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TUESDAY EVENING, FEB. 17

JUDGE KUNKEL'S FITNESS

It is not surprising that so much favorable comment has been leveled in the newspapers and among the lawyers of the State by the suggestion of the name of George Kunkel, President Judge of the Courts of Dauphin county, in connection with the nonpartisan nomination for the Supreme Court.

If there is any virtue in the nonpartisan law as affecting the judiciary, now is the time for the electorate to demonstrate the fact. We believe the able and upright and level-headed jurist who sits in the courts of this district is equipped as no other Common Pleas Judge in the State is equipped for the important work of the higher tribunal.

Judge Kunkel has some good old-fashioned notions about the dignity of the bench and it goes without saying that he would never engage in a personal campaign for his elevation to the highest court in the Commonwealth, but his friends in all parts of the State are busy in his behalf and the bar of this district would be unanimous in his support.

These are the days of the discriminating voter and the nomination of such a jurist as George Kunkel in a State-wide primary would do more to vindicate the law than any development of the present mixed campaign.

Forest Hill, Pa., is excited because one of its residents went into a trance the other day and saw angels. That's nothing, there are lots of angels in Harrisburg throwing young men into trances every day.

ROUND WORLD FLIGHT

The most spectacular adventure ever proposed is the "round world flight" from San Francisco to San Francisco as a part of the great Panama Exposition celebration next year. The race, the climax of all the world's aeronautical activities, is to start from the grounds of the exposition in May, 1915, and must be finished within ninety days, according to the tentative plans submitted to the Pacific Aero Club, representative of the Aero Club of America, which is the American division of the Federation Aeronautique Internationale.

Aviators have long discussed the project of round-the-world aeroplane tours. The great distance already negotiated under the most difficult circumstances indicate that an aeroplane tour of the world is only a question of adequate arrangements for oil, relays, etc., and that it has not already been done is due to the item of cost.

Brindejonc made the journey from Paris to Warsaw. Russian officers have flown from Odessa to Moscow. The American continent has been traversed. Duceurt reached Mount Taurus, 3,000 miles from Paris, on a flight to the Pyramids, and then, in a hurricane, irreparably smashed his apparatus.

Vedrens, who recently reached Vienna in a flight toward an unknown destination, has announced that he will probably continue his flight to Lake Tchad, in Central Africa, or to Australia, 10,000 miles away. Stoeffler in his flight ending at Mulhausen, Germany, covered 1,375 miles; Janlor, from Stamps to St. Petersburg, covered 1,239 miles.

But aside from interest in the results of the attempt to girdle the globe, the flight will have another important aspect for, in addition to the aeronauts and their entourage, the event will undoubtedly draw every scientific and military man who is interested in aeronautics.

science and the military art of aviation. In fact it will have a tremendous significance in every department of human life.

The round-the-world flyers ought to be informed as to the excellence of Island Park as a landing place for aeroplanes.

POLITICAL TEMPTATION. COL. JOSEPH B. HUTCHISON has done nothing to justify his removal as chief of police and while we sympathize with those Republicans who view with increasing indignation the firing of their brethren by Democratic bosses in violation of every principle of decency we still believe that Colonel Hutchison has been a good official and ought to be retained.

In fact, the introduction of the merit system in the police and fire departments cannot come too soon for the welfare of Harrisburg. Civil service regulations would relieve the commissioners of the endless mauling of job hunters and give them time for the real business of the city. Such a system would also remove the temptation to use important departments, as was done under the Royal administration, for the building up of a political machine.

We trust the Republicans who are in a majority in the City Council, the first under the commission form of government, will resist the quite natural impulse to whack a Democratic head wherever they see it if for no other reason than the rebuke which such a course of official action would administer to their partisan critics.

No, Maude, you shouldn't feel flattered when he calls you a peach. They come dried and canned, you know.

