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Why Not Begin at Home? Democratic orators who are running about the State begging voters to give the candidates of the Reorganized Democracy opportunity to "purify Pennsylvania" would be much more convincing if they first cleaned up their own premises.

With tongues that cannot utter the word Republican without the accompaniment of a vilifying adjective, in the language of the character assassin and with little regard for truth, these men have attempted to besmirch the State Government at every opportunity.

"Give us the reins of government," they say, "and we will serve you well and honestly. Our motto is down with the machine and let the people rule."

And while they are thus parading up and down the State, acclaiming their purity of purpose, their own State party organization is being charged at Washington with compelling Post Office appointees to give up a portion of their salaries for Democratic campaign purposes.

In a long article on the first page to-day the independent Philadelphia Ledger has this to say relative to the part the Democratic organization has played in compelling York and Adams county postmasters to "give up" money to the machine controlled by the Palmer-McCormick Democrats of the State:

Further disclosures to-day involved the Democratic State organization in Pennsylvania. It developed that an emissary of the State Democratic committee had obtained a signed contract from W. E. Reisinger, the postmaster at Wrightsville, Pa., in which Reisinger, appointed under the Wilson administration upon the recommendation of Congressman A. R. Brodbeck, of York, had agreed to pay 5 per cent. of his salary to the State committee annually.

It is common observation that the busy housewife has little time to devote to the criticism of her neighbors. Usually it is the slattern of the community that trapes about spreading ill reports while the dishes remain unwashed and the cat licks the cream from the pitcher of her own uncleaned blurring room table.

The Democratic reorganizers will do well to clean up their own little household before they ask to be entrusted with the work of renovating such a large structure as that in which dwells our State government.

EXCELLENT DISCIPLINE. THE utility of the fire drill was never better illustrated in this vicinity than yesterday when what at first appeared to be a serious fire broke out in the large public school building at Lemoyne.

It is less to be feared in its results where large numbers of people are gathered together than are the panics which it so often causes. Especially difficult is it to restrain children when the "fire scare" is upon them, and Principal W. P. Bowman and his force of teachers ought to receive the thanks of every parent with a child in the school for the splendid discipline that enabled all to get out without injury.

The fact that the fire was extinguished before it got much headway does not minimize these efforts in the least. The big fact is that when the cry of fire went up there was no panic.

DR. BRUMBAUGH'S OFFENSE. R. MARTIN G. BRUMBAUGH, whose candidacy for Governor on the Republican ticket has thrown the Palmer-McCormick group into spasms, has invoked the wrath of these gentlemen by talking with United States Senators Penrose and Oliver. This is a most heinous offense. It would seem that about the only course Dr. Brumbaugh can take

after this disclosure is to withdraw from the contest. Of course, he may have concluded that talking with a couple of United States Senators from his own State was no worse than a conference of four Democrats in Washington, two of whom were chosen as the candidates of the machine in this State for United States Senator and Governor, but he must understand that only those who are of the elect can do these things and hope to survive politically.

Dr. Brumbaugh has even admitted that he had a talk with Senators Penrose and Oliver and some other gentlemen and this leads the esteemed Patriot to declare that the public has now no doubt of the insincerity of the distinguished educator.

In these days of political piffle one need not be surprised at anything emitted by the little men who have been permitted to strut across the public stage while political parties were adjusting themselves to new conditions.

Now that the grip of winter has been broken it might be a good thing for the Superintendent of Highways to flush the streets and give the old town a thorough washdown from one end to the other. It might also be an opportune time to enforce strictly the dump regulations, so that the refuse of the winter is not blown all over the vicinity of these dumping places.

OPEN DOOR IN CHINA. Those who have made a study of conditions in China have suspected from the first, the recent announcement that Confucianism is to be the "official" religion of the new republic does not mean much.

According to a cable from Peking, China's president has issued a mandate explaining the exact meaning and force of a previous official announcement regarding the restoration of Confucianism. This new mandate points out that religious freedom is granted fully and will be properly guaranteed.

It then goes on to say: "No state religion will be introduced, as under the Ching dynasty, since religious freedom corresponds with the system of republicanism."

This is only official confirmation of what observers have believed to be the definite policy of China's president. Yuan has won a splendid reputation for keeping his word and he has long been the friend of the foreign Christian missionary and the Chinese Christian.

In the dark days of the Boxer troubles it was Viceroy Yuan who not merely protected Christians from injury or insult in his own province, but who quietly conveyed the news to Washington, upon the strength of which the dispatch of troops to safeguard the legations was determined.

Since then he has done many things for which Christian propagandists are properly grateful. But his most signal contribution in retention of the "open door" for Christianity is his decision, in face of political intrigue, that China shall not revert to the reactionary ranks of nations shackled by the bonds of state religions.

