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With the election of Wilson there is liable to be a disposition on the part of the "outs" to make it in every way as uncomfortable for the administration as possible. But that is not as it should be. We do not agree with the Wilson policies, but are willing that the administration which will come in power the 4th of next March should have a fair field and no handicaps, in the legislation they are pledged to bring about. At the outset there will be many who will predict panics and dire-disaster, and should we all become embodied with that same spirit there is little doubt but that a panic and a repetition of the most oppressing year of hard times that the country has ever experienced would follow, but if on the other hand everyone can have faith in the men at the head of the government's affairs, and talk good times and prosperity, and not expect the impossible nor criticize the administration because they fail to accomplish that which is a physical impossibility, it will be a great help in maintaining confidence in the government as well as business of all kinds. While there has been much talk of various new laws that will practically change the whole business system of the country, there will be very little changes. The democrats know what is good political argument, but will also know what is safe legislation and there will be plenty of time to arrange for a panic after free trade becomes a certainty. Mr. Wilson is a very conservative man, and will hold the party in check from making any move that might mean the upsetting of the commercial interests of the country and since he has been elected and we are to live under a democratic administration, let us all fall in line and continue to boost for prosperity. Talk it. Live it, and believe it will continue.

On the face of the returns it now looks as though the democrats had elected the president, in which case the public will watch with interest the attempted fulfillment of their promises to reduce the high cost of living and at the same time maintain the high price obtained by the producer and the high wages received by the working men in all sections of the country. Wilson will ascend to the presidential chair at the extreme heights of a wave of prosperity and if he can carry out the democratic policies and live up to the requirements of the party platform without bringing about a decided depression in economic conditions he will have accomplished that which seems impossible to the ordinary man. Wilson is a southern aristocrat who has inherited a disposition that has no fellow feeling for a laboring man and it remains to be seen just what position he will take regarding legislation calculated to benefit the masses, but from his past life as well as his writings, one is justified in the belief that his sympathies at least will be entirely on the side of the moneyed interests rather than with the masses.

One cannot help but believe that the epidemic of crime that is sweeping the state at this time is in a large measure the result of making our state penitentiary such a home-like and inviting place. The average criminal will take much longer chances on being caught when he is aware that the sentence at the worst will be an attempt to reform him, than when he knows if caught that he will be deprived of his liberty and compelled to work in silence and undergo a real punishment in other ways. Prison reform and pardons may be all right if properly handled and used in moderation, but since our state has become notorious as a paradise for convicts crime has been on the increase, and will be, we apprehend, until the power of the pardoning board is curtailed and strict discipline maintained in the penitentiary.

The price of land in the state is gradually but surely advancing. From Foster, Eddy, Wells, Stutsman and other counties stories are being published of the sale of land at prices ranging above \$50 per acre. This we take as an indication that notwithstanding a couple of light years, investors consider North Dakota lands a safe and sure investment.

And now that election is over if all the politicians in this city will give the same amount of energy to boosting for the Industrial Show that will be held here the first week in December that they have given to shouting the virtues of the various candidates the show will be the biggest thing of the kind ever pulled off in the state and will be more profitable than any sort of an administration, that has been outlined, could ever be. The moral of this paragraph is, let us all talk of little else but the Institute and Industrial Show, the balance of this month.

The telegram from Mr. Hellstrom to Mr. Hanna fully settles the matter of the election of Mr. Hanna, and shows the spirit of a good loser on the part of Mr. Hellstrom. Taking into consideration the heavy vote polled by Wilson the majority given Hanna is truly remarkable, and goes to show several things that in future will be considered in campaigns, the most important is that personal abuse can easily be overdone. Hanna has fully 5,000 plurality which is a magnificent tribute when all the conditions are considered.

As was predicted in these columns before election Mr. Young was high man in his district, carrying every county and getting a vote of better than three to one over his opponent.

**SOLID SOUTH FOR WILSON**

Governor Receives Large Majority in Every State.

