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COX THE CANDIDATE. One of the most remarkable conventions ever held by the democratic party terminated with the nomination of James M. Cox, governor of Ohio, as a candidate for president. Not since the historic convention of 1860, when the party split wide open, has so much acrimony and factional bitterness been noted in the proceedings, even the deadlocked Baltimore gathering being more harmonious and placid. In no other convention that did not actually divide has so much of genuine resentment, disappointment and lasting

feud been engendered. Cox's nomination is a distinct defeat for the administration forces, who put all their great power back of McAdoo. But it was not a triumph for the plain people, because it was brought about by a coalition of bosses whose interests are selfish. When men like Norman E. Mack, "Tom" Taggart, "Charley" Murphy and James Brennan combine, little thought is given to any aspiration of the masses, other than to tell them what the bosses think is good for them, and this is generally what the bosses know is good for themselves if they can put it over. The fact that Murphy expressed himself as supremely happy at the outcome is sufficient proof that Tammany got what it wanted. Not since 1904 has that remarkable group had any hand in naming the president, and its contribution to the defeat of Alton B. Parker will almost certainly be repeated.

Conceding to Governor Cox his personal popularity in Ohio, which rests on his avowed "wetness," it may be questioned if he will prove quite so attractive elsewhere. Some of the work of the administration group may be taken into consideration in this connection. Four United States senators, Owen of Oklahoma, Reed of Missouri, Smith of Georgia and Walsh of Massachusetts, were steam-rollered to make a holiday for the Wilsonites. These men are not without influence at home, nor are they of the sort that humbly kiss the rod.

William Jennings Bryan comes away, as he did from St. Louis in 1904, his head "bloody but unbowed." He will remain "regular," just as he did in the Parker campaign, and with about the same effect. It has never been proved that he sought the defeat of the Tammany nominee then, nor has it been established that he went to any great length to secure his election.

As days go on the issues will become clearer and better understood and the forces that are behind the selection made at San Francisco will be disclosed. It is not in the heat of a June convention, warned James A. Garfield, that a president is elected, but in the cool days of autumn around the firesides of American homes the decision is made. In this instance the decision may be safely left to the verdict of American homes.

Settling the Railroad Wage Trouble. A forecast of the probable increase in wages to be granted by the federal board to the railroad workers is reported to have had the effect of ending the "outlaw" strikes, and that men will soon be back to handle the trains. This is about the best news that has been received lately. To be sure, an increase in wages means an increase in rates, the same to be added to the cost of living. This is inevitable, but the case has a more serious aspect. Congested freight yards brought a disturbance of business and consequent monetary loss far in excess of wage losses incident to the strikes. Goods bought could not be delivered; this prevented collection by the manufacturer and sale by the customer, checking business at both ends. Factories could not obtain needed supplies, and production was held up; coal mines are running at least 8,000,000 tons a month short of the seasonal demand because cars could not be obtained for shipment from the mines. It was estimated last week by the government that the coal output will have to be increased 12,000,000 tons a month for the rest of the year to meet normal domestic requirements, this being the reason for the embargo placed on coal exportation. With the railroads again set in motion, and the jam cleaned up in time for the big crop movement, the public will generally be the gainer if business can only move into its orderly swing and go along for a few weeks without another eruption.

Government Life Insurance.

One of the interesting and probably natural developments of the government's policy of permitting the conversion of war-time into peacetime insurance for the soldiers is an increase of more than \$1,200 in the average amount of insurance carried. When the plan was proposed the cost was placed very low, so that the soldier might pay for what he wanted out of his wages. Back into civil life again, and with the government offering him the rare opportunity of first class insurance at a nominal cost, the young man found little difficulty in taking advantage of the chance. His pay and conditions of life as a civilian justified him in taking on a larger amount of indemnity; his better understanding of what is involved in life insurance undoubtedly having some weight in this, and the result is as noted, an increase in the average amount. The average amount now held of government insurance by former service men and women, according to R. G. Cholmely-Jones, di-

rector of the war risk insurance bureau, is \$3,520. That the plan has proved attractive to the larger number of those who were in the service is encouraging, and the director is of the opinion that practically all who are eligible to this form of protection will have taken advantage of it before the time for final lapsation comes with July 1, 1921.

Uncle Joe at Ease.

Uncle Joe Cannon is a brave old Egyptiana daring citizen who sheds his coat and vest in hot weather, Danville style, and walks about in comfort in his shirt sleeves with his trousers held up by an honest old pair of galluses.

