

INK SLINGS.

The fellow who is always looking for trouble is generally the one who sees the most of it.

Many a fellow who boasts of a six-cylinder car, can also point to a four-page mortgage.

Really Col. ROOSEVELT ran for the first aid to the injured in a way that speaks volumes for his military training.

Should WOODROW WILSON be elected Governor of New Jersey there will be another presidential possibility headed toward a probability.

Illinois may take great pride in having a CANNON but the recent primaries out there make it look as if they only had a fizzled fire-cracker.

The plot thickens so rapidly that we should not be surprised if that "shorter and uglier word" should soon be called into use between the President and ex-President.

A Republican exchange blames the result in Maine on the "whiskey drinkers up there." What a universal business that must have been among Republican voters in that State.

If worst comes to the worst, President TAFT and Mr. ROOSEVELT can still submit their difficulties to arbitration. There is no need for our friends of the G. O. P. preparing for war yet.

Really we don't see any use in further talk about "raising the Maine." It's voters did that so completely and so satisfactorily on the 13th inst. that we ought all to be satisfied with the job.

As one of his close friends says, "Mr. BERRY has waited patiently to be made Governor ever since he carried the State in 1905." Sure. But his trouble seems to be that he didn't wait at the right place.

Really our Prohibition friends have no reason to complain of the way matters are going with them. Every meeting they have held thus far in the campaign has been fairly deluged in cold water.

My, oh My! Has Mr. BRYAN actually bolted the Democratic ticket in Nebraska. If it is so it is almost a cinch that another State is ready to be chalked up in the Democratic column when election day comes round.

Within the last month ninety-three Methodist ministers in one Iowa conference resigned their pastorates because of inadequate salaries. Prosperity may have found the farms out there, but it evidently hasn't made the acquaintance of the pulpits as yet.

President TAFT very probably said something to Col. ROOSEVELT about "a square deal" in that New York fight and the Col. very probably said to himself, as he was leaving the conference with President TAFT: "A square deal!" Where have I heard those words before.

No, no, Mr. TENNER; it is not because you were a ball player that you are unfit to be Governor of Pennsylvania. It is because the greatest ability you have ever displayed was as a ball player. If you had any of the requisites of a Governor it would be different, but you haven't.

A Machine exchange boasts that it is no trick to have a big Republican meeting in Pittsburgh at any time. Certainly not. All that has to be done is to march the speakers over to the Allegheny penitentiary, and they'll find a good, big audience of Pittsburgh Republicans on tap there all the time.

The Philadelphia Inquirer is moved by facts that have come to it lately, to make the following prediction:

"There are a lot of men just now who are sure of going to Congress who will be looking for small jobs next December." If our heavy hearted contemporary had only been a little more explicit and named the Republican candidates it had in mind how much disappointment it might save some of them, and how much wiser the rest of us would be.

Honestly now if a public school code is passed by the next Legislature, and in all probability it will be, do you think JOHN K. TENNER would be capable of intelligently passing on it for approval or veto? Think of such an eventuality you school directors and parents of children who go to the public schools and ask yourselves whether you are ready to vote for a man for Governor who is without the intellectual attainments necessary to properly fill the office.

The speech of Mr. CLARENCE GIBBONEY, candidate for Lieutenant Governor, at Grange Park, Centre Hall, last week was interesting but a distinct disappointment to many of his Keystone hearers. The trouble, of course, which they did not understand, was that Mr. GIBBONEY is a Philadelphia moral crusader and knows nothing whatever of what is going on in any other part of the State. He is a most admirable young man, but Mr. BONNIWELL or some one else should remind him of the fact that his candidacy for Lieutenant Governor is not being promoted very fast by his dissertations on the white slave trade and the "joints" in Philadelphia. The voters of Pennsylvania have enough troubles of their own without being exhorted to do something for a great city that up to this moment has given no evidence of wanting to do anything for itself.

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Complications in Politics.

At a meeting of the Democratic club of Philadelphia, the other evening, the question of endorsing the Democratic nominees for Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of Internal Affairs and State Treasurer, or supporting the Keystone party candidates for those offices, was taken up.

The Democratic club of Philadelphia is composed of Democrats who are opposed to the State and local organizations of their party. Most of them have pretended to believe that the State organization and the Philadelphia city committee are trading posts in which the Democrats in control of them sell the votes of the minority party at an abnormally high price to the majority.

