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THURSDAY EVENING, MAY 18.

Talent shapes itself in stillness; character in the tumult of the world. —GOETHE.

MEANING OF THE PRIMARY

ALL newspaper deductions and comment of yesterday, based upon what appeared to be the accuracy of early but complicated returns of Tuesday's primary elections in Pennsylvania, must be considerably revised to-day.

The Governor personally has been vindicated in the mind of the public and the primary vote must be reckoned as one of confidence in him.

His choice as a delegate by such a heavy vote is all the more remarkable in view of the fact that incomplete returns point also to the nomination of a majority of the regular organization candidates and the selection of Senator Penrose as national delegate-at-large by a vote quite as decisive as that of the Governor.

Political observers in analyzing results from an impartial standpoint doubtless will agree that the selection of the Governor and Senator Penrose to represent the Republicans of Pennsylvania at Chicago reflects a strong party protest against indefensible factionalism on the eve of the most important national campaign since the Civil War.

But above and beyond all else, the Republican party of Pennsylvania by electing the two opposing leaders to represent it at Chicago has given notice that these leaders and all others must put behind them all selfish ambitions and personal considerations and devote themselves to the perfection of a party alignment which will be invincible in the onslaught of November.

A. Mitchell Palmer will be one of the guests of honor at the big Democratic dinner in this city to-night. Mr. Palmer is an orator of reputation, and he has demonstrated his political prowess in the rough-and-tumble conflicts of recent years.

REJUVENATION OF PHILA.

PHILADELPHIA has been committed through approval of loans involving many millions of dollars to a progressive program which will place the metropolis of the Commonwealth at the very forefront of the important cities of the United States.

With the co-operation of the great newspapers of Philadelphia and the united efforts of the people generally the metropolis of the State should speedily go forward toward its inevitable destiny.

As this newspaper has frequently declared, there is in Philadelphia the

inherent elements of a great American city. Its traditions and physical advantages, plus the high quality of thousands of its citizens and the other fact that it is the only seaport of a great State, justify the faith of those who are now bending every effort to promoting its substantial interests.

But it must be understood now and always that the purely political activities of many of the citizens must be subordinated to the greater interests which demand the best thought and co-operation of all Philadelphians.

The big loans authorized this week will go far toward placing Philadelphia at the head of the progressive municipalities of the country. It should be a leader in every important municipal advance and nothing ought to be allowed in the future to interfere with its development.

Again the West Shore people are proceeding along sane lines. They now propose to have a consolidated high school, which will include all the modern appliances and provide facilities for several of the towns across the river. This would mean economy and efficiency, and it ought to be easily possible to bring about such a consolidation.

THE PREPAREDNESS DEBATE

THE debate at the Technical High School Auditorium last evening presented an interesting contrast in the personalities and characteristic arguments of the two speakers.

The sentiment of the audience was wholly with the speaker on preparedness, although the pacifist had a logical thread of argument that before or after the war might have proven more convincing than under the present stress.

Henry A. Wise Wood, who has an inside knowledge of conditions and knows whereof he speaks, placed one of his strongest points for preparedness on the universally supported opinion that we must prepare against the commercial incursion of Germany in South America at the end of the present war.

There is entirely too much wracking of fire apparatus in this city to suit the average tax payer. One of two things is evident—either the apparatus is not of the right quality, or the machines are not being properly handled.

THE JEWISH MARK TWAIN

SHOLEM ALEICHEM, the "Jewish Mark Twain," is dead. Very likely that means nothing to you, but to the throngs of the huddled and labor-burdened East Side of New York, 50,000 of whom crowded the streets and stood in solemn silence to watch with sorrowing hearts and streaming eyes his funeral cortege go by, it means a great deal, indeed.

There is not much material for laughter in the crowded quarters of the East Side, but the Jews are an emotional and an optimistic people and they love merriment even when surrounded by poverty and facing a constant struggle for existence.

Little wonder the 50,000 stood silent, with heads uncovered, as the dead body of their idol was carried by. But Sholem Aleichem, buried in an obscure grave, will live on through the years in the hearts of those who will get a message of gladness from his book that has left.

"I believe in the right of the majority to control," says Governor Brumbaugh. And this is the conclusion of the whole matter. Under the laws regulating elections in recent years the real effort seems to have been to place the minority in control through fusion schemes and unholy political alliances.

Children of Harrisburg who were barred from the Sunday schools of this city during the recent epidemic of measles will sympathize with the children of Lancaster, who were not permitted to attend a circus in that city for the same reason.

