**TYPO GETS NEGRO VOTE AND HELPS** START PERSHING

## Bee Linotyper Pulls Smooth Trick in 1882 Election and Unknowingly Aids Career of the General.

That comparatively insignificant events sometimes lead to mighty results is illustrated in the story of Victor P. Gay, linotyper in the composing room of The Bee, who unwittingly initiated a train of events which are responsible for the presence of and Mr. Smith her troubles. General John J. Pershing at the head of the American armies in France to-

day. These are the links in the chain of events which have placed General Pershing in command of the forces and spend-some of that money!" which will change the course of world's history.

from the old Third Missouri district either of you knew-how really valua- man dead, and giving her all that in the fall of 1882. Mansur soon aft-erwards appointed John Pershing, then a Missouri schoolmaster, to West don't believe you'd be quite so fast aren't sure he's dead," amended Mr. Point, and so started him on the to tell me to go and spend it." career which was to embrace leader-ship of American forces over half a don't know," smiled Miss Maggie, once again her cheery self. world, from the Philippines and the wrecks of the Spanish empire to France and the borders of the Gerhad turned his back just then. man empire.

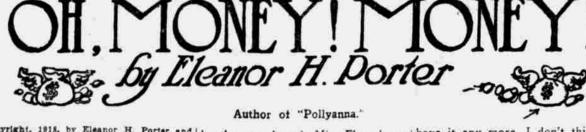
#### Calls Meeting of Negroes.

"It was back in the early eighties," said Gay, "and Charley Mansur, whom we all knew, was a candidate for congress once more. He had lost by only three votes in the previous election, and the word had been passed out to the boys that we were to break our necks if need be to elect old Charley this time. I was a printer in Chilothe, Mo., then. "Just before election a brilliant idea you got enough, with your father to licothe, Mo., then.

occurred to me. There were about 80 care for? Won't it be too hard for negroes who lived in and around you? Utica, five miles west of Chillicothe. These negroes were voters, but no one had ever attempted to swing their votes one way or another in the elections. Many of them were friends of mine and through them I brought this winter and I have said that I about the trick.

"The night before election I called their board." a meeting of them in a schoolhouse on the edge of town. I told them what the election of Charley Mansur. staunch old republican, would mean to them, and told them what the party had done for them during and after the civil war. I secured the promise of all of them to vote for Mansur the

next day.' Votes Bring Election. "Election night the votes were counted. Sixty-five of my 80 negro votes had gone in a solid block for Charley Mansur and he was elected by 39 votes. He'd have lost out sure it it hadn't been for those negroes. Oh, we had close elections those days if the proposes the idea himself. Be-sides,"—she twinkled merrily—"you really get along wonderfully with father, you know. And, as for the work—I shall have more time now. Hattie will have some one else to had close elections those days in Missouri."



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THE STORY THUS FAR. Stanley G. Fulton, multimilionaire, be-fore deliberately disappearing, directs his lawyer to send, at the end of six months, a check for \$100,000 to each of three rela-tives—James Blaisdell, Frank Blaisdell and Flora Blaisdell—in Hillerton. Then Fulton, masquerading as John Smith, a genealogist, anxious to secure data of the Blaisdell family, goes to Hillerton to observe them "before and after taking" wealth. Maggie Duff is the daughter of a man who married the mother of the Blaisdell and survived her. She sacriftees herself for them all. Mrs. Frank Blaisdell, parsi-monious when poor, is equally parsimonious THE STORY THUS FAR.

CHAPTER XII. (Continued). M R. SMITH turned and threw up careful guidance, however, she has bought her a few new dresses-

"For Heaven's sake, lady, go home, though they're dead black-Mrs. Jane laughed a bit ruefully.

zical smile.

boarder.

omer

"You mean-

'Well?" he hazarded.

"Yes, she's put on mourning," "Well, I don't see but what I shall | smiled Miss Maggie, as he came to Gay was a cog in the political ma-chine which brought about the elec-like this," she sighed, getting slowly She declared she wouldn't feel half tionof Charles Mansur to congress to her feet. "But if you know-if decent unless she did with that poor

Smith, hastily.

but Flora isn't being logical just now.

idea how to spend money. Under my

"Black!" interrupted the man.

her a few new dresses-

"But Flora thinks he is. She says he must be, or he would have appeared in time to save all that money. She's very much shocked, especially Mr. Smith said nothing. Mr. Smith at Hattie, that there is so little re-spect being shown his memory. So When Mrs. Jane was gone, Mr. Smith faced Miss Maggie with a quizshe is all the more determined to do the best she can on her part."

"But she-she didn't know him, so she can't-er-really mourn for him." "I'm awaiting orders-as your new stammered the man. There was a most curious helplessness on Mr. Smith's face.

