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THURSDAY EVENING, JAN. 22

PROTEST, NOT DESERTION
It is beginning to filter through the ambitious think-tanks of certain political marplots that the average voter is becoming wise to the plotting and scheming of that class of men who without regard to party have determined to prostitute for their own purposes the possibilities of the direct primary law.

Many good Republicans did not vote for Mr. Taft simply as a protest against methods of procedure in legislation and party management with which they were not in sympathy, knowing full well that in all probability the result of their action would be a Democratic administration of our national affairs.

Their protest has had its lessons, and the effect upon the Republican party is shown in the elimination of almost, if not all, of those things which were offensive to the sincere objector in the party. It is, therefore, not reasonable to suppose that, having punished or disciplined this party, he is going to continue to do so indefinitely simply to please the whim or advance the personal ambitions of disgruntled would-be leaders of other parties.

Of course, the Republican party is not perfect; nor is the Democratic or Washington, or any other; but the thinking voter must choose that party which to him seems best fitted to represent the principles for which he stands.

Republicans are now making a more careful study of the results of the last national election. And they are not going to continue the support of a party which, instead of revising the tariff, for instance, has cut down the protection tree. Nor are they greatly impressed with the policy of the party in power, which, denouncing Republicans for choosing those of the same political faith to fill the offices, has, with utter disregard of ordinary political decency, and without reason or excuse, appropriated all the offices in sight and violated every principle of civil service reform.

Not satisfied with bouncing Republicans right and left, regardless of their experience and efficiency, the Democratic Congress is now placing upon every possible bill a rider intended to further strip off efficient officials to make room for hungry Democrats.

Yet not a word of disapproval from those Democratic reformers and their newspaper organs who a few months ago were promising the people an enlargement of the civil service or merit system and pledging a more efficient administration of the national government.

Right here in Pennsylvania, A. Mitchell Palmer and the group associated with him have been reaching out in every direction, regardless of the civil service, to build up a huge political machine that will enable them to accomplish their own selfish ambitions without reference to the people whom they profess so much to be serving.

It is inconceivable that the large body of Republican voters prefer these conditions to the more conservative and righteous expression of the principles of their own party now intelligently responsive to the will of the people.

Texasans are complaining that grasshoppers are annoying them. As we throw another shovelful of coal on the fire we pause to reflect that Texasans must be hard to please.

WEST END CROSSINGS
THE need of additional means of crossing the tracks of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company in the West End of Harrisburg is emphasized by the movements simultaneously inaugurated by the West End Improvement Association and the people of Riverside for subways at Division and Lewis streets. The announcement of the railroad company that it will build a bridge at Lucknow is gratifying, as filling a long felt need, but nobody conversant with the situation will agree that only one safety crossing between Maclay street and Lucknow will be sufficient to meet the growing needs of the West End.

Harrisburg has spent thousands of dollars in the purchase and development of the wonderfully beautiful Wildwood Park. Wildwood to West End people is what the River Park is to those of the central part of town, the Herr street playgrounds to those of the lower end, and Reservoir Park to Allison Hill. But they are separated from their park by the right-of-way of the Pennsylvania Railroad. Either they must go to Ott's lane or to Maclay street to get into the park. If they do not care to run the risk of life and limb crossing the tracks of the railroad company at some point between, and even that is impossible save at one or two places.

Harrisburg owes much to the Pennsylvania Railroad Company and it should stand ready at all times to do what it can for the benefit of the great corporation upon the prosperity of which it so largely depends, but on the other hand the railroad company owes to the city hearty co-operation in everything that will tend to make this a desirable place of residence for its hundreds of employees and their families. Subways at Division and Lewis streets, or at one of the two, would be largely for the benefit of the big railroad population of the Tenth ward. There has been in the past little demand for subways or bridges above Maclay street, and it is but natural for those responsible for the management of the railroad company to refrain from making large expenditures for safety crossings that were apparently so little needed that they had not been sought by the public. But conditions are changed now. The city is growing. Uptown people are demanding means of crossing from one side of the railroad to the other above or below grade. It will be cheaper to provide such means now than when property values increase and make the consequential damages more than the nominal sum that they would now involve. Doubtless the railroad officials realize this and it may be expected that those interested will get together shortly on some reasonable plan.

