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EDITORIAL

SENSIBLE ACT OF THE SUPREME COURT

Nobody wants to see a coat of "whitewash" applied to Governor Earle and other officials who were the target for a number of rather serious charges during the primary campaign.

But there must be something more than vague suspicion, spread in the heat of factional quarreling, before the accusers can hope to have any action by a court of law.

Thus the door is open for a thorough investigation of these charges which former Attorney General Margiotti and others hurled during the recent campaign if a reasonable amount of evidence is furnished.

In matters so serious as this, mere technicalities should not be allowed to obstruct a thorough sifting of the accusations. The Court avoided this by pointing the way by which a grand jury probe can be started.

Those accused should be foremost, as Governor Earle has been, in demanding the inquiry under correct legal sanction. In the public mind, these will be "under a cloud" until the sunlit rays of truth reveal the true situation.

TIME FOR TAKING INVENTORY

There is no denying the encouragement gained by the Republicans in the two recent bitter primaries waged in Pennsylvania and Oregon.

In both Pennsylvania and Oregon, the Democratic candidates find their victory chilled by party dissension. So many ugly charges are in the aftermath that it will be difficult to heal the scars.

The significant fact politically is that the new hope for the Republicans arises altogether by default: from family warfare in the opposition, not by any constructive accomplishment within the G. O. P. itself.

The danger to real progressivism in such a situation is obvious. If this civil warfare spreads—and it is already raging in Kentucky—all advances toward a better social order which the New Deal typifies will be jeopardized.

We hate to think of what such a Republican Old Guard leadership as that now controlling the party in Pennsylvania would do, if put once more in power, to what Mr. Roosevelt has accomplished.

Specifically we point to the fact that in both Pennsylvania and Oregon the battle between capital and labor, and labor and labor, was the cause of the trouble.

During all the months of accelerating depression, while labor strife has added so tremendously to the crisis, the administration has done nothing effective toward peace in industry.

SIGNIFICANT FACTS

A recent nation-wide business survey conducted by Fortune, reveals that 54.7 of the population approve President Roosevelt, while 34.4 per cent disapprove and 10.9 "don't know."

Furthermore, says Fortune, in an editorial in the same issue, the shift of American sentiment that brought about and is continuing the President's popularity is "an inevitable response to the basic fact that in operating the

capitalistic economy, American business has consistently misappropriated the principles of democracy.

"It (business) has failed, and it has since failed, to provide approximately one-third of the American people with work, and hence failed to provide them with a livelihood, to say nothing of democratic opportunity.

"So business is confronted with a realistic political fact, namely, that a majority of the American people, with the penniless third as a nucleus, are beginning to measure the virtue of their Government mainly in terms of the guarantee it makes concerning their income.

A CRISIS IN EUROPE

It is no exaggeration to say that peace or war in Europe depends entirely upon the intentions and ideas of Adolf Hitler, the Nazi Dictator of Germany.

Step by step this former painter, now supreme ruler of Germany, built the German army, navy, and air force, all in disregard of the Versailles Treaty.

The seizure of Austria and its annexation to the German nation caught the rest of Europe unprepared. It was successfully accomplished before the other nations had time to get over their surprise.

Signs during the past few weeks have indicated the same sequence of events as preceded the seizure of Austria. A growing agitation of German Nazis in Czecho-Slovakia, inspired and supported by the Nazis in Germany, produced a tense situation which led to small riots and disorders.

Germany faces a somewhat more dangerous adversary in Czecho-Slovakia than it did in Austria. The Czechs have a small but efficient, mechanized army and, furthermore, they have never failed to indicate a readiness to fight rather than surrender to German power.

From the German standpoint, that is, from Hitler's standpoint, aggressive action may be encouraged by a belief that neither France nor Great Britain will fight, if they do, nobody knows what agreement exists between Germany and Italy as to assistance from Italy in case of such a war.

Whether the German desire to acquire jurisdiction over the 3,500,000 Germans in Czecho-Slovakia will result in war may be answered in the near future.

