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It's all over but filling the offices. What a time they will have.

We are not going to try to give you any more majorities. We've run out of figures.

Now, honestly, did you ever see a better loser than William Howard Taft? He seems to grow happier every day.

Nothing like commencing in time. Just think of what we'll do to them four years from now. Seems to us, we've heard that somewhere before.

One of the cave men thousands of years ago, said: "I was well, wanted to be better, took physic and died." We are simply telling you.

One of the men the Chicago papers used every device to defeat was Representative E. S. Shurtliff, speaker of the house. That opposition seemed to help him.

A lot of the big fellows who were recently elected to office seem to have disappeared, for fear some democrat will want an office. Wouldn't wonder a bit if they would.

Senator Cullom advises all republicans to get together and win. Cut out all the decayed issues and some of the crazy new ones, he infers, and join hands. They have nothing to quarrel over—not even an office.

Barrett O'Hara, elected lieutenant governor on the democratic ticket, is the youngest man ever elected to that office—thirty years of age. He edited a small paper, Youth's Magazine, at eleven. He is editor of the Chicago Magazine and practices law.

Mr. Wilson has said that he will call congress together to tinker with the tariff April 15 and that a new tariff bill will be out by July 1st.

It took the republicans twice that long, but they did a good job and it brought prosperity which lasted twenty years. It is the duty of every good citizen to do his best to keep business booming.

President-elect Wilson and Wm. J. Bryan in Bermuda prospecting. Roger Sullivan, Ryan and Taggart and a few others left in the United States attending strictly to business. Guess! These are surely "anxious moments."

Governor-elect Dunne is a lawyer of fine ability, was on the bench in Chicago for a number of years, and when he ran for mayor of Chicago it was that record and the respect of the bar in that city which elected him in a normally republican city. He is elected governor in a normally republican state. He should not forget that a republican quarrel elected him. He has a chance to be a big, broad governor and not allow politicians to own him. If he does he will be a great improvement on the present governor. If not, he will be a failure. Let us hope for the former.

Next Thursday is Thanksgiving day. Some may have an idea that they have no cause to give thanks. Don't think that. Everybody has, and the more we think of it the more we will think of things to be very thankful for. This is not a day to gloat over politics or parade disappointments. It is a day to give thanks because we live in the best country, the best state, the best county and city in the world, and that whether our neighbors or ourselves are directly benefited we are all benefited in the end. Let us all be satisfied with the present and hope for the best in the future. Let us all remember our duties to one another and do them, and we'll all feel thankful. It is a grand idea. Let us fulfill it. Do not overlook the little acts of kindness which can be done. Make others thankful and you will be thankful yourself.

### THE COUNTRY BANKER.

The first public convenience a new community wants is a bank. Oftentimes it comes before the church or newspaper, but, as a rule, it follows both. It is hard to beat the editor and the preacher.

If the influence exercised by the bankers of our great cities constitutes a menace to the public welfare, what shall we say of the grip that the little bank holds on its community? The so-called "country banker," to succeed must be eminent for all the qualities that make up a truly good man. He is consulted by politicians regarding the local government, and the candi-

date who has his approbation is envied, for he is usually the winner. To the country banker are confided the troubles, domestic as well as financial, of all who have access to him. And everybody seeks to have access.

The banker is the first to subscribe to every good cause. He is the community's advisor as to investments and the arbitrator of its business controversies. His word is as good as his bond, and to his credit it must be added that, with rare exceptions, it deserves to be. He asks few favors, and these are always granted. His voice is that of authority. He is loved, respected, admired and feared. The slightest cloud on him or on his bank will settle them both. In this matter he stands with the preacher. So, from selfish consideration, if from no other, the banker must be deserving of the trust reposed in him by his fellow citizens.

Who wouldn't be the country banker?—Leslie's.

### LOOKING AHEAD.

The following article is taken from the National Tribune of Washington, D. C., and practically represents the feeling in the east:

The pendulum has now swung to the extreme limit, and the reflex action has already begun. The very completeness of the democratic victory, the sudden revolution from the exceedingly able and highly successful administration of President William H. Taft to a regime the character of which no one can guess sobers the people and sets them to active fears of what changes may take place. There has been brought into power a congeries of widely discordant elements, and it is almost beyond prophecy which one will get control of the party in power. We can hardly expect President Wilson to be as strong and controlling a man as President Cleveland was, and we know the utter failure of Mr. Cleveland to ride two horses at once. President Wilson will apparently have more wild, unmanageable horses than President Cleveland had.

From this time forth there will come a rapidly rising clamor to rescue the country from the hands of a democratic minority and restore it to the safe, conservative control it enjoyed under President Taft. As the purposes of the party are developed, they must necessarily meet with the strongest opposition from those who, while they may have wanted a change, do not want the kind of a change that is proposed. Thus the people will long as earnestly for a return of the republicans to power as they may have, in their hysteric moments,

shouted for a change. The months will be few before there is a rapidly deepening regret for such an administration as President Taft gave, and bitter discontent with the new order of things.

The duty of this hour is therefore very plain. It is for republicans to get together, present the old-time unanimity, consolidate for what is for the best interests of the country, and reorganize the party with the solid, unshakable phalanx. The republican party has always been the party of real progress, and it will be in the future. Greenbackism, free trade, free silver and other heresies have threatened the country, but it will two years from now resume its glorious career, with an overwhelming republican congress coming in to supersede the one just elected. Let every republican gird up his loins for a renewal of the fight and the restoration of the party to its controlling influence on the destinies of the country.