CLARK AND BRYAN
SPEAKER CHAMP CLARK is not falling over himself in an effort to bring about harmony between himself and the Secretary of State, who is still regarded by the Speaker and his friends as the one individual who stood between Clark and the Presidency. In a public statement as to why he declined to attend a dinner at which Secretary Bryan was to be present, Speaker Clark indicated pretty clearly that even among distinguished Democrats at Washington there is a sentiment favorable to the cessation of attacks upon Bryan.

CIVIL SERVICE RAID
President Wilson has always been a consistent and persistent advocate of the merit system in the civil service.

This, from the esteemed Patriot, is rich reading in view of the bombardment of the civil service which has characterized the present Administration at Washington almost from the first day of its inauguration. One drive after another has been made against the principle of the civil service and contrary to its regulations. These instances are so frequent that only a purblind organ of the Administration would have the temerity to make a defense of its course in this matter.

Postmaster General Burleson has very properly taken a position against a rider on the post office appropriation bill, providing that assistant postmasters shall be taken out of the classified service, but this action will not excuse the wholesale raid that has been on for months against every principle of the civil service.

Now that the poles are being removed from the streets of Harrisburg, let the improvement go on until the last pole shall have disappeared. May we not hope that the Superintendent of Highways and Public Works will at once discover what corporation poles see to it that they all come down? There should be no discrimination in the passing of the poles. One corporation is the same as another when it comes to a public improvement of this character.

An unpopular poem in Harrisburg—"Curfew Shall Not Ring To-night."
THE "TUBS OF BLOOD"
It is not the Prohibitionists, the Anti-Saloon Leagues, the W. C. T. U.'s and the Local Temperance Leagues alone that are spreading the gospel of temperance throughout the length and breadth of the land. Liquor trade publications are prone to rant and rail at what they choose to term the "fanatics" who are advocating restrictions in the sale of intoxicants. But read this account of yesterday's "Gangster" murder in New York, as reported by the New York World:

Three women sat last night at a table in the rear room of a saloon at the northeast corner of the Bowery and Second street. At an adjoining table were five men. The room was heavy with smoke and glasses of beer stood on the tables. The place is known to the police as "The Tub of Blood."
The men talked in whispers. One of the men was addressed by the others as "Gyp." The police say he has been known as "Gyp the Blood" since the original "Gyp the Blood" was shot to the death house in Sing Sing for the murder of Rosenthal.
Also at the table drinking was Thomas Murphy, a machinist employed at No. 26 East Fourth street and living at No. 23 Stuyvesant street.
In the front of the saloon were J. J. Grilly, proprietor of the place, and his bartender, Joseph Mera.

These two men and the three women, according to statements made to the police, heard the man addressed as "Gyp" say to Murphy: "You squealed and sent him up the river."
The five men arose from the table and Murphy stretched out a friendly hand, but "Gyp" did not take it. Instead he drew a revolver and shot three times. Every bullet took effect in Murphy, who died instantly.
There is a temperance sermon for you!
"The Tubs of Blood" are the greatest temperance advocates in the country. Their voices are being raised more loudly in the land than that of the most eloquent Prohibition lecturer that ever addressed an audience. "The Tubs of Blood"—the legalized hell-holes where men and women congregate together for all the crimes that the calendar knows—these are the influences that are working for prohibition as never prohibitionists worked.

If those who are powerful in the councils of the liquor-selling interests are wise they will pay more attention to abolishing the "Tubs of Blood" than to making futile replies to the attacks of those who are bending their efforts toward the enactment of laws in restraint of the saloon.

