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The men whom I have seen succeed best in life have always been cheerful and hopeful men, who went about their business with a smile on their faces and took their changes and chances of this mortal life like men, facing rough and smooth alike as it came.

BACK TO SCHOOL.

This morning the doors swing open again at city schools, high school and the state university. The interruption of the Christmas holidays is over and the routine work will be resumed.

AN EXPERIMENT.

At the New Years dinner of the Thirteen-Em club there were present some of the home friends of the newspaper craftsmen who comprise the membership of the club.

A. W. Heidel of Great Falls appears to have a natural reluctance to relinquishing the right to sign his name as "Deputy United States District Attorney."

Yet it seems as if the president might have trusted John Lind ashore, John has not manifested the slightest tendency toward garrulity.

It seems to be true that "the south is in the saddle" at Washington and, moreover, the south is giving an exhibition of fine riding.

Maybe John Lind wouldn't talk if he could, but the president fixed it so he couldn't talk if he would.

It appears to be merely a question of how long the appetite for pie can hold the faithful in line.

"In time of calm, prepare for storm" is the very excellent maxim of Mr. Heidel of Great Falls.

Missoula would like to hear from Senator Myers about the weather station.

Good morning, are you yet dry?

SHOWING THEIR HAND

Tom Taggart, he of notorious political crookedness, is in complete domination of the democratic organization in Indiana. The important political event of last week was the complete triumph of his supporters in every district convention in the state and his return to the control of the state committee.

This is "progressive" democracy as the Hoosier state has it. Tom Taggart is known to all who have interest in political affairs. He stands for all that is worst in the old style of politics; he is a product of the boss system; he is a type of the boss, himself.

Almost coincident with the recording of democratic sentiment in Indiana, comes word from the national capital that the democratic senators are agreed that it is best for them to sidetrack the recommendations of the president as to primary elections.

These incidents in last week's political history make it pretty clear that the enthusiasm over the progressive tendencies of the democratic party is premature.

Nor is this assumption of disguise limited to the democrats. The recent conference of republican leaders of national note removed the sheep's clothing from as fine a lot of wolves as ever raided a fold.

And there is nothing which emphasizes so strongly the popularity of progressive ideas among the people of the country as this attempt at counterfeiting.

And this same situation demonstrates the need which the country has for the progressive party.

Notes of the Anvil Chorus

By GEORGE P. STONE.

A PROFESSIONAL LAMENT.

(Concerning the official ukase issued this morning requiring the signature of news stories.)

Once I could say whatever I thought concerning erring neighbors. Nor fear the angry sans culotte would snuff my labors.

Did Mrs. Simpkins printed see Her latest midnight caper, She blamed the story, not on me, But on the paper.

Was Jones, a victim to the cup, In jail for acting roughly, How could he know who wrote him up, So very roughly?

But now, above each lurid tale They introduce the writer, I must, to keep myself from jail, Become a fighter.

Sneaked Smith, rode Jones and Jallbird Brown, Seek vengeance without quarter, They'll kill the man who runs them down.

Good, poor reporter!

This new rule of the powers that be is going to be hard on the little fellows who have been hiding behind the heavy shoulders of one J. Fenwick, A. P. operator. Jack has been the official boomer for years.

After Samuel Pepsy.

Jan 2nd. Walking with Sir W. and D. Richards and L. Hunt in the city park; and beautiful it is, though very snowy. Saw a log which Sir W. dared not cross last summer and was sorry afterward for L. Hunt and I did so and found a damsel wading barefooted in her front yard, and made merry over it all.

Jan. 3rd.—Rose late for my long discourse and did little work after, for the city seems asleep and little there is to write of; and I know not what I shall do unless there be more news soon.

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GENERAL WALKOUT

BY W. F. OF M. DISCUSSED

VICE PRESIDENT MAHONEY WILL TALK THE MATTER OVER WITH MOYER.

Denver, Jan. 4.—Charles E. Mahoney, vice president of the Western Federation of Miners, left Denver tonight for Chicago, where he will discuss with President Charles H. Moyer the proposition of calling a general strike throughout the United States of all members of the Western Federation of Miners.

Secretary Mills was of the opinion that a general strike, if called, would be confined to the metal workers and miners of Michigan, but would be general in its broadest sense.

The calling of a nation-wide or state-wide strike of the Western Federation of Miners would rest with the executive officers of the federation, but would be issued probably by the American Federation of Labor at the request of the executive board of the Western Federation of Miners.

MONTANA'S CONDITION ABOVE AVERAGE

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A large proportion of the territory now devoted to cattle raising will never be available for agriculture, because of the insufficiency of precipitation, and the absence of the necessary water for irrigation.

Learn One Thing Every Day. Abdul Foz bin Mubarak Foz was an Indo-Persian poet and scholar, born in Akra in 1547. His works include lyrics, epics, a commentary on the Koran and translations of the Mahabharata and Lillvati. He died in 1595.

This Date in History. 1778—"The Battle of the Clouds." This annual affair has since been changed to New Years eve. The kogs always take the count of nine, but manage to keep in the ring throughout the rest of the year.

1809—Daniel Agnew, jurist, born. Agnew later became chief justice of Pennsylvania, a job which requires all of the qualities possessed by National League umpires.

1915—Ty Cobb traded to the Athletics for the city of Philadelphia.

Skinnay Says—If it wasn't for the fact that Monday is pay day I don't know how I ever manage to come back after one day of licensed loafing.

ABOUT THE STATE

Pete Nelson, deputy game warden for Park county, has a tame antelope which he wants Game Warden DeHart to take to the state capital as a pet for the officers.

John W. Martin and Miss Christina Cobett were seriously injured in Park county Wednesday, when the automobile in which they were riding plunged over an embankment.

Under the auspices of the Flathead county high school, a short course for farmers was conducted last week in Kalispell, which was largely attended and much enjoyed.

L. D. O'Donnell has returned to Billings from Washington and is taking up the work of his new office, head of the commission on reclamation work.

Bishop Carroll announces that Catholic churches will be dedicated this spring in the following towns: Collins, Power, Choteau, Valer, Cutbank, Glacier Park, Big Arm, Dayton, Camas Hot Springs, Camas Prairie, Thompson Falls, Perna, and Drummond.

A cement brick factory is to be established in Great Falls. Helena merchants insist that their city should enter the contest for a site of one of the regional banks.

The annual report of State Veterinarian Butler states that diseases among livestock in Montana have decreased greatly in a year.

Great Falls will have her new fire and police station ready for occupancy by the end of the present month.

Flathead reservation people are much pleased with the lectures delivered by H. N. Savage, supervising engineer of the reclamation service.

Advertisement for Empress Theater featuring "The House of Comfort" and "The Port of Doom" with Laura Sawyer. Includes showtimes and prices for adults and children.

Advertisement for Bijou Theater featuring "The Wreck" and "Dancing and Singing" by Farley and Prescott. Includes showtimes and prices.

Advertisement for Isis Theater featuring "The Hand Is Quicker Than the Eye" and "Alaska Jack" with Paul Armstrong and Wilson Mizner. Includes showtimes and prices.