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FRIDAY EVENING, JULY 16. God's gifts put man's best dreams to shame. Mrs. Browning.

ONE EFFECT OF HOLT'S ATTACK. HOLT'S abortive attack upon J. Pierpont Morgan, quite unlike the generality of such efforts, may have a useful effect.

It is to be hoped that this example will be widely followed by manufacturers and dealers in explosives of all kinds. It will not absolutely prevent improper persons from getting their hands upon dynamite and other high power explosives, of course.

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IN THIS latter connection retail dealers in fire arms and weapons of offense, of all kinds can be of great service. A New York newspaper recently demonstrated that it is comparatively easy to purchase in the open market not only pistols and suitable ammunition, but brass knuckles, blackjacks, knives with murderously long blades and a variety of other instruments of that general character.

REPUBLICANISM. COMMENTING upon a phase of current politics a Harrisburg newspaper the other day said that thousands upon thousands of persons left the Republican party in 1912 "not because they were deprived of office, but because the name Republican was repugnant to the principles upon which their country was founded."

Just what this means is by no means clear. Neither is it important to find out. Mention is made here of the expression merely because it serves to call attention to the fact that the name Republican and what it stands for in the party politics of the country, far from being repugnant to those who voted the Progressive ticket in 1912, is the strongest of the influences behind the movement back to the party.

The conviction that the traditions and ideals of the Republican party constitute one of the really important forces of the Republic, and a feeling that the best hope of the friends of enlightened government lies in the continued existence of that party as a virile organization, rather than thoughts of political expediency, inspire most of the men who went out during the last national campaign, but will co-operate heartily in the campaign to be made next year. This is indicated nowhere more plainly than in recent letters and statements of leaders of the Progressive party movement, now practically abandoned. It is plain that they feel they acted precipitately and without giving due

consideration to the great practical value to the nation of Republican solidarity.

The Republican party is by no means the oldest political organization in this country, but it has a history of achievement, of moral uplift and economic advance and of constructive legislation that no other party can begin to equal.

More important than the things that the Republican party stand for constitute a program which insures that when the Government is committed to its care the country will go forward steadily along all lines in such a way as will command respect both at home and abroad.

Is it fair to assume that Secretary Daniels' purpose in inviting Henry Ford to become a member of the advisory board, of which Thomas Edison is the head, is to have a real expert to take care of the publicity features?

O'HARA LOOMS UP BRIEFLY. NOT the least interesting thing about the trip of the Liberty Bell across the continent is the fact that it served to enable Barratt O'Hara to emerge for a few minutes from the obscurity in which he has been plunged for the last two years.

Of course every one remembers O'Hara. He is the busy individual who cut a wide swath one recent winter in his capacity as lieutenant governor and head of a committee appointed by the Illinois legislature to investigate wages paid to women engaged in gainful occupations.

Although it actually is a matter of but a few months since this occurred it seems a long while ago, and as one looks back at it is hard to understand how such an outrageous attack upon American womanhood received even the brief countenance it obtained from the public and some of the newspapers.

Even as it was, O'Hara has been in the background ever since, much against his own will if the Liberty Bell incident may be taken as a criterion. Governor Dunne was out of the State when the Bell passed through and the duty of officially receiving it fell to the lieutenant governor. True to his instinct to make the most of every situation to exploit O'Hara, he has written to the Philadelphia newspapers about it.

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JUDGE KUNKEL took an absolutely correct attitude Monday in sentencing to jail for three months a prisoner convicted of driving a jitney beyond the speed limit while intoxicated, when he said:

We can't wait until someone is seriously injured by one who later is driving a motor vehicle while intoxicated. Then it will be too late. The surer way to protect those who ride as well as those who walk in the streets from the violators of the law is to impose the penalty of the law.

THIS is good common sense. If the drivers of automobiles learn that the law is to be strictly enforced and that jail sentences are to be imposed for violations such as endanger the lives of their patrons or pedestrians, such practices as those which have been all too common lately will cease.

THE life of the jitney depends upon public favor and it will lose that all-important factor if men who drive the cars do not conform strictly with the law. Municipal regulation of the jitneys is bound to come sooner or later and the jitney drivers can do much to make the yoke light or heavy, all according to their own conduct.

