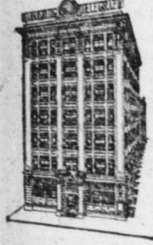


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MONDAY EVENING, JAN. 29

When a bit of sunshine hits ye,
After passing of a cloud,
When a fit of laughter gets ye,
An' yer spine is feelin' proud,
Don't fergit to up and fling it
At a soul that's feeling blue,
For the munt that ye sting it
It's a boomerang to you.

—Crauford.

SOLDIERING AND SENTIMENT

LEUT. COL. HARRY G. BISHOP, of the aviation corps, taken to a hospital at Yuma, Ariz., still weak after his experience of being lost in the barren wastes of Northern Sonora, watched anxiously as the hospital attendants removed from a pocket in the uniform of his coat a bunch of half dried wild flowers. "Don't throw those away, please," he said. "They're the cavalry yellow. I picked them up when Robert left me. I wanted to die, if I had to, with the colors on."

COVENANT CHURCH'S GROWTH

THE growth of Covenant Presbyterian Church, which yesterday was rededicated after having been remodeled extensively, has been in proportion to the growth of the community it serves. Covenant Church originally stood in Seventh street, near Peffer, then in the midst of open fields. It saw the city grow up to it and pass. It saw its people move elsewhere and those who founded it and believed in its future picked the church building up bodily and carried the little frame structure that then served as a place of worship to the more central location where the church of to-day stands.

PRAISE AMERICAN PROTECTION

ALTHOUGH Great Britain has in the past steadfastly adhered to a free trade policy it has frequently furnished official data strongly supporting the American protective tariff policy. In 1911 the British Board of Trade made a study of wages and living conditions in the United States and made a report which was published by order of the British government. The report included statistics regarding family living budgets among the working classes in American cities. On this subject the report says:

DEMOCRATS ACT RELUCTANTLY

MANY Democratic measures have been introduced in the House looking to a lowering of the high cost of living, such as embargoes on the export of foodstuffs, a tax on cold storage warehouses, etc., yet none of them has ever seen the light of day after being referred to a committee. Nevertheless, points of order and other objections are always offered when Republican attempts are made in the same direction. Representative Cassius C. Dowell, of Iowa, forcefully called the attention of the Democrats to their inconsistency when he said:

committee found the American table so well supplied that it was impressed with the "considerable expenditure on food." In addition to all this, showing that the laboring man in America is able to make a good living for his family without sending his wife out as a wage-earner, special note is made of the "large proportion of income remaining after the cost of food and rent has been deducted."

SCATTERED GOVERNMENT

SOME years ago the Legislature, under Republican spur, put through a body of legislation so admirable in its character that President Roosevelt, in a public speech, was moved to commend the laws then enacted as constituting reform so progressive as to challenge the good opinion of the nation. Now comes Senator Penrose with a series of proposals which, if enacted into law, will almost revolutionize the practice of many years. Perhaps not all the measures suggested are necessary, and their genesis may be in a factional controversy, but when he declares that the practice of having departments of the State government located in Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Scranton and elsewhere outside the State Capital, has become a scandal, he is stating an incontrovertible fact. This he proposes to stop by providing for a centralization of all departments and bureaus in Harrisburg.

His long experience as a legislator, his familiarity with conditions here at the seat of government, and his knowledge of manifest abuses growing out of the detachment of important bureaus and divisions and whole departments from the Capitol have doubtless led the senior Senator to recommend a return to first principles in the matter of administration.

Politics in Pennsylvania

Announcement that citizens of Philadelphia were prepared to finance the proposed investigation of government in Pennsylvania if Governor Brumbaugh vetoed the resolution which will be up in the Senate to-night was the most important political news in Pennsylvania to-day. It put it squarely up to the dominant faction to go through with the probe, which, the leaders say, they intend to do and give notice to the Governor and his friends that it would be made whether the Executive opposed it or not.

EDITORIAL COMMENT

Kaiser Wilhelm perhaps is soothed by the thought that neither did Noah's peace dove accomplish anything on its first trip—Chicago Daily News.

Trade Bills

Ten thousand acres of iron ore land will be developed by a recently formed company at Poplar Bluff, Mo. A blast furnace, a chemical plant and a concentrated plant will be built, costing \$2,000,000.