Without saying it, and while "saving his face" with the conservatives of China—who are a mighty host—President Yuan has paved the way for Christianity to become the dominant religion in China.

Republicans all over Pennsylvania, without regard to their present party appellations, are preparing to give the Democracy all the fight it is looking for this year. There is a disposition in all parts of the State to get together and forget the differences of the last few years. It is quite common nowadays to read in the newspapers of harmony conferences and the nomination of the same candidates on both the Republican and Washington party tickets.

With an open primary it is comparatively easy matter to join forces with harmony in view.

THE BACKYARD GARDEN. THIS is the anniversary of our backyard garden editorial. We haven't much to say on the subject that we haven't said before, but that is not going to prevent us from repeating. If we haven't anything new to say, at least we have quite a large number of readers to whom we want to say it, and it won't hurt some of our readers to wish their backyard garden advice is an old story to hear it again—especially if they are looking for a Spring tonic, and something that will help solve that much discussed and really serious problem—the high cost of living.

Old winter has hung on later than usual, but the time is almost here when the first steps toward a garden—if we are to have one this year—must be taken. The land on which Harrisburg now stands was for the most part in years gone by an immense truck garden. The land is fertile and the backyards of the city could be made to yield handsome profits if Harrisburgers chose to turn the soil at their disposal to account.

No rear yard is too small to cultivate. There are few houses that do not have attached thereto sufficient space for the growing of onions, radishes, lettuce, tomatoes and a few beans or peas. It is remarkable how much can be crowded profitably into a small space if proper care is exercised.

Have you ever noticed the joy on the face of the suburbanite carting home an armful of plants or a new hoe? Have you ever noted the fresh, healthful appearance of the man who tends regularly his own garden? Have you ever eaten at a table where none but home-grown vegetables were served, and noted how superior they are? And, finally, haven't you thought how nice it would be to have a garden of your own?

Well, it is all up to you. Now is the time. The backyard garden is a big payer in health and satisfaction, and as for cutting down the "high cost of living"—well, if President Wilson's new tariff were as certain of results he wouldn't need to be so much troubled about the prospects of reelection as he appears just now.

EVENING CHAT

It's an ill wind that blows no one any good. When the blizzard came along some weeks ago and tied up things generally for the Pennsylvania Railroad, it was a good thing for the company called out all of the men on furlough and gave them jobs, which, if rather hard, were nevertheless well paid for.

The trouble at Pittsburgh. Men were needed and again the furloughed fellows were told they could have jobs if they wanted them. The company has a list of every man who is laid off and the number has been rather large lately, so that when an emergency arises the men can be summoned and sent out in great numbers.

There's a good bit of snow about the city yet in spite of the thaw which has melted the banks to disappear from many places. This was strikingly illustrated the other day when some building material which has been stored up town was moved. It was stored up there in great quantities and underneath the stuff was a large mass of ice, the remains of snow which had melted and been frozen again, and there were many places protected from the sun, whose plenty of evidence of the big storm can be found.

And while we are about it here is a good one told by a Harrisburger. He said yesterday: "I have just had the comforting intelligence that in the first week of March the wind swept inland from all kinds of weather and since a friend of mine down in the Argentine has been swimming and sunbathing in the summer attire. He says that the summer down there has been hot and that Christmas and New Year's days he spent working hard with fans and cool drinks."

When the big timbers were moved from the pile on the Post Office lawn yesterday by the men in charge of the work, a lot of bottles were found hidden under the beams. Why, no one can say, except the desire of a man who drains a bottle to hide it as soon as possible. There were twenty-eight half-pints in the lot and four quarters, the others being pints. Judging from that assortment, there must have been a party of some kind, and the chilling blasts of winter in Walnut and other streets in the vicinity.

You can tell that there was an automobile show held here by the number of new cars that have been buzzing about the city the last few days. Some fine new cars, exhibit stock, have been shown and many have been spotted on the "X" on the license plates. However, this is the season of the year when the new cars are coming in and must be either considerable money or excellent credit about the city.

W. Frank Wheaton, of Wilkes-Barre, who appeared before yesterday in the argument against the State anthracite coal tax, is a former judge of Luzerne county. He was appointed and elected, but he found the charms of general practice and went to Luzerne county in legal battles more tempting than sitting on the bench. The former judge is well known here, as he is one of the leaders of the Luzerne bar and has appeared here in notable cases, particularly at the Capitol.

