

SHAW LAMBASTS AMERICANS

Sarcastic Irish Playwright Calls Us a Nation of Villagers.

Our Political Imbecility, He Avers, Is Becoming More and More Apparent.

Not Even England, He Claims, Fully Appreciates the Stupendous Denseness of Our Ignorance.

In the current number of Everybody's Magazine George Bernard Shaw, the most widely discussed of modern British dramatists, takes a fall out of his American cousins that is nothing if not brutal in its outspokenness and startling in its accusations.

"The trusts," he says, "have suddenly shown the world the political imbecility of the American nation. That imbecility has been concealed for a whole century from Europe and is still concealed from America itself by the personal braininess and hustle of the American man of business.

"But now that the social evolution of the United States has reached the point at which selfishness becomes a nuisance and all Americans must reform and enrich America and enable America to reform and enrich the world before they can reform or enrich themselves, their childish incapacity for any such task is becoming more and more apparent.

"We see America unequal to the occasion. The trusts have beaten it hollow.

"This is not surprising, for America has never been successful in politics. It was made independent largely in spite of its own teeth by the declaration of sentiments which it did not share, and principles which it barely grasped the narrow end of.

"The famous constitution survives only because whenever any corner of it gets into the way of the accumulating dollar it is pettishly knocked off and thrown away.

"An unfortunate president struggling to get things looked at from the point of view of the conservative interest of the United States finds himself appreciated solely as the hero of a dime novel."

"Even England," continues Mr. Shaw, "does not fully realize the stupendous denseness of the Americans' ignorance of their own country, the childishness, which enables them to remain simple New England villagers in the complicated hustle of New York and Chicago.

"What are we Europeans to do with such a people? How are we to govern them? How are we to establish the anti-Monroe doctrine, now clearly necessary to the world's welfare, that all Americans must be entirely disfranchised and declared incapable of public employment or office, and their country taken over, regulated and governed by us?"

"Such a measure would, of course, not apply to the negroes, who are reported a comparatively well-mannered race.

"Therefore, I advise Mr. Roosevelt to come across the water and live in some comparatively civilized country where he can tell his countrymen what is good for them without being lynched or deposed and put in prison by a Pinkerton army. His fit successor—whose appointment should be made permanent by a constitutional amendment—is Anthony Comstock. Mr. Comstock is the villager of villagers; he is America's epitome."

PYTHIANS ARE TO CONGREGATE

Lodges of Brown and Redwood Counties to Meet in Convention at Sleepy Eye.

The Sleepy Eye Herald is authority for the statement that a convention of Pythian Knights for the counties of Brown and Redwood will be held at Sleepy Eye on Monday, December 9th. Lodge members from New Ulm, Sleepy Eye, Springfield, Redwood Falls and Lambertton will be in attendance and prominent among the speakers will be the head officers of the grand lodge, including Grand Chancellor Young of Duluth, Grand Vice Chancellor Ward of Fairmont and Grand Keeper of the Records and Seal Wheaton of Minneapolis.

Editor Mahler of the Springfield Advance had business at the court house Monday.

The average man who asks a girl for her hand little realizes how soon he may be under her thumb.—Fairmont Sentinel.

THEY MUST EAT, AND WE SELL EVERYTHING.



—Callahan in St. Paul Pioneer Press.

DEATH OF FORT RIDGELY PIONEER

Wife of One of the Earliest Settlers of the State Passes Away at Winona.

Mrs. B. H. Randall, wife of one of the most prominent of Minnesota's territorial pioneers, died at her home in Winona last week of heart failure. Mrs. Randall was born in Philadelphia in 1829 and came with her parents to Illinois when a mere child. In 1854 she was married to Maj. Randall who at that time was sutler and postmaster of old Fort Ridgely, a score of miles west of what afterwards became the site of New Ulm. Mr. Randall brought his bride with him to the frontier and it was not until after the memorable siege of 1862 that either of them left the post. In fact they did not take up their residence in St. Peter until the fort was abandoned in 1868.

Eight children were born to Mrs. Randall and among these were Frank L. Randall, now superintendent of the St. Cloud reformatory, Dr. B. M. Randall of Graceville and Richard A. Randall, a practicing attorney at Winona. These three, together with Harry who died, at one time all lived in New Ulm.

