less conclusive; but the trouble is that when decided in the negative, it is as conclusive for the theorist as for the theory.

The secretary of commerce and labor has decided that a trained nurse is not a laborer. But when one considers some of the patients who have to be nursed, even the beneficiaries of this decision will agree with the contention that labor is about the right term for the work involved.

A man in one state who stole three chickens was sentenced to a year in prison. A man in another state who choked his baby to death because it's crying annoyed him, got two years. And so justice proceeds on its even stride and never seems to notice that in all its pictures its scales are significantly lopsided.

President Roosevelt and the nine members of his cabinet will take with them the chairs they have occupied at cabinet meetings when the president retires from office on March 4. They will replace them at their own expense. This, Secretary Loeb says, has been the custom of former presidents and cabinet members.

"I'm not in favor of this scheme of putting a tax on bachelors," says the Philosopher of Folly. "On the contrary, I think most of 'em should be penalized for refraining from making homes unhappy."—Cleveland Leader.

The good life is the one that is great with goodness, enriched with every resource, daily growing, becoming more, enjoying more, and finding such completion in the attempt to awaken dormant lives, to lift lagging lives, and to lead its fellows into the life that is life indeed.

The late Bishop Potter told a fresh young preacher not to confuse perspiration with inspiration. Some superheated reformers can have a guarantee that the advice would fit.

Well, why shouldn't the life insurance companies take the advice of Prof. Irving Fisher of Yale and enter upon an active campaign of education to improve hygienic conditions throughout the country? It would surely cut down their financial obligations sufficiently to make it a profitable proposition.

Iowa State News

Events of Recent Occurrence Throughout the Commonwealth

Glidden Route Through Iowa.

Des Moines.—The Glidden tour, the premier automobile endurance test in America, does not include this city on its route. The tourists will enter Iowa at Clinton, go through Cedar Rapids and Boone and will leave the state at Council Bluffs. In Iowa they will follow the same roads as were used by the New York to Paris racers.

There is no doubt but what the route has been decided upon, although no announcement has been made. G. W. Smithson and H. B. Eubanks of the Studebaker company, have been making hotel arrangements for the tourists.

The race starts from Chicago on July 1 and that night will be spent at Dixon, Ill. The night of the second will be spent at Cedar Rapids and the third at Boone. The tourists will be in Omaha the night of the fourth and other stops are Grand Island, North Platte, Julesburg, Cheyenne and Denver.

Storm Ties up Central.

Marshalltown.—As a result of the heavy snowfall, especially north of this city, the Iowa Central railway has been practically tied up as far as the operation of trains anywhere near on schedule time was concerned. Trains out of here got a part of the trips covered and then tied up or returned as the opposite train on the run to take the place of late night and early morning trains. The night train on the Story City branch was abandoned altogether. The blockade was by far the worst of the entire winter. In some places drifts from four to six feet in depth were encountered and all engines were equipped with snow plows to assist in the work of "bucking."

Submit to Skin Grafting.

Clinton.—Owing to a recent accident, a skin-grafting operation was rendered necessary for the recovery of Sister Mary Evangeline of Our Lady of Angels seminary, a house of the order of Sisters of Charity. A number of members of the order submitted to the painful operation of having a quantity of cuticle removed in order that the skin might be supplied to their suffering companion. Sister Evangeline was engaged in working in the laundry department, and caught her hand in a mangle severely injuring the hand and arm, and rendering the operation necessary. She will recover the use of her arm.

Seed Oats Train Traverses State.

Dubuque.—This city was the starting point of the third oats special, which left to tell the farmers how to raise bigger oats. The train will traverse the state on the Illinois Central lines, taking a week for the trip from Dubuque to Sioux City. Half-hour stops are to be made at sixty-four stations during the week, with night lectures at Independence, Osage, Fort Dodge, Cherokee and LeMars.

Prof. P. G. Holden, M. L. Bowman, B. W. Crossley, A. E. Qualle, R. E. Drennen, M. L. Wilson and H. E. Bell compose the lecture staff. Capt. J. F. Merry, general immigration agent of the Illinois Central lines, is aboard the train.

Next week the final train will be run over the Rock Island system.

Clinton Masons to Celebrate.