REUNION AT GETTYSBURG

President Roosevelt has signed the bill making possible a reunion of the veterans of the North and the South at Gettysburg from June 29 to July 4.

It is comforting to realize that the flaming antagonism of the 60's now flickers in respect to mutual valor and bravery. Time has mellowed the ardor of youth and as the old soldiers gather on the historic battlefield, they will contrast the scenes with events that transpired years ago.

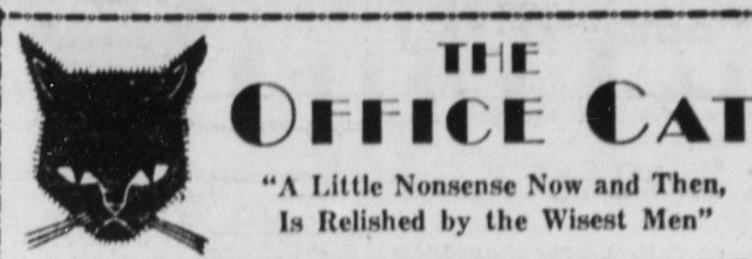
While the "war is over" in so far as the fighting is concerned and the bitter hatred of the belligerents has been largely removed, the effects of the struggle continue to plague the entire nation.

Continuing to look the facts in the face, forces one to admit that the race question in this country has not yet been completely settled. It would have existed to some extent if there had never been a war between the Union and Confederate forces.

ASSET OR LIABILITY?

A judge in North Adams, Mass., has ordered a young WPA worker "either to sell or give away" his automobile. The young man's wife testified that he spent most of his \$12 weekly earnings on his automobile, a statement which will be accepted without difficulty by any motorist engaged in a desperate struggle to sustain the spark of life in an ancient vehicle whose days of usefulness have ended.

The support of an automobile is no slight responsibility. It is doubtful if this is an obligation to be assumed by even the most parental of governments.



ABBREVIATED NONSENSE

Of persons I know a great No. Who go to the opera and sio. I've often walked the Ave. To see the beauties. Have? I bought stock in a western oil Co. As for oil, I don't think that they po. A woman needed a Dr. Because her husband sr. If I were a rich ally. I'd go for a nice ocean jy.

Ever Happen To You?

"Hello, Sugar: how's your conduct? Oh, you know who this is! It's old Araby himself, your big sandman! I've got news for you. You're the lucky girl I'm dating tonight! Now don't interrupt. I'll be there at eight sharp, so dust the parlor and get out the album... Now, now, you listen: I'll do the talking! And you give the old folks some sleeping powder, and your kid brother some prussic acid. I'm not selfish, but I like to keep myself for you, alone! What? ... Ugh! Is this you Mrs. Thompson! Why, I thought you were Helen! Ho-Ho! May I talk to Helen please? Hello! Listen, Mrs. Thompson, I was just kidding... Hello! Hello!

Marriage A La Carte

He—"Don't TURNIP your nose at my appeal. If you CARRROT all, PEAS listen to what I have BEAN wanting to say. You're a great PEP-PEP-upper. My heart BEETS faster every time I think of you. Your kisses are RADISHING. Oh, WATER CRESS! I want to CABBAGE you for my own. I make a good CELERY and save my KALE. I could even afford to support a little NEW-CUMBER. LETTUCE ehope while your PARSLEYPS. YOU CAULIFLOWER shop while I wake the PARSNIP. We'll get him TOMATOES so we can live happy ONION OLIVE our lives."

She—"I CANTALOE with you. I'm PLUM sorry to put a BANANA swell ORANGE-met like that, but you'll have to ELEMONATE me from your plans. We couldn't be an APPEL married PEAR because I love another. Don't look like a sour GRAPE! I married you're a PEACH of a fellow, and I'll always CHERRYSH the memory of the good times we had together."

