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A jawing note—Theodore Roosevelt.

Are fits also incurable? Mr. Jeremiah O'Leary has had another.

Roosevelt is himself again. He has commenced to call people liars.

If Mr. Hughes is a man of peace, why is he trying to cause such a row?

Hughes seems to be working night and day, but then he will be able to take a long rest after November 7th.

Gush is probably a necessary ingredient to courtship, but it won't buy shoes and bread after marriage.

Of course, Hughes can't get out of his shell so that the people can see what he stands for. His is a shell game.

Bill Spivins, who likes to get out with the boys, reports that up-to-date he is not sartin which is the worst—a nagging or a tagging wife.

They may be doing the wrong thing to let Bryan stump old Kentucky. His ideas are not at all apt to stampee the mint-julep vote.

It may be so that Wilson has made a target of himself, but it will be noticed that they can't shoot anything but dum-dum bullets at him.

Coming events cast their shadows, indeed. The snow encountered yesterday by Colonel Roosevelt was but an indication of the frost that his party will get on November 7th.

The Republicans are going to attempt to check the rush to the Democratic ranks with the check. Meaning the equivalent of money, of course.

Isn't it about time for the good old political wiseacres, who used to take a poll of those on street cars and in hotel lobbies, to get in evidence once again?

The only thing we can't reconcile with tradition and nature in the press reports of the Wilson reception in Chicago is that the women staged a silent demonstration.

When one of those warring European countries want to do something to a small neutral the forces of General Principle are invariably routed by those of General Cussedness.

Another one of life's tragedies is to behold the man who is willing and ready to do, but lacks the capacity while the fellow with the capacity is too lazy to make even an attempt.

The Democrat who predicts his party will carry Pennsylvania and the one who claims the Republicans will break the solid South at once make people doubt their judgment and give their ideas the merry ha, ha.

Here comes along a newly married couple that intends to take trips together in an aeroplane. It seems superfluous, in that wedded life is generally full of ups and downs without the assistance of any balloon contrivance.

During his trip to Chicago yesterday even the rain could not keep the crowds from greeting Wilson at railroad stations. Ex-Governor Hanly, however, need not take this as evidence that Wilson is catering to the wet vote.

Now that it is reported that Villa has occupied some of the mining property of William Randolph Hearst, the latter great patriot may be counted on to shout even more blood-curdling than ever for America to protect its honor and save the lives of its people by intervening in Mexico.

A DEMONSTRATION OF WEAKNESS.

When Republican spellbinders get to harping on hard times a little reflection will show the fallacy, the absurdity of their argument. First, make a comparison of administrations and you will find the very panicky year of 1907 under Republican rule. That was the year of all years for disasters, when banks went to smash and many of those that did not had to issue script and when prices were down and thousands of people out of employment. The jobless character of that year is now held up as the horrible example. It is used to point to when doleful comparisons are made. Just after the European war broke out and naturally when commerce became chaotic, before business could adjust itself, thousands of people were out of employment, yet a non-partisan commission in making an investigation in New York had reason to make the comparison that not as many men were out of employment as during the year 1907—the Roosevelt panic year, the time when the chief spokesman of Charles E. Hughes held forth in the White House.

With cotton pushing up towards 20 cents, mills running night and day, no one who wants to work loafing in the country, hundreds of ships being built in the United States to establish a merchant marine and the wages of the toilers being increased and working hours shortened, the railroads enjoying prosperity, according to their own admission, and with Charles E. Hughes forced to admit that there is prosperity in the land, does it not seem foolish for Republican speakers to attempt to so boldly and brazenly hand the people this kind of a gold brick. Its true Hughes says that the "prosperity is only temporary," but who agrees with him? Surely, not the business men of the land, as the business men are lining up for Wilson. Only Wall Street chimes in, and did anyone ever know the Wall Street gang to be philanthropically inclined?

The war is causing prosperity, they shout. Yet, it will be lasting prosperity, as new trade relations have been established and Europe, following the war, will need clothes and food. It is foolishness to contend that munitions of war present the cause, when this export business is a tiny per cent of the whole.

The big Republican leaders are not discussing the prosperity issue. They have got sense enough to take other tacks. So when other Republicans attempt such they are merely throwing away their thunder and clearly demonstrating to their hearers the weakness of their cause.