Clinton.—DeMolay consistory, A. A. S. R., will hold its third reunion in the magnificent new \$120,000 cathedral here on May 18, 19, 20 and 21, when the spring reunion is announced. It is expected that an unusually large class of candidates will take the degrees, including the thirty-second, DeMolay consistory, established in 1869, is one of the oldest Masonic bodies west of the Mississippi river.

Scalded by "Live" Boiler.

Ottumwa.—John Snyder, a boiler maker employed in the Burlington shops, was severely scalded while engaged in repairing a "live" boiler. While he was busy at work upon it, a fire head blew out, deluging the unfortunate man with the scalding water and steam.

Cattle Thief in Pen.

Corning.—Harry Johnson, serving a five-year term at Anamosa for stealing two head of horses, is reported to have confessed that he is the man who threw Adams county cattlemen into a state of terror by a long series of cattle thefts.

Women Elected on School Board.

Chariton.—At the school election held at this place the two lady directors, Mrs. W. B. Penick and Mrs. W. W. Whitfield, whose terms of office had expired, were re-elected, defeating Attorney E. S. Wells and W. W. Kridbaugh, by a vote of almost three to one.

Mason City.—Twenty-four in a coach stuck in the snow ten miles south of here on the C. & N. W., is the experience of passengers on a stalled train and were nearly starved before relief came.

Hold-up Men Caught.

Iowa City.—The police have arrested Ed Bell and Albert Hagen, charged with holding up Tom Watkins, a local butcher, and relieving him of a small sum. Hagen gave bond in the sum of \$500 in Mayor Ball's court and Bell went to jail. Bell is on parole from the penitentiary.

Judge Fairall Dead.

Iowa City.—Judge S. H. Fairall, aged 74, a practicing attorney for thirty-five years, is dead after a week's illness. He was judge of the district court for eight years.

OIL TRUST IS VICTOR

WINE \$29,240,000 CASE IN FEDERAL COURT.

JURY IS TOLD TO ACQUIT

Judge Anderson Decides Government Has Not Proved Charges and Throws Suit Out of Court—May Be Appealed.

Chicago.—As forecasted Tuesday, the famous Standard Oil rebating cases in which Judge Landis imposed a fine of \$29,240,000 have been thrown out of court.

Judge A. B. Anderson, before whom they came for retrial, after the United States court of appeals had reversed the Landis fine, Wednesday afternoon held that the government had not proved the charges made in the indictment, and following a long argument by District Attorney Sims, ordered the jury to return a verdict of not guilty.

May Continue the Fight.

From Washington comes the report that an appeal to the United States circuit court of appeals will be taken from Judge Anderson's decision. This would take the case back to the same court that reversed the Landis decision in an opinion administering a scathing rebuke to the judge.

That Attorney General Wickersham will make every effort to get the case before the United States supreme court for final decision is believed in the capital. District Attorney Sims has not announced what action he will take. He is waiting on instructions from Washington.

The decision rendered by Judge Anderson means that all but two of the pending indictments against the Standard Oil Company are void, and will be abandoned by the government.

The two not affected are cases involving shipments of 1,915 carloads of oil from Whiting, Ind., to Evansville, Ind., by way of Dolton Junction, Ill., over the Chicago & Eastern Illinois railroad.

Six Cases Affected.

The six cases that are affected involve the indictments for shipments over the Chicago & Alton railroad and the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy railway, and the indictments, too, that have to do with the storage charges alleged to have been allowed illegally to the Standard Oil Company by the Lake Shore & Michigan Southern railroad.

It was Judge Landis who directed the case to be taken before Judge Anderson when Judge Betha declined to hear it after the supreme court of the United States decided to allow the reversal of Judge Landis' decision by the United States circuit court of appeals to stand undisturbed.

Beginning of the Prosecution.

The big Standard Oil prosecution had its beginning August 27, 1906. On that date ten indictments were returned by a federal grand jury, charging the Standard Oil Company of Indiana with accepting concessions from railroads in shipments of oil from Whiting, Ind. Demurrers to two of these, involving shipments over the Chicago & Eastern Illinois railroad and connecting roads to Grand Junction, Tenn., were quashed shortly after they had been returned. The eight remaining bills were demurred to, but the demurrers were overruled.

Appeal to Be Taken.

