

The State of Illinois will be broke-worse than broke—in a short time. Governor Danne charged the conditions up to Ex-Governor Deneen, and there you are. Taxes will be raised and stay raised, and there you are again.

There is a bright prospect of the erection of a \$50,000 Y. M. C. A. building in Streator. Mrs. Marietta Reeves, widow of the late congressman Walter Reeves, has donated 25,000 and it is understood the building will be a Walter Reeves Memorial a fine tribute to a splendid man.

"I do the very best I know how, the very best I can; and I mean to keep doing so until the end. If the end brings me out all right, what is said against me won't amount to anything. If the end brings me out wrong, ten angels swearing I was right would make no difference."—Abraham Lincoln.

It looks as if Governor Sulzer of New York would be put out of office if he is not already. He is one of the reform democrats which went into office—thanks to the third party—and advocated all kinds of reform movements, and at the same time it is understood was using campaign funds to buy stocks with and other things too numerous to mention. Another professional reformer gone wrong.

THE BOYS' VICTORY. Ohio State Journal: Here is the story of a boy who said: "I won't be poor," and he held to his resolution until now he has a grand home, is wealthy and has a salary of \$15,000 a year. How did he strike such a streak of luck? It wasn't luck at all. He went from school and started to find employment. The first thing he struck was a \$2.50 a week sweeping job and he took it. Though a high school graduate, he, too, thought he "must be about his master's business," which is the case with every boy who

accepts some honest though humble job, rather than loaf. But the boy, had something in him. He did his work perfectly. He began a little early and worked a little over time. If he made any dirt, he cleaned it up. If it took a little more time for this and that duty he gave it. He thought more of the excellence of his work than of his pay. He wanted to give his employer more than he was paid for. He would rather ten times over cheat himself than cheat his employer. Pretty soon he was advanced, and he kept on advancing until he is no longer poor. He won it all by fidelity, honesty and diligence, and his early companions are still working for five and ten dollars a week, and trying to cheat their employer and cussing him because they don't earn any more.

A young man who is sober, industrious, unselfish will win his way any time and will never be found cussing those who are better fixed than he because there won't be any.

CLEAN JOURNALISM.

Senator Works, of California, has recently distributed a copy of his bill making it lawful to publish reports of crimes and accidents in the District of Columbia.

Mr. Works, in the conclusion of his speech, admitted the futility of his proposed statute, by conceding that the evils of which he complains cannot be overcome by law. But while one may well deny the desirability of Mr. Works' main proposition, many of his criticisms upon the modern newspaper are fair.

For instance, in deploring unwarranted intrusion in private life, he refers to the desecration of funerals by persistent efforts of newspaper men to get pictures of the mourners, the casket and the bearers. Most newspaper people will concede that when people are struggling with bereavement, remorseless kodak fiends might well leave them free to fight their own inner battles.

The queer thing is that so many respectable people will buy newspapers that sanction such coarse impertinences. While the average man deplores intrusion into his own affairs, he seems to want the newspaper to intrude into the affairs of his neighbors.

There is a very large section of the public that resents scandal, intrusive gossip, and revolting details of crime. These people should let severely alone the newspapers that bribe servants, listen at key holes and desecrate funerals. The majority of newspapers are made by men of kindly hearts. Competition occasionally becomes so

ferce, particularly in metropolitan daily journalism, as to dull the sense of decency and consideration of private rights. Men who normally would have generous instincts, lose all sympathy in their cynical rush for "scops." Don't buy this morbid product, and it will cease to exist.

CHICAGO'S NAVAL SHOW AND HYDROPLANE RACES

Chicago's most brilliant series of aquatic spectacles surpassing even the Naval Pageant of the World's Columbian Exposition will begin in the Chicago yacht harbor on August 16 and extend for eight days. The event will be the second annual water carnival and naval pageant and the Illinois celebration of the Perry's Victory Centennial.

The spectacular hydroplane contests and patriotic reviews of the second annual water carnival will be held in a water hippodrome one mile long and one-quarter of a mile wide. Simultaneous with the speed duels by power boat racers will be the visit to Chicago of the Perry's Victory Centennial fleet composed of Commodore Perry's old flagship, "The Niagara," surrounded by a flotilla of gun boats from naval reserve forces of states bordering the great lakes. This year marks the one-hundredth anniversary of the battle of Lake Erie.

Hundreds of thousands of dollars have been appropriated by the Federal government and most of the states in this area for the rebuilding of the Niagara.

The donation of the Federal government amounted to \$250,000 and individual states \$800,000. The permanent memorial to Commodore Perry will be a great shaft to be erected at Put-in-Bay on Mass Island.

Commander George H. Worthington, General Nelson A. Miles and Colonel Henry Watterson, of Louisville, are members of the interstate board in charge of the celebration.

The Perry's Victory Centennial Commission of Illinois recently reorganized by Governor Edward F. Dunne, and which is working actively in conjunction with the national body, is composed largely of officials of the Associated Yacht and Power Boat Clubs of America, under the auspices of which Chicago's Second Annual Water Carnival is being arranged.

Following are the members of the Illinois Commission:

Wm. Hale Thompson, Commodore of the Associated Yacht and Power Boat Clubs of America; Vice-Presidents Commodore James A. Pugh, H. S. Bekemeyer, of Springfield, General P. C. Hayes, of Joliet; Secretary Richard S. Folsom; Treasurer Nelson N.

Lampert, vice-president of the Fort Dearborn National Bank. Other members are William Porter Adams; Willis J. Wells; Chesley R. Perry; W. H. McIntosh, and Adam F. Weckler, Jr.

