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An Evening Echo. Do not fear the power of the world; when a blind man runs against you in the street, you are not angry with him; you say, "He is blind, poor man, or he would not have hurt you."

At least one newspaper in West Virginia fears that the price of liquor and places to get it will become unknown, and accordingly puts up a terrific howl.

While a few Democrats are howling about the city treasury being bankrupt, they should not forget to state the fact that there is something like \$20,000 on the tax books of the Democratic city treasurer.

It was not the bridge raising, it seems that Flaherty did not vote on either way but a traction company bill motion in connection with the bridge as to which there was some question.

Ignorant of Government. Nothing is more astonishing to the average government official than the ignorance that many people display when writing to the various government departments on official business.

Some of them for instance fancy that the Department of Justice has control of the courts and that the federal judges have to do about as the department says.

Others try to sell their inventions to the patent office, or ask it to take up their ideas and place them on the market on commission basis.

Still others write to the Department of Agriculture for a bushel of clover seed or a bag of wheat.

One hopeful sign, however, is the fact that this sort of correspondence shows a tendency to fall off. People are beginning to see the advantage of knowing how their government is operated; of knowing what it is doing in their behalf.

The story of the government at work is told in such a clear, concise way that when one reads it, he is not only well entertained, but he gains a fund of just the sort of information needed by every person who would know what "Uncle Sam" is doing and how he does it.

Impaired Prestige. One of the regrettable consequences of the Wilson-Bryan policy of "watchful waiting" toward Mexico is that the prestige of the United States has been seriously impaired.

The hope of the Washington administration has been, according to reports, that the assembling of United States troops at Naco, Arizona, would convince Maytorena and Hill, whose forces have been fighting at Naco, Sonora, that the United States means business, and result in either a cessation of their operations, which have caused many casualties in the American town, or else, cause them to withdraw to a safe distance from the United States border.

The arrival of a high army officer at Naco, it is hoped, will bring about a successful solution of the situation and result in a withdrawal of the committing forces.

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anything else could be expected in view of the miserable patch of the whole affair made by the Wilson-Bryan policy.

There are to be no more fairs at Wheeling—state fairs as they have been called, according to a decision arrived at by the stockholders of the association that has been operating such fairs.

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But West Virginia is not unique in the possession of this fault. It is common among the states, and the federal statutes, while not, as a rule, as loosely written as the bulk of the state laws, are by no means flawless.

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city, with a large modern postoffice on one side of it, and a sumptuous-looking hotel on the other, stands a low, battered adobe structure, with the massive walls, the barred and shuttered windows, and the flat roof of the oldest buildings of the Mexican regime.

And no matter how great the city may grow, or how much the land it occupies is worth, this old adobe will always be as carefully preserved as a sacred shrine; for it is the famous fortress of the Alamo, and a relic of the war that Texas waged for freedom from Mexico.

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STORE OPEN EVENINGS UNTIL CHRISTMAS. SPECIAL FOR TONIGHT 7 O'CLOCK. \$2.00 10 - Piece Baking Sets, 89c.

SPECIAL FOR TONIGHT 7 O'CLOCK. 2.50 Velvet Rugs \$1.29. \$0r Axminster Rugs.

Of Brown Glazed Earthenware with white glazed lining. The set consists of one covered casserole dish, one covered bean jar, three deep baking dishes and three bowls for mixing or baking purposes.

Here is an item that should be of timely interest to every one for they make ideal Christmas Gifts. An excellent velvet rug, size 27x54 inches.

Clarksburg's Christmas Hosiery Store. Boxed Hosiery For Holiday Giving. CLARKSBURG'S GREATEST HOSEIERY STORE IS FILLED WITH SPLENDID STOCKS OF FINE SILK HOSEIERY IN KINDS AND QUALITIES THAT MAKE ACCEPTABLE AND APPRECIATED HOLIDAY GIFTS.

One-Third Off On All Furs. 1/3 to 1/2 Off The Price Of Any Fur Coat In Stock. NOW ON SALE \$10 @ \$12 Silk Messaline Covered Comforts at \$7.98.

For Sale Beautiful Mistletoe FRESH FROM THE TREES. \$1.25 Japanese China, Cake, Fruit and Berry Sets 69c.

Extra Special--Now on Sale 50c to 65c APRONS 39 cts.

ON SALE WEDNESDAY NIGHT 7 O'CLOCK. Women's Fine Bath Robes Regular price 3.98 \$2.69.

ON SALE WEDNESDAY NIGHT 7 O'CLOCK. Hemstitched Mercerized Table Cloth and Set Of Six Napkins to Match \$1.59.

\$1 Pound. Send check or money order, and be sure to write your name and street number plainly. Address all orders to Clarence P. Stout.

NEW BANK CHARTER. The Peoples Bank of Shinnston, W. Va., has been chartered to do a general banking business.

Start A Savings Account With This Bank And Watch It Grow. ALL ACCOUNTS AT THIS BANK DRAW INTEREST AT THE RATE OF 4 PER CT. THE LOWNDES SAVINGS BANK AND TRUST CO.

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