In the first place the leaders of a minority party in Pennsylvania or anywhere else have nothing to sell that is worth even a moderate price to the majority. In Philadelphia or Pennsylvania, for example, the majority party can defeat the minority without involving itself in the hazard of bribery.

But this is not what we started out to say. What we desired to comment upon is the fact that by a vote of more than two to one the Democratic club of Philadelphia decided to support the Democratic ticket. Our highly esteemed but manifestly misguided friends, HENRY BUDD and MICKLE PAUL, spoke eloquently for the Keystone party and fulsomely eulogized the truly good man who, having failed to get the nomination of the Democratic convention is now the candidate of the other party.

But to no purpose. Former magistrate WILLIAM EISENBROWN, who has accomplished more in the interest of good government than all the bogus reformers in the Keystone party, spoke for WEBSTER GRIM, whom he knows intimately, and the club by an overwhelming majority followed his leadership.

This fact, incidentally, developed a new complication. Judge EISENBROWN was nominated at the June primaries as the candidate of the WILLIAM PENN party for State Senator in the Fourth Senate district. His speech in the Democratic club in favor of GRIM and the Democratic ticket, so incensed the Keystone and PENN party men in his district that they are demanding his withdrawal as the candidate of the party for Senate in order that they may have a chance to vote for the PENROSE candidate.

Mr. EISENBROWN is inconsistent but they fail to see that EUGENE C. BONNIWELL, who has the Democratic nomination for Congress in the Seventh district, is precisely in the same boat and that in asking EISENBROWN to withdraw they are casting an aspersion on BONNIWELL.

New Jersey Points the Way.

The nomination of WOODROW WILSON as the Democratic candidate for Governor of New Jersey is as much a sign of progress toward Democratic rehabilitation as the result of the election in Maine. In fact it is more significant for it indicates a return of the party to a full measure of political sanity.

certain sound in the nomination of WOODROW WILSON, JUDSON HARMAN and WEBSTER GRIM for Governor. New York will pursue the same course and those States will lead the Democratic rehabilitation.

The Issue in Maine.

The efforts of Republican newspapers to make the people believe that the result of the election in Maine is not a Democratic victory but a triumph of one element of the people over another on local questions, are amusing. The liquor question, they say, was the issue, and neither the tariff nor any other economic subject had anything to do with it.

The Maine campaign was conducted on strictly political lines. The Republicans justified the revision of the tariff upward, contrary to the pledges of the party platform and the promises of the President, and notwithstanding the vast increase in the cost of living in consequence of such revision. They condoned the profligacy of administration of the government which takes hundreds of millions of dollars annually from the wages of labor and bestows the money in unearned bounties to favorites of the party.

If the Democrats had elected only their candidate for Governor and Republican ascendancy had continued in the State Legislature and the Congressional delegation, there would have been some plausibility in the claim that the result is without political significance. But a Democratic Legislature was elected in order to defeat Senator HALE for re-election and two of the stand-pat Representatives in Congress were defeated in order that tariff reform men would take the place of the revision upward members who betrayed the public during the recent extra session.

As a matter of fact there never was a more "clean-cut" Democratic victory and it is likely to be repeated in many other States.

Senator Grim's Campaign Tours.

Senator GRIM's first week on the hustings was completed in Somerset county on Saturday evening with an eloquent speech at Meyersdale, the home of Hon. SAMUEL B. PHILSON, one of his colleagues on the ticket. It was, literally, a "whirlwind tour." Beginning at Greensburg, Westmoreland county, before breakfast on Tuesday morning, it ended shortly before Saturday midnight.

This week Senator GRIM has had another strenuous task to perform. On Tuesday he was at Wilkesbarre where a record-breaking meeting was held. Thence he visited Wyoming, Bradford, Lehigh, Carbon and Monroe county, where he is today and will wind up in a blaze of glory and enthusiasm at Easton, tomorrow night.

The effect of Senator GRIM's tour on the communities he visited is more important, however, than that upon himself. In this respect there is nothing more to be desired. He has been cordially received and enthusiastically encouraged. His visits in the several counties have given the people an opportunity to measure the man and estimate his worth and they have not been slow to testify their approval. He has revealed himself as a man of affairs, familiar with existing conditions and equipped in courage and intellect to offer remedies for the ills of the body politic.

