

INK SLINGS.

If you are going to vote for WILSON help along a little more by getting someone else to do the same thing.

WOODROW WILSON may be brave enough, but all the same he could give many a fellow points as a runner.

The Giants ate so many beans on Tuesday it wasn't any wonder they blew up the next day and lost the series.

After the election the Bull Moose will take his place in the political history of the country as the boat-rocker of the Republican party.

Why send CHARLEY PATTON back to Congress? Better leave the seat empty and save the money, for CHARLEY certainly is a "weak sister" as a Congressman.

With the election only a little over two weeks off the tide is running stronger than ever toward WILSON. There is no doubt of his election and you surely want to be on the winning side.

Canadian reports all say the prospects for a good whalen season are excellent. They don't designate, however, whether these reports refer to the public schools or the fisheries of that country.

Whatever else may be charged as Mr. ARCHBOLD's intent in subscribing so large an amount to the ROOSEVELT campaign fund no one will allege at least that it was used as "hush" money.

Really the rest of us should never forget the forty thousand Ohio patriots who have pledged themselves to abstain from eating eggs for three weeks. Their action doubles our chances to taste one occasionally.

The kind of prosperity we are now having, and which insures every man, who wants it, employment, is certainly a good thing. But most of us would prefer the kind that would insure more eggs for breakfast.

A judge up in Massachusetts has just sentenced a bigamist to support both the women he married. If that don't give the bigamy business a black-eye within the jurisdiction of his court we doubt if there is anything else that would.

This country exported \$27,000,000 worth of automobiles during the first six months of the present year. That is going some for a country that thinks it needs a tariff wall as high as the clouds to protect its home industries.

Servia, Bulgaria, Greece and Montenegro are all at war with Turkey and, curiously enough, none of them will remember what The Hague is for until the last bullet has been shot and colonial war debts are staring them in the face.

It is now predicted that Wyoming will show a much larger Republican vote than usual at the coming election. We don't wonder. Only last week three-fourths of its convicts escaped from the penitentiary and are likely to be at the polls.

The luckiest speech ROOSEVELT ever wrote was the one he had in his breast pocket when SCHIRANK's murderous bullet struck him. It was in penetrating the thick coat and heavy manuscript in which much of the force of the bullet was spent.

Home-run BAKER of the Athletics is a Democrat, so much of a one that he sent some of his good money to the National committee to help along the WILSON cause. Here's hoping that FRANK's contribution will be the hit on which WOODROW will reach home in the White House.

The New York police system may be able to make part of the public believe that those four gunmen, under arrest for the murder of gambler ROSENTHAL, are lying when they testify that lieutenant BECKER employed them to do it, but if it succeeds in clearing BECKER that way it will still have to explain how a police lieutenant could become as rich as he is on the salary he gets.

Gov. O'NEAL and Congressman HEPBURN, of Alabama, southerners to the core, fairly charmed their fine audience in this place Tuesday night. Gentlemen, orators and logicians, they delivered a pair of political speeches the like of which are seldom heard. And they created enthusiasm, and carried conviction to the minds of the wavering without offending anyone present. We believe the meeting did much good in this community and congratulate the members of the WOODROW WILSON club for having so successfully managed it.

Why did JOHN SCHIRANK attempt to assassinate Col. ROOSEVELT in Milwaukee, Monday night? Why is Socialism growing so rapidly in this country? Why are anarchists so active and numerous? Why did twenty thousand mill workers march through the streets of Lawrence, Mass., last week, carrying banners bearing the inscription: "No God"? Ask yourself these questions, then try to answer them. The only answer you can find lies in the condition of the country. Things are not right with us, else these unmistakable signs of unrest and mania would not be on the increase. There is only one way to start a change for the better and you, as a loyal American citizen, should rally under the banner of WOODROW WILSON, the leader of the only hope we have of better things.

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Roosevelt's Temperamental Unfitness.

