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An alienist out in Colorado declares that no one is absolutely sane. This ought to encourage the republican campaign managers to renewed effort. It is their one real hope of success in the nation this fall.

It used to be that in argument a man could prove anything by a quotation from Scripture, but politicians have discovered a richer gold mine of affirmation in the result of a September election in Maine.

Probably one reason why so many persons believed that the women were supporting the cause of Mr. Hughes lay in the fact that Miss Representation and Miss Taken were prominent in all his campaign speeches.

The self-restraint of the paragraphers is shown by the fact that none of them mentioned the fact that when it came to the New York senatorial nomination Colonel Roosevelt was unable to bring home the Bacon.

The reason why a republican candidate who has failed to secure the progressive nomination is well pleased over the fact is that Berlin felt elated because Rumania decided to throw her fortunes in with those of the allies.

The republican paragraphers thought it significant that in his tour through North Dakota Mr. Hughes followed a cyclone. They will doubtless be vastly more impressed when the November cyclone overtakes Mr. Hughes.

Both of the political parties in Colorado in their platforms this year praised the effect of the prohibition policy in that state. When political parties can agree upon a vital issue like that a motion to close the argument is in order.

Henry Ford has sued the Chicago Tribune for a million dollars because it called him an anarchist. The Tribune evidently mistook Henry for a democratic candidate for office, or it would not have jeopardized its unearned increment so hastily.

The fact that ever since the republicans have had a chance to thoroughly scan the figures from the Maine election they have redoubled their campaign activity is a pretty fair indication of the character of the comfort they drew therefrom.

Complaint is made that there is no novelty in the big political campaign, that the orators are threshing old straw and that old issues are being revamped. What do these critics want, some campaign manager to admit that the ticket he champions is not certain of victory.

The gayety of the campaign was considerably added to when Uncle Joe Cannon had to sit on a platform at one of Candidate Hughes's meetings and applaud while the justice scored the President for signing the Adamson eight-hour bill for which Uncle Joe had cast his vote.

The republicans have been such carping critics of the President, insisting that this, that and the other action of his was dictated entirely by political interest, that when he wins the election in November those that will be left with voice enough to cry out will say he did that for political effect, too.

The progress of the campaign may be judged from the fact that the old friend, the story that the republicans are going to carry Texas, has appeared. As soon as the democrats set forth their claim to the electoral vote of Vermont, we may know that all is well with the claim bureau.

It has perhaps not escaped notice that the men who are most bitter in denouncing the President for, as they put it, allowing the railroad brotherhoods to dictate legislation, are the same men who, in former administrations, found no fault with the action of the executives in allowing the railroads to dictate legislation.

It probably strikes a number of republicans even as pretty mean on the part of Mr. Hughes, who knew a better way of settling the railroad strike in the nation than did the President, not to slip a little of the recipe to the New York governor in order to let him try it on the street car union men.

Robert Bacon was defeated for the republican senatorial nomination in the New York primaries. Mr. Bacon made his fight on the issue of a larger army and navy. Apparently the republicans of New York are not so war mad as spokesmen like the Colonel have represented them to be.

The republican candidates and the republican backers have only one aim, and that is to change the administration so that they can change conditions. Do you want to change conditions or are you satisfied with the present prosperity of the country and the fact that we are at peace with every nation?

The mere dropping of a kind word to a man who is longing for sympathy works wonders. There are hundreds of republicans, too, who have been looking for the worst after the fall-down of Mr. Hughes as a campaigner, who actually felt cheered after the republican victory in Maine had been announced.

As we understand it, Mr. Hughes will not inform the people how the Mexican matter can be properly handled unless he is given the job of handling it. From which it is safe to assume that if Mr. Hughes came across a man whom he believed, was drowning, he would refuse to give assistance unless the man came through first.

