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Let us examine sacredly whether there is any wrong entrusted to us to set right.—DICKENS.

THE KEYSTONE EXPOSITION FOR some months the people of Harrisburg and the thousands who travel over the main lines of the Pennsylvania railroad have watched with interest the growth of the Keystone State Fair and Industrial Exposition...

WILSON ON BUTTING-IN PRESIDENT WILSON evidently goes upon the theory that the people soon forget. In his Detroit speech this week he gave expression to this sentiment regarding Mexico...

TELEGRAPH PERISCOPE "Blow your horn; save the child!" —If Commissioner Bowman don't get those Donato statues out of their damp storehouses they may contract infantile paralysis.

In Pittsburgh, Too The smug attitude of Robert Swan, Director of the Department of Public Works...

Fascination of Mexico Edith O'Shaughnessy, author of the just-published book, "A Diplomat's Wife in Mexico..."

Hughes Comes to Town [From the New York Sun.] Mr. Hughes is represented as hurrying from his Long Island home to this city...

Rum's Obituary It is really being acknowledged, at last, that high souls, and not alcohol dulled sensibilities...

A Patriotic Duty Judge James A. Allen, speaking of the present jury system, criticizes the lack of patriotism which is revealed in the majority of cases where juries are paneled nowadays...

A German Humourist It was Paul Koenig, skipper of the world's first deep diving merchantman, telling the reporters how his Deutchland played her pretty game of hide and seek with navy which does not appreciate German humor...

Another Solomon The wife of an Arab went to her father with the complaint that her husband had boxed her ears. The wise old sheik reflected for a few moments, then did to her as her husband had done...

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of all the citizens it becomes for the small city an even more vital concern.

The fault that keeps cities from being properly planned is lack of civic imagination. The citizens of a small town seldom act as though they expected their town to become a large city. They may individually at times dream of a great city spreading out around the nucleus in which they live...

In a country growing as ours is sites for great improvements which once might have been laid out and reserved become impossible to secure save at enormous expense. It thus happens that many cities have plans originally determined by the fancy of the homeward meandering cow...

There have been political meetings in Harrisburg which have been stormy, but not many more lively than that of yesterday. Boland was on his feet for the first time since the fight of 1913 who considered that the Washington party had fulfilled its mission and who are for Hughes, dominated the meeting and resisted the constant attempts of W. E. Boland and others who endeavored to make trouble...

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as recently, all automobilists must expect to pay penalty for the recklessness of the few. Radical legislation will follow persistent carelessness and the innocent will suffer with the guilty. The roads are highways—not speedways—As Highway Commissioner Black very properly held when he declined to permit State roadways to be used for automobile racing and hill climbing tests...

Politics in Pennsylvania By the Ex-Committeeman

Representatives of the Progressives of Pennsylvania made political history late yesterday afternoon when they determined that the Washington party state committee, the official organization of the party in Pennsylvania, had served its purpose and decided not to organize it. This action was followed by the endorsement of Charles Evans Hughes, Republican candidate for President, and by a resolution approving of the course of Colonel Theodore Roosevelt in declining the Progressive nomination.

The conference yesterday consisted of men elected to the State committee in May, delegates and alternates to the Chicago convention and was the first of its kind since it lasted for three hours and there was not a moment without its thrill. William Plinn, Gifford Pinchot, Robert K. Young and other leaders of the fight of 1913 who considered that the Washington party had fulfilled its mission and who are for Hughes, dominated the meeting and resisted the constant attempts of W. E. Boland and others who endeavored to make trouble...

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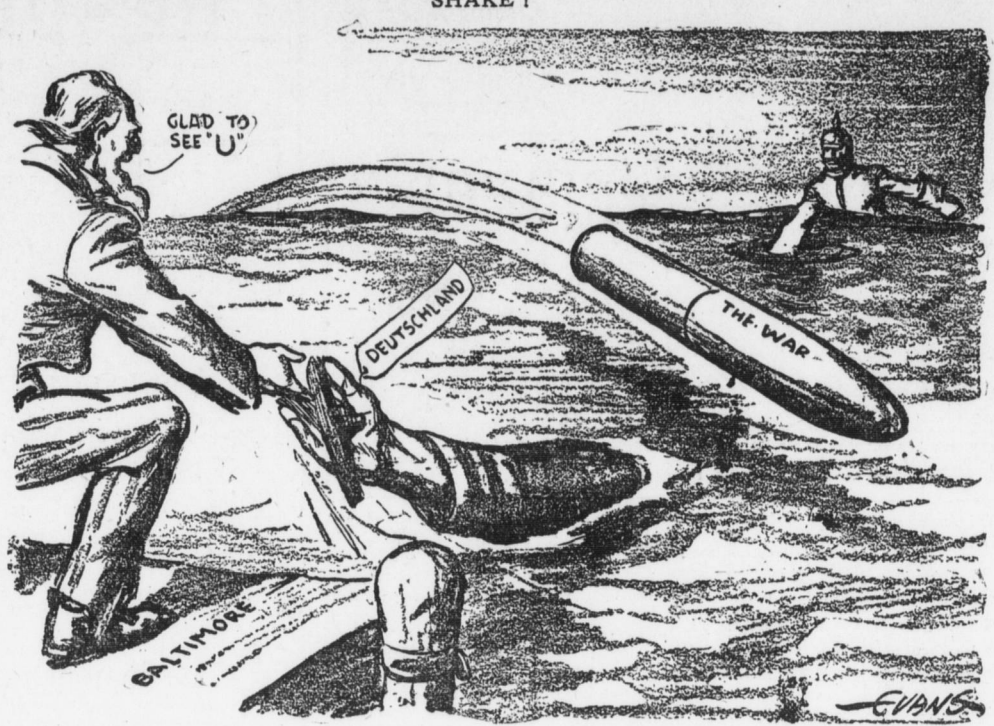
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THE CARTOON OF THE DAY



—From the Baltimore American.

