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EM-TEES

It makes little difference to the average man what church he attends, provided there are cushions on the seats.

DIAGNOSED.

Pittsburg—Mrs. Lola Miller, 30, retired at 3 o'clock this morning, smoking a cigaret. Funeral services will be held on Thursday.

Laziness is sometimes mistaken for patience.

An Irishman with a very thick head of hair was one day the center of a ring of English farmers, who were endeavoring to crack jokes at his expense.

"Why," exclaimed one of them, "you've got a head of hair like a stack of hay."

"Ah," returned Pat, untruffled, "that's just what I was thinking; that accounts for so many asses around me."

When a lazy man can't make a living at anything else, he tries to get a political job.

TURNING AWAY WRATH.

A gentleman, who discovered that he was standing on a lady's train had the presence of mind to remark: "Though I may not have the power to draw an angel from the skies, I have pinned one to the earth."

The lady excused him.

PRESIDENT SAYS G. O. P. SEEKS U. S. TREASURY

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wanted to get possession of the banking system and oust John Skelton Williams, comptroller of the currency. This is their direct object, he declared, and "had just as well be made public."

The president averred that up to the present the United States had thought too much of itself, but as the result of war it had been forced to broaden its scope.

The object of the government, he said, should be to make the health and condition of the people better.

"We must make ready for a great offensive for human welfare," he added. "We want to bring about a reign of justice."

The delegation, for which Amos Pinchot acted as spokesman, presented a resolution asserting that Charles E. Hughes "had accepted the open support of German-Americans."

Mr. Pinchot told the president they believed the forces of privilege had marked him for slaughter and that the members of the delegation planned to campaign for him from the factories to Buffalo.

Ralph Stephen S. Wise of New York, another who spoke, praised the president "for giving the country a square deal." He lauded his conduct of the foreign affairs of the nation, mentioning Mexico and the Panama tolls controversy. He declared a new era in international affairs had been opened by the president's treatment of Mexico.

"The election of Governor Hughes would mean a country divided against itself," said Ralph Wise. "It would mean a permanently humiliated America. We are not supporting you as democrats, but as Americans."

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"IGNOBLE SHIRKING"

COLONEL ROOSEVELT in urging the election of Mr. Hughes says:

"President Wilson's ignoble shirking of responsibility has been clothed in an utterly misleading phrase, the phrase of a coward—he has kept us out of war."

People of Europe do not have the same complaint against any of their rulers. Germans can be proud that the kaiser didn't keep them out of war, even though it sacrifices the nation. Austrians can sing the praises of their emperor for their millions of slain and wounded. Russians can rejoice that their czar has abetted the slaughter of some five millions of his subjects. Great Britain should be jubilant over spilling the best blood of the world-wide empire. Even Mexico cannot complain that its rival chieftains cowardly kept them out of war.

It is something new in the world's history to damn a nation's executive for using diplomacy to settle international complications instead of plunging the country into war. What a chance of heroism the president missed in averting the slaughter of several millions in the trenches of Europe and another half million on the deserts of Mexico, and of bankrupting the nation with war indebtedness!

For keeping the nation out of war, Woodrow Wilson merely ought to be shot at sunrise.

Roosevelt's idea of patriotism is shown by his campaign trip to the Mexican border, where he will arouse racial prejudice and hatred and complicate a delicate situation, where he will defame to the American troops encamped there their commander-in-chief as a "coward and poltroon," and "not truthful," and encourage insubordination among the soldiers of the republic. He will declare the peace commission negotiations "humiliating and disgraceful" and that we should be at war with Mexico—truly an errand of shame.

A NATION ADRIFT

IF Woodrow Wilson is defeated for re-election and his policy of peace rejected by the people, what would be the nation's policy during the intervening months before Mr. Hughes is inaugurated as president?

In the midst of a world crisis, the United States would be adrift—with a president-elect who cannot or does not explain his views on international problems, but who declares he would alter the nation's present known policy.

Germany would undoubtedly take advantage of the middle created to resume the obnoxious features of her submarine warfare, viewing the election of Hughes, the candidate of the German-American Alliance, as a rejection by the people of the United States of the concession wrung from her by the president's diplomacy.

The republican party is composed today of conflicting interests. It is being financed by Morgan and Wall street, financial agents of the allies, and receiving at the same time the active support of the German propaganda. It offers no definite foreign policy and no constructive domestic policy, because there is no principle upon which the jangling, discordant factions can agree. Hiding their weakness under a blanket of carping criticism, the factions unite only upon "anything to beat Wilson."

But what will be the fate of the nation, discarding a definite policy for an unknown one of doubt and darkness and obscurity?