Precisely Parallel Cases.

The nomination of WOODROW WILSON as the Democratic candidate for Governor of New Jersey has had a perceptible influence on the public mind in all sections of the country. Almost as much as the result of the election in Maine it has inspired confidence in the future of Democracy. It has been accepted, universally, as a sign of Democratic rejuvenation.

We refer to this not for the reason that it reflects an unusual condition in politics. On the contrary it is precisely what might have been and ought to be expected. Mr. WILSON was one of three gentlemen named for the favor of the convention. It may be added without invidiousness, that he was the fittest of the three, though one of his competitors was much more generally known among the delegates for the reason that he had been the nominee of the party for the same office on a previous occasion and proved a most popular candidate.

In the Allentown convention to nominate a Democratic candidate for Governor of Pennsylvania a precisely similar condition presented itself. There were three aspirants for the nomination and because one of them had threatened to run independent in the event of his failure to secure the favor, another withdrew, and the third was nominated. Possibly the party leaders preferred him to his remaining antagonist, who had personally solicited their support and was willing and anxious to receive their help. But there is no just reason in that for opposing the successful candidate.

Should the Republican State convention at Saratoga, New York, undertake to endorse President TAFT for re-election in 1912, it will probably result in smothering Colonel ROOSEVELT out to the point where he will at least drop an inkling of what he has in the back of his head relative to the presidential fight two years hence.

Roosevelt Appeals to Taft.

Colonel ROOSEVELT has at last appealed to TAFT to save him. During his recent western trip he scarcely mentioned the President's name. Just before starting on that tour he declared that TAFT had sold out to the machine and intimidated that the ties that bound them had been severed. But upon his return he found that TAFT was getting along fairly well without him and that he was not entirely secure without the influence of presidential patronage.

What ROOSEVELT wants of TAFT is not moral support though that is the way the Colonel puts it. The mighty hunter needs something more substantial than moral influence. He needs that subtle something used in politics which takes the place and serves the purpose of coercing or beguiling voters to action. When he was a candidate for President he asked Mr. HARRIMAN to supply it in the shape of corruption funds to be used in debauching the voters of New York city and Brooklyn.

But it takes ROOSEVELT down off the high moral pedestal from which he has been preaching political regeneration. It presents him in the aspect of begging favors from a man whom he had inferentially traduced for during his western trip he "consorted" with those who have been denouncing TAFT as a recreant. It is not usual for manly men to thus trifle with the principles of fairness. But it is characteristic of the braggart and bully. In prosperity he is arrogant and in adversity the opposite. When ROOSEVELT was flouting TAFT he imagined he was "it." Since he has obtained a more accurate measure of conditions he finds that he is only a part.

To both President TAFT and Mr. ROOSEVELT the thanks of Democrats everywhere are due. If they will only keep on fixing their fences for 1912, they will have their party licked to a frazzle long before the fight commences.

A Democratic Senate.

From the Philadelphia Record. Heavy as are the odds against it, there is more than a possibility that the Senate will be Democratic in 1911. The opportunity is afforded by the unusual number of Republican Senators whose terms will expire then; the adverse odds are the large Republican majority and the number of seats the Democrats must gain to secure control.

Indiana used to be a Democratic State, and the Republicans are now divided between the Insurgents and the Regulars. Senator Beveridge, an insurgent, is fighting for re-election, with the prospects strongly against him. Connecticut used to be a Democratic State before the divisions over silverism. The Republican party is seriously divided over the Governorship contest, and there is great opposition to Senator Bulkeley, candidate for re-election.

Ohio is nearly certain to re-elect Governor Harmon, and that will assist in getting a Democratic Legislature. We do not attach much importance to the opposition in Massachusetts to Senator Lodge, though the Bay State is not so safely Republican as Maine was supposed to be. But New Jersey, North Dakota and West Virginia are doubtful, with the chances inclining toward the Democrats. Arizona and New Mexico are Democratic, and they will reinforce what is now the minority side of the Senate.

The Improved Catechism.

