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Governor Dunne and staff took part in the inaugural at Washington this week.

The Pontiac Democrat seems to be disgusted with the word "efficient." The paper looks and reads like it.

Governor Dunne has issued a proclamation designating Friday, April 18, and Friday, October 24, as Arbor and Bird Days.

One of the rural routes out of Monok has been abolished on account of bad roads. This should be a pointer to those who oppose good roads, and also to those who do not use the road drags and keep the roads in repair.

Attorney General Pat Lukey has already tried to open up 2000 civil service state jobs for his and the administration's hungry henchmen. But fortunately for the state institutions Pat is not yet the supreme court. The way Pat is starting out it looks as if he could be depended upon to take care of the gang.

The new Secretary of State Wood commenced to fire civil service employes in his office as soon as Attorney General Pat Lukey said the act of 1911 was unconstitutional. Mr. Wood did not wait for an opinion of the supreme court. Is that a sample of civil service under the state democratic administration? It is rather un-civil.

Paper is now being made from cornstalks and also from a plant grown in tropical and semi-tropical countries. This is encouraging to the printers, provided the so-called trust does not keep the price up. There are not many articles of general use which have raised in price as much as paper, and still the printer is not receiving a proportionate price for newspapers or job printing.

Congressman Fitz Henry, of Bloomington, who succeeds Congressman Sterling, representing this district, was in Washington to attend the inaugural. He was accompanied by Mrs. Fitz Henry. This is the second visit of the congressman to Washington since election. He will return to Bloomington next week and arrange his business affairs so as to attend the special session of congress, probably in April.

The democratic trick to elect J. Ham Lewis senator for the long term at Springfield last week, will probably not amount to anything as there was no quorum present and voting. It will be a lesson, however, to the members of the legislature to stay in Springfield and attend to business. Probably the present legislature has cost the state \$100,000 and nothing has been done except to vote salaries. The trouble will commence again next Wednesday and let us all hope that something will be accomplished.

It is amusing to see how the democratic papers are claiming Col. J. Hamilton Lewis' election as senator, when they know that if he should be taken in by the U. S. senate, there would always be a cloud upon his title to the office. Col. Lewis is a good and able man, and would make a fine senator but he should not accept any such election. There are questions of honor and squareness at stake, and if Col. Lewis is a "rather be right than senator" man, he will not try to be senator under such circumstances.

Col. Frank L. Smith sent in his resignation to President Wilson as revenue collector for the central district of Illinois, March 4. Mr. Smith has been collector for about six years and has instituted some business reforms in the work which have been adopted by the department at Washington and the work has been done promptly and well. The office has no stated term and can be changed any time, and Mr. Smith did not care to stand in the way of a democrat being appointed. As far as we know he is the first one in Illinois to resign.

The bill known as the Webb bill which provides that liquor cannot be shipped into dry territory, was passed by both houses of congress and vetoed by the President as unconstitutional. It was then passed over the veto by an immense majority. This is the most radical temperance measure ever passed by the national congress, and means that if any city or village or territory went dry, that liquor could not be shipped in there even to an individual, except a druggist or physi-

cian. This is certainly living up to the spirit of the law, and if the people want dry territory, which is really dry, all they have to do is for a majority to say so.

The inaugural address delivered by President Wilson is highly spoken of by the press of the country. It is beautifully worded and makes specific promises to better conditions along all lines. After the delivery Mr. Tart congratulated President Wilson and said: "I wish you a successful administration and the carrying out of your aims. We will all be behind you." This expression of good will is felt by all fair men. The man who will be the new President's close advisers and compose his cabinet are Wm. Jennings Bryan, Nebraska, Secretary of State; Wm. Gibbs McAdoo, of New York, Secretary of the Treasury; Lindley M. Garrison, of New Jersey, Secretary of War; James Clark Reynolds, Kentucky, Attorney General; Albert Sidney Burleson, Texas, Postmaster General; Josephus Daniels, N. C., Secretary of the Navy; Franklin Knight Lane, Calif., Secretary of the Interior; David Franklin Houston, Mo., Secretary of Agriculture; Wm. Cox Redfield, N. Y., Secretary of Commerce; Wm. B. Wilson, Pa., Secretary of Labor.

Professor Woodrow Wilson became President Woodrow Wilson last Tuesday. He now fills the highest office in the world, and has assumed more responsibility than any head of any nation. His acts will be watched and criticised the world over, because this is the leading and greatest nation in the world. The oath of office was administered by Chief Justice White in the presence of thousands of people in front of the capitol at Washington. This was followed by his address to the people, the parade, and everything which makes the inauguration impressive and grand. President Wilson is the first democratic president who has taken the oath of office in twenty years. The President is a democrat, the Senate and House are democratic, and the heads of all departments will be democrats. The party has started out to legislate its own way, and if carried out will be almost a complete reversal of republican policies. The good American citizen will await the result and if the party in power is successful it will probably remain in power for years. If not, changes will come thick and fast, as soon as the people have a chance to vote again.

FITTING TRIBUTE.

Last week, prior to the retirement of Senator Shelby M. Cullom, who has served Illinois and the nation so faith-

fully and well, for thirty years in the senate and over twenty years in the state, was paid a most fitting tribute by the senate and the members of the Foreign Relations Committee, of which he has been the able head for years.

Senator Bacon, senior democratic member of the committee, started a movement to supply the committee with a portrait of its retiring chairman and, in making the suggestion, spoke of the affectionate regard in which he said the venerable Illinois statesman was held by all members. Senator Cullom was visibly affected as other members followed with remarks of appreciation, dwelling upon his fairness and considerate treatment. Unanimously they expressed regret that the ties existing so long were about to be severed.

