

Our National Capital

Events of Interest from the Seat of Government by the News Special Correspondent, J. E. Jones

The Hair-Trigger of Expectancy

Washington, D. C., Feb. 10.—Here we are, a people of more than a hundred million in number, true lovers of peace, wanting nothing except to be treated as becomes our respectability, and quite willing to overlook a lot of bad manners on the part of any other nation, because we know that their conditions are abnormal. And at the very moment when we are trying to fix up the European family quarrel, the old performance of ingratitude and defiance is hurled at us. And what are we going to do about it? The President, by breaking off relations with the German Empire, has performed an act which in substance means that we regard that government as an "outlaw among nations." The severing of diplomatic relations is the most forcible peace means known by which one nation may show its contempt for another. And while all along Washington continued to cherish the hope of peace, every branch of the Government moved toward war. The dear little old White House was barred off; the traffic of the city, its gates were closed, and it stood protected by the strong-armed officers of the law against the approach of all visitors. The Army and Navy and State building was also closed, and the employees were furnished cards of identification which enabled them to get to their work.

There is no news of the situation that can be told accurately—and it is more than probable that before this piece of copy reaches its destination in print, or is outlawed by changes in events, that the entire condition will have undergone a radical change. Washington hunches are as often wrong, as those of any other part of the country. It will be remembered that war with Mexico was a certainty on more than one occasion. When the diplomatic relations were broken off, the majority of Washingtonians were "sure" that war would follow, but others held to the hope that something less radical would occur; and it was suggested that the shooting up of a few German submarines might be accomplished without a declaration of war. But speculations have proven vain; and the news of the day must be analyzed by every thoughtful reader, who is about as capable of determining conditions as those "wise" people who are in every current of events at Washington, and whose judgments are apt to be warped because they are living under the hair-trigger of expectancy.

The Community Spirit

Miss Margaret Wilson, daughter of the President, is given great credit for her activities in behalf of the "community forum." She has carried her views before committees of Congress, asking that the public schools of the city of Washington be open to the parents in order that simple means be found by which the interchange of points of views might be provided to people interested in the public schools. The President, previous to coming to Washington, went on record as advocating the community idea, and the use of schools to bring about a closer understanding between the people. He said that the whole process of modern life is capable of being adjusted so as to exclude misunderstanding, exclude hostilities, and bring all men into common counsel, and so discover what is the common interest. This is the problem of modern life. Pointing to the part which the common school-houses offer to answer this common need, the President said: "They are public buildings. They are evenly distributed. They belong to the communities. They furnish ideal places in which to assemble and

discuss public affairs. They are just what we need." The President has interested himself in the larger affairs of government and has not had time to devote to such ideas as are indicated in the foregoing statement. It is likely, however, that he has encouraged the activities of his daughter along these lines.

The community spirit formerly existed to a very large extent in rural communities, and the school houses were used for all sorts of public gatherings. The old theory that church and state must remain separate doubtless was often defeated in the use of the school houses. It was carried to the point where it was interpreted that the use of school-buildings for political purposes and for public meetings, made the school-house an institution that was being constantly misused for unworthy purposes. The school board, no matter how intelligent, might be its management of public school buildings, inevitably have to face demands for occupancy of public property, that could not be very well complied with. Out of this condition came the tightening of the lines of these local school boards, and the consequent restriction of the buildings to uses of school purposes only. Theoretically the community idea is correct, and Miss Wilson and others who think along the same lines, with her, are satisfied that a plan can be worked out so that the school-house may indeed become the acknowledged arena of the adults of the community, for settling what President Wilson defined as "the whole processes of modern life."

The need of central places for gatherings is greater to-day in the cities than it ever was in the rural communities, because meeting places are more easily secured in more sparsely settled districts. The hiring of halls, and renting of rooms, together with their upkeep, is a very serious responsibility for any small group of citizens to undertake in any metropolitan community.

The movement for increasing the use of public school-houses has been endorsed by ex-Presidents Roosevelt and Taft. It is one of the few instances on record where Mr. Wilson, Professor Taft and Colonel Roosevelt have been of the same mind. In New York where problems of living are more complicated than anywhere else, the granting of some of the school buildings to community settlements, has resulted in so many abuses of the privilege that the idea has received a serious setback.

The Income and the Outgo

"If you cannot control either your income or your expenses you will find that your chances of success are very limited," remarked a prominent Washington attorney recently, who went on to explain that the willingness of on common diseases of farm animals the public to agitate the railroad question and to determine it by political exigencies in any particular case has created the serious condition responsible for the refusal of investors to put their money in railroad properties, when so many other and more attractive fields are open. In replying to questions as to whether or not the railroads were not more or less to blame for the situation, the attorney added that he agreed with the claims that some of the objectionable things which have been done in respect to financing railroads have had an effect upon the public estimate of railroad management. He added that there were other causes that have created insuperable difficulties. "You have got to convince the investor that there is going to be a proper return on the security," because capital has forsaken railroad investments.

