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FRIDAY EVENING, AUGUST 25, 1916

"America First and America Efficient"

HOW ABOUT HOME CONDITIONS?

DEMOCATIC newspapers throughout the state are manifesting a great deal of interest in an investigation of alleged election frauds in counties in the southern part of the state which is now going on in Webster Springs where the Federal grand jury for the southern district is in session. If the voters outside of the counties being investigated are willing to accept the word of these organs the only election corruption that ever took place in this state was that which was brought about by Republicans in a certain limited section of the state.

The truth is that under the Wilson administration election problem, like kissing, investigations of postoffice inefficiency and the enforcement of the laws, goes by favor. If a real clean up of election corruption were to take place in this state there would be many a vacant chair in the places where Marion county Democratic politicians hang out and the county's bill for board of prisoners at Moundsville would be materially increased. There is no secret about the rottenness of local conditions, nor about who is responsible for it.

Indeed one Marion county politician has been so brazen in his violations of the election laws that he has boasted publicly that he would do as he d——— pleased because "no jury in this county would convict a Democrat of breaking the election laws."

This newspaper hopes that if there was actual election corruption in the southern end of the state those who were responsible for it will be brought to justice. We firmly believe that the first and most important step in the direction of good and efficient government is an honest election, and we will lend our hearty support to any movement to bring that about. But at the same time we denounce the kind of comment which has been going the rounds of the Democratic press about the proceedings at Webster Springs. Let the newspapers that are printing smug comment about that situation clean first before their own doors. Some of them are pretty intimately acquainted with election corruption that makes the work they say went on in McDowell and Mingo counties seem crude and ineffective.

BILL OF PARTICULARS NEEDED.

CONSIDERABLE talk is heard among the opponents of Judge Robinson and the other gentlemen upon the Republican state ticket about the alleged extravagance of the present Republican state administration. People who have examined the matter with candid minds confess that they do not know what these critics mean. It is easy to make such charges off hand, but there are times when it is very hard to prove them. The present seems to be a case in point. The people who think the state government of West Virginia is costing more than it should cost in view of the things that are being done, and the way they are being done, should furnish a bill of particulars. They should be frank enough, for instance, to come right out and say what they would cut off, and how much they would save.

The people of this community who have been daily witnesses of the progress upon the new building for the Fairmont State Normal school and the work that is being carried on in the building now in use know where some of the money that has been spent by the state has gone and they are in a position to form some idea as to whether or not it has been wasted or applied to an unworthy purpose. Would the critics of Republican management of the state stop expenditures of that sort? It is a fair inference that the other institutions maintained by the state are as carefully conducted as is the local school.

No one is foolish enough to believe that if the government of the state were turned over to the Democrats there would be a reduction in the amount of money spent. Indeed, if the example of the federal government may be accepted as a criterion the exact opposite would be the case. The best that any honest political party or candidate can promise is that for every dollar paid out the public will get 100 cents in value returned, and that not a penny is spent foolishly. Upon that point Judge Robinson has placed himself on record. In his Huntington speech he said that he stands for economy without parsimony. This means that if he is elected governor the wise policy of maintaining the normal schools and the other state institutions upon a plane of efficiency will be continued. Where do the Democrats stand? If some of their newspapers and spokesmen may be taken at their word there is no telling what will be done about the schools and the hospitals. It may be taken for granted, however, that they will be weighted down with the very last placeman they can be made to maintain, and that no attention will be paid to the kind of service the public, which pays, gets out of them so long as nice soft berths for "deserving Democrats" are safe.

IS WILSON A DEMOCRAT?

THE most significant feature of the presidential campaign that has developed so far is the turning of the independent, or if you please, the mugwump vote in the direction of Mr. Hughes. It was this vote that brought about the election of Cleveland in both of his successful campaigns and it was largely instrumental in putting Mr. Wilson in the White House. Unless he gets all of this element of the electorate there is not the slightest hope that Mr. Wilson can be reelected. And it seems to have gone away from him completely.