Washington.—The understanding here is that an appeal will be taken from Judge Anderson's decision to the circuit court of appeals. Also an appeal would lie from the circuit court of appeals to the supreme court of the United States in the event that the decision in the former tribunal should be against the company.

In fact, that is a best reason for stating that the whole issue will come before the supreme court of the United States very soon through an unexpected and novel move by the department of justice.

PROBE THE SHULTZ MURDER.

Coroner Investigating Case of Chicago Slain Near Washington.

Washington.—No verdict was rendered by the coroner's jury which is investigating the death of Walter F. Schultz, a Chicago artist, whose body was found on Sunday morning with a deep cut in the neck, in a field about 500 yards from the railroad station at Alexandria, Va.

The jury was dismissed subject to call after the coroner has obtained some further facts which he is investigating. It is declared, however, that the verdict probably will be that Schultz met death at the hands of some person or persons unknown.

Baldwin Gets Life Sentence.

Allegan, Mich.—Elton Baldwin, who murdered his mother, Mary Baldwin, on their farm two miles east of Saugatuck, Thursday morning, was Saturday sentenced by Judge Padgham in the circuit court to life imprisonment at Jackson.

Baldwin was taken to Jackson late Saturday night.

Unwritten Law for Cooper.

Nashville, Tenn.—The unwritten law was extended Tuesday to cover editors who attack private or public men by Gen. Meeks of counsel for defense in the Cooper-Sharp trial for the murder of former United States Senator E. W. Carmack.

"Constitutional Dry" Victors.

Des Moines, Ia.—Advocates of constitutional prohibition won a decided victory in the house Tuesday when the motion to re-commit the resolution was defeated by 20 votes.

Steel Trust Buys Lake Island.

Houghton, Mich.—The largest island in fresh water in the world has reverted to American ownership through the diplomacy of business, and without, probably the knowledge of Washington. Isle Royale, in Lake Superior, in almost its entirety has just been purchased by American interests from the English syndicate which owned it for many years. The deal was concluded in London by F. W. Nichols of Houghton and Oscar J. Larson of Duluth, the latter the agent for the United States Steel Corporation.

THE NEW SUBJECT.



OVER 30 DIE IN TORNADO

BRINKLEY, ARK., DEVASTATED BY SEVERE STORM.

Governor Leads in Relief Work in Stricken City—Only a Church Left Standing.

Brinkley, Ark.—Thirty or more lives were snuffed out, 60 people were injured, and property estimated to be worth \$1,000,000 was destroyed by the tornado which wrecked this little city Monday night. Of the known dead, 14 are white.

The remainder of the dead and seriously injured are negroes.

The tornado's work of destruction was complete. The Roman Catholic church, standing directly in the path of the storm, alone escaped damage or destruction, and stands grimly in a scene of desolation. It has been converted into a hospital. Main street and Cypress avenue, the principal thoroughfares of the town, are now impassable and are piled high with wreckage from end to end.

Every business house is in ruins and there is hardly a home that has not at least suffered the loss of a roof or a window. The Arlington hotel was demolished. Eighty guests were registered there, but all escaped uninjured. The Brinkley, Southern and Kelly hotels were destroyed, but without loss of life.

Relief squads have been at work since yesterday searching for the dead and caring for the injured. The Rock Island and Cotton Belt railroads have placed cars at the disposal of the local relief committee and many people are seeking a temporary refuge at other points near by. The dead were sent to Helena, from which point interment will take place.

Gov. Donaghey arrived at Little Rock yesterday afternoon in response to a call from the citizens' committee. He has the situation well in hand and says food, clothing and shelter are the things most needed. Hundreds of people are homeless.

Three special trains arrived from neighboring towns, bringing relief workers, physicians and nurses. In the Catholic church doctors and nurses are caring for the injured. The citizens of Helena have offered the use of their homes for the destitute.

MILITIA TO PROTECT NEGRO.

Governor of Iowa Says Junken Must Have Proper Trial.

Des Moines, Ia.—"John Junken, murderer of Clara Rosen, must be arraigned during the daytime at Ottumwa. The law must take its course and all the militia necessary will be furnished to prevent violence," said Gov. B. F. Carroll Wednesday night. The governor so notified Sheriff Jackson over the telephone.

"I intend to protect the good name of Iowa and of the people of Ottumwa," said Gov. Carroll, "and I will not have it said that a prisoner has to be arraigned by stealth, under cover of darkness, to secure a fair trial.

