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WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27.

Combles crumbled.

The Dual Monarchy seems to be more dual.

"Roosevelt Grits His Teeth." His "I" teeth, of course.

These days of high prices it is just bound to be light-housekeeping.

The straw hat season has given away to the straw vote season.

Prohibition Candidate Hanly looms up as the punch bowl weevil.

Venezolas may be the man of the hour in Greece, but so far he is ahead of time.

If the price of shoes keeps going up it will be cheaper to buy a Ford than wear out leather.

It is noted that "Parlor Baseball" is being advertised. Wonder if squeeze plays are allowed in the game?

Well, what would Hughes do in the New York strike, if he were Governor. Quick before something is done?

The bakers may raise the price, but it is doubted if they will be able to raise the money from the public.

It is a question whether it is safer to be in the trenches along the Somme or ride in a New York street car.

With his idea of the only man who can save the country wouldn't it be disastrous should Candidate Hughes die?

Its true Candidate Hughes is working hard but it may also be true that it will be a case of "love's labors lost."

Mr. Hughes first case, after he resumes the practice of law in November, will be against the people for non-support.

Good thing this is not the year for Halley's comet. If 'twas it would be nightly scaring those English folks white-haired.

Bankers are telling about retiring the greenbacks. Can't they also hit up some way to rid the country of the mossbacks?

John Bull calls it the white list. At any rate not the white flag list, so far as this country is concerned, we devoutly trust.

Now while New York city is facing a ticklish position it is not a circumstance to that facing Governor Whitman, who is standing for re-election.

About the only thing the Zeppelins can prove to the English people is that it is safer at the front than at home, but that is hardly what they desire to prove?

Hughes dares the Wilson administration to deny it wanted to put Huerta out. Per contra, will Hughes deny that he wanted to keep Huerta in?

When the Allies talk about continuing their offensive in the west indefinitely we guess General Winter, rather than General von Hindenburg, will have something to say about it.

We are against the effort to prove that Cleopatra was not a beautiful, but rather an ugly woman. If such is shown what becomes of all the "Cleopatra Perfumery" and powder and beauty hints?

Buoyant Britton, of the Raleigh News and Observer, thinks that if Hughes would transplant his whiskers to his head he could appeal to the football vote. Why not do it? Hughes is just the man for perpetrating bald-faced acts.

## WILSON ON THE STUMP.

President Wilson intends to make one or more speeches in New York during the campaign. We have no doubt that Mr. Wilson will even add more than several speeches in the Empire State to his talkfest. It seems to be dawning upon those running his campaign that he should be heard oftener; that it is necessary to get votes and votes are what will count in November. No dignity of office, no great solemnity so surrounds principle as to keep the man running for the office of President off the platform. No one would want him to indulge in oratorical acrobatics upon the stump, but if a cause is a good one there is no harm in extolling it; if a cause must stand or fall by the votes of the people there is nothing undignified in the highest official in the United States talking to the people. He is talking for the cause, and if he is conscientious he wants to see the cause triumphant. Any fair-minded, any sane means that will allow it to be victorious are perfectly permissible. Like pride, inertia goeth before a fall. The country is supposed to be governed according to certain rules, known as policies. Therefore it is right to set these policies before the people; it is right to hold them in mind in manner that can best be seen, and there is no better way than for the one who desires to be the chief support of such foundation to tell the people about them.

At first thought it would seem that those able, shrewd men directing Mr. Wilson's campaign would be better judges of whether he should go on the stump, if one would be true about it—but are they? A little further consideration will show that they are not necessarily the best judges. As a rule they meet their most ardent, perhaps, polites, fawning henchmen, upon visiting a locality; they hear reports from lieutenants who, saturated with the usual campaign bluff, forget they are not talking for publication, and continue to claim every precinct in existence for their man. So the chap who wanders around among the masses is often in a better position to judge than are the big party leaders. We believe that such man would advise that Mr. Wilson make as many speeches in the campaign as possible.

It is not a case of the people not thinking, not desiring to consider and have not better means today than even last year for obtaining information—because they have all this—but because it behooves the Democratic party to afford them the widest opportunity, especially when the opposition, with a blare of trumpets, explosion of fireworks, crash of bands and whoops incessant and vigorous on every hand, are trying to muddy the waters. Even Christianity in these days has found it necessary to be militant.

## STRAW VOTES.

Straw votes are good enough to cause talk and allow some folks to indulge in claims, while affording admirable material for yet others to bluff. So far as being an indicator of results weeks off it is a failure. If there is any virtue in straw votes the New York Herald shows it in the balloting it has just made public, prognosticating that it will be close between Wilson and Hughes. Of course, something may be said or done between now and November that will change this apparent closeness into a landslide for one or the other nominee, or it may not. In the latter event there would be the usual "I told you so."

