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THURSDAY EVENING, AUGUST 31

But no night is so utterly cheerless That we may not look for the dawn. —PHOENIX CAREY.

THE STRIKE SITUATION

President Wilson, to use a popular term, has "passed the buck" to Congress. The President, somewhat in the position of the man between two belligerents who are hurling bricks at each other, had reached the place where he had either to admit his total failure as a peace-maker or saddle the responsibility of avoiding a strike upon Congress.

THOSE LETTERS

DEMOCRATIC newspapers are making much of the few Progressives who have declined to support Hughes. Whenever possible their letters are quoted and repeated. This morning a second letter from a Progressive who seldom, if ever, voted the Republican ticket is printed by a local Democratic organ.

Ontario's Retreat Sought

A combination of previous steady education of the electors and wisdom born of war led the province of Ontario to put a prohibitory law on its statute book. The hostile political and financial forces which a province so large, so well-to-do and so dominant in the western provinces, had against a law of this kind, when proposed even as a measure of patriotism, are not to be underrated.

A Modern Hannibal

General Carlo Giordana, the brave Italian mountain leader recently killed near the Austrian lines, was the man chiefly responsible for the extraordinary success of the soldiers in maneuvering at prodigious heights. His men were young, athletic, willing; but he knew that a prudent adaptation to winter and weather was the better part of valor in Alpine battle.

THE NEW DIRECTOR

THERE is an institution in Harrisburg that in the past has not been put to its maximum capacity for service. It is located conveniently close to the business section and within easy access of most of the homes in the city. It was built and is supported by public contributions and its purpose is to provide a place of recreation and benefit for the boy, the young man and the older man.

THE INSTITUTE SPEAKER

OUR old friend, the institute lecturer, is with us again. To speak before a teachers' institute and not get into the headlines of the local newspaper is for him to have failed ignominiously, and to get a top-of-column position one must say something unusual. Hence the remarkable assertions of some of the aforementioned speakers.

coming year which will undoubtedly appeal to the old members and the new ones who the new director hopes will be attracted to the association.

Businessmen as a rule are so engrossed in affairs of the mind that they neglect their physical well-being and oftentimes are awakened to a sense of danger only when a break comes, and then it is often too late. Physicians are unanimous in their opinion that regular exercise is one of the best prevent-alls. The "tired businessman" does not take exercise because "he hasn't time."

The Telegraph bids the new physical director a hearty welcome to Harrisburg. Acquaintance with Mr. Miller, of Sharon, is the authority for assurance to parents that their boys will be placed in good hands if they desire to enroll them in the gymnasium classes which the new instructor has mapped out. We trust that his stay in Harrisburg may be a long and pleasant one.

Mr. Hughes' insistence that but half a victory will be gained if the Republicans fail to secure a substantial working majority in both the House and the Senate is an indication of the political usefulness of the Republican candidate. It is in refreshing contrast to the general attitude of Mr. Wilson, which is based on the assumption that he is the whole show, that his personal success and the success of his ideas in legislation are the paramount features which the country must pass upon.

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Reason for Censorship

Adding up the Russian figures, we find that the Russians have already twice as many prisoners as they have soldiers. And yet some people wonder why a censorship has been established—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

"Men Soon to Be Without Teeth, Says Educator."

"The time will come when men will have no teeth," he is quoted as saying. "Nature sees that we do not need them. She has decreed that they must go," and adds that we will shortly find food that needs no mastication.

Politics in Pennsylvania

By the Ex-Committeeman

Chairman Vance McCormick, of the Democratic National committee, returning to New York from a conference with the President, denied there was any possibility he would resign or that there was strife within the Democratic national organization.

"I am astounded that such reports could gain circulation. One story is to the effect that I saw Mitchell Palmer on Sunday. I haven't seen Mr. Palmer for two weeks. On Sunday I went to see my mother at Spring Lake. I went to Washington Monday to see the President to fulfill my standing engagement to see him once a week."

"No, I have not heard that," said Mr. McCormick. "Mr. McCombs asked me to visit him at Saratoga on Sunday, and I deeply regret that I was unable to do so. I am sure to see him when he comes to the city."