It was scarcely necessary for Mr. Rockefeller to deny the story that he had a fortune invested in government bonds. Mr. Rockefeller can do better than two per cent with his hard-earned savings.—Chicago Tribune.

If any man has done evil, if any corporation is sinning against the laws, let him or it be punished under the law. But put an end to wholesale denunciation and wholesale proscription destructive of all credit and repugnant to all sense of justice as well as hostile to every business interest. It is time for the whole country to sober down and think out the problems before it.—James J. Hill in a speech at Kansas City.

RAILROAD WRECK AT SLEEPY EYE

Combination Car Splintered and Two Men Badly Injured.

As Conductor Tom Hughes' passenger train pulled into Sleepy Eye from the east Friday morning, the yard engine, in charge of Engineer Woskie, backed into it from a sidetrack and struck the combination baggage car and smoker with such force that the baggage end of it was completely demolished.

Two men, moreover, were seriously injured.

Charles Lutzholz, the expressman, sustained a fracture of the left arm above the elbow, a bad gash in the back and a cut on the end of his nose. It is also thought that he may have had his collar bone fractured.

Harry Mudeking, the brakeman, was injured in the chest. Both men live in Mankato and were taken there on the next train for treatment.

Mrs. George Backer of Sleepy Eye has been the guest the past few days of her mother, Mrs. Koehler.

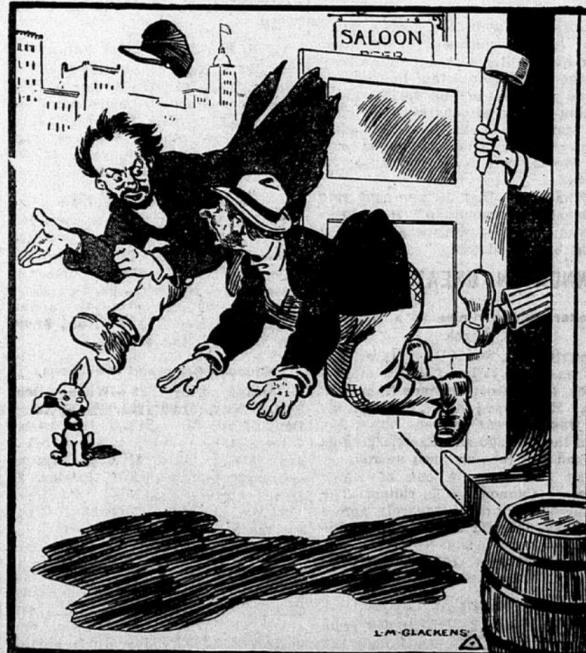
Mrs. Hillmer arrived here from Winona yesterday to visit with her daughter, Mrs. Adolph Meile.

Dr. Strickler, N. Henningsen, H. N. Somsen, John Schaefer and perhaps other New Ulm automobile enthusiasts will attend the auto show in Chicago next week.

August Kiesling, who is over ninety years of age and who for several months has been a helpless invalid, is, at this writing, hovering between life and death. It is not expected that he can live out the week.

Theodore Johnson and Miss Martha Krueger will be married at the Catholic church tomorrow morning. Both of the contracting parties are New Ulmites and will continue to live here after their marriage. The Review wishes them much joy.

SMALL INVESTORS.



L.M. GLACKENS.

"Ain't it a shame de way Roosevelt has destroyed credit an' confidence?" From Puck, Copyright, 1907, by Permission.

CANNERIES HAVE HARD PICKING

Not Near as Many Operating This Year as There Were a Year Ago.

From a report just issued by the state dairy and food commission it is apparent that the operation of canneries in Minnesota has not been a howling success.

Last year twenty-three canneries were known to exist in the state. All that the department can find this year is fifteen, a falling off of ten.

And with the decrease in the number of canneries has also come a marked decrease in the output of canned goods. For example, in 1906 as many as 6,392,100 cans of farm products were placed on the market. This year the output is only 4,821,450.

Of corn only 2,988,550 were turned out in 1907 as compared with 5,455,000 in 1906. A slight increase is reported in the output of string beans and peas.

Miss Edna Vinson of Buffalo, North Dakota, is a guest at the home of her cousin, Major Buschers.

