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WEDNESDAY EVENING, JAN. 19

You must love, in order to understand love: one act of charity will teach us more of the love of God than a thousand sermons; one act of selfishness, of real self-denial, will tell us more of the meaning of the Epiphany than whole volumes of theology.—F. W. ROBERTSON.

"SHINY ON YOUR OWN SIDE"

"SHINY ON your own side," Philadelphia Record. Why all this racket about lack of harmony in the Republican party? Isn't it a case of the pot calling the kettle black, with a good deal more snot on the pot than on the kettle?

We have it upon fairly reliable authority that there is now brewing the finest little scrimmage between the "Old Guard" and the down-and-out Palmerites that has taken place since last these two forces wrecked all chance of Democratic success in Pennsylvania some two years ago.

The "Old Guard" is still nursing sore spots administered by the "Reorganizers" a few years back, when Palmer was getting into training for his disastrous run for the United States Senate last year.

The betting is about even with both sides going in for "blood" and if the Record is looking for a real "scrap" we suggested that it divert itself from the little sparring matches now being indulged in by Republicans here and there and concentrate its attention on the real attraction.

RESTOCKING STREAMS

FISH COMMISSIONER BULLER'S suggestion that the lakes and streams where bass abound be restocked with minnows and frogs in order to increase the number and size of the bass, instead of restocking with bass, is practical and if followed no doubt will do much toward restoring fishing grounds now well nigh worthless in this State.

Mr. Buller's recommendation that lakes and streams be planted with new stocks of yellow perch, blue-gill sunfish, wall-eyed pike, pike perch and catfish is also worthy of consideration. Perch and sunfish in particular provide good sport for the angler who likes to take home a big string and they are "good eating" when fresh caught and properly prepared.

Time was when these fish abounded in the inland waters of Pennsylvania, but they are few indeed now. Too many fishermen take it for granted that these smaller fish will take care of themselves and think only of bass when they apply for fish with which to stock the streams and lakes, regardless of the fact that the bass must have something on which to live and that if the smaller fish, which multiply in great numbers, are removed they will eat each other, for bass are infamous as cannibals when infaced by starvation.

HEALTH AND HOUSING

NO better proof of the oft-repeated assertion that "health and housing go hand in hand" has been forthcoming in Harrisburg for months than the report of Dr. Raunick for the past year, showing that the death

rate is largest where housing conditions are poorest. The local health board is doing splendid service, but it is poorly equipped and under-officed. The proposal has been made that police officers be required to act also as health officers. There would seem to be no good reason why this should not be done.

FRANKLIN AN OPTIMIST

IN his most interesting column in the Bulletin of Philadelphia, William Perrine—otherwise "Penn"—tells of Benjamin Franklin's experiences with the pullbacks of that city. In the famous philosopher's recollections reference is made to one Samuel Mickles, whom he describes as a person of some note, with a wise look and a grave manner of speaking.

"Penn," who is a philosopher of the modern school, comments on the foregoing extracts from Franklin's memoirs with the suggestion that there are many Samuel Mickles among us and intimates that there are influences now at work to put them to the rear. This is true also of Harrisburg as well as of Philadelphia and the Mickles of this community have long since felt the impress of the optimist's boot.

FOREIGN ANTAGONISM

WHATEVER may be the final attitude of Great Britain with respect to the contention of the United States regarding the blockade of German ports and exports, it is certain that the relation of this country to England is likely to be more strained thereby than at any other time since the war began.

The British Empire, which is shedding blood and not ink for the vindication of "neutral rights," has reached a stage in the conflict with Germany which will not be allowed to restrain the legitimate use of all its weapons of warfare. Our right to prevent supplies from reaching the enemy is absolute, and if the process assumes fresh disguises, it is the business of international law to strip them off and not to be fettered by the wording of the Belligerents' Declaration.

We appear to be getting into deeper and still deeper water at every turn. Our neutrality overtures have been contemptuously rejected in some quarters and in others have been treated as insincere. Many grievous errors have been made since the outbreak of the war, and the attitude of the United States has not impressed Germany, or England, or France, or any other country as that of a people determined simply to assert their legitimate rights and to uphold the honor of the country.

