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WILSON AT VERSAILLES

DISTINGUISHED diplomats and statesmen of this country are out of accord with the President in his opinion that the settlement of a righteous peace demands his presence at Versailles.

David Jayne Hill, discussing this phase of the situation, says: "Suppose the President should personally convey to the French government, for example, the idea that France, if menaced, could not rely upon the sympathy of the United States if it did not accept a definite program for a league of nations to include Germany, would the people of the United States approve of that intimation?"

ACTION DEMANDED

THERE appears to be confidence on both sides in the fight for the ratification in the Pennsylvania Legislature of the proposed prohibition amendment to the federal constitution.

Mr. McAdoo's passing and some other events of a significant character indicate the decadence of Democratic confidence in the perpetuation of governmental control.

Holland has had the friendship and good will of America for many years, but unless something definite is done with William Hohenzollern, the former German emperor, who is waiting for something to turn up on a comfortable estate in Queen Wilhelmina's realm, there will be a rapid decline of interest in the Dutch people on this side of the ocean.

Democratic congressmen at Washington are virtually unanimous in attributing their defeat to the appeal made by the President ten days before the election.

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MUST BE PUNISHED

AFTER Saturday night's raids, has no longer the confidence of the public. Wherever men meet and the subject is discussed, the question is raised as to whether Harrisburg policemen protected vice for personal gain or are simply stupid.

Nor is this the first offense. Isn't this the same police force that interfered with a Federal officer in pursuit of his duty and brutally assaulted him? Isn't it the same force that refused to listen to Federal protests that whisky was being sold in Harrisburg to soldiers?

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

OUR THANKS OFFERING To the Editor of the Telegraph: In these stirring times of war and in these glorious times of peace, let us stop for a moment and consider a few of the things for which we have to be thankful in this wonderful year—nineteen hundred and eighteen.

Official returns reaching the State Department from the counties show that at the election on November 5 scores of people in almost every county reporting voted the Washington party ticket, but that except for local contests the Roosevelt Progressive and Progressive, Bull Moose and other parties which were created in the historic campaign of 1912 and retained their place on the ballot because of their voters following years, polled a very few votes for 1918.

Some new Senators George J. Brennan writing in the Philadelphia Inquirer, says of some of the new Senators: "Max G. Leslie, a veteran politician, who has frequently been referred to as 'the man who got the nickel' of Allegheny county, is going to be a potential factor in the next Legislature."

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Politics in Pennsylvania

Judging from what is being printed in Philadelphia newspapers there are chances that differences between Republican leaders in that city and the prolonged fight between the Vares and the Independents over legislation affecting the state metropolis, which will elect a Mayor next year, may have a serious effect upon the peace and harmony program outlined for the General Assembly of 1919.

—The Philadelphia Inquirer today says that there is reason to believe that Senator Penrose and Governor-elect Sprout "will be in accord" on the Speakership of the House.

—Governor-elect William C. Sprout and Lieutenant Governor-elect Edward E. Beaman were Washington nominees and the votes noted range from 19 to 75 in the smaller counties which have filed.

—The Philadelphia Bulletin editorially voices a thought which is uppermost in the minds of many men in politics in Pennsylvania, Republicans and Democrats. It is that the various "war" boards and regulators, some of which furnished roosting places for deserving Democrats, should disappear.

—One of the interesting things in state politics is what the French call a rapprochement between Governor Brumbaugh and Auditor General Snyder. It is not so long ago that they were throwing tomahawks at each other and now the Auditor General is insisting that the Governor be made the guardian of the "honest" elections raised by the Philadelphia Ledger and Record and men in politics.

—All the men elected to the Legislature from Allegheny county are Republicans.

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AIN'T IT A GRAND AND GLORIOUS FEELIN'?

ABOUT THE 21st OF THE MONTH YOU MEET MISS 'S'—AND ADMIRE HER WRIST WATCH—

—AND IN TAKING IT OFF TO SHOW IT TO YOU—CURSES—THE BRACELET BREAKS—AND YOU GALLANTLY OFFER TO TAKE IT TO THE JEWELER FOR REPAIR—

—SO ON FRIDAY YOU HUSTLE OVER TO GET IT WITH \$4.69 THINKING IT WILL PROBABLY COST ABOUT FIVE BEANS—

—AND—THE SWEET YOUNG THING BEHIND THE COUNTER SAYS—'604 PLEASE'!!—

—OH-H-H-BOY!! AIN'T IT A GR-R-R-RAND AND? GLOR-R-RIOUS FEELIN'?

—TA TATA BYE BYE—

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Advices Mr. Wilson to Remain at Home

John Cadwalader, of Philadelphia, lawyer and distinguished Democrat of the old school in an open letter to President Wilson strongly urges upon Mr. Wilson the wisdom of his announced intention of going to France for the peace conference.

—The reason for not providing for the temporary performance of presidential duties by a Vice-President, no doubt, was that, when the Constitution was adopted the Vice-President was always the second choice for the Presidency, and a man chosen for the Presidency itself by at least the minority of the electors was available.

—The retiring Secretary had unusual capacity for work. He had also a degree of judgment and restraint which a majority of the cabinet members, and indeed the leaders of the party in power generally, seem to be devoid of.

—It must be remembered, however, that the danger and harm are minimized by the fact that the control of the Congress passes into the hands of the Republican party on March 4. This means the returning away of intelligence, breadth of view and balance of judgment in matters of legislation, the independence of legislation from executive domination, the general "unscrambling" of dictatorial conditions, and the application of wholesome criticism and guidance to administrative conduct.

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Surrender German Fleet

From The Admiral's House, Boston, Nov. 19, 1918. Ship after ship, and every one with a high-ranking name, came from the German war-fleet came; Not victory or death they sought, but a rendezvous of shame!

—The Union Jack and the Tricolor and the Starry Flag of the West Shall guard the fruit of Freedom's battle on the sea!

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WELL KNOWN PEOPLE

Judge Charles B. Witmer, of the Federal Court, used to be the United States Attorney for this district.

Justice J. Hay Brown presided at the Pittsburgh memorial meeting to Justices Potter and McCreary.

Judge C. V. Henry, of Lebanon, mentioned for Superior Court, has been called to preside in many districts of the state.

Judge H. C. Quigley, of the Center county courts, likes to go hunting. He used to be in the National Guard.

Judge D. P. McPherson, of Gettysburg, is the only judge with two counties which are separated.

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