

The dog days ended on Sunday. Justice MUNSON would sound very nice indeed.

Remember to get registered if you want to vote.

The "lid" at Atlantic City is a plain case of "on again, off again HARRIGAN."

Why should the standing army be increased? To increase our taxes, to be sure.

Mr. HARRIMAN is still well enough to take a few of them over during his convalescence.

Seein' as how it has been in the collar before the sensation is not novel to the Bellefonte baseball club.

WALTER WELMANS' expeditions to the North pole consist chiefly of starting. Then coming back to start over again.

Mr. HARRIMAN evidently had another slight attack of the "pipp" yesterday and Union Pacific was so sympathetic that it is getting alarmingly weak.

The Wilkesbarre Judge who refused a woman a divorce from her fourth husband must have considered the rights of the other eligible ladies of that community.

When the return of prosperity is marked by such slaughter of men as was made at Schoenville on Monday it looks as if the prosperity is only for the undertaker.

That Russian colonel who is in New York looking for work wouldn't do as a baseball umpire. It requires brave men to administer the national game these days.

CANNON'S reply to FOWLER is characteristic. And, sad to say, it will probably be an action characteristic of the Republican organization that will retain CANNON in power.

"Eat hard food if you wish to keep the teeth clean and preserve them" says Dr. GEORGE CUNNINGHAM. We have heard of people biting on a nail for other purposes, also.

So Mr. JEROME would like to succeed himself as District Attorney of New York. But he doesn't succeed at that any better than he has in making good some of his promises he won't succeed himself.

Now Dr. WILEY doesn't want marriage licenses given to girls who don't know how to cook. How cruel of the doctor to want to deprive love's young dream of the cook book stage of matrimony.

Mr. HARRIMAN is home again; thinner and weaker. He is still strong enough to stir up a few gallons of water with a paper railroad and make values that the public seem to scramble after as if they were government bonds.

The new definition for life which is "Just one damn thing after another" is so trite, that it seems to express to the fullest the existence of humanity in these strenuous days of baseball games, picnics, bridge parties and ice cream cones.

It looks like the simple life for Alabama. Her Governor has signed the Prohibition code which prevents the sale or distribution of liquors in that State, the use of screens in the window, electric bells, dumb waiters or other such machinery.

The popularity of C. LA RUE MUNSON, our candidate for Supreme Court Justice, was nicely demonstrated at Williamsport Wednesday when a splendid demonstration was made by his friends and neighbors in honor of his formal notification of nomination.

The flying machines at Reims, France, are certainly flying. When they make eighty-three miles in a little less than three hours without killing a soul it begins to look as if, after all, the air ships will be a less fatal toy than the automobile.

The Johnstown Democrat most pertinently asks the Connellsville Courier why: "If a tariff makes prosperity why doesn't it keep prosperity with us all the time?" We fancy the Courier will have trouble answering that question unless it admits that the tariff is not the alpha and omega of prosperity.

While there is probably no doubt of the truth of Mr. FOWLER's scathing attack on Speaker CANNON it looks very much to the public as if it had come too late. Possibly if Mr. FOWLER had said some of the things he now says about the Speaker, while Congress was in session, it might have stiffened up some of the others who slunk to cover at the last minute.

Let us say to the Look Haven press right here that Bellefonte isn't appropriating any special glory to herself because her team plays clean baseball and is in the sport for sport's sake. That is the spirit of all Bellefonte's athletic undertakings and that is as it should be. Bellefonte is in the game as long as it represents the clean wholesome spirit of pure out-door sport, but if it is to deteriorate into "shoe-string" and "tin-horn" methods then she will support it no longer. There is no reason why the Central Pennsylvania League should not live to afford much pleasant amusement to the towns represented, but its permanency depends entirely upon the methods resorted to by the various teams and their followers and so far as Bellefonte is concerned we can say that she would rather cheer a losing team in a clean contest than encourage any other kind of baseball.

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The Republican Tax Policy.

Hon. A. MITCHELL PALMER, Representative in Congress for the Twenty-sixth district of this State, pointed out some of the "jokers" in the new tariff bill, in a speech at the county meeting of the Lehigh county Democrats, the other day.

Of course this is in pursuance of the policy of the Republican party to discourage home building. Every material which enters into the construction of a house has been increased in the tax rate.

The Republican party requires a citizenship of paupers. Take an individual pauper as the measure. He is necessarily servile and obedient. His life depends upon his servility to those who provide him with food, shelter and clothing.