"We must not claim," says the Westminster Gazette in an editorial, "that the American people are on our side in this conflict, but we find it difficult to believe that the great democratic people of the New World will allow their influence to be used to disarm the democratic people of the Old World in their struggle for liberty against military domination. They will be sure to look back to their own history and remember what they said and thought when neutrals expected and demanded that they should break their blockade of the Southern States. If at this stage they threw their weight into the scale against us or tried to deprive us of our principal weapon against the Central Powers they would be doing what they most hotly resented in their own case."

Thus the situation is discussed from day to day in the newspapers of the Old World. We shall emerge from the conflict, if we are so successful as to come out of it without actual participation in it, without a friend in the family of nations and with the envy and hatred of those who have heretofore regarded the United

States with favor and the utmost consideration. We are undoubtedly passing through the most crucial experience in the history of American diplomacy, and it remains to be seen whether we shall be able to recover the lost prestige and good will that under ordinary circumstances would have been ours.

James C. Thompson, the city assessor elected yesterday, will receive a salary of \$2,000 a year. He will have an assistant, of course, but until the compensation is made to square with the job Harrisburg can hardly expect to have conspicuous improvement in the matter of city-wide valuations.

More than fifty couples will ask the Court of Dauphin county to sunder their marital bonds at the forthcoming divorce session. What's the matter with the times, and what's the answer?

Lakens and Williamstown and the other prosperous upper Dauphin towns will watch with peculiar interest the development of the great convention of miners at Indianapolis.

In the midst of all our international controversies the administration at Washington is insisting on independence for the Philippines. Patience, brother, patience!

Mayor Meals will earn the everlasting gratitude of many citizens by compelling the amputation of low-hanging branches of trees over sidewalks.

Newport is going after a place in the sun. It wants on the William Penn Highway, and is getting busy.

That William Penn Highway movement is increasing by leaps and bounds. Get on board!

Of course, you are going to the Charity Ball. But have you secured your tickets?

Judging from some views we have heard recently some hyphens are silent, as in Bryan.

This is the kind of a day that gets the grip germ down and punches it until its cries of agony can be heard for miles.

Montenegro had to decide between surrendering or taking to boats. Let's see, isn't there an old saying having something to do with a choice between the devil and the deep blue sea?

If this dye shortage keeps up we may not have even a Star Spangled Banner left to wave in the face of an enemy should we be attacked. This is a phase of preparedness we have not yet heard discussed.

TO-DAY'S EDITORIALS

Philadelphia North American: A New York paper, referring the other day to the submarine controversy, said complacently that "the triumph of President Wilson's peaceful, patient and reasonable diplomacy seems to be near at hand."

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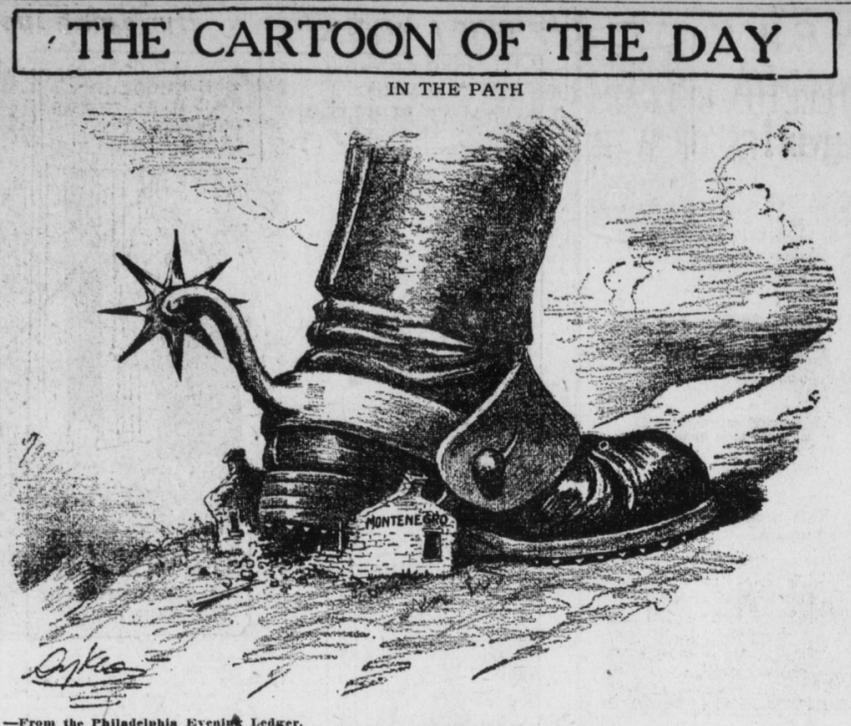
Gifford Pinchot has discovered that he "can't support Governor Brumbaugh for President." Gifford still imagines he is a political force in Pennsylvania. He issued his "interview" from the wilds of Pike county.

