

LOCAL ITEMS.

Two Years' Experiment Indicates the Plan Is Successful.

The only postal savings bank system in operation under the American flag is that in the Philippines, where, after two years of experiment, the institution has been declared a great success. In the report of the Philippine commission, just published, the postal savings bank is discussed briefly, in part as follows:

"The postal savings bank was first opened in Manila on Oct. 1, 1906. The law provides for three classes, with limitations as to the amounts that can be received at any one time in each class. Following the opening of the Manila office, other postal savings bank offices were opened in various cities, of different classes, until at the close of the year 235 had been opened, of which 9 were first, 86 were second and 140 were third class.

Philippines Adopting System.

"At first the Philippines did not to any great extent avail themselves of the opportunity of depositing a portion of their receipts in the postal savings bank, and a great bulk of the depositors were Americans and of other nationalities. As the advantages of this system have been disseminated through means of schools, government bureaus, private agencies and others, the proportion of Filipinos is continually increasing, and gives very good promise that the Filipinos will learn to trust their money to the care of the government, and welcome the opportunity.

"The accounts opened up to the close of the fiscal year numbered 2,670, of which 347 were closed, leaving 2,323 still open. The deposits reached the total sum of 786,361.63 pesos—an average of 108.21 pesos. Withdrawals reached the total amount of 280,492.21 pesos, leaving a net deposit of 505,869.42 pesos at the end of the fiscal year—or the first nine months of the operation of the postal savings bank—but by no means the first nine months of operation of the average number of offices, the smaller ones having been opened from time to time during the year, so that many had not been opened more than a month or two at the time these figures were taken.

Encouraging Small Accounts.

"The device of issuing postal savings bank stamps has met with some response. The stamps are simply a method by which small amounts can be deposited without the expense of issuing a book, figuring interest, and opening an account.

"On the whole, the reception accorded the postal savings bank has been gratifying, and gives good promise. The investment of the funds is in the hands of a postal savings bank investment board, which carries a certain amount of the funds on deposit, and has limited power of investment. The law provides that 25 per cent of the money held on deposit may be loaned on first-class real estate, under limitations carefully drawn to protect the depositors, and 10 per cent on agricultural lands under still more rigid limitations."

AS ROOSEVELT SEES BRYAN.

"You say that you have advocated more radical measures against private monopolies than either I or my party associates have been willing to undertake. You have, indeed, advocated measures that sound more radical, but they have the prime defect that in practice they would not work. I should not in this letter to you discuss your attitude on this question if you did not yourself bring it up, but as you have brought it up, I answer you that in my judgment the measures you advocate would be wholly ineffective in curing a single evil, and so far as they had any effect at all, would merely throw the entire business of the country into hopeless and utter confusion. I put Mr. Taft's deeds against your words. I ask that you be judged both by the words you wish remembered, and by the words that seemingly you and your party now desire to have forgotten. . . . I hold it entirely natural for any great law-defying corporation to wish to see you placed in the Presidency rather than Mr. Taft. Your plans to put a stop to the abuses of these corporations are wholly chimerical. —Theodore Roosevelt."

If it is true that Roosevelt is going to take to the stump Bryan will have to take to the woods.—Philadelphia Press.

Mr. Bryan no longer refers to Mr. Roosevelt as his imitator, counterpart and understudy.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

AT THE PLAYHOUSES.

The Scenic.

"Wall, I never laughed so since Fido was a pup. Pat, too, 'e and I went to that air show house they call the See Nick or See Mick or see something. Wall, anyway, they got some of the doggondest fools there I ever saw. Did you see them, Hank? No? Wall, you don't want ter miss that this week. Tell you what I'll do, and by gosh I'll do hit. If you go in there and don't laugh I'll pay for the cider."

This is a sample of the conversation that is heard on the street corners daily about the little showhouse—the Scenic. A big treat is in store for the public this week. Walters & Murray and Leroy Berry in that side-splitting comedy skit called "Training a Husband." Don't fail to see Miss Murray, the woman with the whip. Now here is a chance for all women to take a lesson and a warning to all men to "look out" for the new woman. Mr. Leroy Berry will be heard in new and beautiful illustrated songs. The feature film will be that beautiful Bible story, Sampson and Delilah, in highly colored pictures, also a special treat for the ladies, "Bargain Days." Oh, Miss Jones, have you been to the sale? See what I got. Look! 5c gingham marked down to 3c; just see the bargain." Another treat for the children is the funny film, "Only Kids." You can guess the rest. Come. It is tonight. Nuff Sed.

REGISTER NOW

Tomorrow night the registration books close, and after that time it will be futile to think of voting if not registered, without that bothersome task of securing six freeholders to "swear in." As soon as the books are closed, The Observer will publish the exact registration by wards, or which ever method will meet the required end best.

STATE OFFICIALS COMING.

Expected to Arrive This Evening to Examine Fish Hatchery.

Secretary of State Frank Benson and State Fish Warden McAllister, are expected to arrive this evening from Ontario where they have examined the hatchery there and tomorrow will visit the Wallowa hatchery. The secretary is a brother of Mrs. George Carpy of this city.

Osteopathy in Women's Diseases.

Congestions, strains and displacements are the basis of most of the sickness that afflicts womankind, the real first causes of disease. Every function of the human machine is dependent upon its appropriate structure or organs. So disturbances of function (disease) are due to abnormalities in structure, to mechanical faults in the anatomy. This is the osteopathic view of disease, developed by long study and the examination of countless cases, and it is now fully established that congestions, strains and displacements are productive of more suffering than any other set of causes.—Osteopathic Health.

