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Watchful Waiting has now become Tactful Typewriting in the vernacular of the street.

The Giesler Trust Fund is an offspring of the Van Deusen audit whose birth was not announced at the time it happened.

Congressman Mann when he stated that President Wilson was playing politics even in the crisis with Germany said exactly what a great many other people are thinking.

Roosevelt has about reached that position where he will say to the Republicans of the country: Take me or you will get Wilson. The country can worry along four years more with Wilson.

Up to the present time Governor Alexander insists that he has given a second term absolutely no consideration. We trust that he will give the matter consideration before the primary election.

Col. Roosevelt says that he has tried hard to support President Wilson, but he can't. Col. Roosevelt is so built mentally that there is only one man in the world he can support. Why mention names?

With the Ford presidential boom rambling right along it behooves the politicians to reconsider the preparedness issue. A man had better be 20 years behind the times than six months ahead, if he is a politician.

What we can't understand is this: Why did ex-County Treasurer Giesler create a Giesler Trust Fund of \$50,000 on April 11, 1916, when the Van Deusen report called for only \$10,000? An explanation should be made.

If there are enough people in this country who will permit Col. Roosevelt to make good his threat: take me or get Wilson, the country most certainly deserves a chastisement. We know of no chastisement more likely to bring the country to its senses than four years more of wobbling waiting.

The tuberculosis death rate of New York, Philadelphia and Boston combined has declined from 380.6 per 100,000 of population in 1882 to 164.6 in 1914. The 1914 death rate was, therefore, only 43.2 per cent of that of 1882, or, to put it the other way, the death rate of 1882 had by 1914 fallen 56.8 per cent.

HUGHES CHOICE OF LEGISLATORS.

The Literary Digest has just published a poll of the Republican members of the various state legislatures. The remarkable feature of this poll is the predominance of sentiment in favor of Mr. Charles E. Hughes for the Republican nomination for president. Mr. Hughes received more votes than all other candidates combined.

Fifteen hundred legislators expressed their choice. Of these 1500 there were 758 in favor of Mr. Hughes. Col. Roosevelt was the choice of 275 members, Mr. Root of 138, Mr. Cummins of 84, Mr. Sherman of 47, Mr. Burton of 44. Votes were also cast for Messrs. LaFollette, Weeks, Taft, McCall, Mann, Fairbanks, Lodge and General Wood.

The poll extended throughout the country and unquestionably expresses public sentiment as it actually exists. In every state in the Union, with three exceptions, Mr. Hughes was the first choice. This poll shows practically the same sentiment as that made by the Boston Transcript, the New York Nation and other agencies which have tried to ascertain the actual public sentiment of the country.

The demand for Mr. Hughes is the most insistent that has ever been made in this country except in the first instance when a unanimous call was made on Washington. This demand will no more be denied than was its illustrious precedent. Hughes will be the nominee of the Chicago convention. Hughes will be the next president of the United States.

MANN DENOUNCES POLITICS OF PRESIDENT WILSON.

Congressman Mann, Republican leader in the House of Representatives, pointed out and proved conclusively that President Wilson is playing politics all of the time. Mr. Mann showed that the President has not hesitated to promote his political interests even when involving our relationships with foreign countries. He has taken advantage of crises in our affairs to work his personal advantage.

As was to be expected Mr. Mann is criticized by the Democrats for exposing President Wilson. They do not dispute or explain the activities of the President but confine themselves to denunciation of the Republican House leader. Criticism of the President is becoming more pronounced and it will continue to grow stronger with time. At the very first there was a disposition to treat President Wilson leniently. He was given credit for good intention and high patriotic motives. Not once but a dozen times Republican congressmen of both houses have come to his assistance. The Republican press and Republican sentiment generally sustained the actions of those members of Congress. President Wilson, himself never raised above the blindest partisanship in foreign or domestic affairs. That single track mind of his run along in the Democratic groove from the beginning to the present time.

Republicans are not alone in questioning the sincerity of President Wilson and on more than one issue before the country. Democrats are his severest critics on his change of front on preparedness, the Panama canal tolls question, the tariff, and other questions which have arisen during his administration. The average Democrat wants to be free to criticize the President should occasion require, but he will not willingly grant Republicans and Progressives the same privilege.

In all likelihood criticism has just started. Candid reviews of the Wilson administration will occur from time to time during the next few months. These reviews will be very interesting. It is not likely that they will be pleasing to the administration.