Not Regulars

As the Colonel passed the cabin his curiosity was aroused by the number of colored children cluttering up the place. "Mandy," he asked the buxom woman at the door, "are these all your children?" "Yas suh, cunnel, yas suh! Sixteen fine chilluns, suh." "And all by one husband?" "Oh, no suh. Six by mah first, an' six by mah second." "And what about the other four?" "Well, cunnel, dem's jes' volunteers."

High Finance

When Murphy learned that Isaacs, with whom he had had some business dealings, had folded up, he hurried over to see if he couldn't obtain a settlement of his account. Isaacs, after promising to save Murphy from loss, finally offered to make him a preferred creditor. The Irishman agreed to this and went home. But after thinking the matter over that night he was somewhat dubious about the plan so the next morning he called upon Isaacs. "Just what do yez mean by makin' me a preferred creditor?" he asked. "Well," said Isaacs, "I tell you vot it is. You know now dot you von't get anything, vile all de odder creditors von't know it for sixty days."

Probably Deserved It

Nervous Suitor—"Sir, er—that is, I would like to—er—that is, I mean I have been going with your daughter for five years—" Father—"Well, waddye want—a pension?"

Worth All The Rest

She (after quarrel)—"Everything in the house is mine—money, furniture, clothes. What did you have before you married me?" Husband—"Peace."

Slips That Pass In The News

(From the Dayton, La. Press) Constable Dobby was informed that a man answering the description of Parrow stopped in the Station Hotel Thursday evening and asked Miss Jennie Wreys, proprietress, if she could get (put) him up for the night. (From the Arlington, Iowa, Times) When her daughter's boy friend called, her mother stated she was always in the habit of calling down stairs just before bed (bed) time. (From the Defender, West Union, Mo) For Sale—If you want a fresh cow come and see me. Mrs. J. W. Willis, Route 1. (From the Sequoia, Minn., Headlight) As a pioneer and professional man, Dr. Jancky was out in front. Fifty-nine years he practiced medicine, being responsible for most of the babies born in the community. (From Davenport, S. Dak., Crier) Party who took green silk pajamas from clothesline at 7109 1/2 W. Third Ave., please return and no embarrassing exposure will be made on my part. (From Laketon, Ind., Review) Miss Graham is taking care of the cemetery and park this season and has just finished painting the park benches (benches). (From Pequot, N. Dak., Herald) Wanted—I am in position to hatch your eggs at 5 cents per egg. Mrs. Hattie Fox. (From Pomeroy, Ohio, News) Ed Miller, our local contractor, expects a busy winter with a cottage to construct in Pomeroy, and three new brides (bridges) to work on in Martin county. (From the Sisseton, S. Dak., Standard) Everyone is invited to the get-together party in the church basement, Friday evening. Refreshments will be served, games played and the ladies quartette will sing.

Who Believes In Signs, Anyway?

Seen in a restaurant: "God Hates a Coward. Try Our Hamburgers." Hung on the wall of a beauty shop: "You Need a Head to Run a Business. We Need Yours to Run This One." Sign seen on a boat-house: "Trip Around the Lake—Adults 25c. Children Thrown in Free." Seen on the desk of a woman executive at the YMCA: "Rouge is What Makes a Girl Look Nice—When She Doesn't Use It." Hung on the wall of a certain public library: "Only Low Talk Permitted Here." Notice in the vestibule of a church: "Worshippers Who Intend to Put Buttons in the Collection Are Requested to Give Their Own and Not Pull Them Off the Cushions."

Short Essay on Frogs

The following essay was written by a young Chinese student. "What a wonderful bird the frog are. When he stand he sit almost. When he hop he fly almost. He ain't got no sense hardly. He ain't got no tail hardly, either when he sit on what he ain't got almost."