To be read, inwardly digested and often repeated by all foolish little Americans. Question. Who made the world? Answer. Roosevelt. Q. Who was the first man? A. Theodore Roosevelt. Q. Who was the wisest man? A. Governor Roosevelt. Q. Who was the strongest man? A. Elephant-killer Roosevelt. Q. Who was the meekest man? A. Vice-President Roosevelt. Q. Who was the champion boxer at Harvard? A. Student Roosevelt. Q. What President couldn't tell a lie? A. President Roosevelt. Q. Who lived three days in the belly of a whale? A. Roosevelt, the Faunal Naturalist. Q. Who won the Spanish-American war? A. Rough-Rider Roosevelt. Q. Who was the Talkative man. A. Doctor Roosevelt. Q. Who wrote the letters of Junius? A. Editor Roosevelt. Q. Who killed Cock Robin? A. Teddy. Q. Who struck Billy Patterson. A. The Colonel. Q. Who Was, Is, and Always Will Be the most modest man? A. T. R.

A New Democratic Leader.

From the St. Louis Post-Dispatch. It is a good sign for Democracy when New Jersey on a sound progressive platform nominates for Governor a man with the character, capacity, attainments and principles of President Wilson, of Princeton University. Perhaps no other man in public life more thoroughly and conspicuously represents the antithesis of Rooseveltism or opposes more vigorously the unDemocratic phases of the New Nationalism.

Dr. Wilson believes in constitutional government. He believes in preserving the constitutional rights and exercising the constitutional functions of the States. He believes in a government of law. He does not believe it necessary for the control of corporations to overthrow all constitutional safeguards and set up a powerful central government with a dictator at its head. He believes that corporations as creatures of law can be controlled by law. He believes that when corporations commit crimes the men who direct them are guilty and should be punished.

Turn on the Light.

From the New York World. Every farmer that paints a house or a barn pays tribute to the Guggenheims. Every family that has a bathtub or plumbing in the house pays tribute to the Guggenheims. Every housewife that uses zinc-coated kitchen utensils pays tribute to the Guggenheims. And Simon Guggenheim, by grace of the Republicans of Colorado, sits in the United States Senate to frame tariff schedules for the family.

SPAWLS FROM THE KEYSTONE.

Six cases of small-pox are reported from Marquette, a mining town in Westmoreland county.

The county commissioners of the State have decided to hold their 1911 convention at Indiana.

Frank Walker, of Lewistown, has a second crop of strawberries, which are said to be of good size and quality.

Twenty cases of typhoid fever have been reported to the health authorities of Johnstown during the past month.

The Buffalo and Susquehanna Coal company is preparing to abandon its mines at Onondaga near Punxsutawney. The coal is poor and the company is said to have been gold bricked in the purchase.

Four cows standing under a tree during a terrific thunder storm that passed over Shaver's Creek valley were instantly killed when the tree was struck by lightning. They were owned by George Myton, of Manor Hill.

The state board of undertakers, in session at Harrisburg, recently recalled the license of Stephen F. Brady, a Johnstown undertaker. The interment of bodies without taking out permits is supposed to have been the cause of the action.

Mrs. Mary Bodine, aged 84 years, a resident of Jersey Shore, was burned to death last Wednesday night, when her clothing took fire from a lantern she had taken to go out to look for a son. Another son, who followed her, found her enveloped in flames.

There are now eleven cases of typhoid fever at Woodland, among them the two sons of Dr. Shively, the busy physician of that town who simply doesn't get a chance to go to bed like other folks during the epidemic, but sleeps as he recovers from house to house.

William P. Loomis, of Halifax, Pa., recently was elected to a vacancy in the Lock Haven High school and resigned after two days' work to accept a lucrative offer from State College. This is the second time this term an applicant for the position has resigned after having been elected.

The judges of the recent convention of freemen at Osceola have announced their decision relative to the company coming the longest distance. The prize had been awarded to Portage, but Du Bois protested. The judges decided in favor of the latter place, and the money has been paid over.

At Greensburg on Saturday a sealed verdict, was returned acquitting twenty-seven miners and one deputy sheriff on charges of rioting at a result of the miners' strike in the Irwin district. In the case of twenty-four of the miners the jury placed the costs on the prosecutor, Deputy Sheriff George Falls.