The last reports of the railroads of the country show an increase of \$5,000 a mile in net earnings, for the year ending June 30th last. Thus we observe how vast an injustice was done them in the passage of the law making eight hours a day's work. It may be well to cut and paste this item for reference when the railroads beseege congress with pleas for an increase in rates in order to take care of the increased operating cost due to the passage of the Adamson law.

Some of the campaign managers are worried over the general apathy of the voters with respect to the presidential contest. It is no cause for democratic worry, however. With the people prosperous and at peace with the world why should they get excited? They know that to retain those conditions they need only retain the democrats in power, and the fact that they are not running around in circles indicates not only a contented spirit but a made up mind.

Now the republicans are claiming that the national administration income tax law is sectional because the people of Massachusetts and New York pay more per capita than do the people of any six southern states. It has not occurred to these critics, of course, that the same principle and rules govern the applications of the law in all sections the fact that the two states that have been the favorites of tariff legislation for generations might indicate that it is because they have got more rich men than the south.

Mr. Wilson as Seen by One of Family Circle

The New York Times secured for publication an intimate personal sketch of Woodrow Wilson, the man, written by Professor Stockton Axson, whose sister, Ellen Louise Axson, was the President's first wife. Professor Axson not only had close personal relations with the President for thirty-five years, but served under him, when Mr. Wilson was president of Princeton university. Following are a few extracts from Professor Axson's article relating to the President's home and married life:

"It is hard for me to speak in moderate terms of the beauty of the Wilsons' married life—that married life which I saw so intimately for more than twenty-five years. * * * In the long years of his and my sister's life together, they were more completely one than any two people with whom I have been thrown into intimate contact. * * * We often hear it said of a married pair—so often that it has become a sort of 'bromide'—'A cross word never passed between that couple.' I have been honestly trying to think if I ever heard anything approaching an altercation between Mr. and Mrs. Wilson, and I can not recall even a shadow of such. And yet these were no weaklings; but two spirited people, each with a power of conviction possible only to very strong characters. They would sometimes differ in their opinions, but their relationship was so rooted in mutual love and loyalty that their differences were casual and superficial, never fundamental. * * * I have sometimes wondered how a family composed of varying and very positive elements ever contrived to live in such absolute and undisturbed harmony as did the Wilson family, and I have come to the conclusion that such a result can be attained only in one way, not by any prescription, or plan or domestic 'scheme' of action, but only by enthroning love supreme—that where love is always master, every day and every hour, there must be harmony. In the Wilson household love is always law. * * *

"Only a few of us know what Woodrow Wilson was really undergoing in the summer and autumn of 1914, when the world was catching fire from war, and the foundations of his own life were crumbling under him. Just as the war opened my sister died. 'I can not help thinking,' he said, 'that perhaps she was taken so that she might be spared the spectacle of some awful calamity.'

"I was at the White house a great deal that autumn and I know that it is no exaggerated use of words to say that he was the loneliest man in all the world. * * * I can see the lonely figure of the President now, walking down the long hallway, the hair so much whitened in the few months. His intimate friends often expressed to me the wish that the President could marry again, as he was utterly desolate.

"We who love him feel that God himself must have directed the circumstances which brought Mrs. Galt into the White house circle. But for her we can only surmise what might have happened, for not even the strongest man in the world could bear up indefinitely under that dumb grief. Sunlight and grace radiate from Mrs. Galt. Her nature is big and generous and health-giving, and in that presence the President found new life, found that love without which he can not live. Their love for each other is perfect, and we all love her, both for what she has done for him and for herself, for to know her is to love her.

"She has entered this great career as simply, as unaffectedly, as unselfishly as Ellen Axson entered into the obscure career of the young lawyer who was abandoning law for a new and untried life of scholarship and teaching. To neither woman has condition, high or low, meant anything; to both Woodrow Wilson has meant all."

The real opposition to the President's shipping bill can be very readily summarized. If there is any profit in the ocean carrying trade, private capital wants the government to keep out of the business. If there isn't any profit in it let private capital build and run the boats and let the government pay it subsidies. Thus we may observe the sterling patriotism that private capital possesses.