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FRIDAY EVENING, OCT. 1.
The great man is he who does not lose his child's heart.—Confucius.

VOCAL IN SPOTS

SAM ROGERS, Director of the Census, bobs up with a handful of figures to prove that under the Democratic administration there are fewer deaf and dumb persons than existed in Republican times.
Sam says the Republican census of 1910 reported a total number of 44,708 deaf and dumb. He blames this on improper returns. Evidently he believes the Republicans exaggerated the facts in order to retain themselves in power.

According to Mr. Rogers' system of addition there are but 19,154 deaf and dumb persons in the United States. However, the reason for this difference of 25,554 is easily accounted for: They are former mutes who have been shocked into profane lingual activity by the devilish antics of the Democratic party, and who are aurally alert to the prospect of a Republican administration in 1917.

The President once said that the country was "vocal in spots." Sam has put his finger on one of the spots.

Imports valued at \$26,921,467, and duties collected thereon amounting to \$2,812,917, is the record for the week ending September 11, 1915, at the thirteen principal customs districts of the United States. This shows an average ad valorem rate of duty on imports of 10.4 per cent. The annual average ad valorem for the last year under Republican law was 17.6 per cent, a rate which gave generally satisfactory protection to American industries, and provided ample revenue for the Government, neither of which tasks is being performed by the Democratic tariff law, as our dwindling treasury balance bears witness. This is not so much due to the war as it is to the large volume of imports which are coming in free of duty.

The Miltonian, one of Northumberland county's brightest newspapers, has just entered upon its one hundredth volume. It was founded by Henry Frick, and among its editors have been Robert M. Frick, from 1843 to 1852; Franklin Bound, from 1852 to 1869, and now ex-Senator Fred. A. Godcharles, its proprietor. One of the interesting features is a reproduction in the anniversary number of the first page of the initial issue of the Miltonian on Saturday, September 21, 1816.

VALUE OF A STATE FAIR

EVERY quarter this Fall comes inspiration and encouragement for the proposed State Fair and Exposition on the spacious grounds between this city and Middletown. While this enterprise is being promoted by private capital it nevertheless covers a need which is apparent in this part of Pennsylvania.
For several years the question of a State Fair to be located in this city has been discussed at succeeding sessions of the Legislature and the interest which Governor Brumbaugh is showing in the advancement of agricultural and kindred subjects has given increased impetus to the whole movement.

Dispatches from Trenton state that there is a record-breaking attendance at the Interstate Fair which was opened Monday at the New Jersey capital. Monday was children's day at the New Jersey Exposition and thousands of youngsters trooped to the fair grounds in that city. It is stated that over 50,000 people were present on the opening day, showing the widespread interest in these expositions.

More than 25,000 persons attended the big Lancaster Fair on the opening day this week and there also the children gathered on the grounds in large numbers, the schools all over the county having been closed to allow the pupils to attend as the guests of the fair association. One of the interesting phases of this fair is the boys' corn contest.

At Milton another big fair got under way this week and crowds are present every day. So the story goes from every corner of this imperial Commonwealth.

Referring to the large fair in Washington county, the Washington Observer says that the association is "a help in the development of the agricultural interests of the county and in the encouragement of pure

bred stock raising." This same newspaper refers to the fact that one of the county officials recently emphasized the importance of fairs in helping the development of agriculture, especially among the girls and boys who are to be the future farmers of the State. On the question of better stock as a result of these expositions the Observer says:

The difference between the stock in Washington county and that of our neighboring county, Fayette, was most strikingly shown in the exhibits of the two fairs, the Fayette fair having no stock exhibit at all.
The very fact that sixty boys and girls took part in the stock judging contest at the local fair and that thirty-four prizes were awarded indicates to some extent at least the interest which has been awakened through this feature alone.

Commenting upon the great benefit of the Washington County Fair, a prominent leader of the agriculturists made the assertion that the fair had proved to be an important factor in his work and should be encouraged by all who believe in the importance of more scientific farming and stock raising.

With a real fair and automobile speedway on the ideal site selected by the company which is promoting the big exposition between this city and Middletown, all of Central Pennsylvania will be attracted and the results should be beneficial to this section. It is said that considerable headway is now being made by those back of the proposed exposition and while the State has not provided for the maintenance of such a fair it is believed to be interested in a development of plans which would give Harrisburg the same sort of an exposition as attracts attention in New York, Ohio, New Jersey and other States.

As a result of the recent municipal celebration there is a lively interest in the general improvement of houses and business places which have not already been transformed by the wave of improvement which has been sweeping over the city for several years. It is believed next season that porch boxes and window boxes will transform much of the city into a great floral bower.

