

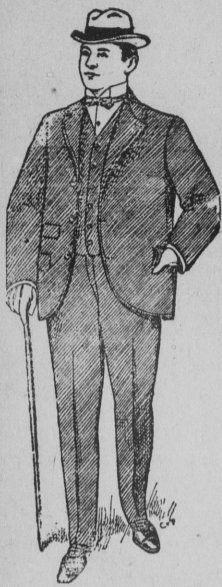
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TOO MUCH UNIONISM.

General House-Cleaning by the Elk Lick School Board.

It has been generally known for some time that some of the Elk Lick township schools were making very unsatisfactory progress, and that certain of the directors were thoroughly disgusted with the actions of C. M. Berkey, principal of the West Salisbury schools, and H. W. Darr, principal of the Boynton schools.

The complaint against Berkey was improper care of school property, lack of ability to govern, carelessness and general incapacity. His pupils have been behaving worse than a set of savage barbarians, and among their chief delights, which the teacher seemed only too willing to allow them to indulge in, was to harass miners on their way to and from work by yelling "scab" and other opprobrious names at them. The teacher was appealed to in vain, and several days ago the school board demanded his resignation. Even George Feik, the school board freak, admitted to the sensible and competent members of the board that Berkey ought to be removed. But, of course, when he returned from the board meeting, he told a different story to his numbskull and anarchistic union friends in Boynton. Thus did Mr. Feik, the graceless sneak, try to carry water on two shoulders; but as his two-faced capers are well known, it is reported that he now threatens to resign in disgust. Well, that's what the pie-faced punk chunk should have done long ago, for he is no more fit for school director than an old sow is fit to preside over the parlors of the White House. You can't convert a sow's ear into a silk handkerchief, and neither can you make a good school director out of a red-whiskered backwoods ignoramus.

Berkey didn't want to resign, but he had to go, just the same. As the school board found 122 holes and dents in an expensive slate blackboard, as well as much other damage to school property, it is very evident that the deposed principal is not a fit and proper person to have charge of a school or school property.

H. W. Darr, the Boynton principal, was not fired, but he seemed to think that he would be, and there is no doubt that his suspicions were well grounded, as there was much complaint against him. It is alleged that he paid more attention to the fair sex than he did to teaching, and if all reports are true, a sensation is in store for the near future. Darr did pretty good work in the Boynton schools, last winter, but during the present term he was a miserable failure, except in a few particulars that he was not hired for by the school board. Hence Mr. Darr scented trouble and resigned.

Berkey and Darr both boarded with Director Feik, and all three of them were as thick with each other as three in a bed. They were like three hogs in the same wallow, and much of their time was spent in giving utterance to the kind of fool talk that tickles the ears of the most vicious and ignorant element in the Miners' Union. The three of them are good (?) union men, of course, and a sweet-scented trio they are, indeed.

And maybe the school board's house-cleaning isn't done yet. There is at least one other township school where more "scab" talk is tolerated than is good for the rising generation, and when teachers allow the personal prejudice of parents to crop out in and about the public schools, through impudent brats that get no decent training at home, there is something wrong with the teachers of such schools.

Unionism and sectarianism have no business in the public schools, and we believe we know some teachers that will never teach another term of school in Elk Lick township. Unionism as conducted in this region is a blight and a curse to the whole community. It is an ugly, venomous, running sore on the body politic, and it has laid the foundation upon which many a youth is already building a criminal career, a life misspent and full of trouble, bitter disappointment and shame. These words are as true as the eternal hills of God are firm, and whoever shall take offense thereat, shall take offense at the truth, the naked and heaven-born, heaven-defended truth.

STARTLING MORTALITY.

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CORELESS apples, seedless oranges, spineless cactus, stoneless plums are already accomplished facts. Perhaps in time we shall have the thornless rose, the rootless pig, the buttless goat and the kickless mule. The millennium will get here if we only give it time.—American Farmer.

THE Bolters' Bazoo howled its tax bugaboo until it exploded and thoroughly exposed the old pretender, and now it rings a new alarm—that the taxes to be collected will not meet the expenses of the county. In other words, the Bazoo first complained that the tax-gatherers would rob the taxpayers; now it complains that the tax levy is not heavy enough. The Bazoo is a chronic kicker—a regular old grumpy grunt. It whimpers and whines and refuses to be pacified so long as the public test is out of its mouth.—Somerset Standard.

In another column of this paper appears a bunch of predictions made by Lee Spangler, a would-be prophet residing at York, Pa. It will be noticed that Spangler has no faith in the groundhog as a weather forecaster. He says belief in the groundhog is a superstition that the devil has put into the minds of the people, while he (Spangler) claims to be a prophet of God. The fact is, both Spangler and the groundhog theory are fakes, but of the two, the groundhog theory seems to hold out better, this year, than the predictions made by Spangler, which he refers to as "natural indications and the revelations of God." We don't know whether the groundhog superstition comes from the devil or not, but we believe that all the would-be prophets of Spangler's stripe should go to the devil, and the sooner the better.