For instance, Nicholas Murray Butler, president of Columbia University and one of the most influential of the independents, has come out vigorously in opposition to President Wilson. He has prepared a paper for use in the Maine campaign in which he attacks the present administration as incompetent and vacillating. In this paper among other things the distinguished educator says:

> "The Democratic pledges of 1913 have been treated as scraps of paper and abandoned before the higher political necessity which consists in votes at any cost. Where Republican policies seemed hopeful they have been seized upon, altered for the worse, and proclaimed to the country as Democratic triumphs. The one great victory of the administration is over the Democratic party and its principles. Thomas Jefferson would turn in his grave if he could read the legislation of the past four years. Andrew Jackson would stand amazed before the Mexican imbroglio, Samuel J. Tilden and Grover Cleveland would have ill-concealed indignation at what has masqueraded as Democracy. Republican victory in November is essential if our country is to be made fully conscious of its duties and obligations both at home and abroad, and made ready to meet and discharge them."

Rather a severe indictment. So severe in fact that it raises the question as to whether or not Woodrow Wilson is in fact a member of the Democratic party.

The Germans are said to be planning another air raid on London. When this war is over we hope some one will take the trouble to find out what the real idea behind these murderous and futile visits to England was. About the only purpose that could be served now is to prolong the contest to a point where it will be possible for General Haig to hold a grand review of the British army in the streets of Berlin.

That may not be the actual object of prolonging the negotiations between the trainmen and the railroads, but it is a fact that the delay is admirably serving the purpose of preparing the public for another boost in freight rates. And that means another increase in the price of living. Old man Ultimateconsumer is the goat every time.

SHORT AND SNAPPY.

An even quarter billion of dollars is the amount the Democratic congress would like to divvy up this year among its friends in various districts. The amount is huge, larger, it is believed, than any of congress' past charities to constituents, but the amount is not the most sinister aspect of the pork hunters' progress. It is their growing ingenuity.—St. Albans Herald.

Just as we suspected. The Hon. Champ Clark in his Maine speech says Mr. Hughes' charges against the administratio nare not true.—Wheeling Intelligencer.

Somebody has observed that the fellow who carries his change in a pocketbook never pays more than five cents for a cigar.—Wheeling Register.

Democratic economy—one billion, seven hundred millions, with a bond issue for one hundred and thirty millions more. The sane man will prefer the old-time Republican extravagance.—Huntington Herald-Dispatch.

What has happened to some of John Jay Cornwell's editorials, criticising Wilson, that we used to read? Better not turn them off altogether, John, they helped partly to give you the nomination.—Weston Independent.

A government expert figures that there will be enough wood in this country to last for 444 years. At the end of that period it will be impossible for a politician to take to the tall timber.—Bluefield Telegraph.

OUTBURSTS OF EVERETT TRUE

(BY CONDO.)

Editorial Comment on Current Subjects

DEMOCRATIC RECORD

From the Chicago Tribune.

An obtuse supporter of President Wilson wants to know why the Republican party, in control of the government most of the time from the civil war to the present, had not built up national defense, and why it had not eliminated such outrages upon the republic as the pork appropriations.

If the majority of the voters in the United States are slightly simian and intend to mark their ballots with their feet, these questions are complete estoppel of Republican argument. If the booths are to be filled by men and women, standing and not hanging from some convenient horizontal bar by appendages furnished by providing nature for such purpose, such questions will be fat in the fire of Republican criticism.

When the Democratic party was given control of the United States, the United States navy, the first line of defense, was ranked second in the world's lists. Only one power could hope to penetrate this first line and that power, Great Britain, could do so only by so weakening its home defense that it would be dangerously exposed to attack by an ambitious continental nation. Germany was an ambitious contental nation. Great Britain did not dare enter a controversy with the United States which would employ her great sea force so long as the powerful German navy was on her flank and so long as German ambitions were waiting watchfully for opportunity.

The United States in second naval strength was safe. The United tates, after three years of Democratic administration, is in fourth place, and unsafe.

Until 1914 the nation had a right to think that behind an adequate navy its frontiers could be protected by a small professional army. Sentiment throughout the nation, however, badly formed, was determined against a larger military establishment. August, 1914, changed every prospect. The lesson was taught when the Democratic party was in power.

