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WEDNESDAY EVENING, JUNE 20

Man is not the creature of circumstances; circumstances are the creatures of men.

WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH KANSAS?

THE Kansas City Star makes this editorial reference to agricultural conditions in Kansas:

As an apology for its small wheat crop, Kansas is reported that it has from 2 to 2 1/2 acres more corn than it ever planted before.

And now, the congregation will please arise and repeat in chorus that time-honored question: "What's the matter with Kansas?"

The ex-Czar could give the Kaiser pointers how to attain a lasting peace without annexations or indemnities.

GOLF IN GOOD CAUSE

ON golf links all over the United States on July 4 thousands of golfers will play for the benefit of the Red Cross fund.

The plan is this. The Red Cross has suggested to the 300,000 golfers of the country that on July 4, when the links are usually crowded to capacity from sun-up to sun-set, tournaments be arranged, each entrant to be assessed a suitable fee and the receipts given to the Red Cross.

Meanwhile and notwithstanding, what has become of the daylight saving proposition? If we are to have this change in our economic system it would seem to be about time for something to happen in that direction.

The success the Crown Prince has had lately would seem to indicate that it might be a wise policy to let him take command behind the lines to loot the French households of silver and kitchenware.

TWO WAYS

TO ensure ample support and ultimate success for his proposed policy of conscription, Sir Robert Borden, the Conservative Prime Minister of Canada, has called upon Sir Wilfrid Laurier, his great antagonist and leader of the Liberal party, to join in forming a coalition cabinet to carry on the government of the Dominion during the war.

Politics in Pennsylvania

By the Ex-Committeeman

The legislative situation, which is the sore point in State politics just now, seems to be quieting down, although it is liable to change over night.

The Democratic record of achievement will be less this session than in the last. It is hoped that there will be nothing to support the grandiloquent promises made to the President.

Hoover's main purpose in appearing before the Senators was to disclaim there was any idea of a "food dictatorship" in the bill.

But he need not have explained, so far as the great majority of American people are concerned. The public is perfectly willing to have Mr. Hoover as "food dictator."

The people believe Mr. Hoover has told the truth. They are fully convinced that food prices are extraordinarily high only because a few food barons have been able to control the supply.

At a time when the food supply is large, wages high and work plentiful to a degree never before known, the cost of provisions is reaching proportions that are out of the reach even of families that never before had so much money to spend.

When the price of food is not reduced, whether they like it or not, employers must realize that even the present high scales of pay will not be sufficient to meet the actual needs of working people unless there is some relief in the way of lower food costs.

Yet that is the direction in which we are absolutely certain to reach if Mr. Hoover is not given opportunity by Congress to halt this artificial advance in the cost of living, to enforce restrictive regulations upon middlemen and to insure fair prices for both the farmer and the consumer.

Call it what you like, food control or food dictatorship, the people care not, but they are intensely interested in Mr. Hoover's proposal. They have faith in his ability and confidence in his integrity, and it will go hard with both Congress and the country if he is not given the authority which President Wilson seeks for him.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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The passage of the "mine cave" bills last night in the House was very gratifying, as the spirit behind them made over them. These bills, which are very vital to the welfare of people in the Scranton district, have been before the House for its consideration since February.

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When a Feller Needs a Friend

By BRIGGS



WOMAN OFF TO CHINA TO STUDY SOY BEAN

Dr. Kin Will Make Report For United States on the Most Useful Food of Her Native Land

NO less a personage than Brown-Ingang of the bean, and Dr. Yamel Kin, the only Chinese woman graduate of an American medical college, made it the burden of her good-by song on the day she left New York a few days ago for the Orient to gather data on that humble but nutritious food for the Department of Agriculture at Washington.

China has given the world many things. Paper was manufactured in China in the third century. If Europe had not learned of printing many centuries before it did, in China, also, gunpowder was first invented.

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Evening Chat

J. Howard Stino, the new Boy Scout executive, is thoroughly in love with his work.

It has been his experience that the more Boy Scouts there are in any city the fewer juveniles there are in the municipal and county courts. Before the Rotary Club the other day he explained this work of executive control of the scout movement in every city of any size.

J. B. Taft, the new division public manager for the Bell Telephone Company, has just left the Harrisburg Reserves and will be drilling this evening. Taft has had military experience both in school and in the National Guard cavalry.

A couple of men prominent in city affairs were observed in very close confab the other evening. They spoke earnestly together for a long time and people who saw them concluded that there was a certain point in the wind.

The parade of the Spanish War veterans yesterday afternoon attracted a good many favorable comments because of the manner in which the march was conducted on the streets.

Quite a few of the men here for the convention of the Spanish War veterans went to the site of Camp Meade to look over the field where they spent a good many weeks in the latter part of 1898.

Ex-Speaker George E. Alter in the course of his visit to the Legislature, has been very complimentary for not piling up a lot of laws. He spoke feelingly because the session over which he presided was one of the most successful in the history of the State.

The systematic manner in which the roofs are torn off buildings and the demolition of the structures in Capitol Park extension is attracting some attention. When the wreckers are at it, but they do not stay there as it is in demand and houses are memories in a mighty short time.

Third-class city officials who have been here considerably this year keeping tabs on the legislation affecting that class of municipalities in Pennsylvania say that they propose to start early next time. The Third-Class City League will meet in Hazleton in August and the plan is to have the delegates from the cities and towns in the legislature.

General C. A. Devel, who was one of the officers at Camp Meade in 1898, will be speaking at Chester Military Academy commencement.

OUR DAILY LAUGH

A SHORT DROP. 1st Book Worm: Hurt yourself?

2nd Book Worm: No, I only fell from the second story.

AN INVITATION. Fish-Oh, I say, won't you drop in for dinner?

HARD WORK. What do you do when Jack talks baseball? Try to look intelligent.

ALWAYS HANGING 'ROUND. Mrs. Squirel, I wish that 'possum would quit hanging round here at night. He makes me nervous.

DO YOU KNOW That Harrisburg is supplying large numbers of shoes for Southern States shipments?

HISTORIC HARRISBURG In early days Sunday services used to be held on summer evenings along the River Front.