EVENING CHAT

While traction companies in other cities have been making a great fuss about carrying policemen without requiring car fare when they are in uniform, the Harrisburg Railways Company is carrying out the policy of the Central Pennsylvania Traction Company in furnishing such free transportation on the broad ground of public policy. The Central inherited that plan from the Harrisburg Traction, which in turn got it from the East Harrisburg and the Citizens lines, which merged into the Traction, and the old City Passenger used to do the same. In fact, for years and years the furnishing of rides to policemen when in uniform was considered an entirely proper, and in fact advantageous, because it enabled them to get from part to part of the city on duty, and in the days when the city did not have a patrol wagon it was a big help as a day-to-day when there is a hurry call for policemen and the wagon or ambulance is busy elsewhere and there are automobiles in sight to commandeer. The traction company never extended the free ride privilege to firemen, except when they are going to a fire in another part of the city, and the same is true of policemen when they are taking them to help in an adjoining place. Perhaps when the city gets a paid fire department the traction company will do the same. No one believes that the Public Safety Commission is going to upset the rule of years, which is accepted all over the country, and certainly the Legislature has contemplated such enforcement of the act. Meanwhile the traction company may be technically violating the law, but no one appears to be looking down his nose because it is doing so.

Jet, the black cat in charge of the nice extermination force at the Gorgas drug store, is probably the oldest cat in the city. He is a big, fat, black, mercantile establishment. Jet being a lady is naturally adverse to giving data on age, but it is creditably reported that she has passed her fourteenth year. Jet is a house cat, seldom stirring as far as the front door and being fond of observing the passing throng from the safe vantage point of a high stool at a soda fountain. Jet is getting a little thin and taking first-hand views from the curb. Furthermore, she never goes out after dark and has not figured in any fights as far as police records go. Jet is getting a little thin and shows her age, but she is still on the job.

H. P. Gillette, who appeared here yesterday as expert in the valuation of the Bell telephone properties, is one of the best known experts in the country and has handled more big things than the average man dreams of. Mr. Gillette was connected with the Railroad Commission of Washington and knows more about water works and things like that on the Pacific coast than any other man here. His general knowledge of public utilities is very extensive and he is frequently a witness before the Interstate Commerce Commission and in big investigations. His testimony yesterday was heard with the closest attention by the commissioners, who went into detail with him on his methods of ascertaining figures.

"This town of yours is a hustler and the way you are fixing up your river front and improving things generally should be an inspiration to all cities of the State. I like to watch the city develop and I certainly like your way of treating your river front," remarked a high stool at a soda fountain of Pottsville, while here yesterday.

James Scarlet, the eminent attorney who is engaged here on some State cases, is a native of Pottsville, Pa. why he did not move to Harrisburg and be done with it. "The fishing is no good around here and I like to go to Danville and get a better one." "Well, why not run for Governor or something and get a real residence here?" was suggested. "That is a horse of another color and I'm a lawyer first," was the answer.

THE CITY PLANNING COMMISSION
By Wing Dinger.
Our live City Council is busy with hundreds of things, that's a fact. But the new City Planning Commission is something on which it should act.

Of course such a body should number the best men the town can afford. And who could be found better fitted than those who made up the Park Board?

They've given their time and their efforts for many a year to the cause that has helped everyone in the city. And they haven't sought fame or applause. But rather to stay in the background. They have in the past been content. And the pleasures they've brought to the public.

Let's have the new Planning Commission. Let's have the men we know are right. Let's all get together for progress, and work toward that end easy and light.

A-LITTLE-NONSENSE
"What is the secret of success?" asked the Fool.
"Ability to conceal your lack of ability," replied the Sage—Cincinnati Enquirer.

"Is she good to the children?" "Very. She lets them do everything their father doesn't want them to do."—Detroit Free Press.

DEMOCRAT BOSSES START TO HEDGE

Afraid to Call a Meeting of the State Committee for Chairman Election

MORRIS HOLDS TO PLACE

Division Chairmen Will Be Elected For Two Places Within a Short Time

Although bosses of the reorganization faction of the State Democracy are busy conning law books and working themselves into the belief that the primary act of 1913 did not apply to the Democratic party, matters are gradually working around to a point where a formal demand for a meeting of the Democratic State committee will be made for a change of rules. It is contended that the party machine has been running along without making its rules conform to the primary act as the Republican and Washington parties have done.

