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FIREMEN'S PICNIC AND FLAG RAISING

The Fourth of July is only a trifle over two weeks distant. It is one of the characteristics of this anomalous year in Danville that Independence day is permitted to approach so near without any special preparations being made for its observance.

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NEW CONSULAR SERVICE.

Card System to Advance Interests of American Commerce.

American consuls all over the world are to be supplied with a card index system of catalogues and literature of every manufacturing concern in the United States as a result of an agreement reached the other day between the state department and the department of commerce and labor.

William Harper, who evolved this plan, was chief of the bureau of information of the Philadelphia museum for six years following its organization in 1894 and in that capacity visited virtually all of the American consulates in the world in the course of the years 1898-9.

One of the conditions of the service is that it is free to any and all manufacturers in the country. No fee is to be charged for the service in sending out cards to the consulates. All that is required of the manufacturer is that he print his cards in the language of the country to which they are sent and in a prescribed and uniform size for assembling.

LABOR PARODY ON "AMERICA."

Sung at a Meeting to Discuss Means to Relieve the Unemployed.

A meeting of the unemployed was held the other day under the auspices of the International Brotherhood Welfare association in a hall at 44 Bowery, New York, to discuss methods of providing work for the unemployed.

Chairman J. Eads How announced at the beginning of the meeting that the proceedings would be started with a hymn. The "hymn" proved to be a paraphrase of "America," the first verse of which ran:

My country, what of thee? What hast thou done for me? That I may sing?

In labor's crowded mart, Strong hand and willing heart, Striving to do my part, To thee I sing.

Miss Lily Engleton, an eighteen-year-old anarchist, was one of the speakers. She said:

"The unemployed should be infused with the spirit of the French revolution. They should assert themselves, as the French people did, and make it understood that it is the duty of the government to put the unemployed to work."

Beware of Telephone Cussing. The Omaha city council has passed an ordinance imposing a fine of \$100 for the offense of swearing into a telephone.

To Wed Above the Clouds. Charles J. Glidden, owner of the balloons Boston and Massachusetts, who was recently in Pittsfield, Mass., said that a well known Boston man had made application to the New England Aero club for the use of a balloon in which to be married above the clouds.

HOW TO START YOUNG TREES

State Zoologist Surface says that the cherry is the hardest to make grow of any fruit trees that we can plant. One is doing well if he can get fifty per cent. of them to grow, but after they do start they generally come on during the second year and subsequently stay in good condition. This is due chiefly to the fact that the tree has so few fine or small roots, such as are needed for taking up immediate moisture and plant food, and it takes some time for it to form such roots.

Last year the professor performed a series of important experiments in stimulating declining trees that had been planted only a few weeks or a few months. He used various vegetable alkaloids, such as nuxvomica, strychnia, etc., and also used nitrate of soda, and found that the last named was by far the best and most efficient stimulant and was also the cheapest. He had excellent results from watering, dehorning, and cutting back, and especially from watering declining trees, a teaspoonful of nitrate of soda being dissolved in each gallon of water.

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As to the time of planting, the earlier in the spring the cherry tree is planted, the better it is. There is no kind of fruit tree that demands such early planting as the cherry, and it will suffer more severely from late planting than any other kind.

Tips Costlier Than Treats. They were going out of the Waldorf when he saw her look so longingly in at the big, beautiful roomful of white tables laden with roses that he said, "Will you go in and have a cup of tea or something?"

"Your hat and overcoat, sir," said the waiter firmly. "You are not allowed to sit in here with your overcoat on." "But," objected he, "I shall stay only a few minutes."

A Bad Mixup. "Say," remarked one government clerk to another, "I'm up against it good and proper."

"What's the trouble?" queried the other. "I got two medical certificates from two different doctors yesterday," explained the party of the first part.

A Threatening Comet. M. Camille Flammarion, the great scientist, after many years of study, arrived at the conclusion that the world will in the twenty-fifth century come across the path of the comet Belia.

Loving Letters. Never burn kindly written letters. It is so pleasant to read them over when the ink is brown, the paper yellow with age and the hands that traced the friendly words are folded over the hearts that prompted them.

Russian Princesses. In Russia the term "princess" does not mean very much, for the simple reason that there are so many of them and that it is never a royal title. All the female descendants of a prince of a certain rank are princesses, and the result is that many princesses are as poor and of as little account as any ill used princess of a fairy tale.

Little Barbara's Complaint. Four-year-old Barbara went to church with her two sisters and came home crying.

"What is the matter, dear?" inquired her mother. "He preached a whole sermon—about—M-Mary and Martha," sobbed Barbara, "and—never said—a—w-word about me."—Lippincott's.