"Oh! They'll not be alarming, I assure you. Do you really want to "No, she says she can't really mourn," smiled Miss Maggie again, "Indeed I do! And I think it's "and that's what worries her the mighty good of you to take me. Butmost of anything-because she can't mourn, when he's been so good to her-and he with neither wife nor chick nor child to mourn for him. she says. But she's determined to go She shook her head. "I think not. Besides, I'm going to have help. Annabelle and Florence through the outward form of 'it, at least. So she's made herself some new black dresses, and she's bought a veil. Martin, a farmer's daughters, are very She's taken Mr. Fulton's picture (she anxious to be in town to attend school had one cut from a magazine, I believe), and has had it framed and would take them. They will work for hung on her wall. On the mantel beneath it she keeps fresh flowers, al-The man gave a disdainful sniff. "I can imagine how much work ways. She says it's the nearest thing she can come to putting flowers on

vou'll let them do! It strikes me the his grave, poor man!" 'help' is on the other foot. However, "Good heavens!" breathed Mr we'll let that pass. I shall be glad enough to come and I'll stay-unless I Smith, falling limply into a chair. "And she doesn't go anywhere, exfind you're doing too much and going cept to church, and for necessary erbeyond your strength. But how about rands.

-your father?" "Oh, he won't mind. I'll arrange "That explains why I haven't seen her. I had wondered where she was." "Yes. She is very conscientious. sides,"-she twinkled merrily-"you really get along wonderfully with persuaded her to do that. She'll go father, you know. And, as for the work—I shall have more time now. Hattie will have some one else to know. Poor dear! She's so excited! care for her headaches and Jane All her life she's wanted to see Niagwon't put down any more carpets, I ara. Now she's going, and she can

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odor from somewhere. Then lightly

"Oh, she won't be poor long, smiled Miss Maggie. "She'll get used to it—this stupendous sum of money —one of these days. But just new basely and sensibly, and sensibly and se -one of these days. But just now she's nearly frightened to death." the money as it should be spent. Of course, you couldn't expect them to course, you couldn't expect them to know what to do, at the very first,

row?

Miss Maggie laughed merrily.

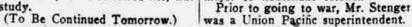
"Don't worry. I wasn't thinking "Yes-both because she's got it, and with a sum like that dropped into of charging quite that for your because she's afraid she'll lose it. their laps. What would you do your- board. But you seemed so interested, That doesn't sound logical, I know, self? Yes, what would you do? repeat- I didn't know but what you were goed Mr. Smith, his face suddenly alert ing to hand over the hundred thou-To begin with she hasn't the least and interested again. "What would sand, just to see what I would do you do if you should fall heir to a with it." she challenged, mischievous-

hundred thousand dollars-tomorly. "However, I'll stop talking non-

sense and come down to business. If "What would I do? What wouldn't I do?" laughed Miss Maggie. Then abruptly her face changed. Her eyes you'll walk this way, Mr. New became luminous, unfathomable. "There is so much that a hundred thousand dollars could do-so much! Why, I would-" Her face changed again abruptly. She sniffed as at an

Boarder, I'll let you choose which of fices that Ernest Stenger, now in two rooms you'd like." France in charge of the operation of And Mr. Smith went. But, as had some of the railroads behind the fightoccurred once or twice before, Mr. ing lines, has been promoted from

Smith's face, as he followed her, was major to lieutenant colonel. a study





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Beautiful skin, 45 inches long, belted all around, shawl collar, deep cuffs, slash pockets.

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Nutria Coatee—

It was only a few months after he took office that Mansur appointed Pershing to West Point, where the Missouri lad afterwards rose to be instructor and from where he went to

structor and from where he went to begin his active carcer of leadership. And the strangest part of the story is that, although Gay knew John Pershing by sight, he has never ex-changed a word with him in all his life, never was introduced to him and has probably never been heard of by the general the general. Gay Rooted for Pershing.

Gay also was one of the Chillicothe rooters, who backed the base ball team from Wheeling, Mo., on which John Pershing was a star third base-

"You had to be a star to play on that team," says Gay, "and the Wheeling 'Haymakers,' as we called them, won the amateur championship of the state. They used to beat semi-professional teams from St. Louis and other big towns right along. Al-though Pershing was a school teacher and was a native of Laclede, Mo., he

"Yes, I guess it was partly my fault that Pershing is licking the boche today," concluded Gay, reflec-tively, "but it was all an accident and I suppose just another trick of that old lady they call 'Dame Fortune.'"