Something To Cry About

Mother—"What's your brother crying about?" Johnny—"Oh, he's dug a great hole in the back yard and wants to bring it in the house." That's all folks. Perhaps gentlemen do prefer blondes—we mean they'd rather squeeze a blonde than a blackhead. —"SCAT" I Fall To Heed Stop Signs Borough police are conducting a campaign against motorists who fail to come to a full stop at stop signs. Three violators were arrested last Friday by Officer Donald Johnson. They were: Elmore Newton, of Aliquippa; Alfred E. Farrer, of Willowbank street, and Howard D. Baldwin, of Downingtown. All were arraigned before Justice of the Peace Harold D. Cowher. Trading at home is still a good practice and there's nothing selfish about it.

Query and Answer Column

T. M. & W. W.—To settle an argument will you answer whether an object falls 16 feet per second until it reaches the earth, or falls 16 feet per second until a highest speed is attained and then holds that speed until it reaches earth?

Reader—We moved into a house filled with bed bugs several years ago. I have tried and tried to rid my house of them, but I did not succeed. Would you kindly help me out.

Reader—There are many bug exterminators on the market, but it would be free advertising for us to name any. Probably the best way is to employ the poison-gas fumigation system. Don't do it yourself, because it is unlawful. Employ any licensed poison-gas fumigator.

Curious—Do we export more goods than we import? How many tons of anthracite coal are shipped into the United States yearly from Russia.

Ans.—Yes. We export about 75 per cent more goods than we import. Very little, if any, anthracite coal is imported from Russia. It is a losing proposition to try it in competition with the American product.

G. S.—Did Peter the Apostle baptize any persons while on earth? If so, how many, and in what part of the Bible is it recorded?

Ans.—Some theologians say Peter did not personally, while others say he did. We suggest that you consult your local minister.

M. D.—Please give some particulars about the Chicago fire.

Ans.—The Great Fire of Chicago, October, 1871, broke out in a barn in DeKoven street. The flames could not be controlled because they were fanned by a gale, consequently the fire raged for two days over an area of 2100 acres. Seventeen thousand four hundred and fifty buildings were destroyed, causing 200 deaths and rendering more than 70,000 homeless. Property to the value of \$199,000,000 was destroyed.

W. H. G.—What comic strip character ran for Congress?

Ans.—In the election of 1924, Andy Gump ran for Congress and was even officially nominated for President.

M. G.—What parts of the United States are free from ragweed?

Ans.—As a general rule it may be stated that the western part of the United States, the southern tip of Florida, and northern part of New England are practically free from ragweed pollen. Individuals who are unusually sensitive might have slight symptoms in some of these areas, the only completely free neighborhoods being the Pacific Northwest.

H. W. G.—Which of the universal languages is the most widely used?

Ans.—Esperanto at present is the most universally used. It is said to have 500,000 adherents.

M. N.—Please give the names of some radio personalities who are Catholics.

Ans.—A partial list is as follows: Msgr. Fulton J. Sheen, Father Charles E. Coughlin, Maj. Edward Bowes, Bing Crosby, John B. Kennedy, Fred Allen, Portland Hoffa, Lanny Ross, Jessica Dragonette, Don and James Ameche, and Morton Downey.

F. C.—What is silabub?

Ans.—It is a dish made by mixing wine or cider with milk, forming a soft curd; also sweetened cream, flavored with wine and beaten to a stiff froth. A sponge cake with wine and whipped cream is also so called.

G. L. S.—What are the four major errors of the eye?

Ans.—They are near-sightedness, far-sightedness, astigmatism, and double vision. These constitute 95 per cent. of all eye defects.

F. R.—What is the largest bay in the world?

Ans.—The Bay of Bengal, part of the Indian ocean, is the largest bay in the world.

R. M. U.—Does France have bullfights?

Ans.—They are very popular in some parts of France and are witnessed by approximately 1,000,000 people a year.

C. H.—How many days a year of sunshine has Puerto Rico?

Ans.—Puerto Rico has 360 days a year of sunshine.

E. L. C.—What is the seating capacity of the Will Rogers Stadium at Colorado Springs?

Ans.—The stadium, now under construction, will have a seating capacity of 10,000.

L. F.—Approximately how many people a year commit suicide?

Ans.—About 15,000 persons commit suicide in the United States each year.