Mr. Sellner, after spending several weeks in the local hospital, will return to his home in Lafayette today.

Among Monday's business visitors the Review reporter noted Jesse Palmer of Sleepy Eye, County Attorney Owens of Walnut Grove and Postmaster Rasmussen of Evan.

The invalid daughter of Mrs. Lena Neumann was brought home from St. Paul on Saturday. The treatment given her by Dr. Gillette has considerably improved her condition.

Grebe and Emmerich will send a crew of men to Laurens, Iowa, to put a hot water heating plant into the residence of Wm. Woodbeck, the well-known ditching machine proprietor.

The Woman's Literary Club met with Mrs. H. L. Beecher yesterday afternoon. Carlyle was the author who furnished the text for the session and papers bearing upon the great essayist and his works were read as follows: "Biographical Sketch," Mrs. Meier; "Critical and Miscellaneous Essays," Mrs. Bell; "Sartor Rasartus," Mrs. Alwin; "French Revolution," Mrs. Beecher; "Heroes and Hero Worship," Mrs. Mihleis; "Latter Day Pamphlets," Miss Hoffmann; "Letters of Cromwell," Mrs. Meier. For the next meeting Mrs. F. H. Behnke will be the hostess.

Three Sleepy Eye boys were on the football team of the North Dakota School of Agriculture this year—Eakins, Cutting and Jacobsen. Eakins was captain of the team and of the work of the other two the Fargo Forum says: "Jacobsen was probably the star man of the line. His tackle play was good enough to place him on any team in the country. Cutting at half was the greatest ground gainer on the team. He had the most speed, knew more football and could run well in a broken field or could dodge through the line with equal skill. He played secondary defense all season and seemed to know by divination where the ball was going. His tackling was superb."

TARGET SCORES.

The scores made by the members of Company A on the indoor rifle range Wednesday evening were as follows: Capt. Pfaender, 23 out of a possible 25; Lt. Hubbard, 21; Lt. Groebner, 23; Sergt. Major Juni, 21; Sergt. Fast, 19; Sergt. Klaus, 21; Sergt. Schmidt, 19; Sergt. Schleuder, 20; Corporal Grussendorf, 24; Corporal Pfeiffer, 22; Corporal Dengler, 21; Corporal Kohn, 22; Private Stadick, 22; Private Boesch, 15; Private Meierding, 20; Private Burk, 12; Private Victor Neumann, 22; Private Lindmeier, 22; Private Engelbert, 20; Private Goede, 19; Private Trautmueller, 30; Private Herbert Grussendorf, 20; Private Clarence Grussendorf, 20; Private Kretsch, 19; Private Schroek, 14; Private Jahnke, 20.

On Thursday evening there was a competitive shoot between a company team under Capt. Pfaender and one under Lt. Hubbard, the former winning with a total score of 463 to 436. The individual scores of Capt. Pfaender's team were:

Capt. Pfaender, 70; Lt. Groebner, 69; Sergt. Klaus, 68; Sergt. Schleuder, 61; Corporal Kohn, 62; Private Engelbert, 67; Private Victor Neumann, 66.

Lt. Hubbard's team stacked up as follows:

Lt. Hubbard, 63; Sergt. Major Juni, 69; Corporal Dengler, 64; Corporal Pfeiffer, 63; Private Stadick, 65; Private Kretsch, 61; Private Goblirsch, 51.

Mrs. Geo. Marti was a St. Paul visitor the forepart of the week.

The net increase in railroad mileage in Minnesota for the year ending June 30 was 85.97.

Mrs. Chas. Crone and Mrs. Otto Schell will give a whist party at the home of the former next Wednesday afternoon.

Herman Nagel is expected home from Texas the latter part of the week. Mr. Nagel has been looking up the land situation in the Rio Grande country.

The Gugler Electric Co. of Minneapolis have just installed a 55 kilowatt dynamo and a new switchboard in the plant of the Eagle Mill Co.

Grebe & Emmerich have secured the contract for supplying the residence of Martii, Schnobrich in Cottonwood with a hot water heating plant.

The public should not fail to be liberal in its patronage of the gymnastic exhibition at the Turner Theatre tomorrow night. The children will be at their best and Prof. Hein promises an excellent program.

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