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THE CABINET HAS ANOTHER STRONG START

The re-election of Senator Knox for the state portfolio seems to have met with the approval of newspapers and people all over the country and shows that President-elect Taft is alive and alert to the necessity of seeing a man at the head of the state department who will be an able second to him in the wise conduct of that most important office. Senator Knox, besides being one of the presidential possibilities at the beginning of the last campaign, is a most eminent international lawyer who is sure to distinguish himself at the head of the state department. There was a time when the secretary of state had little to do but to wear good clothes and make a graceful bow. When the lamented McKinley made the late John Hay the head of the state department he put the office on a different sort of a pedestal and ever since that time it has been growing in power and importance. The coming years make it absolutely necessary that a big man be placed at the head of state affairs. He is the premier of the cabinet, although the title must not be confounded with the English cabinet premier, for our secretary of state is nothing more than the chief officer of a single department, while the English premier is over all. The personal qualities of a secretary of state must be of a high order and it is customary for the president to choose for that position the most eminent and thoroughly trained statesman of his party who is available. Senator Knox will find himself charged with the delicate and highly important duty of managing our foreign affairs, for through the diplomatic bureau of the department all the political business with foreign governments is transacted, as well as the consular bureau, whose mission it is to guard our commercial interests in foreign countries and extend them where possible. The United States no longer has to take a passive interest in the progress of the world. It is rapidly becoming an important factor in international matters and it is absolutely necessary to have the next best man in the country at the head of this branch of our government. The travels of Mr. Taft and his remarkable experience as peace envoy insure a vigorous foreign policy. Foreign sovereigns are to get plenty of proof of the finesse of American diplomacy during the Taft administration with Senator Knox at the head of the state department.

ANYBODY BUT JIM BINGHAM.

News has reached Lake county the past few days that one James Bingham, who holds the job of attorney general, is preening his pin feathers for the race for governor of Indiana in four years on the republican ticket. The story has caused the republican political leaders in this county to do a good deal of laughing in their sleeves. In speaking of the Bingham candidacy the Indianapolis Independent says:

"Attorney-general Bingham, who wants to be a candidate for governor four years hence, is already bumping against snags as he steers his political canoe along state streams. Several of the country papers are caustically commenting that he is too much like Hanly, whose obsequious follower he is also to rabid on the prohibition question, the bomb whose premature explosion by himself and his chief in their campaign speeches, blew so many aspiring republican candidates into mid-air. 'Not for Jim' will evidently be popular campaign cry as the time approaches for the next setto."

As far as Mr. Bingham's chances of landing the Lake county delegation are concerned, they are about as favorable as is water for a snake bite. It is true, of course, that much may happen in four years, but the opinions of the leaders in this neck of the woods would have to do a mighty lot of changing before they would ever stand for the man whom more than any one else, they declare, was responsible for the defeat of "Jim" Watson.

PAPERS ARE STILL SQUAWKING.

Indiana papers are still yammering about the republican majority given in Lake county at the last election. They call the majority an abnormally large one, when, as a matter of fact, it is not as large as it ought to be, when a comparison is made with the other majorities given at the preceding elections. There is very little difference between the majorities of the present and the past elections, two years and four years ago. One Indianapolis paper gets up the following amusing squib:

"Lake county will get an airing in the contests for state offices before the legislature. The republican methods of rushing the naturalization of foreigners are to be challenged and are being investigated at New York by Secretary Strauss. The 'bearded Polaks' and bewhiskered Russians were driven into the chute at a dizzying pace, without regard to whether they had been over long enough to become voters and these unlawfully naturalized imports are pointed to as accounting for the abnormally large republican majority sent up from the county by the lake. If it can be pared down, as the result of the investigation, it may seat most of the democratic contestants."

TOLLESTON IS EXTENDING ITSELF.

One of the encouraging signs of the times in Lake county is the activity in many real estate markets in various municipalities in the county. News stories in these columns from time to time show that the realty market in Hammond, Gary, East Chicago and Crown Point is especially active and the same condition obtains elsewhere. In Tolleston particularly some big deals have been negotiated and proof that what was once simply a cross-roads town is making gigantic strides towards becoming a flourishing municipality is not hard to find. Tolleston is growing by leaps and bounds and its progress is not to be sneered at. It has been overshadowed by Gary somewhat but it is beginning to show that it is in no need of reflected light. Tolleston business men are showing the mettle they are made of and the town is flourishing like a green bay tree.

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Heart to Heart Talks.

By EDWIN A. NYE.

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A TEST OF MEMORY.

Nodzu is dead.
Do you remember him?
Doubtless not. You ask, Who was Nodzu? The name lacks even a familiar sound. Certainly if he was anybody worth remembering it would be unnecessary to look him up in "Who's Who."

However—

Go back three years or so. Look up the newspaper files of that time. You will read that Nodzu "forced the passage of the Yalu, fought the fierce battle of Hanshan, beating the Russians back."

Do you remember now? In the days of the Russo-Japanese war Nodzu was a hero. The newspapers told about his "far flung battle line," and about his boyhood and his home life, and his sisters and his cousins and his aunts.

Then like a dizzy comet, Nodzu dropped out of sight and memory.

Well, for that matter—

Can you name offhand the man who outgeneraled and outfought the Russians in those great battles on the Manchurian plains or the Japanese sea captain who swept the ocean clear of the Russian fleet?

Honest, now, can you?

Whether you can or not is of little moment. If you remember the names right off, you are an exception. Most of us have forgotten.

And it is significant that we have forgotten, because the world, like us and me, easily forgets the mere war hero.

