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### THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY.

The Government cannot breed a temper; it cannot generate thought and purpose. Things done under the whip of the law are done sullenly, somewhat reluctantly, and never successfully. The hope of America is the changing attitude of the business men toward the things they have to handle in this country.—President-elect Wilson.

After next July, a standard barrel of apples must be twenty-six inches in circumference, outside measurements around the middle, and the heads must be seventeen inches and one-eighth in diameter. In accordance with the law, if the apples are hand-picked and free from blemishes, they may be labelled "Standard." But a fine of one dollar and costs will be exacted for every barrel that is marked "Standard" and does not conform to the requirements. The law was passed at the earnest solicitation of those who believe that the purchaser has a right to know what he is getting when he buys a barrel of apples.

While we in the United States have complained at times about the activities of our Presidents and the initiative they have shown, the trend of public opinion in France, which is now on the eve of a Presidential election, is in favor of greater power for presidents.

Although the history of the French Republic contains the names of one or two presidents who have made themselves factors in public affairs, the majority of the chief magistrates of France have been of a negative merit. They have been by no means so important in directing and inaugurating policies as our own presidents. Indeed, there are few monarchs who enjoy the privileges and prerogatives of American presidents, who, although not rulers in name are more so in fact than most kings.

Amid all the talk of the day about the evils of centralized power, it is interesting to note that decentralization insofar as presidents are concerned, has been unsatisfactory to the people of France, who are now demanding that, in view of the delicate problems with which the nation is confronted, the head of their government shall cease to be a mere figurehead.

So England copies our industrial scheme and France our political ideals, while we grumble at both and strive to establish at home the identical conditions from which they are hoping to escape.

When it's hot, we want it cool;  
When it's cool, we want it hot,  
Always wanting what is not.

### FOR IMPROVED CONDITIONS IN COUNTIES.

We are in receipt of a little pamphlet published by the commissioners of Beaver county in which is contained some good sound recommendations. We agree with the changes that the board recommends, which if enacted, would greatly benefit and relieve Wayne county people. That our readers may be enlightened upon some of the recommendations we reproduce a few as follows:

In general with regard to the tax laws of Pennsylvania we recommend that all taxes be made payable at one place in each county, at one time. Many people coming from other states where taxes are thus payable naturally inquire how they shall pay their taxes and upon going to the Borough or Township collector, or the County Treasurer, naturally assume when they say they want to pay their taxes and receive receipt that they have paid all their taxes and later are annoyed to find they have neglected to pay the collector of school tax and although often only a small amount find that it has been filed and is a lien against their property, the discharge of which costs ten times the amount of the tax.

Land bearing forests should be taxed annually on the land value alone and the timber crop should be taxed only when cut, as that private forestry may be encouraged. The present method of taxation stands in the way of practical forestry. There is no encouragement to timber holding. Lumbermen have one crop and yearly taxes, while the farmer has yearly taxes and annual crops.

The personal return tax law should (if constitutionally done)

be amended to require National and Private Banks and Trust Companies to furnish to the County Commissioners a full list of Time depositors and the amounts upon which interest is being paid.

In regard to a tax upon aliens we recommend that a law be enacted in substance as follows:

"An Act to provide for the levying, assessing and collecting of taxes from all unaturalized, foreign born residents equally with citizens of this Commonwealth, fixing liabilities of employers and providing penalties of the same.

Whereas: Aliens residing within the state are liable to taxation with citizens.

We heartily endorse the above recommendations of the Beaver county Board of Commissioners and sincerely hope that the joint committee of the Senate and House of Representatives, before whom the matter will be presented, will use their best judgment and report accordingly.

### OUR HARRISBURG LETTER.

Harrisburg, Jan. 20.—Members of the house committee on committees will get around any difficulties which exist regarding the chairmanship of committees by incorporating in their report a provision that the committees shall elect their own officers. A couple of members of the committees are said to have harbored some ambitions, but the stand taken last night by regular Republicans and Democrats made a fight possible and as harmony appears to be most desired, it is said that a general armistice has been agreed on.

The committee worked until after 2 o'clock this morning and completed a draft of changes of rules. About twenty have been changed or replaced, it is estimated, although the tired members said this morning they could not tell right off exactly all changes made. They were slow in getting up and it looks as though a meeting would hardly begin until after 10 o'clock.

The question is over whether the new rule to govern the house committee on committees should apply to this session, which agitated the members themselves and those gathered here to watch the proceedings last night and early this morning, was cleared up by the committeemen, who declared that they would recommend that it should not apply to this house. If it did it would nullify the work of the committee because the rule provides for election of a committee to make up committees. The next house will adopt its own rules so that the adoption of this rule amounts to little more than a confession of faith.