Memphis, Tenn., Nov. 7.—Governor Wilson carried the "Solid South" by the usual majorities, as indicated on the face of returns. His majorities approximately were as follows: Texas 150,000, Arkansas 60,000, Georgia 35,000, Florida 95,000, Kentucky 100,000 (plurality over Taft), Alabama 70,000, South Carolina 50,000, North Carolina 60,000, Mississippi 100,000, Louisiana 60,000, Virginia 70,000.

The vote in Florida was light, very little interest having been displayed in the contest in comparison with four years ago. In Texas Roosevelt and Taft together received a total of approximately 50,000 votes. The Socialist vote in Texas was between 5,000 and 10,000.

Missouri, the "mysterious stranger" in the Republican ranks for eight years, is back in the Democratic line with a plurality for the Wilson electoral ticket which is estimated to aggregate 100,000. Of the sixteen Missouri congressmen to be elected only two Republicans were returned on the face of available returns. They were Richard Bartholdt in the Tenth and L. C. Dyer in the Twelfth district.

Taft Carries Idaho. Boise, Ida., Nov. 7.—Returns show that President Taft carried the state by 8,000, and that the Republican state and congressional tickets were elected by substantial majorities. The Republicans also gained control of the legislature, which insures the election of two Republican United States senators.

**WILLIAM GUGGENHEIM.**

Says Extravagance is Cause of High Cost of Living.



**DEMOCRATS HAVE BIG LEAD**

Gain More Seats in Lower Branch of Congress.

Chicago, Nov. 7.—Democrats, 267; Republicans, 99; Progressives, 6. Districts unreported, 63. Total membership, 435.

The foregoing shows the standing of the house of representatives in the Sixty-third (new) congress. The total of 267 gave the Democrats forty-nine more than the 218 necessary for a majority and thirty-seven more than the Democratic membership in the Sixty-second congress.

**WOODROW WILSON.**

Wins Three Cornered Fight for Head of the Nation.



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**WILSON ENJOYS LONG SLEEP**

President Elect Not Excited Over the Result.

Princeton, N. J., Nov. 7.—That Rooseveltian strenuousness and peculiarity are taboo with the twenty-eighth president of the United States was made quite evident at the Woodrow Wilson bungalow.

While admirers of the president elect were celebrating far into the morning and while the members of his family, early astir, were fluttering about the house in undisguised ecstasy, the newly chosen chief executive was peacefully "pounding his ear."

Even the wild ravings of 2,000 college students, who continued well on to noon, were not sufficient to break the slumbers of the president elect. He was the last member of his family to appear for breakfast.

**WILSON HAS LARGE PLURALITY IN OHIO**

Carries President's Home State by Big Margin.

Cincinnati, Nov. 7.—Wilson swept Ohio by a plurality roughly estimated at 150,000 over President Taft.

James M. Cox was elected governor by a plurality as large if not larger than Wilson and the entire Democratic state ticket went through with him, although with lower pluralities.

Returns indicated that General R. B. Brown, Republican nominee for governor, would be second and Arthur L. Garford, bull moose nominee, third. The Democratic landslide, it is believed, gave two and possibly three congressmen to the Democrats, who already had sixteen.

It appears that Wilson polled fully as many votes as Bryan did four years ago, when Bryan had 502,000. Not only was Wilson strong in the rural districts, but he ran especially well in the industrial centers, where it was expected the Socialists and Roosevelt would cut into the normal Democratic strength.

**CLEAN SWEEP IN NEW YORK**

Democrats Elect State Ticket and May Control Legislature.

New York, Nov. 7.—New York state went Democratic in practically every branch of its government. Congressman William Sulzer was elected governor by a plurality estimated at 150,000 over his nearest opponent, Job E. Hedges, Republican. The legislature will be Democratic in both branches, according to indications.

Congressman Sulzer received a plurality of the popular vote cast not only in the Democratic strongholds of New York city, but also in the up-state districts.

**WASHINGTON FOR ROOSEVELT**

Two Progressive Congressmen Also Win Out in That State.

Seattle, Wash., Nov. 7.—Roosevelt has carried Washington by probably 20,000 plurality over Wilson.

Roosevelt has carried with him to victory the two Progressive candidates for congressmen at large, J. A. Falconer and J. W. Bryan.

