

INK SLINGS.

—And Philadelphia voted to retain the piggeries.

—Corn husking had more attraction for many a farmer on Tuesday, than the polling places.

—Even on a light vote Centre county registered a very decisive verdict against the good roads bond issue.

—One lighted gas jet consumes as much air as four adults, then why sleep in a closed room with a light burning.

—Former Judge FRANCIS O'CONNOR, has been elected to the new additional law judgeship in Cambria county by 236.

—Cheer up State! If Bucknell can beat Pitt surely you ought to be able to find yourself by Turkey day and do the same thing.

—The frequent complaints against the income tax simply show how the rich squeal when compelled to pay their share of the expenses.

—Huntingdon county has elected two "dry" associate judges, which means that the licenses recently granted over there will not be renewed.

—Johnstown is in the clutches of Evangelist BILLY SUNDAY and Congressman WARREN WORTH BAILEY is in his cyclone cellar in Washington.

—The pig appears to have been the main political issue in Philadelphia this year. Heretofore the hogs have had their own way most of the time.

—SINGLETON BELL Esq. defeated sitting judge ALLISON O. SMITH for President judge of Clearfield county by a majority that will reach nearly two thousand.

—The election of DAVID I. WALSH, Democrat, to be Governor of Massachusetts, looks as though the old Bay State is perfectly satisfied with President WILSON.

—Tuesday was election and if you were a candidate and didn't get elected you have the satisfaction of knowing that the best men are not always chosen. That's some comfort, anyway.

—Those ruffianly British Suffragettes are achieving something at least. They are postponing indefinitely, and possibly forever, the extension of the suffrage to the women of the United States.

—It is altogether probable that if PENROSE hadn't come out for the good roads bond issue it would have carried. And, that, we believe he only espoused it thinking it was destined to be a popular move.

—MR. GABRIEL D'ANNUNZIO declares that he will commit suicide in two years "in a mysterious way that will startle the world." All right GABE, but what's the use in waiting, two years. We need a little excitement of that sort now.

—MR. GEORGE W. PERKINS never needed THEODORE ROOSEVELT as badly as he needs him now. The suit against the Harvester trust has begun and the President will not instruct the Attorney General to delay proceedings "until you hear from me."

—Meantime those who are reading MR. SULZER'S accusations against his former friends and associates should remember that a man who has been convicted of perjury is not a dependable witness and upon that point the Court of Impeachment was unanimous.

—MR. JAMES J. HILL is confirmed in the belief that the fiscal affairs of this government will continue to run at high speed in the direction of the "demintion bowwows," until the people compel him to take charge of them. Most everybody else thinks different, however.

—President WILSON was not forgotten in New Jersey. The voters of that State have too much reason to be thankful for the reforms he inaugurated there when he was Governor to stop their progress now. Accordingly they elected JAMES F. FIEDLER, Democrat, Governor because the President had put his seal of approval on his candidacy.

—On the second page of today's paper will be found an original story entitled "The Man on the Train," by Miss Martha Alricks Johnson, of Bellefonte. It is an interesting little story with a well defined plot and we feel sure that readers of the WATCHMAN will appreciate it. Miss Johnson has had published several interesting books and has contributed stories and articles to a number of publications and her writings are always fluent and attractive enough to hold the attention of the reader from start to finish.

—The election of JOHN PURROY MITCHELL to be Mayor of New York is a great victory for clean government in America's metropolis. The startling revelations of police criminality that were made in the BECKER trial and have become the more convincing through later investigations, the impeachment of Governor SULZER and its consequent expose of political rottenness on all sides, aroused the public conscience of New York to the point where it struck hard and positively for the reclaiming of the city from Tammany.

It was not a party issue, for Mr. MITCHELL is a Democrat. It was a municipal house cleaning and the last office seems to have been swept clean of Tammany control.

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Tuesday's Elections.

The elections passed off quietly in Pennsylvania on Tuesday, though there was considerable excitement in the cities of Philadelphia, Pittsburgh and Scranton over local tickets. Fusion again failed to make good in its fight against PENROSE and that city voted for the Machine candidates for all offices. In Pittsburgh the contest was on Mayor; ARMSTRONG representing the PENROSE-OLIVER faction was victorious over PORTER representing FLINN and the Washington party adherents.

