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Only five weeks to-day until Christmas.

O'possum where are you going,
With hounds on your track,
Hunting Simmons.

One week to-morrow and the Nation observes Thanksgiving day. But how few really give thanks.

Quail days are here.
The sportsman stepping light,
The pointer ranging near,
The partridge lost its flight.

Make your selection of Christmas gifts now. Don't wait until the last day and then be mad because you are not pleased with the leavings.

The election is over, but there is another election or rather selections, that claims our attention. Its our town government. The question is whether we shall continue the haphazard rule that has been in vogue for twenty years, where responsibility rests on one person, or shall we change to another system that is not new and untried, but a success everywhere adopted. The Commission Government—where three men have everything in charge and are responsible for all acts, let the acts be good or bad. For example, at present ask the Mayor or any member of the board why it is that so much coal is wasted at the power house by keeping the steam popping off all the time? "I don't know, I don't have anything to do with that", You see Mr. A, You see Mr. A, and he says see Mr. B and so the wheel of time grinds on slow but sure. So the play of municipal government goes on spending about three thousand dollars a year more than the income of the town.

At such a rate its only a question of time and we will all know the result.

The water renter says, Mr. Mayor when will we have a supply of water? I don't know, see the Water & Light Commission. The renter calls on the commission, says well we are still boring wells. Yes, but when will we have a supply of water. Don't know. This is certainly a consoling answer to the taxpayers and the consumer. We like a bath sometimes, but its now a chance game, if secured at all.

These are questions that should be seriously considered by every citizen whether a member of the Board of Aldermen or the board of the Water Light & Power Commission.

The result is no fault of the various members of the various boards, but a defect in our plan of government. The one lesson we must learn and observe is "This one thing I do."

Democratic Dissensions.

The Democrats are now beginning to have their troubles and dissensions which have been so disastrous to the Republicans in

the past and the recent campaign. It is now certain that the Democrats will control the presidency the House and the Senate as well. They stand pledged to progressive legislation and when they reorganize the Senate; Senator Simmons who is the ranking member on the committee of Finance for the chairmanship which is the important committee in the Senate and will control the tariff legislation, is a "standpatter" and reactionary. How the Democrats can make that committee a progressive with Simmons chairman is the problem now confronting them.

Mr. Bryan is anxious to have Senator Gore of Oklahoma made chairman of that Committee as he is in hearty accord with the views of Mr. Bryan and President-elect Wilson. It is not thought however that Senatorial courtesy will permit Gore to take precedence in this matter notwithstanding the wishes of Bryan, Wilson or anyone else. It is very evident however from utterances of Wilson that he does not intend to have the tariff so radically revised as to cause a hitch or depression in business which now looks very promising.

DEMOCRATIC LUCK.

The Democrats have certainly been enjoying most unusually good luck during the past few years. They now come into power with the biggest crop which this country has ever produced and which the Department of Agricultural estimates is worth more than ten billions of dollars. At least one tenth of this crop will be shipped abroad which will bring into this country one billion of dollars in "cold cash" which will be a great stimulation to all business and industries and which insures prosperity of the country for at least a year and a half.

REPUBLICAN OUTLOOK HOPEFUL.

Now that the returns are all in and have been carefully analyzed the fact stands out that if the Republican had but one candidate a progressive they would have swept the country as the combined republican vote which was given to Mr. Roosevelt and Mr. Taft was far greater than that received by Mr. Wilson. So the simple fact, remains that when the two parties get together on common grounds they will be invincible as heretofore.

Democratic Legislation and the Tariff.

During the recent campaign, Democratic speakers declared from every stump and platform of the country that if their party was given the reins of government it would at once reduce the "robber tariff" to a revenue basis "bust" all of the trusts and monopolies and reduce the high cost of living so as to make everybody prosperous and happy. This promise was echoed and re-echoed by all of the Democratic spellbinders, high and low, from Dr. Wilson down to the "one-gallus" crossroads artor. Now the Democrats are "at the bat!" They have the Presidency, both House of the National Congress and all the machinery of government, and they are brought face to face with the task of bridging the broad chasm between platform promise and actual performance. They have outlawed the trusts in high-sounding denunciations and criminal indictments. They have arraigned, prosecuted and condemned to death the protective tariff under the charge that it has doubled the cost of the ordinary necessities of life. They have exhibited goods in the large cities, marked down to half price for sale under a glorious Democratic tariff for revenue only. They have promised to raise wages and reduce the price of goods to the consumer by half. Over the earnest protest of conservative Democrats, Dr. Wilson has declared that he will convene an extra session of Congress by the 15th of April next for the purpose of lowering tariff sched-

ules. The program is to "bust" all the trusts, cut the tariff down to a revenue basis and cut the cost of living in half, and all this without disturbing the business of the country. Absurd proposition! Reason and experience unite to stamp such a proposition as unsound.