**West Virginia Democratic.**

Wheeling, W. Va., Nov. 7.—Although returns are far from complete Wilson's plurality is estimated at 3,000, with Taft and Roosevelt separated by only a few hundred votes. Hatfield, Republican, for governor, appears to have been elected over Thompson, Democrat, by about 15,000. Indications are that the Republicans will control the next state senate.

**Indiana's Verdict Sweeping.**

Indianapolis, Nov. 7.—Returns from 1,976 of the 3,172 precincts in Indiana for president gave Wilson 189,011, Taft 99,321, Roosevelt 109,085. This gives Wilson a plurality of 79,926 over Roosevelt in what is practically two-thirds of the state.

**WHAT A CRACK DID**

By SADIE OLCOTT

Bernard Ellsworth, the only son of wealthy parents, and Susie Pixley were playmates. When they grew up Bernard went to another field for awhile and during his absence corresponded with Susie. Whether or no it was absence, he discovered that he wanted her. Her parents were in rather strained circumstances at the time, and this caused the young man to think that the question between him and Susie was, should he, who would inherit wealth, marry a girl who had not even prospects? He wanted her badly enough to make the pecuniary sacrifice, but considered that Susie, under the circumstances, should feel highly flattered.

Before his return he wrote her a long letter which he considered contained a lot of good sense, ending with a proposition of marriage. When the letter was delivered Susie was out. The postman handed it to a maid, who left it on a mantel with a crack in it, and—perhaps it was the modesty natural to a love letter—it slipped down into the crack out of sight. When Susie came in the maid told her that a letter had come for her, and she was going to get it when fate stepped in to play one of those tricks so common in the affairs of man and woman kind. There came a ring at the telephone, followed by a summons for Susie. The summons kept her away all night, and the next day her little brother was taken very ill, so that the matter slipped her mind.

When Bernard returned he did not go to see her, and when she learned that he had been at home a week without calling she was surprised. It did not seem that there was anything to do in the matter. She was unconscious of having done anything to offend him and, being sensitive, fancied that he might have met his fate while away and thought it best to break off all intimacies with other girls. Perhaps she would meet him and the matter would be explained.

But that fate which had started the misunderstanding kept it up. A number of times Bernard and Susie were within a hundred feet of each other without coming in contact. Once she saw him crossing a street, but since he was not facing her he did not see her, or if he did, pretended he didn't. They were under the same roof at social gatherings twice, but the little imp that fate set to keeping them apart contrived that they should not be in the same room at the same moment.

Then one morning Susie took up a newspaper to see under large headlines a notice of the failure of the Ellsworth company, incorporated, of which Bernard's father was president and owner of the majority of the stock.

The day after this announcement Bernard, who was sunk in despondency consequent upon the family misfortune, received a letter from his old friend Susie offering him her sympathy. One would suppose such a letter coming at such a time would be received in the spirit with which it was sent. But Bernard considered himself to have been badly treated—snubbed, in fact—at receiving no reply to his letter offering himself, and the epistle he now received seemed to be adding insult to injury. He tossed it in a wastebasket without reply.

Then fate, still bent on playing its little game, brought about another element to complicate matters. Susie and her father, who had long been keeping his family in strained circumstances by trying to market inventions, succeeded in getting capital for the production of an electrical machine which made every one even remotely connected with it rich. Mr. Pixley had secured a nice block of the stock in payment for organizing the company, and it became a fortune.

But one thing prevented Susie from being happy in her family's altered fortune. She would have liked to make her old friend Bernard happy in some pecuniary way that was rather vague in her inexperienced mind.

Then fate, having got the matter into as bad a snarl as possible and having turned things completely upside down, instructed its imp to undo everything that had been done. The house the Pixleys lived in was very much run down and it was decided to make the necessary repairs and improvements. One morning when mechanics were tearing everything to pieces a workman who had just pulled down a mantel handed Susie a letter. She recognized Bernard Ellsworth's handwriting and at once opened it. Since it was a long epistle she took it to a portion of the house that had not yet been disturbed and read it.