"If Junken is to be hanged I want it in the legal way and not by a mob."

Ex-Cashier Is "Not Guilty."

Boise, Idaho.—The jury in the case of Horace E. Neil, former cashier of the defunct Capital State bank, charged with large forgeries, found Neil not guilty. The verdict was returned Saturday after seven hours of consideration. The defense was that Neil was intoxicated from the use of morphine at the time he committed the acts specified in the indictment.

Iowa Murderer a Suicide.

Muscatine, Ia.—Urry Jones, on trial here for the murder of Mr. and Mrs. Van Winkle, committed suicide in the county jail Wednesday by hanging himself. The prosecution had finished the introduction of its testimony in the case, and Jones was supposed to take the stand Wednesday in his own defense. The murder was an exceptionally cruel and brutal one. Jones is supposed to have entered their bedroom and, while they were asleep, with a club beat the heads of both to a pulp. He was arrested in Milan, Kan.

Would Exclude Orientals.

Sacramento, Cal.—In lieu of an anti-Japanese statute the senate has expressed its view on the subject of Asiatic immigration by adopting a resolution calling upon congress to enact an Asiatic exclusion law that would keep Japanese as well as Chinese aliens out of the country.

Senator J. B. Sanford tried to amend the resolution so that Japanese would be denied the right of naturalization, but this was voted down. The vote on the resolution was 28 to 7.

A NURSE'S EXPERIENCE.



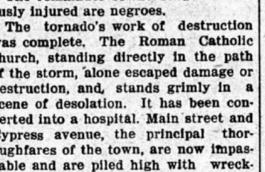
DOAN'S KIDNEY PILLS

Backache, Pains in the Kidneys, Bleeding, Etc., Overcome.

A nurse is expected to know what to do for common ailments, and women who suffer backache, constant languor, and other common symptoms of kidney complaint, should be grateful to Mrs. Minnie Turner, of E. B. St. Anadarko, Okla., for pointing out the way to find quick relief. Mrs. Turner used Doan's Kidney Pills for a run-down condition, backache, pains in the sides and kidneys, bloated limbs, etc. "The way they have built me up is simply marvelous," says Mrs. Turner, who is a nurse. "My health improved rapidly. Five boxes did so much for me I am telling everybody about it."

Sold by all dealers. 60 cents a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

TROUBLES OF JUNGLE DENTIST.



BABY HORRIBLY BURNED

By Boiling Grease—Skin All Came Off One Side of Face and Head—Thought Her Disfigured for Life.

Used Cuticura: No Scar Left.

"My baby was sitting beside the fender and we were preparing the breakfast when the frying-pan full of boiling grease was upset and it went all over one side of her face and head. Some one wiped the scald with a towel, pulling the entire skin off. We took her to a doctor. He tended her a week and gave me some stuff to put on. But it all festered and I thought the baby was disfigured for life. I used about three boxes of Cuticura Ointment and it was wonderful how it healed. In about five weeks it was better and there wasn't a mark to tell where the scald had been. Her skin is just like velvet. Mrs. Hare, 1, Henry St., South Shields, Durham, England, March 22, 1908."

Banker-Convicts Find Thefts.

Bare \$26,000 Shortage in Pennsylvania Prisoner's Accounts.

Pittsburg, Pa.—Convicted bankers, now prisoners in the Western penitentiary here, have discovered an apparent discrepancy of more than \$26,000 in the accounts of the penitentiary and it is said that the amount may be found to be even larger.

The board of visitors of the Western penitentiary some time since appointed Henry Reiber, formerly paying teller of the Farmers' Deposit National bank, now an inmate of the penitentiary, to audit the books of the institution.

Finding an apparent discrepancy and being unwilling to assume all responsibility, Reiber secured the assistance of William Montgomery, former cashier of the Allegheny National bank, and J. B. F. Hinchard, former cashier of the Farmers' and Drovers' National bank of Waynesburg, Pa., both convicts in the Western penitentiary, who are said to have agreed with him in his findings.

POLICE SUPPRESS SOCIALISTS.

Efforts at Demonstration in Paris Quickly Stopped.

Paris.—The Social Revolutionists, as a protest against the vigorous measures of the government, tried to organize a huge hostile demonstration against Premier Clemenceau Sunday afternoon at the unveiling of the monument erected to Charles Thomas Floquet, former prime minister of France.

