

BY PRESIDENT WILSON

It seems to me that the peculiarity of patriotism in America is that it is not a mere sentiment. It is an active principle of conduct. It is something that was born into the world, not to please it, but to regenerate it. It is something that was born into the world to replace systems that had succeeded it and to bring men out upon a new plane of privilege. (From "Wisdom and Wisdom of Woodrow Wilson," copyright, 1914, by Doubleday, Page & Co.)

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## 27 PERISH IN HOSPITAL FIRE

### ERICKSON FILES PETITION FOR NON-PARTISAN ELECTIONS

#### He Wants 100,000 Signers

There has never been a time when the voter has realized the foolishness and the danger of blind partisanship as he does today. So declared Councilman Oliver T. Erickson this morning before leaving for Olympia to file an initiative petition to abolish partisan elections, from governor down. Erickson, immediately upon his return, will organize volunteer workers throughout the state to circulate the petitions for nonpartisanship on election day. "We expect to get 100,000 signatures to this measure," Erickson said. "The day has come to throw off the shackles of political slavery—and Washington will be the first state in the Union to lead the progressive march." It will only require 32,000 signatures in the state to initiate the measure. It will then be presented to the legislature which, under the law, must either accept it or refer it to the people. The measure to be filed today by Erickson is simple and concise. It involves no other issue except that of abolishing the party label in state, county and city elections. It does not interfere with partisanship in presidential and congressional elections.

#### CHARGE GAME WARDEN WITH BALLOT FRAUD

County Game Warden Rief was arrested Thursday morning on a charge of falsifying the primary vote for sheriff in the Snoqualmie precinct. Rief had already filed a \$1,000 bond with the county clerk, having been aware of his pending arrest over night. In his statement to Deputy Prosecutor Hessel he denied the charges. He admitted he had done his share of the counting, but was at a loss to understand the mistake. Ben E. Berry, 216 Cedar st., and Mat Davenport, 2608 Third ave., were arrested by Deputies Matt Starwich and John Boyd on warrants charging them with unlawfully attempting to influence voters to vote for J. D. Brennan at precinct committee, in Precinct No. 146. T. M. Askren, their attorney, prepared bonds for \$500. In case of conviction, Rief faces a penitentiary sentence of from six months to 10 years, or a fine of \$1,000, or both, while the other men may be fined \$250, or sentenced to six months in the county jail.

#### "Zummie" Loses Bride as Dancer Sues for \$25,000

By Leon Starmont  
DETROIT, Mich., Oct. 26.  
"THE ETERNAL POLYGON"

Such might be the title of this real life movie in sixteen acts and then some, involving millionaires, society buds, cabaret dancers, university elopers, etc., etc., and having "the eternal triangle" backed off the boards, which has just been enacted in Michigan, Illinois and Indiana, with the following

**PEOPLE IN THE PLAY:**  
Helene Wohlford, dancer of the "Spring Song" ..... Herself  
Ruth Day McLean, society favorite ..... Herself  
Arnold Zumstein, millionaire real estate man ..... Himself  
Joseph Fee, Miss McLean's first husband ..... Himself  
James B. Cowan, Miss Wohlford's first and only husband ..... Himself  
Dr. Angus McLean, world-famous physician, Ruth's father ..... Himself  
Police-men, detectives, ministers of the gospel, chauffeurs, cabaret habitués, university students, flowers of the Four Hundred, attorneys, telegraph operators, and, of course, newspaper reporters ..... Themselves  
(Just a moment, please, while we change the reel. Thanks.)

REEL 1—Miss Wohlford, a favorite dancer of the Chicago cabarets, marries James B. Cowan, and remains on the cabaret platform. Place, Chicago.

REEL 2—Miss McLean, student at the University of Michigan, weds Joseph Fee, and goes back to school. Place, Ann Arbor.

REEL 3—Dr. McLean sends his son-in-law on his way and institutes annulment proceedings on Ruth's behalf. Place, Detroit.

REEL 4—Helene telephones to her husband that she has met a man she really loves. Same being Arnold Zumstein. Place, Detroit. Close-ups of Helene and Zumstein, hereafter "Zummie," in the Flamingo room of the Hotel Pontchartrain.

REEL 5—Cowan decides to let his wife have her freedom ("like the old dear he is," says Helene), and starts divorce action, naming "Zummie." Place, Chicago.

REEL 6—Helene and "Zummie" have a falling out and Helene starts West, while "Zummie" starts East. Place, Detroit. Close-up of Helene on the observation platform of the Wolverine Limited, heading it back to Chicago.

REEL 7—Miss McLean (she has resumed her maiden name) meets "Zummie" at a reception. Place, Detroit. Close-up of Ruth and "Zummie" automobiling around Belle Isle.