But as it must be admitted there is nothing certain about the straw vote, there is also nothing very likely about it. Straw votes, too, never fail to show the political wind blowing both ways, depending more or less upon the noise of partisans; so one side or the other is compelled to be right. As straw ballots represent such a small portion of the voters and as the average man does not care to so express himself, there is no virtue in the thing. One can make a better guess by judging sentiment and analyzing human nature.

## POOR MR. TAFT.

Ex-President Taft has written a magazine article denouncing the Wilson administration for not recognizing Huerta, holding that this country had nothing to do with who ruled Mexico. Just there is where Mr. Taft's unfortunate, and, often times, pitiable past, jumped up and slapped him in the face. It is recalled that President Taft declined to recognize Zelaya as president of Nicaragua and even invoked force to see that he did not hold forth as president of that country. There is no evidence either that Zelaya had betrayed his friend and allowed him to be assassinated.

Interest seems to be on the increase in the corn show to be held here this year, which is a fine sign that the people not only want progress, but are going to get it. This is especially gratifying, as this is a year when attention is gripped by politics.

## THE ZEPPELIN'S PART.

The role of the Zeppelin in wars so far has grown only into that of trying to be a great frightener, but it develops according to reports it would become an important factor in solving the transportation problem for a country that is bottled up while at war. In the latter role it would accomplish more than in its present sphere. As a slayer of human life the Zeppelin seems to have gained in power, judging by the casualty lists of the recent raids, but, on the other hand, the enemy appears to be better able to cope with the menace. Two Zeppelins were brought down and another crippled, though the latter escaped. Zeppelins cost large amounts of money and while one life, per se, is more valuable than one hundred Zeppelins, yet in bearing upon the war, one hundred lives, especially when not of fighting men, may not be worth one Zeppelin. The only recompense there could be from such warfare would be that of moral effect. But will the moral effect overbalance the loss of material, so much to be desired at present, together with the loss of the lives of three or four daring aviators? That is an important question.

So far it has not developed that the Zeppelins are of any great force in the war. Fighting over Great Britain cannot have resulted upon the war's end. On the battle front one German Taube, by reason of its rapidity, that it can be more easily handled, can fight better and perform quicker scout service, is worth a dozen Zeppelins, and costs very little.

## SHOWS SIGNS OF A CONFLAGRATION.

It was told that the beloved Zebulon Vance, upon one occasion, after advising a man, who desired to criticize another, to employ about all violent language that could be thought of, told him that such would do for the start and he could "warm up" as he went along. This may be the case in the "jint" debate in the Sixth District between Congressman Godwin and his Republican opponent, former Postmaster McCaskill, of Fayetteville. The report of The Dispatch's correspondent at Southport on the joint debate there last night indicates it.

McCaskill was found criticizing Godwin in no gentle way, while Godwin came back by declaring McCaskill a fabricator and using the word "liar." McCaskill declared that the Democratic congress had squandered money, while Godwin retorted by declaring a Republican treasurer of North Carolina had stolen State funds and landed in the penitentiary.

As a starter of the joint discussion this is passable, but, no doubt, it will warm-up as it goes along, because if McCaskill is to indulge in such flings, no doubt Mr. Godwin will unsheathe his sword on the dark days of '98 and just before. All this style of discussion may not be very elevating, but it will draw the crowds.

It is regretted that ex-Governor Glenn cannot continue, for the present, the splendid campaign tour he was making, and it is hoped that he will soon be able to get back on the stump. When he does get back he should be allowed to fill his Brunswick county engagement. In counties like Brunswick is where the Democrats must do vigorous missionary work.

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So far as can be learned, North Carolina has the biggest birth rate of any State in the Union. Although we have not been officially admitted to the registration area for births, we can boast a higher birth rate than any of those States already included within that select society. North Carolina is again at the head of the table.



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## APPEAL MADE FOR STRICKEN SYRIANS

Diplomatic Victory Over Turkey Will Help the Getting of Supplies.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 27.—Almost simultaneously with President Wilson's proclamation to the people of the United States appointing October 21 and 22 as days on which contributions for the relief of the persecuted and starving Armenians are to be received in churches and through local committees all over the country, a diplomatic victory over the Turkish government was won by the American charge d'affaires in Constantinople.

The charge d'affaires has cabled Secretary Lansing announcing that, after months of negotiation, the Porte has agreed to allow American supplies and food to go through the Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies in Beirut to the stricken inhabitants of Syria. The removal of this obstacle, officials here believe, indicates that Turkey is showing a disposition to cooperate with the United States in relieving the agony and suffering caused among the Christian population by the series of massacres and deportations which began in April, 1915, and which, at the lowest calculation, has resulted in the deaths by starvation, pestilence, and the sword, of more than three-quarters of a million people.