A CRISIS IMPENDS

THE activity of German submarines almost within hailing distance of the shores of this country, if continued, as now seems certain it will be, may create a most difficult situation between the United States and Germany. This must be patent to everybody.

We have the word of the German ambassador that his country proposes to keep, for the present, the pledge it made to President Wilson that it would conduct submarine operations in conformity with the rules of international law.

Assuming that the ambassador speaks with authority and that his government is acting and will continue to act in good faith, there still remains the possibility, even the probability, that American lives will be lost or imperilled and that at any moment President Wilson will be confronted by a crisis of graver character than any of the many he has grappled with during the past two years.

Should this happen, any citizen of this nation, whatever his politics or former nationality, or however high his position, who attempts to make political capital out of the president's negotiations or actions, ought to be considered a traitor to his country, and if there is a law that can reach him it should be enforced to the limit.

By wisdom and patience, President Wilson has kept this nation out of war up to now, in spite of the treasonable efforts of men who would have gotten us into war for mere political advantage.

President Wilson will continue to keep this country out of war, if it is possible to do so, without losing our position in the world of nations.

Whatever happens, if an honorable way can be found to save the boys of this country from the horrors of the blood-soaked, vermin-infested trenches, President Wilson will find that way.

If no honorable way can be found, be assured that no man in the nation would act with more firmness or energy in upholding the real (not make-believe) honor and dignity of this republic.

KLAMATH FOOTBALL TEAM HOLDS MEDFORD TO TIE

The football teams of the Medford and Klamath Falls high school teams played a 12 to 12 tie game at Klamath Falls Saturday before a crowd of 500 people, including a number of local rooters who accompanied the team. Both teams played fast aggressive football, but fumbles by both sides were responsible for the scores.

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IF ASHAMED OF AMERICA STAY ABROAD---COBB

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candidate, like Hughes, but the plain people realize that he is a 100 per cent president.

"They say he has made mistakes. Maybe he has. He is only human, and very human. Maybe he did mistakenly trust some of those Mexicans, Mr. Villa. If he was deceived, he fell into a common fault. The real progressives of this country made some mistakes, too. The most colossal one was believing that Roosevelt was acting politically on the level with them."

Crisis in Moth Balls

"But how about this crisis that Hughes and Teddy say is confronting the country?"

Cobb laughed.

"In every presidential campaign since Washington's day the orators have declared the country was on the verge of the greatest political crisis since the republic was founded. You know that old crisis is tucked away in mothballs. Every four years we take it out and dust it off and yell about it. I don't believe the country is facing any such crisis as it did in the days when Abraham Lincoln was at the helm. In fact, I think it is highly probable that the republic may survive through the fall and winter if the republicans win, but it will be in safer hands if Wilson is kept in command. No matter which party wins, I want to give you a scoop: the crisis will be put back in the mothball chest for another four years."

"You have been abroad several times since the war started. A lot of people who have been in Europe have come back saying there never was a time when America was so little thought of as it has been because of Wilson's policies. In fact, they said they were ashamed of this country. How about it?"

Cobb became very serious, as he said angrily:

Ashamed of Country.

"I know. A few prominent, near-prominent and almost-prominent people, together with a bunch of hope-to-be-prominent, have given that stuff to the newspapers. And it is false, every word of it."

"Any time—I am—ashamed—of—my—country—Tim—not—coming—back," he said, seriously and slowly.

"And that is what those snobs ought to do—stay away. If they are ashamed of their country, that makes it unanimous, because the country is certainly ashamed of them."

"Wilson, in the face of a divided public opinion, has kept reasonable peace within his own party, has kept national and international peace, has not engaged in vituperative argument. He may have coined a few phrases, but he did not enunciate Teddy in calling everyone who disagreed with him a liar."

Hughes' Sad Failure.

"Hughes is a sad failure. He fell out with his party organization, in New York City, parted company with most of his old-time advisers, and I am told is not on speaking terms any more with his barber. His speaking tour is giving satisfaction to everyone but the republicans. He started out by pointing to grave abuses in the national government, to great crimes of omission and commission by Wilson, and he wound up with the charge that a republican had been removed to make place for a democratic boss doctor. I suppose that is the crisis that caused him to doff the ermine of the justice for the motif of the piffing politician."

"Somehow, Hughes reminds me of the hunting hound old Judge Hubbard's grandfather imported to Paducah, Ky. It was the best dog ever bred down in North Carolina and brought to Kentucky. It had the stoutest heart and the soundest lungs and the most willing legs in the world. But it couldn't concentrate."