Among the petitions shown about the city yesterday, one in which every name was written in a peculiar style of ink. There was no doubting the genuineness of the signatures because the ink was the same as that used in the signatures of the President. Wilson would send the nomination to the Senate in all probability to-morrow. The selection of Dickinson marks the end of a long-drawn-out battle and is decidedly embarrassing for Representative A. Mitchell Palmer, of Pennsylvania, who made a vigorous fight for the appointment of Mr. Carr.

The Philadelphia Record of to-day says: "Announcement was made yesterday that headquarters in the interest of Schools Brumbaugh's candidacy for the Republican gubernatorial nomination would be opened shortly. A large committee, made up principally of Philadelphians, will assume charge of his campaign. It was stated that the establishment headquarters had been necessary because the superintendent was finding it impossible to attend to the numerous details of a candidacy while in charge of the schools. Dr. Brumbaugh has announced that he will not go upon the stump until after the primary election, but expects to tour the State in the Fall."

The Philadelphia Press of to-day says: "The reiterated refusal of Judge Charles N. Brumm, of Schuylkill county, to withdraw his name in candidacy for the Washington party gubernatorial nomination, following a conference yesterday with Dean William Draper Lewis, his rival, and the slated candidate in the presence of Governor Pinchot, also slated for the senatorial nomination, lays the foundation for a factional fight in the ranks of the party. Both gubernatorial candidates have a large following in the Bull Moose ranks, the one faction being resentful that Lewis was slated, the other that Judge Brumm threatens to disrupt the slate."

WHERE SECRETARY BRYAN SHINES. A crowded auditorium whenever William Jennings Bryan speaks in Washington is the answer to critics who insist that he should cease his lectures; for everyone feels that some time he or she must hear Mr. Bryan. He is a speaker upon a wide range of topics. Whether it is at a Sunday evening gathering, in a lecture hall or at a banquet, Mr. Bryan is always the compelling figure. At Masonic Temple recently he delivered a travelogue lecture, and throughout the hour of his discourse he furnished his audience with an unforgettable glimpse of his world travels, together with comments upon the manners and customs of the various peoples. To view an audience under the spell of Mr. Bryan's oratory is a study that reveals the source of his power. He may not fulfill all the ideal requirements of a statesman, but by attending to routine as required by regulations; but William Jennings Bryan certainly has a grasp of affairs in the world-cycle of events that should singularly qualify him for negotiating treaties.

As Secretary Bryan remains the popular and prominent figure of the administration, it is not surprising that his household has been the scene of many a brilliant social function during the past few months. His wife, Mrs. Bryan, has the gracious manner of one who knows much of her husband's affairs, for the old schoolmate chumship between Mr. and Mrs. Bryan has always been maintained since the old days in Illinois. Both Mr. and Mrs. Bryan are people they would be entertaining the representatives of the nations of the world at their home in Washington. With the Bryans, home has always been the center of their life. They have a "housekeeping" in a humble way, after the dark-haired young attorney flung his lawyer's shingle to the breeze in the new Nebraska city which later was to enjoy the distinction of being the home of the State.

Secretary of State Bryan is a candidate for President, and with hopes of some time fulfilling the dream of his childhood days to become "President of the United States, which still remains the legitimate hope and aspiration of every ambitious American-born youth. "Affairs at Washington," Joe Mitchell "Chapple," in National Magazine for March, 1914.

AN EVENING THOUGHT. No great nation can ever survive its own temptations and its own follies that does not indoctrinate its children in the World of God for the righteousness of nations, like the righteousness of men, must take its sources from these foundations of inspiration.—Woodrow Wilson.

BASHOAR TAKES UP FOR THE HOUSE

The Millersburg Manufacturer May Run in the Second Legislative District

DEMOCRATS ALL STIRRED UP Dickinson's Selection For Court Makes Trouble For the Bosses All Along Line

Politics is getting lively in the second Dauphin legislative district and the prospect that more may be put into circulation. Among the men mentioned the last few days for Republican nomination is A. G. Bashoar, Millersburg Manufacturer. He has been identified with the Republican party for many years and has many friends who are urging him. In the lower end of O. C. Bashoar and Albert Shenk are talked

Democrats in the second district are mad at themselves. The candidacy of Dr. Shaffner, of Enahout, for the House from the lower end, has caused much dissatisfaction in this district, is not regarded as even a good forlorn hope bet, while in the upper end Pat Craven insists on butting into the slate made for H. B. Saussaman.