### THIS REMINDS US.

That everybody seems to have recovered from election and settled down to business, and it's a good thing to settle down to.

That the candidates for postmaster are quite numerous, but there is lots of room for more.

That Motorcycle Mikes are still doing business all over the pavement and if you hear one coming, you better fly.

That you better do it as soon as the Holiday number of this paper is out. You will know where to go then.

That a paper says: "Too often the man who has the price lets the tag show." Did you ever see that?

That a fellow most always thinks the best fellow to make a confession to is himself.

That the village dads are doing some mighty hard thinking whether it is really better to ride on passes or protect the people. The railroad company would have been money and conscience ahead if they had taken the advice of this paper years ago and protected the people from death crossings, by putting in substantial gates. Too late again. What will they do now? Watch them.

Effective Sunday, Sept. 15, 1912, and each Sunday thereafter, Chicago & Alton have \$1.00 excursion to Chicago, going No. 76 at 7:45 a. m., Sundays; returning No. 77 and 5, same date, at 4:15 p. m. and 9 p. m. H. L. Drennen, ticket agent.—Adv.

### Linen Shower.

Mrs. Edward Hoffman entertained a party of twelve friends last Friday evening with a linen shower at her home on North street in honor of Mrs. Earl Hager, who was recently married.

Various games were played during the evening and a general sociable time was enjoyed by all.

The house was most beautifully and elaborately decorated, the color scheme being pink and white, with red hearts strung abundantly around the room. A large heart was hung in the dining room over the chair in which Mrs. Hager sat, and after a dainty luncheon had been served, a string which opened the heart was pulled and Mrs. Hager was given a shower of many beautiful and useful gifts.

At a late hour in the evening all wished Mrs. Hager a most happy and prosperous married life and departed for home.

### I. M. P. S. Give Stag Party.

The I. M. P. S., which consists of a number of young ladies in this city, gave a stag party last Friday evening at the home of Miss Evelyn McKee. The evening was one of joy, and everyone that came with a grouse on or had the blues certainly changed before they left the house, as laughter and fun were the principal features. The doors were all locked early, and those that came late were delayed in getting in, as it was necessary to take several peeps to find out whether they belonged to the society or whether they were the mischievous boys outside trying to get in. Each member as they gained entrance to the house were hurriedly relieved of their hat and overcoat and were heartily laughed at by those who were already present. They were then handed a cigarette and a small feather, which of course was light, but most of them didn't care about smoking anyway, as the cigarette was made of candy.

After all had arrived they were ushered into another room, where several tables were set with a deck of cards and a bunch of chips, but this game soon broke up, as the betting became too strong and matches became scarce. Several selections were then rendered on the piano, after which a dainty luncheon of ice cream, cake and other goodies was served.

Just before departing for home, the girls posed before the camera, and by asking to see one of these pictures one can guess whether they had a good time or not. (By a mischievous boy.)

### Vast British Empire.

More than twelve million square miles are embraced in the British empire.

Fine Job Printing at this Office.

## HAVE A LOOK

Did you purchase any cigars at our Saturday special sale last week? If you did, are you convinced that they were a bargain. If you do not think they were a bargain, return them and we will refund your money.

To those who did not purchase or did not see our sale last Saturday, we urge you to come in our store today and look over our special sale. Do not hesitate about coming in and looking over the bargains. Even though you do not buy, we will appreciate your call. We would much rather have you look over our sales than to have you inquire of so and so if he has seen the cigars and if he purchased any, how he liked them, etc. As we stated last week, you cannot get "stung" at our sales, so why hesitate in looking over our line?

Today we are offering at our sale such well known five-cent brands as the "El Portano," "New Tariff" and "Bank Note." These cigars we offer at this sale only 3 for 25c. If you can buy cheaper than that in any other city, take our advice and buy.

For our ten-cent line we offer for your approval one brand only, the "Conquest" cigar. This cigar is one of the biggest ten-cent sellers. We offer this cigar to you at five cents. This is our greatest bargain.

Our sale one week from today will be an entirely different line, so don't say we are unloading our dead stock. When we discontinue our Saturday sales, then you can listen to those who didn't buy at any of our sales. We do wish to state, however, that stock is not dead until it has no sale. We have at times sold out our stock that has taken its last breath with the public, but today our stock is a lively bunch. Seeing is believing, so if costs you nothing to see. Come in.

### THANKSGIVING NOTICE.

To those who wish some real, genuine home blanched peanuts in sweet, fresh country butter, leave us your order and we will fill it for you.

PARK NEWS DEPOT  
ADAMS & ORR, Props.

### Dust Poisoned Pies Kill.

The coroner's investigation of the death of William Bowling of Lanca-shire, after eating pork pies in May last, was concluded when Doctor Harris, medical officer of health, stated that his opinion was that the infection of the meat in the shop was caused by dust blown in from the street.—London Mail.

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EVERY year the advisability of carrying some form of life insurance is becoming more apparent. There is no hesitancy in taking out fire and tornado insurance, plate glass insurance, live stock insurance and other forms of insurance to indemnify against damage to buildings and personal property, and yet there has always been something mystic, a feeling that had to be overcome in taking out a life insurance policy. This feeling, to some extent, has been overcome, aided, no doubt, by the satisfactory experience of others, who were fortunate enough to have taken out policies.

Why don't you let us quote you the cost of a policy in the NORTHWESTERN MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, of Milwaukee. We will be glad to explain the policy to you in detail and there will be no obligation on your part to take one, and it might be the means of bringing you to the realization of the duty you owe to yourself and those depending upon you.

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