IMPORTANT RULING. TWO important facts were developed in court at Ogden, Utah, yesterday, when the judge in the suit of Albert Geddes Eccles for a share in the estate of the late David Eccles, multimillionaire sugar and lumber king, ruled that children by a plural marriage, such as is alleged to have been contracted by Margaret Geddes and David Eccles, are not legitimate.

The court ruled, also, that the only ground on which Albert Eccles could lay claim to inherit from the estate of the financier is that David Eccles had acknowledged himself to be the father of the boy. He instructed the jury that it should consider evidence submitted by the plaintiff in the action as to a plural marriage only in so far as it tended to prove the likelihood of an acknowledgment.

born from a plural marriage subsequent to the admission of Utah as a State. Such children born theretofore have been declared legitimate by a special statute.

But even more important is the fact brought out by Mormon Church officials are really frowning upon plural marriages in Utah. The suspicion that Mormon leaders were winking at violations of the law forbidding such unions generally has prevailed and there have been examples to confirm it.

If the opposite is now true and the Mormons can convince the public that they are really sincere in their pledges of conformity with accepted standards of marriage in the United States, they will have gone a long way toward establishing for themselves a respectability that, deservedly or undeservedly, they do not have and never did have.

REVENUE COLLECTOR Ben Davis, of Lancaster, is reported as intending to stay in politics and friends are quoted as saying he will be a candidate for county chairman again. This will be enough to start a fight, to say nothing of the fact that he is the guest at a big party at the Babcock farm.

THE PITTSBURGH Gazette-Times says: National Committeeman A. Mitchell Palmer who dispenses a Federal patronage in the State, has established the precedent of going outside the postal district for a postmaster. Some months ago Postmaster General Burleson gave the local Democratic organization, the first intimation they had that Mr. George is under consideration for the office.

THROUGHOUT Dauphin county the impression prevails that the Republican ticket will sweep the district next Fall by a great majority. All that we need is the right man for ticket and the rest will be easy, said a man from the upper end of the county today who has followed the course of politics in that district for many years.

EDITORIAL COMMENT. But who will make the "League of Peace" keep it?—Boston Transcript. The trouble with Carranza is that he wants a constitutional government in Mexico with himself as the constitution.

MILITARY TRAINING IS A HELP. Australia Finds Its Boys Are Better Physically and Morally. In response to a request for an explanation from the respective heads of the police departments as to the effect of the universal military training system on the general conduct and bearing of the youths of Australia, the following replies have been given:

NEW SOUTH WALES.—The principal effects of a military training system are self respect, diminution of juvenile cigarette smoking, and arduousness, carelessness, general delinquency towards a sense of responsibility and a desire to become good citizens.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA.—I am firmly convinced the system is the right one and the effect on the rising generation must be for good. Tasmania.—The boys are rendered more physically fit, better kept up, and with the system there has been a marked tendency to create self respect.

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THE disastrous results to the slave holders should not have been forgotten by the saloon keepers and their officials' friends so early in this present century. To force saloons in territory where they are not wanted is certain to remind the people who oppose them that Kansas has no trouble either with saloons or timid souls in office who fear saloon influence.

THE saloon keepers were not as blind as the old slave holders. They would see another storm of abolition coming. They would see how they are helping it along even when they pride themselves upon winning a "victory."

HIS SHINING EXAMPLE. Mr. Bryan hopes soon to realize his ambition to "return to the colleges and lecture to the young men on the duties and responsibilities of citizenship."

PEACE! PEACE! Bryan's terms for a speech in St. Louis are \$500 and 50,000 audience. By a simple process of arithmetic it follows the Common Sense that it is worth just an even dollar a hundred to men and women to hear him cry "Peace, peace but there is no peace."

Politics in Pennsylvania

Senator Penrose's visit to Pittsburgh is being made the occasion for numerous pilgrimages by men active in Republican affairs in the western part of the State to the erstwhile Smoky City and there will be some interesting developments as a result.