PROFIT SHARING COMPANIES.

There are a number of so-called profit-sharing companies in this country. These companies are engaged in

various kinds of gainful occupations. Their modus operandi is to deduct weekly a certain portion of the wage of the laborer and apply it to the purchase of stock in the company. In this way the laborer furnishes the labor of the enterprise and a portion of the capital.

The only safe and secure place for the profits which are to be shared with the employe is in the weekly pay envelope. If it does not appear there it is likely to be a long time deferred.

A very exhaustive report has just been made on the various so-called profit-sharing plans that are in force in this country by the Welfare Department of the National Civic Federation. This report shows that the views of the leaders of organized labor are unanimous in opposition to the general theory and practice of these profit-sharing companies. Even employers are not a unit as to the practical value of the idea. They question the ultimate good of trying to get something for nothing.

The leaders of the labor organizations of the country state that in no instance is market wages paid where profit-sharing is applied, so that wages and profits together do not exceed, and often do not equal, the prevailing scale. Other points raised against the plan is that the interests of labor as a whole would be imperilled by any weakening or destruction of strong organization to protect wage standards which under profit-sharing would pass wholly under the control of the employers. The report states that another objection by organized labor, which it must be acknowledged is borne out by the statistics of many of these experiments, is that profit-sharing chiefly affects only the superintendents, foremen and higher grades of employes and does not reach the rank and file. Either, it is claimed, the profit payments are too small to be of any moment to the low-paid workers, or, where it is a stock subscription plan, the mass of the workers do not earn enough to buy any stock, even on instalments.

BRANDEIS WILL NOT BE CONFIRMED.

Louis D. Brandeis will not be confirmed as a justice of the Supreme Court of the United States. The delay in the report of the committee which investigated Mr. Brandeis' fitness for the position for which he was named by President Wilson can have but one meaning, and that is that the report will be unfavorable. Mr. Brandeis had a fair hearing and the conclusion reached by all is that he should never have been nominated for the position. President Wilson again tried to play politics and with disastrous results to himself.

The Tribune believes that nothing the Senate of the United States can do will do more to sustain it in the respect and high opinion of the people of the country than to refuse to confirm the nomination of Mr. Brandeis. The appointment was a most unfortunate one. Even President Wilson and Mr. Brandeis must realize it now.

WHAT WILL DEMOCRATS DO WITH CANYON?

What will the Democratic organization do with Canyon County at the Pocatello convention? Will it seat the handpicked delegation? or, the delegation elected at the primary election? We suspect that it will depend upon the exigencies of the case. If Messrs. Pence, Elder and Nugent have enough delegates without Canyon they will seat the primary elected delegation. If they need the Canyon delegation they will seat the handpicked delegates. It would be a neat stroke to seat the contesting delegation from this county provided such action would not jeopardize the control of the convention. It would, to be sure, be a little rough on the Canyon County machinists who carried out instructions, but roughshod methods are the order of the day in Democratic politics.

Once upon a time there was a certain school of politicians who said: give us a direct primary system, frequent and convenient elections and the rule of the people, good government and clean politics will come as a matter of course. We have all of those and a few others besides and we find politics operated and controlled in the same old way and by the same old politicians.

Rule of the people in the Democratic party is a by-word. It will always be that way. Shibboleths were never supposed to have much strength and virtue except as shibboleths by any one who ever gave them much thought. We still have those who talk of social justice, rule of the people, national honor. Investigation will convince that these are simply rallying cries whereby offices and power may be acquired.

If the Canyon County primary elected delegation is seated at Pocatello it will prove that that was the politic thing to do in the judgment of Mr. Nugent. If the hand-picked delegation is seated it will prove that that was the necessary and politic thing to do under the circumstances.

TRANSPORTATION OF ARMIES.

Great Britain equipped and shipped to the Dardanelles a considerable army. This army was landed. The Russians have just shipped a considerable army to France. Transportation was not a hard task. The distance in either instance was quite as far as from Hamburg, Germany, to the eastern coast of the United States.

There is a certain class of the people in the United States who think that the United States can never be in danger of invasion because of the distance we are from Europe. Of this class William Jennings Bryan is a shining exponent. This same class also state that the coast defenses of the country would protect us in case landing of troops were attempted. There are upwards of 100 points on the Atlantic coast of the United States where troops might be landed that are absolutely unprotected in any manner.