The one regrettable outcome of the voting is the apparent defeat of Hon. WEBSTER GRIM for Superior Court Judge, by JOHN W. KEPHART, of Cambria county. The former was well and honorably known in legal circles throughout the State, prominent as a Senator of Pennsylvania and splendidly equipped to add ability to a bench that does not have a surfeit of it now. Mr. KEPHART, comparatively speaking, was unknown and kept himself before the public through newspaper advertising. He should not and would not have defeated Mr. GRIM had the Democratic State Central committee made even an effort for the only Democrat on the ticket. While the judiciary is now supposed to be non-partisan that did not deter Republican papers from exploiting HENDERSON, ALCORN and KEPHART their nominees. Therefore we think it was quite within the province of our organization to at least have advised the Democratic papers of the State and the local organizations, where there are any, of the special fitness of Mr. GRIM.

His defeat is regrettable because it will have the tendency to make some Democrats inquire as to whether others are not persecuting them. For example, how could Mr. KEPHART have secured five hundred votes more than WEBSTER GRIM in Centre county unless many Democrats voted for him. And why did many Democrats vote for Mr. KEPHART, a Republican, in preference to Mr. GRIM, a Democrat, especially when the latter's superior equipment for the place was admitted. It is also an incident worth notice that Centre county is about the only Democratic county in the State where some of the members of our party have elected to keep the fight of two years ago going at whatever cost.

In New York the returns indicate a partial victory for the Republicans, but this was accomplished more through a general fight against Tammany control than because of inherent strength in the opposition. The Democrats won notable victories in Massachusetts, New Jersey and Maryland and really more than held their own in every place but Pennsylvania. Certain it is that the results do not present a hopeful outlook for the important contests that are to come next year.

While exact figures on the good roads bond issue cannot be obtained at this writing it is reasonably certain that it is defeated. But four counties in the State recorded majorities in favor of the proposition and the negative majorities of the country counties was sufficient to overwhelm the favorable vote given it in Philadelphia.

Hallowe'en was quite generally observed by the young people of Bellefonte in social festivities and promenading in costume. Probably a larger number of promenaders were out last Friday night than in any former year. There was some corn throwing and ringing of bells, but the crowd in the main was orderly, and very little damage was done.

Robert A. Love, of Tyrone, has been awarded the John W. White scholarship at The Pennsylvania State College on account of general excellence during the Freshman year. The scholarship is worth \$100. Love won the McAllister scholarship last year for leadership of his class at the end of the first semester.

Some person or persons either carelessly or maliciously started a forest fire on the point of the mountain above the old nail works site on Sunday and it burned fiercely during the afternoon and evening but the heavy frost of Sunday night acted as a good extinguisher and put out the blaze.

The first snow of the season fell last Friday, though it consisted only of snow flurries. In the mountains, however, enough snow fell to make the ground white, but it did not lay any length of time. Deer hunters would no doubt be glad to have a tracking snow for next Monday.

A trout about twenty-five inches in length spawning on the gravel beds in Spring creek opposite the WATCHMAN office, proved quite an attraction several days the past week. The trout was almost as big as a Susquehanna shad.

Patriotic Purpose Expressed.

The administration at Washington reveals both wisdom and patriotism in promptly responding to the suggestion of WINSTON CHURCHILL, First Lord of the British Admiralty, that all the great governments of the world take "a naval holiday," for a couple of years. By that term Mr. CHURCHILL means that the several countries which have been running like mad men into the expense of building battleships cease such operations for a time. He probably had Germany in mind for the reason that the average Englishman believes that the Kaiser's government is determined, sooner or later, to make war on Great Britain and that for every warship built by Germany, England must build two. But the principle expressed in the suggestion is applicable to this country quite as directly as to any other. The matter directly affects all countries.

