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WEDNESDAY EVENING, OCT. 14, 1908.

The "Publicity" Nonsense.

Publicity of campaign contributions is a good thing. There is no sound reason for objecting to it, and there are many reasons for favoring it.

But there is a difference between sense and buncombe, on this as well as other issues. Everybody now knows that the great parties are running a close race toward the bankruptcy court.

The greatest series of contributions ever made by a special-interest for any campaign was that of the silver barons to the Bryan fund in 1896.

Time has passed when national campaigns are to be great financial enterprises. The officeholder has been eliminated by civil service regulations.

If poverty really were synonymous with virtue, the Republicans would have quite as fine a showing of indignance this year as the Democrats.

Praise From Sir Hubert.

The welcome presence here of my friend, the eloquent orator of the day, suggests some of the most striking of the new doctrines. He has filled with ecstacy certainly the second, if not the first most important post in the national Department of Justice.

The subject of these remarks is, of course, William H. Taft. The purport of them would seem to be that here was a citizen who had earned the confidence of his fellow-Americans by faithful service in different and conspicuous offices.

No Rain in the Balkans.

A war cloud in the Balkans is not always to be regarded as being as menacing as it looks. Even when it has every appearance of being surcharged with danger, it never fails to have its opera bouffe aspect.

In this instance the breaking point was reached by a neglect to send the Bulgarian representative at Constantinople an invitation to dinner, while it seems possible that the real spark in the magazine—namely, Servia—will not be blown into life for the very substantial reason that it finds itself without ammunition for its guns.

tearing up of the Berlin treaty to the Powers that signed it. Bulgaria gets the independence she has striven for, while Turkey loses very little that she held by anything but a courtesy title.

The strongest assurance against war is the inability at this day for a country to take what it can acquire by conquest.

Outsiders do not know what is occurring behind the scenes. And if the scenery with which so dangerous a problem is being handled is different from the way "shirt-sleeve" diplomacy would take hold of it, we confess that the sober method that is being pursued abroad has its advantages.

The enormous decline in the number of cars that are unemployed, together with the increasing volume of output of the iron and steel mills and the reports from many big wholesale centers, are generally accepted as excellent evidence of a permanent revival of business, which is only awaiting the settlement of the Presidential contest to become still more pronounced.

Building in Confidence.

In this connection building statistics from forty-seven cities, gathered by the Construction News, show a gratifying increase for September over the same month last year.

Just the year when the rules reformers think they have made football as mild as ring-toss, along come two Western eleven and injure seventeen men in a single game. It's hard work to keep our American boys at their knitting.

Republicans Engaged.

A strong list of Republican speakers has been secured by Mr. Dickie, among them Governor Hughes, of New York, and Governor Cummins, of Iowa.

Mrs. Fish prefers a husband to a vote. Whether the average housewife agrees with her or not she is smart enough to make her husband think she does.

Londen jokes Roosevelt because he has a jolking daughter and son-in-law. London would better keep her pity for her own who have neither jolking children nor a sense of humor.

The Allegheny county Republican committee has sent an appeal to the President to take the stump. Goodness gracious, if Pennsylvania is in doubt the sooner he gets busy the better!

A bear in the Bronx Zoo stole a girl's hosiery. But the stockings were in a bundle the New York Times hastens to explain, and the girl was teasing the bear.

Baltimore makes mighty sure she has her cardinal back.

A man shot at a cat, hit another man, and now has to pay \$50. We've seen the time when it was worth more than that to drive a feline Curuso from the center of the stage.

Why don't the Tigers let some team win the American pennant that can beat the Cubs?

An inventor "delivers" an airship to the Government. What is wanted is not so much a "setting-down" as a "delivery f o b the air."

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DEMOCRATIC RANK AND FILE IN AWE

Missouri Old-Timers Fear Bryan Will Have Serious Setback.

WOULD BE SAD FOR LOYAL ONES

Wheel Horses of "Show Me" Days and New Element Are to Clash at Polls.

MISSOURI LETTER, No. 1.

By JOHN SNURE.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Oct. 14.—A long, lank visitor from Kansas, who has migrated from Missouri, his younger sons, dropped into a St. Joseph newspaper office the other day and said he had a kick. It pertained to rebalding by a railroad and he said he wanted to tell the editor of the Democratic newspaper about it.

"Great guns, mister, ain't there a Democratic paper here? What's old Mizziroy comin' to?" He turned sly and went down the street murmuring and muttering: "My God, what's old Mizziroy comin' to?"

That's the way tens of thousands of Missouri Democrats felt four years ago. The morning after election, when they read the returns and saw President Roosevelt had carried the State. Ever since, they have been determined to wipe off what they deemed the stain of Republicanism from the State's escutcheon. They are working hard at the job this fall and making \$8,750,000 of their lives to carry the State for Bryan.

Democrats Are Routed. In trying to capture Missouri from Bryan, the Republicans are working against heavy odds.

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AUTO AD SCHEME FOR AIR OF WEALTH

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THE ENGINE, TOO? "Alas!" confessed the penitent man, "in a moment of weakness I stole a carload of brass fittings."

Seeing Washington With The Times Guide No. CXXVIII—"THE RITTENHOUSE HOME."

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White House Callers Attorney General Bonaparte. Secretary Wright. Representative J. Davis Brodhead of Pennsylvania. Interstate Commerce Commissioner Moseley. State Senator Paigle, New York. Robert Lincoln O'Brien, Boston. Robert S. Waddell, Florida, Ill. Mark Sullivan, New York.

Theater Gossip

Viola Allen will soon appear in repertoire at the New National.

