

Ink Sling.

—Every day finds the person who talks too much getting into more trouble.

—Tom Lawson's Fourth of July speech in Kansas will likely be up to the Standard.

—Be careful to get exactly the right shade when you start in to paint things red on the Fourth.

—Why they are actually sending ballot box stuffers to prison in Philadelphia, surely the millennium approacheth.

—With divorces and murders on the increase like they are in this country it will soon be as foolish to marry as it will be to live.

—With a snowfall in Hazelton on Tuesday was it any wonder we were all feeling like getting out our sealskin underwear around here.

—JEFFRIES or CORBETT or FITZSIMMONS might be called in to help Russia and Japan settle. They all have reputations for wind engagements.

—LOOMIS has been sent to meet the remains of PAUL JONES and poor old PAUL, being the most interested, is yet not in a position to do any kicking.

—The fellow who thinks it funny to put a dynamite cracker under your chair or fire a Roman candle plump into you will be in evidence next Tuesday.

—Stocks have had a decided upward tendency during the past few days. The bulls are evidently enticing the lambs in about the moment when they change into bears.

—The greatest victory reform could win in Pennsylvania would be chasing Mr. PLUMMER back into a hole in Blair county; if one small enough can be found there to fit him.

—Now that Dr. HELPRECHT has been properly white-washed Mayor WEAVER might enlist his services in digging into the ancient and dishonorable corruption in Philadelphia.

—Now that we have an additional policeman won't you please try, Mr. Burgess, to break up the crowd of foul mouthed boys who make a rendezvous of the trunk house of the P. R. R. station in this place every night between the hours of nine and twelve.

—When you are walking past the ice cream signs these evenings with your best girl it might help a little if you were to tell her about the hundred people who came near dying at Warren, Pa., on Tuesday, because they ate ice cream that was full of ptomaine poisoning.

—While many questioned president GEORGE F. BAER'S "divine trusteeship" of the coal fields of Pennsylvania they will agree that his trusteeship of the Reading railroad interests has been all right. On Monday, for the first time in thirty years, the stock of that corporation touched par.

—The Michigan girl of thirty-five who is to marry a man of ninety-eight will find herself a great grandmother of six different families. It is often that people marry ready-made families, but for a girl of thirty-five to place herself in the great grandmother class must have taken a love that her ancient spouse ought to feel very proud of.

—Newport's smart women are very much engrossed just now in a gown war. There is a fight royal among the assembly folks of that swell resort as to which woman will have the distinction of parading the finest summer wardrobe. The outcome of the war is, of course, undecided, but if mother EVE were alive she might give some of these people a pointer or two on the kind of a gown she wore.

—Grafting first came into practice as a means of improving varieties of fruit. In the first stages it had to do only with fruit trees. Then along come QUAY and accomplished the marvelous feat of grafting a man onto a plum tree and since that day grafting has been growing so steadily popular that in many places they are really compelled to place men in prisons in order to keep the work from being overdone.

—While the speech of Mr. HENRY C. NILES to the Pennsylvania Bar association, in convention at Bedford, on Tuesday, may have been a most drastic arraignment of the corruption of the Pennsylvania Legislature and the perniciousness of many of the laws emanating therefrom, it is not at all probable that it will divert any of the Republicans who listened to it from going right on supporting the machine that makes their state ticket for them each fall—and, after all ballots, not words, count.

—The resignation of chief engineer WALLACE of the Panama canal commission is likely to lift the lid on another lot of scandals that will stirle contended and disinterested America for a day, then all will blow over, as has been the case with so many notorious ones that have come to light during the preceding years of the ROOSEVELT administration. At the rate the canal has been progressing up to this time it is estimated that it will take one hundred years to complete it and cost ten times as much as the \$250,000,000 estimate originally. Oh! It is glorious to be doing things; but it is just as glorious to think that if it is to take a hundred years to do the job none of us will be around when the big bill's are to be paid.

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The Philadelphia Revolution

Revolutions are always swift. There was hardly a perceptible period of time from the moment when Louis XVI was the most insolent monarch in Europe until France had passed through the "Reign of Terror," and the Republic to the Empire of Napoleon. But no revolution that we recall moved as swiftly as that which has completely overwhelmed the Republican machine of Philadelphia. At first we hoped but couldn't believe. It seemed too good to be true. It was almost inconceivable that an organization so completely entrenched that it could use the police and the courts to promote vice and crime could be overturned in so brief a period. But the facts are obvious. The DURHAM which was a recognized Republican machine is destroyed absolutely and forever.