The Democratic row was helped on last night when in a speech at Wilkes-Barre, Michael J. Ryan, aspirant for the Democratic nomination for governor, Ryan calls made a sensational attack on the big meat trust of the State. Ryan, upon the reorganization faction. He called for the defeat of the Democratic States Senator in the interest of the success of the entire Democratic ticket. Mr. Ryan said: "When I read in the newspapers of the State six weeks ago, a certain Senator, Dr. Penrose that there was no man in the Commonwealth he would more eagerly welcome as his antagonist than Mitchell Palmer, I thought that this was a mere expression of opinion, or what is called 'political bluff.' But I now learn from the most distinguished men in Palmer's own county that his record is such that his nomination would jeopardize the Democratic ticket. Judge Eugene C. Bonnell, of Philadelphia, to the text 'A Campaign of Pharisess,' arraigned Palmer and McCormick, the latter Ryan's opponent for governor. He said McCormick had never voted for Bryan."

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Palmer is Bumped by McReynolds. Attorney General McReynolds to-day selected O. B. Dickinson, of Chester, Pa., to fill the vacancy in the district court at Philadelphia. The appointment was sent by Mr. McReynolds to the President this afternoon and it was learned that the House of Representatives would send the nomination to the Senate in all probability to-morrow. The selection of Dickinson marks the end of a long-drawn-out battle and is decidedly embarrassing for Representative A. Mitchell Palmer, of Pennsylvania, who made a vigorous fight for the appointment of Mr. Carr."

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Quite right, Governor. Government's purpose is to make people happier, but you cannot do that long by putting the gospel into the state book, and enforcing it by taxation. You would not hear of a State church supported by taxation, would you? But you propose to compel your taxpayers to support a system of benevolence. That is what the kind of Government you praise amounts to. You intend to make the people who have more do their duty by the people who have less as you see it.

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A LITTLE NONSENSE



She overheard her father say Tommy Duck was too headstrong and wasn't wonderful how athletic sports developed every part of the body.

HOW MUCH? By Wing Dingier. The reorganizing siren in the Democratic fold. Sang a song some months ago that told of graft. And invited all the voters, who for honesty were strong. To enlist in breaking up the Old Guard craft.

We were led to think 'twas awful what vile things were being done. In the way of giving offices as pap. And some other things disgraceful. And forever stopped without delay. And the guilty parties wiped clean off the map.

The reorganizing methods were for cutting out these things, And forever putting down the evil boss. Who would daily use the favors that the party could hand out. In flavoring his private brand of sauce.

And a lot of voters fell for all these siren notes of theirs, And a little band together stood and fought. Until the magic scepter from the hands that held it long. Was at length with much enthusiasm wrought.

Now we note the modern method that's employed in certain parts. Of this Keystone State on which they've placed the lid. If you'd like to be Postmaster, we don't care how good you are. What we want to know is, "How much will you bid?"

Lady — I'm afraid one foot is bigger than the other. On the contrary, madam, one is perhaps smaller than the other. —London Opinion.

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NEWS DISPATCHES OF THE CIVIL WAR

Stanton's Favor Peace. Chicago, March 25. — A special dispatch from St. Louis says that Wash-dorey, a prominent Sisson Indian, has come into Fort Abercrombie, and has accepted terms of peace. He states that nearly all the Sisson are in favor of peace, and others of their leaders will be ready in a few days to follow his example.

Furlough Troops. Delopolis, March 17. — A large number of Sherman's troops have gone up the river on furlough from Vicksburg. General McPherson is in command at that place.

Also, So It Did! [From the Springfield Republican.] Senator Tillman's successful plea against the practice of smoking in executive session and his remarks upon the atmosphere of the Senate chamber will probably lead to much cheap wit upon the unhealthfulness of "hot air."

Texas Ought to be Big Enough [From the New York World.] The fundamental error of the Governor of Texas is that he is not content to govern Texas, he wants to rule the United States and Mexico also.

Deserters Escape. On Monday night last, nine deserters were confined in the guardhouse at Carlisle Barracks, succeeded in making their escape. There is a window in the rear of the building, about twelve feet from the ground.

CROWDING. Chop very fine two heads of calaba two cauliflower, two quarts of cucumbers and one quart of small onions; one quart of sugar, two teaspoonful each of cloves, allspice, cinnamon and ginger, with sufficient water to cover; salt the chowchow and let stand overnight. Drain dry. Then boil the vinegar, pour over it and let stand overnight. In the morning cook the chowchow and can while hot.—Home Gardener in National Magazine, March, 1914.

IN HARRISBURG FIFTY YEARS AGO TO-DAY

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Announcement

Our friends and patrons and we think the public at large will be interested in knowing that we have opened a savings department, and hence there is now a National Bank in Harrisburg where savings deposits, large or small, can be made. To popularize this department and in a short time, we are sending out a crew of trained and bonded bank solicitors. They will loan free to new depositors little self-recording home safes — the most desirable and most expensive safes manufactured. THESE MEN ARE AUTHORIZED TO COLLECT MONEY FOR DEPOSIT HERE.



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