CHANGES IN CHINA

MUCH as has been said concerning the swing back of China toward imperialism, changes in methods of government that have prevailed there for ages past are being made with startling rapidity. Who could have imagined civil service in China three or four years ago? Yet steps are now being taken, in sharp contrast with our own Democratic attempts to break down the merit system at Washington, to place the civil service of the new republic on a firm and enduring basis.

It is the intention of the government to pave the way for a steady succession of reforms in methods of appointment; and not merely is the system to be applied to the provincial staffs, but high offices as well as simple clerkships are to be under the civil service rules.

For this reason, according to a presidential mandate, all present officials are to be considered as being appointed merely pro tem. As suitable candidates prove their proficiency and efficiency, the temporary appointees will step down to make way for their successors. The necessary qualifications for the higher posts include a three years successful course of law in China or abroad; or two years experience in the service of the administration and six months study of law; familiarity with international treaty obligations, the constitution, essential questions of administration, and a proper understanding of local and national customs and ideals.

All of which is respectfully submitted to the Honorable Champ Clark, Mitch Palmer and those other ardent reformers who are so keen to knock the props from beneath civil service appointees in order that favorites who could not pass the required examinations may be given jobs to pay political debts and increase the power of the Democratic machine.

General Salazar is finding it more difficult to get away from his United States army guards than it was to get away from the Mexican revolutionaries.

THE BANK GUARANTEE

THE trustworthiness of William Jennings Bryan's governmental schemes and advice may be judged by the manner in which his bank guarantee plan is working out in Oklahoma, the only State that has had the temerity to put in into operation.

When Bryan voiced his worthy successor to the "16 to 1" slogan there were many who professed to see in it an end to wildcat banking and perfect security for both banks and public. Oklahoma believed so thoroughly in it—that is, those in charge of the lawmaking department of the government did—that it was enacted into a State statute.

It is interesting to note how the idea is working out in every day practice. Without going into a maze of figures, available for those desiring to acquaint themselves fully with the subject in the recently issued State banking report of Oklahoma, it may be stated that "wildcatting" has greatly increased in that State since the passage of the new law, and perfectly trustworthy banks have been assessed an annual average of almost 3 per cent. on their capital, or 1 per cent. of their daily deposits, to make good the losses of banks that failed. In addition to the limit placed on the amount the banks may be assessed as their share, the State has agreed to make good to depositors all losses. It is now more than \$550,000 behind in payment of these obligations. In addition the wildcat banks are on the increase and nobody can foresee the end.

This is a fine commentary on the "razzacy and foresight of our Secretary of State, is it not? Incidentally it may be proper to note here the announcement of to-day's newspapers that Mr. Bryan is coming into Pennsylvania next Fall to tell us how to do things here.

Pittsburgh boasts of two saloons for women only. They will be about as popular as salt mackerel in the Desert of Sahara.

A young man of Reading sprained his left arm while sleighing, the other evening. Yes, there was a girl with him.

EVENING CHAT

Use of the new Harrisburg Public Library to secure information for debates, essays and what not has become so general that the young ladies at the library are required to be on the jump.

The reference work was inaugurated by Miss Alice R. Eaton, the librarian, before the doors were opened and during the month of January 116 questions of a formal character were answered, and this number did not include information as to where to find certain things. It meant the giving of information. In the first two weeks of the month almost ninety similar questions have been answered and many people informed where to look for data. Reference work is new in Harrisburg and is something which has long been used by the Clerk's office, the Prothonotary's office, the Mayor's office and the School Board officers furnish data about the government of the city in a place where information on almost any subject can be procured at short notice and it is the greatest place the students of the high schools and of the grammar schools ever knew to get facts or debating evenings or for writing their essays.

The officials of the Auditor General's Department who are in charge of the mothers' pension law receive some odd letters in almost every mail these days. In many cases the direct application is made by the mother. Matters must first be handled by county boards. Yesterday a letter came from a young woman stating that her mother had planned to apply for a pension, but had died and asking if she might not make the application. Most of the applicants go into detail as to their qualifications for pensions and women stating that she was a cook housekeeper.