The Royal Hungarian minister for education requests all teachers to pay special attention in the coming term to the respect and honor due to our enemies that no hatred or contempt should enter the minds of the children against the brave men with whom their fathers are in deadly combat; and that hate or contempt is not to be cultivated in the youthful minds.

Philadelphian Public Ledger: Since the European nations after the war is over will have to get along with each other somehow, it would seem to be the part of wisdom to shut down on the extreme "doctrine of hate" so sinisterly developed by Germany. Consequently when one of the combatants repudiates the hate idea it is a very encouraging sign, and those who know their Europe will not be surprised to learn that Hungary has set a very better example to its sister States of the central powers through the issuance of the following order:

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The New York Sun: If Ben Franklin's spirit is animating his statue in Park Row yesterday, his two hundred and tenth birthday, what words of counsel, admonition and rebuke he would have addressed to the statesman who spends their time in futile talk under the shadow of his dimpled bronze toes!



From the Philadelphia Evening Ledger.

Politics in Pennsylvania By the Ex-Committeeman

Anti-liquor advocates throughout the State, represented by 101 members of the board of trustees of the Pennsylvania Anti-Saloon League, in Philadelphia yesterday renewed pledges of hostility to the saloon at their annual meeting. At the final session resolutions were adopted commending Governor Brumbaugh's local option fight and the movement to carry the national battle against liquor to the floor of Congress.

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Grip, or influenza, is a germ disease. The organism which causes it is one of the smallest known, but it has been isolated, stained and studied under a microscope. It will live only about thirty-six hours outside the human body, but it is very easily and rapidly communicated wherever there are people in crowds.

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OUR DAILY LAUGH

Look at the boob talking to the car fare, read his thoughts. Oh, well! He's only been married a few months.

Ab, how we long for gentle spring And yearn to go a-Maying, But just as like as anything We'll all of us go sleighing.

COMING BACK By Wing Ding: Consternation reigned in squirreldom. Six or seven weeks ago. And the squirrels all got together To discuss things con and pro; For with living coasts terrific Trouble stared them in the eye With the Ford Peace Party sailing— Cutting down their food supply.

Squirrels, they say, by tens of thousands Starved to death for lack of food And each day, it seemed, the question Of the eats more trouble brewed. But it's different now, they're hopeful, And in joy their lips they smack With the news of the coming back That the party's coming back.

"Every time the baby looks into my face he smiles," said Mr. Meekins. "Well," answered his wife, "it may not be exactly polite, but it shows he has a sense of humor."—Pacific Unitarian. "Can you get a recommendation from your former husband?" "Can I? He knows that if I marry again, the alimony he is paying me will stop."—Life.

WATCH YOUR SNEEZE By Frederic J. Haskin

KEEP out of crowds, keep out of doors, quit kissing, and watch your sneeze! Grip is abroad in the land and its agile germs are probably even now moving toward you. Starting in Philadelphia, the disease has spread all over Pennsylvania, completely subjugated New York and made its appearance in Washington, while scattered cases are cropping up all over the country.