Of course in this we assume that the people of Philadelphia, having asserted their power, are going to make reasonable efforts to maintain it. There are traitors among them ready to betray. There are conspicuous business men and social stars who have been sharing the loot obtained by the machine's crimes and like JOSEPH G. DARTINGTON and the twenty hypocrites associated with him, they are all ready to surrender. But happily they are vastly in the minority now and if the decent citizens are true and vigilant there will never be a time when the same machine can again exercise the vast power which was its. We don't say that corrupt government will never be restored. On the contrary, we believe it will, for power breeds corruption. But not during the period of the life of those who made and control the machine.

This result is gratifying because it implies something more than the rescue of Philadelphia from the control of the hoodlums. It will probably result in the rescue of the state government though in that work the progress will be slower. But the mills of the gods grind exceeding fine and the elimination of fraudulent votes in the elections of the next couple of years will make a vast change in the results. Instead of the overwhelming machine majority of the last Legislature the next session will show an anti-machine, if not an actually Democratic majority and the resignation of Senator PENROSE from the public life which he has disgraced. That party will probably make good nominations for a couple of years, but they won't be able to fool the public in that way. For any other office than Supreme Judge the Democrats could win this year.

Boodling in Pennsylvania.

In sentencing five hoodlums on Saturday last Judge WILLIAM A. MARR, of Schuylkill county, said: "The system of grafting and boodling has permeated the entire State and is bringing disgrace and contumely upon our Commonwealth and it must be broken up. I wish it distinctly understood now, 'be continued, that from the highest to the lowest official I will visit punishment on all who are found guilty before me of crimes of this character and the higher the official the greater will be his punishment." Thereupon he sentenced each of the five men who had confessed to extorting money from the friends of school teachers for appointments to the service, to one year in jail and a fine of \$100 and costs.

Judge MARR has simply given utterance to a fact which must be known to all intelligent and observing citizens of the State. Not long ago such things were rare in Pennsylvania and when a man was suspected of such practices he was shunned by all decent citizens. But it is not so now. In every community the hoodlums hold up their heads among the influential citizens and scarcely take the trouble to conceal their operations. It is no longer a cause for ostracism for the most conspicuous business and professional men sell their influence for money and official favor, is almost invariably obtained by bribery and corruption. It is the rule rather than the exception now and the brazen hoodlums who practice such crimes appear to be proud of their achievements.

There is a cause for this deterioration in the moral tone of public sentiment and it is not difficult to discern. It is the natural fruit and logical result of the late Senator QUAY'S vicious dominance in the public life of the State. For years he had been teaching both by example and precept the gospel of graft until he had finally become his death so completely permeated the atmosphere with venality that we are no longer surprised when a new crime is exposed and a hitherto unexpected public official is caught "with the goods on him." This graft is simply QUAYISM. The late Senator was responsible for the most of it and was himself the most daring and successful criminal of the lot. Yes a corrupt Legislature has provided for a monument to his virtues.

At a meeting of the Merchants association, in the court house, Wednesday evening, the committee on by-laws made its report which was adopted. The association now has about thirty members on its roll.

Penrose and Penypacker.

Harrisburg dispatches published in the morning papers of Tuesday indicate strained relations between the Governor and Senator PENROSE. The Senator ran up to Harrisburg on Monday, the story goes, to see His Excellency. There has never been any deep-seated affection between these Republican statesmen, we have reason to believe. It will be remembered that soon after PENNYPACKER entered upon the duties of his office PENROSE and DURHAM visited him with the view of giving him a tip or two concerning appointments. But though they notified the Governor of their coming, by wire, he wasn't at home on their arrival. He had gone to WETZEL'S swamp to hunt bugs and they were obliged to wait his leisurely return.

