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Father perfect my trust; Let my spirit feel in death That her feet are firmly set On the rock of living faith! -Phoebe Cary.

LIKE AS TWO PEAS JOSH WINK, in the Baltimore American, sings sweetly of Democracy in Maryland, concluding his tuneful ballad thus:

Oh, how beautiful it is In this jarring world to see Friends and fellow Democrats Living in such unity. Says the city to the State, "You're not giving a square deal." Says the State, "If we get ours, Let the city fellows squeal."

From which we take it that Democracy, like human nature, is alike the world over. The poet might have labelled his effusion "Democracy in Pennsylvania" and nobody would have known the difference. Not only poems, but farce comedies and even tragedies might be written with Democratic harmony as the theme.

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the kind of "beneficial" or "philanthropic" legislation they want enacted. Nothing in the foregoing clause is to be construed, however, as frowning upon the popular custom of buying ambassadorships with campaign contributions. The bigger the job desired, the bigger the contribution. Rates a little higher than in 1912, due to the higher cost of votes.

MAKING VOTES FOR KREIDER DEMOCRATIC party organ making a laughable attempt to besmirch the excellent record of Aaron S. Kreider in Congress, gives this as the only reason it can find why he should not be re-elected:

He is in entire sympathy with the tariff created by the tariff. Why bless you, neighbor, that's one of the strongest reasons why this district is going to return Mr. Kreider to Congress. The Dauphin-Cumberland-Lebanon voters understand fully the value of a protective tariff. That is why they elected Mr. Kreider in 1912 on the Republican ticket, while giving the Progressive candidate for President a rousing plurality. They didn't want to take any chances with a candidate in the House whose views on the tariff were not clear. And it was on the tariff issue that Mr. Kreider made his fight in that campaign. "I am for a protective tariff just high enough to enable the American manufacturers to continue the high wage scale of the present day and at the same time compete with the cheap wage products of European factories," he said at that time and this has been his attitude on the tariff ever since.

In a recent speech in Congress Mr. Kreider set forth his views at some length. Paying his respects to the Underwood law, he said: "It certainly was a great 'piece of business' as the President said when he signed it. It caused great rejoicing and favorable comment in Europe, but it has done nothing to spread gloom and despair in America, and the American people began to rise in indignation at the betrayal of their interests the day Princeton professor cheered them by the cry, 'The mass manne that all their troubles were purely technological.' It was simply a 'state of mind.' Oh, yes; workmen, women and children are in the breadline everywhere where not hunger is paid 'thought they were.' The children are not compelled to go unclothed and unfed; they only 'thought they were.' They had, great indeed, is psychology, but it is not the rent nor doctor's bills, nor grocer's bills. While it may revive the children's hope, it does not satisfy the craving of an empty stomach. Reviewing the false war prosperity we are now enjoying, the Congressman added:

When you boast of our exportations—the product of our munition factories—the demand for munitions and all-inclusive commentary upon domestic and foreign matters of national interest and importance, in its issue for the last quarter of 1916, features a lengthy arraignment of the Democratic administration that is peculiarly apropos as being the outspoken sentiments of William Howard Taft.

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The Days of Real Sport



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ductive to the development of individuals mentally, physically and morally robust. If the Illinois reformers are really sincere they will go about their task slowly. They will see to it that the Legislature first enacts an adequate building code—a code that will eliminate the slums of Chicago and other large cities of the State. They will go about eliminating the saloon and the brothel. They will educate, and educate and educate. Then, perhaps, a eugenic law will be worth while, but not until then.

Politics in Pennsylvania By the Ex-Committee

The platform on which the Republican party in Pennsylvania will go to the voters and will be drafted at Philadelphia on the morning of the meeting of the Republican State committee, Monday, October 9. Calls were issued last night for meetings of the committees on platform and revision of the rules to be held on that morning and their reports will be submitted to the State committee in the afternoon. Immediately after the business session, the State committee and party leaders will be addressed by Charles F. Hughes, candidate for President, who will be in Philadelphia to speak at the big meetings arranged in his honor. Many Republicans from eastern Pennsylvania will attend as will Progressives and independents who have aligned themselves with the Republicans because of the Wilson policies.