CHANGES IN POSTAL SAVINGS

By Frederic J. Haskin It is just a month since the bill providing for certain fundamental changes in the Postal Savings act was made into law. The results show that the scope of usefulness of the postoffice as a savings bank will be greatly extended.

The time elapsed since the passage of the new act is so short that any big changes would pass unnoticed. The bill was approved on the eighteenth of May, and information about the new rules spread slowly among the 600,000 depositors, most of them foreign-born, who bank with the local postoffices in every corner of the land.

The gains in deposits have been remarkable. The new bill as stated was approved on the eighteenth of May. It took at least a week for news of the change to reach the class of people who make up the postal savings depositors. Yet in the month of May deposits in the Pittsburgh office showed an increase of \$81,000, as compared to an increase of only \$16,000 in May 1915.

It is no wonder that some of the more sanguine prophets look for the \$85,000,000 deposit in Postal Savings banks to be doubled in the near future. Whether or not the expansion will reach such a figure as that, there is little room for doubt that it will be a large one. The sudden gains are universally ascribed to the changes made in the law.

These changes are both simple and fundamental. Under the old law, no individual depositor could have more than \$500 standing to his credit at any one time, and no single deposit could be made for an amount exceeding \$100. Under the new plan, the limit of the individual depositor's account is raised to \$1,000 and the restriction upon the amount to be deposited at one time is entirely done away with. He may deposit it all at one time if he likes.

A typical report came from a postmaster in Milwaukee. He came down to the postoffice one morning and was informed that a man and wife had tried to deposit \$300. When told that they could only deposit \$100 at a time, and not over \$500 altogether, they took the whole sum away. Later a man showed up with \$300, but when he found that it would take him three months to get into the bank he took it all away with him again.

These changes, these removals of restrictions, have been made after careful study of the situation, in response to a demand coming from all parts of the country. The files of the central office of the system are full of letters from postmasters telling of the obstacles that the low limits place in the path of expansion.

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Evening Chat

Charles M. Schwab's announcement that he proposes to manufacture plates at Steelton for construction of submarines and ships to be constructed at his tide-water plants is good news not only because of the new industry which he proposes for Steelton, but because it means the further expansion of the borough. This will affect Harrisburg as well as Steelton, because the steelworks extends into the city at Lochiel and the construction will eventually use up much of the space between the two municipalities. Whether the Lochiel furnace will be blown in is problematical, but the growing and probably the utilizing, in regard to the plates will be a new departure for Steelton and the mills recently put up will doubtless be enlarged. For years Steelton has made parts for the Central Iron and Steel works having rolled them for battleships and destroyers as well as for merchant ships.

Among visitors here yesterday was Elisha Kent Kane, son of the famous commander of the "Bucktails" in the Civil war and prominent in manufacturing and railroad affairs in North-western Pennsylvania. Mr. Kane has taken a prominent part in the Prohibition party affairs and is taking a keen interest in this year's political developments.

One little toy dog with a crushed head is an ornament on the top of the show case of the News Company. This little dog attracted much attention, in fact Wendell Packler says it was an expensive attraction, as he now has a damaged dog on his hands. The dog is a "Bucktail" and was said Mr. Packler, "Everybody would like to hear the dog bark, and it was necessary to touch the top of the head to get results. Some pressed too hard and the dog was crushed in."

"Big Bill" Adams is off to the war again. The author legislator from Luzerne county, the man who waded the Susquehanna and who kept a pig in a legislature, has hearkened to the call of the bugle and word has come here that he enlisted in the First New York Cavalry, which in having to pass an examination on the constitution of Luzerne man says that he expects to be down along the border very soon and that he desires to know if his service in the country round about Luzerne is dual office holding. If his friends are invited to make the most of it. Service in Mexico will give him medals for military service as he went through the Spanish, Boxer and Philippine wars.

This is the time of the year to get rid of the "blue devils." These things are not temperamental conditions, but weeds, beautiful weeds, having flowers which attract attention and even make good table decorations. But they are as pernicious as the burdock or Canada thistle. The evil weed is a chancy dodder. The other name is chicory and the plant grows about two feet high, bearing flowers of a bright blue, which in turn give way to seed pods that can cover a field better than a dandelion. The way to get rid of the plant is to root it out. Cutting it down only encourages it to grow more. The country round about Harrisburg is filled with the blue flower and the wise farmers get rid of it early.

William Flinn says he expects to spend a good bit of his summer in New York looking after contracts.

George A. Todd, Braddock banker, says that he has seen a German and does not see much danger of the nation being starved out.

Judge Joseph Rogers, who is getting after reckless autoists in Philadelphia, says that for years an assistant district attorney.

Senator Charles A. Snyder, candidate for auditor general, has been in public life for twenty-four years.

That Harrisburg manufactures shoes that are sold in gulf ports?

Historic Harrisburg John Harris used to sit as arbitrator in Indian disputes at his ferry.

Appalling Alphabetical Ad Waldemar Young, the president of the "Newspaper Club" of San Francisco, who is rewriting a man on the San Francisco Chronicle, conducts in that paper a column headed "Bits of Color Round the Town," in which he recently sprung the following carried a headline, during the Republican Convention in Chicago, that caused an Australian, just arrived in port and not used to our language, to ponder over it until, out of sheer curiosity, he had costed a stranger and asked what all these blawsted alphabetical things could possibly mean.

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