Up near Sheffield, Warren county, a well drilled into the sand Saturday by Capt. J. J. Haight, on a lease near Porkey, started off at a hundred and fifty barrel clip, and it is thought this will be increased when the well can be drilled deeper in the sand. This find is causing considerable excitement among oil men.

Robbers are plying their trade at Freidens, Somerset county. George Berkey is minus \$75, the amount of his pay check; Frank Bloom was another victim and places his loss at \$15, while John Walker, a farmer, is out a similar amount. In each case the money was taken from the room in which the relieved person slept.

The total number of deaths in Pennsylvania during the month of June was 8,549. Of these 671 were due to pneumonia, 646 to tuberculosis of the lungs, 465 to Bright's disease, 402 to cancer, 718 to diarrhoea and enteric, under 2 years, 542 to early infancy, 746 to accident or some form of violence, 123 to diphtheria, 141 to measles, 98 to whooping cough.

Coming in contact with a heavily charged feed wire, while at work at Sunbury, Pa., on Saturday evening, William A. Wise, a former student of Altoona, and a son of Edward H. Wise, who for some years was the general manager of the Citizens Light, Heat and Power company in Altoona, was instantly killed. The body has been taken to Johnstown for interment.

Anna Cole was mistaken for a burglar and perhaps fatally shot by her friend and neighbor, Charles Kindrew, early Saturday. The young woman trespassed upon the Kindrew lawn to get a drink of water from a hydrant. Kindrew, having twice heard burglars during the night, shot at the dark form. One of the bullets entered the girl's abdomen and it is doubtful if she recovers.

Attorney John G. Ogle has been appointed receiver of the Pennwood Coal company by Judge Koser, of Somerset county, on request of about fifty men. The men are foreigners, for the most part, and were formerly employed by the coal concern. The company is said to owe the men wages for work done long ago. It was organized four or five years ago and seems to have had rough sledding from the start.

John Dross, of Ramey, a few miles south of Osceola Mills, recently murdered his wife by cutting her throat with a razor, then tried to kill himself in the same manner. He severed his windpipe, but is likely to recover. The man has been taken to the Cottage hospital, Philipsburg. No reason for the tragedy is assigned, and no one witnessed the affair. Dross had been home ill for a few days. The murdered woman had been married twice and leaves four children by her first husband and one by Dross.

A number of York county ministers will be called upon to observe the oriental dancing girls and watch for gamblers at the annual county fair in York, which begins Oct. 3rd. This corps of minister-detectives will be in charge of the Rev. J. Livingston Smith. They were appointed at a recent meeting of the ministerial association, which is determined that the county fair this year be kept clean. If the pastors discover any immoral shows or games of chance while serving as sleuths, they will immediately make a report to District Attorney Sherwood or to the fair officials.

Thieves, whose extreme audacity made them successful, stole two cows from the barnyard at the Baker estate, at Baker Station, Blair county, on Saturday, and since that time the cows have disappeared as completely as if they had been swallowed up by the earth. The thieves entered the barnyard, drove the two finest cows out, closed the gate and dropped from view. A. W. Beckman, the manager of the estate, drove about the countryside for miles, after discovering the loss, but without finding a trace of the bovines. Both of them have been deborned, and would be easily identified.

While drilling for water on his property in the Eighth ward, Johnstown, on Monday, Gustave Kandler struck gas about 3 o'clock Monday afternoon. The flow was with considerable pressure and continued strong throughout the afternoon and Saturday. At midnight there was no indication of a slack in the pressure. Mr. Kandler had struck his well to a depth of about forty feet when he encountered solid rock. After setting off a blast of powder he attempted to enter the well, but soon discovered the presence of gas and barely escaped from being overcome. He carried a lighted paper into the well and the gas ignited.

Harry Heeman, a well-known character in the Clearfield region, is at last behind the bars in the Blair county jail on the charge of horse theft. On a couple of occasions, it will be remembered, he tried to play sharp with Tyrone livermen, hiring horses and either selling or turning them loose. In each instance he evaded arrest. In the interval he secured work at Mill Hill, where he fell in love with a maiden by the name of Anna Thomas. On Friday he and the Thomas girl went to Tyrone, and while he was in a hotel drinking beer Heeman was recognized, placed under arrest and in default of bail committed to jail.