That was humiliating, of course, and it was said that PENROSE for some time entertained thoughts of resentment. But QUAY reconciled the differences, assured the Governor that his colleague was all right and since their relations have been of the most friendly sort. In fact it is confidently asserted that on every proper occasion since the Senator has expressed a strong preference for PENNYPACKER for Justice of the Supreme court. Of course there are those who say that the Senator was influenced by a desire to get some one else into the Governor's office but that is necessarily only a matter of conjecture and we prefer to believe that the Senator was sincere and really admired the Governor.

But there is no chance for such an opinion now. The interview on Monday was distinctly unsatisfactory to Senator PENROSE and that means, if it means anything, a parting of the ways for those who have interests in common. When DURHAM visited Harrisburg last week there was no lack of cordiality. The Governor summoned Attorney General CARSON and the three indulged in a happy reunion which terminated in a luncheon at the Executive mansion. No such compliment was bestowed on PENROSE, however. He got the marble heart and the chilly hand. But there may be a reason for the difference. DURHAM has been practically convicted of grafting and therein resembles QUAY, while PENROSE has no such distinction.

How About Plummer.

The machine managers are freely discussing a proposition to withdraw the Philadelphia ticket nominated a few days before the recent "outbreak" in that city and substituting candidates likely to be in better repute among the decent voters. Their candidate for sheriff was president of Select council when the gas steal was put through and voted for it. Their candidate for coroner is a police magistrate who has been a creature of the machine and their nominees for commissioner kept SAM SALTER in office notwithstanding his villainous record. The managers feel that all those men will be defeated and hope to avert that by withdrawing them and substituting others.

That is all right as far as it goes, but how about the Republican candidate for State Treasurer, Hon. J. LEE PLUMMER, of Blair county? No man on the Philadelphia ticket was as obedient to the machine as PLUMMER. No man connected with the machine was as impudently indifferent to the interests of the Appropriations committee of which he was chairman during the last session and reported whatever bills were endorsed by the bosses in the Boes street mansion. Representative HAYS, of Butler county, publicly accused him of betraying the people in order to serve the purposes of the bosses.

Mr. PLUMMER, as member of the Legislature, voted for every iniquity which the machine proposed or favored. He was one of the most earnest advocates of the Pahl bill and an enthusiastic supporter of the EHRHARDT bills, all introduced and passed for the purpose of promoting vice and protecting crime. He supported the "rip per" and every pinch bill and squeeze bill that was considered. He was in at the start and present at the finish of every legislative infamy during the session. What's the use, therefore, in asking RANSLEY, LUKENS, WILDMORE and BLACK to withdraw if PLUMMER is to be allowed to remain on. It is not likely that one will choke on a goat who can swallow a camel.

According to the Philadelphia Ledger Philadelphiaers are very much "set up" over Dr. W. W. Andrews, of that place, having the honor "inferred" upon him of delivering the commencement address at the Williamsport Dickinson Seminary, two weeks ago. Will Sister Williams please explain how much greater the honor is to have it "inferred" than when it is just plainly "conferred" upon one of her pupils. Next Tuesday will be the glorious Fourth. Are you going to celebrate the day with the Undines at Hecla park or are you going out to Snow Shoe to attend the big union picnic at the opening of the new driving park? At either place you will find plenty doing and lots of amusement.

Greater Pittsburg Bill.

We sincerely regret the unconstitutionality of the Greater Pittsburg bill. There were so many reasons for the result which that measure contemplated that its failure will be a great disappointment. For example the government of Allegheny City is rotten and Controller JOHN B. LARKIN, of Pittsburg, would probably have stopped the graft. The councils of Pittsburg are scarcely less venal and the added number of councilmen might possibly exercise an improving influence on the legislation of the cities. Finally the decision must of necessity invalidate most of the legislation for Philadelphia during the last third of a century. It was the only city of the first class and became legislation for cities of the first class necessarily referred to a particular city it must have been special legislation according to the decision.

But there is still a graver reason for regretting that the Supreme court has declared the law invalid. It implies a want of legal knowledge and understanding on the part of Governor PENNYPACKER which absolutely unfits him for a seat on the Supreme bench and as certainly destroys his judicial reputation acquired by service on the Philadelphia Common Pleas bench. We have always believed that legal learning was entirely unnecessary for service on the bench of Philadelphia. Ability to shield criminals and promote crime is all that has been required in the past. But something else is essential to acceptable service on the Supreme bench and this proof of the absence of that something from the mental equipment of Governor PENNYPACKER is therefore fatal to his ambitions. We can't have a numskull on the bench of the court of last resort.

