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THE NEXT GOVERNOR

The president is opposed to a third term, whether that term is for himself or for his appointees. This he has demonstrated beyond a peradventure. It was, therefore, no matter of surprise when The Citizen, yesterday afternoon, received by telegraph the information that H. J. Hagerman had been selected for the next governor of New Mexico.

Herbert J. Hagerman will be thirty-four years of age the 15th of next month; and by those who know him he is said to be a man of large ability, broad culture, extensive foreign travel, diplomatic experience and high ideals in civic righteousness and personal and political morals. He is popular and respected where best known, and above all else is an enthusiast in the matter of developing the resources of this sunshine land, having personal experience in stock raising, agriculture, fruit raising and management of irrigation enterprises.

From the New Mexican The Citizen learns that Mr. Hagerman was born in Milwaukee, at the age of ten accompanied his father on a trip to Europe, matriculated at Cornell university in 1890, was graduated in 1894, took a law course at the same university, was admitted to the Colorado bar in 1895, in 1898 was appointed by President McKinley second secretary of the United States embassy at St. Petersburg where he served for three years and received the order of St. Anne from the czar, and in 1901 resigned and became a citizen of New Mexico.

When Governor Otero was shown the dispatch announcing the president's selection, he said to the representative of the New Mexican:

"I suppose your correspondent is reliable; as soon as the report is confirmed I shall congratulate Mr. Hagerman. I have nothing to say in the matter except that I have a very high regard for Mr. Hagerman, whom I have known for several years, and who, in my opinion, is a fine young man of ability, education and of the highest standing in the community. When relieved from duty as governor of this territory, I shall, without regret and with the kindest feelings, retire to private life, feeling that I have done my duty to the best of my ability, and have always acted, as far as man can, for the best interests and the good name of our people."

The Citizen thinks it has ample ground for congratulating the president upon the wisdom of his choice, Mr. Hagerman upon the opening before him of a field of laudable ambition and vast usefulness, and the people of New Mexico upon the prospect of an upright, able and useful executive.

A BUSY WINTER

There are several matters which President Roosevelt will bring before congress this winter. Upon all of them he will find his party divided, but on only one of them are the people of that country against him. That is the lowering of the wall of exclusion against Chinese immigration. This measure is proposed by the manufacturing interests of the country, which want access to Chinese markets, from which there is threatened exclusion unless our exclusion regulations are ameliorated. But the country at large is almost solidly opposed to the proposal.

The measures on which the president will find a divided party and a strong political opposition will be a reform of the tariff, either with or without reciprocity; government control of railway rates; the extension of a modified civil service to presidential postmasters; the legislation necessary to an early completion of the Panama canal; the protection of the people against the encroachments of the trusts, and many other matters of more or less general interest, among them probably being the admission of two new states—Oklahoma and Arizona. The strenuous president will have a strenuous time, and certainly those who shall oppose the measures which he proposes, will find themselves very deep in extra hot water.

It is not too early to talk about early shopping. It is a common practice to beg people to shop early in order to save wear and tear on clerks, especially women clerks. That is all right and humane and kind. But the main point is one of self-interest. Nine-tenths of the goods you want for holiday purposes are in the stores now. You can find everything your heart could desire or your means cover, on counters and shelves. You can find competent clerks who are not too busy to devote time to you. You can shop quietly and calmly, which is good for the nerves. There is another item. It is often easier to purchase \$5 worth of holiday goods each week for four weeks than it is to save the money for a \$20 splurge in a single shopping trip. Good advice is wasted on some folks, but there are enough people who desire to avoid shopping trials, and who are grateful when their memories are jogged, to make it worth while to print this editorial.

The readers of The Citizen were informed last evening of two very important items of news—the selection of New Mexico's next governor, and the application of successful performance of duty to the tenure of presidential postmasters. As far as the Aftermath is concerned, the people of Albuquerque are still ignorant of these very important matters; but no doubt the paper which always looks backward will be able to get around to these things, among many others, in the course of the next few days or weeks. However, while not having given the people the information mentioned, the Aftermath must be congratulated on the long if not able article sent to it by its "special" Washington correspondent on the danger of eating loco weed. That correspondent certainly had an admirable conception of the fitness of things when it sent an article on loco to the morning paper.

Sir Alfred Harmsworth, better known at home as Sir Alfred Armsworth, has just bought another London newspaper, says the Cleveland Plaindealer. It is his thirty-first purchase along this line. Think of that! Thirty-one newspapers all your own! Thirty-one newspapers lying on your front porch for you to take 'em in and read 'em! Thirty-one newspapers being cried about the streets by thirty-one hundred newboys! Seems a trifle overpowering, doesn't it? But maybe Sir Alfred doesn't let it worry him. Maybe he can go right ahead accumulating them, and adding to his pile, and looking out anxiously for more. It's his bad—and there might be worse ones.

The second hand fiddle of the Albuquerque Aftermath says that The Citizen clipped from that paper one of its special about the Enterprise bank failure; but that could not be for an Associated Press dispatch, published simultaneously in all the papers upon that circuit—and the Associated Press sends out no others—cannot be called a special in any sense of that term, and in so calling it, the Aftermath's second hand fiddle is plainly attempting to deceive the uninformed. The New Mexican again came to hand last night in time for the Aftermath to make up its usual supply of articles taken from that paper and labeled as well as labeled by the fictitious name of specials.

In New Mexico the gold production of last year was \$381,930, an increase of \$112,307 over 1904, which is derived largely from the Rosedale district, in Socorro county, and the Hillaboro district, in Sierra county. Small decreases are reported from other counties. The placers yielded \$149,424. A small increase, mostly from Socorro county, is noted in the unimportant silver production.