People who had shivers over attending an annual meeting of the thirteenth, can find consolation in the fact that they have two more such coincidences ahead of them. The thirtieth day of March and of November will fall on Friday. This year has more thirteenth-Friday combinations than any year in a decade.

"Uncle" Henry Houck, the Secretary of Internal Affairs, has just accepted the invitation of the Lebanon Rod and Gun Club to be toastmaster at the annual banquet at Lebanon on March 3. The dinner will be given at the prominent men of the Lebanon valley.

Some of the snow ramparts thrown up by the clearers of pavements have been turned to excellent account by the pugacious boys of various schools and several battles of the Civil War have been fought in the last few days in which the storming of Fort Donelson and various other famous achievements of the war have figured. Yesterday, however, a policeman interposed with emulation of Anthony Wayne. One letter box in Second street had been converted into a fort with castellated battlements and was dubbed Stony Point. Unfortunately the attacking party's snowballs went high and into several parlor windows full of reminders of the season, and as the defenders' ammunition appeared to concentrate on street cars, the angel of peace put both Continentals and British to rout.

People who heard Munson Havens, the famous executive of the Cleveland Chamber of Commerce, speak before the Harrisburg Chamber a few days ago were impressed with him as a level-headed, sagacious man of business, and will doubtless be very much surprised to learn that he is somewhat of an author of the light and airy as well. In fact, he is one of the most versatile of men in the political business life to-day, as this criticism of his work from the Philadelphia Ledger will show: "While the timely and readable love romance, 'Old Valentines,' by Munson Havens, never for a moment does it lapse into the wishy-washiness of sentimentalism, and through-out it is full of evidence of manliness. It deals chiefly with the love affair of Phyllis Oglebay and John Landless. Phyllis' father was an artist and her mother an actress, and when Phyllis falls in love with a matter-of-fact old uncle, Sir Peter Oglebay, who brought her up, regards it as an unforgivable calamity. Phyllis and John go their own way, however, and are married. Phyllis has money and John has but little, but life is made easier for them by discovering in their landlady the old nurse who is cared for by Phyllis when she is a baby. Phyllis' mother's name was Valentine, and Phyllis' most cherished possession is a wonderful collection of old Valentines which her father gave her mother at different times. It is directly, these old Valentines bring about a reconciliation between Sir Peter and the young couple, and the story leaves them all happily situated in the old country home where John lived when a boy. It is a wholesome story of sentiment, with no problem and just enough plot to give it a pleasing flavor."

WELL-KNOWN PEOPLE

The Rev. Dr. Russell H. Conwell, the Philadelphia clergyman and educator, is 71.

Judge L. H. Barber, of Carbon county, is objecting to return of trifling cases to the criminal courts and is warning magistrates about it.

Robert E. Speer, the foreign missionary secretary, was the speaker at the big missionary service at Reading Sunday.

Ex-Senator G. M. McNeese, of Kittanning, has congressional aspirations.

Director of Works, Hayes, of Scranton, recommends that the city own its asphalt plant.

"Billy" Sunday will close his revival in Pittsburgh this week.

Judge Pauley, of Erie, was the speaker before the Erie Underwriters.

The Rev. E. J. Nordlander, well-known McKeesport minister, has resigned to accept a charge at Worcester, Mass. He has built up a church of 300 members at McKeesport in a few years.

THE RUNNERS

[From the New York Sun] We hold these truths to be self-evident: The beginning, middle and chief end of the Progressive party is T. R.

When T. R. runs for office, not only do "the razzers go flyin' through the air," but the ballot boxes are dropped with Progressive votes.

By proxy T. R. is no successful worker. Without his magical personality the ablest, the most attractive candidates have comparatively had no sledding. Others he cannot save. To himself, personally appearing, goes a fervent following, such as makes the worshippers of Clay and Blaine look like frozen turnips.