COLORED GIANTS HAD THE GOODS

A large crowd turned out Tuesday afternoon to see the Philadelphia Colored Giants play the Danville A. A. at the new baseball park. The game was a good one despite the fact that the Giants won by a score of 8 to 5.

The Giants played the kind of a game that one would expect of a team that is on the diamond every day. They were right up to every kink of fast, shifty playing. Every play was made to count for just as much as could be gotten out of it.

Many of their runs were made because the colored boys were on the alert to take advantage of every inch that was given them. Brown was in the box for Danville and pitched a good, steady game. The locals totaled 11 hits but unlike the Giants they were unable to bunch their big stick work.

The game opened with the Giants getting four tallies on three singles, a three bagger and a pass. It looked dull for Danville, but the visitors could not repeat their performance although they tried hard to do so. In the third the Giants tallied two more on two batters and an error. In the fifth Danville got her first score, Ammerman being run over the pan by Clayberger's single and Thomas' two bagger.

In the sixth Danville scored three times. Logan got to first on four balls; Dooley was hit by a pitched ball; Mackert struck out and Ammerman was handed a pass, loading the cushions. Brown drove a hot grounder just over the third sack and this together with a bad throw to the home plate let in three runs. Clayberger went down on a grounder to the pitcher.

Danville got another tally in the seventh, Coveleskie scoring after getting on base by his own single. The Giants took one in the last innings. The score:

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CANNON'S BOXING ABILITY.

Speaker Drove His Right into Ribs of Clerk Who Taunted Him as Fighter. Speaker of the House Cannon, who sparred recently with Philadelphia Jack O'Brien at the latter's training camp, demonstrated his pugilistic ability again the other day at Washington.

Swallowing a Reinder. "Doctor, doctor!" Is swallowed a reinder? Choking violently and literally black in the face, a negro boy rushed into the office of a throat specialist.

A Real John Doe. "There goes a man who would be justified in changing his name," said the city salesman. "His name is really Doe, and John in the bargain—John Doe."

A Remarkable Race. The Lapps are very fond of stimulating drinks. They think nothing of drinking fifteen or twenty cups of coffee a day, while their consumption of punch is on a vast scale.

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STATISTICS OF THE WORLD'S RAILROADS

It appears from the statement of the Prussian ministry of public works, that the steam railroads of the world to 1907, foot up to a total of 264,867 miles. Of this total 274,198 miles are in the old world and 320,669 in the new.

The old world Europe has 199,385 miles, Asia 59,294 miles and Africa 18,519 miles. In the new world North America distances all competitors, having 268,058 miles, with 24,911 miles credited to South America, although this is made to include the West Indies. Australia has 17,700 miles. It will be seen from this that North America has nearly one-half the total world's mileage, the great bulk, or over 225,000 miles, being in the United States. During 1907 the United States added 7,637 miles, or about three per cent. to the roads previously in existence.

The modern show there is a code of rules to follow. Each show carries its own police force, who strictly enforce the ground rules. No employee of the show is allowed to leave the grounds under a penalty of \$5 fine, without a special permit. We keep off all rowdy characters and any disorderly person arrested, whether he be a member of the show or a spectator, is promptly turned over to the local police.

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Too Much Muscle. A young highland plowboy was pestering a female servant with his unwelcome attentions, and one day he proposed. At this instant the pair were walking in the fields came upon another servant, a man, sleeping instead of working. The lassie, a brassy wench, seized a stick and beat the idler till he roared. When he had slunk off to his duty the swain remarked indignantly:

The Chess Automaton. Baron Kempelen of Hungary began to astonish the civilized world of Europe about 1769 with his chess automaton. This was apparently a figure controlled by mechanical devices and which was able, notwithstanding the fact that apparently no intelligence was concerned in its movements and decisions, generally to beat his human antagonists.

Deeply Interested. The play was one of Shakespeare's tragedies. Mrs. Simmons and her little boy, having been unable to secure seats in the parquet, were well located in the front row of the first balcony, where they could see better and hear almost as well as if they had been farther forward on the main floor.

Getting a Start. "Did you secure tickets for the play, hubby?" inquired the New York wife. "I hear they are in demand."

Charter Application. NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR CHARTER. Notice is hereby given that application will be made by E. R. Sponsler, M. I. Low, A. W. Duy, C. M. Creveling, and W. F. Lowry to the Governor of Pennsylvania on the 13th day of July, A. D. 1909, at 10 A. M., under the provisions of an Act of Assembly, entitled "An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations."

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HISTORY OF THE ROBINSON SHOWS

John G. Robinson, the grandson of the famous founder of this old show, which will be at Bloomsburg on Monday, June 21, is now the sole owner of America's oldest tented amusement enterprise. This is the 83th year, for it was born in 1824 and for three generations it has toured this country. In every nook and corner its name is known.