Battleships are beautiful National toys but they cost from ten to twenty million dollars a piece for construction and equipment and a vast sum annually for maintenance. They last only from ten to a dozen years and contribute nothing toward the public welfare during the interval. In the event of war it must be admitted, they are essential, and occasionally they are useful as admonitory signals to weak powers that it is unsafe to "monkey with a buzz saw." For example it may be said that fear of the British navy has restrained Germany more than once in the past. But if all the leading governments would take the proposed holiday now the present ratio of naval strength would continue during the period, no harm could result to either of the parties to the agreement and the saving in expense would be beneficial to all the people.

The highest standard of patriotism is not expressed in eulogies of the American eagle, twisting the British lion's tail or poking the Russian bear with a sharp stick. Relieving the people of burdens is a much more practical service. The proposed naval holiday will make for that result in the most direct way. We are building battleships and other war vessels at a cost of forty or fifty millions a year which amounts to a tax of eight to ten dollars annually upon the average American family. Tax is as certain a charge upon the family purse as bread though not as necessary an expense and every battleship built adds to the high cost of living. In responding favorably to Mr. CHURCHILL'S proposition, therefore, the administration of President WILSON is promoting the public interests by trying to economize in the cost of government.

Mr. Bailey and William McNair.

We are not surprised at the rumor that our esteemed contemporary, Hon. WARREN WORTH BAILEY, editor of the Johnstown Democrat, is organizing a new party, and that our more or less esteemed friend, Mr. WILLIAM MCNAIR, of Pittsburgh, is collaborating with him in the enterprise. Mr. BAILEY, like the proverbial Irishman, is always "ag'in" the government." Mr. MCNAIR is a constitutional and somewhat perennial malcontent. Until recently both of them pretended to be Democrats and probably believed that they adhered to that political faith. But they were always against the organization which kept the Democratic party in existence during the period of its adversity and invariably made all the trouble possible.

Mr. MCNAIR attended the Allentown convention as claimant for a seat in that body. He had behind him no constituency and before him little hope, necessarily. But he made himself a laughing stock by his absurd antics. After the convention he entered with more zeal than intelligence into the movement to reorganize the party. Mr. BAILEY, who is a phrase maker of much skill, joined the movement with great enthusiasm. Both imagined that it would open the way for them to advance as leaders. In the beginning their expectations were fulfilled. Mr. GUTHRIE "adopted" Mr. MCNAIR and Mr. PALMER "accepted" Mr. BAILEY. The result was just what might have been expected. For a time they gambled like lambs in pasture.

But even GUTHRIE and PALMER wearied of their "wards" before long, and BAILEY and MCNAIR were soon relegated into the background of the new political arena. Both were thrown out of the Executive committee of the rump organization and naturally both turned their attention to the task of organizing a new party. It is to be called a "Single Tax" contraption and will hold a convention in Philadelphia in advance of the next nomination for Governor. At this convention BAILEY is to be nominated for Governor and if the Democrats fail to ratify that choice there will be independent action. Of course Mr. BERRY will be in it in some way. He is never out of anything, supported by BAILEY and MCNAIR.

Roosevelt Assuring Us Again.

If Col. ROOSEVELT'S assurances assured anything the country could rest easy about being annoyed with his candidacy as a Republican, for President again in 1916. Even from away down in South America, where he has gone, to keep himself before the public, he sends back the word almost as he wrote it for a recent issue of the Century Magazine, that he is "sundered from the men who now control and manage the Republican party by the gulf of their actual practices and of the openly avowed or secretly held principles which rendered it necessary to resort to these practices." That is definite and emphatic. Even if the friends of the Colonel should force his nomination in the next National conventions as they came very near doing in the last, he couldn't accept. It would work a stultification and the Colonel could not stand for that. There could be no "social and industrial justice" in such a turn of affairs.

Colonel ROOSEVELT is equally clear in defining his reasons for his "sundering" operation. He is opposed to allowing the Supreme and inferior courts to interpret the constitution, which he frankly and unselfishly admits is the "fundamental law of the land." There was no real reason for this concession to the constitution. The Colonel might easily have claimed that his own caprices are the fundamental law and BILL FLINN would never have known the difference while Mr. PERKINS would have had no objections so long as the Harvester trust was taken care of properly. Even Mr. MUNSEY might have been depended upon to "go along" in view of ROOSEVELT'S past service for the Steel trust.