For two years, with every European country suggesting our dangers to us, the Democratic party rolled the pork barrel and ignored national necessity. It had all the little ones of the pork family in at the trough, and it told the nation to go around in the back yard where the grass was longer.

For two years, full of danger and threat, the record of the Democratic party shows no accomplishment for the safety of the nation. Now Democracy, after hundreds of thousands of citizens had protested, is tumbling over itself to get away from a political danger.

Such a government! Two years of neglect to be repaired in two weeks of political panic! Do the people want a government which will act only when it is scared sufficiently politically?

And the pork barrel. A Republican president gave a Democratic congress a budget system. The Democratic congress rejected it. A Democratic president has not mentioned it. A Democratic president has signed every pork bill presented to him. Enough except for voters who will vote hanging from horizontal bars.

RUFF STUFF

BY RED.

We've been getting the dope this way: The Second regiment has received no recruits at its booth at the Fair and Company I at its booth has signed six.

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The Fair should be held when it's cooler and the farmers feel that they have time to leave the fields.

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We'd imagine The Times would be aphraid to print it phlange, phor phear somebody might get ophended.

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Then again if phlange doesn't spell flange what does it spell?

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Major Jackson Arnold says he's through with the Fairmont officers. Them's harsh woids!

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Champ Clark returned check for campaign expenses saying, "Making speeches for the Democratic party and paying my own expenses are the only ways I can contribute to the cause." Sounds like true loyalty to those who do not know the Missouri state law.

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Hiram Johnson must also be just getting over a case of indigestion.

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It's an ill wind—
Infantile paralysis was the cause of a circus in New York state going on the rocks.

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Several Fairmonters can be seen these evenings and early mornings leaving the city with top coats, it's so cold.

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This weather much reminds one of the Mexican situation.

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A four year old North Carolina boy smokes four cigars a day. At that rate his favorite at the track later on will be a white horse.

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Fire prevention week won't have any effect on firing us, as we take a vacation that week.

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Some people in Fairmont want a law prohibiting the sale of bread unless it be sold by weight and every loaf weighed for the customer. That's one way of stopping high flurries every time the mortgage on the oven comes due.

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After listening to all the suffrage debates we wonder what an anti is and why.

FAIRVIEW.

Miss Margaret Pulliam, of Amboy, Preston county, is visiting her uncle, C. O. Wilt and aunt, Mrs. C. S. McElroy.

Miss Amelia Perkins is visiting Miss Lucile Rex at Hundred this week.

Arnold Mason and family, of Fairmont, motored here Thursday.

Mrs. Gladys Walls delightfully entertained the Dorcas Society Thursday afternoon.

BITS OF STATE NEWS

The Gold Nursery company of Mason is having erected at their plant a frost-proof storage cellar, 100 by 138 feet. This is probably the largest storage cellar of its kind in the country.

H. H. Farnsworth, a farmer near Davisville, Wood county, has three Jersey cows, which since April 1, have produced $88.50 worth of butter. This is believed to be as fine a record for three cows as there is in the country.

Breeders of thoroughbred leghorns in their several varieties out-number the breeders of any other kind of pure blood chickens in West Virginia, according to a bulletin on that subject just published by the state department of agriculture. Plymouth Rocks rank a close second, with Rhode Island Reds coming third. There are 435 breeders of Leghorns, the white variety being the favorite with 304 of the number Barred Plymouth Rocks are bred by 239 fanciers in the state; and Rhode Island Reds are the favorites with 230 breeders. Other favorite breeds are the Orpingtons and Wyandottes and there are a few breeders of numerous other kinds.

The Weston Free Press says: From Roanoke, one of the largest shipping points in Lewis county for live stock, there were shipped 10 or 12 loads of lambs and cattle last week, and at Arnold Smith & Cunningham loaded two loads of lambs, P. H. Crawford & Sons four loads of lambs and E. F. Garrett one load and Fisher & Jack two loads of cattle.