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THE STATE FROM DAY TO DAY

Fireman Evans, of the Johnstown Engine Company, No. 1, whose aliases include names as "Tidy," "Goat," etc., has discovered a new method of shaving which he respectfully submits to his suffering brethren in this county as having been tried by a heavy bearded First you lather your face nicely, then you wait until there is a fire alarm on a freezing cold night, which fire you of course attend. On your return all you have to do is to break the whiskers off with your fingers, like icicles.

From Johnstown likewise comes this story of the "boy bandit" who braved the icy waters of the Conemaugh River in an effort to escape the police who were on his trail. Attempt was being made to return him to the Huntingdon Reformatory. His brief plunge into the river was not to his liking, so he took the officer's advice and gave himself up.

Poor old "Butch" McDevitt—the Wilkes-Barre man who made himself famous as the "millionaire for a day"—has been having a great deal of trouble finding his ideal. He has been searching for a wife down in Atlantic City, but somehow or other none seem to suit him. Perhaps Atlantic City is the winter time is not the most prolific place in the world when it comes to a matter of finding one's soul mate.

"Kick the saloon back into hell where it belongs," the evangelist spoke in thunder tones as the artillery of his oratory mowed down the ramparts of liquor traffic with one broadside of invectives after another. —And so on. No, not the sequel to "Ten Nights in a Barroom"—merely a reportorial visualization of the atmospheric conditions which existed at the time of Evangelist Biederwolf's sermon on "The Whisky Jug," in Allentown a few days ago.

"I ain't fair, we'll quit," thought the two-man-power police force of Portland, Pa., when Council decided that the high cost of running the town must be decreased. The police force's salary secured the most logical place to begin, and now Portland is without police protection.

EDITORIAL COMMENT

United we stand for a whole lot—Columbia State. Women who prefer dogs to children are, however, not so rare that they realize.—Salina Journal.

Looks as if England realizes that if she avoids a draft she will lose her grip.—Philadelphia North American.

California may supply the raw materials for baked beans, but Boston has all the glory.—Wall Street Journal.

Kings will be fortunate in becoming sick of war before the common people become sick of kings.—Washington Post.

It's not the headaches, we take it, the prohibitionist who wants to abolish so much as the heartaches. Columbia State.

At any rate, Henry Ford managed to get some peace by quitting that scrappy party he was with.—Des Moines Register and Leader.

Besides the things which make him person non grata, what are the duties of a military attache to a foreign embassy.—Kansas City Star.

The United States is to make a new protest over the sinking of the Japanese liner, well as long as the supply of ships holds out, we ought to be able to furnish notes.—Philadelphia North American.

THE SEARCHLIGHT A NEW DIVING SUIT

An apparatus by which the diver becomes independent of the air-cables, which connect him with a pump on shore or in a boat, has been patented by a German inventor. He provides a bag of air which the diver carries on his back, thus insuring an oxygen supply. The stilling carbonic acid gas which is thrown off in process of breathing is taken care of by certain chemicals. These chemicals absorb the gas, probably transforming it into a carbonate and so the limited air-supply is purified.

A simplified form of this apparatus is being tested in the German navy for the benefit of submarine crews in case of accident. The simplified suit is built without a diving helmet, and is so compact that it can be carried in a pocket. Should it become necessary for the men to leave their craft and make for the surface, the air reservoirs in the suits are inflated and the crew can be drawn up without hurry, safety in comparative comfort.

Evening Chat

Some farmers appear to have taken up the offer of Secretary of Agriculture Charles E. Patton to make analytical tests of their fertilizer upon payment of a laborator's fee and have asked when it is to begin. For years there was complaint about the time sold for farm use and the adoption of the system to carry out the act of the last Legislature has been closely followed up. Already some men have written to the Capitol building in Harrisburg and have sent the lime to be looked over by the chemists.