If it could be said that PENNYPACKER carelessly approved this particular piece of machine legislation, the consequence of it with respect to his qualifications for judicial service might be overlooked. But no such excuse can be offered. The bill was scrutinized with the greatest care and as the Governor is under sworn obligation to "support obey and defend" the constitution it is impossible to imagine that he would approve an unconstitutional bill knowingly. His approval is, therefore, evidence that he didn't know it was unconstitutional, or to state the matter more clearly, that he is not learned in the law and has no understanding of ethical questions. Moreover, if the approval of this measure had been the first evidence of his lack of qualifications it wouldn't be so bad. But he has signed so many unconstitutional bills that there is no escape from the conviction that he lacks legal knowledge.

Roosevelt's Hypocrisy.

If there were anything necessary to prove the insincerity of ROOSEVELT as an official and his hypocrisy as a man, his recent action in relation to Assistant Secretary of State LOOMIS supplies it. Previous to obtaining his present position Loomis was United States Minister to Venezuela where he was in the habit of buying up claims against the poverty-stricken government and then threatening to turn the guns of a warship on the capital if the claims were not promptly paid. For this dishonest and despicable practice Secretary TAFT severely censured him only a few weeks ago and the President approved the action.

But in a dispute between Mr. LOOMIS and his successor in office at Caracas, Minister BOWEN, it transpired that BOWEN had exposed some of LOOMIS' irregularities and thus brought a scandal on the administration. The investigation of the case proved the contrary of the information. Among other charges it was alleged that while Minister Loomis had acted as attorney for the Asphalt trust in a claim against the Venezuelan government and received \$10,000 for his services, and the cancelled check was shown as evidence in the matter, but BOWEN was dismissed and denounced as disloyal to the government while LOOMIS the criminal has been showered with honors in reward of his ingenuity.

For example, since the facts in this Venezuela case have been exposed LOOMIS has been appointed Ambassador Extraordinary to France to attend the ceremonies incident to the delivery of the remains of JOHN PAUL JONES to the American fleet sent there to receive them and, as if that was not enough, he has been appointed Ambassador Extraordinary to visit all parts of Europe and inspect the American consulates there and report if any improvements are needed or can be made. This is a rare honor to bestow on a convicted crook and one which no honest public official would confer on him. Birds of a feather flock together.

The staff of the DuBois Morning Journal is having a strenuous time of it. About two weeks ago one of the reporters was whipped by one of the Clearfield county commissioners; last week three actors met the editor-in-chief on one of the main streets of the town and gave him a severe beating and, this week, the paper has been used for criminal libel.

Trying to Perpetuate the Machine.

From the New York World. To the twenty-one respectable gentlemen of the Union League Club of Philadelphia who are seeking to inject partisan politics into the reform movement Mayor Weaver has administered a well-deserved rebuke. "It makes no difference," he says, "what person, what parties or what organizations fall as the result of their participation in municipal wrongs and crimes of the past. Let them fall. I will consider no politics until this work is done."

Those twenty-one gentlemen, eminent as merchants, manufacturers, bankers and lawyers, have no authority to speak in the club's name, but are eager to trade upon it. They are fairly representative of Philadelphia's most influential club and of those social and business classes which have helped to make Philadelphia "corrupt" and keep it "contented." They have worshipped so long at the shrine of Quay that the Republican Machine in Philadelphia is to them a sacred institution.

These respectable gentlemen are not so much shocked by the legal proofs that Boss Durham and his pals have been stuffing their pockets with the city money as they are alarmed lest the Republican Machine—the Durham gang—may suffer! Do they lead Mayor Weaver their support? Not a bit of it. They make a public appeal to the Republican City Committee—a committee numbering in its list Durham, McNichol, Caven, Morrow, Koll, Costello and other gangsters—to save "the honor, glory and prosperity of the country" by taking down four weak Republican candidates for municipal officers and substituting four others.

Only Protecting His Friends.