Alumnae Convention **Closed Session With** Banquet to Delegates

The fourth biennial convention of the National Federation of Alumnae, Sisters of Charity, C. B. V. M., closed in the banquet hall at the Blackstone hotel Wednesday night with about

200 present. Mrs. J. M. Mullen, chairman of the local biennial board, acted as toastmistress. Miss Joy Higgins of Oma-ha, who was to have made the principal address, missed her train and was unable to reach Omaha for the meet-

Miss Ada K. Gannon, governor of the Iowa chapter of the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae, representing the Immaculate Conception convent of Davenport, Ia., delivered her famous lecture on Ireland, the substance of which is a correction of erroneous information concerning the Irish conscription question. Miss Cecelia Mulqueen of this city

bade delegates and visitors farewell in an unique and entertaining manner, which was acknowledged by Miss Elizabeth R. King, president of the national federation.

## Beat Her Up and Used Gun.

So She Asks for Divorce Gertrude A. Crittenden, in her suit for divorce filed in district court Thursday, alleges that her husband. Omer O. Crittenden, beat her severely, dragged her about the house and yard in a vicious manner and, as a climax to this "little outburst," took a shot at her. Gertrude avers in her petition that married life with Omer is not her ambition and she wants the law to cut the bans.

### **Boys Released When Deny** They Annoved Pedestrians

Twelve boys, arrested at Thirty-third and Parker streets Saturday night on the charge of annoying pe-destrians, were discharged in police court, when no one appeared 'against them. The boys declared themselves innocent and that the real "gang" escaped.

"Well, I should hope!" he shrugged. "Honestly, Miss Maggie, one of the best things about this Blaisdell money in my eyes is that it may give you a little rest from being chief cook and bottle washer and head nurse com-

bined, on tap for any minute, But say, that woman will spend some of that money, won't she?" Maggie smiled significantly. "I think she will. I saw Frank last evening—though I didn't think it

necessary to say so to her. He came to see me. I think you'll find that they move very soon and that the ladies of the family have some new clothes. "Well, I hope so."

"You seem concerned." "Concerned? Er-ah-well, I am," without thinking of the cost. That's he asserted stoutly. "Such a windfall why she's frightened-because she is of wealth ought to bring happiness, I so happy. She thinks it can't be right think; and it seemed to, to Mrs. to be so happy. It's too pleasant-to Hattie, though, of course, she'll learn be right. When she isn't being frightbetter, as time goes on, how to spend her money. But Mrs. Jane And, for fear she'll lose it, and thus not

hardly believe it's true. She wants a phonograph, too, but she's decided not to get that until after six months mourning is up-it's too frivolous and olly for a house of mourning.

"Oh, good heaven!" breathed Mr Smith, again,

"It is funny, isn't it, that she takes it quite so seriously? Bessie suggested (I'm afraid Bessie was a little naughty) that she get the phonograph, but not allow it to play anything but dirges and hymn tunes." "But, isn't the woman going to take

any comfort with that money?" demanded Mr. Smith. "Indeed she is! She's taking com-

fort now. You have no idea, Mr. Smith, what it means to her, to feel that she need never want again, and lined with beautiful satin. Regular price \$685, sale price \$342.50 Scarfs-

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Plain Hudson seal coat, shawl collar,

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Muffs—

Black wolf muff, regular price \$39.50, sale price. . \$19.50 Black lynx muff, regular price \$126.00, sale price. \$63.00 Just a Partial List of the Many Unusual Values Offered During Our August Fur Sale.

# The Children's Store of Omaha Is splendidly prepared to outfit your boy and girl for school

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A reputation such as our Juvenile Shops enjoy can be gained only by selling finest quality merchandise at prices that appeal to the most economical parents. Visit our separate Children's Shops Friday. Many unusual values offered Friday and Saturday only.

# Boys' School Suits—2 Lots | Girls' New Fall Wash Dresses For School Wear \$6.95 and \$10.95

In the \$6.95 group you will find dependable suits in gray and brown mixtures-also an assortment of blue serge and brown corduroy suits. One and two pair of pants. At \$10.95 we are offering all-wool mixture suits in khaki, blue, brown and gray in a variety of dressy

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Finest quality, smart model, with

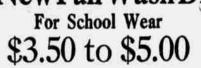
Plain Nutria coat, self-trimmed, richly lined.

Hudson seal cape-stole, finest qual-

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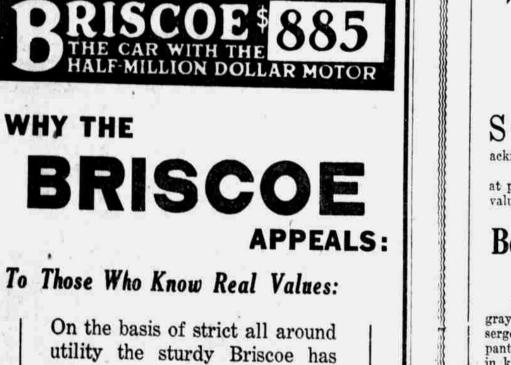
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