Part of the cry of the dominant gang in the Democratic State machine has been that it is against special privilege, but it is to be noted that the Democrats secured an exemption from the operation of the primary law last year. Now they are trying to make it appear that the law will not affect it this year, either. The reason for this presumption is that the bosses want to keep State Chairman Morris in his position if he does not give up of his own weight, as long as possible.

Some of the folks who do not believe in the bludgeon methods of the reorganization gangsters are insisting that the committee have a meeting in May after the election of State committeemen, as other parties will do. Division meetings are to be called by the Democratic State committee at Reading and Wilkes-Barre shortly. Herr Kempf, appointed an assistant United States attorney in Wilkes-Barre, has given notice of retirement as division chairman and it is presumed that Fritz Kierkendall, the new revenue collector, will do the same with his division chairmanship. These meetings will afford an opportunity for more resolutions expressing confidence in Wilson and Palmer. The division headed by John T. Matt, who downed Congressman Warren Worth Bailey in a fight for supremacy, had a meeting yesterday at Altoona and resulted in resolutions from headquarters in this city.

Senatorial gossip is commencing to be heard in various sections of the State and the chances are that there will be a number of booms developed. In Northumberland ex-Senator Joseph McCormack has given notice of a candidate to fill out the unexpired term of the late John T. Fisher, of Kierkendall, and there are several Democrats in the upper house in New York. James M. Clark will be a candidate in Powell's old district and W. H. Semmens is also a candidate for the upper house in the district in which he lives. Walter McNichols will be a candidate to succeed himself.

City Democrats are commencing to get restive over the possibility that Jesse J. Lybarger may be dragged out of the Patriot's Fort-gettery again and forced to get a Democratic ticket for member of the Legislature. Jesse has been a candidate as often as wanted and in the opinion of some Democrats more than wanted. Sentiment is in favor of the nomination of T. K. Van Dyke, who is a real Democrat, or some other man who is not trotted out only when the party needs a candidate. This applies to other cities, he says.

WELL-KNOWN PEOPLE
—C. C. Truax, prominent Pittsburgh merchant, is engineering a big plant in which Smoky (Coke) will manufacture their own commodities.

—W. D. Gerlach, of Hazleton, is one of the city's councilmen elect, but he cannot take his seat until he is relieved as postmaster. His successor has been designated, but not confirmed.

—George H. Lamb, head of the Carnegie library, is preparing for his silver anniversary, which was the first Carnegie library.

—Henry Loeb, a former Reading councilman, says people should give city's name a chance. This applies to other cities, he says.

—Judge C. A. Groman, of Altoona, says that people must answer questions in the new marriage license law and is prepared to enforce it.

PRESIDENT WILSON'S MESSAGE
To say that the President's recommendations are not radical would be intended to be radical. But they are the radicalism of sanity and justice.—New York World.

The President's suggestion of a trade commission is more obviously feasible.—New York Evening Post.

The President's attitude is sufficient to inspire business with the hope that at last it will be allowed to move forward with confidence.—Philadelphia Ledger.

Peace, freedom and prosperity in commerce and industry were the keynotes of President Wilson's fifth message.—Boston Globe.

George J. Gould, touching on two points in the message, said that he was "cheerful and encouraged." "I feel encouraged," he said. "Sentiment is more cheerful and I believe that business will be better." The situation depends largely upon Washington.

It is with the greatest pleasure and relief that the P. R. Y. M. C. A. put a team on the floor and began playing the Harrisburg and other fives the Hasset management would not consider a second team, which is what the Royal team became.

EDITORIALS OF THE CONTEMPORARIES
Too Durned Many Fives
[From The Philadelphia Inquirer.]
A fire destroyed \$50,000 worth of Swiss cheese recently in New York. Well, we can imagine that if it were a small start in Swiss cheese there would be sufficient draught to push it along Berlin.