WHY SUFFER SO?

Why suffer from a bad back, from sharp, shooting twinges, headaches, dizziness and distressing urinary ills? Andover people recommend Doan's Kidney Pills. (Could you ask for stronger proof of merit?)

A. Wilcox, prop. hotel & livery, Main St., Andover, says: "When I have an attack of kidney trouble I have lameness and soreness across the small of my back, which affects me most in the morning after I first get up. The action of my kidneys is irregular and the kidney secretions are highly colored. I use Doan's Kidney Pills right away, procured from the Brundage Drug Co., and they always fix me up in good shape. I can speak highly of this medicine."

Price 50c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mr. Wilcox uses. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y.

CHARMING SWEET PEAS GEORGEUS GLADIOLI

Attractive Offers of Seeds and Bulbs of These Popular Garden Favorites

In the entire realm of the floral world there are no more beautiful and satisfactory flowers, especially for amateur growers, than Sweet Peas and Gladioli. Blooms of the former make the loveliest bouquets to adorn a dining table or any place where dainty colors and delicious fragrance are desired; the latter for masses of gorgeous flowers on tables, stands or elsewhere when brilliant and striking floral effects are needed.

But the prime requisites for satisfactory results are seeds and bulbs of the most beautiful varieties, which are precisely such as are here offered.

SWEET PEAS: For 25 cents I will send 8 liberal packets of the loveliest named kinds and colors, including two or three of the most beautiful "spencers" or orchid-flowered varieties, and to each order I will add a packet of early asters and one of double poppies. For 50 cents I will send at least 10 of the most popular "Spencers," each a separate kind and color, with the asters and poppies added.

GLADIOLI: For 50 cents I will send at least 20 blooming size bulbs, among which there will be six or more of the choicest named kinds and colors. For \$1.00 I will send 45 or more bulbs in which will be a dozen or more of the best named varieties. A full ounce of California mixed Nasturtiums will be added to any order for 10 cents. What a splendid flower garden for a trifle!

Send postal for my four-page, illustrated folder of Sweet Peas and Gladioli. They're FREE. Address,

EDGAR A. HIGGINS
Avoca, New York.

THE THRICE-A-WEEK EDITION OF THE NEW YORK WORLD IN 1917

Practically a Daily at the Price of a Weekly. No Other Newspaper in the World Gives so Much at so Low a Price.

The value and need of a newspaper in the household was never greater than at the present time. The great war in Europe is now half-way into its third year, and whether peace be at hand or yet far off, it and the events to follow it are sure to be of absorbing interest for many a month to come.

There are world-shaking affairs, in which the United States, willing or unwilling, is compelled to take a part. No intelligent person can ignore such issues.

THE THRICE-A-WEEK WORLD'S regular subscription, only \$1.00 per year, and this pays for 156 papers. We offer this unequalled newspaper, and **THE ANDOVER NEWS** together for one year for \$2.25. The regular subscription price of the two papers is \$2.50.

SUFFRAGISTS ABLE TO RENDER EFFECTIVE AID

In commenting on the action of the New York State Woman Suffrage Party relative to the offer of service in the present war crisis, Mrs. Norman de It. Whitehouse, the state chairman, is quoted as follows:

"Our action is taken with the feeling that, being organized in every assembly district of New York State, we are in a position to render effective service to the State of New York and to our Nation in this time of need."

"Of the value of women in war time there is little left to be said now that has not already been said by the leaders in all the warring countries: Great Britain, France, Italy, Russia and Germany included. Women are recognized now as an asset and not a liability in war time. Only last August in the British House of Commons, Mr. Montague, the British Minister of Munitions, pointed out that it was not too much to say that Great Britain's armies had been saved and victory assured largely by the women in the munition factories. Within the past few days we have information that the government of France has decided to mobilize for National defence not only the men but also the women between the ages of 18 and 80. Our advice from Germany still further show the important service women are rendering in this time of crisis.

"In this state we are in a position to muster an organization composed of 5,000 officers and a half million women with offices in every one of the 150 assembly districts of the Empire State."

