

Ink Blots.

Senator KNOX says "things look good" to him. The Senator is not from Missouri.

The hand that rocks the cradle is by no means the same one that rocks the boat.

Our entire naval fleet is to be transferred to the Pacific, but only for pacific purposes.

The prophets who got so gay about "the cool summer of 1907" are in the ice box at last.

The fellows who are so anxious to get into war with Japan ought to be delegated to do the fighting.

Booze seems to be gradually crowding the fire cracker out as a proper method of celebrating the Fourth.

The railroads of the country consume eighty-four million ties annually, yet we wonder where our forests are going to.

The most hopeful sign we have seen hung out for Democratic success in 1908 is TOM LAWSON'S prediction that if ROOSEVELT runs for a third term he will get forty per cent. of the Democratic vote.

It is said that gold can be beaten so thin that one ounce of it will cover a space one hundred and forty-six feet square. It is not likely that many people will try the experiment to prove this statement.

With all the bad streaks San Francisco has been showing within the past year it must be acknowledged that she does put her bad citizens in jail and keep them there, when the degree of their badness is once established.

Mayor REYBURN, of Philadelphia, by the appointment of Senator GRADY as director of docks and ferries, in that city, has just given the people of Philadelphia another illustration of the fact that spasmotic voting for reform will not bring real reform.

"Take it from me, there's nothing to it" says fighting BOB EVANS of the American navy, concerning the war scare with Japan. We will take it from BOB but if war really should come the Japs will have to take it from BOB too, and take it good and hard.

The haste with which all the Standard oil fellows got to Chicago for their trial might be construed as a reflection on the seriousness of Chicago justice; especially since everybody remembers how persistently they evaded service that would have put them in the scales of Missouri justice only about a year ago.

What fools men can be is illustrated in the fate of CHESTER B. RUNYAN, the New York bank clerk who tried to get away with \$96,000 of the bank's cash. Already he is in a felon's cell and a life that had much promise and possibly more of an honest fortune than the sum he tried to steal has been wrecked.

The visit of one of the state factory inspectors to Bellefonte this week has resulted in orders that fire escapes be placed on fifteen buildings in this town; some of them so ridiculously unnecessary that it looks as though the law were designed more to swell the business of fire escape manufacturers than anything else.

The fact that railroad contractors in this country excavate twice as many cubic yards of rock and dirt in a day, with the same class of diggers, as is being done on the Panama canal isn't surprising at all. The one is a government job, the other corporation; yet TEDDY can't see that he ought to set his own house in order before he gets the "big stick" after others.

The action of council in voting to accept the PRUNER orphanage in the face of the wishes to the contrary of the majority of the taxpayers of the town was as commendable as the act of the Barges in vetoing the resolution was commendable. Councilmen are elected by the people to represent the people and not their personal fanatics, petty jealousies or spite.

Joe President FAIRBANKS is reported as having dashed from the hotel veranda and rescued a lady from drowning in Yellowstone lake on Tuesday. There is no doubt of this story's having been arranged for presidential advertising purposes for the hotel is too far from the lake for even a pair of legs as long as the Vice President's to over the distance in time to save anyone who has fallen in. KNOX will have to get some one to steal his diamonds now.

If the Pennsylvania Railroad company has actually begun a crusade against the giggling girls and "maaser" boys who crowd its station platform in this place upon the arrival of the afternoon and evening trains it has undertaken a service to the traveling public, as well as Bellefonte citizens, that will be greatly appreciated. The practice has grown to such proportions that travelers get to and from the cars only with the greatest difficulty and should be broken up effectually.

Col. HAYES GRIER, of Columbia, has fallen under the ban of the North American's unwarranted abuse because as a valiant old soldier he has called on his comrades to vote against SHEATZ for State Treasurer because of the part he played in defeating the soldier's pension bill. Col. GRIER'S war record is better than anything the North American can produce and his call to his comrades will certainly bear more weight than the villifying answer of a journal guided more by expediency than honest convictions.

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Mr. Sheatz and the Pension Bill.

The mercenary and mendacious Philadelphia North American made a scurrilous attack on Mr. W. HAYES GRIER, editor of the Columbia Independent, the other day, because he has exercised his right to urge associates in the late war of the Rebellion to vote against the Republican candidate for State Treasurer at the coming election.

Mr. GRIER, as the mercenary North American states, was a member of the Fifth Pennsylvania Reserves during the Civil War and enjoys an enviable record as a soldier. He is a Democrat and may have made mistakes of the head. But he has not made the old Republican bosses happy anything near as frequently as our mendacious contemporary and its mercenary editor has achieved that result.