For centuries the world gave its favorable memory to the successful soldiers. Garments were rolled in blood to make these colossi—Xerxes, Alexander, Caesar, Napoleon. Great? Yes, but butchers all.

We are coming to esteem the patriots of peace as higher than the patriotism of war. We are putting down the killers of men and putting up the saviors of men.

Nodzu made his noise and subsided. He strutted a brief figure in the lime-light, and the curtain of forgetfulness came down. He did nothing in time of peace to help men or educate or uplift them. He was logically forgotten.

He who would live in the annals of our day must be more than an executioner.

THIS DATE IN HISTORY.

December 29, 1778—Savannah taken by the British.

1800—Charles Goodyear, inventor of the process of vulcanizing rubber, born in New Haven, Conn. Died in New York July 1, 1860.

1809—William E. Gladstone, English statesman, born. Died May 19, 1898.

1845—Texas admitted to the Union.

1853—Ship *Stardust* wrecked off the coast of Nova Scotia, with loss of 175 lives.

1864—Hood's army crossed the Tennessee river, thus ending the Tennessee campaign.

1868—Lord Lisgar appointed governor-general of Canada.

1877—The president and Mrs. Hayes celebrated their silver wedding in the White House.

1893—Frendergast, the assassin of Mayor Harrison of Chicago, found guilty and sentenced to death.

1906—Senator Bailey won first test of strength in Texas primaries.

THIS IS MY 37TH BIRTHDAY.

James H. Vahey.

James H. Vahey, the democratic candidate for governor of Massachusetts in the election of last November, was born in Watertown, Mass., Dec. 29, 1871. After leaving the public schools of Watertown he attended the law school of Boston university and was graduated with honors in 1892. The following year he was admitted to the bar and began the practice of law in Watertown. He first sprang into prominence in his profession in the famous trial of Charles L. Tucker, who was convicted of murder. Mr. Vahey's memorable struggle to save the young man from conviction and the death chair attracted attention throughout the country. After holding several elective offices in Watertown Mr. Vahey became a member of the Massachusetts legislature in 1906. Early in the present year he became the choice of the democrats for governor, but was defeated at the polls in November by Mr. Draper, the republican candidate.

A YOUNG FELLOW'S PROSPECTS

Never look brighter

Than when he details them

To the father of the girl he is trying

To marry.

Mr. Joseph Pulitzer of the New York World is another editor who cares naught what Mr. Roosevelt said about him. Mr. Pulitzer has a pachydermous hide.

George S. Valentine is appointed assistant manager in the United States for the Prussian National Fift Insurance company; Charles A. Sackett is made assistant manager of the American of Newark.

"Capital," says Gompers, "is the dead thing. Labor is the live human being."

We would like Mr. Gompers a great deal better if he wasn't always trying to widen the chasm.

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RANDOM THINGS AND FLINGS

Less than a week of Governor J. F. Hanly, and Uncle Henry Bicknell has the dust cleaned off his hymnbook and the volume opened at the Hallelujah church.

MOST OF US WOULD BELIEVE IN THE SPELLING REFORM IF IT WOULD ONLY PUT A STOP TO THOSE GIRLS SPELLING THEIR NAMES ALLYS, EDYTHE, KATYE AND AN-

NYE.

Carrie Nation is said to be raising Ned in Scotland. Probably the cry of the Scots will be "Hoot, woman!"

When one woman wants to tell another that she is beginning to look old, she gets around it by telling her how young she is looking.

People simply won't stop talking

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UP AND DOWN IN INDIANA

SPREE RESULTS IN STABBING.

A Christmas eve "spree" in the usually quiet town of Lodge, ten miles south of Crawfordsville, resulted in Clyde Mote, 22, being terribly slashed about the head with a knife by Jack Curry.

STEPS ON GUN; LOSES HEEL.

Friday afternoon Edward Terrell, 15 years old, accidentally stepped upon a loaded shot-gun, which went off, the charge tearing the boy's heel off. Dick Craig, who was standing near, was struck by a glancing shot which entered his tongue, raving downward.

CONSIDER TRACK ELEVATION.

The second hearing on Fort Wayne track elevation resolution will take place this morning. Superintendent J. B. McKinley of the Pennsylvania wanted to have the meeting postponed until later in the week to allow general officials of the road to attend, but the board declared that this could not be done without the consent of the Wabash.

DEDICATE \$100,000 Y. M. C. A.

Richmond's new Y. M. C. A. building was dedicated yesterday, the event marking a distinct epoch in the life of the Quaker City of the west. Richmond has made a hard fight to obtain a home for its young men and boys and the dedication of the building marked the complete success of this undertaking, which represents an outlay of \$100,000, raised by popular subscription, and many months of hard labor.

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ARE AGITATING OPTION.

In every church in Wabash county Sunday addresses were delivered by officers of the Indiana Anti-Saloon league and by ministers of Wabash county against saloons. Tuesday the county Haute addressing audiences at the votes on the proposition.

politics.

The majority question in the Calumet region cities has already begun to wax warm.

CHEER UP!

Don't kick because you have to button your wife's waist. Be glad your wife has a waist and doubly glad you have a wife to button a waist for. Some men's wives have no waist to button. Some men's wives' waists have no buttons on to button. Some men's wives have waists with buttons on to button don't care a continental whether they are buttoned or not. Some men don't have any wives with waists with buttons on to button any more than a rabbit.—Lacon (Ill.) Journal.

Anyhow, Mr. Chief of Police Lawler

came out of it all with credit. He was held up by three men and beat 'em all off. So Whiting knows now that its chief is as good as three men.

When Santa Claus leaves a lot of presents in some houses, he must wonder how the family will ever be able to pay for them.

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