The text of the President's proclamation, which has just been issued, is as follows:

"Whereas, I have received from the Senate of the United States a resolution, passed July 7 (calendar day, July 10), 1916, reading as follows:

"Resolved, That, appreciating the sufferings of the Syrian people, it is suggested that the President of the United States set aside a day upon which a direct appeal to the sympathy of all American citizens shall be made and an opportunity shall be given for our public-spirited people to contribute to a much-needed fund for the relief of the Syrian people."

"And, whereas, a resolution was passed by the Congress of the United States on July 18, 1916, reading as follows:

"Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), That, in view of the misery, wretchedness and hardships, which these people are suffering, the President of the United States be respectfully asked to designate a day on which the citizens of this country may give expression to their sympathy by contributing to the funds now being raised for the relief of the Armenians in the belligerent countries."

"And, whereas, I feel confident that the people of the United States will be moved to aid these peoples stricken by war, famine and disease; "Now, therefore, I, Woodrow Wilson, President of the United States, in compliance with the said suggestion of the Senate, and the said request of the Congress thereof, do appoint and proclaim Saturday, October 21, and Sunday, October 22, 1916, as joint days upon which the people of the United States may make such contributions as they feel disposed for the aid of the stricken Syrian and Armenian peoples."

"In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed."

"Done at the City of Washington this thirty-first day of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and sixteen, and of the Independence of the United States the one hundred and forty-first."

(Seal) WOODROW WILSON.  
"By the President: Robert Lansing, Secretary of State."  
New York, Sept. 27.—  
Talcott Williams, director of the Columbia School of Journalism and a member of the American Committee for Armenian and Syrian Relief, commenting on the removal of the ban on supplies for Syria, said in an address at the Chelsea Hotel today:  
"Our fellow religionists in Turkey are dying at the rate of one a minute, and at times during the past few

months have been perishing at the rate of five a minute. From American missionaries and others in Turkey, whose lives would be in danger if their names were published in a newspaper, I am informed that unless an instant response is made to President Wilson's proclamation calling for funds to relieve the suffering there, the entire Armenian nation will be wiped out."

"More than half a million dollars in American property in schools, churches and mission buildings have been destroyed or confiscated since the last series of massacres began. Unless America gives and gives generously of the wealth which, in these war times abroad, she has piled up for herself, half a century of earnest endeavor by American missionaries, teachers and physicians will go for naught."

"Turkey now shows signs of cooperating with this country in relieving the agony and destitution in Asia Minor. Americans are already at work in many portions of the country, and the recent diplomatic victory won by our charge d'affaires in Constantinople opens still more territory to be saved."

"Henry Morgenthau, ex-Ambassador to Turkey, estimates that \$5,000,000 is necessary to rescue Armenians from actual starvation. The American people have already given \$1,200,000 to the American Committee on Armenian and Syrian Relief through its treasurer, Mr. Charles R. Crane, 70 Fifth avenue. The amount named by Mr. Morgenthau must be raised immediately and sent to the committee through pastors, local committees or by direct payments to Mr. Crane, if a Christian nation is to escape total extinction. Shall it be said that Americans, grown rich while the rest of the world is in torment, have refused to join with money and prayer in this new crusade in the East?"

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Editor: Was everybody killed?  
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Editor: Can't use it.—Exchange.

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## LONDONERS ARE NOW WEARING CLOGS

London, Sept. 27.—Among the many interesting changes that the war is bringing in the habits of Londoners is that the strong prejudice against clogs among the poor in some parts of the metropolis is giving way before necessity. The fact accentuates further the revolution in London's social habits, and it is due to the great increase in the cost of boots and shoes. Clogs are dearer, too, but by only a fraction of the cost of other footwear.

The absolute refusal heretofore of the poor to wear clogs as reflecting their feeling that they were a sign of a disgraceful level of poverty or as the stigma of charity has not until now been overcome even by their free distribution to the children in the schools by charitable organizations. Indeed the most ancient and gaping pair of shoes picked from a dust heap has been preferred to the best pair of clogs. There are one or two clog-shops in London, one of which is commending them to the populace as "Boots with wooden soles." Though their trade is small it is increasing now. Large quantities of clogs are being turned out by firms in London, but almost exclusively for the country or colonial trade. One large factory here is turning out large quantities of clogs for France, this being captured trade from the Germans.

## FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

Examinations Will Be Held at the High School Building.  
Examinations in Mathematics, German, History and English will be given at the City High School building Friday morning, beginning at 9 o'clock and Latin examination will be held Saturday morning, commencing at the same hour. The examinations are for the benefit of those students who failed to pass and who wish to make up the back-work.

Mr. G. W. Smith left yesterday for Jacksonville, Fla., where he goes to take a position. He has many friends in Wilmington, who will regret to learn that he is to make his home elsewhere, but they will wish for him much success in his new field.

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