President Fallieres, ex-President Loubet, many officers, senators and deputies were present, together with the members of various organizations. At the first sign of unruly manifestations a large force of police, which had been placed on duty, took immediate steps to suppress the demonstrators, a number of whom were arrested.

Plan for Peace Congress.

Chicago.—Plans to make the National Peace congress, to be held in Chicago May 3 to 5, surpass anything of its nature ever attempted, both in effects and attendance, were completed at a meeting of the ways and means committee of the Chicago Association of Commerce at the Great Northern hotel Wednesday.

Ten thousand invitations are now being sent out and \$1,000 was contributed toward the fund to defray printing and entertaining expenses.

Three Drown in Illinois River.

Mount Sterling, Ill.—Ed. A. Rentz, his 14-year-old son and his nephew, Charles Boss, aged about 18, were drowned in the Illinois river by their boat being capsized. Men are out dragging the river for the bodies.

Norman E. Mack's Home Burns.

Buffalo, N. Y.—The home of Norman E. Mack, chairman of the Democratic national committee, was destroyed by fire Wednesday night. Mr. Mack and his family are in Atlantic City and the cause is not known.

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Washington.—By an order issued Tuesday by the interior department about 3,000,000 acres of land in the counties along the eastern border of Wyoming are to be thrown open at once to homesteaders, who will be allowed to take either 160 or 320 acres. The land cannot be irrigated and will be of use, therefore, for dry farming only. Those who take the full 320-acre entries must make an attempt to cultivate the land, while those who go in on the smaller holdings will not be compelled by the law to do so.

THE DIFFERENCE.

Josiah (to newly wedded neighbor) "I wish you long, happy lives; and I see no reason why you and Mariah cannot pull together as steady and happy and successfully as a team of horses."

Obadiah—"No doubt we could if there was only one tongue between us—Judge."

HIS FIRST VISIT.

The wide check of his suit and his monocle proclaimed his nationality from afar. His first American acquaintance, met on the steamer, had supplied him with an immense amount of strange and wonderful information about the United States.

"And since you are an Englishman," it was explained, "every story will at once charge you from five to ten times what they would ask an American."

"Eh! What?" said the Britisher, aghast, and then with a look of great cunning: "But, my word! I shaw'n't tell them, don't you know?"

LESS MAJESTY.

A teacher in one of the schools of Berlin has given to the papers of that city a composition written by one of the pupils in his school on the subject, "The Kaiser." In the course of which the young author says: "Prince Wilhelm was born on the Kaiser's birthday. From the dome of the castle 101 salute shots were fired. The old grandfather and old Wrangel hopped into a cab and went to the Schloss, and old Wrangel said: 'The boy is all right,' and the father made a bow from the balcony, and it was awful cold. And when the boy was baptized his father held his watch in front of the little fellow's nose, and he grabbed it and never let go again, because he is a Hohenzollern."

CONGENIAL WORK AND STRENGTH TO PERFORM IT.

A person in good health is likely to have a genial disposition, ambition, and enjoy work.

On the other hand, if the digestive organs have been upset by wrong food, work becomes drudgery.

"Until recently," writes a Washington girl, "I was a railroad stenographer, which means full work every day.

"Like many other girls alone in a large city, I lived at a boarding house. For breakfast it was mush, greasy meat, soggy cakes, black coffee, etc.

"After a few months of this diet I used to feel sleepy and heavy in the mornings. My work seemed a terrible effort, and I thought the work was to blame—too arduous.

"At home I had heard my father speak of a young fellow who went long distances in the cold on Grape-Nuts and cream and nothing more for breakfast.

"I concluded if it would tide him over a morning's heavy work, it might help me, so on my way home one night I bought a package and next morning I had Grape-Nuts and milk for breakfast.

"I stuck to Grape-Nuts, and in less than two weeks I noticed improvement. I can't just tell how well I felt, but I remember I used to walk the 12 blocks to business and knew how good it was simply to live.

"As to my work—well, did you ever feel the delight of having congenial work and the strength to perform it? That's how I felt. I truly believe there's life and vigor in every grain of Grape-Nuts."

Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Read "The Road to Wellville" in pkgs. "There's a Reason."

Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true, and full of human interest.