Those who were spectators of the first Chicago Water Carnival are informed by the management that they will not have to take a steam launch journey in order to reach the seats this year. By special permission of the South Park commissioners the officials of the Second Annual Water Carnival and Naval Pageant will erect a grandstand on the shore edge of Grant Park extending from a point opposite Jackson boulevard south to Peck court.

The Second Annual Water Carnival and Naval Pageant is receiving the widest support from every important source. It has secured the generous support of the United States, through the Treasury and Navy Departments, the State of Illinois, through the Governor, the 48th General Assembly and the city of Chicago, through Mayor Carter H. Harrison and the city council.

Hydroplane racing under the most favorable spectacular conditions and with a maximum of high class entries is guaranteed for Chicago's Second Annual Water Carnival.

There is every indication that the world's records will be broken by the foaming, roaring hydroplanes and that the "Chicago Hydroplane Race" will set the highest standard for all future speed contests.

The furious headway of the 1913 hydroplanes capable of exceeding fifty miles an hour makes the flight of mere chariots or even racing motor cars seem tame by comparison.

Among the notable trophies to be contested for in these races is the William J. Wrigley, Jr., which, with the annual replicas to be bestowed upon successful winners, represents a total investment of \$22,500. The cup is now in the possession of J. Stuart Blackton, Commodore of the Atlantic Yacht Club, of New York, whose famous racer, Baby Reliance III, won the huge trophy in the race of last summer. Commodore Blackton has arranged to return the cup to Chicago so that it may be again the coveted prize for the 1913 races. He proposes with his own fleet of hydroplanes to win it again and, in addition, has donated a \$1,500 trophy to be known as the "Blackton Mile-a-Minute Prize," which will be awarded to the first power boat covering a mile in land measure in sixty seconds.

The patriotic ceremonies of the Perry's Victory Centennial Celebration, together with the drills and contests

participated in by the United States Navy, the Marine Corps, the Boy Scouts, the Naval Apprentices under Captain Clark from Lake Bluff, and the Life Saving Service will make the Second Annual Water Carnival and Naval Pageant the most spectacular of big shows.

With a view of obtaining the best results from the theatrical standpoint, there will be a considerable strip of shore land between the grandstand and the water. This will enable the staging of such events as naval conflicts, land attacks, rescues from drowning, and resuscitation and military drills. At night there will be splendid effects in illumination, with parades of decorated yachts and the finest display of fireworks ever seen in Chicago.

"Over 1,000,000 persons no doubt will view the events of the water carnival and Perry's Victory Celebration during the seventeen day and night performances," said Commodore Thompson. At each performance 25,000 will be accommodated in the grand stand. But there will be a mile of terraced water front available for those who choose to look on free of charge. The Water Carnival is not for profit. It is given to wake Chicago and Illinois to the untold benefits of Lake Michigan."

Hay Fever Season Soon.

The hay fever season is opening. The ragweed and the golden rod are coming to flower. Pollen of many plants floats idly in the wind laden with toxin noxious to many mucous membranes, as the city health physician might say. It is a season of preparation for mountain and seaside trips. Dwight victims of the irritating malady are making plans for the "going-away" period and the exodus is expected to soon be in full blast. Medical books, some of them, recommended Heligoland, off the coast of Africa, as one of the most immune places in the world. It is not thought that many local victims will make that trip. The man who eventually discovers an authentic and lasting cure for hay fever is sure to be hailed as one of the greatest benefactors of the human race.

Her Object.

Little Dot had asked a lot of questions, and her father was growing impatient. Finally he protested: "Oh, Dot, I can't answer half your questions." "I know you can't, papa," she replied; "but I want to find out which half you can answer."

The home paper looks after the interests of all. Don't you think you better look after the home paper.

THAT REMINDS US

That the President drinks orange juice, Bryan grape juice, and McAdoo buttermilk. We stand a swell show of seeing these distinguished gentlemen in Dwight unless the habit becomes desperate.

That the Peoria Star puts the following head over divorce cases: "Cupid Asleep at the Switch."

That the State of Connecticut has passed a very stringent law against serving any kind of a lunch in a saloon in that state. That probably means that some fellows will have to get a meal ticket or "hand outs."

That the well-known Washburn ball team and a few fans went to Winona last week Tuesday and were beaten 16 to 1, and the editor of the Leader says it was a "democratic score." He also says it was a 10-man nine at Winona, but they all say that.

VARIETY SHOWER.

Tuesday evening a number of friends gathered at the home of Mrs. Skaggs and held a variety shower in honor of Mrs. Smith who was just recently married. The evening was spent in playing games, parlor stories, slight of hand, singing and dancing. Mrs. Smith was the recipient of many useful gifts. At a late hour refreshments were served after which all departed homeward, having had a good time and wishing Mr. and Mrs. Smith many happy days of wedded life.

Eating Sweet Corn.

When eating green corn, great care should be taken to keep the corn out of the hair and ears, particularly if you are dining out in company. Of course if you are eating alone or in a restaurant you may go as far as you like. In other words, you may chew to the line and let the corn fall where it will. The main object should be to get at least 55 per cent of the corn into your system and not more than 45 per cent of it on the tablecloth and the floor. The whole ear of corn should not be buttered at one time, for this is a waste of raw material. Nothing is swifter or more elusive than a piece of butter which has been placed on an ear of hot corn. A person is apt to miss it suddenly and find it a few minutes afterward in his vest pocket or on the inside of his shoe. It is better to butter about one mouthful of corn at one time and then grab it suddenly. It requires as much dexterity as swatting the fly, and is much more exciting.

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