

ACCORDING TO THE NEWS

HOW LEHIGH WAS FOUNDED

Asa Packer Made His Own Way and Then Smoothed the Road for Others to Follow

IN SPITE of all the cynics' prattle there is something fine in human nature. There is so much good in the worst of us that the best of us in our rare judgment moments must admit that the good balances the bad.



ASA PACKER

Sought Fortune on Foot He was born in Connecticut in 1811. His father was so poor that the boy had to leave school early in his teens.

But he was not content with farming. When he was 17 years old he decided to come to Pennsylvania, where he had relatives.

It occurred to him after a time that there was more money to be made in carrying the coal from that region to Philadelphia.

A Starting Gift of Half a Million But while he was busy with his business he interested himself in the government of the community in which he lived.

It was in 1855 that he surprised and astonished the country by giving \$500,000 for founding a free technical college for boys in South Bethlehem.

Robespierre and the Terror Editor of "What Do You Know?" I have read the history of the French Revolution in which the author says that Robespierre was chiefly responsible for the unnecessary butchery on the guillotine during the Terror.

Rupert Brooke's Sonnet Editor of "What Do You Know?" Will you kindly publish the famous sonnet of Rupert Brooke, the English poet who died in the Dardanelles campaign.

ALL HOLD ACES Mr. Wilson is making much of his supposed victory. It is the only really strong card in his hand.

NOW'S THE TIME It is a sad tradition of the Republican Party that in the face of a great test it can always close up its ranks and present a united battle front.

RASH PREDICTION The great war in Europe must come to a close in 1916.

Tom Daly's Column

BALLADE OF THE SEA. Mark and chant my midnight foam; Catch and hold my spirit's foam.

THE GRANDREU that was Rome Barely set my face aglow; Earth it won and made its home; But my waves, unbridled so, Over buried cities flow.

SPANISH PHILIP'S VAUNT the bloom Of my coral depths below Holds in age-forgotten doom.

L'ENVOI. Prince, thy pride may get thee scold Save for the eternal One Unto whom my all I owe Lord or mistress have I none.

WITHIN one minute it is possible to print out, fold and stack in neat piles one thousand big newspapers.

PEP-PEP-PEP-PARDON our stammering, but pep-pep-putting "pep" in pep-printing sounds to us like impenetrable in the pep-pep-presses.

SO WE turned the paper over, but all we drew was something we knew before, which is this: When a fellow's got a piece to speak you gotta watch 'im all the time or he'll sneak off the stage altogether.

What's Your Sword of Damocles? Mine is that I won't beat G. V. S. to you with his, which, in turn, is poor as the one he thought of before he does.

IF THE careless merchant who has this sign in his window doesn't correct it by Wednesday we'll denounce him by name from this Pulpit of Polymathy.

A LEBEL The Pilgrims wore holes in their breeches Collecting great barrels of riches; But the boys below the wench; And rotted their health; And the grandsons are back digging ditches.

SIR-Throughout Philadelphia and its immediate environs we wish it to be known generally that we are a woman hater. Thoroughly to establish this fact, we say this:

THE good ship Aeres sailed for South America last Friday and among her passengers was Louis Louvan, one-time chief engineer for the United States Government in the Philippines.

THE resolution adopted by Councils on May 24 for bettering the part of the city known as the South Philadelphia section is a most up-to-date improvement of the most modern conveniences and large yards, amid attractively improved environment.