Whatever else may be said of the recent primary contest it must be admitted that there is still a lot of fight in the Republican party.

I am still of the opinion that you cannot teach a bird to fly by tying him to a limb.

Luther Burbank has certainly succeeded in coaxing nature to do some queer things. His latest is to grow grapes on a fig tree.

TELEGRAPH'S PERISCOPE

—There are times, when gazing over the business end of a lawn mower, we wonder if Greenleaf is such a bad place after all.

—The open season for killing along the Mexican border appears to be any time the Regulars and the Rangers are not about.

—Recent international diplomatic incidents might lead to the belief that it would be all right if he spelled it Von Burnstorff.

—Do a little scrubbing now and avoid a lot of scrubbing after while.

—When Senator Cummins, of Iowa, says that Charles E. Hughes would not accept the Republican nomination for President "if it came as the result of a convention fight" he may reflect the mental attitude of Justice Hughes, but beyond doubt the wish is father to the thought.—New York Sun.

The Dublin rebellion is, or was, a rebellion of Irish people, not of Ireland.—Springfield Republican.

One difference between Sir Roger Casement and some others is that he had nerve enough to go back.—Indianapolis Star.

Leaders who would "deliver" the German-American vote ought to consult those who have tried to deliver the labor vote.—Wall Street Journal.

Spring Lamb Mary had a little lamb With fleece as white as snow; It never took 'em off too soon Like other fools we know.—New York Sun.

JESUS CASTS OUT A FEVER

And forthwith, when they came out of the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon, and Simon's wife's mother lay sick of a fever, and anon they tell him of her. And he came and took her by the hand, and lifted her up; and immediately the fever left her, and she ministered unto them.—Mark 1, 29 to 31.

Service He worketh on and on with busy flail, He heedeth not the burning rays of summer's sun;

—Congressman Edgar R. Kless, of the Williamsport district, was under the impression that he would have a regular parade for Kless and it looks as though he had carried it four counties.

—Senator William C. Sproul cleaned up everything in the Delaware county district and was also elected a Republican national delegate, with H. A. Beale, Jr., of Parkersburg.

—Senator John R. Halber, of the Brumbaugh district, was nominated and elected a Republican national delegate, with H. A. Beale, Jr., of Parkersburg.

—Senator Charles J. Roney, one of the leaders of the House and a staunch Vare man.

—"Mike" Bennett, old University of Pennsylvania baseball and football star, was nominated for the Legislature in Luzerne county.

—Ex-Representatives Barner and Schenck, and I. J. Miller, of Cumberland in the session of 1913, are candidates again on the Democratic ticket.

—Representatives Gans and McNichol, prominent members of the last House were renominated in Philadelphia.

—Charles J. Mabee and N. A. Whitcomb, of Luzerne county, are renominated over George M. Hosack after a lively fight and the latter defeated Ex-Representative George W. Allen.

—Senator Frank Graf was renominated in the Butler-Armstrong district although early reports gave it to Walker.

—Representative R. P. Habgood was renominated in McKean county in spite of machinations against him.

—Edgar R. Smith was nominated for member of the House in Bedford, defeated Representative E. H. Blackburn.

—Ex-Lieutenant Governor Walter Lyon and R. B. Scandrett appear to have assumed that they will of their nature and by their own force continue forever without effort. Ah, no! Liberty has always been born of struggle.

The Price of Liberty [Elihu Root, in Let's Live] We have enjoyed liberty and order so long that we have forgotten how they came.

Politics in Pennsylvania

By the Ex-Committeeman

Signs are not wanting in either the Republican or Democratic parties that if the factional warfare which has marked both organizations for the last six months is continued there will be movements inaugurated for keeping the peace.

Men who were predicting that the next Legislature would be all ripped up with factional fighting are commencing to revise some of their thoughts because it would seem that business and other interests which have been accused behind closed doors of the return of the bad Senator.

Chances that the Keystone State delegation to the Chicago convention will be more evenly divided than was anticipated have caused the Brumbaugh people to revise their plan to make a contest over the election of national committeemen from this State.

The Brumbaugh people claim that they are amply justified in demanding that the delegates have the right to elect a national committeeman in place of Henry G. Wasson.

—Friends of Senator Charles A. Snyder in this city to-day wired him their congratulations on his victory in the contest for the nomination for Auditor General.

—One of the surprises is the election of C. N. Loveland, a Brumbaugh man, to the position of county chairman, was elected as his colleague.

—"Uncle Dave" Lane, the sage of the Republican organization in Philadelphia and a candidate on Brumbaugh platform, was defeated by Judge Charles L. Brown in the second district for national delegate.