Colonel ROOSEVELT's recent vituperative attack upon Governor DENEEN, of Illinois, reveals, anew, his temperamental unfitness for the office to which he aspires, even if an unwritten law made sacred by the approval of WASHINGTON, did not forbid his election. In a burst of passion which would have disgraced a bar-room bully he denounced the Illinois executive as a liar, a grafter and a fraud. Mr. DENEEN has been twice elected Governor of the State in which he lives and has been nominated by his party for re-election. He is one of the seven Governors who asked ROOSEVELT to become a candidate for a third term. But for the paltry reason that he refuses to "bolt" the nominee for his party he is traduced.

In the Republican National convention Governor DENEEN was one of the managers of the ROOSEVELT candidacy. He was in the closest confidence of the third term aspirant and introduced the resolution asserting that ninety-some delegates had been stolen from ROOSEVELT by the National committee and the convention committee on credentials. But at the same primary election which selected the delegates to the National convention he was nominated as the Republican candidate for Governor. Honorably bound to allegiance to the candidate of the party for President he refused to bolt and declared that only thirty-four seats in the convention ought to have been contested and that if all of them had been decided in favor of ROOSEVELT, TAFT would have been nominated nevertheless.

This was the head and front of his offending. In the convention Senator DIXON, ROOSEVELT's campaign manager, made serious demand for less than thirty-four of the ROOSEVELT contesting delegates. With the exception of about a dozen cases all the ROOSEVELT supporters in the convention acquiesced in the findings of the committee on credentials. Governor DENEEN alleges that ROOSEVELT himself admitted that only thirty-four seats of the nearly 200 contested seats were claimed. Yet because Governor DENEEN refuses to blindly follow his fraudulent claim to the nomination, ROOSEVELT denounces him with the vehemence of a pirate. We don't believe such a man can be elected President.

Colonel ROOSEVELT has himself done a good deal toward injecting asperities into the campaign and creating bitterness among the partisans of the several candidates. He who "sows to the wind reaps the whirlwind," as is true now as when it was written and if the Colonel had been less violent in his language on the hustings the lamentable incident at Milwaukee, the other evening, might never have happened.

Another Republican Complication.

The Philadelphia Republican City committee, the other night, postponed for a week the consideration of a resolution endorsing the FLINN candidates for State Treasurer and Auditor General. The veteran chairman of the committee, Mr. DAVID S. LANE, may not be from Missouri, but he wants to know and must be shown. He is a straight-laced and orthodox Republican. He believes in regularity as firmly as he has faith in the creeds of the Apostles. He is therefore not willing to commit himself or the Republicans he represents to the support of candidates who are avowedly opposing the head of the ticket upon which their names appear as candidates.

The Bull Moose candidates for State Treasurer and Auditor General are the confessed servitors of Boss BILL FLINN. They have openly declared that they will not support the candidate of the Republican party for President. Nevertheless Senator PENROSE appears to have consented to their remaining on the Republican ticket without qualification. The Philadelphia City committee is not so easy. Under the direction of chairman LANE that body has prescribed the condition that YOUNG and POWELL must declare themselves for TAFT or else the TAFT supporters in Philadelphia will withhold their support. This looks like a fair proposition though it is ominous to POWELL and YOUNG.

In our political system the National convention is the tribunal of last resort in years in which a President is elected. The test of fidelity to the party is in the support of the candidates for President nominated by the party National convention. One not willing to do that is not in good party standing and has no right to claim the support of the rank and file of the party. Thus far Messrs POWELL and YOUNG, Republican candidates for Auditor General and State Treasurer, respectively, have not indicated their purpose to support the ticket and therefore no supporter of the ticket is morally bound to support them.

Herald's Poll Indicates Wilson's Election.

The New York Herald's third poll of the country, published last Sunday, indicates that WOODROW WILSON continues to lead by a safe margin. The poll covers thirty-one States and has been taken with much care. It shows that ROOSEVELT is second in the running but losing to both TAFT and WILSON. Of the thirty-one States canvassed WILSON leads in twenty-four, ROOSEVELT in five and TAFT two. Among the States given to ROOSEVELT, however, is Illinois and an incident which has occurred since the tabulation is likely to reverse conditions there. The small margin given to the Bull Moose candidate in Connecticut is practically certain to be wiped out before another week, moreover.