Few statesmen have the courage to do that. Instead, they undergo the discomforts of a belt tightly buckled about their waists, and trust their respectability to it. If thin, their pelvic bones are their main stay. If a swelling curve exists between their wishbones and the forks of their legs, they assume the hazards of a yielding and slippery expanse of what polite physicians call adipose tissue. We pity their sorrows. Every little while they must give their trousers an upward hitch. They are never certain whether or not the southern section of their shirts is in captivity or has escaped. They are constantly tucking in the climbing garment.

And when they sit another problem arises. The belt seems to choke them. They furtively let it out three or four notches for comfort's sake. Occasion to arise comes and disaster almost overtakes them before a wild clutch saves the situation. All day long their experiences are as disconcerting as those of a man eating popcorn with his first set of false teeth.

Uncle Joe has no such troubles. He wears uspenders, and goes about with a shirt hanging peacefully in proper subjection, and with a stomach unfettered and unafraid. He is never a bare two inches from catastrophe. Good oldfashioned suspenders protect him from ridicule and scandal. Even in a great national convention, when comfort requires it, he tosses off coat and vest and lets the photographers for the newspapers prepare to picture his intrepid unconventionality and good sense to millions of his fellow-countrymen,

A fine old sport, Uncle Joe, wise in his generation. No wonder his district has kept him in congress for forty years. A man in suspenders is safe. You never can tell what the belted fellow may do!

Shallenberger on Hitchcock. Ex-Governor Shallenberger, in his remarkably reserved speech presenting Senator Hitchcock for the presidential nomination, told the exact truth when he said "the democratic party must stand or fall upon the record made by the Wilson administration." The successful wet movement at San Francisco which Bryan and the women delegates opposed is an attempt to substitute a spurious issue.

We do not think the governor was altogether happy in his picture of Senator Hitchcock as a man who "stood like a stone wall behind the president . . . fighting for the president." He stood in front, not behind, Mr. Wilson; and his "standing" was not like that of a stone wall. It was more in the nature of the constant activity of a field marshal who goes here, there and everywhere while the siege is on.

But that's a mere matter of phraseology. ne important fact is that Senator Hitchcock to whose qualities the governor gave so little attention, played well his part in the great but ill-conceived effort to internationalize America. If the president has an atom of gratitude in his cold nature he must realize his debt to the Nebraska senator who fought for him "when he was unable to fight for himself."

League First or America First?

We advocate prompt ratification of the treaty without reservations which would impair its essential integrity.-From the Virginia democratic platform.

President Wilson having endorsed this plank, it is time for the republican senators to denounce the Virginia platform as un-American.-New York World.

It is un-American to this extent, that it makes the integrity of the League as the first consideration, and reservations protecting America last. That is the vital distinction between the democratic policy of the League First, and the republican policy of America First, as the infatuated followers of Woodrow Wilson will realize in due time.

Under the Law of Physics.

The prolonged deadlock at San Francisco was logical. With about half the convention composed of federal officeholders determined to remain such for four years more, and the other half equally bent on getting office, there was no halfway place where they could meet on common ground. And did they not have an illustrious example of stubbornness to encourage them? And in the end we have the result which follows when an irresistible force meets an immovable object-a collision that shatters both into flying atoms that will never get together again on earth or in heaven.

The List of Slackers.

The Department of Justice, it is announced, s about to publish the names of fugitives from justice who evaded the draft during the war, the purpose of the publication being to facilitate

their punishment. This roll of dishonor, it is said, is far longer than that of the American heroes who fell in Europe. The young men who compose it are cowards and dodgers who refused to fight for their country when their government called. It consigns to infamy every name upon it, and brings shame and grief to every family from which the erring men sprung.

With twelve judges on the pay roll, it ought to be possible for the city to keep its police courts manned. However, if the present number is not sufficient, let us elect a few more. In any event business is not to interfere with vacation trips.

The nation's business at Washington may now get some attention, the cabinet officers being released from attendance at San Fran-

"Jimmy" Reed's welcome home ought to sound mighty ominous to those who threw him over the transom at San Francisco.

Mr. Bryan and Mr. Gompers might form a consolation party. Neither got what he went

Everything is ready now for the third party

A Line O' Type or Two How to the Line, let the quips fall where they may

ODES YOU MAY NOT KNOW. TO JULIUS FLORUS.

(Horace, Carmina, 1, 39.) "Discolor grandem gravat uva ramum." With burden of grapes the vine bends low, And Autumn, a riot of color, is near; Soon Winter will come with the death of the

Winter, with tresses encrusted with snow

Then follow the Nymphs-they flee, yet they tarry, Tact and discernment will serve to detain; Kisses to maids feigning anger oft carry A message that brings them to reason again.

Drink while you may of your mellow old Beguile the dull day with the lilt of a song; If beauty and Chance meet and bid you dine, Let slip not your night, for oblivion's long.