Our Candidates Notified. The Democratic campaign in Pennsylvania has been most auspiciously opened. The notification meeting held at Williamsport on Wednesday was in every respect a success.

The speech of Mr. C. LA RUE MUNSON, nominee for justice of the Supreme court was the feature of the meeting. The generous hospitality of the people of Williamsport bestowed upon those in attendance challenged attention and was thoroughly appreciated, of course.

The campaign thus auspiciously begun ought to be continued with zeal and energy until the end and we have no doubt it will be. It is a crucial period for the people of Pennsylvania. The Supreme court will be called upon in the near future to pass upon some of the iniquitous legislation of recent years and the learning, courage and integrity of Mr. MUNSON will serve the public interests.

Facts About Personal Registration.

Residents of cities of the 1st, 2nd and 3rd classes must personally register or they cannot vote at all. There is no way by which they can get upon the Registry only by personal application on the following dates:

In cities of the 1st and 2nd classes—Philadelphia, Pittsburg, and Scranton—if they have no tax receipts they must register on the 2nd of September, or lose their votes. If they have a tax receipt, for tax paid

within two years, they can register on the 2nd or 14th of September or on the 2nd day of October.

In cities of the 3rd class—which means all other cities within the State—if they have no tax receipts they must register on August 31st. If they have a tax receipt dated within two years they can register either on the 31st of August or the 14th of September or the 16th of October.

Senator Dewalt's Inside Information.

Senator DEWALT, chairman of the Democratic State committee, predicates hopes of Democratic victory at the coming election on "inside information" to the effect that "in both Philadelphia and Allegheny the straits that they are willing to sell out the Republican State ticket to save their local tickets. In Philadelphia," Chairman DEWALT continued, "the machine would sell out everything, even the rest of the local ticket, to save the District Attorneyship."

With respect to the latter proposition, why the invidious distinction? In his speech on Pennsylvania day, at the Seattle Exposition, Mr. HENSEL, of Lancaster, also absolved Governor STUART from blame for the iniquities of his party, and we are at a loss for a reason. The Governor is not blind, or deaf. He sees and hears what is going on about him and enters no protest.

What Senator DEWALT says of the Republican machines in Philadelphia and Pittsburg is literally true and out of the resultant confusion it will be a crime to fail of a complete Democratic victory not only for the State but for the local tickets in both counties. The anxiety of the Republican machine to elect its candidate for District Attorney in Philadelphia is attributable to the fact that the election of the reform candidate will send members of the machine managers to the penitentiary.

Taft's Corporation Tax.

Judge ALTON B. PARKER, whose keen mind interprets with singular accuracy, expects little ultimate good from the corporation tax feature of the ALDRICH-PAYNE law. Judge PARKER appreciates the value of publicity as a medium of correcting corporate abuses and concurs in the proposition that corporations ought to pay a just share of the burdens of government.

Under the authority of the act creating the bureau of corporations Mr. COZZEY first ascertained the secrets of certain insurance and other corporations in New York and elsewhere, during the campaign of 1904, and then forced them to contribute to the Republican corruption fund under penalty of exposure. No highwayman ever more deliberately or culpably "held up" his victims, and yet, for the reason that the proceeds of the crime were to be used for the election of ROOSEVELT, there was neither prosecution nor punishment after the outrage had been discovered and confessed.

There are better ways than those expressed in the corporation tax feature of the ALDRICH-PAYNE bill to achieve the result which it pretends to aim for. In other words the rich corporations can be compelled to pay their share of the burdens of government without jeopardizing the lives of useful and helpful corporations that have not attained a measure of opulence. An income tax, for example, would accomplish the result with absolute certainty and would enjoy the additional advantage of being fair. One of these measures is about as inequitable as the other, but the income tax is impartial and the other is not.

The bricklayers began work on Wednesday laying brick on the wing of the Bellefonte hospital.

Reform in Schuylkill County.

As might have been expected, the ballot reform movement in Schuylkill county has degenerated into a farce. The ballot frauds of which Judge BRUMM complained so vehemently were largely perpetrated by Republican voters at the instance of the Republican machine. The purpose of those concerned in them was to nominate a Republican candidate for Sheriff who would be servile to the machine leaders and the evidence indicates that most of the election officers who violated the law were Republicans.