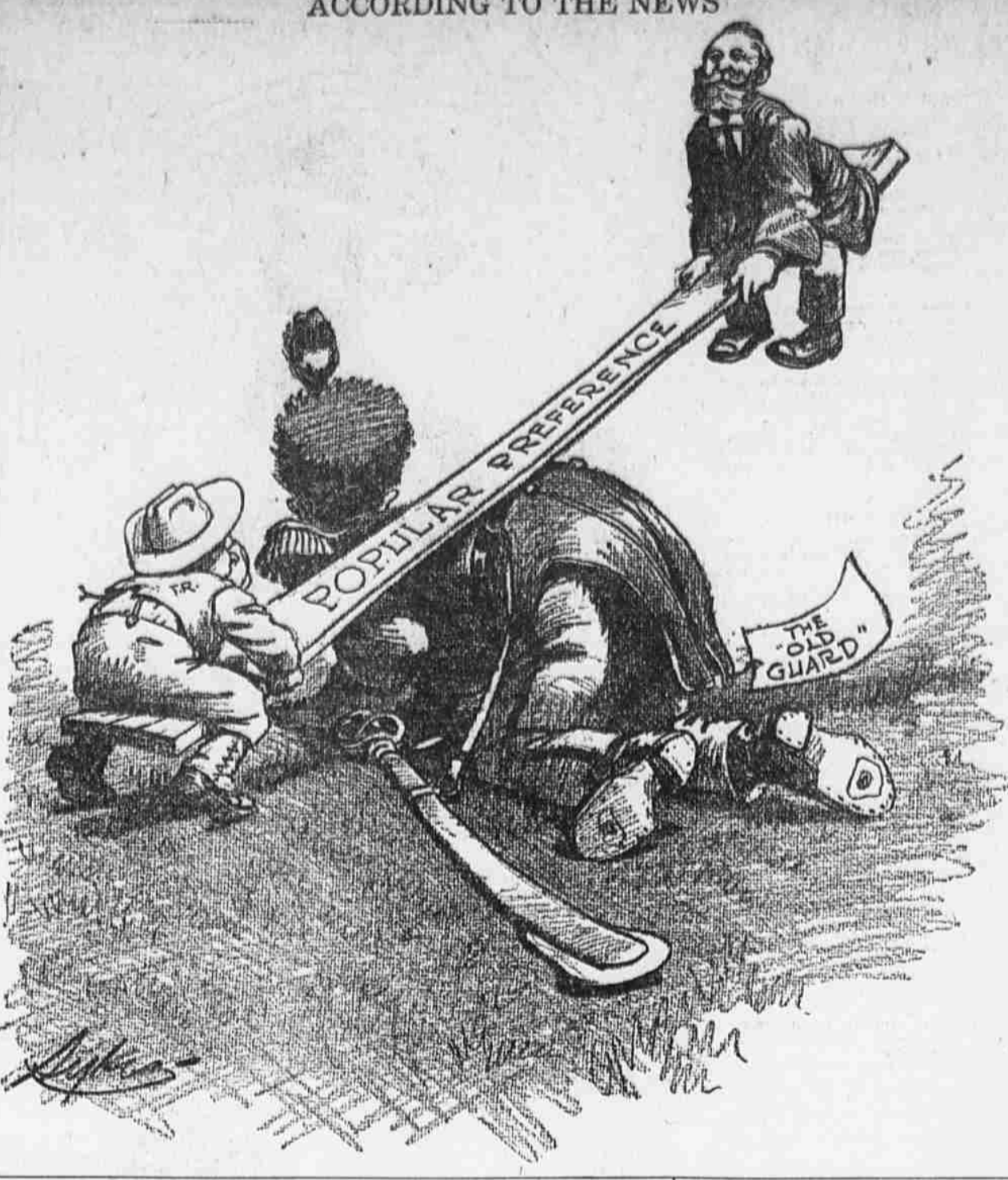
WE WANT 400 PAINTERS UNION 8 hours WORK DAY IS OUR PRESENT DEMAND painters union of Phila.

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THE first Sunday in June was a masterpiece. Whatever he did, the Philadelphia, as a New Englander said about the country at war, had a fine day for it.



THE VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

A Demand for More Improvements in South Philadelphia—Chairman Paul Tells Why Woman's Party Is Needed—Unkempt Condition of Glenwood Cemetery

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A PLEA FROM VAREVILLE To the Editor of Evening Ledger: Sir—As plain citizens and voters we hail with joy whatever tends toward the improvement and beautifying of this city, and whatever is calculated to make times prosperous by way of general employment and circulation of money among the people.

STATE OF GLENWOOD CEMETERY To the Editor of Evening Ledger: Sir—I beg leave to call your attention to the disgraceful condition of Glenwood Cemetery, on Ridge Avenue near 27th Street.

TWAS A FAMOUS VICTORY To the Editor of Evening Ledger: Sir—Your inimitable cartooner Sykes today depicts the British lion as badly used up. Why? Does Mr. Sykes read the news?

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in the Arsenal are all for devout adherence to the principle and to the fact of preparedness. The simple fact is that Philadelphia and a great part of the country realize that preparedness in some form will be in both party platforms.

UNITE AND BE STRONG

The non-Democratic vote is as much greater than the Democratic vote in 1916 as it was in 1912. The Democrats were by a 2-1 ratio, and they will win again by a like unless party unity triumphs at Chicago.

THE drum, with its terrible and glorious thunder, is a very excellent instrument. Like Kipling's "drumming guns that have no doubts," it has no uncertainties. But the drum is dead without the right tune.

In a few days we shall know what tunes the Republican and Democratic bands want to play, and then will come the drums. The finer and subtler arguments will all have been made.

The Republicans are going to have a fight, but—if it results in unity—it will no more hurt the Republican chances than the fight in the convention which nominated Wilson, which nearly came to blows, hurt Wilson's chances.

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Whatever happens there, Chicago has the grand show. Probably nothing so spectacular as the convention of four years ago will happen, but there is already tenseness in the air.

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On the other hand, the progressiveness of Hughes would make another split, with Wilson, Hughes and Roosevelt leading the three corners of the triangle, even more disastrous for the Republicans than was the split of 1912.

THE IMPROVEMENT ON THIS BUILDING IS BEING DONE, BY, ETC.

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THE UPRIGHT JUDGE condemns the crime, but does not hate the criminal.—Seneca. Hughes seems to be able to be silent in all the languages there are and then some.

The men who are planning to make Philadelphia the first city of the country in 1930, as it was in 1830, have the right spirit.

Much to the disappointment of certain patriots Mr. Justice Brandeis did not grace the proceedings of his inauguration by throwing a bomb.

The Government says we are all eight cents richer than we were a month ago. Most of us feel that we deserve a little more for our 20-some days' work.

The question is whether Mr. Roosevelt's ax is for the candidate or for heaving the platform planks clear and straight. No one doubts that he has an ax in hand.

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