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Adenocerats hold secred. They seem to forget that there are millions of not hold office or seek office or want office, and that those people must be considered in this matter. These millions of non-office holding people have opinions, and they are of as

when they place the report of the investigation in the hands of a man who is guilty of the same offense as others developed in the investigation. Until there is a democratic administration the people need not expect anything to come from the investigation of rottenness in the Post Office Department. Every move on the part of the republicans is merely a buff to hoodwink the people of the antion. It is up to the people to move in the matter.

Everybody is aware of the strenuously and reverberating vociferousness of the President as a civil service reformer. It has been his hobby which he has ridden for years with all the delight which helviness when busting a broncho. He protests in season and out of season that he will allow no infringement of the law governing the civil service and will hold every man to a strict observance of the same. Let us see if all of these protest and vociferation are sincere, or only a bluff to foot the people. Not long ago the President sent Civil Service Commissioner Alfred W Cooley over to Philadelphia to investigate as to the doings of Postmaster McMichael of that city who had been reported as using his office and his power as Postmaster for purely political and partisan partisan

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