Comparatively few members of the Paxton Fire Company have ever served as members of the city police force but it has ever been that organization's traditional boast that the South Harrisburg firemen have always made up in quality what may have lacked quantity. The passage of Mayor Meals' ordinance conferring the honor of fireman upon the fire drivers and chauffeurs of the various companies, however, gives the "Paxties" a couple of special policemen. True, they serve only as emergency men at fires, however they are looked upon as policemen. And the whole company is proud of 'em. Particularly is this true of Harry Herzog. "Handsome" Harry has long been his familiar cognomen. Now Harry there is no better fireman in the city; the records show that. As a policeman his fellow firemen think he should shine with equal brilliancy. And, lest there be those who forget, Harry's new job, the members of the company have provided him with a "badge." It is meant to water down the firemen's glistening metal, and was cut from a point to tip of the "star" measures only nine inches.

Followers of the war news, in reading the dispatches telling of Montenegro's conquest by Austria, recall a prediction made by M. Stephen Panaretov, Bulgarian minister to the United States, in an interview with the Telegraph just a year ago to-day. While attending the Bulgarian celebration of Epiphany at Steleton last year, Panaretov was asked to venture a prediction as to the ultimate result of the war, which at that time had not involved the Balkans to any great extent.

Smiling ironically the statesman replied: "The best prediction that I could make reminds me of an old Turkish adage. Translated freely that means, 'The horses around the donkeys will suffer.'"

Did you ever try to figure out how reports about accidents and other happenings travel over the city so quickly? No matter how true the story may be or how much it may lack foundation, every body feels it his or her duty to tell it to someone else.

The other day a joker entered a local book store and told a story about rescuing a young girl from Independence Island. He gave names, times and places, and the story was believed. No one considered that the river was full of ice and it was impossible to get to the island in a boat. But it was less than one hour that tale was told and every second the city telephones were busy inquiring about the young woman. It reached the ears of a local reporter and he, too, "fell for it." He looked up at the home of the alleged rescuer of the young girl for a statement. The joker laughed the matter off, saying he wanted to "see how far a rumor would go."

WHEN WAR IS OVER [Kansas City Times.]

John Sharp Williams, of Mississippi, in his speech before the Senate today, gave expression to the thought that has been in the minds of military men since the European war assumed such a proportion. Europe's stock of disbanding armies.

Senator Williams points out that it will be no easy task for the belligerent nations to disarm the millions of men in service. In the United States, generally speaking, they will have nothing to go back to. Their occupations will be gone. Industry will be paralyzed, the homes of millions destroyed or ruined.

Every man who has witnessed the European situation has been disturbed with the same thought. Every one of them has seen the millions of men, the notion that they will be too exhausted to fight. They will be better prepared to fight than they will be prepared for peace.

And what of the warring nations will be bankrupt and not able to fight is not held by a military man of Europe or of America. An unfortunate, Senator Williams is confirmed in his opinion of the big war problem by America's own experience. The country was in serious danger from its own army after the Revolutionary war. The same danger of the federal army in the Civil War was accomplished without serious results, because the country of the soldiers had not been touched by war. And what of it was one of the most tremendous results of the great conflict, from the world's viewpoint, that the disarmament was effected without trouble.

INTERVENTION? [New York Sun.]

It is one month and seven days since President Wilson said to Congress, referring to the Mexican situation, "We will aid and defend Mexico, but we will not coerce her."

The smoldering fire of intervention came from the same rhetorical pigeonhole as "Too proud to fight." It is the President's fondness for the official utterance of these unofficially conceived sentiments that has brought the country to its present state of intense exasperation. He speaks too readily and too glibly.

"The people of the United States do not want to fight," but they are not too proud to fight. On proper occasion they would go forth to fight, immensely and righteously proud of their action. The people of the United States desire to aid and defend Mexico, but they will intervene with armed force to coerce her if that step becomes necessary to stop the murder of American citizens, in the absence of disposition or power on the part of recognized government in Mexico to perform its duty to civilization and our flag.

Stop-Look-Think

This is an advertising paraphrase on that old railroad sign: Stop—Look—Listen. The railroad sign stands for "safety first." So does the paraphrase on the back of your newspaper. Stop when you pick up your newspaper—today—for examining and look through the advertising pages. Think. Do they offer something better than you are accustomed to use? Do they offer lower prices? Do they tell you of advantages you are not getting? Investigate! Reason it out for yourself. But use the advertising for the preliminary guide.