From the New York Evening Post. So far as Mr. Morton is concerned the President not only vouches for his moral blamelessness but also professes him inexperienced advice as to how to conduct his new life insurance business. Mr. Roosevelt reassures his own fall confidence in the man who testified under oath in 1901, in another case before the interstate commerce commission: "Yes, sir; it was an illegal contract. It was illegal when we made it, and we knew it." Similarly Mr. Roosevelt pays no attention whatever to the outrageous case of the fake Hutchinson & Arkansas railroad company owned by Paul Morton's brothers, Joy and May, with whom Paul Morton made a favorable traffic agreement as if it were a bona fide railroad, although it possessed neither locomotive nor car. These cases were not, of course, under investigation by Messrs. Judson and Harmon. That they were not considered or touched upon by Mr. Roosevelt in putting the seal of his high approval upon Mr. Morton shows that he was indeed a "misplaced switch" somewhere.

The "Why" of Them.

From the Uniontown Gems of Liberty. One can readily see now, in the light of developments of the doings of the G. O. P. racials in Philadelphia, just why that gang passed the Salus-Grady libel law, and tried to pass also the Goehring retraction law. It was a bold effort to muzzle the press for the exact purpose of heading off the printing of such exposures as are now taking place. But how it failed! The law was passed, with the aid of the Governor, but it was wholly fruitless. The Governor took it upon himself to write at the time a needless and malignant official document belaboring the iniquitous press. Suppose he should compare this iniquitous press now with the gang of rogues whose membership reaches into the personality of his own cabinet. Will his honor put out now an exhibit relating to the operations of the Penrose-Durham-McNichol-Martin combination of pirates in his own city of Philadelphia? How big a man is the Governor? We shall see. That is, we who do not know shall see. But most persons know how.

Another Change in Leadership.

From the Baltimore Sun. The disclosures of corruption in Philadelphia have impelled President Roosevelt, it is said, to recognize Senator Knox as the leader of the Republican party in Pennsylvania. Since the death of Senator Quay the leadership has been assumed by Senator Penrose. This statesman, it appears, is to be put aside because of his relation with the Machine. Pennsylvania politicians and office-seekers must now have their credentials signed by Mr. Knox, otherwise they will have no standing in court.

This is Different.

From the Springfield Republican. It is being noted that President Roosevelt has not recognized the independence of Norway as quickly as he did that of Panama. A fortnight has passed and Norway is not recognized yet. It took some 24 hours to set Panama on its legs as an independent State. We shall see how differently our government interprets international law in the case of Norway.

God Bless the Girl who Works.

"God bless the girl who works" says a contemporary. "She is brave and true and noble. She is not too proud to earn her own living or ashamed to be caught in her daily task. She smiles at you from behind the counter or desk or printer's case. There is a memory of her sewed on each silent gown. She is like a brave mountaineer already far up the precipice—climbing, struggling and rejoicing. The sight of her should be an inspiration to us all. It is an honor to know this girl and be worthy of her esteem. Lift your hat to her, young man, as she passes by. Her hands may be stained by dishwashing or sweeping, factory grease or printer's ink, but it is an honest hand and helping hand. It saves misfortunes from home; it supports an invalid loved one, maybe; it is the loving, potent shield that protects many a family from the almshouse. We know several such noble working girls. All honor to the brave toilers. God bless and protect the girl who works."

Spawls from the Keystone.

—Dr. W. P. Eveland has declined to accept the presidency of the Williamsport Dickinson Seminary.

—Over five million bushels of coal were shipped from Pittsburg to New Orleans, last Friday, being the largest shipment of any June day made from the Smoky city south.

—J. Champ Brown, well-known among horsemen of the State died at 11.15 a. m. Saturday, at his home, 419 Louisa street, Williamsport, after an illness of acute gastritis since June 2nd.

—Gov. Pennypacker has appointed ex-Judge Watson Rowe, of Chambersburg, judge of the Franklin county courts to succeed Judge John Stewart, appointed to a seat on the Supreme court bench.

—One day last week lightning struck the house of Mrs. J. E. Frazier, at Bedford, lighting a lamp that was on the third floor but which had not been used for some time. The house was only slightly damaged.

—The commissioners of Northumberland county have offered a reward of \$4,000 for the arrest and conviction of the murderer of Michael Wanzie, of Natalie, who was shot down by an unknown assassin on Tuesday afternoon last.