In order to join the Printers' Union, a man must be a printer; to join the Carpenters' Union, a man must be a carpenter; to join the Plumbers' Union, a man must be a plumber; even to join the Miners' Union, in some localities, a man must be a miner. But not so in this region, where every impostor who wants a few dollars a month that he is not entitled to, and which is wrung from the pockets of poor working men in other regions, can join at will. How many men in this region do you know who are drawing aid from the Miners' Union, but who are neither miners nor mine laborers, haven't worked at the mines for years, and don't intend to? For example, take George Feik and Melchior Hochman, of Boynton, two employees of the Maust Lumber Company. It is said that they recently joined the Miners' Union, just as many other impostors have done. Wouldn't that grab you? What right have they to a "divvy" out of the earnings of the poor miners of other regions? It is worse than highway robbery. Such men should hide their heads in shame, and such men would be utterly unworthy to serve as patches on the seats of honest men's trousers. Talk about taking the bread out of other people's mouths! The lowest, the dirtiest and the vilest man on earth, next to a murder or professional thief, is the man who will draw aid from a craft that he has not followed for years, and which he has no intention of following. If Feik and Hochman have done this thing, and we have no reason to doubt it, they should be held in contempt by all honest, manly men. No decent, God-fearing citizen should permit himself to remain a member of a union that tolerates such a system of imposition, of infamy, of robbery of poor men delving in the bowels of the earth in other regions. If Feik and Hochman are really in need and desire to be treated as paupers, it would be more honorable for them to go out and beg, or to apply for quarters at the County Home. But they are both able-bodied and ugly enough to earn their own living, without sponging off of anybody.

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The Wagner-Phillips Case.

The troubles which grew out of a fight in which Joseph Wagner, Jr., and Edward Phillips were the principals, and which occurred on the evening of Nov. 8th, 1904, consumed a great deal of time in court, at Somerset, this week.

It will be remembered that the first legal proceedings to grow out of the fight was a borough case, in which Phillips had Wagner, Arthur Emerick, Michael Harding, Chas. Crow and others arrested for a breach of the peace. The four persons mentioned were all found guilty before the Burgess, who fined them \$10.00 and costs, which they refused to pay, and in default thereof served a term in jail.

The next turn the matter took was when Wagner sued Phillips on a charge of mayhem, and Phillips brought a counter suit against Wagner, Emerick, Harding and Crowe on a charge of assault and battery with intent to kill.

The cases were tried together, resulting in the acquittal of Harding and Emerick, while Wagner and Phillips were each found guilty of assault and battery. They were found guilty and fined \$5.00 each, and the costs, which amounted to over \$500, were divided between them. Crowe, the dirtiest scoundrel of the whole aggregation, was not at the trial, having left the state some time ago. Whether an effort will be made or not to compel his bondsman to cash up, we do not know; but we do know that the bondsman is not worth a dollar, and as the Justice of the Peace knew that from the staff, people are wondering why he accepted that kind of a bond. Both of our Justices have been accepting "straw bait" in some cases, and they ought to be more particular in that respect. The law requires bondsman that are good for the amounts they are held for.

The court trial came out about as people expected, but not quite as it should have resulted. There is not a particle of doubt that there never would have been such a trial if Phillips had not been imposed upon and forced into a fight on the evening of Nov. 8th. He is in every way a far better and more peaceable man than any of his numerous assailants, and had they attacked him singly, he would have mauled every one of them, and justly, too. His assailants are bad eggs, as our police court records show, and had they been as well known to the court and jury as they are known here, the case referred to would have been decided quite differently.

But even as matters stand, Wagner has fared far worse than Phillips. He got a licking that he needed, he had to get a finger amputated on account of getting it in the door of Phillips' face, he served a term in jail, had big lawyer fees, costs and other expenses to pay, and all because he was running about with "a chip on his shoulder."

It was expensive experience for all concerned, although some got out of the scrape much better than they deserved. It doesn't pay to get too gay, and Joseph's finger's off to stay. He poked it in an open door, and now it's off forevermore. To law it doesn't pay to go, it but adds cost unto your woe, and cannot bring a finger back, for that's a power lawyers lack. They take from you your hard-earned "dough," and leave you in the cold and snow; but they cannot make a finger grow, poor little Joe! poor little Joe!

Really, we are sorry that the fight ever took place, and if we could restore Joseph's finger we would be only too glad to do so. But it is time to do better, boys. Brace up, turn a new leaf and try to keep out of trouble. You are all capable of being first rate fellows if you only try. It takes two or more to quarrel and fight, and it is neither brave, polite nor wise to do either, especially if such a course can be avoided as well as not. Besides, it doesn't pay to quarrel and fight. It is hard on fingers and eyes, and in many cases it shortens life as well as ruins reputations.

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