TO CALL FOR BRYAN

Free Silver Candidate of 1896 Will Be Drafted to Aid Reorganization Slate

FRANKLIN BLIZZARD HIT

Snow Interfered With Detrich's Meeting—Palmer Talking at Philadelphia

Congressman A. Mitchell Palmer, Democratic national committeeman and the presidential candidate for United States Senator, gave a few practice blasts on his first aid whistle in Philadelphia last night when he announced that Secretary of State William Jennings Bryan might be called into Pennsylvania to save the day. Mr. Palmer also took occasion to announce that Vance C. McCormick would not retire from the race for the Democratic nomination for Governor, and asserted that Michael Wilson need not expect any aid or countenance from the national administration, because he had not made speeches for Wilson. Furthermore, Mr. Palmer intimated that President Wilson was interested in slating McCormick.

Palmer's remarks in Philadelphia have already had the effect of making many Democrats in this section of the State who resent interference in Pennsylvania primary politics of a Jerseyman, and will doubtless inflame people with similar views in other parts of the State. It is not known if Bryan did not appear to worry the friends of Ryan here very much, who remarked that his visits here would probably be made to fit in with some chautauque date at a good time, and they smiled when they thought of Bryan with memories of 1896 advocating the nomination of Vance C. McCormick.

The Progressive campaign got sort of snowed up at its much-heralded start-off in Franklin county last night, in the spite of the fact that the well-meant efforts of many folks to give Blizzards Bumped the Bull Moose

When another election approaches, instead of some thirty or more Seeking jobs in the small City Council, I do think 'twill be hard to get four.

Father-Jane, are the young man's intentions serious? Daughter— I think so, pa; he says our carriage shed could be easily transformed into a garage and the attic would make a dandy billiard room and bowling alley.—Huston Post.

IN HARRISBURG—FIFTY YEARS AGO TO-DAY

[From the Telegraph of Feb. 17, 1864] Discovered! The weather to-day is cold and blustery, and the wind is playing sad havoc with the dust, and with hoop skirts and Balmors, and showing who are the ladies with holes in their stocking.

Bible Society Semiscentennial The semicentennial anniversary of the Harrisburg Bible Society this evening, in the Lutheran church, in Fourth street, bids fair to be an occasion of more than usual interest.

POLITICAL SIDELIGHTS

—Friends of George E. Alter are keeping him before the people and it might happen that he would enter the race for Governor.

—Forestry Commissioner J. Linn Harris was elected to succeed H. C. Quigley as Centre county Republican chairman on Saturday.

—Utic county Commissioner Morris' appeals for cash do not seem to be turning in very much.

—Doc Krimp quit on Saturday with an appeal for harmony among Berks Democrats. Watch them.

—County local option appears to be the Anti-Saloon League plan.

—Congressman M. W. Shreve, of Erie, will be a candidate to succeed himself.

—Reorganization bosses will run Representative "Bill" Kern for Senator in Montgomery and the "regulars" will run Senator Heacock for Congress against Congressman Diefenderfer.

—M. T. Stokes, of Coudersport, is suspected of Bull Moose congressional hopes.

—Socialists will hold a convention at Williamsport to discuss the campaign.

A LITTLE NONSENSE



Tommy Turtle asked if she thought the number was applying sex equality showed that it must inevitably come, but she protested she never was very good at mathematics.

"THE PAEAN OF THE ALSO RAN" By Wing Ding.

Last autumn I worked day and night. I had of some thirty or more. For votes that would get me a place in the new City Council, but somehow I lost, and went down in disgrace.

At first I sought some consolation in thinking of quite a few more, who like me had lost in the running. But still I was grouchy and sore.

I knocked all my friends who had licked me. By voting for some other man, and helped him reap all the honor. That I for myself hoped to can.

But now, bless your soul, I would thank 'em. If I knew just who throw me down. For I just think that a job in the Council is just 'bout the worst in the town.