THE NUTTING SEASON

WILWOOD PARK as it stands to-day is a monument to civic pride and municipal progress, but there are men in the city who as boys knew and availed themselves of its advantages long before the awakening of Harrisburg in 1901. Many a man of sedate middle life remembers when to him Wetzel's Swamp, under which misnomer the park went previous to its acquisition by the city, constituted his conception of the forest primeval and held for him all of the joys and thrills of pioneering and discovery that the hardy frontiersmen who first penetrated these regions must have experienced. Many a lad learned in Wildwood park the forest lore that made him a lover of nature in after years and stored up energy that stood him in good stead when he needed it most.

Wildwood was a thing of beauty and a joy forever to the boys of the generation now ripening into middle life. In winter they skated and trapped muskrats there; in the Spring they picked violets, arbutus and the countless other forms of flowering life that make the park area one of the most attractive in Central Pennsylvania to the botanist and plant-lover. In summer he hunted frogs, fished and picked berries and grapes there, but it in the Fall that he found his greatest delight in its woods and along its slopes. Nuts were ripe then and he knew where to find them. There were chestnuts in the lowlands and along the slopes. Walnuts and butternuts were to be had in abundance, while everything in the hickory nut line was to be had for the "skutching," from the humble "hoggie" to the aristocratic shellbark.

Few pleasures there were in those days to compare with a Saturday spent in "Wetzel's" armed with bag and club. In what triumph the lad bore his bag full of nuts home in the evening. What mattered stained hands and bruised knees. The young forester was well repaid when he saw his store spread out to dry on the kitchen roof, for he held visions of winter evenings spent over the fish of cracked nuts that made all the dreary months to come seem rosy as summer.

To be sure, Wildwood is a great place, all it is painted, indeed, but the men who knew it as boys will tell you that it holds no more joys to-day than it did before it acquired the dignity of municipal ownership.
There has been widespread endorsement of the suggestion of the Telegraph that Labor Day next year be set apart for a fine river carnival, including a regatta and aquatic sports of all kind. It is up to the men and women of the city to organize an association of interested persons in literature and sports, the Chamber of Commerce having done well in starting the ball rolling.

It is not only in the stock market that the steel interests of the country are cutting a figure. Everywhere the plants are getting busy and orders seem to be increasing hourly. Idle cars are now in use and thousands of tons of steel are being ordered for new equipment. Building plans which were suspended are now being resumed and Harrisburg looks for a home construction boom next year.

CAMP HILL'S ENTERPRISE

CAMP HILL'S borough council has displayed admirable foresight and enterprise in availing itself of the expert service of the Harrisburg City Planning Commission for the development of the territory lying between the west bank of the river and the western boundary line of Camp Hill. Under the law the commission has authority to act within three miles of the city limits in any direction and this brings the Camp Hill project well within the prescribed area.

Eventually Harrisburg, like Pittsburgh and New York city, will leap across the intervening stream and embrace within its governmental scope all the West Shore, at least from the lower end of Lemoyne to Enola and back as far as the western line of Camp Hill. It is important, therefore,

that the territory to the west be laid out systematically and in harmony with the "city beautiful" idea which the commission has always in mind. At all events a majority of Camp Hill people work or have their business places in Harrisburg and they are entitled to all the help the city can give them in carrying out the municipal development ideas that are doing so much to make Harrisburg one of the most desirable residing places in the country.

Politics in Pennsylvania

By the Ex-Committeeman

Governor Martin G. Brumbaugh is having a hard time to get appointments made to vacancies because of the rush of people to urge appointments. The Governor's time while at the Capitol has been practically taken up in seeing delegations, including legislators, who are seeking to have appointments made. So much time has been taken up in this manner that the Governor has been clearing up his mail and other important matters at the executive mansion. It is believed that the important appointments such as Secretary of Agriculture, Water Supply Commissioner and others will come along in a few days.
—Several members of the Legislature, who have been seeking after places, have apparently lost sight of the fact that the constitution prohibits members of the general assembly from accepting places of profit by appointment during their terms. Several members of the last House are understood to have been after places, but found the constitutional bar.

—The boom launched for Senator Boies Penrose for the Republican nomination for President at the P. O. S. of A. meeting in Baltimore appears to have attracted considerable attention in other States. The senator declined to talk about it yesterday, but reiterates his belief that the next president would be a Republican.
—Cambria county Republicans appear to be getting together and preparing for a lively campaign. It is predicted that they will sweep things.
—The Franklin party "war board" met yesterday in Philadelphia to plan the campaign. It is said that George W. Carr, well-known here as a leader of insurgent movements, is being considered for the chieftain.