But we are not able to discern with any degree of clearness the line of distinction between the "actual practices and the openly avowed or secretly held principles which rendered it necessary for them (the men who now control and manage the Republican party), and those which obtained when Colonel ROOSEVELT exercised those functions. The managers who controlled the convention of 1912 were rank amateurs compared with those who managed the convention of 1908 when ROOSEVELT was fixing matters for his renomination and election four years later. Probably it was their inefficiency that turned ROOSEVELT against them. In any event there is no moral difference worth speaking about. But in any event the country will be happy to feel assured that this pestiferous blatherskite feels that he cannot even force his own nomination, as a candidate, on the party between himself and which such a terrible gulf now exists.

No European Interference.

We are not inclined to place much faith in the report, widely published the other day, that the administration is striving to induce the powers "to indicate their support of its efforts to solve the problem, so that it may approach the Mexico city administration in a final effort to secure the elimination of HUERTA." The administration may have suggested to the powers to remain outside of the contention, but in the face of tradition it would hardly go further than that. The interference by European governments with affairs on this hemisphere is equally repugnant to established policies of the United States whether in favor of or against the course our government is pursuing.

HUERTA is impossible in Mexico. Having acquired the office he holds under circumstances which involve suspicions of murder and clearly imply usurpation, the government of the United States cannot afford to recognize his authority or co-operate in his efforts to make his tenure permanent or his title regular. But neither can it afford to invite European governments to interfere in the determination of questions in dispute. If Great Britain, France or Japan has a right to interfere on behalf of one side they have a right to interfere in behalf of the other side. Just rules run in both directions and such interference on either side is intolerable in view of our traditions.

The government of the United States is morally responsible, in the eyes of civilization, for the maintenance of just government in Mexico. Just government there, as we understand it, is a government chosen by the people in the enjoyment of the free exercise of their rights as citizens. HUERTA is not so chosen to the office he now occupies and would not be chosen under the circumstances indicated. That being true he must abdicate, allow the people to elect his successor and permit the inauguration of the new administration thus chosen. But we don't need either the help or consent of Europe or Asia to accomplish these results. We are fully able to do that for ourselves.

—Have your Job Work done here.

Keeping Streams Pure.

From the Pittsburgh Dispatch. The Pennsylvania Department of Fisheries has directed prosecutions to be brought against nearly every manufacturer along the Susquehanna river and its important tributaries above Williamsport. Previously thereto a prosecution of the superintendent of the Lock Haven Paper company resulted in his conviction and the imposition of a fine of \$100, which has been appealed to the Clinton county court.

This course was taken after first notifying every manufacturer along that stream to cease permitting the pollution of streams by the discharge from their works, and then, after a lapse of some time, establishing by investigation that hardly any of them had done anything at all in the matter. This left only the option between permitting the law to be practically ignored and entering prosecutions against each offender.

The campaign is waged against one water-shed at a time, and as the prosecutions are criminal, they are held back until positive evidence is secured against each offender. But the course taken indicates that worse offenders than those on the upper Susquehanna will be reached in due time. Indeed, when the State Fisheries Department comes to deal with the big cities of the State, the question what it will do with them all becomes puzzling, solely by reason of its size.

Huerta Absoluto.

From the Wheeling (W. Va.) Intelligencer. As was anticipated, the Mexican Presidential election proved to be farcical. No candidate has a majority of the votes. The election, therefore, becomes null and void, and Huerta continues in power. This certainly creates a condition of affairs which the United States must eventually take cognizance. Huerta is in power through treason and assassination. He has broken every law of God and man. He has made Republicanism in North America a word of shame. He has humiliated every citizen who believes in the Republican ideal and the Republican form of government. There can be no peace with him. No countenance can be given him. Yet he is in power and is to be reckoned with.

It is possible that the continued success of revolutionists will solve the Huerta problem and relieve the administration at Washington of its present embarrassing situation. Armed intervention by the United States is the last thing we want, and it is safe to say that it will not be resorted to except in the direst necessity.

The Great American Hen.