The two States conceded to TAFT in the Herald's summary are Idaho and Utah, both of which are controlled by the Mormon church and the preference is the recompense for the administration's generous favors to Senator SMOOT. Vermont is not included in the poll and it may be predicted that TAFT will have a majority there. This would increase his strength to that of three States and reduce that of ROOSEVELT to four. But so experienced a campaigner as WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN estimates that ROOSEVELT will not carry any State and we are inclined to accept his opinion on the subject. The sober, second thought is beginning to assert itself and that counts against the Bull Moose candidate.

For twenty years our New York contemporary has been making polls of the country preceding each Presidential election and though it has not always been accurate with respect to certain States it has been so nearly correct as to command the confidence of the thoughtful public. For that reason its estimates this year will be very generally accepted and justly so. We predict that in its table of next Sunday Illinois will be transferred from the ROOSEVELT to the WILSON column and if similar changes are not shown in other States we shall be greatly surprised. In any event the certain victory indicated for WILSON should inspire every Democrat in Pennsylvania to increased energy and effort.

Without polling the insane asylums it may be said that the crazy folk are doing ROOSEVELT a great deal of good. One lunatic stampeded the New York Bull Moose convention and nominated a candidate for Governor who doubled the strength of his party in that State and another, by an attempt at assassination, has changed a mild current of sympathy into a deluge.

An Attempt to Kill Roosevelt.

Nothing could be more regrettable than the incident in Milwaukee on Monday evening in which an attempt was made to assassinate Colonel ROOSEVELT. That the perpetrator of this crime against law and order is a maniac, scarcely mitigates the turpitude involved. It certainly fails to justify the laxity of police vigilance which makes such things possible in any American city. Crazy men ought not to be allowed to roam around with murderous weapons concealed upon their persons. If they can not be restrained it is at least possible to disarm them. With out instruments to kill, in the event that a homicidal impulse takes possession of their inflamed brains, they would be comparatively harmless.

Of course no sane man will undertake to manufacture political capital out of this lamentable episode. The perpetrator of the crime was not a Democrat. From documents upon his person it has been learned that he ascribed to ROOSEVELT responsibility for the murder of President MCKINLEY. From an utterance which followed the event it may be implied that he believed the aspiration of ROOSEVELT for a third term is treasonable. There is nothing to indicate that he preferred the election of either of the other candidates. He had simply developed a maniacal antipathy to ROOSEVELT and felt it his duty to kill him. It was a monstrous thought, the horrible fignment of a diseased brain.

We are a nation of hero-worshippers, however, and sympathy takes strange courses when emotions are stirred. Under these circumstances there may be persons among the followers of the Bull Moose candidate who will try to pervert this source of genuine sorrow into a flood of partisan advantage. It would be despicable, beyond question, but FLINN and PERKINS and DAN HANNA are capable of contemptible tricks and we shall not be surprised if they try to turn this event into an advantage for their Presidential candidate or at least to make it serve their own selfish ambitions in politics.

It seems to have taken ROOSEVELT a good while to find out that Senator LORIMER and Governor DENEEN, of Illinois, were active political partners when LORIMER bought a seat in the United States Senate.

Flinn Bests Penrose.

Clearly Boss FLINN has outgeneralized Senator PENROSE. In the jockeying for advantage both have shown an utter absence of conscience and disregard for principle. But in the end FLINN has won and PENROSE is bound as firmly as a man of his type can be bound, to support for the important offices of Auditor General and State Treasurer, candidates who are avowedly opposed to the candidates of their own party for President of the United States. The history of politics fails to reveal another instance of the kind. Governor DENEEN, of Illinois, has shown how an honorable man would act under the circumstances. But the lesson is lost on Boss FLINN's candidates in Pennsylvania.