Andrew Mack will present his new play, "Sergeant Devill McCare," by Cecil DeMille, at Philadelphia, October 19.

The new play which David Belasco is working on for Frances Starr will be ready for production early in January.

Nearly all of Charles Frohman's big stars will be at the National Theater before the Christmas shipping is fairly under way.

"The Test," Jules Eckert Goodman's new play in which Blanche Walsh is to star, was produced for the first time on any stage at the New Auditorium Theater, Los Angeles, September 28.

The Al Wilson company were caught in a freight wreck recently but the only damage resulted from their inability to reach Cumberland in time for the evening performance and the contract had to be canceled.

Charles Meakins will appear at the National Theater as Prince Danilo when "The Merry Widow" is presented for two weeks. Mr. Meakins is the husband of Edith Bradford, whose triumphs here with the Aborn Opera company are of recent date.

William H. Fowler, treasurer of the National Theater, has returned to Washington again after a long trip with the local baseball club. Mr. Fowler will remain here for the balance of the season, and will be seen again in the National Theater box office.

The rather remarkable company gathered together by Frederic Thompson for "Wireless" would indicate the dramatic trend of the year. Here are some of the names: Edwin Arden, Georgia Lane Mendig, Robert McVade, Maude Gray, Vera Wood, William B. Mack, Crosby Little, Francis McGinn, and William Stone.

It may interest many persons to know that the original of the famous character of "Mrs. Wiggs, of the Cabshaw Patch," is still living hale and hearty in the original "tin roofed house" in Louisville, Ky., and that she has abated none of the cheery optimism that led Alice Hegon Rice to put her on the stage.

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Returning From Netherlands. The minister from the Netherlands, Dr. J. Loudon, and Mrs. Loudon have arrived in New York, and are expected to come to Washington shortly.

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PRONOUNCED A BRIDE AT MIDDAY; PRESIDENT TO SEE WONDER PLAY

Miss Harriet I. Bladen Married at Waugh M. E. Church.

ATTENDANT IS MISS ORATHA ERNST

Well-Wishers Follow Couple to Train as They Leave on Bridal Trip.

Miss Harriet I. Bladen, daughter of Mrs. Ella B. Bladen, was married at noon today in the parsonage of the Waugh M. E. Church, to Charles W. Ernst, Jr. Only a small company of relatives attended the ceremony, which was performed by the Rev. George E. Maydwell, pastor of the church.

Miss Bladen wore a tailored suit of mode broadcloth with a hat of the same shade, trimmed with brown and cream plumes. The bridal bouquet was a cluster of pale pink roses and maidenhair fern.

Miss Oratha Ernst, sister of the bridegroom, was the bride's only attendant, and Dorsey Adams was the best man for Mr. Ernst.

Immediately after the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Ernst left Washington for a Northern bridal trip, and after November 20 they will be at home at 39 Q street northeast.

Second Middy Wedding. Miss Edna Isabel McKew, daughter of Mr. McKew and the late William H. McKew, was married at noon today to Dr. S. H. Greene, Jr., son of Dr. and Mrs. S. H. Greene, in the apartments of the bride's mother in the Burlington, the father of the bridegroom officiating in the presence of the families.

Miss McKew, who was given in marriage by her uncle, Dr. Harbin, was preceded to the improvised altar built of palms ferns, and quantities of pink roses and asters in the pink drawing room, by her brother, Richard McKew, who returned from Cornell for his sister's wedding, her cousin Frank Shippey, and Miss Gertrude Fry, the maid of honor. There they met the bridegroom, Dr. Samuel Dalzell, the best man.

The bride wore a handsome gown of heavy white satin made empire style, with a long train, and trimmed with rose point lace. Her long tulle veil was caught with a wreath of lilacs in the valley and ferns. The only ornament worn was a diamond pendant, the gift of the bridegroom.

Miss Fry, the maid of honor, wore an imported gown of pale yellow silk elaborately trimmed in lace, and carried a shower bouquet of yellow chrysanthemums.

A reception followed the ceremony in the music room, which was beautifully decorated with yellow blossoms and palms to correspond with the color scheme of the room. Mrs. McKew and Mrs. Greene received the guests as they entered. Mrs. McKew wearing a becoming gown of pale gray satin, made empire and trimmed with tulle lace. Mrs. Greene wore a beautiful gown of violet satin with touches of chiffon and real lace.

The reception was followed by a wedding breakfast, and later in the afternoon Dr. and Mrs. Greene left Washington for a Northern trip. Upon their return, after November 1 they will be at home in the Burlington. Mrs. Greene wears a traveling suit of navy blue broadcloth with touches of green and a large blue hat with green plumes.

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Greet Performances Will Be on Lawn of the White House.

SOCIETY YEARS FOR CURTAIN RISE

"Pandora and the Box of Mischief" Will Be the First on Program.

Washington society is eagerly anticipating the artistic treat in store for it Friday and Saturday, when through the courtesy of Mrs. Roosevelt, the Ben Greet players will present their wonder plays, "Pandora and the Box of Mischief" and "Midias and the Golden Touch" on the White House lawn, for the benefit of the Play Ground Association.

The President is to attend both performances, and the other boxes which have been arranged to command an excellent view of the stage, are being disposed of rapidly. The Assistant Secretary of the Navy and Mrs. Newberry have taken one, and will entertain a party of young people, and Mrs. Chester Snow, Mrs. James E. West, and Mrs. Somers, each have taken one.

A large representation of official, diplomatic, and resident society will attend the performance on Friday, but their formation this evening on account of sudden illness in the family.

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