From the Chicago Inter-Ocean. The American hen has always been a great bird. Nevertheless, she is growing scarce. Twenty years ago she required assistance from the hens of the world in order to meet the American demand for her products. Today she not only supplies almost the entire American market, but is a big factor in supplying the world. Figures just published by the department of commerce show that during the fiscal year 1913 the United States exported over 21,000,000 dozen of eggs, against 1,500,000 dozen 10 years ago and 143,000 dozen 20 years ago. The 1913 exports included 20,409,653, and of \$67,854 worth of yolks and canned eggs, making a total of over a quarter of a billion eggs exported during the year. The great American hen still receives a little assistance from the outside, but comparatively little. We imported during the fiscal year 1913, whole eggs, 1,271,765 dozen; yolks, 227,457 pounds, and 20,284 pounds. The imports of 1892 were 4,000,000 dozen eggs.

Tantalizing the Editor.

From the Oswego (Kan.) Independent. Somebody in town with a plausible claim to plutocracy persists in frying bacon the 40-cent kind, cut particularly thin, every morning for breakfast, and when the savor is wafted out to mingle with the crisp air of these early autumn morns and it floats in upon the lowly devotee of the print shop as he extracts the lactical fluid from the cow with both horns missing, hunger springs eternal within the human stomach, and as we sit down to our morning repast of rye bread and liver, with nostrils still attend to the odor of sizzling swine, the curb that the high cost of living ought to have on a man's appetite fades away like a 10-cent piece waggered on the Giants in the first game of the world's series.

Now They Know All About It.

From the Philadelphia Ledger. As Mr. Roosevelt has been in Brazil almost a week it stands to reason that the people down there must know a lot of things they never knew before, many of which will be substantiated by reference to the moral writings of the ancients.

Peerless Leader Never Forgets It.

From the Philadelphia Ledger. The President is not thinking of the 1916 nomination. Why should he? There is a member of the Cabinet who is devoting almost his entire time to it.

Bill is Doing Nobly.

From the New York Telegram. Despite the absence of Mr. Roosevelt from North America there has not been a famine of capital I's since Mr. Sulzer commenced talking.

We Are From Missouri.

From the Memphis Commercial-Appeal. Sulzer says he "refused money?" How, when and where? By the beard of the prophet, here is a tale that needs unwinding!

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SPAWLS FROM THE KEYSTONE.

—"Fritz" Harmon, of South Williamsport, started out a few days ago to hunt squirrels and came home with a 150 pound bear that had wandered into his way.

—Chief of Police Powers, of Lock Haven, was handed \$25 a few days ago for the capture of a young man and a team of horses stolen from a Williamsport liveryman.

—W. R. Sawyer, of Indiana, drilling a coal core near Barnesboro recently, was shot in the shoulder by a man living nearby, who said he was shooting at mark. He was taken to Spangler.

—A man thought to be Barney Roc, aged 50, of Blossburg, was knocked from a forty-foot trestle on the Indiana-Blairville trolley line a few nights ago by a passing trolley car and landed on the ground with a broken neck.

—Constable Bruce Keefer, of Ralphton, shot and slightly wounded two men who interfered with his making an arrest to such a degree that he was compelled to defend himself. The wounded men were given attention and locked up.

—Williamsport's Civic club sees a necessity for two women on the city board of health and a policeman on the street and at headquarters. The proposals will be acted on by the executive board before being sent out as recommendations.

—A large vat at the Newport tannery, which had been installed only a few days, burst recently and the place was flooded with tanning liquid. Wesley Miller, who was near, had a set of false teeth broken in his mouth and was otherwise injured.

—In the habit of taking laudanum to induce sleep, Mrs. Emma Stivers, aged 27, of Greensburg, picked up a carbolic acid bottle that was standing near the laudanum and took the wrong dose. She was sleeping her last sleep in a few hours.

—Almost every manufacturer along the Susquehanna above Williamsport has been arrested for stream pollution and will be given a hearing shortly. The state commission of fisheries had given warning to all and his warning has not been heeded.

—The third robbery at Rossiter within a week was at the Claren drug store, where cash and merchandise to the amount of \$100 were taken. The town is without police protection and a move to prevent a repetition of such occurrences is under way.