LEO M'COY ARRESTED

Leo McCoy of this city, is in the city jail today—awaiting prosecution on a charge of assault. The story goes that last night he was attempting to ride into La Grande from the west on another man's hat check. Brakeman Cox, who formerly made his headquarters here, notified the conductor, Waffle, who was in charge of No. 2 last evening, and when they attempted to put McCoy off, he struck Cox with his fist. Officers were called when the train arrived here, but no arrest was made until the train reached Union, where Night Officers Carr and McLaughlin made the arrest. Several hoboes were arrested, but have been released. The officers returned on No. 5 with the prisoner, and he will be tried in justice court late tonight or tomorrow morning.

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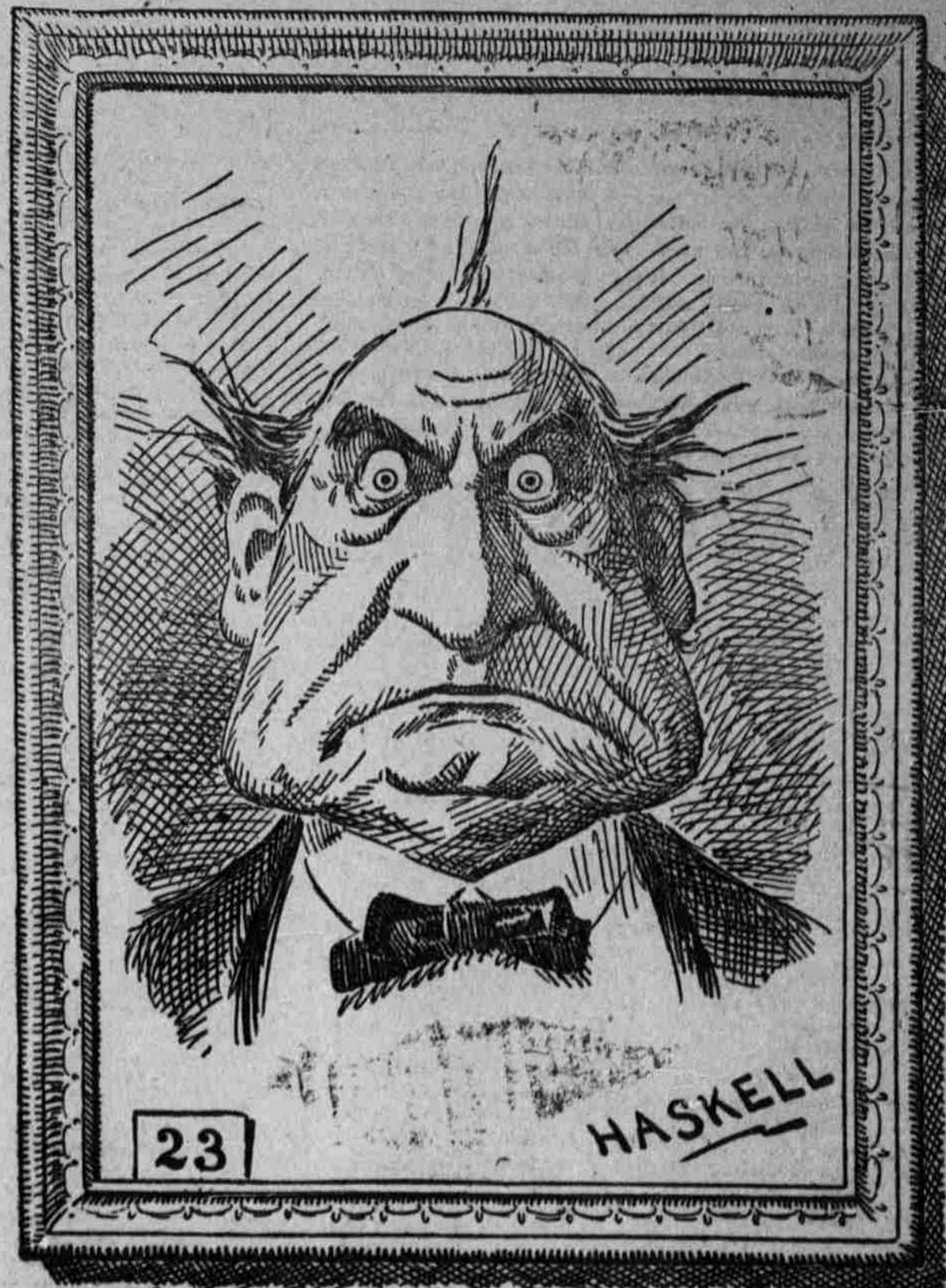
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PORTRAIT OF A GENTLEMAN, DONE IN OIL.



READY TO ORGANIZE

Tonight will prove an interesting moment for those interested in basketball teams and indoor baseball organizations. At 7:30 tonight at the Coliseum rink there will be a meeting of all these interested parties, when permanent organization will be effected and steps taken for regular practice. It is urgent that a large number of men and boys attend this meeting, as it will be the launching of sports for indoor amusement for the coming winter. The meeting is open to anyone to attend, and even though the attendance is not desirous of joining the team, still he should attend to help foster the movement.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY.
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