—Philadelphia is "all het up" over the post office changes in that city. Postmaster Thornton returned yesterday from Washington where he was in conference for several days with officials of the Post Office Department. He declined to make any comment on the tube agitation or the appointment of the two Washington postal experts who were ordered to Philadelphia by Postmaster General Burleson to improve the service there.

—Recount of the vote cast in the first six wards of Pittsburgh at the primary election proceeded yesterday under order of Court, and developed irregularities, not only for the dates for Prothonotary, but County Commissioner as well. George E. Alter, former speaker of the House of Representatives, when into court with fifteen petitions asking for a recount in many districts. The districts were not specified, and Court refused the voter that information was provided. The speaker sprung the news of the ballot scandal when he moved to throw out the entire Republican vote of the First ward in Bradfield and offered the ballots themselves as proof that at least 200 had been marked by one or the other of two men.

—Attorney Clarence D. Coughlin, of Wilkes-Barre, was elected Republican county chairman of Luzerne at a meeting in the office of Attorney John Halsey, whom Mr. Coughlin succeeds. George W. Williams and Jesse Williams were appointed secretaries. Campaign plans were discussed tentatively and it was generally agreed that the prospect for a sweeping Republican victory this Fall are bright. The candidates put the same vigor in the campaign as was evinced before the primaries. Mr. Halsey has served as county chairman three years, 1912-13-14. The chairman is elected for one year, or until his successor is chosen.

—Allegations of fraud, which, if substantiated would nullify the nomination for county controller to P. H. Durkin with a plurality of 442 votes over William Luxemburger, were presented to court at Scranton Wednesday. This case will probably prove the frequent charges of election trickery in the Democratic camp made by Attorney C. C. Donovan, representing Mr. Durkin. The allegations were contained in petitions to the court asking that ballot boxes in the suspected districts be sent for and the vote for this office be recounted.

HARD ON THE FIREMEN

[From the Philadelphia Record.]
Ten members of the fire department of Hartsdale, N. Y., are in jail under a charge of tax evasion. The performance of their duties in the past year has been so good that they were ordered to have more to extinguish and greater opportunities for proving their value to the community. The citizens of Hartsdale are unappreciative. Instead of bestowing hero medals upon these men, they are being held in jail, who were insatiable in their determination to put out fires, they have had them locked up and are going to prosecute them for arson.

JAMES WHITCOMB RILEY

Indiana friends will tender a banquet to James Whitcomb Riley on October 7. The committee has invited the most distinguished persons in literature and public life from all parts of the country. It will probably surpass any banquet ever held in literature. Similar ones were tendered Mark Twain and William Dean Howells. Riley retired from the vacuum platform in 1903, and no monetary inducement would bring him out of his seclusion in his home in Indianapolis. Riley's appearance in Harrisburg with "Bill" Nye some years ago has not been forgotten. About that time the phonograph was being introduced and both humorists made a record for talking machine at the Executive Dinner. Nye, however, sold the talking machine to the new-fangled toy, as it was then regarded.

CLOSING THE OPEN DOOR

The open door in China will be closed and barred to American trade in the near future unless the United States helps out the foreigner from China, eastern Gallagher, editor for the Far Eastern Bureau, told the Traffic Club at the Waldorf in New York this week. He said it is just as important for this country to abide by the Hay doctrine in China as to defend the Monroe Doctrine in the Western Hemisphere. "In 1913," said Mr. Gallagher, "we sold China only \$37,000,000 of the \$255,000,000 of foreign merchandise she bought. It is impossible to exaggerate the immensity of the commercial stake of the Orient. Japan's scraps of paper of her open door declarations, disregarding her promises to America. She has re-established her sphere of influence in China, having in view the ultimate partition or absorption of that country."
British gold shipped into this country is being used with our own finances, but as yet we haven't organized any Boston Tea-Parties to chuck it into the sea.—New York American.

When a Feller Needs a Friend

By BRIGGS



TELEGRAPH'S PERISCOPE

—When this wireless telephony gets to working, it's not going to be such a long way to Tipperary.

—A Chicago man by the name of Welsher has just paid over \$3,000 to make good a note given by his brother. What's in a name?

—Do you remember when about this season of the year your Saturday lunch often consisted of a raw turnip and a pocketful of green chestnuts?

—With Camp Hill on one side and Steelton on the other, Harrisburg must keep busy if she is to continue to lead in civic and commercial development.

—After building the subway New York city would find trench fighting mild amusement.