Mr. Robinson says "The show business of today is vastly different from what it was even ten years ago. It has been reduced to a business science, as any other business enterprise has to be. All of the thrilling and grafting features have been cut entirely away, and a modern traveling circus is more like a military organization than a free for all band of entertainers, which characterized many shows of former times through the country, when so many depredations on property by hangers on, pickpockets, confidence men and lunners were reported. In the modern show there is a code of rules to follow. Each show carries its own police force, who strictly enforce the ground rules. No employee of the show is allowed to leave the grounds under a penalty of \$5 fine, without a special permit. We keep off all rowdy characters and any disorderly person arrested, whether he be a member of the show or a spectator, is promptly turned over to the local police.

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SITUATION IN BUSINESS CIRCLES

Notwithstanding some disappointment because of tariff legislation, the business situation continues to show an expanding tendency from week to week. Today's Wall Street Journal says more confidence is noted in all lines, while in certain directions the momentum is gaining fast. Attention in commercial circles is especially focused on crops because so much depends this year upon our agricultural wealth. The government crop report as of June 1 was disappointing only in respect to winter wheat; otherwise it was a favorable exhibit, especially when it told of an increase of 7 per cent. in spring wheat acreage, almost sufficient to make up the usual loss during winter wheat's growth. The fact that the promise is that the shortage in winter wheat will be many times made up by the abundance of other crops, relieves any anxiety as to the consumptive ability of the country for the year to come.

In the metal industry the outlook seems to be improving all the time. Iron production on June 1 was at the rate of 442,000 tons weekly, an increase of 30,000 tons over the corresponding figure on May 1, and the largest in the series of 1907.

The copper metal market is daily growing stronger, owing to increased demand; at least the surplus stocks, which have been so menacing a feature, are being reduced.

In some lines of trade, while confidence is stronger, the volume of operations is still being retarded by tariff uncertainties. This is true to a certain extent in boots and shoes, for manufacturers are not likely to increase largely their production beyond immediate wants until the tariff on hides is absolutely settled.

There was distinct improvement in the general situation of the iron and steel trade last week. The railroads have placed orders for a considerable tonnage of rails. This follows on the heels of the most liberal purchasing of locomotives and cars that has been witnessed in many a long day, and altogether there is a bright prospect of a steady improvement in demand from this quarter. The steel companies report increasing business in practically every department of finished material. Fifteen furnaces have been thrown in by the different steel producers.

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G. O. P. CONVENTION QUIET AND QUICK

HARRISBURG, June 16. The Republican State convention today nominated the following ticket: For justice of the supreme court, Judge Robert von Moschizker, of Philadelphia; for auditor general, Senator A. E. Sisson, of Erie; for State treasurer, Jeremiah A. Steber, of Lancaster.

The convention was devoid of serious contests, virtually all the rivals to the successful candidates having withdrawn from the field, after the choice of the leaders became definitely known.

PENROSE IN THE SADDLE. United States Senator Boies Penrose head of the State organization, sat in the convention as a delegate from Philadelphia and personally directed the details. The convention was called to order about 11 o'clock by State Chairman W. B. Andrews, and Senator W. E. Crow, of Fayette, was elected permanent chairman. In his speech he called attention to the harmonious condition of the Republican party in Pennsylvania and predicted the election of the whole ticket in November by a large majority.

ANDREWS RE-ELECTED. At the conclusion of the convention Colonel Andrews was re-elected chairman of the Republican State committee and he announced the appointment of W. Harry Baker, of Harrisburg, as secretary of the State committee, to succeed the late John R. Williams, of Scranton.

Election Notice. Notice is hereby given that an election will be held by the stockholders of the "F. Q. Hartman, Inc.," at their office in the Borough of Danville, Pa., on Thursday, July 1st, 1909, between the hours of 5 and 6, for the purpose of electing a Board of Directors for the ensuing year and for the purpose of transacting such other business as may come before them.

F. Q. HARTMAN, INC. T. W. Cantler, Secretary.

Exclusive. "Where do the Hottentots live, Mary?" a schoolteacher asked one of her pupils. "I don't know, 'm," said Mary primly. "Ma won't let me visit any of the people in this neighborhood."

The Exceptions. "Binks has a fine new apartment." "Everything stationary in it, I suppose." "Absolutely everything—except his wife and the cook."—Harper's Bazar.

The Sure Thing. A theatrical manager once offered a famous actress \$1,000 a week to make a tour of the world. She insisted on \$1,500. But the manager said \$1,000 was all he could give, and he reminded her of the fabulous jewels that South American millionaires, Russian grand dukes and Indian rajahs are wont to lavish on the ladies of the stage when they are touring. "Go home," said the manager; "think the matter over and let me know your decision in the morning."

In the morning the actress sent the manager this message: "Give me my terms and you can have the jewels."

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