The Democrats, who were very chipper over the adoption of their rule last night, are jubilant, saying it affirms their stand, but the practical results are nothing. Samuel B. Scott says that the rule was put in to make the changes complete. What seems to have been done was acceptance of the Democratic rule by the Republicans as a cop to the fifty-six votes of the Democrats.

The other changes provide that resolutions may be presented any day and they lie over for a day instead of only on Monday night or some designated time; that sixty members may discharge a committee or overturn a negative recommendation, but no committee can be discharged until ten days have expired after reference of a bill; the speaker and six members are to constitute the rules committee; any rule may be suspended by a majority vote, although heretofore it took a two-thirds vote and that the pink bill calendar shall form a more complete record.

The state board of education strongly recommends an increase of \$5,000,000 in the state's biennial school appropriation and that no amendments be made to the new school code until the law is tried out in the annual report made to the Governor last week.

The report declares that special state aid to rural districts which have small population and are unable to provide the minimum term with the amount of school taxes they may levy, is essential and should be granted at the coming session.

The work of the year in securing uniformity in plans for buildings and better lighting facilities is given in detail.

### PARCEL POST'S BIG RECORD.

Six Million Packages Handled During the First Week.

first seven days 4,068,824 packages were handled in the city delivery offices which have submitted reports. Of this number 107,561 packages were insured. As all of the offices were closed on New Year's day and Sunday, the reports cover substantially only five days.

"Without exception," said Postmaster General Hitchcock, "postmasters are enthusiastic over the parcel post service, and many of them have submitted with their reports personal letters describing the reception of the system by their communities and offering suggestions for the betterment of the service. Practically all postmasters report a steady increase of parcel post business."

### \$2,000,000 TO PUSH PORT DEVELOPMENT

Confidence in Present Administration of Philadelphia Port Led to Recommendation for Record Appropriation.

Philadelphia, Jan. 20.—With a recommendation of \$2,000,000—the largest sum ever appropriated by the national government to the Delaware river channel—Congress has placed its stamp of approval upon the projected "greater" Port of Philadelphia, and within four years, it is estimated, the 35-foot channel will be complete, providing ample depth for the largest vessels built.

This recommendation, said to be due almost entirely to the Rivers and Harbors Committee's confidence in the present administration of the port, following as it did, within a few days, the indorsement of Director Norris' proposed legislative program by a committee representing the trade and commercial organizations of Philadelphia, paves the way to an unprecedented port development which only depends now upon the financial aid which the Legislature will be asked to give toward those improvements to which Federal funds cannot be applied.

Describing the attitude of Congress toward the Port of Philadelphia, and explaining the Rivers and Harbors Committee's reasons for indorsing the full sum requested by the government engineers for channel work, Congressman Michael Donohoe, member of the committee, and with Representative Lee, of Pottsville, indefatigable worker for the river and port, said:

Government Will Co-Operate.

"It is becoming the settled policy of Congress that money for the improvement of waterways shall be appropriated only where those waterways lead to ample terminal facilities, controlled, not by private interests, but by the municipality or State, for the benefit of all the people. By ample terminal facilities I mean not merely a sufficient number of public wharves and docks, but also sufficient railroad connections. As the Legislature will hardly ignore conditions which have been the Federal government's incentive for a \$2,000,000 appropriation, although the Federal government's interest is only general, while that of the State is local and particular, Director Norris feels that the appropriations from the State will be forthcoming and also that he will not be refused the legislation by which he hopes ultimately to place the Port of Philadelphia under public administration.

Congress Watching Progress.

"In all fairness I should say that this record appropriation is due in no small way to the Blankenburg administration," said Congressman Donohoe. The Mayor heartily cooperated with Congressman Lee and myself in our efforts to bring a Congressional delegation to Philadelphia to illustrate the needs of the Delaware river. Besides, the work that is being done by Director Norris, of the Department of Wharves and Docks, to provide additional docking facilities is not unknown to the members of the Rivers and Harbors Committee.

"If the State will assist Philadelphia in developing its port facilities, Congress will not delay the work of deepening the Delaware river."

Director Norris is underwood to be engaged now in preparing the bills to be submitted to the Legislature. Among these will be a request for a power of eminent domain, under which to acquire parts of the water front for public development; the revision of some existing laws which hinder expansion, and a provision for a liberal appropriation.