We are earnestly in favor of punishing the perpetrators of electoral frauds. Confidence in the integrity of the vote and returns of elections is essential to contentment with the results. But reform movements which are inspired by partisan prejudices and are conducted for partisan effect, accomplish no good and the Schuylkill county ballot reform movement is of that variety. If the Republican machine managers even imagined that corruption might be checked by their activity in the direction of reform, they would avoid it as a pestilence.

We had no faith in the sincerity of the Schuylkill county reform movement from the beginning and yet we cherished a feeble hope that it might get beyond the control of those who originated it and develop some practical good. But in the face of recent movements we are compelled to abandon that hope. The movement was begun, not to purify the politics of the county or improve the morals of the politicians. It was to exploit certain sinister political interests and the city is that it has accomplished the result.

No Decrease of the Army.

We are not surprised that President TAFT deules the report that he contemplates a decrease in the numerical strength of the army. That he would like to reduce the expenses of the government may be accepted as true. Unless something is accomplished in that direction in the near future disaster is inevitable for the revenue deficit is assuming alarming proportions and the new tariff bill promises no relief.

The Same is True in Bellefonte.

The complaint of some of Shamokin's merchants that the large mail order houses are taking away hundreds and thousands of dollars of Shamokin money every year that ought to be spent with home tradesmen is not without foundation. It is unquestionably true. It is also true that liberal and judicious advertising is the method which they employ to take the trade away from Shamokin merchants and some of those who complain the most about losing trade are the ones who are doing the least to offset the efforts of the mail order houses. Any Shamokin merchant can get out of town. Meet the prices of competitors and liberally advertise the fact that you will do so and Shamokin money will stay in Shamokin.

The Same Old Confidence Game.

From every section and nearly every trade comes a report of confidence restored, and the eager looking forward to the good times that are sure to come with the resumption of business after summer. This is the latest contribution of the Chicago Tribune (August 8th) to the newspaper chorus of prosperity flim-flam, which has broken out every month or two for the past year and a half. "Optimism," they call it. It is a "new thought" method applied to business depression. If you don't see prosperity, say you see it and the fools will think you do. You will come to think so yourself if you are one of the fools. And if you think you see something you don't see, you do see it after all, don't you? as the fanatic said to his keeper.

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The Mighty Harriman.

Edward H. Harriman—many times millionaire and manipulator of railway properties, who is suspected of "wanting the earth," and who certainly wants what many a poor man has, robust health, and the contentment that generally goes with it—Edward H. Harriman has come home from across the Atlantic reassured anxious stock speculators with confident declarations as to his own health and with equally confident reaffirmations of the cheerfulness of the business outlook.

The health of an American railroad king has come to be a matter of as vital interest on this side of the sea as the health of a crowned monarch on the other side. When a man controls so many railroads it may be said to control the life of the nation, leaving his fortune to be scattered and all his hangars-on in the dark.

Therefore it is a relief to hear that the great and only Harriman claims to have recovered health if not weight, and is just as sure as he was three months ago that we may be glad to hear it, and the other things he tells about the past and future. The conclusion of the whole matter is that we have been, are and shall be a great people, with great prospects and also great troubles; among the latter being our Harrimans.

On Fall Time.

There is weeping and wailing and gnashing of teeth in Philadelphia, because the acting director of one of the city departments has established a much-needed reform. He has insisted that the employees directly under his supervision shall work during the full time for which they are paid—no more, no less. Which means that it is of no avail for them to apply for leaves of absence for the week-end or for base-ball games, or for other special privileges to which they have hitherto deemed themselves entitled.

This is a course that will appeal strongly to the business instincts of the taxpayer. How much of the great cost of operating the municipal machinery is due to lost time through the granting of these favors might be computed. Directly, it would amount to a great deal. Indirectly, it would amount to hardly less in breeding a spirit of indifference to the public good, in destroying that conscientious devotion to duty which makes for the greatest efficiency.

Fifty thousand dollars are too much disposed to regard themselves as privileged persons, entitled to special concessions, and under no compulsion to give value received for their emolument. Political pull is largely responsible for this erroneous belief. The same standards should apply in the public service which control the organization of private business.

From the Shamokin Dispatch.

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Spawls from the Keystone.

Many Clearfield county cabbage growers have had their crops suffer this year as the result of the deprivations of the cabbage worms.

Carrolltown council decided to purchase a new steam water pump with a capacity of 10,000 gallons an hour. It will be ready by September.

Farmers near Lewistown state that last week's rains meant much to the mid-summer crop of vegetables, although they came too late to help potatoes.

