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"Our Country! In her intercourse with foreign nations may she always be in the right; but our Country, right or wrong."

The democrats have no reason to fear a steam roller at the San Francisco convention. The party's hearse will take its place.

St. Paul Dispatch: There is one thing about the Townley conventions. Being composed of Townley, their decisions are unanimous.

It is a pity, but the pictures of Mr. Wilson published in the dailies would incline one to the belief that his illness has transformed him into a doddering old man.

What has become of Bill Taft's league to enforce peace and, furthermore, what has become of the mushy-souled pacifist who conceived the crazy idea?

Candidates who run on an anti-tobacco platform will surely be defeated as it will be impossible for them to consistently hand out campaign cigars.

"Bank clerks will pose for movies," says a headline in the St. Paul Dispatch. This should prove a delightful diversion when compared with posing for bandits.

One would naturally suppose that Mr. Bryan would learn by experience, but the fact that he covets the democratic presidential nomination is sufficient proof that he has not done so.

"Great quantities of arms have been discovered in Germany by allied officers," says a Paris cablegram. Did the allies expect to find Hindenburg's big army equipped with broomsticks?

It is reported that it cost Hank Ford \$5,000,000 to contest Newberry's election. Had the noted tinsmith added that sum to the millions he spent in the campaign results might have been different.

One difference between Mr. Bryan and Mr. Townley is that the Nebraskan failed to put across his issue of 16 to 1, while the other has had no difficulty whatsoever in engineering his scheme of 16 for nothing.

Louisiana reports that the red-eyed boll weevil has made its appearance in that state. It is not expected, however, that it will assume the menacing proportions of the red-eyed bowl evil which has been driven from the country.

Senator Nelson has introduced a resolution providing for an amendment to the constitution making stock dividends taxable. As these dividends actually constitute income we can see no reason why they should not be taxed.

for some reason not clearly apparent the government's campaign against alien reds has virtually ceased, and radicals in custody have been released instead of deported, as planned. There seems to be something rotten in Washington.

Debs has accepted the socialist nomination for president, and it cannot be said that he has not fully qualified. As he is now behind the bars of a federal prison, however, he will not be enabled to make a personal campaign. 'Tis well.

National Republican: The strange thing about the democratic fight on prohibition is that it wasn't started until after the prohibition amendment had been adopted. The approach of a national campaign seems to act as a powerful stimulant.

"I am not willing to trust to the counsel of diplomats the working out of the salvation of the world from the things which it has suffered," says Professor Wilson. Of course not. His ambition is to settle the whole matter as president of the league of nations—an office he will never hold.

Colonel Harvey: The announcement of the secretary of the treasury that positively no more loans will be made by the United States to the allied powers followed close upon the statement that France and Great Britain would pay of \$500,000,000 of their in-

debtedness to us by the first of next October. The two items go well together. It seems quite safe to assume that those two countries, at least, need no further loans from us.

The senate committee investigating near east affairs very properly turned down the proposition to permit the use of American troops to administer a mandate in Armenia. Instead the committee favored the sending of a warship to Armenia and the landing of marines to protect Americans as well as the supplying of Armenians with munitions. Sufficient of our boys have lost their lives in Europe without unnecessarily sending more to be slaughtered.

New York has put its daylight saving law into effect by turning the hands of its clocks one hour ahead, but trains will run on solar time schedule as before, which is bound to badly mix things up. A fool congress is responsible for this aftermath of the crazy daylight saving law—now repealed. You can never tell what a democratic congress will do, and it is surprising that when in power it did not pass laws to regulate the sun, moon and stars.

Champ Clark, in tentatively agreeing to become a candidate for president, wrote his Georgia admirers that the administration and legislative record of the democratic party under the present national administration was "beyond all praise" and that his platform would be the record of the administration in national and international affairs. If Champ Clark is sincere in this belief—which we doubt—he should eliminate the "a" from the middle of his first name and replace it with a "u".

So Czar Townley has selected one Dr. Shipstead, whoever he may be, as the nonpartisan league candidate for governor—in fact he selected a full state ticket, but it had the outward appearance of being nominated by delegates in convention assembled. As a matter of form, of course, the convention went through the nominating motions but Townley was the master mind in the entire procedure. He will find, however, that he cannot lord it over the people of Minnesota like the did those of North Dakota.

Something must have gone wrong in the ingenious brain of the modiste. None of the spring announcements contains mention of "the new voting gown."—Minneapolis Journal.