What a mess had been made by a bit of a crack behind a mantel! And why should it have required a tearing up of the house to straighten the matter out? Why hadn't Bernard told her what he had done and what she had not done? But, on the other hand, why had she not made inquiries of him as to what was the trouble? Then a flush of pleasure came to her at remembering that when that letter was written Bernard was rich and she was poor, while now the conditions were reversed.

The next morning young Ellsworth received a reply to an offer of marriage made a long while before, explaining the delay and accepting the proposition. There was nothing for him to do but abide by his offer, which he was very much pleased to do.

Then fate went off to attend to other odd schemes.

**Daddy's Bedtime Story**

Brownie Wasp Gets Into the Wrong Bed



Mother and Brother Ran In.

THE house was full of ladybugs and flies. Dinah had made a grand raid on them and was surprised to find just as many more in her kitchen the next day.

Even Jack and Evelyn had wondered about it. "It's because they know winter is coming," said daddy. "The poor things are hurrying in to get out of the frost and find a warm corner to nap in during the winter."

"There was little Brownie Wasp, a handsome young creature. He crawled through the crack between the sash and the screen and got into Mary's room."

"Mary had a nice room. There were plenty of cozy corners into which the wasp could crawl when he got ready, but it was so pleasant and warm that he thought he would wait awhile."

"So little Brownie buzzed around on the window pane and skimmed over the ceiling in the sunshine all afternoon."

"When it grew twilight Brownie felt a trifle lonesome. He had never slept in a house before. He was used to trees and bushes and even the roofs of barns, but this was different. When he crawled over the lace curtains his legs sank into the holes or got lost in the folds, and he had to buss his way out again. The ceiling was so hard and smooth that he could scarcely cling to it."

"When he went into the closet where Mary's dresses hung he found them almost as bad as the curtain."

"Of course if Mary had come into her room she might have noticed the wasp. She was visiting her grandma, and when she got home she went up to her room to take off her hat."

"She climbed the stairs, swinging her hat in her hand, and opened the door."

"It was quite dark inside, and usually Mary did not like to stay in the dark, but grandma had told her she must always be a brave little girl. Mary was going to begin by doing without a light in her room."

"Mary threw down the hat on the bed. As she lifted her hand she felt a sharp stab run through the palm."

"She screamed, and her mother and big brother came running to see what was the matter. They lighted the gas."

"Brownie Wasp was soaring angrily about the room. He had been napping in the middle of Mary's bed, and when she threw the hat down it had hit him hard. So Brownie had stung the hand that threw the hat."

"Mary's brother put Brownie out into the cold, dark night, and he had to go flying off as best he could in search of another warm place to stay."

**The Westerner's Ideal.**

The westerner's willingness to give up home, neighbors and old associations for the sake of a "claim" on the prairie is not so odd. His stern preoccupation with "getting ahead" is a part of his inherited passion for personal independence. I have seen a gray hue steal over the face of the settler when speaking of some one who had "lost his farm" and "had to go out by the day." For the wage earner's lot the true born westerner feels a dread quite incomprehensible to cities and to old communities. If he ruthlessly sacrifices comforts and culture, it is that he may win a footing of his own and so call no man master. Once he has cleared off the mortgage, improved his place and gained a soothing sense of financial security, he will provide books, piano, music lessons, travel and college education for his children, even if in the meantime his own capacity to enjoy has been atrophied.—Professor Edward Aisworth Ross in Century.

**Women and the Violin.**

"A distinguished violinist of this city," writes Philip Hale in the Boston Herald, "was talking recently about women who fiddled and now fiddle. He complained that nearly all of them classed as great erred in this—they tried to play like a man; they wished it said of them that they had a virile tone. He did not except Lady Halle, Maud Powell or Miss Parlow. "The only great woman violinist I remember was Teresina Tua, and her greatness consisted in the fact that she always played like a woman. She was womanly and fascinating." Saint-Saens once said apropos of Augusta Holmes that when a woman wrote for the orchestra she was noisier than any man because she wished to show that she was not a poor, weak thing on account of her sex."

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