J. R.—How much salt should be used in the daily diet?

Ans.—Dr. Logan Clendening in The Care and Feeding of Adults says: "The daily amount of salt required to be taken into a healthy body is about one-fifth the total amount in the body. In a human body of average weight (150) pounds there are about hundred grammes, or three ounces of sodium chloride. So that on the average about twenty grammes, or a full teaspoon is the daily maintenance quota."

C. J.—Please give a description of Abraham Lincoln.

Ans.—In a biography written for J. W. Fell, Lincoln said: "If any personal description of me is thought desirable, it may be said that I am, in height, six feet four inches, nearly; lean in flesh, weighing on an average one hundred and eighty pounds; dark complexion, with coarse black hair and gray eyes. No other marks or brands recollected."

H. R. F.—Please give some information about the town in Nebraska run by boys.

Ans.—The idea of having a Boys Town for homeless boys was the conception of Father Edward J. Flanagan of Omaha, Nebraska. The town is situated ten miles west of Omaha and comprises a million-dollar plant with 320 acres of farmland, eleven modern buildings, and accommodations for 200 boys. It is a self-governing community with the control completely in the hands of the boys. There is a boy mayor and six commissioners comprising a city council. The board of advisers consists of members of the school faculty.

T. S. G.—Are coffee grounds ever used for any industrial purpose?

Ans.—A chemical factory in Berlin, Germany, collects them in large quantities, and after extracting and isolating certain substances, utilizes the remaining cellulose as a substitute for ground wood and for cotton.

S. B.—Where in China is Confucius buried?

Ans.—The grave of Confucius is in a large rectangle, separated from the rest of the K'ung Cemetery, outside the city of K'ih-fow. A magnificent gate gives admission to a fine avenue, lined with cypress trees and conducting to the tomb, a large and lofty mound, with a marble statue in front, bearing the inscription of the title given to Confucius under the Sung dynasty: "The most sagely ancient Teacher; the all-accomplished, all-informed King."

R. T. H.—Where is Pink City?

Ans.—Jaipur in India is often called the Pink City. Many of the buildings are of pink or rose stucco and the effect of the picturesque costumes of the natives and the brightly colored displays of arts and crafts on the streets gives it almost a theatrical setting.

R. M. H.—Was there a famous Indian named Red Jacket?

Ans.—Red Jacket (Sagoyewatha) was a Seneca Indian chief who fought for the British during the Revolution. Because of his ability as a runner, he was a favorite among the officers, one of whom presented him with an embroidered red coat. This made him conspicuous among his people who henceforth called him Red Jacket.

G. F. B.—How long has asphalt been used?

Ans.—In exhuming the buried cities of Ur, which antedated Babylon, archeologists have found that asphalt was used as far back as the structure below the diurnal layer, probably as early as 4000 B. C. The Ark built by Noah was covered with pitch (asphalt) within and without. The cradle of Moses was caulked with asphaltic pitch.

CIVIL SERVICE EXAMS FOR VARIOUS POSITIONS

The United States Civil Service Commission has announced open competitive examinations for the following positions: Engineering draftsman, various grades, \$1,440 to \$2,500 a year. Maritime Research Assistant, \$3,200 a year. U. S. Maritime Commission. Certain experience on ocean-going merchant vessels, both in an unlicensed capacity and as a licensed officer in a supervisory capacity, and experience in investigative or research work in maritime and industrial labor problems, are required. Applicants must possess active licenses issued by the Department of Commerce for third mate or any higher rank.

The closing date for receipt of applications from States east of Colorado is June 27, and from States westward is June 30.

Full information may be obtained from the Postoffices at Bellefonte or State College.

Found Unhurt Under Train

After the car containing her parents and three other children was smashed by a slow-moving freight and carried upside down fifty feet up the track, at Branford, Ont., a search was made for Juanita Barpes, four-years-old. She was found under the train, only badly bruised. The other members of the family of Louise Barpes had to crawl out of the side of the car.