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The Days of Real Sport



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Senator Boies Penrose, who is to be the orator of the occasion at the McKinley day dinner in Pittsburgh to-night, passed through this city yesterday and was in consultation with western leaders about legislation at Pittsburgh last night. The senator met a number of friends in that city and prepared a number of legislative moves.

THE FOOD SITUATION IN AUSTRIA

SINCE the war began I have made the circuit of Austria-Hungary twice, inquiring and observing. From personal study I can say that industry, trade and general business are, so far as data are obtainable, in a surprisingly flourishing state. What are known as "war industries" partake, of course, most largely of this prosperity, short-lived and inherently fallacious as it may be.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Reservoir Park Service

I notice on the front sheet of your paper an explanation in regards to why the Reservoir cars are late. I wish to say that I have not observed this on different occasions that I have let the car stand at Thirteenth and stay as long as ten minutes. On Thursday evening at 8 o'clock a car passed me at Seventeenth and Walnut and I was late for the school.

For Penn State

This is of vital interest to every citizen of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. I am a senior in an engineering course and therefore fully aware of the conditions and necessities of this your college. This should be the greatest school in the State, if not the country.

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FLIGHT FIGURES.

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Evening Chat

The manner in which Dauphin county will meet conditions arising from the presence within its borders of men of more nationalities than ever known to be assembled within the limits of the county before is being watched with interest by other counties. Unfortunately, as in other counties, the coal and iron regions, many of the men have come here raw, knowing little of customs and, being strangers, inclined to look after themselves a bit too strenuously. The influence of the colored residents of this city and Steelton has gone long ways toward taming some of the negroes from the Southern States who have been told that, contrary to impressions, it is not the custom to "tote guns" and in time our colored element will bring about more regard for the law when the Russians first arrived and when the Serbian and Bosnian laborers were hired for work at Steelton. Few here can understand the Mexican and they do not seem to care very much whether they understand, either. The Asiatics hereabouts are so small in number that they are not likely to give trouble and the folks who seem to be the most law-abiding toward making them comprehend what is expected and what they must do are the Italians and Greeks, who, like the colored folks, have been sort of teaching newcomers how to behave in order to stay out of trouble.

State Fire Marshal Chal Port is a great admirer of lightning rods. For years the lightning rod agent has been the man upon whose approach the average man gets a gun. Port figured out that last year in Pennsylvania there were done more than 100,000 lightning rods and suffered a fire loss of \$664,000 in round numbers. In the number were just seven which had lightning rods. The statistics are in spite of the attitude of insurance companies which regard the rod with favor there has been a tendency to abandon the use of lightning rods.

One of the interesting facts in connection with the recommendations of the State Board of Charities is the matter in which the Russians first arrived and when the Serbian and Bosnian laborers were hired for work at Steelton. Few here can understand the Mexican and they do not seem to care very much whether they understand, either. The Asiatics hereabouts are so small in number that they are not likely to give trouble and the folks who seem to be the most law-abiding toward making them comprehend what is expected and what they must do are the Italians and Greeks, who, like the colored folks, have been sort of teaching newcomers how to behave in order to stay out of trouble.

Notwithstanding the weather, bulldozing in this city is a busy work on the interior of houses so that they will be able to rent about April 1. The interior work is something which can be handled with ease provided the men are delivered and some of the alert Harrisburg bulldozers took the trouble to give their orders early for windows and sashes. Consequently their men are right ahead with inside work and the houses are being made ready for early occupancy.

Turned toads which some of the Troopers brought back from the border are a never-ending source of interest to a good many people, but they do not take to the weather. The other day a man exhibited one of the toads in a trolley car which was not well filled and therefore cold. The toad took one look around and went back into the box in a rush.

"As quiet as you keep it Saturday was as near an old-fashioned winter day as I care to see," remarked one of the more residents of the county who was in town this morning. There is plenty of snow in the country and the wheat and other fields are well covered. But it has also been cold and things have been frozen up tight. I have lived some years and the real winter we have been enjoying is as close to the old-fashioned as any one would care for purposes of reminiscence. Here in the city you have paved streets with pipes that give off heat and you do not know what a country road is like in winter time."

WELL KNOWN PEOPLE

Mayor Reichenbach, of Allentown, is commencing to figure as a speaker at banquets. He was one of seven mayors at the Strollers' banquet in Philadelphia.

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