Hughes Like the Hound.

"That dog would start out before sun-up and track a deer. It would go swooping along, giving that animal a run for its money, and just when you would expect the deer to be at bay, off would go Mr. Dog after a fox that it just couldn't resist. The fox is some runner, but that dog could run, too. And then just when the contest became interesting, Mr. Dog would sniff a rabbit and make off after it. Result was, about sundown you would see that hound after a day's hard work, barking like thunder because it had a chipmunk treed!"

O. N. Wortman of Seattle is a Medford visitor for a few days.

CONGRATULATIONS SENT FILIPINOS BY THE PRESIDENT

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16.—President Wilson and Secretary of War Baker today cabled Governor General Harrison of the Philippines asking him to convey their greetings to the Filipino people on the occasion of the convening of the first Philippine legislature composed entirely of natives.

President Wilson said:

"Will you not be good enough to convey to the members of the legislature, the first to meet under the new act, my most cordial greetings and best wishes, and will you not express to them the hope that the confidence that has been reposed in them by the people and government of the United States will be abundantly vindicated by their whole course of action and policy. For myself, I look forward with confidence to the growth of self-government in the Philippines under this new and happier order of things, and am glad to have had a part in taking the great step in advance which has now been taken."

Secretary Baker joined in the greetings as expressed by the president, and said in part:

"You are the successors of that continental congress which more than a hundred years ago established free institutions in America, and as you proceed with the work of establishing order, justice and efficient and responsive government, the people of the United States will take pride in their ideals successfully transplanted to another people."

WALL STREET STONING WILSON

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hold up her head and say that she was still a civilized nation.

Wall Street Patriotism.

Yes, but in all this, says Wall Street, he has been un-American. It was un-American of him to bait the trusts, especially the steel corporation; un-American to stand for the Clayton bill, un-American to protect the rights of labor, and particularly un-American to put the people's greatest lawyer on the supreme court bench.

There is something perfectly delightful about Wall Street suddenly appearing as the protector of Americanism. It ought to be set to a tune and sung in music halls. Having a great deal of confidence in the sense of humor of the public, I don't think it is necessary to point out the high lights of the situation. I expect that on election day a majority of the farmers, wage-earners, small business men and other ordinary citizens, whom Wall Street suddenly discovers as considerable in years divisible by four, will go to the polls with a broad grin.

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EVERY EFFORT TO SAVE CASEMENT MADE-TUMULTY

LONG BRANCH, N. J., Oct. 16.—A letter from Secretary Tumulty to Michael Francis Dovic, attorney for Sir Roger Casement, containing a denial that the American government was negligent in its efforts to save Sir Roger from being executed after his conviction for treason in England, was made public today.

Mr. Tumulty replied to a letter from Mr. Dovic, saying Mrs. Newman, Sir Roger's sister, had received information from London that her brother's life might have been spared had the resolution urging clemency adopted by the United States senate been forwarded to the British foreign office more promptly.

"It can be said that the state department discussed the Sir Roger Casement matter with the British ambassador on several occasions informally, but in great detail, before the passage of the senate resolution; that the senate resolution was prepared on Saturday and that the ambassador at once conveyed the information to the British government. On Wednesday, the day before the day of execution, when the ambassador and I were again discussing the subject, he showed me a cable from his government stating that his government had considered the Casement case and the resolution of the senate and had come to the conclusion that in view of all the circumstances it could not grant clemency."

"Particular stress was laid, as I recall, by the British government on the fact that the Irish prisoners in Germany who refused to assist Casement, had been punished. The statements made in letters to Mrs. Newman that had the resolution been presented in time, her brother's life would have been spared, were utterly and entirely without foundation. You can state authoritatively that the ambassador read me the actual message from his government stating that the resolution had been considered and that the conclusion had been reached that clemency could not be granted."

John K. Kellogg is a Medford visitor from Berkeley, Cal.

GERMANS WING 74 AEROPLANES

BERLIN, Oct. 16.—Seventy-four hostile aeroplanes, of which twenty-one were French and fifty-three were British, were shot down by the Germans during September, according to an exact list compiled by the German military authorities, says an Overseas News agency statement today as follows:

"The German military authorities have compiled an exact list of all hostile aeroplanes which were shot down and fell into German hands during the month of September. They number 74, of which 21 were French and 53 British.

"Among the French were nine Caudron machines, eleven Nieuports and one Morane. Among the British were one Nieuport, one British, three Avros, seven Vickers, seven Martinsydes and one Sopwith. Eleven of type BE (Bleriot experimental), eleven of type FE (Farman experimental) (two Farman and one unknown).

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