Already the leaves by the North Wind are tossed! What matter if sooner or later the drear Spector of Death drags him down with the lost; The soul of a brave man must rise above Fear.

CLAIRVOYANCE is not the least of Herbert Hoover's gifts. Having declared that he would support the party whose platform agreed with his principles, he did not want for the San Francisco document,

Polsoned Arrows.

(From the Minneapolis Journal.) 10 POISONED, 1 DEAD; 6 OTHERS MAY DIE. Cupid has been busy this month, according to the clerk of the district court, who reported 901 marriage licenses issued in June up to today.

"THE value of beer as a food is doubtful." says a writer in Physical Culture. It is doubtful if the doubter is opposed to beer. But the value of home-brew as a food is not to be doubted There is in each bottle half'an inch of sediment which is as filling as a sandwich.

WHAT SHOULD WE KNOW OF SUCH THINGS?

Sir: A delirlous ad-writer burbles about "the ideal week-end skirt." What is the ideal week-end skirt? Can you enlighten us?

PERHAPS new readers are more easily diverted than old ones. If so, the 30,000 which the Trib recently picked up will be convulsed to learn that Troop No. 1, Fort Plain Girl Scouts, is in camp at East Caroga Lake, New York, chaperoned by Lieuts. Spooner and Sweet. TEMPORA MUTANTUR.

Old days is over. Sailin's a lost art, mostly. I been watchin' the fishers go out o' th' harbor. No more headwork-neat-handed reefin' as

Roundin' th' Narrows!

They all shoot out lickety blam, like blazes, All goin' "chug-chug," wakin' th' mornin' echoes. Chug-chug an' put-put; no more music of canvas

An' th' breeze whistlin'! Down at th' wharf las' night I seen Hiram Mc

Callum. Says I, "What luck? Mackerel oughter "Not luck enough,"-says Hiram, glum as in digo, "Ter pay fer gas-leen!"

MR. GEORGE DUNCAN, who not long ago changed from the open to the square stance, has won the British open. A word to the wise is as good as a flea in the ear. FIFTY-FIFTY.

Contribs' occasional contentions that the life of a column conductor is one of ease, is readily substantiated by the following story: sausage manufacturer in Milwaukee built reputation for a certain brand of sausage. He called it rabbit sausage. A sanitary inspectorsome horse in this make of sausage?" asked the s. i. "Yes, I use some," was the reply. "How much?" "Well, I make it a fifty-fifty proposi-tion. One horse, one rabbit." BISH.

"FOUR calf shows were held in Pettis county last week, a girl winning first and second prizes in every instance but one."—Missouri Dispatch. Who was the Sir Willoughby Patterne? He deserves a blast from the trumpet of Fame. Here's a Boost for Palmer, Perhaps a Little Late.

(From "Lord Grey of the Reform Bill." Trevelyan.)

It is strange that Fox and Grey should ever have been regarded as "un-English" for oppos ing a system which took away the freedom of ut terance so long the special pride of Englishmen and subjected our ancestors to the perpetual and daily fear of the spy and the political tribunal. Fox and Grey had a much truer conception of the British character, of the spirit of our constitution, and of those things for which England stands in the comity of nations, than had the men who, while they claimed to be monopolists of patriotism and sole defenders of the national traditions, completely changed the spirit of our laws, substituted Burke's terror of the "swinish multitude" for Chatham's trust in Britons," and attempted to reduce habitants of this island to the level of the tame nations who obeyed the King of Prussia and the Jacobin tyrants of France.

IN recognition of his heroic battling against the hosts of happiness, the League of Making Virtue Odious has elected William Jennings Bryan as permanent president.

LEAPING TO A CONCLUSION. Sir: I observe the sign, "Dr. B. J. Jones, Specialist in Diseases of Men, Women, and Chil-dren." I take it that he is not a veterinary.

SYRINGA is much used as a decoration for wedding scenes, but for some reason the smalltown compositor seems unable to spell it cor-

Mark It "Use No Hooks." Sir: The Farmers' Restaurant in Mattoon serves with its 35c noonday dinner an o. f. B. P. which is truly delicious. Shall I parcel post you

THERE is no stupidity of which the producers of moving pictures are not capable. One of their latest atrocities is a happy ending in Bal-

LILIES. The great sun thailing robes of state goes drooping-winged and slow.

In all the sky one little star, like little lamp aglow,
And all is still and quiet in the garden here

From silver fountains silver spray-like drops of In shadowy garden naught abloom save lilies white as snow.

BERTHA TEN EYCK JAMES.

"THEN," relates the New York Evening Post, "the organ peeled off 'The Star Spangled

Banner,' and the convention chorused in the strains of the air."