"Are there any changes in your staff here?" "No," said Mr. McCormick emphatically. "How about Mr. Lynch?" he was asked. "There has been a report that National Committeeman Frederick Lynch was dissatisfied with the role assigned to him at the headquarters. I am sure Lynch is satisfied," said Mr. McCormick.

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THE ARTWORK OF THE DAY THE DAWN OF EMANCIPATION



TELEGRAPH PERISCOPE

—There is a growing suspicion that Venizelos must have at one time or another been a member of Tammany Hall.

—Well, well, well, and so the Democrats are going to blame all the shortcomings on Bryan. Even their failure to endorse national prohibition, we suppose.

—William Allen White having assured Hughes that Kansas will be sold for him, we arise to declare that so far as we are concerned there is nothing the matter with Kansas.

—For once, at least, congressmen want to go home and can't.

—Blondes, says a Chicago professor, are more susceptible, and many would agree with him had he not added—to infantile paralysis.

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MAINE WRITER TELLS OF VISIT TO GOV. BRUMBAUGH'S HOME

L. C. BATEMAN, special writer for the Lewiston Journal, of Lewiston, Me., gives the following interesting account of his visit to the summer home of Governor Martin G. Brumbaugh:

It was a delightful day and a delightful occasion. We were to a visit recently made to the summer home of Governor Martin G. Brumbaugh, and that of Samuel Maxim, in Wayne.

Both of these gentlemen are geniuses in their own way. Gov. Brumbaugh is one of the most finished scholars in the country and one of its greatest statesmen. To have such a man and his wife as summer guests is delightful to the people of Wayne and they regard them as one of their greatest assets.

Taxing Longest Purse

[From the Philadelphia Ledger:] It is a wrong theory to tax a commodity simply because it is sold to a European belligerent. It is a right theory to tax for temporary purposes excessive profits which result from the war.

Our Daily Laugh

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By Wing Dingier Are you seeking a position That gives promise of good pay— One to which you'll have to give up Little time of each day— And of ever-changing scenery? And adventure by the ton? Let me have a minute with you, And I'll tip you off to one, Buy a Jimmy and a flashlight, And a mask to hide your face. Then quite early in the morning Say, at two, go rob some place. Home or store, it makes no matter, Just be sure no noise to make Lest somebody in the house— Or a nearby cop,—ou wake.

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Evening Chat

Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Brown were old school friends, who though living in the same city see little of each other because of family cares. The other day Mrs. Smith called to see her old chum and found her caring for a new baby. Her small boy aged five, stood by and listened interestedly to the conversation.

"Oh," said Mrs. Smith, "how surprised I am to see you have a little girl. I never heard a word about it." This was too much for little Willie who is quite an up-to-date young man. "Why," said he in disgust, "don't you read the Telegraph?"

"I see by the papers that they let a contract for erection of another big blast furnace down at Steelton the other day," remarked an old steel worker to a friend in a downtown cigar store this morning.

"Papers didn't seem to make much fuss about it," continued he. "Why a few years ago that would have been an item heralded far and wide and every State paper would have printed long dispatches. Local journals would have treated it as a forerunner of a new epoch in the city's history, yet this last furnace received a brief mention on inside pages!"

"Such is the progress of the times," almost sadly reminisced the grizzled old roller. "And, indeed, things have changed. Down at Steelton now work is being pushed over the bed, up and down the walls, and over the chairs and other furniture. He did not know what he was seeing when he opened the door of the room. The wife was called in and she wept over the scene, having nervous prostration. Finally the owner came upon the scene and after uttering up the chameleons told what great work they were doing on sugar and water. He was on his way to Williams Grove and had opened the box to get a few specimens for a local dealer."

Harrisburg folks who have been away on a vacation are rushing home because of the prospective strike. Wendell Frazier of the Union News Company is responsible for this information. He said today: "I have had at least 50 customers who said they had to cut their trip short as they did not know where they would ever get home, should a strike be called." At the railroad ticket offices it was also said travelers fear they will be tied up from home and are making inquiries regarding train movements. One man and his family who left Harrisburg on Monday for Atlantic City came home two days later, after hearing the news about a strike on Monday.

Making Bad Matter Worse

It is a dangerous thing when you have let slip an unfortunate remark, to try to cover it up. Mrs. G. was talking with the wife of Judge H. about her son's choice of a profession. "I don't want him to be a lawyer," she said.

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