REEL 8—Helene and "Zummie" meet at Chicago amusement park; she tells him her divorce decree has been signed, and they part. Place, Chicago. Close-up of Helene dancing happily at Midway Gardens.

REEL 9—Ruth arrives to visit her school-days friend, Mrs. John Hoke Beasley, Jr., while they are visiting. "Zummie" drives up in his big automobile. Place, Terre Haute.

REEL 10—Ruth and "Zummie" are married. Place, Terre Haute. Close-up of the ring ceremony.

REEL 11—Ruth and "Zummie" are torn apart by a cruel policeman and taken to the office of the chief. Place, Terre Haute. Close-up of telegram reading:  
Doyle, Chief Police, Terre Haute:  
Hold Ruth McLean, who just married Arnold Zumstein, on technical charge bigamy; bride's first marriage not annulled. (Signed) Marquardt, Chief Police, Detroit.

REEL 12—Helene, gazing at "Zummie's" picture, opens packet of letters, when evening paper is delivered. She reads of "Zummie's" marriage and his bride's detention. Registers anger. Place, Chicago. Close-ups of letter signed with kittenish "Zummie" and headline in Chicago Day-Book.

REEL 13—Helene files suit for \$25,000 against "Zummie" for breach of promise. Registers "Vengeance is mine!" Place, Chicago. Close-up of a neat bunch of letters tied with a ribbon. The ribbon is pink, altho it doesn't show on the screen.

"Thirteen" is an unlucky number. But more reels are coming. As soon as Helene opens her letters in court there will be more fodder for the fillums, 'tis said. And then, too, Ruth's first marriage may yet be annulled.

#### BANDIT HILDEBRAND DIES OF WOUNDS

John Hildebrand, 36, convicted at the city hospital Thursday morning from wounds received when he battled with Motorcycle Officer M. S. Arbogast after a hold-up the night of September 5. The bullet from Arbogast's pistol lodged in Hildebrand's spine and paralyzed him. For weeks he has been near death. He spent more years behind prison bars than he did at liberty, and was serving a life sentence for murder when paroled last spring. His body will be sent to his aged mother in Tacoma.

#### CROWN PRINCE IS HOLDING FT. VAUX

BERLIN, via Wireless to Sayville, Oct. 26.—The crown prince's troops have repulsed violent French attacks against Fort Vaux, northeast of Verdun, said an official statement today, admitting the loss of Fort Douaumont and the village of Douaumont. LONDON, Oct. 26.—The British mine sweeper Genista was torpedoed by an enemy submarine Monday, and all her officers and 73 men of her crew lost, the admiralty announced this afternoon. Twelve men were saved.

#### Women Who Fight for Millionaire's Love



#### WOMAN TELLS WHY SHE SHOT HUSBAND

BY CARL D. GROOT  
U. P. Staff Correspondent  
NEWARK, N. J., Oct. 26.—Blushing deeply and with eyes downcast to escape the stares of a curious courtroom crowd, Mrs. Margaret Beutinger told today in dramatic fashion why she shot and killed her husband, Christopher Beutinger, a wealthy coal broker, after he had forced his way into her bedroom. "He was a most brutal man when amorous," she testified. "From the time I married him until the night I shot him he continually made demands upon me that were impossible for me to fulfill. "When I refused he would threaten to kill me." The jurors cast sympathetic glances at the pretty little woman in the witness box as she continued her story. Frequently Mrs. Beutinger paused in her recital to send a reassuring smile to her five little children, grouped about her sister, Mrs. Herron, a few feet from the witness chair. Prompted by Attorney McCarter, the woman on trial for her life gave the jury a story of a married life full of horror from the time when she left her home on the Island of Janjica to marry Beutinger, then a quartermaster's clerk in the war department at Washington.

#### BLAST BRIDGE TO HALT DRIVE

BY ED L. KEEN  
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LONDON, Oct. 26.—The victorious sweep of Mackensen's armies in Dobruja has been checked, at least temporarily, official dispatches from Berlin, Sofia, Petrograd and Bucharest indicated this afternoon. The Rumanians have blown up the 14-mile Danube bridge at Cernavoda, the greatest bridge in Europe, thus blocking an immediate invasion of Old Rumania. The German war office, announcing this fact this afternoon, declared it evidenced Rumania's fear of a German sweep toward Bucharest.

#### OHIO THROGS GREET WILSON

CHILLICOTHE, O., Oct. 26.—Several thousand people greeted President Wilson at 8:15 a. m., including 700 shopmen given liberty in order to see the president. There also were many railroad men in the crowd that gave the president a big demonstration. "I had a lot of fun thru here when I was a youngster," the president said. The crowd laughed, and many called out: "Better stop off and look us over again." "With you in the country will remain at peace," one woman shouted. "I certainly hope so," he replied.