There may be no occasion for preparedness. It may be a mistaken policy. Such are not the case, however, because troops cannot be transported to and landed on the mainland of the country. The United States is not invulnerable.

ROOSEVELT CANNOT BE ELECTED.

There are people who believe that the country has been brought to such a state by the Wilson administration that it is the first and only duty of the people of the country to bring about a change. These people argue and believe that any change will be a benefit, and that Col. Roosevelt would make the greatest change if elected president. Consequently it follows that Col. Roosevelt should be the nominee of the Republican party this year. Granting everything here set forth there is a very good and sufficient reason why Col. Roosevelt should not be nominated, viz.: he cannot be elected.

The primary elections held in half a dozen states from Massachusetts to Montana indicate beyond a doubt that Col. Roosevelt is not the choice of the Republicans of the country. In Massachusetts an uninstructed delegation was elected over a delegation pledged to Col. Roosevelt. In this state the issue was clear and well defined. The voters of Massachusetts settled, so far as they are concerned, the question: shall Col. Roosevelt be the nominee of the Republican party? They said give us anybody except Roosevelt. In Wisconsin, Michigan, Nebraska, New Jersey and Montana the voters have spoken and in not a single instance has their voice been for Col. Roosevelt. As a matter of fact there is no demand for Col. Roosevelt

anywhere in the country. Whatever showing he has made has been owing to the fact that there has been no prominent man in the fight against him.

The unprejudiced polls that have been taken by the Nation, the Literary Digest, the Boston Transcript and others, show that Mr. Charles E. Hughes is the choice of the Republicans. If Mr. Hughes is not the nominee of the party it will be because the people have not been consulted.

The attempt to nominate a man the Republicans do not want over a man they do want will probably fail. In case the nomination is made the result will be overwhelming defeat at the general election. There are just two men who cannot win and they are Col. Roosevelt and ex-President Taft. Any Republican of presidential size, were he standpat or Bull Moose in 1912, can be elected save these two. The Republicans and former Progressives may better know this now than after the general election.

PROPOSED SAWTOOTH NATIONAL PARK.

Mention was made in these columns last week of a proposed national park to be known as the Sawtooth National Park. The area to be made into a park is within the Boise, Challis and Sawtooth forest reserves. It consists of 330,000 acres of land. It is a natural playground; the scenic beauties are unsurpassed by any of the parks now in existence.

We thought last week, and incidentally stated, that the proper thing to do would be to make this a state park. In view of the fact that the park is already under the supervision and control of the federal government this is impractical. The only step that can be taken is to convert this tract of land into a national park.

The people of Hailey, under the leadership of Mr. E. P. Armstrong, have undertaken the creation of this national park. They ask the help and support of the people of the state. The Idaho delegation in Congress have visited the proposed park and are heartily in favor of the movement. The next step is to show that the public sentiment of the people of Idaho is in favor of the park. This can be shown

NO HYPHENISM HERE.

In contradistinction of the utterances of some newspapers printed in tongues other than American is the following paragraph from an editorial in the Croatian Flag of Chicago:

"We Americans of Croatian descent feel the desire and the duty to declare solemnly that in the hour of trial which President Wilson declared may arrive at any moment all of us will flock at his call around him and the American flag, ready to prove that this adopted country of our free choice is foremost and all in our thoughts."

It is refreshing to hear this note struck by those who came to our shores as aliens and remained to become loyal and devoted citizens. The Croatians appreciate what they have found in America. The editorial continues:

"We came to this country because we knew that we were going to find on these shores a haven and a safe refuge from political persecution, as well as plenty of opportunity to develop as useful citizens of one of the mightiest nations in the world. We Croatian-born citizens and residents of the United States are truly proud of our allegiance to the Stars and Stripes, and most of us dropped our hyphen from the moment we received our first naturalization papers. But our hearts naturally are full of tender thoughts and best wishes for the welfare of our people in Europe, upon whom we wish to bestow all the blessings of freedom and liberty we ourselves enjoy in America."

That is true Americanism. We congratulate our Croatian contemporary upon its patriotism and its intelligent understanding of what citizenship beneath the folds of Old Glory means.