In this matter Senator PENROSE has revealed the principal reason for his loss of influence in the Republican party. His political methods are atrocious, to be sure, and his subserviency to the trusts and monopolies has been palpable for some years. But his power over the voters of his party has not been lost on that account. An electorate which will accept BOSS FLINN as a substitute for any living creature is not guided by moral impulses or considerations of civic righteousness. If the morals or methods of PENROSE had been the cause of revolt some leader other than FLINN would have been discovered and pressed into service. Obviously, therefore, Senator PENROSE's defeat must be ascribed to the fact that he has become "dopey."

Of course men destitute of principle will follow PENROSE into the trap which FLINN has set and stultify themselves by supporting candidates for two of the most important offices in the gift of the people of the State who are recreant to the moral obligations which bind them to the support of their associate on the Republican ticket. But men of high character will not pursue such a course. They will reason that the absence of principle disqualifies men for faithful public service and without regard to the political fortunes of either PENROSE or FLINN will express their reprobation of recreancy by voting for the Democratic candidates respectively, for State officers.

McKean county Democrats have as a candidate for the Legislature Mr. EDWARD BENSON, who acted as their Representative two years ago. In 1910 he was nominated by the Democrats and elected jointly by his own party and the assistance he got from the Keystone Republicans. At the meeting of the Legislature in 1911 he bolted his own party caucus, refused to vote for Hon. J. C. MEYER, its candidate for Speaker, and publicly announced that he was not a Democrat and was under no obligation to the Democratic party. Now Mr. BENSON needs Democratic votes and is trying to get them by having ex-members of the House, who served with him, write him laudatory letters stating what a first class Representative he made and how deserving a candidate he is. As Mr. BENSON finds some trouble in convincing the Democrats that he is still worthy of the confidence of the party he denied, less than two years ago, possibly he could secure their support for a second time by pointing out something he did to benefit his county or those who elected him, or some effort he made to perpetuate and build up the party that had given him the honor he gloried in. To us it looks much like a case when something more than mere words will be required to smooth out a political record such as he has made.

THOMAS J. RYAN, of Philadelphia, who was so vehemently denounced by a certain class of Democrats as a Machine politician and as such bitterly condemned and criticised by them, left an estate of \$300,000 which after the death of his wife is to go "to provide a fund for the purchase of flour, food and fuel for needy persons in the ward represented by him in council" for so many years. With a knowledge of this fact given to the public we should think these pharisaical traders, a number of whom we have here in Centre county, would hang their little heads in shame.

JOE MOSSER, an old State Varsity player, remarked that the reason the State players got so many of the W. and J. men from the rear, last Saturday, was because the visitors didn't have their tail lights lit. Of course JOE ought to know, because his is, in some respects, expert testimony, but we think it was because the W. and J. men failed to light out after they got the ball.

It may be remarked, however, that giving away money in \$150,000 rolls, by Mr. J. PIERPONT MORGAN, hasn't developed into a habit.

FLINN seems to have taken PENROSE into his camp but he has to reckon with DAVE LANE yet.

Vote for Wilson.

George Harvey in the North American Review. We demonstrated last month by thorough analysis of existing conditions that President Taft cannot be re-elected. The fact then stated is now admitted by all competent observers, partisans and non-partisans alike, who can be induced to express their real belief.

We declared our firm conviction then and reiterate it now that Mr. Roosevelt has practically no chance of obtaining a majority in the electoral college.

We emphasized our hope and asserted our belief that Mr. Wilson would win at the polls. Subsequent happenings—notably the elections in Maine and Vermont—have strengthened that judgment.

But it would be a folly and a crime to rest upon an assumption, however well grounded, as to how sixteen millions of men will vote upon a certain day. The election of Roosevelt would be a national calamity of incalculable magnitude. The chaos which would ensue from no election by the people could have but one of three results:

1. The election of Wilson, by the aid of the votes of Republican Representatives.

2. The succession of Sherman.

3. The temporary accession of Knox, to be followed by another national election in 1913.

Whatever the final outcome, there could be no escape from confusion such as the country has experienced but once in its history. Confidence would be paralyzed; demagoguism would become rampant; constitutional government would be put to severest test; and American institutions would be gravely imperiled.

