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MONDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 30

Hope is like the sun, which, as we journey toward it, casts the shadow of our burden behind it.—ANON.

THE WILSON POSTSCRIPT

PRESIDENT WILSON has not denied the charge of Senator Lodge that he added a postscript to his Lusitania note informing Germany not to take "too seriously" his notification that the imperial government would be held to "strict accountability" for the murder of American men, women and children.

This is by far the most serious accusation that the President has been called upon to face. Senator Lodge, in brief, asserts that the President was writing his notes merely to keep down the rising anger of the American people, to cajole them into the belief that he was looking after their interests and defending their rights.

Picture it! Bryan and Wilson, in public loudly defending American rights, and behind the door of diplomatic secrecy whispering to European statesmen not to take their words "too seriously," that they really didn't mean what they said.

And who knows whether the cabinet having stopped the postscript in written form, that it has not been sent forward by the spoken word, after the manner of Secretary Bryan's hint to Dr. Dumba that Washington did not really mean what it had said along similar lines in a previous controversy.

OUR POLICE FORCE

QUINCY BENT, as the head of the Steelton plant of the Bethlehem Steel Company, is properly interested in the preservation of order and the protection of life and property of the citizens of the expanding industrial borough.

It is obvious, however, that in view of the indifferent character of the police organization in some respects it is going to be difficult to persuade a long-suffering community that there should be any considerable increase of the police force.

worthy men an opportunity to show what is in them, the public is not likely to become enthusiastic over any considerable enlargement of the force, greatly as the increase is needed.

Friction has existed between the detective "bureau" and the main force for months. This situation is an open secret and it is manifest that there must be some general shake-up of the whole department before material improvement can be expected.

As we enter upon the last week of the political campaign it becomes more evident that the voters of the United States are considering their duty in the most thoughtful and serious manner.

THE POOR BOY'S COLLEGE

THE public high school is the poor boy's college. It was designed especially for the benefit of the boy—or girl—who cannot afford, for one reason or another, the expenses or time of a four years' college course.

This is not a nice thing to say, but it is true, and we as a voting body ought to be ashamed of ourselves. We have given the students of the Central High School one session where they should have had two.

And now we face either the passage of a new High School loan or the sacrifice of the Technical High School, as well as the Central School, for next Spring, unless facilities are increased, the overcrowding process will begin in that institution.

This is, in reality, a poor man's loan. The rank and file of the people, those to whom the high school is of vital importance, will receive the bulk of the benefits.

There is not a more cosmopolitan or democratic institution in the land than the high school. There rich and poor, foreign and native-born, sit side by side and learn the great lesson of Americanism.

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—Vandergriff Republicans had a big meeting on Saturday night at the home of Mrs. W. H. Sherrill, with Woods and Senatorial Candidate James B. Weaver spoke.

—Ex-Attorney General Hampton L. Carson is making Hughes speeches in Philadelphia and will preside at several meetings.

—The old reliable T. K. Van Dyke was put into the limelight by the Democratic bosses on Saturday night at the Wilson night exercises.

—The Prohibition national candidates will be here for a plain talk to the voters on Wednesday night.

—Republican County Chairman Joe Kilne, of Cumberland county, reports large attendance at the meetings being held throughout the county.

We wonder how President Wilson likes Carranza now.

The Days of Real Sport



Hallow'een CONSPIRATORS

Politics in Pennsylvania By the Ex-Committeeman

Pennsylvania's Republican State campaign will enter upon the closing week with a big meeting in Pottsville, the home of Auditor General Candidate Charles A. Snyder, and mass meetings in every county in Pennsylvania.

It is very inconsiderate of Villa to show all this activity. Doesn't he know he was captured dead or alive, that the people of Mexico have worked out their own destiny without interference, and that peace hath her victories no less renowned than war?

—Phlander C. Knox will speak to night in Pottsville with the Republican candidates. The speakers at the meeting will be Judges C. N. Brumm and MacHenry Wilhelm.

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—The pines of Pennsylvania—Last remnant of that host Which once encamped in millions And now is all but lost—Still faithful to their duty.

—The hills of Pennsylvania—Go see them, if you can. Learn from men, any season, To be the more a man. No one can name their magic Or spell the strength they give, But who has seen them understands How they can help us live!

—Republican County Chairman Joe Kilne, of Cumberland county, reports large attendance at the meetings being held throughout the county.

—Warren will vote on the question of becoming a third class city on November 7. Butler, which has a population of about 26,000 is also striving

RUSSIA'S GREATEST FEAT IS SUPPRESSION OF VODKA SALE

IN Russia the American traveler is brought closer to the enormous significance of a whole nation abstaining from strong drink as Russia has done in the suppression of the sale of vodka. It is a phenomenon of great underlying strength in the Russian character, somewhere. The sale of vodka was a government monopoly.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

THE ISSUE OF THIS CAMPAIGN To the Editor of the Telegraph: Samuel Blythe in a recent article in one of the leading weekly magazines says that the issue of this campaign, so far as the average voter is concerned, is not the Mexican question, the diplomatic relations with the belligerent nations, the domestic affairs with its eight-hour law, etc.

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DO YOU KNOW

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WELL KNOWN PEOPLE

That Harrisburg had woolen factories back in the twenties? HISTORIC HARRISBURG Anthony Wayne was a visitor here on surveying business before the Revolution.

OUR DAILY LAUGH

It is a sin To steal a spin. All courts deciding Against joy riding.

Evening Chat

The manner in which long strings of coal cars are being moved through the Harrisburg, Rutherford and Enola yards just now reminds one of the periods when coal was the article most in demand in industries back in 1900 and several times in the decade following it.

"I don't think you Harrisburg people realize what an important manufacturing center your city has become," said a traveling man in the corridor of a Pennsylvania train on Saturday evening. "I have been going through middle western States and as I know something about the tobacco trade, because it is not far away from my home, I have been noting the brands of cigars. I have picked out about a dozen that are made in Harrisburg. You people do not even know the names of the brands. Some are sold here in Harrisburg and I would have you try them. The manufacturer who pays wages here at Enola, if once in a while you would buy some of these Harrisburg cigars made here by the mill?"

The manner in which contractors are taking advantage of the fine weather in the prevalence and the activity displayed on all building operations is worth while noting. This Fall has been marked by better weather than in years for a long time. The number of rainy days is small and if the old saying that the last Friday of a month rules the next month as to whether it is true there will be little to complain of in November. Builders are utilizing every hour of daylight and at Steelton and other places where industrial expansion is under way, the work is going on day and night in order to get things produced promptly. The contractors for some highway improvements have been working on Sundays and yesterday in order to rush some work there was as much doing, at double wages, as on a weekday.

The opening of the rabbit season in this part of the State on Wednesday will find the cotton tails not only numerous in this section of the State, but out in the roads looking for the hunters. The people who have been taking automobile trips say that the bunnies have been seen scampering close to barns and that the farms near Harrisburg have a good many more than the average care for.

The crop estimates of the State Department of Agriculture, if they did not hit the mark six months ago, later, were nevertheless among the best made by any State and came close to the government's report for accuracy. The State's crop report since the Stuart administration at the Capitol is rapidly attaining a point where it is being watched by those who are interested in prices. The figures are gathered by men in touch with conditions in every township.

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IN THE AIR

Bracing weather, eh, Brown? I should say so. I've been braced four times today.