NOTHING OVER 25c EVERYTHING UNDER
SPECIAL NO. 1
40-inch Crepe Voiles
40-inch unadorned crepe voiles in blue, black, lavender, green, red and tango, 45c value, 25c

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Special Offerings in Our January White Sale
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White Skirts, 10c and 25c
Ladies' Corsets, all sizes with garters attached, 25c
Ladies' Sanitary Suspenders—full line at low prices.
Children's Drawers, 12 1/2c, 15c, 18c and 25c
Children's Skirts, 12 1/2c, 15c and 25c
Children's Underbodies, 15c and 25c

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Offered in the Dry Goods Dept.
Figured White Serim, 10c
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New line of Curtain Nets with double border, all new designs, 10c and 12 1/2c
Hemstitched Curtain Nets, in new designs, 17c and 20c
Fish Nets in white, green and green, 10c, 12 1/2c and 15c
White Figured Madras, 15c and 25c
Plata and Figured Silkline, 10c and 12 1/2c

SPECIAL NO. 2
All-wool Storm Serge
40-inch all-wool storm serge, in black, navy, brown and green, extra special value, half yard, 19c

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Men's Silk Neckwear, special, 10c
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Men's Suspenders, 12 1/2c, 15c and 25c
Men's 4-ply Linen Collars, 10c
Men's Heavy Wool Hosiery, 12 1/2c
Men's Silk Hose, 25c
Men's Lisle Hose, 12 1/2c
Men's Extra Heavy Mixed Hose, 8c

Special in the NOTION DEPARTMENT
Dress Shields, 10c, 15c, 18c and 25c
Pina, pack, 10c, 5c and 10c
Hooks and Eyes, card.

Art Needlework News of Interest
SPECIAL SALE OF STAMPED GOODS
Stamped Pillow Cases, 50c value, 19c
Stamped White Lawn and Voile, 25c value, 15c
Stamped Baby Pillows, 25c value, 15c
Stamped Kimonos in Crepe, 50c value, 25c
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SPECIAL SALE OF YARNS
Lace Yarns, skein, 5c
Saxony Yarn, skein, 5c
4-fold Germantown, skein, 5c
5-fold Germantown, skein, 5c
Chinchilla 4 and 8-fold Germantown, skein, 10c
25c Elderdown, special, skein, 10c

MILLINERY
Lot of Ladies' French Felt and Silk Finish Hats, 10c
Lot of Ladies' Straw Hats, 10c
Lot of Children's Trimmed Hats, 10c
Lot of Buckram Shapes, 10c
Lot of Feather Fans, 10c
Just received—Newest and Latest Tips, Fur and Maribou Trimmings.

SPECIAL NO. 4
Laces and Embroideries
New lot Shadow Corset Cover of the State Library, in June, 1863, immediately present the same at State Library rooms, for settlement, the hours of 9 a. m. and 5 o'clock p. m.

POLITICAL SIDELIGHTS

—No, Scoutmaster's address is not a clarion call or a bugle blast. It sounds like a scared squeak by a man who is afraid to face the music.

—Some Democrats do not think that the primary act of 1913 applies to them.

—Big Bull Moose Flinn is planning to take a rest before he undertakes to start his campaign.

—District Attorney Jackson, of Allegheny, is stirring up the clubs that are not on the level in Pittsburgh.

—Wilson McAllister last night presented the West End Democratic Club with portraits of Wilson and Marshall.

—Democratic reorganizers are in fear and trembling over the next move of Stormy Petrel McNair.

—Again the confidential information is given that Congressman Palmer will announce his plans on the government side.

—Representative Dunn, of Philadelphia, is planning to run again.

—As soon as a few post offices are out of the way Democrats can turn their attention to getting some of the jobs Kierkendall has to give.

—The Democratic city committee still continues about meeting.