EDITORIAL COMMENT

Frederick Palmer, through the rare courtesy of the British Admiralty, is able to report that England has some war ships in a harbor.—Chicago Post.

The Prince of Wales has sworn never to take a German bride. But even this terrible blow may fail to crush the German war spirit.—Kansas City Journal.

We have a suspicion that the Carr has about as much chance of losing a battle in the newspapers as a society heiress has of being homely.—Boston Transcript.

That fighting down on the Texas border which Judge Gary presides over as well on the road as they do on the home grounds.—Nashville Southern Lumberman.

Short weight.—The pound sterling.—New York American.

The football rules are being revised. We hope the committee goes on record against poison gases.—New York Evening Sun.

THE JUDGE'S INSIDE DOPE

[Philadelphia Record.]
Judge Gary, chairman of the United States Steel Corporation, gives no reasons for his "feeling" that the war "will not be the long-drawn-out affair that some commentators would have us believe;" nor does he say why he "thinks" that "the war will end quickly and unexpectedly." But the corporation over which Judge Gary presides and many of its affiliates are to the elbows in the production of munitions of war; and it is part of the equipment of a good business man to be able to sense the future requirements of his market.

WHERE MR. POPE GUESSED WRONG

[From the Kansas City Times.]
Several years ago a gentleman named Pope wrote two lines that have been giving aid and comfort ever since to men who were opposing betterments in government.
For forms of government let fools contest.
What'er is best administer'd is best.

According to this sentiment it was all foolishness to displace a monarchy with a republic. By the same philosophy it makes no difference in mowing a lawn whether you have a lawn mower or a pair of scisors.

MY LEADER

When earthly joys have all passed by,
And clouds are lowering in the sky,
Thought oft by human hopes deceived,
I know in whom I have believed,
And although gloomy seems the day,
When traveling on life's weary way,
I know that he has said to me,
That "as the day thy strength shall be."

And so, while trusting in his word,
I lean upon my gracious Lord,
And feel whatever my lot may be,
Still by his hand he leadeth me.
It may be that the path is rough—
Still, if he leads, it is enough,
For on his word I will depend:
"Lo, I am with you till the end."
—Mary M. M. McFarland in The Christian Herald.

THE NATION'S CASH ROOM

By Frederic J. Haskin

IN these days when the talk of the world is national and international finance it may be interesting to make a pilgrimage to the holy of financial holies, the marble cash room in the national treasury. Here is the very heart of the actual Bank of the United States, where all the currency of the Federal Government is issued, and new bills given out for old ones that have been sent in for destruction. Here is the headquarters for the payment of vouchers issued by all of the disbursing officers of Uncle Sam.

The Treasury Department is a complicated organization having to do with the administration of many government bureaus, with mints and sub-treasuries throughout the country, with the collection of taxes, the direction of policies. But the cash room is the source of its very life-blood. It is the Treasury in its simplest form, for here is the source of the payment of all government obligations. This one room bears the label, "Treasury of the United States."

The bank is the richest in the world, for back of it is the robust nation of the West, to which the whole world looks in a crisis such as the present.
One enters this financial vaults by a commonplace side door leading from a gloomy corridor. There are clerks in black alpaca coats working at ancient desks. You approach a high, iron gate which unlatches from the inside. If you have a right to advance the door swings slowly on its massive hinges.

The cash room itself has a more ambitious appearance. This part of the Treasury building was put up in the five years that followed the close of the Civil War. The cash room was erected for the purpose it serves. It is the most ambitious room in all the great building—high-vaunted, lined with the finest of marbles, rich in interior decoration, and fringed with a bronze gallery from which visitors may look down upon its operations.
It is a two-story room, some seventy feet long and thirty wide, over-ambitious in size, yet President Grant came here for one of his inaugural balls.

Thirty Clerks Handle Money
Inside are plain iron gratings, a teller's looking, separating the tellers and clerks, some desks and high stools. There is not a piece of mahogany, nor a cushioned chair in the Bank of the United States. Thirty clerks handle the flow of the nation's money and direct the channels into which it shall pass.
Then there is Major Alfred R. Qualife, the vault clerk, who occupies the high desk at the end of the room, but spends much of his time in the cash vaults just beyond. As a matter of fact, there is a network of vaults surrounding this simple cash room. There are the great reserve vaults, for instance, into which the new money is put when it is first printed, and allowed to stand while the ink on it dries and hardens. Into this vault has gone every piece of United States paper currency that the people of this generation have stuffed into their pockets. There is the cash vault, where the current funds for the daily business of the government are kept, and the \$420,000,000 held in reserve. Then there are the underground storage vaults where lies \$157,000,000 in gold.