#### CHAS. "EVASION" HUGHES SILENT ON ALASKA AND BREMERTON

the Guggenheim influence on Alaskan policies. John E. Ballaine, who made his race for congress on the Alaskan issue, met Hughes in Spokane, rode with him to Seattle, talked Alaska with him, tried to impress upon him its importance to the Northwest. What did Hughes say? Nothing. Seattle wanted to hear from Hughes on the Bremerton navy yard program. It wanted to hear that he was a believer in government construction. Seattle knew very well that the standpat gang behind Hughes was the element which fought the Bremerton project, knew that Senator Weeks, of Massachusetts, who led the fight against it in the senate, was mentioned for secretary of the navy under Hughes, knew that the shipbuilding trust was against government construction. And Seattle and the Northwest wanted to hear from Hughes' lips that he was free of that baneful influence, free to fight for the government projects. What did Hughes say? Nothing. And he still says nothing. Government ownership and operation in Alaska and in our navy yards are fundamental propositions. Hughes is either for the great principles of government ownership or he is opposed to them. We have a right to hear his own words from his own lips. But it's Charles Evasion Hughes again. The state chairman says the national chairman says Hughes authorized him to say that— Oh, fiddlesticks!

#### 20 MORE HURT THRU JUMPING; 318 IN BLAZE

FARNHAM, Quebec, Oct. 26.—At 1 p. m. today it was reported that at least 27 lives had been lost in the fire which destroyed the Roman Catholic hospital at St. Elizabeth hall and stables during the night. Twenty persons were injured in jumping from the upper stories, about a dozen of them children. The fact that survivors are scattered in homes all over the town makes the work of compiling a list of the missing difficult. When the fire broke out there were 318 persons in the building, the majority of whom were children. They were saved by heroic work on the part of the firemen and citizens. Yesterday morning firemen were called to the same institution when a fire broke out in the basement. It is now thought this must have broken out again last evening with such disastrous results. The loss is estimated at \$250,000 with about \$20,000 insurance. The children who were injured flung themselves from the third-story windows to the pavement below when it was found no stairway was available for their descent. Nearly all inmates of the building were asleep on the third floor.

#### SPECIAL INTERESTS BUY G. O. P. SUPPORT FOR REFERENDUMS

Republican candidates, with few exceptions, are practically in revolt against State Chairman Fred C. Harper and the state central committee because they have injected the referendum issue into the campaign. "We have been sold out," declared one candidate. "We have been made the goats in a deal by the state committee with certain representatives of special interests, who will gain privately from the passage of these laws." While the state republican convention last May endorsed the referendum measures, the state progressive convention opposed them all in drastic terms. Upon the reorganization of the state committee on a reunited basis of both republican and progressive representation, it was agreed to let each candidate express his own views on the referendum questions. "Moosers 'Sold Out'" Now the political pot is seething with the indignation of the progressive candidates, who claim to have been "sold out." It is charged that Chairman Harper agreed, in return for contributions from certain sources, to ignore the progressive state platform and to make the state and county candidates swallow the referendum measures. These contributions have come, it is alleged, from sources which would directly profit by the passage of some of these laws. Harper thereupon got the state central committee to pass resolutions in favor of the referendum measures, and the county committee followed with similar action. Poindexter Alone Fights 'Em However, the candidates refuse to accept the dictates of either committee. United States Senator Poindexter has issued a statement in which he severely criticises the referendum measures. He alone of

#### G. O. P. JOINS IN GREETING PRES. WILSON

BY ROBERT J. BENDER  
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CINCINNATI, O., Oct. 26.—To emphasize the necessity for all people in this country to unite in their allegiance to America, the nation of nations, President Wilson came to Cincinnati today. He arrived at 11:30 and received a tremendous reception. Hamilton county, whose German population is such that no election was ever won by her without the support of the German vote, put party lines and personal feelings aside to tender the executive one of the greatest demonstrations he has received. Germans were on all the committee. Their presence was marked in the crowds and there was every evidence of their intention to give Wilson a clear impression that his was to be a fair hearing in a community reported hostile to him. The president made his way thru crowded streets to a hotel for a brief rest previous to starting out on a busy day. He was welcomed officially to the city by Mayor George F. Puchta, republican. Wm. B. Meislich, republican leader, president of the Chamber of Commerce, and Judge Howard Hollister, life-long republican, joined in the ceremony of welcome. NIGHT STUDENTS learning citizenship in Broadway E. S. school will hear a lecture by Acting Manager Chad, of Frick & Nelson, Thursday night.

#### Romance

during the days of Louis XV, in France was woven into the daily lives of red-blooded men—and wonderful women.

#### Randall Parrish

has artfully depicted the glory of those days. His latest novel, "Shea of the Irish Brigade," is one of his best. Read it in The Star. It's the next novel-a-week, beginning Monday.