John Matthison, of Wheeling, who recently returned from the military training camps at Plattsburg, in conversation with a Wheeling Telegraph reporter said that West Virginia has been well represented at the camps all summer and that the boys from this state have been leaders there.

"Many of the West Virginia contingent have had some military training, either in the National Guard or at military schools," said Mr. Matthison, "and they were able to pass examinations for warrants and commissions after a week or so.

Mr. Matthison himself who received training in the West Virginia university cadet corps, was made a sergeant. Robert Duttue, formerly of this city, but now of Clarksburg, a captain in the university corps, was made first lieutenant of a company at Plattsburg, while James Gaither, of Smithfield, Pa., a lieutenant in the university corps, was made a second lieutenant. Attorney Charles McCamic of this city, was promoted to corporal after two weeks. Walter Smith, of the Island, a graduate of Virginia Military Academy, is now a sergeant with prospects of becoming a lieutenant soon.

C. E. Kingsbury, who with Ray Deem have been racing King Stewart and No Manager during the entire summer on the Montreal and Toronto, Canada, tracks, arrived at his home in Parkersburg from Montreal. No Manager was disposed of several days ago and King Stewart is being brought to Wheeling by Deem and will remain there until the state fair races. Deem coming home this evening.

Mr. Kingsbury states that they were very successful on the Canadian tracks especially with King Stalwart, which is a great money-maker. At Montreal there are seven tracks, two of which are in the city, and at Toronto there are three tracks. Under the law each of the tracks have a seven-day meet with an interval of three weeks, in order to allow all the tracks a chance and in this way there is continuous racing. The Frenchmen, he states, are great betters, and as a general proposition there were from ten to twelve races every day, with as many as sixteen books on the races, all doing a big business. They found racing conditions very satisfactory despite the war and Canadians appeared to have plenty of money to bet on the races.

NEW YORK LETTER

(From Our Regular Correspondent)

WITH the completion of this session Congress will have made a new record for expenditures. The appropriations of this session, including authority given to award contracts, pass the enormous total of $2,000,000,000—or to express it more intelligibly, they will have exceeded 2,000 million dollars. The actual appropriations total $1,710,000,000 and to this must be added authorizations for continuing expenses amounting to $636,644,000. These figures include $79,000,000 for good roads and $50,600,000 for flood control. The appropriations for this session will exceed those of the last session by $515,000,000 and those of the last year of the Taft administration by $600,000,000. The increase appropriations on account of national defense, according to Senator Smoot, total in round numbers $365,000,000, leaving the remaining $150,000,000 attributed to Democratic extravagance. The Democrats protest against the inclusion in these figures of $50,000,000 for flood control, because it has passed the House but not the Senate, but they also predict it will pass the Senate during this Congress. "Democratic debauch," is the term Republicans apply to the lavishness displayed by the Democrats in their handling of the Government's funds. Senator Smoot declares that "If we could bring the Democratic party into a court of justice and try it under the rules of law, the evidence would be more than adequate to convict it of attempting to secure votes under false pretenses," this referring to the efforts of the administration to juggle the statistics and becloud the facts. Mr. Smoot also asserts that should the Democratic party remain in power the country would suffer "an era of unequalled extravagance, combined with inefficiency unsurpassed."

Some Discrepancies.

Explanation has been asked of apparently glaring discrepancies between Republican and Democratic figures, in the matter of appropriations, for instance. There are, of course, various ways in which figures can be juggled, but in discussing appropriations, the Democratic leaders almost invariably include only so much of the funds appropriated as they believe it will be necessary to pay out during the approaching fiscal year, whereas the Republicans include in the total not only all that must be paid during the coming fiscal year but all for which government officials are authorized to go in debt during the approaching fiscal year. For instance, there was provided by Congress, to be expended this year for fighting equipment—that is ships, guns and ammunition—$139,345,000, but Secretary Daniels held up contracts and delayed the beginning of the work to such an extent that only a small part of this amount will be expended before June 30, when the fiscal year ends. The two new battleships authorized March 4, 1915, were not begun for many months and no payment on their account is likely this year. Congress appropriated $5,400,000 for submarines, but only about $2,350,000 was expended. In fact, this year has been the worst from the standpoint of naval construction that has occurred in many a long day. In view of the condition of the Treasury and Secretary McAdoo's insistence that all heads of departments so handle their work as to make the bills come in as far in the future as possible, there is considerable suspicion among Republicans that after the "preparedness program" has been duly utilized for election purposes, there will be a slump, so that the next administration will have to pay the bills.