WE CAN ARRANGE FOR A JUVENILE MEMBERSHIP.

Sir: After a tiresome journey I find, after reaching this seaside hotel, that the two top records on the victrola are "End of a Perfect Day" and "My Little Gray Home in the West." What chance for a change and relaxation? But what I really wanted to know was whether this family registered here—Mr. Swett and children, Florence May, and Clarence Will, are not en-

ship in the Academy.
ALICE FOR SHORT. "WHERE Will They Vaccinate Co-eds So It Won't Show?"-The Trib. Jack suggests the ears.

Pray Do So. Sir: May I not suggest Miss Bessle Love-money of Springfield, Mass., as assistant treas-urer of the Academy? E. M. R. "LADY, invalid, wants room and board with some care. Husband optional."-Minneapolis

The height of indifference. AS we go to press, Mr. McAdoo is stifling

How to Keep Well By Dr. W. A. EVANS

Questions concerning hygiene, sanitation and prevention of disease, submitted to Dr. Evans by readers of The Bee, will be answered personally, subject to proper limitation, where a stamped, addressed envelope is enclosed. Dr. Evans will not make diagnosis or prescribe for individual diseases. Address letters in care of The Bee.

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MILK VS. VEGETABLES. If hy any chance man was allowed to choose one food and compelled to throw all others into the

liscard he would choose milk. If he followed the precept and example of children under 1, learned from the mouths of babies, he would. And yet the campaigns for milk so overplayed their hands that we now find ourselves in the midst of a swingback. To put it differently, for some psychologic reason sci-entists have been testing the conclusions of the scientists who are milk proponents, repeating their Wassermans can feeding experiments using other

foods. Milk is about 88 parts water and in the sense that he can be rein-12 parts nutrition elements. For a fected, he is in little danger of furperson older than 1 year of age this ther punishment in this life. is too much water and a person living very largely on milk becomes "pot bellied." It is deficient in iron. Heavy milk drinkers are apt to be pale. But the recent sales cam-paigns for milk have been based on its growth principle, its anti-scorbutic properties, and its anti-neuritic properties. To put it difneuritic properties. To put it dif-ferently, unless children especially drank milk freely they would be runted, they would develop scurvy, and would have some form of neuralgia.

The proponents proved their case. Milk is needed for all those pur-But other scientists have discovered that other foods possess in the Journal of the American Medcar association based on research work done by Osborne and Mendel, Byfield and Daniels, Seidell and Barnes and Hume makes this clear. They find, for instance, that milk s not a very sufficient anti-scorbutic One-third of an ounce of raw fruits or fresh vegetables is more efficient in warding off scurvy than five ounce of raw milk.

The strong argument related to the growth principle, the fat soluble A. On this point the Journal

"Relatively large quantities of milk are required to produce the improved rate of growth which is readly secured by very small quantities of many green vegetables."

There is another of these vita-

mines which we hear less about. When this one, known as water solubue C or anti-scorbutic vitamine, is deficient the result is a collection of pains with beriberi as an ultimate This vitamine is present in the juices of fruits and vegetables Byfield and Daniels found that

when a child was given enough orange juice or tomato juice he not only escaped scurvy, but he got from it the impulse to grow just as when milk was fed. The increasing tendency to give vegetables and fruit to

babies and older children is well grounded scientifically.

Varying Auswers Probable F. A. T. writes: "1. As I under-stand the treatment all mercury which remains on the body after rubbing should be left on. 2. If for some reason it is impossible to leave it on but must be wiped off do you think rubbing mercury by this method is more effective than the pill treatment? 3. What does ontinuous positive Wasserman test taken several different times indicate in person who has taken treatment sufficiently and shows no symptoms the case in question being an old one

of 30 years' duration? REPLY. 1. Probably you will get more mercury from the rubs. Wiping off the mercury leaves considerable drug on the skin. Some of this will be

absorbed. 2. I am sure that were this ques tion asked of several physicians you would get several dissimilar answers. My answer would be that a person infected 30 years ago who had taken sufficient treatment and who has no symptom except several positive that symptom and discontinue treat ment.

Swimming Not Dangerous. Mrs. B. C. writes: "1. Would It be harmful for a woman who has been pregnant for four months to go bathing at a private beach?

2. Would swimming be too strenu ous an exercise?"

REPLY.

No to both questions. Treating Hay Fever. E. R. writes: "Referring to your calcium chloride treatment for hay fever you say "take one teaspoonful well diluted." Will you state definitely how much water? Would one glassful be sufficient?"

REPLY. Largely a matter of taste. Some prefer more, others less. Try a half glassful. Most persons find a dilution with a wine glass only of water too strong.

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