—Mrs. Clara McBride, wife of James McBride, an engineer at the pipe mill at Columbia, Pa., has received notification that she has fallen heir to a fourth interest in an estate valued at \$4,000,000 left by her uncle, Jacob Heighler, of California.

—William Thomas, proprietor of the Exchange hotel at Kersy, Elk county, was stung by a swarm of bees and the effect of the poison on his system may prove fatal. His condition is extremely critical, and his body is swollen to an abnormal size.

—The photograph of the girl of whom Charles Nagle thought enough to carry her likeness about in his pocket has led to the arrest of that young man and his boon companion, William Hickey, of Johnstown, on charges of larceny and receiving stolen goods.

—John Hutton, a young miner of Minesville, went to work Saturday morning the father of two girls. When he returned that evening the number had suddenly increased to five, his wife having given birth to triplets. Hutton is a veteran of the Spanish war.

—Rev. J. K. Numan, of Ruville, Pa., and Rev. A. Smith, of Fleming, Pa., were in Tyrone last week and concluded all arrangements for holding the annual camp-meeting of the Free Methodists, DuBois district, Oil City conference, at Reservoir park, Tyrone, beginning July 23rd and closing August 6th.

—Ellwood Garman, a brother of ex-State chairman John M. Garman, who was convicted of murder in the first degree for killing William A. Murray, last December, committed suicide in the Juniata county jail, at Millintown, Sunday night, by drinking carbolic acid. How he got the stuff is a mystery.

—Three hemlock trees recently cut for John E. DuBois on Hicks run, Clearfield county, furnished 6 logs apiece or 18 logs in all, measuring 12,600 feet of lumber. The trees grew within 10 feet of each other and the tallest was 102 feet to the top end of the top log, the other two measuring 96 and 92 feet respectively.

—John Y. Woods, a life long resident of Greensburg, a prominent member of the Westmoreland bar and one of the best known democratic politicians of that county, was hurried to death by the New York and Chicago limited on the Pennsylvania railroad tracks just west of Greensburg passenger station, at 8.15 o'clock Saturday morning. He was 61 years of age.

—Adam Laubauch, aged 77 years, a pioneer merchant of Siegfried, a small village near Allentown, and postmaster of that town since 1853 died Monday from injuries sustained a few days ago when his horses ran away, the wagon passing over him. His son, Adam D. Laubauch, is president of the Cement National bank, and was recently treasurer of Northampton county.

—At Altoona on Saturday George Long, a car inspector, was going through a passenger train when he discovered a seedy looking overcoat hanging over a seat, and, supposing it had been purposely discarded by the owner threw it out of the window. Later he recovered the garment and turned it into the station master's office. A few hours afterwards E. L. Spidel, of Lilly, called up the station master's office and inquired for the coat, describing it by saying that in an inside pocket would be found eight \$10 bills and one \$20, one hundred dollars in all. The money was found, the coat turned over to the owner, who left \$2 for Long, who found it.

—There will be no general headquarters erected at any of the brigade encampments of the National Guard this summer. Governor Pennypacker and party, including the inspecting officers, mustering officers and Major General Miller and staff, will inspect the First brigade at Perkasie July 13th and leave that night for Mount Gretna to inspect and muster the Third brigade the following day. They will go to Erie the night of July 19th, and will inspect the Second brigade between noon of July 20th and the evening of the 21st. The camp equipage for the troops is now being prepared at the State arsenal for shipment to the camp grounds.

—Mrs. Mary Burnett, who resides at Industry, near Beaver this State and who tips the scales at 200 pounds, was walking on the Cleveland & Pittsburg railroad tracks on Saturday, carrying a pail of water and humming a tuneless ditty, when the Cleveland express approached at a speed of 30 miles an hour. So engrossed was she that she didn't hear the train at her back. The engineer whistled a shrill alarm, jammed on the air brakes and then started the train. The pilot of the locomotive struck Mrs. Burnett amidstships and threw her in the air. She turned a complete somersault and alighted on her feet. She gave one look of anger at the engineer and then started back to the spring to get another pail of water, for every blessed drop of it had been spilled. The train stopped so quickly that the cars "buckled" against the locomotive, and it was half an hour before the train was able to proceed.