Mr. GRIER, we infer from the statement of the North American, has sent postal cards to a number of veterans whom he has addressed as "comrades," and upon which he has subscribed himself as "fraternally," adding his present title of "Secretary of the Fifth Reserve association." We assume that nobody will question Mr. GRIER'S right to address veterans of the Civil War as "comrades."

What Mr. GRIER said that has so deeply and needlessly incensed this mercenary representative of yellow journalism is substantially that the House Committee on Appropriations, of which Mr. JOHN V. SHEATZ was chairman, increased the appropriations for pensions for soldiers of the Civil War to an aggregate beyond the revenue resources of the State to meet. The bill as it passed the Senate appropriated \$1,000,000 which the House Committee increased to \$5,754,375.

On the other hand the paper referred to states that "it would have been easy for Mr. Sheatz and his colleagues to have passed along a bob-tailed measure without providing funds for the pensions," and adds that "SHEATZ was urged by some of the gangsters to do it, as that would leave it so defective as to make an executive veto almost certain."

Concerning Mr. Pennypacker.

Is there no escape from the cant of PENNYPACKER? On the Fourth of July this year, as usual, he delivered an address extolling patriotism and advising the people to be good. "Patriotism," he said, "is the spirit of self-abnegation for it takes the subordination of self-interest and sentiment to achieve any good purpose."

The Declaration of Independence needed no extraneous influences to vitalize or immortalize it. Before a musket had been offered to support it, it had convulsed the spirit of liberty in France almost as promptly and quite as effectively as it stirred the patriotism of the American colonies.

It was hardly to be expected that Mr. PENNYPACKER would understand the significance of the Declaration of Independence. A man who estimates QUAY as the equal of CLAY and WEBSTER and is willing and anxious to canonize vice by erecting a monument to the memory of a man who would probably have died in the penitentiary if he hadn't pleaded the statute of limitation to escape just punishment for the crime, is not likely to feel the impulsion of that immortal instrument evolved.

It was the consensus of opinion among the leading Democrats that legal learning is almost as requisite as probity and courage in the impending battle for civic righteousness in Pennsylvania. JOHN G. HARMAN is splendidly gifted in all these respects. He is high in mental and moral equipment. No lawyer of his age is his superior in learning and ability.

President ROOSEVELT'S latest absurd enterprise may cost the country an expensive war but it is necessary to the fulfillment of his political ambitions. In other words, the proposed movement of the entire naval force from the Atlantic to the Pacific may provoke a declaration of war from Japan.

There is no possible excuse for the naval enterprise contemplated and practically certain to be fulfilled. Some irresponsible jingoes in Japan may have spoken indirectly. But they could have exercised no influence on the governing power of the empire if they had not been assisted by the governing power in this country.

Wicked War Talk.

From the Pittsburgh Sun. Possibly the fact that the two most progressive nations of the world are Japan and the United States is the reason for the unanimous efforts of the other nations of the world, backed by the foolish, wicked, empty-headed jingoes of our own and the milked's realms to provoke a war between us.

There is no doubt that in a rush Japan could effect considerable loss and damage on the United States. But there is just as much doubt that in the end Japan would be smothered by our superior resources.

For a generation John D. Rockefeller has been held up before the youth of the land by a certain type of moralists as a high and noble example of the man of wonderful resources, embodying a profound knowledge of affairs, a thorough grasp of details, a matchless skill in handling men and an unequalled capacity for work.

According to current reports, JOHN E. STOTT, secretary of the Board of Public Grounds and Buildings, is to be dropped out of the public life of this State. STOTT has been known for years as the "handy man" of the QUAY-PENROSE machine.

Washington is now reported to be moving against some more of the trusts, the big tobacco trust being the head now offered to the block. This is very well, but we regret that the people would be better pleased to see some effective movement to put in jail the rascals who have been already uncovered than to find the government marauding on to catch other bands of plunderers.

On Wednesday R. E. Taylor received a new Kelley ten ton steam road roller and is now in shape to go right ahead with the building of the new state road between Bellefonte and Milesburg, work on which was commenced this week.

Who Told The Truth.

From the Lancaster Intelligencer. Washington is now reported to be moving against some more of the trusts, the big tobacco trust being the head now offered to the block. This is very well, but we regret that the people would be better pleased to see some effective movement to put in jail the rascals who have been already uncovered than to find the government marauding on to catch other bands of plunderers.

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Spawns from the Keystone.

Bloomsburg banks announce that they will pay 3 per cent interest on time deposits.

Hail in York county on Sunday did considerable damage to corn and other crops. Before the storm the temperature was 93 degrees in the shade.

A big gas gusher has just been tapped on the Addison Whisner farm, five miles from Clarion, which is spouting gas at the rate of 2,000,000 cubic feet a day.