The State From Day to Day

Frank H. Buhl, the Sharon ironmaster, is recovering from dangerous hurts resulting from an automobile accident.

Shippensburg Motor Club is co-operating with the Motor Club of Harrisburg in marking the Lincoln Highway feeder between Harrisburg and Chambersburg. Railroad "danger" signs have also been ordered.

Paxtang is not the only community stirred over the weed nuisance. Williamsport's council is all worked up over the rank growth on vacant lots in that city. And the weeds must go.

As a preliminary to purchasing a site for a recreation park at a cost of \$15,000 the Civic Club of Williamsport is about to be incorporated.

The Pottsville Republican is urging the people of the anthracite region to clean up their back alleys in the theory that a Fall cleaning is quite as beneficial as one in the Spring.

Trolley line is now in course of construction between Johnstown and Somerset. It is expected the line will be operating before Spring.

This week a farm in Clay township, Lancaster county, which has been in the Lober family since Richard and Robert Penn granted the tract to Martin Lober was sold as the property of Sarah Lober to Charles J. Lebzelter for \$25,748.04. It contains 243 acres and a mansion house.

All Lancaster is full of enthusiasm over the great fair now under way. Meanwhile Harrisburg is looking forward to the day when the big show of all the shows will be staged on the Young estate near Highspire.

WELL KNOWN PEOPLE

—W. H. Truesdale, president of the Lackawanna, said in Scranton that he expected things to boom all over the country.
—Ignace Paderewski, speaking at a model in unpreparedness.
—The Rev. Mr. T. E. Coffey, of Carbondale, has given a public reception on completion of his fortieth anniversary as a priest.

—Charles E. Inersoll of Philadelphia, has succeeded Ralph Ellis as a director of the General Asphalt Company.
—T. E. Weidersheim, Philadelphia banker, is home from the Pacific coast.

—John Thompson, Senator of Philadelphia, will spend October at Newport.

DO YOU KNOW

That Harrisburg has built a number of engines for Mexico?

HISTORIC HARRISBURG
The first courthouse was built about 1800 and the Legislature used it for several years from 1814 on.

MR. MANN IN A FAMILIAR VEIN
[New York Sun.]
It is one of the Hon. James R. Mann's notable handicaps in public life that he will talk sense. He not infrequently ignores the appetite for baldersdash and addresses his auditors as if they were intelligent. Thus, he told the Missouri Republicans at St. Louis this week:

"It is not our duty to civilize or govern Europe.
It is our duty to act for the lasting best interests of our own country.
"While we are adopting means and methods for our trade and industrial development let us also, in view of the conditions in foreign lands, put our hands on our hips and defend and protect itself against any foreign nation or nations."

These are strange words from the lips of a politician. No one who is a devotee of a govern Europe? Our duty to mind our own business? We should look out for the United States? Here are singularly anti-Chautauquan opinions, offered by a Government official. Does Mr. Mann mean that he has given up hope of the nomination for President in 1916?

HAD SOME YESTERDAY

By Wing Disger
I'm always sorry when time comes
For summer to go out.
But listen, boy, when I recall
That Fall brings sauerkraut,
And pork and sausage, scrapple, too,
It puts my gnom in a rout,
And I don't know but what I'm glad
To see summer go.

OUR DAILY LAUGH

LUCKY.
How did you come out with your law suit?
I won it,
Get damages?
Sure! I got almost enough to pay my lawyer.

FUTURE WONDERS.
Phwat do yex 'tink av the way they have now av sindin' messages widout wires or poles?
Sure, it's a great invention! I expect wan av these days they'll find a way 't travel widout lavin' home.

These are the new officers of the Southern District Association of the G. A. R., which embraces the Cumberland Valley and adjacent territory: District commander, John Shugars, Shippensburg; vice-commander, J. D. Hemminger, Carlisle; Junior vice-commander, F. W. Day, Chambersburg;

chaplain, the Rev. S. S. Wylie, Middle Spring; adjutant, M. A. Erick, Carlisle; quartermaster, F. L. Ployer, Mechanicsburg; marshal, J. C. Leiser, Mechanicsburg. The reunion next year will be held in Shippensburg.

George L. Wade, its founder and owner for twenty-three years, has sold the Cambridge Springs Enterprise to Harvey J. LeFever.

Sheridan and Eva Oldham are the Johnston parents of a baby weighing one pound, one foot long and perfectly developed. Doctor says the boy will live and flourish.

Now that the Kaiser has agreed to the American point of view, the hyphenated societies will have to remove his picture from their walls.—Philadelphia North American.

Our Daily Laugh
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