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An Evening Echo.
Some friends shine out like stars
in winter nights,
And make the very darkness beautiful.
—ROBERT BEVERLY HALE.

Parcels Post Experiment.
Postmaster General Hitchcock will renew this year his application for an appropriation for a limited parcels post experiment on the rural free delivery routes and in the cities. There is absolutely no reason for refusing this very moderate request unless it is the fear that the limited parcels post will prove so popular and successful that a demand for its extension will become too strong for Congress to resist.

If the experiment proves unsuccessful it can be dropped and the cost of the test will be insignificant compared with the value of the lesson learned, points out the Philadelphia Press. "But there is every reason to believe that it will not prove unsuccessful.

A parcels post is in successful operation in most of the countries of Europe. It is established by treaty up to eleven pounds in a package between this country and a number of foreign nations. It would be acceptable and useful here. If Congress doubts that, let it be tested in a small way first. The postmaster general's proposed limited parcels post opens the way for the experiment and it ought to be authorized.

Facts About Tripoli.
As the attention of the world has been drawn to Tripoli by the war over it between Italy and Turkey, the following facts regarding the country, as gleaned by an exchange, are of interest although to a great extent it is a land concerning which there is lack of definite information:

Its seas coast extend for 1,100 miles along the Mediterranean, but because of lack of definiteness regarding the southern boundary line it is impossible to say just what its area is. The Turkish government claims that this latter demarcation is 23 degrees and thirty minutes north latitude and the area of the country is reckoned at about 400,000 square miles. The greater part of this, about three-fourth, in fact, is said to be worthless; that is to say, for agricultural purposes at the present time. Whether this condition will be changed by the adoption of improved methods or whether reclamation work will be commenced and its vast territory utilized, is impossible to say. There is a section along the coast varying from eighty to two hundred miles in width that is cultivated.

But from a trade standpoint the country assumes a greater importance because through it is a favorite route to Lake Tchad and Murzuk. Possibly this is one of the reasons why Italy is anxious to secure control of it. It is desirable, among other reasons, for obtaining authority regarding it because it wishes to find territory along the Mediterranean that may be colonized.

Land that may be had for this purpose is becoming scarce. Where, a few decades ago, there was a vast quantity of territory over which no European nation asserted suzerainty or claimed possession, there is little now worth acquiring.

Just as Worthy.
The Republican party is just as worthy as ever it was and that it has been regarded worthy by the people for more than half a century is shown by the overwhelming number of its triumphs. As applied to West Virginia the adjective is all the more deserving since the big love

feast at Charleston the first of the week. The Grafton Sentinel has a very sensible editorial as follows on that phase of politics:

The great meeting of the Republicans at Charleston this week, and the action of the State Executive Committee there in disposing of the big questions before it stamp the grand old party as being just as worthy of the people's confidence as it has ever been. That confidence had never been shaken until a short time ago, but the people throughout the state are sick of their bad bargain, and are simply waiting for the chance to hand the Democratic party of perdy the mitten so justly deserved.

After a genuine love feast covering the better part of three days, in which every county in the state was heard from fully, and the old sores and wounds healed up and all hands clasped, the committee got down to work and made chips fly.

It determined to accept the resignations of all members of the committee who were either state or federal office holders, and thereby remove one of the bones of contention from the party members.

But bigger and better yet, the committee voted to have every nomination throughout the state made by a state-wide primary, held on a single day. Thus returning to the people the authority to name their own candidate for office, instead of having them rammed down their throats by the old packed convention method, so dear to the hearts of Democratic "leaders."

This the Republican party demonstrates once more that it is every mindful of the wishes of the people, and is not governed by the iron hand of a little coterie of corporation lawyers at Charleston and coal barons of Baltimore and some little West Virginia town of convenience.

Let Chilton Answer:

The Fayette Journal, edited by E. E. Hood and published at Fayetteville, propounded a number of questions for Senator Chilton, so-called, to answer, when he made a speech at Fayetteville Thursday. Chilton's own newspaper, the Charleston Gazette, in reporting the speech Friday stated that Chilton referred to the questions as "impertinent and silly. Here is one of the questions:

"Who was it that placed \$1,000 in the hands of Delegate Lefe Shock during the legislative session at Charleston, and then promised the Braxton county delegate \$1,500 more if he would vote the same way that Senator MacCorkle voted?"

There is certainly nothing silly about that question, and Chilton so anxious to be vindicated from all wrong in the matter and challenging the entire state to prove anything owes to his hearers and especially to those of his own party to answer that question, or have some Democrats who say they know, answer it. The people want to know. They will know when that probe the governor has promised gets under way.

In connection with a corruption fund in the doubtful counties, the Fayette Journal asked Chilton the following questions:
"How much did you turn loose in Kanawha?"
"How much in Fayette?"

Those are some more questions Chilton pronounces silly and does not answer. Before an investigating committee his answer would be different, although he might avail himself of the privilege not to answer on the ground that he would incriminate himself.

Here is a question that many Democrats would be pleased if he would reconsider his method of treating these questions and come clean with a true and complete answer:

"Do you know what means were adopted to secure the 'timely conversion' of Senator (Bob) Kidd at a critical period in the senatorial contest?"

Chilton knows that Senator Kidd was quickly "converted" and being in such close touch with what was going on as a previous speech of his indicated he ought to have a ready reply to his question. Perhaps, Chilton believes that every one knows the means and it is, therefore, only necessary for him to say the question is silly on that account. Come to think about it, it really is silly to ask for information that everyone already knows.

The following question is such a plain charge that how Chilton could escape it without an answer

either affirmative or negative is beyond the comprehension of fair-minded men, and one he should have answered in justice to himself and more particularly the party he assents to represent:

"Will you deny having 'heeled' the first ward polls in the city of Charleston when the Holley regime was bought into power and distributed the money that was used to procure the majority in that precinct?"

Such questions and charges are most assuredly too grave to be passed with only the pronouncement that they are silly. They are especially serious in view of the fact that Chilton has defied the people of the state to find his title to the office of senator as clean as a "hound's tooth."

The questions are not only pertinent but they are also sound. Let Chilton answer.

DR TROTTER

Is Chosen as the Head of the College of Arts and Sciences.

CHARLESTON, Oct. 14.—In accordance with the plans of associated colleges, forming the West Virginia University, the new college of arts and science was created at the meeting of the Board of Regents here, and Professor Frank B. Trotter was made dean of the college. The university now consists of the college of arts and sciences, the college of agriculture, the college of engineering, and the college of law.

Another order of extraordinary importance passed by the regents eliminates the university council in control of university affairs, and places its powers in the hands of the faculty. Hereafter, faculty meetings instead of council meetings will determine the matters of deep import which require action by those in charge of the university's activities.

At the meeting, plans for the inauguration of President Thomas E. Hodges were considered and perfected. The appointment of Dr. Bishop as teacher of Greek was confirmed. Several important matters in connection with Marshall College were also considered.

Dr. Hodges, president of the university, attended the meeting.

MINISTER LEAVES

For His New Pulpit and His Successor Here Arrived to Preach Tomorrow.

The Rev. James E. Bird left Saturday morning for Charleston to preach in the First Methodist Episcopal church there Sunday, to which church the recent conference assigned him for the year. The Rev. O. Dale King, of Charleston, who is to be the new pastor here, arrived in the city Saturday afternoon and will preach in the First Methodist church Sunday morning and night. The Rev. Mr. Bird will return Monday night, attend the dedicatory services at Fairmont during the week and leave with his family Friday night for Charleston.

Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Baker, of Richwood, are visiting here.

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