Any Gentleman Can

Any gentleman can swear, get drunk, tell stories that would lower him in the estimation of his mother and wife, and go where he would be ashamed to be seen by the boy he loves—but he won't, says the Chicago Herald.

Any gentleman can drive a sharp bargain; he can take advantage of the other man's necessities; he can drive him into a corner; he can rub his hands gleefully and say to himself as he sees him writhe, "Business is business"—but he won't.

Any gentleman can kick a dog, abuse a horse, misuse a child, laugh at another man's mistakes and devilishly gloat over another man's failures—but he won't.

Any gentleman can grow cynical, sour and pessimistic; he can feel that everybody is against him and he against the world; he can scoff at all good things, ridicule religion and damn your judgment—but he won't.

Any gentleman can say harsh, sarcastic and cruel things; he can crush flowers and fertilize weeds; he can stab you with words—but he won't.

Any gentleman can make this old world this 'topsy-turvy, this greatly misunderstood world, a far better place because he chanced to pass along this way—and he will.

What Tender Solitude!

(Cambridge News)
What tender solitude some of these progressives are now manifesting for the judicial ermine. Four years ago the robes of the supreme judges were dragged by them into the mire, and their owners held up to public scorn as representatives of the plutocratic class, insensible to public opinion and needing to be curbed by the strong arm of the people.

Senator Works, an ardent progressive in the campaign four years ago, expressed the most alarming concern lest partisan politics should "invade the most sacred precincts of our national government an tempt an American citizen to surrender his place on the bench and become a candidate for political office." What an awful violation of the holy of holies to offer a presidential nomination to one of its officers! It's enough to make the angels weep.

The leaders of all political parties in this state, and we suppose of every other state as well, are strong for the primary law, if we take their outward manifestations for granted. "Let the people make their own selection of candidates" is the cry of every party leader and then they sneak around and try to so frame things that the people will choose the men who are satisfactory to themselves.—Mountain Home Republican.

by newspaper comment and letters to the Idaho members of Congress. The Tribune urges its readers to investigate the claims of the proposed national park. If the arguments set forth by the people of Hailey are sound, and they will be found to be sound in every particular, the reader should write an Idaho member of Congress urging the creation of the park.

As the proposed Sawtooth National Park is already in forest reserves it may be interesting to readers to know the difference between the administrative policy of the national park commission and of the forestry service. In the first place the national parks are under the control of the Secretary of the Interior. The national forests are under the control of the Secretary of Agriculture. Mr. Stewart Edward White recently wrote the following in urging the creation of a national park service which clearly sets forth the distinctions between a national park and a national forest:

"If the public in general understood the difference between a national park and a national forest, there could be no doubt as to the opinion of any intelligent citizen. The distinction is so simple that it seems that it should be easy to get it within the comprehension of anybody. A national forest is a going business carried on by the government for the sale of timber and timber products as far as it can be done without detriment to the property. A national park is an open air museum set apart by Congress either to preserve from commercial development beautiful scenery, trees, natural monuments, or some of the forests that are being cut commercially both in private and national forests. The idea is not commercial development along even conservative and constructive lines, but absolute preservation in a state of nature. Once this distinction is grasped, no one can doubt that these two institutions demand entirely different management. It would be as sensible to put men with the same training in charge of both national park and national forest, as it would be to place the same men with the same training in charge of a busy shoe factory and a museum of archaeology."

guardian angel for lo these many years.—Moscow Post.

The "big guns" have sent us a copy of the New York Tribune with a blue pencil mark around the editorial endorsing Col. Roosevelt for the republican nomination. No, thank you, we can't fall in line. We want a true republican for the republican ticket and then we are sure to have a republican president next March.—Caldesac Enterprise.

Several months ago President Wilson admitted that he is not a business man, and he has proved it by his administration. In his Jefferson Day speech, he said: "We have turned the thoughts and energies and the conquering genius of the business men of America to the great field of the business of the world at large." That comes from the same man who said that "it is very tedious to hear men lie, particularly when you know they are lying." The fact of the matter is that Democratic legislation destroyed American business to such an extent that European and Asiatic business men became the "conquering genius" in the American market. The outbreak of the war in Europe was all that saved us from complete disaster. It is true that the thoughts of American business men are at the moment turned to the field of the world at large, but that is due entirely to the effect of the war. And Wilson knows it, but is intellectually dishonest enough to say, "We did it."

When You've Ceased To Need It

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