A GENERAL COMPLAINT.

Nominee Hughes, in his proverbially varying moods, now reports that the Wilson administration does not understand him. Yet, the administration cannot claim that it is select by reason of this. In fact, it will have to share the burden of ignorance with ninety-nine per cent. of the people of the country.

Does anyone understand Mr. Hughes? That is, understand what he would do if elected President? Is there any, aside from the "special interests," that understand what Mr. Hughes is talking about or what he intends to do if elected President, or what he would have done if he had been President? Does Mr. Hughes understand himself? If he claims that he does, he must admit that he is trying to bamboozle the people or lacks the power of clear expression, which presents him as a sorry kind of a bungler.

His utterances have not possessed the attractiveness nor the possibility of the puzzle picture. One might, after hours of work, succeed in placing the seemingly innumerable bits of cardboard together and make a picture, but this is not possible with Hughes' speeches. The miment his phrases are collected, deftly assorted, due allowance made for inference and for complication of sentences and it is thought that the picture is about to be formed, Mr. Hughes either makes another statement that is out of symmetry with the entire thing, or beholds the picture and explodes: "I didn't say that."

So, how is it possible to understand what Mr. Hughes means? He may charge the Administration with being thick-headed, but the allegation must also be applied to the general American public.

The "special interests" probably only understand Mr. Hughes to the extent that he will pull for them; that he will represent plutocracy, which means oppression of the masses.

The genial foreman of The Dispatch (we always say that when he can hear it) insisted yesterday upon getting one of Mrs. Somebody's domestic hints mixed with the editorial without giving the good women credit for it. However, he has handsomely apologized by saying that as it was a recipe for removing scorched spots he, naturally, thought it belonged among the "hot stuff."

HONEST BUSINESS ALSO FOR WILSON.

As well as the laboring man, clear-sighted, impartial business is for Woodrow Wilson's re-election. Not the "special interests," which come under the head of business, because these "special interests" are against the business men scattered throughout the country as much as they are against the toilers; they want to control; they want to have government bow to them and to have money matters dictated from Wall Street.

Business scattered throughout the country is for Wilson. Just as the laboring man recognizes that Wilson stands in his defense and, in his great position, has represented the toilers, so the business of the country appreciates that the United States is in good condition; that there have not been upheavals nor convulsions during the Wilson regime; that the Federal reserve act has placed business on a sound basis, so that it does not stand in fear and trembling of the "special interests" that connive together in New York's financial district. They know where to place Mr. Wilson and they know he is fair. That is all any side should desire; all any man is entitled to. When any faction or individual seeks more than justice or wants to submit the case to a tribunal that is not known for its fairness that is the time for the public to become suspicious.

As evidence that the business men of the country are standing for Wilson came, in substantial way, a donation of \$10,000 from Mr. R. J. Reynolds, of Winston-Salem, to the Wilson campaign fund. Mr. Reynolds has supplemented this with a letter of strong endorsement, and which Mr. Hugh MacRae, treasurer of the state committee, has made public, after obtaining Mr. Reynolds' permission to do so. The letter is a strong card. Mr. Reynolds sets forth that he has never permitted himself to be partisan. In that way he is fully qualified to make up an unbiased opinion and he finds that "the Democratic party, with President Wilson at its head, is everything that any party could ask, be it Democratic, Progressive or Republican."

He also adds that "American history does not show, since Washington's time, that during any one administration such a large number of good constructive laws, for the benefit of all the people, have been passed as enacted under the Wilson administration."

In view of these strong words, what is the opinion of the man who is bent upon wreaking vengeance upon Wilson or of the one who wants to throw the Democrats out so he can get a fat, juicy plum?

The reception accorded President Wilson in Chicago must have been encouraging to Democratic party leaders. This, not so much because it is difficult to gather a crowd to greet either one of the nominees but simply because the attendance was not "worked up." It came spontaneously, whereas the Hughes' assemblages are planned for weeks ahead, stimulated by brass bands and the most spectacular stunts. If the President had desired such methods and had announced that he would make straight-out political speeches, which naturally would have called for the hurling of denunciation into the camp of the G. O. P., one can well imagine what a much larger surging mass of humanity would have been presented and what a perfect pandemonium of enthusiasm would have held forth.

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