The government has acquired 390 acres of land for National park purposes at Gettysburg. The land is adjacent to Reynolds' grove, in part of the first day's fight.

Although in the heat of midsummer, the city of Chester has several citizens who are looking so far into the future as to mention their candidacy for mayor next February.

The residence of William Irwin, in DuBois, was entered by thieves recently and robbed of \$30 and the contents of a child's bank. The silverware was not disturbed.

The largest number of empty coal barges ever moored along the Pittsburgh wharves was to be seen on Sunday, when over 300, representing a cost of \$250,000, were clustered there.

Extremely heavy rains have caused the cellar of the \$300,000 court house in Pottsville to sink three feet in some places. It is feared the court house has been undermined for coal and may collapse.

Great damage was done to tobacco, corn and other crops in the eastern part of Lancaster county, on Sunday, by a cloud burst which flooded every stream, deluged lowlands and washed the soil away on sloping fields.

Bids for the new \$100,000 Pine Street Methodist church in Williamsport have been opened and tabulated, and the contract will likely be awarded in a few days. Work will be pushed as rapidly as possible after the contract is let.

Beginning Monday an increase of twenty-five per cent, was made in the wages of employees of the Macbeth-Evans Glass company, of Pottsville. The advance restores the wages to what they had been prior to January 1st, 1907.

While Mrs. George Berk, of Yoe, York county, was shutting her young chickens into coops on Saturday evening a large hawk attacked her and badly lacerated her face with its beak and claws. It is feared she will lose the sight of one eye.

On Saturday Harry Correll, a motorman, aged 28 years, was suddenly stricken blind as he placed his hands on the power handle, to start a West Penn street car at Fifth avenue and Locust street, McKeesport. His sudden blindness is a mystery.

The waving of a red table cover by the wind in the parlor of the Jefferson hotel, Phoenixville, on Saturday so enraged a bill that was passing by that he rushed through the open door and overthrew the table and chairs and threw the guests into a panic.

While Mrs. Henry Horn, of York, was plucking roses a few days ago for a friend, she jagged the index finger of her hand with a thorn. The injury was very painful, and later the hand began swelling, blood poisoning developed and on Tuesday she died in great agony.

The commissioners of Indiana county have accepted the bid of the A. D. Orner Architectural and Wood Working company, of DuBois, for the erection of the new county poor home, on the Allison farm near Indiana town. The Orner bid was \$121,800, being the lowest of eight propositions made by as many contractors.

During the month of June there were 144 marriage licenses issued at the probate office in Hollidaysburg, surpassing all previous records. The eldest June bride this year was 57 the youngest 16. The majority of them were in their twenties. Thus far this year the probate office has issued 507 marriage licenses.

While Miss Florence Metherill, of Bloomsburg, was riding on a merry-go-round, Saturday, William Strauser threw a small water snake at her to frighten her. She was frightened so badly that she fell from the machine and landed on her head. Several physicians worked over her for several hours before restoring her to consciousness.

Last Thursday evening Peter Griffin, of Lock Haven, a member of the police force of that city, dropped dead in the corridor of the jail there. The cause of death was heart disease, probably brought on by over-exercising. He had made an arrest for drunkenness and had considerable trouble in getting his prisoner to the jail. Mr. Griffin was 50 years old and unmarried.

While Mrs. Horace Stiger, of Mill Hall, Clinton county, was cooking dinner one day last week, a package of sulphur, which had been lying on the shelf back of the stove, fell down and caught fire. She picked the burning paper up with the intention of throwing it into the fire when the stuff exploded and she was terribly burned about the head and face. Her condition is regarded as serious.

Mrs. Anna McCloy, the mother of Mrs. A. G. Saxman, of Latrobe, is 93 years of age, and last Monday morning had a remarkable experience. She got out of bed and was making her way to the bath room when she lost her balance and fell down a flight of twenty stairs. The noise of the fall awakened Mr. Saxman, who went on a tour of investigation as to the cause and found the aged lady at the bottom of the steps. She had sustained no serious injuries, not even a bone being broken.

George E. Riley, the Wilkesbarre fish and game warden, charged with catching 130 trout under legal size, and sentenced to spend 1300 days in jail, must serve his sentence. Riley was arrested several weeks ago by members of the State Constabulary on the charge of having sold to the Merchants' Club, of Wilkesbarre, 130 trout under legal size. He was given a hearing before Alderman Pollock, who fined him \$10 for each fish, making a total of \$1300. Riley refused to pay the same, and then the alderman sentenced him to serve 1300 days in the county jail, one day for each dollar fine. Riley took an appeal from the alderman's judgment and on this appeal, the argument was held before Judge Fortis who dismissed the appeal, affirming the judgment of the alderman and directed that Riley must serve the sentence imposed by the alderman.