Democratic Senators Crawl.

Cringing under the White House lash, the Democratic Senators who on Monday disobeyed President Wilson's mandate and voted to take up Immigration bill hastily crawled on Tuesday. They did not dare to face the Executive wrath and supinely yielded when they heard the crack of the White House whip. Republican Senators demanded to know if they feared to "put the President in a hole" and asked what had occasioned the sudden change of mind exhibited by their Democratic colleagues, but they got only evasive answers. Never before was there presented so remarkable a spectacle of subserviency as is shown by Democratic Senators and Representatives. In private conversation they exhibit great bitterness, charging that they are treated with contempt, never consulted and merely ordered about. They insist, even, that all the Democratic campaign machinery is being devoted to the single purpose of effecting the re-election of Woodrow Wilson and that the interests of Senators and Representatives are being shamefully neglected, but they give evidence of abject fear when it is suggested that they talk for publication and in public they are as supine and tractable as a thrice thrashed cur.

What Did Roger Report?

Roger Sullivan, Democratic National Committeeman of Illinois, "blew in" at Democratic headquarters this week and had a somewhat protracted conference with Chairman McCormick. When he came away he looked sour and disgusted and would make no explanation of his visit. A few minutes later there was evidence of great activity in the Chairman's office. Messengers were rushed to his home for a suit-case and about town on various errands and within two hours the chairman was on a train headed for Chicago. The suddenness of his departure and Sullivan's manner aroused the curiosity of the New York reporters and determined efforts were made to learn the occasion of the visit and the departure. With a forced smile, Mr. McCormick insisted that "Mr. Sullivan reports everything going most satisfactorily in the West," and nothing further regarding Sullivan's message has been learned. Other Democratic leaders admit that Sullivan must have reported something which aroused the anxiety of the chairman but they would not venture a guess as to what it was.

Advisory Committee Named.

Chairman Willcox of the Republican National Committee, has announced the completion of his organization with the appointment of an advisory committee consisting of Governor R. Livingston Beeckman of Rhode Island, former Senator Burton of Ohio, former Comptroller of the Currency, Charles G. Dawes, former Govenor Eberhardt, of Minnesota, former Senator Fulton of Oregon Frank W. Hitch-cock, former Postmaster General and chairman of the Republican National Committee in 1908, Raymond Robbins, formerly chairman of the Illinois Progressive State Committee, Victor Rosewater, editor of the Omaha Bee, former Postmaster General John Wanamaker, William L. Ward, formerly National Committeeman from New York, and James Wilson, of Iowa, who as Secretary of Agriculture made a record for the longest service as a cabinet member in the Nation's history. This is regarded as an extremely strong committe, its members being men of wide experience in conducting campaigns and all of them men of influence in their respective communities.

T. C. Jones

New Velvet Hats

Velvet will have preference this fall—that's the indication—the new shapes are not only distinctive, but very becoming and dressy, colors new, with black a favorite.

Coincident with their appearance in New York we are showing a very clever assemblage of smart new hats of velvet and velvet combined with satin, with soft draped crowns—other styles in close-fitting hats that are very attractive when worn with the new veils. Moderately priced at $5.00, $7.50 and $10.00.

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Seaside tan is just exactly what you went to the seaside for. To get brown seems to be the height of delight on the summer vacation — but after you come home, then the skin begins to peel and the brown begins to come off in patches and it doesn't look very good.

Nyals Face Cream

(WITH PEROXIDE)

Just apply Nyal's Face Cream and you will be able to retain your color without the peeling or without the blistering. The tan will naturally wear off afterwards, but not in spots or patches.

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