Roosevelt would be a potent, if not indeed a determining factor in a situation where aggravation might easily end in catastrophe and which can be averted only by the election by the people of Wilson—the only candidate who can possibly obtain a majority of electoral votes.

There can be no question of the plain duty of all patriotic Republicans in this emergency. It is to join with equally patriotic Democrats in making assurance doubly sure. They saved their party from Roosevelt in convention. Now let them help to save the country from the same menace at the polls. No man can foresee the real and ultimate effect of a vote for Taft but—

A vote for Wilson is a vote for Wilson.

Political Hypocrisy.

From the Omaha World-Herald.

While the prospect of reform grows brighter every day, the feeling of resentment on account of the exposed hypocrisy of the leaders of the Republican party is not wholly eradicated. It may be said that one ought to be satisfied in seeing them driven from office and so thoroughly understood that they can never again become dangerous to the common welfare, and that is probably true, but the memory of their heartlessness still clings.

They told us that they had no desire but to help Cuba and release her people from the oppression of the Spanish despotism, when all the time they had their eyes fixed upon the Philippine islands, where they proceeded to overthrow the first republic ever established in all Asia, because they thought that "trade would follow the flag," and big business would secure millions of profits. They made a whole people who were looking to us for common welfare, and that is probably true, but the memory of their heartless-ness still clings.

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New York's Underworld.

From the Altoona Times.

True or False, that was a remarkable story told by "Bald Jack" Rose at the Becker trial. The mining camps and border towns of the varnished west never gave to fiction a character whose cold-blooded villainy could equal that displayed by this gambler and murderer.

Quite apart from the question of Becker's guilt, this confession by Rose gives the public a clear idea of the desperate character of the gangmen of New York, and a clear idea of the tremendous problem which the police commissioner is expected to solve.

Winning Votes for Wilson.

From the Milwaukee Journal.

The more Teddy tries to explain the more certain the voter is that there is only one uncontaminated candidate in this election—one Woodrow Wilson. He has never been "caught with the goods."

It might as well be remembered that the New York Herald's poll does not include the solid south and that WILSON is vastly in the lead without that sunny section which is always true to the Democracy.

SPAWLS FROM THE KEYSTONE.

Ground has been broken for a new plant at Clearfield, which will manufacture sewer pipe, brick and tile.

Fifty cases of diphtheria are reported at Kulpmont, near Milton. State troopers were called to enforce quarantine regulations.

Lock Haven is to have a new industry in the shape of a plant to manufacture ladies' coats, suits and dresses. It will employ seventy-five people at the start.

Mrs. Emma Fuller, one daughter and three sons are at the Johnstown hospital, typhoid fever victims. The father died recently of the disease, and an uncle is also afflicted.

W. M. Shrock, aged 78, went out to feed the chickens on his farm near Shanksville while his wife was milking. When she left the barn he was lying dead where he had fallen.

Six years after losing his right arm in a threshing machine, Ralph Cook, aged nineteen, was awarded \$3,000 damages for the accident, which happened near Shamokin.

Within a month chicken thieves have gathered up 500 or more fowls in the vicinity of Turbotville and McEwensville, and aid has been asked by the Northumberland county officials.

Lewistown has a rock pile and this week two young men are hammering stone, as a result of not keeping their sentiments behind their teeth when police were arresting a drunken man.

Two children residing at Fernalde, Johns town, are taking Pasteur treatment, because a cat that had bitten them was found to have rabies. Several animals were also bitten by the cat.

The executive offices of the Atlantic Radiator company are being moved this week from Philadelphia to Huntingdon and a number of skilled workmen who will be employed at the plant are arriving.

Love of jewelry and other finery led to the arrest of Charlotte Hardin, aged 14, who is said to have taken \$42 from the home in which she was employed. She is under the probation officer's care at Somerset.

In the excavation for Renovo's new Masonic temple the bones of a man and woman, buried possibly two centuries ago, were unearthed. Physicians cannot determine whether they were Indians or Caucasians.

Lewistown officials are taking all precautions to check the spread of diphtheria. The Episcopal church was closed on Sunday. The Highland avenue school has been closed for some time and others have been disinfecting.