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THE CARTOON OF THE DAY

METROPOLITAN MOVIES



—From the N. Y. World.

EXPLORING THE ATMOSPHERE

By Frederic J. Haskin

IF you should see a rubber balloon about ten feet in diameter wandering over your farm or your field, keep your eye on it until it either falls or disappears.

These rubber balloons are the means by which the government meteorologists are exploring the great upper spaces far above the most daring flights of aircraft.

Each balloon is made of the finest rubber and when it starts on its travels is about seven feet in diameter.

Over the balloon is draped a parachute, which is flung wide open by the bursting gas bag, and bears the precious records of the flight safely to earth.

The machine which makes these records has been worked out by the government men in their own laboratories and is a most ingenious device.

Tragedy stalks among the kiddies of Lancaster. There is a circus in town and all children under ten years may not attend on account of the measles epidemic.

An elderly woman of Greenville has sent her check for 50 cents to the management of the Erie Railroad.

It is evidently apple blossom time in Franklin, judging from the dance being given there by the Apple Blossom Club at 50 cents a head, ladies free.

J. Horace McFarland, of this city, delivered an address last afternoon at the Philadelphia To-day and Tomorrow Civic Exposition, and dwelt mostly upon plans for beautifying the city, clean streets, expansive avenues and uniform buildings.

Dr. Van H. Manning, director of the Federal Bureau of Mines at Washington, declared at Pittsburgh a day or two ago that at the present rate of consumption the country's supply of natural gas could last no longer than twenty-five years.

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The reason why we don't hear much about clean-up week in Harrisburg during its present reign is because house-cleaning time for the majority of housewives comes in April.

OUR DAILY LAUGH

MAKING IT RIGHT. The Injured One: You have insulted me, Sir, and I demand an apology.

THE OFFENDER—I'm sorry, I didn't intend to insult you. In fact I didn't think it possible.

OBSERVING THE CUSTOMS. Lady of the House: Well, what do you want?

Hungry Harold: It's just 4 o'clock, lady, so you can gimme de conventional biscuits an' a shot o' tea.

Evening Chat

Thanks to the work of the State Department of Fisheries the Susquehanna river will soon be enjoying its old time reputation as a prime fishing stream and some extensive "planting" which will be undertaken in the next year or so will bring about a revival of fishing for the Susquehanna salmon that will attract hundreds more to the joys of rod and line.

During the hearing in the Dauphin county court yesterday of the factional troubles of Keshler Israel synagogue, counsel exchanged slurring remarks as to the legal standing of certain members of the congregation.

Three members had been proposed by one faction, declared their legal adviser, Phil S. Moyer. W. J. Carter and William M. Hargest, counsel for the other side, ridiculed the proposal.

Albert M. Hamer, secretary to the Mayor, has issued a card which will be of much interest to tourists. It gives a large number of points of interest in the city and the general street directions. It is enclosed with a copy of the traffic regulations.

Constantly the Harrisburg boys who have gone out from our midst and made good are getting into the spotlight in some creditable way.

The current number of the "National Magazine" contains an interesting story of the "trolley" industry in this country with illustrations of the splendid building of the company in Philadelphia.

Mr. Kinnard at his desk preceded a letter to his vice president and general manager of the companies. Mr. Kinnard is quoted as saying that the policy of the company in its relation to the public conduct of its business is to have ready telephone service; to treat the public always with courtesy; to adjust equitably each complaint and promptly apply the proper remedy.

In these days of the high cost of gasoline, you, the economical autoist, doesn't move his car more than he must; Ex-Assistant Fire Chief Edward Halbert told this story to illustrate that great truth.

The police department has established a "no parking zone" for automobiles in Third street from Market to a point a few hundred feet beyond the city limits.

Whether or not it served the purpose of the standard, a stranger drove his car into the "zone" you can judge for yourself when I explain what happened. He stopped his car just below the standard.

WELL KNOWN PEOPLE

Joseph F. Guffey, the Pittsburgh Democratic leader, is vice president of the National Natural Gas Association.

James M. Rhoads, prominent in Philadelphia banking for years, will make his home in California.

Col. Henry Hall, Washington newsman, is responding to all known here, says that the old fight between city and country members is commencing to crop out in congress.

DO YOU KNOW

That Harrisburg's mail is growing by leaps and bounds every year?

HISTORIC HARRISBURG The first post office was in South Second street near Chestnut street.

Looking Forward—Your Vacation

Your vacation: A delightful island of leisure completely surrounded by heeding vacation suggestions in this newspaper.