Mr. Cullom is 84 years old, being ranked in point of age only by Senator Isaac Stephenson, who is five months older. His record of continuous service is exceeded only by former Senator Morrill of Vermont, who served 36 years, beginning 1867, and former Senator Allison of Iowa, who served 35 years, beginning 1873.

The senator's friends everywhere will be pleased to know that he was voted unanimously by House and Senate \$5,000 a year to superintend the erection of the Lincoln monument in Washington, D. C. The Senator was instrumental in getting the bill allowed for the Memorial which carries an appropriation of \$2,000,000.

Nothing is too good for the grand old man.

In an article in the National Tribune regarding untrained girls there is something to think about in the following: The trouble with the girl of the present day who wants to get married is that she simply wants a man to support her, buy her pretty clothes and theater tickets, take her to moving-picture shows, and let her buy most of the truck she and her husband eat from a delicatessen shop, have the washing done out, live in a perfectly modern flat and buy everything that she and her husband wear ready made. That is the trend of the times, lamentable as the condition is, but shouldn't be. In the economy of the family of today children never enter, nor does any thought of household work, which, of course, the girl who marries has never had any training for. In the papers the other day was the story of a woman who took girls of good family into her home as servants, trained them for five years, and then very gladly saw them marry her sons. Four or five very happy marriages had already been made thus, and she was looking forward to

the same kind of marriage for the two remaining sons, girls already being in training. Utopian in practice, perhaps, but very utilitarian in theory. The girls of the present day have no idea of economy at home or elsewhere. They are not trained as their grandmothers were before them. The woman of 50 years ago was a helpmeet for her husband. He did the work outside of the home and she did it inside. He made the money, and she by industry and economy helped him to conserve it, while building up a home and seeing their children grow up about them. When one thinks of a woman like that and then looks around on the frivolous, no-account mothers of the present day, whose daughters attend dancing school instead of sweeping the floors or do del sarts instead of making beds, and who would not know a frying pan or a roasting fork from a flock of barn doors, but whose father is bowed to earth with the weight of care and debt, while the women of his family are howling about the cost of high living, one is tempted to believe that a return to the older days of simple life would be to breed better men and women; but they would not be of the type of the window-smashing, mail-destroying, shrieking suffragets.

THAT REMINDS US

That there was trouble in a household recently, brought about by the innocence of a little girl. The mother said to the girl: "Now go and kiss nurse good night and let her put you to bed." "Don't want to, 'cause she slaps people who try to kiss her, and if you don't believe it, ask papa!" Curtain.

That the young ones will tell the truth: "You have been abroad, haven't you," said a little one to a visitor. "No, why do you ask that?" "I heard papa say you were 'way off!'"

That the primary is next Tuesday, and every man interested in the welfare of the city, should go to the polls and vote for the best men to conduct the business.

That the postoffice force will deliver parcel post mail after June 30, C. O. D. The postage must be paid in advance, but the business man can send the goods C. O. D. This meets the express companies.

To Our Patrons:

We have installed a new Floran Jr. Collar Shaper and Edger and in the future will be able to do more and furnish better work on collars.—Dwight Artesian Laundry, Adv.

Breaking it Gently.

"I hev come to tell yez, Mrs. Malone, that yer husband met with an accident." "An' what is it, now?" wailed Mrs. Malone. "He was overcome by the heat, mum." "Overcome by the heat, was he? An' how did it happen?" "He fell into the furnace over at the foundry, mum."—Tit-Bits.

Uncle Eben.

"Dar is times," said Uncle Eben, "dat de bossiest men has to leave things to other people. De surest way to git yoh face cut is to jump up unexpected to give instructions to de barber dat's shavin' you."

Silencing Watch Ticks.

Some sick people want the time handy but cannot stand the ticking of a watch. If this is the case, place the watch beneath an ordinary drinking glass. The patient can see the time but the ticking will be silenced by the glass.

"Esquire" Not Understood.

A letter addressed to John Brown, Esquire, rested comfortably in a little town of Germany in the "E" compartment of the post department waiting to be called for by Mr. Esquire. One of the guide books warns against the use of this form of address explaining how it may be mistaken for a name.

Packing Food in Ferns.

In Germany the use of ferns is coming into more and more favor for packing food which is transported either short or long distances. The practice became common in England before it gained equal vogue in Germany, and the results are said to be excellent, especially in shipping fresh fruit, butter, fish and other food products which require unusual care.

Sweeping the Sick Room.

Never sweep a sick room while the patient is in it, as the dust is exceedingly dangerous, both to the sufferer and the sweeper. Wipe the floor with a cloth wrung out in monia and water, or, if it is a pet, wipe that in the same manner.

Carrying It to Extremes.

"Your husband, I understand, is a clever after-dinner speaker?" "I understand so." "Does it keep him away from home much?" "Nearly every night. Would you believe it, when he does stay home it's got so he doesn't enjoy a meal unless I get up after the dessert and introduce him to the children and call upon him to make a few remarks?"

Impolite.

Young Woman—That stupid fellow has been following me for a half hour without even speaking. I wonder where he learned politeness!

SOME OF THE RESULTS

The volume of business handled through our office during the present "First of March period" is as follows:

Wednesday, February 26	-	\$125,841.27
Thursday, February 27	-	195,195.42
Friday, February 28	-	153,968.48
Saturday, March 1	-	1,147,797.53
Monday, March 3	-	681,571.20
Total	-	\$2,304,373.90

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