Former Lieutenant Governor Walter Lyon, of Pittsburgh, is chairman of the subcommittee on platform. He will also chair the contest squarely when Brumbaugh was the nominee for Governor and Penrose aspirant to succeed himself in the United States senate. Many of the State leaders are in favor of the platform, which simply endorses the platform of the Republican national convention which placed Hughes and Fairbanks in the field and making the nomination of the national issue as therein presented. Local option and other State questions they purpose shall be left to the voters at the respective Senatorial and State representative districts to pass upon.

The local option committee of Eastern Pennsylvania yesterday arranged at a meeting in Philadelphia to urge the Republican State committee to urge the Republican State committee platform framers to include local option in the platform. The committee made no effort to bring the issue before the Democratic State committee in this city this month. It has drafted a strong declaration in support of local option quoting Governor Brumbaugh and Senator Oliver.

Arrangements have been made for a dinner to be given to Joseph McLaughlin, Republican candidate for Congress-at-large in Philadelphia this month. Many prominent men will attend. More Hughes Alliances will be formed in this State in the next two weeks. Practically every Democratic county has been organized. Governor Brumbaugh will meet some of his friends in Philadelphia to-day and it is believed that appointments to major places will not be long in coming. The Governor will also name men to numerous minor places next month. Democratic State committee bosses have arranged to run a special train to Long Branch next month when the Pennsylvania Democrats in office and those who hope to get in will go to hear Wilson make a speech. The special will hesitate here for the Central Democratic club.

Our Glass Equal to Jena Germany has built up a great glass industry just as she has built up a great dyestuffs industry, producing certain qualities of glass that were formerly practiced by chemists to imitate. Nearly all the lenses for microscopes, telescopes, field glasses, cameras, etc., and almost all the glassware suitable for special chemical and philosophical purposes have been produced in Germany. The Jena glassware is famous throughout the world as the acme of perfection, and it is only within the last two years that certain American glass chemists have grasped the secret of making it. Glass for chemical use the equal of that produced in Jena, is now made in the United States, thus putting America in a position of economic independence in another great field of industry.—Iron Age.

By BRIGGS



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ROOSEVELT TELLS HOW HE AWED GERMANS IN CRISIS

New York, Sept. 30. — Theodore Roosevelt's own story of the Venezuelan crisis, during which Admiral Dewey was ordered to be ready to sail from Porto Rico at an hour's notice if Germany should refuse to arbitrate the question at issue between her and Venezuela, was issued through Houghton, Mifflin Company, publishers of William Roscoe Thayer's "Life of John Hay," in which the incidents were first made public. Colonel Roosevelt, in his statement, said he had become "convinced that Germany intended to seize some Venezuelan harbor and turn it into a strongly fortified place. The German government, with a view to exercising some means of control over the future Isthmian canal, and over South American affairs generally, had decided to do so. Colonel Roosevelt told the ambassador "that Roosevelt was not bluffing, and he could count on his doing as he threatened; and that, in a conversation, Roosevelt had shown that he had an intimate knowledge of the strength and condition of the German fleet, which was no match for ours."

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

OPENING OF THE SCHOOLS To the Editor of the Telegraph: What a relief is suggested at the close of a long drawn out vacation to have our splendid schoolhouses thrown open and to see groups of boys and girls on their way to school duties.

Each summer long they have been playing in the streets notwithstanding the opportunity of the public playgrounds. An undue liberty given by many parents has produced rudeness and much misbehavior which should have been corrected. The enforced discipline of the schoolroom has in it elements of quietness, obedience and good manners. The teacher has all authority! Isn't it possible that a greater emphasis should be placed by teachers upon that outline of instruction in manners prepared by our worthy superintendent and which is still in force relating to courtesy to others, quietness on the street, proper conduct at home, on the cars and elsewhere?

Decadence in Oregon Sorrowfully but firmly must Oregon be admonished. She is not living up to the initiative and referendum, and yet she knows that States cannot be saved without that double bond. In time when she had a nobler spirit, in 1913 measures were initiated and referred to the people. In 1914 the constitution of the oracle of the polls were 29. In this year for reform the number has shrunk to 11. Possibly the price of paper had a part in this curtailment of the direct election ballot, still of goodly size, but how can the deep-revolving Oregonian radicals bear to see the diminution?

DO YOU KNOW That Steulton rails are used on railroads in southern States? HISTORIC HARRISBURG The first library in Harrisburg had quarters in Market Square about 124 years ago. Would Be More Effective (Kansas City Star) Before planning ways to lick each other in a trade war to be declared at some future time, the nations of Europe would be better employed in finishing up the little job they already have in hand.