The Union was the first paper in the country to suggest a special creation in gowns as well as headgear for our new voters—the women. There should, of course, be something unique, distinctive and attractive about the costumes which fair femininity wears when exercising the right of franchise. Modistes, awake to the situation.

There was a novel strike in Japan recently—the streetcar men demanding shorter hours and more pay. However the men did not stop work, but merely slowed up their cars to a point where they approached a snail's pace, and refused to go faster even though the populace pelted them with decayed fruit and dead cats. The result was that the streetcar company acceded to their demands. Strikes were unknown in Japan until recent years, when the American idea spread to that country. It would now be in order for the Japs to start a nonpartisan league.

Bess Wilson, editor of the Redwood Gazette, is dead. She was a woman of noble character who pleaded for kindness to dumb animals and sought to make this world better by her good work. And Bess was a fighter, too—a fighter of our country's enemies, of bolsheviks, slackers and corrupt politics. She was a writer of ability and the press of the state will miss her pointed editorial paragraphs—in fact they were missed during her illness. She had more than her share of life's troubles but bore them uncomplainingly and with cheerfulness. The Union deeply regrets to be called upon to chronicle the death of this kind, christian woman.

Great Britain has adopted the American legion idea and it is making extraordinary progress. At this time there is an indication that the movement will spread throughout Europe. Sir Edward Woodward is the founder of the British legion. His principles are substantially the same as those of the American legion, but his idea of organization is as wide as the nation. He invites not only former service men and women to come under his banner, including every important religious organization in the country, particularly the Salvation army, the church army and the nonconformist churches. His scheme is neither reactionary or militaristic. In this organization plan we scarcely agree with Sir Edward. We believe that the legion should admit only former service men and women to membership, as by taking in other organizations it virtually loses its identity and is very apt to collapse.

Josephus Daniels, the landlubber

secretary of the navy, is still being raked fore and aft by naval officers. Captain Palmer, wartime chief of the bureau of navigation, declared before the senate committee investigating the navy's conduct of the war, that "procrastination on the part of Daniels was responsible for a serious shortage of personnel which proved the initial handicap of the navy in the conflict." Many other naval officers, including Admiral Sims, have testified to the same effect, which goes to show that Josephus is an incapable, and consequently unfit man for the position he holds. He bungled up matters during the war to a deplorable extent. From a man who knew virtually nothing of nautical affairs, however, nothing else could have been expected; yet, if Josephus is—as our cabinet officers are declared to be—a mere rubber stamp for the president, there are mitigating circumstances connected with the case.

It makes no difference how often the newspapers warn the public of wildcat schemes, gullible gumps continue to bite—they will take bait of any sort offered. Last week a fellow named Long from Moju, Fla., stopped off in Minneapolis while on his way to California. He was espied by swindlers and persuaded to enter a card game. There he foolishly disclosed that he had \$10,000 in his inside pocket, and one of the sharks suggested that he invest his money in the "Chicago-Minneapolis airship line," which he described as a corporation paying "unheard of profits." Long invested \$5,000 in stock and shortly thereafter the promoters disappeared and left the victim a sadder but wiser man. Upon investigation he discovered that the "unheard of profits" claim was a reality and that the first two words were also applicable to the airship line. He proceeded to California with only half of his roll while designing rascals were spending the other half. It is poor policy to buy a pig in a sack and too late to protest when you find you have been swindled. Investigate first, brethren, and keep an eye open for hot air line and other wildcat promoters.

Central Europe in Hopeless Muddle.

Central Europe appears to be in another and more acute crisis than ever. Germany is in the midst of civil war. Hungary has refused to sign the peace terms and is seeking a way to regain the territory lost by defeat. Jugo-Slavia has refused to acknowledge the pact of London and is arming more thoroughly than at any time during the nine years' war. D'Annunzio still sits in Fiume. There are strikes in nearly all the coal producing regions, thwarting anything approaching return to industry and normal conditions.

Food reserves are failing before there is any prospect of obtaining new crops. Trade is at a standstill because no one will risk his funds during these uncertain times. People who have goods will not sell.

Local money is not wanted because it is feared that the government may openly declare the bankruptcy which really exists. Foreign money is refused because it might fall in relation to the local money. Transportation is uncertain, slow and full of risks. There is, in a word, little daylight piercing the dark clouds.

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