—Lybarger evidently reminds some of the city Democrats of Bryan. He wants to run so often.

—D. Clarence Gibboney refused a \$5,000 bill in Philadelphia because he was not a resident of the city.

—Hats are off to Herr Kempf. He shows some idea of propriety.

Letters to the Editor

THE SIGNS, TOO
To the Editor of The Telegraph:
Sir: The unsightly poles are coming straight. Good! But what of the overhead signs? Why not make a real clean-up while we're at it?

These hideous, creaking things, that bang menacingly over the heads of the passing populace, and occasionally in high winds come clattering down, as several did last week—aren't there a city ordinance prohibiting them?

If there is such a law, why don't the police enforce it? If not, why don't the new Councilmen pass one?

The overhead, swinging sign is a relic of village days. It is barred from all well-regulated cities. PEDESTRIAN. Harrisburg, Pa., January 22, 1914.

NEWS-DISPATCHES OF THE CIVIL WAR

[From the Telegraph of Jan. 22, 1864.]
Rebels Need Food
Headquarters Army of the Potomac, Jan. 20. The news we get to-day is unimportant. A few deserters have come over during the last two days. The reports already published are fulfilled of the want of subsistence.

Blockade Runners Destroyed
New York, Jan. 22. The Herald, dated of Wilmington, of the 13th, gave details of the capture or destruction of the blockade runners Ranger, Bendigo and Haro.

PROBABLY NOT SIGNIFICANT
[Pittsburgh Gazette-Times]
A notification which Representative A. Mitchell Palmer, of this State, is said to have given Representative Claude Kitchin, of North Carolina, has been interpreted to mean that Mr. Palmer has made up his mind to be a candidate for something other than his present seat in the House. He is said to have told Mr. Kitchin that he will not compete with him for the chairmanship of the committee on ways and means on the retirement of Oscar W. Underwood. But this may only mean that Palmer foresees the impossibility of winning the chairmanship of the committee which goes with it against the North Carolinian, who is popular, who is the ranking member of the committee after Underwood and, under the usage of the House, entitled to promotion, and who is almost certain to have the Southern representation solidly behind him. Underwood has announced his intention to retire from the House at the end of his present term if not elected to the Senate, so that there will be a vacancy. Palmer may have discovered that a Pennsylvanian cannot win House leadership against a Southerner and his determination not to contest may have no relation whatever to State politics.

LORD STRATHCONA AND HILL
Then and there was formed an enduring friendship between Hill and Smith, a friendship which stood the test of time. Upon the advice of Mr. Hill, Smith invested heavily in the Northern Pacific as it was built up. In time his holdings grew to 20,000 shares, held as an investment and not for speculation. When the strenuous fight for control of the Northern Pacific was in progress, the interests opposed to the Hill-S Morgan control sent an ambassador to Lord Strathcona and offered him, it is said, \$2,000,000 for his shares.

"When I was young and with little money James J. Hill was one of my best friends. His railroads have been my best investments since. No amount of money would persuade me to turn against him now."

AN EVENING THOUGHT
The greatest thing a man can do for his Heavenly Father is to be kind to some of his other children.—Henry Drummond.

"Plenty of Winter Ahead"
That is the warning of the Weather Bureau. Follow the sunshine to the Panama Canal West Indies

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1/2 Price CLOTHING SALE Is Now On This Includes All Suits and Overcoats SIDES & SIDES
The Army game was scheduled, without the approval of the director of the Hasset Club, and for that reason was cancelled. The Hasset Boys' Club five is not a second class team and will not play between the halves of any game in the city. The Hasset management is willing to play the Royals, if they are the representative team of the P. R. Y. M. C. A., but not in their present form as the scrub team of the association. Furthermore, the Hasset five is willing to meet either the P. R. Y. M. C. A. first team or the Harrisburg Collegians, or any other first class team in Harrisburg or vicinity on any floor. When the Royal team becomes a first class five, the Hasset Club will consider a challenge. T. B. JOHNSON, Director Hasset Boys' Club.