W. E. Johnson, the aviator who made six successful flights at Lock Haven last week, is done flying. He was married a month ago and will, in accordance with a promise to his wife, teach other people how to fly, instead of flying himself.

A planing mill belonging to Adams Bros., near Belano, was destroyed by fire a few nights ago. The fire home was burned before the fire fighters could reach it and a bucket brigade had hard work to save the lumber piles. There was no insurance.

John C. Moore, a Shamokin confectioner, was recently awarded \$468.52 damages for ten shade trees on his property near town that had been cut by the township supervisor. The official claimed he didn't know the trees were on Mr. Moore's land.

A heavy plank sustaining a political building at the top of one of Punxsutawney's tall banners fell fifty feet to the pavement below, at one o'clock Saturday afternoon, just when the streets were crowded. James Hunter was fatally injured and two other men were less seriously.

About two hours after John Harder and his son, of DuBois, had gone to work, Mrs. Harder being away from home, their house was fired in eight places. One blaze was noticed and the firemen arrived in time to quench all the fires and find out how the work had been done.

The threatened epidemic of smallpox in the neighborhood of Hooverville and Holloepole has been stamped out. There is not a single case of contagion in Somerset county and all the quarantines have been lifted. At one time not less than a dozen cases were under treatment in the Stonycreek valley.

The family of the late J. C. McCounanghey, of Ligonier, has been sorely afflicted this year. In April a daughter, Mrs. J. C. Campbell, died. Five weeks later her husband followed her to the grave. Frank McCounanghey, a son, was killed in the Wilkes wreck. Then the father died and now, after five weeks, Mrs. McCounanghey is dead.

The corner stone of the new building of the Historical Society of Western Pennsylvania will be laid in Pittsburgh on October 26th, when Governor Tener will preside, and the justices of the Supreme Court be special guests. Ex-Governor Pennypacker will make the principal address, with Librarian John W. Jordan and Mayor William A. Magee.

C. J. Marshall, State Veterinarian, has returned to Harrisburg from a visit to Kane, where he was investigating a strange disease that has been killing the cattle in that vicinity. One man lost five valuable cows. The disease is now thought to be under control, a vaccine germ having been discovered as the result of experiments by Dr. Marshall and others.

The two Hammond mines at Bolivar, formerly used to supply coal to the Bolivar Face Brick company, have been leased by the Clyver Coal company, which will start operations at once. The mines have been closed down owing to suspension of work at the brick plant, but a large number of men will be employed and the mines worked on a larger scale than before.

Miss Juniatu Guss, a P. R. R. second track telephone operator at Millfin, was accosted by a would-be highwayman on her way home a few nights ago. She had received her pay for the month in the afternoon, but didn't have it with her. Her screams frightened the man away. In twenty-five hours after the railroad police took up the case they had a suspect in the jail awaiting a hearing.

George Schaefer, who resides on the W. A. Wilson farm, in Gamble township, Lycoming county, says he believes in protecting deer but wants some protection himself. During the last few weeks his fields of corn and buckwheat have been invaded by deer and much damage done. He says that of fifteen acres of corn the deer have destroyed more than half, while his buckwheat is almost a total loss.

William Farrell, of Patton, was the victim of a bad accident Monday shortly before noon while hauling cement from Creson to Loretto. Something went wrong with the harness of his team and he got down between the horses to fix it. The animals started, he was knocked down and before the team could be stopped the heavily loaded wagon passed over his body. He sustained serious internal injuries and is in a critical condition at the home of Vincent Lilly, at Creson.

A fifteen-barrel oil well was struck on the campus of the State Normal school at Slippery Rock on Monday evening of this week. The trustees of the institution recently decided to drill for a gas well and oil was struck when the drill penetrated the sand sand, 1,230 feet from the surface. By reason of the strike considerable excitement prevails in that section. Oil producers started to lease the land in that vicinity and a number of locations were made to drill wells. This is the first oil that was found in that section. There are some fair oil wells about two miles from Slippery Rock. As the trustees of the school put down the well, the school the school.