Wallace Bratton Record, one of the oldest and most esteemed citizens of Clearfield county, died at his home in Graham township, at the advanced age of 97 years.

All the mines at Madera over which H. B. Swoope has charge are running to their full capacity. This is the first time all these mines have been working for fifteen months.

The DuBois iron works, even during the business depression, worked straight ahead are now increasing their market. The shops are preparing to ship a car load of engines to New Orleans.

The Indiana Gas company has transferred its holdings in the vicinity of Indians to the American Natural Gas company of Pittsburg. The consideration is thought to be about \$200,000. The new owners take possession at once.

From the coal fields comes the news that a general advance in the price of coal, both bituminous and anthracite, is expected in the next few weeks. The first increase will, it is generally thought, be in the neighborhood of 25 cents a ton.

Labor Day in Clearfield this year is going to be one of the biggest events the town has ever seen. The Odd Fellows' reunion and the business men's picnic will be the big features of the day. A fine program of sports and amusements has been prepared.

John Mitchell, former president of the United Mine Workers of America, will address the miners at Phillipsburg on September 13. The miners of that region have been on a strike for some time, and the talk will, it is thought, have direct bearing on the issue.

Miss Margaret Kauffman, a Coatsville printer, was climbing a paper cutter to get some stationery when her long hair caught in the shafting overhead. She was suspended in the air until her hair pulled out by the roots. When she fell to the floor she was unconscious.

The Shenandoah Water company sank an artesian well to the depth of 363 feet and it gushed water at the rate of 86,400 gallons daily. Now the company will sink the well to a depth of 600 feet and expects a proportionate increase in the output. This will solve all water difficulties.

The strike of the 400 workmen employed on the new Oliver building of Pittsburg is settled. The laborers quit first, demanding an increase of wages and the engineers and plumbers quit in sympathy. Both sides made concessions and as the men got their increase everything was settled in a manner satisfactory to all.

George Papaverio, a cobbler of Sheffield, was visited by a couple of men who asked him to put up his life savings of \$1,200 to their \$7,000 to invest in the shoe business. They agreed to put all the \$8,200 in a box and give the whole thing to him to keep. The box was given to him, and after they had left he found that it was empty.

Steam railroads of the state killed a total of 141 employees in the six months ending June 30, 1909, and in the same period injured 2,736 employees, as shown by a report issued by the state railroad commission. Within three months ending March 1, 74 employees were killed and 1,399 injured, while in the quarter ending June 30, 67 were killed and 1,377 injured.

The state department of public instruction has issued a pamphlet showing a list of the high schools in the State and classifying them according to their grade. The Lewisport high school is shown to be the only first-class school of this class between Harrisburg and Altoona. This school will therefore receive an appropriation of \$450. The second grade institutions receive \$37.50 annually, while the third grade receive only \$25.

Work will begin in a short time on a new federal building for Johnstown. The appropriation made by the government for the purpose of a site and the erection of the structure is \$210,000—\$50,000 of which it was thought, would be sufficient for the buying of the ground. But Johnstown property is very dear and it will cost over \$30,000 for the site alone, which prompts Congressman Reynolds to try and get an increased appropriation.

Jacob Kammerdiener has started proceedings in Kittanning to recover \$35,000 damages from Rebsburn township for the death of his bride of a few weeks. The couple were driving in a township when their horse scared at a train. It dashed down over an embankment, and in spite of all efforts made to save her the woman was drowned in the Allegheny river in which she landed. Kammerdiener says that the township is responsible for her death on account of the narrowness of the road and the fact that no guard rail protected it.

Prisoners who were discovered to be digging a tunnel at the Pittsburg penitentiary, and who at the time they were caught had eight feet excavated, are short term men and are thought to have been in the employ of certain persons imprisoned in the place on financial charges. It has been thought that the subway may also have been intended as a roadway to freedom for Boyle, the kidnaper of Willie Whittles. The diggers are in solitary confinement, and the authorities hope to get a confession from them. Outsiders are alleged to have aided in the attempt.

J. T. L. Haire, a prominent socialist of Flemington, Clinton county, is alleged to have ordered goods through the mail from well known eastern firms and not to have paid for them. He was given a hearing on the charge of using the mails for fraudulent purposes and held in \$500 bail for appearance before the United States district court at Williamsport on the second Monday in January, 1910. The accused is said by his friends to have acted in good faith and the accusing firms are just trying to force a payment of the bills through the government, according to them.