The price of farm products, the wages of the working-man and the earnings of capital are all adjusted to the present tariff schedules, and to reduce the tariff to a revenue basis would certainly upset and undermine our whole industrial system. The first effect would be the reduction in the earnings of capital, and the reduction in the earnings of capital would of course be charged to labor in the form of lower wages or to the consumer in higher prices or both. Then, with reduced wages, surely the laborer would not be able to buy and it does not require a sage to see that the laborer's inability to buy would destroy the seller's market. The destruction of the home market of the seller spells reduction in the products of farm and factory. When farm products and wages are reduced, down goes real estate everywhere and capital is withdrawn from the field of investment, exports fall off and you have all of the tragic stages of the now famous "Cleveland Panic" with all its direful effects—idleness and want and soup-houses, Coxey's army and \$262,000,000 in government bonds issued to defray the expenses of the government in time of peace.

But Dr. Wilson proposes to reduce the tariff to a revenue basis gradually and cautiously. Whether he means to take one year or a thousand, nobody knows. But, in effect, the result is the same. No matter whether our industrial prosperity is stricken down at one fell stroke or gradually and cautiously chloroformed into a living death, the result is the same and the Democratic Party cannot hope to escape responsibility by a new method of committing an old crime. It cannot wash its hands of the crime of industrial suicide if it carries out its program of tariff-tinkering.

As to the trusts, history shows that whatever effectual legislation has been enacted against unlawful conspiracies and combinations for restraint of trade in business was enacted and enforced by the Republican Party before the day of its bosses, and that Theodore Roosevelt has done more than any other living American to make "Big Business" feel the heavy hand of the law. The Sherman Anti-Trust law, passed by a Republican Congress and signed by a Republican President was a dead letter under Cleveland and his attorney-General, who claimed that it was unconstitutional; and it was a new thing under the sun if the Democratic Party does anything of account against the unlawful trusts. Three-fourths of the big trusts are chartered in the little state of New Jersey of which state Dr. Wilson has been Governor. That state has statutes providing for amendment and alterations in the charter of any corporation and for dissolution, whenever necessary; and yet Governor Wilson has not raised his hand against these gigantic trusts in his own state. Will he do any better as President? Time will tell.

The Democrats have talked much and loudly of their platform before the election, but now the time for performance has come. Raised to power in the nation by sheer accident, with a vast majority of the voters of the country against them, does seem that they would now listen to the voice of reason and the verdict of experience and frankly admit that their platform is not framed in the interest of the American people. They are face to face with the issues they so eloquently championed on the stump and their councils are already divided on the tariff issue. Thousands

of Democrats are afraid of their own platform and are beginning to balk in the harness and say, "Hands off the tariff." But the promises have been made and there must be a semblance of keeping them. Hence we are to have the special session of Congress, untrammelled by even a Republican-Progressive Senator for a scapegoat, and again the Democratic Party will be put to the test.

Fortunate For Germany.

Berlin, Nov. 6—The election of Woodrow Wilson is regarded generally by the general press as a most fortunate occurrence for Germany. The newspapers say that it gives promise of a reduction of the tariff which has crippled the German export trade and also of the abandonment of the policy of tariff "pin pricks" such as those connected with paper pulp and split peas under which German-American resolutions have suffered.

England Pleased Over Election.


London, Nov. 6—The presidential election resulted as had been anticipated in England. London papers today speak highly of Woodrow Wilson and of his policies and politics. The free trade West Minister Gazette says the people of the United States are clearly ripe for new men and new measures.

When the next Congress revises the tariff and puts the duties on cotton goods and hosiery on a basis for "tariff for revenue only" then our Democratic friends who are engaged in and despending in the cotton goods business will appreciate above dispatches from Germany and England.


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Mr. A. Lee Shoe an May Sharp were united bonds of matrimony in formed Parsonage at 8 13, 1912 by Rev. J. D. Their friends wish fo most happy voyage on of life together.

The annual thar services will be held Marks Reformed Church country at 7. p.m. W Nov. 27.

The services in B Reformed Church will a.m. on Thanksgiving

The Class of Orphans Nazareth Orphans Crescent will be at S Reformed Church at 11 first Sabbath in Dece at Whitsett in the after the same day.

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Miss. Blanch Burton Sunday at her home i tower the guest of her

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