### PENNSYLVANIA APPLES FOR PRESIDENT TAFT.

Two of the finest boxes of apples ever shipped to Washington, D. C., were prepared at the annual fruit show of the Luzerne County Fruit Growers' association and shipped to President Taft with the compliments of the growers. These boxes, of the highest possible grade of fancy fruit, represented quality such as is not excelled anywhere in America. They were composed of mixed varieties, such as reach their greatest perfection in the northeastern part of Pennsylvania. Those who saw this fruit say that in every point of perfection, size, and color, it was the best that can be produced anywhere in the world, and in quality it is absolutely unsurpassed. As President Taft is a great apple eater, believing in the wholesomeness of this kind of fruits, he greatly enjoyed this Christmas donation from the Luzerne County Fruit Growers.

Such fruit is a practical substantiation of the claim made and supported by State Zoologist H. A. Surface that "Pennsylvania apples are the best in the world."

### REIGEL'S ANNUAL REPORT.

During 1912 there was expended for highway construction and maintenance in the district of Division engineer John I. Reigel of the state highway department, which comprises six counties, the sum of \$215,800, according to the first annual report that has been submitted by him. At present work is under way for which contracts total \$153,700.

The resurfacing of the Abington road was one of the first undertakings of Engineer Reigel. The work cost \$65,860, and was done by the

Gaynor Construction company on a commission basis. Work was also begun on the Oakland township road, north of the borough of Susquehanna. In Avoca another contract has been started.

Maintenance of dirt highways in the district cost \$80,000. The work consists of the renewal of the highway grades the replacing by culvert pipes, repairing of bridges and widening of the highways so that teams can pass each other at any place on the road.

There are three superintendents—Superintendent Reese, Superintendent Shoemaker and Superintendent Rounds. The money spent under the supervision of these superintendents as reported by Mr. Reigel is:

Monroe county—131 miles, cost \$19,370.

Pike county—134 miles, cost \$10,010.

Susquehanna county—140 miles, cost \$15,650.

Wyoming county—91 miles, cost \$14,460.

Wayne county—139 miles, cost \$16,760.

Lackawanna county—37 miles, cost \$4,760.

### SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

(Continued from Page One.)

wealth for educational purposes than Pennsylvania. According to the Carnegie Educational Investigation committee, a permanent fund might be provided by revenue from forest lands and water rights and from escheated estates.

E. Howard Griggs, of New York, whose subject was "The Influence of the Parent and the Teacher on Moral Education" emphasized the fact that sharpening the mind without training the morals is a dangerous course. He maintained that moral training is to be taught by teaching the individual rather than by taking mixed classes from all kinds of homes. The teacher, to do this individual work, must not be overcrowded with regular routine work. The parent is first responsible, of course, but if the parent shirk duty, for the sake of the state, the teacher must assume the burden. Dr. Griggs made a strong plea for a closer relationship between the teacher and the child, the parent and the child, so that mutual confidence may inspire straightforwardness. This relationship will make it a somewhat simpler matter for the parent especially to deal with such problems as sex hygiene.

Dr. Halleck, of Louisville, Ky., lectured on the Thursday night session on "The Adolescent." Dr. Halleck is principal of the Louisville Boys' High school and his lecture was a recital of experiences in high school work. Every boy in his high school has given him a card on which is printed a "Code of Ethics" containing such statements as the following: (1) You must keep running to stay where you are and must run mighty hard to get ahead; (2) Boys' High school expects every boy to do at least twice as well as other boys along all lines; (3) A Boys' High school boy is expected to be SQUARE; (4) Boys' High school boys own themselves. Dr. Halleck's school raised thirty thousand dollars by giving entertainments; and with thirty thousand given by the school board, purchased a site for an athletic building and play grounds. The adolescent period of life is the most wonderful period and in it can be done wonderful things as we may see from the history of the Elizabethan or Adolescent Period.

Principal Irvine, of Butler, Pa., advocated a schedule for study as well as a schedule for recitation. He recommended that ninety minutes be given to Algebra, ninety minutes to Latin, forty minutes to English, forty minutes to Elementary Science in the study schedule of the first year high school pupils. Principal Irvine also stated that forty-seven out of fifty important high schools of Pennsylvania require four subjects per pupil instead of five. Honesdale has been doing this for ten years.

The educational council, composed of about thirty leading educators selected from all departments, reported some extensive and intensive investigations, which they have been making. Among other things they advised that the following be eliminated from textbooks: (1) Questions in Elementary Arithmetic that have no bearing on the practical side of life. (2) Obsolete forms of grammar and rhetoric. (3) Selections in Literature that confuse instead of interest pupils in the works of best authors. This report will soon be published in full.

Prof. Surface of the State Agriculture Department suggested that teachers interest pupils in insects, pests, plants, etc., and submit specimens to the Department for classification. Remember the department is for the people to use. Dr. Herrick, president of Gerard College, suggested that bankers, merchants, manufacturers and the people outside of school be brought to the school to tell about their respective lines of work. Teachers ought to take pupils to see in actual operation mills, courts, banks, newspapers, etc.