—While a Hallowe'en parade was in progress at Northumberland, a trained cow on which a boy was riding became frightened and plunged into a crowd of about 400 school children. One little girl is in a critical condition and others were badly hurt.

—Two holdups are reported from Benscreek in one night. One man was tackled by four highwaymen, who had a lantern and a broken whisky bottle as weapons. He needed a doctor when they were through with him. Another man had all his money taken.

—The prompt action of Motorman Hanna, on the Lock Haven-Mill Hall trolley line saved the life of 8-year-old Florence Kramer, who tried to cross the track ahead of the car at Flemington. A number of Flemington children attend the kindergarten ten at the normal and the near fatality points the advice that parents see the children safely on the cars.

—Mrs. Sadie Keller, widow of David Keller, a former Sunbury hotel man, dropped dead in the Sunbury market Saturday morning. She had just bought two dozen eggs from a dealer, paying forty cents a dozen. 'That's the highest price I ever paid for eggs," she remarked as she handed over the money. An instant later she dropped lifeless in front of the stand. She was fifty-five years of age.

—Lost in a coal mine without a light was the thrilling experience of four Derry boys a few days ago. They had a lamp when they started but the oil gave out and they were left in the dark without knowing the way out. They had matches and had burned their handkerchiefs as torches and were about to start on a shirt when one of them noticed a gleam of light and they were soon in daylight again.

—Mrs. Max I Cohn, aged 70 years and blind, was seriously burned a few days ago at her home at Punxsutawney. Her husband was out and it is thought she went to the gas range for hot water and came in contact with the blaze. Her daughter, next door, came in answer to her screams and the flames were extinguished, but her recovery is doubtful. The daughter is also in serious condition from fright and burns on her hands.

—Newberry is in the throes of an epidemic of diphtheria, and residents of that place are greatly alarmed over the situation. There are now at least 20 cases reported. The board of health will hold an important meeting Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the city hall at which time the diphtheria question will be discussed. The number of contagious diseases is reported to be remarkably large for this time of the year. Newberry is the storm center for diphtheria and every possible effort is being made to confine the cases to that section of the city.

—It was said that Senator Templeton, of Blair, who is now serving a term in the Western penitentiary for embezzling, as attorney, trust and other funds committed to his care, will apply for a pardon in the near future, with a view of removing from the State to begin life over. Since his incarceration Templeton has lost all of this world's goods and his home has been broken up by the death of his wife. If pardoned he will not be under parole and can leave the State, and he would like to have another chance which would be difficult to secure were he under parole.

—The State Livestock Sanitary Board has directed prosecutions to be brought in Lancaster county and at Pittsburgh against cattle dealers who are reported to have violated the State cattle quarantine law. Dr. W. S. Gimper, director of the milk hygiene division of the board has returned from attending meetings of Dairy and Milk Dealers' Association at Chicago. Agents of the board of vigorously enforcing the quarantine against dogs on account of rabies in the vicinity of Media, Delaware county. A large number of worthless dogs have been destroyed.

—Frank White, a farmer of Irish Valley, near Sunbury was killed last Friday while trying to save the life of Mrs. Sarah Vought, whose horse had become unmanageable and crashed into a four mile team driven by White. Mrs. Vought was so badly injured that she is dying in a hospital. When the frightened animal ran into his wagon White leaped out and grasped its bridle in an effort to prevent it from trampling on Mrs. Vought who had been thrown from her seat. In the struggle, the farmer was knocked under the wheels of his own wagon and crushed to death. Mrs. C. K. Sober, of Lewisburg, was with Mrs. Vought but escaped injury.

—Frank Rafferty of Grampan was probably fatally burned early Saturday morning while attempting to rescue his children from his burning home. Three children were burned, one dying at 10 o'clock Saturday morning. Shortly after midnight a kerosene lamp exploded in the room where the children were sleeping. Mr. Rafferty and his wife made an effort to put out the flames and were badly burned. When they saw that the flames were beyond their control, they aroused the children. The oldest child, a boy, escaped unharmed. The flames had gained such headway when the last child was rescued that both parents almost lost their lives in escaping from the building. The whole family was taken to Clearfield at noon.