There is a better feeling in the public schools of this country than there used to be, but there is still room for improvement. There is an enormous proportion of boys—the girls are almost free from it—who think it smart to cheat their teachers. They will do anything except honest work, and it is regarded as an evidence of shrewdness among them to evade the issue by lying and using deceit.—Raton Range.

Was She Feeble Minded or Selfishly Heartless

"For art's sake I sacrifice everything that most women hold dear—a loving husband, my precious children, and the sacredness and protection of home. I hope to get in return the applause of the world, the praise of the critics and the envy of my contemporaries. I wonder when time has made things clear if I shall find I have chosen wisely."

Mrs. Joseph W. Wassell, of Chicago, has given up her husband and two sweet little daughters in order to devote herself to art. She says she loves her family, but she obtained a divorce that she may give all her time to musical composition. She is not a musician of ability, but has written a few lullabies. She is frankly selfish. She prefers public applause to the humdrum of home. Without reference to the woman's motives her question may be asked again—Did she choose wisely? Of course the question would not be raised had she remained single, but, having taken up the work of a wife and mother ought she to resign them for the sake of the call within her? Decidedly, no.

Her first duty is to her family. That done, the call to a wider field may be heeded, but not before! Good wives and mothers are needed more than artists, however great may be the ministry of art. In fact, the truest art is the expression of what is deepest and best in the artist, and in this expression alone is the highest joy. The noblest and best in woman is to be found in her wifehood and motherhood. Over and above this may be other expression and other joy, but this is first. So that, measured by her own need no less than that of society's, Mrs. Wassell has done the wrong thing. The handclapping of the critics and the envy of her fellows, should these hopes mature, will not satisfy her natural longings. Fame cannot fill an emptiness of arms and heart. Like the base Indian, this woman has thrown away a pearl richer than all her tribe. It is to be hoped she may realize her mistake while yet there is time to mend it.

Cloud on the Horizon of European Peace

A new crisis as they say in diplomatic circles, has arisen in Europe. A little cablegram of thirty-nine words on last Wednesday tells something of a story which undoubtedly fills volumes in the foreign offices of the old country. An ultimatum was sent to Turkey and "the international fleet is expected to concentrate at Piraeus on or about tomorrow to enforce the proposed international control of the finances in Macedonia."

Pretty familiar sounds are the words Macedonia and Turkey, but this time the situation looks serious. There are possibilities of marching armies in southeastern Europe, of a fine fleet sailing up to Constantinople, of the extinction of fanatical Abdul Hamid as a figure in Europe and even of a great clash between the great Christian nations of the old world. Last winter, when Turkey failed to put an end to the bloody disorders in Macedonia, the powers jointly ordered the sultan to enforce certain reforms in the disturbed country. Turkey, as usual, promised but procrastinated. The foreign offices sent notes, corresponded, consulted and finally decided on a joint naval demonstration in the eastern Mediterranean to frighten the sultan into activity. The result of this agreement was the ultimatum published Wednesday, and it is presumed that the fleet of nations is now forming. An Austrian admiral will be the commander of the allied squadrons; and this selection is significant of a purpose to really do something, because on former demonstrations of this character there has been merely co-operation between naval commanders.

There is added significance in the fact that Austria, Russia being impotent at this juncture, has been forming an army in her southeastern provinces of Bosnia and Herzegovina so that in the event of a failure of the naval demonstration she will be able to send a large body of troops across the frontier into Turkish Macedonia to enforce the orders of her colleagues. Strong as all this seems, there is a ray of hope for the sultan in the unfortunate fact that the allied nations are by no means one on the details of the reforms to be imposed on the port. Germany, probably with a political eye as his sleeve, has held aloof from the force movement and will take no part in the naval demonstration. Great Britain, France, Italy, Russia and Austria will be represented in the fleet, but the last two countries are not in accord with the first three as to future plans and will probably be found lined up with Germany when the finality arrives in Turkey and Macedonia.

A Country the People of Which are Outcasts

Away down towards the far end of the procession there is a yellow face with almond eyes and a strange guttural accent which marks the savage. That is China trying to catch the step of progress, to be a nation among nations, a man among men. Out of the darkness of the ages China is preparing for a constitution and to allow the millions who have been slaves for more years than history reckons to drop their servile ways, abandon many of their superstitions and taste freedom.

It is a fine picture. It seems like the dawn of the millennium, but to the student of history it is too good to be true. The Chinese are a race accursed of humanity. Every hand is against them. In some countries they are scarcely credited with being human beings, and have been hunted for sport. They have been classed as vermin and the yellow peril is the fear of nations. Not long since, in New Zealand Lionel Terry, a noted Englishman, shot Kum Young, a feeble old Chinaman, dead on the street. It was done as one would snuff the life out of a rat, and Mr. Terry publicly announced that he took a human life to arouse public interest in the yellow peril and the menace of the Chinese.

We of America know that almost to a man our country is anti-Chinese. We have a keen ear for human suffering and we, but when a train load of Celestials are crushed to death in a railroad accident, as happened recently, the world cares less than it would if the car had been loaded with fat hogs. China may work great improvements at home. The lot of her inhabitants may improve. But outside of the boundary until the world changes and China changes, the hand of humanity will remain against her and she will be made to feel that she is an outcast.

Granite Blocks.

The Granite Block company, composed of M. C. Stevens and associates, of this place, has just finished the erection of a new furnace and building on La Plata street and are busily engaged in turning out the new building material which promises to become quite popular with builders here.

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