When a vote on a question is taken, and if it's "yes," half the party says "wrong."

If it's "no," then the other half hollers, "Either way it's as broad as it's long."

Every time that the bunch gets together, it seems that they've just got to fight. And no matter which way the decision half the city will say "that's not right."

Apollinaris "THE QUEEN OF TABLE WATERS." BOTTLED ONLY AT THE SPRING, NEUENAUH, GERMANY. AND ONLY WITH ITS OWN NATURAL GAS. The Spring from which the Whole World Drinks.

EDITORIAL COMMENT

Goes On In Same Old Way [From the St. Louis Post-Dispatch.] Springfield, Mo., has voted to retain the omission form of government.

No Pews For the Needy [From the Boston Globe.] So the ushers in 150 New York churches are going to form a union to spread the art of ushering as it is practiced in Fifth Avenue. This is not cheating news for all the ill-dressed and the poor.

NEWS-DIPATCHES—OF-THI-CIVIL-WAR

[From the Telegraph of Feb. 17, 1864] Out of Libby Fortness Monroe, Feb. 16.—Twenty-six Union officers arrived this forenoon, having escaped from Libby prison on the 10th inst.

Three More Escape Fortness Monroe, Feb. 16.—Three Union prisoners reached here to-day from Danville, Va., having escaped from the prison at that place. They have been fifteen days on the route and came into our lines at Suffolk.

Letters to the Editor

WOMAN OBJECTS TO A CARTOON

To the Editor of The Telegraph: I have been waiting in vain for some other person to express disapproval of the cartoon that disgraced the front page of the Telegraph one month ago to-day. This was entitled "The Strong Arm of the Law," and showed a hand inscribed "The Law" thrusting into prison "Vice" in the form of a woman, while the righteous public typified by the figure of a man stood by clapping his hands, and exclaiming "At Last." I wish to protest against the injustice to womanhood in using the figure of a woman to symbolize vice in this remarkable man-made cartoon. Recent speakers have shown that man, rather than woman, is responsible for the vice of this city. Why then should it be necessary to use woman as an emblem for vice, while guilty man stands aside and applauds. It is the old story of Adam and Eve, the former saying, "It was the fault of the woman, Lord." It would seem that the memory of a sainted mother, or of a pure sister, should be enough to prevent the cartoonist from degrading womanhood by representing it in this false and loathsome light.

For months it has been the custom of the local papers to parade the names and addresses of fallen women. Why are not the worse debauched men given equal publicity? Protec-

tion to the weaker vessel cannot come by crushing it. May we as mothers and daughters not expect your cooperation in showing womanhood on the respectful and high plane that it deserves, rather than through the examples of but a few specimens, continuously debasing it? A WOMAN.

The other place is said to be paved with good intentions—yours, mine, everybody's; but did it ever occur to you that a large part of the road tax was paid by those who "intended" to take life insurance for their families but died uninsured? Consult the PENN MUTUAL LIFE 108 N. Second St. Isaac Miller, Local F. O. Donaldson, Agents.

A Feather In Our Cap

The fact that most of our customers have sent as other patrons is indeed a "feather in our cap," as it demonstrates without doubt that our work is as good as it's possible to make it. Our Artists and Engravers are men of experience and ability in their respective lines. Let us prove it to you. Phone us and a representative will call.

The Telegraph Art and Engraving Department

SIDES & SIDES Adhering to our former policy of showing new merchandise each season we will dispose of our present Clothing Stock at prices regardless of cost. Suits and Overcoats that formerly sold at from \$25 to \$35 we will sell at \$11.50 A rare opportunity to obtain a High Grade Suit or Overcoat. SIDES & SIDES Commonwealth Hotel Building

If you get more enjoyment from smoking a good ten cent cigar where is the extravagance? The all Havana quality of MOJA 10c CIGARS has the "punch" that gets in its work, and makes it worth more to the particular smoker than a dime's worth of nickel cigars. Made by John C. Herman & Co.