Evening Chat

Estimating that there were thirty automobiles in Governor Brumbaugh's tours of the farming districts throughout the three journeys which covered 1400 miles the total mileage of the swing through the rural counties, so called, was over five times the diameter of the earth and almost twice the distance around it. And there was not an accident of any kind on the trips although considering some of the thorough streets traversed it was a wonder that the cars escaped. The tours, it may be remarked in passing, were not conducted on a slow schedule. There were many counties and places to visit and hills to climb and valleys to go through and the terminals were far apart. So there was a pretty fast pace hit up. Governor Brumbaugh does not believe in going slow, anyway, and at times the cars were whirling along at about forty to forty-five miles an hour. Sometimes they went faster, especially toward the evening hours when everyone was hungry. The record of the trip would also show very little tire trouble, comparatively speaking. The Governor's car had two punctures within three minutes on only the last day of the run of the last tour and one man had a dozen or so stops for tire "fixin'." Most of the cars went through without any mishaps and there was some which suffered from dust and dirt and nothing else.

One of the boys who is making good at the border is First Sergeant Bennett Hammond, of Company A, signal corps, of the National Guard of the District of Columbia. Sergeant Hammond is a son of W. S. Hammond, manufacturer of Hammond's window sash springs, at Lewisberry, York county, one of the best-known business men of that section. Sergeant Hammond has made his mark in Harrisburg and throughout the Cumberland Valley. He writes interestingly home of life on the border and is high in his praise of the conduct of the men who went from many quarters in the national service at the call of the President. Sergeant Hammond is in the service of the government at Washington, attached to the Pension Office, but was not content to confine his activities to his work alone. Of an athletic trend and fond of the military he found his way to the signal branch of the Guard of the District and was soon promoted to be sergeant. Some of the most difficult and arduous work of the troops in Texas has been assigned to the signal corps, which has charge of the wireless, the telephone and the regular signal systems. A great deal of technical knowledge is required in the service and those engaged in it are getting invaluable experience. From this branch of the service would be chosen the captains and lieutenants for the new signal corps should war break out. It is said that the Regular Army officers are keeping their eyes on the signal corps now at the border with the idea of encouraging some of the bright young men to enter the army after the period of border duty is over.

Not only are automobiles and other vehicles tabooed on the granolithic walk along the river front, but the city's "steps" may not be turned into an informal mill for the collectors of driftwood. During the last few weeks Park Department officials have had numerous complaints about the practice of some of the rivermen who collect floating wood, pile it up on the walk for days at a time, and at their leisure bring their "floats" to the river front. The debris is left standing, and while this phase of the infraction on the park rules is frowned upon by Park Commissioner Gross, the possible damage to the granolithic walk is also condemned.

Speaking about world's series tickets, a local fan remarked yesterday: "Harrisburgers seldom get, let alone the big games, when they are played." He spoke the truth. There are several groups of local fans who have been attending the big games for many seasons. They seldom miss one of the winners in league is known officially, but start early with their applications for tickets. It is a known fact that no less than three local fans have already sent applications for seats to Boston, Brooklyn and Philadelphia. They raise a fund during the baseball season paying in a certain sum each month. This money is used for expenses. No matter where the games are played, the Harrisburg rooters will be in evidence.

Recent returns of Dauphin county constables who made their quarterly reports on the conduct of the license saloons and hotels in their wards indicate in an odd way just how fully the commonwealth officers work at the job. The reports show that 100 saloons and hotels in their wards indicate in an odd way just how fully the commonwealth officers work at the job. The reports show that 100 saloons and hotels in their wards indicate in an odd way just how fully the commonwealth officers work at the job.

Writing to a Harrisburg friend a New York man sent down this thought: "I see you are to have a new hotel. As your need is great probably you will make fast time. I will be in your town in March."

WELL KNOWN PEOPLE —The Rev. D. D. Lowry, re-elected superintendent of the United Brethren conference, has held that place twenty-four years and used to be a Harrisburg pastor. —John Cadwalader, Jr., of Philadelphia, is one of the executors of the Coxie will, which disposes of a big estate and charity and education. —Col. W. S. McKee, commander of the First artillery ordered home from the border is a State Senator from Allegheny county. —J. Paul McEree, counsel of the anthracite coal price commission, is burgess of West Chester. —Eugene Smith, formerly with the Bristol Courier, has gone into business in Philadelphia.

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