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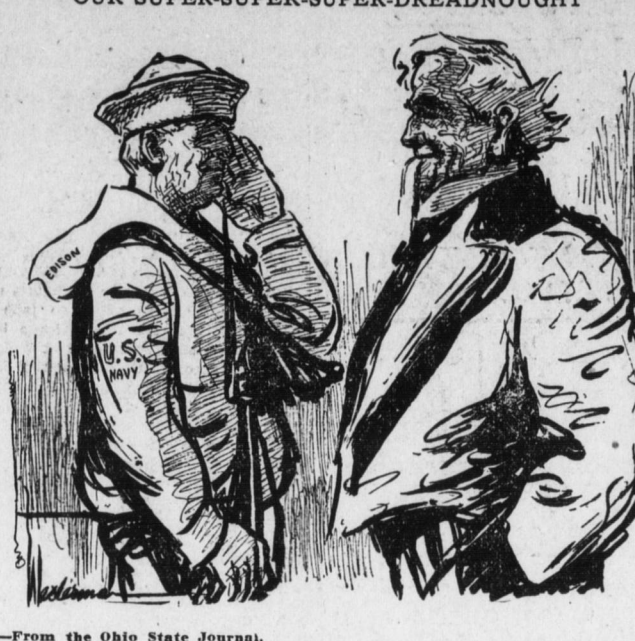
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THE CARTOON OF THE DAY



From the Ohio State Journal.

A POLL OF JITNEY SENTIMENT

Literary Digest Finds Regulation the Dominant Issue.

When the strike stopped the wheels of every street car in Chicago, half of the Chicagoans affected traveled to work next morning in jitney buses.

IN LOS ANGELES, the home of the jitney, a banker reports losses in street railway earnings, but a growth in the number and popularity of the buses, with a likelihood that the jitney question may figure in the city election.

ST. LOUIS HAS 250 cars, but service is said to be unsatisfactory. Seattle has had 600 jitneys, but the number is decreasing under strict regulation.

ELIZABETH Dejeans, author of the recently published novel, "The Life Builders," is just leaving for an extended trip west.

OUR DAILY LAUGH. Mr. Tuttle: God morning. Mr. Frog: How are the little Pol-lows?

ONE ON WILLIE. He: Today's my birthday. She: Oh, Willie. What a splendid joke the stork played on you folks!

TRY IT OUT. You may say what you please, but work goes with more ease if one gets out a half day to play up, but one gets a rap.

IN HARRISBURG FIFTY YEARS AGO TO-DAY. Soldiers Arrive Daily. Heavy rains destroyed several of the bridges along the railroad lines between this city and Philadelphia.

MISS ALICE H. CHITTENDEN. New York, July 16.—Angered by assertions that the liquor interests are backing the antisuffrage campaign, Miss Alice Hill Chittenden, has made the announcement that the New York State Association opposed to Woman Suffrage would open its books to an authorized committee of suffragists.

DO YOU KNOW. That Harrisburg is commencing to show a very impressive list of bank clearings every month? VACATION BY AUTO.

CIVIC CLUB. Fly Contest June 1 to July 31. Prizes of \$5, \$2.50 and several \$1.00 ones duplicated by Mr. Ben Strouse.

Evening Chat

Alumni of the Harrisburg Academy are commencing to sit up and take notice of the manner in which the trustees of the institution have started to build it up.

THE Harrisburg Public Library is continuing to depart from the rule. Not only has it been able to do more than most institutions in the way of books circulated per dollar expended, in fact, establishing something of a record in that line, but it has also been enjoying a gain in patronage.

OVER twenty-five hunters' license tags have been reserved at the county treasury, having been laid aside for nimrods who have desires for special numbers as have the requests for automobiles.

DO YOU know thaticed tea, plain leed tea is commencing to be a popular beverage over the bar in Harrisburg? asked one of the city's hotelmen last evening.

THE most disgruntled people in Harrisburg right now are the fishermen and I'm getting into their class because I have not sold a piece of tackle or a line for some time.

CONDUCTORS on open cars going through the Market street subway have the sense of touch of a nickel wheel developed. They generally are collecting fares when the cars go into the tunnel and they take the money and ring up just the same as though in the middle of a sunlit street.

FORMER members of the National Guard who attended the encampment at the State Military Academy, are the most radical change they noticed in the handling of men was not the holding of inspections in the company streets, but the practical abandonment of maneuvers.

DR. J. M. BALDY, president of the State Medical Educators' Association, has been in active practice in Philadelphia for years.

DR. J. H. WILSON, of Beaver, has returned from a visit to the Pacific coast.

EVAN V. BABECKO, who is entertaining Senator Penrose at Pittsburgh, is a wealthy lumberman.

LEONARD H. CLOTHIER, the Philadelphia merchant, has gone to Johnston, R. I., to spend the summer.

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