Miss Mae Black, of Wilkes-Barre, gave an illustrated talk on the Montessori method of teaching. She had on exhibition a complete set of models. This system has accomplished wonderful results wherever used. State Supt. Schaeffer closed the Association with an inspiring address containing many thoughts of benefit to teachers. He expressed the hope that the present Legislature will place Pennsylvania with the many states that are progressive along educational lines by providing for a teachers' retirement fund.

The following Wayne county teachers attended the association: E. A. Oday and R. T. Davies of Honesdale, and Howard Sipe, of Gouldsboro.

### GEO. W. MAYBE STRICKEN.

George W. Maybe, of Narrowsburg, a former publisher of the Jeffersonville Record, suffered a stroke at his home Saturday night, completely paralyzing his right side and rendering him unconscious, in which condition he still remains, with no hope of his recovery.

### W. D. B. AINEY SPEAKS TO POTTERY ASS'N

At Pittsburg Recently—Spoke of Position Occupied by State in Mining and Manufacture—Called Attention to Democratic Policy of Free Trade.

The annual banquet of the Western Glass and Pottery Association, whose membership includes those engaged in these industries in Pennsylvania, Ohio and West Virginia, was held in Fort Pitt Hotel in Pittsburg recently. The principal speaker was Congressman William D. B. Ainey of Pennsylvania. Between four and five hundred covers were laid. Congressman Ainey's subject was "Change of Administration." After commenting upon the position of pre-eminence occupied in Pennsylvania, in agriculture, mining and manufacturing, he called attention to the fact that there were two hundred and fifty-one companies engaged in the glass and pottery industry in Pennsylvania alone, employing thirty-three thousand men, and with an annual output of over forty-six millions of dollars. Few people realize the extent to which this industry has contributed to the prosperity of Pennsylvania and the adjoining states. Mr. Ainey called attention to the tariff hearings now being held before the Ways and Means Committee in Washington; that the representatives of the labor organizations last week appeared before that committee and urged that a protective duty on glass and pottery be maintained for without it these industries could not survive or continue to pay the present wage scale.

He adverted to the line of cleavage which marked the different political thought of the old political parties, and that democracy from her former state rights position naturally and inherently had acquired the policy of free trade. Mr. Ainey spoke of the recent utterance of Honorable Ollie James, of the Ways and Means Committee, who, answering one of the witnesses, said that he did not know of a single Democrat who was a believer in protective tariff, and the comment of Hon. A. Mitchell Palmer, also a member of that committee, who stated that the policy of the incoming president and the Democratic party was to revise the tariff downward and steadily downward, and that manufacturers should appear before that committee and request any other consideration of the tariff, were in effect seeking to have the Democratic party go back on its platform utterances.

The speaker, after calling attention to the fact that this country with the incoming administration was embarking upon a policy of free trade and whether it would accomplish by cutting off one finger at a time, as intimated by Governor Wilson, or whether the protective duties would be struck down by one fell swoop, he had no means of knowing; that at least he took no comfort in the administration of the protective policy at the hands of a party and a president who were not in sympathy, and that the manufacturing interests which honestly require protection could hope for nothing from the Democratic party.

Mr. Ainey pointed out that unless the elements of the Republican party could be united that this country would soon be upon a free trade basis. He had no solution to offer by which the elements could be united because he had small faith in this being accomplished by the machinery of either the old or a new organization; that if accomplished at all it must come out of a recognition of the requirements of honesty of purpose, a desire to act for the best, and wise and consistent leadership, and a recognition of the high rights of all the people. He pointed out in this respect that in our demand for majority rule we are failing to recognize that minority rights are more important than this right of dominance because it is as individuals (members of the minority) that we receive all the benefits which come from contact with government and in our social and business life.

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### VOGEL'S BIG CITY MINSTRELS.

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The sentiment of the balladist may have caused you to be possessed of a feeling of intoxication; the festive wit of the comedians has amused you; the charming acts of the first part in its entirety has possibly astonished you, yet the glamor, frolic and fun rolls on without a hindrance.

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### WORDS FOR THE SPELLING CONTEST OF THE WAYNE COUNTY SCHOOLS.

- LESSON 65.
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| aorta         | cocaine      |
| Achilles      | cerebrum     |
| antidote      | charcoal     |
| axle          | California   |
| baccalaureate | disinfectant |
| biennial      | distance     |
| bulrush       | detective    |
| bleaching     | euchro       |
| Bronx         | fertilizer   |
| Burnett       | fibula       |
| catkin        | fool         |
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| capsulo       |              |

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