BUFFRAGISTS FOR NATIONAL SERVICE

The executive committee of the New York State Woman Suffrage Party, which has voted in favor of national service, is made up of the executive officers, the chairmen of the campaign districts, the chairmen of the various sections, the chairmen of the five New York City boroughs, and the four directors as follows:

State officers: Chairman, Mrs. Norman de It. Whitehouse; Vice Chairmen, Mrs. James Lees Laidlaw, Mrs. Raymond Brown, and Mrs. Henry White Cannon; Treasurer, Mrs. Ogden Mills Reid; Recording Secretary, Miss Alice Morgan Wright; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Charles N. Edge; Legislative Secretary, Mrs. Helen M. Leavitt. Chairmen of Campaign Districts: Miss Mary G. Hay, New York City; Mrs. Raymond Brown, New York City; Miss Lella Stott, Albany; Mrs. Robert Ford, Canton; Mrs. Rene H. Stevens, Syracuse; Miss Lillian Huffcut, Binghamton; Mrs. A. C. Clement, Rochester; Mrs. F. J. Tone, Niagara Falls; Mrs. F. A. Vanderlip, Scarborough; Mrs. Gordon Norrie, Staatsburg; Mrs. George Notman, Keene Valley, and Miss Lucy C. Watson, Utica.

Directors: Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, New York City; Mrs. Arthur L. Livermore, Yonkers; Miss Harriet May Mills, Syracuse, and Mrs. Dexter P. Rumsey, Buffalo.



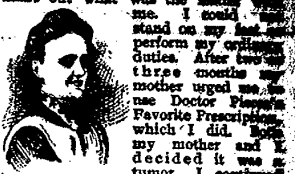
CHARLES S. WHITMAN.
(Governor who has accepted offer of aid given by State Suffrage party.)

OFFER IMPRESSES GOVERNOR WHITMAN

In accepting the offer of national service made by the New York State Woman Suffrage Party, Governor Charles S. Whitman spoke to the suffrage delegation in the executive chamber at Albany as follows: "I am sure that your presence here representing, as you do, a great body of the women of this State and nation, is prompted solely by a desire to render service that I think you are abundantly able to render, and by a desire to show your patriotism."

STRANGE CASE

Corning, New York.—"Fifteen years ago I became so bloated I could not make out what was the matter with me. I could not stand on my feet, perform my ordinary duties. After two or three months my mother urged me to use Doctor Pierce's Favorite Prescription, which I did. Soon my mother and I decided it was a tumor. I continued taking the 'Prescription,' three bottles in all, when the growth, as large as a good sized pear, came away without any serious ill effects. This growth was preserved and examined by many doctors and pronounced a tumor. They were all amazed at the cure performed by Doctor Pierce's wonderful remedy, which they had to give credit because I took no other medicine or treatment at all for this disease. I cannot say to much in praise of 'Favorite Prescription' which I continually recommend for use in every female trouble. Since then I have had one child, a boy, now eleven years of age, and he is a well, strong, healthy child, as are all my six children."—Mrs. ELDORA LOCKWOOD, 197 Decatur Street, Corning, N. Y.



The mighty restorative power of Doctor Pierce's Favorite Prescription speedily causes all womanly troubles to disappear—compels the organs to properly perform their natural functions, corrects displacements, overcomes irregularities, removes pain and misery at certain times and brings back health and strength to nervous, irritable and exhausted women.

What Doctor Pierce's Favorite Prescription has done for thousands it will do for you. Get it this very day from any medicine dealer, in either liquid or tablet form.

Elsewhere in this paper will be found the annual announcement of the offers of Sweet Peas and Gladioli of Edgar A. Higgins, of Avoca, N. Y., whose seeds and bulbs of these popular flowers have become justly famous throughout this and many other states.

Mr. Higgins is a newspaper man who during nearly his entire adult life has made a careful study of the most beautiful flowers and their culture and we take pleasure in assuring our readers that any orders sent him will be filled to the satisfaction of every patron.

SLOAN'S LINIMENT EASES PAIN

Sloan's Liniment is first thought of mothers for bumps, bruises and sprains that are continually happening to children. It quickly penetrates and soothes without rubbing. Cleaner and more effective than muslin plaster or ointments. For rheumatic aches, neuralgia, pain and that grippy soreness after colds, Sloan's Liniment gives prompt relief. Have a bottle handy for bruises, strains, sprains and all external pain. For the thousands whose work calls them outdoors, the pains and aches following exposure are relieved by Sloan's Liniment. At all Druggists, 25c.—Advertisement.

MANY CHILDREN ARE SICKLY

Mother Gray's Sweet Powders for Children Break up Colds in 24 hours, relieve Feverishness, Headache, Stomach Troubles, Teething Disorders, and Destroy Worms. At all druggists, 25c. Sample mailed FREE. Address, Mother Gray Co., Le Roy, N. Y.

CONSTIPATION CAUSES BAD SKIN

A dull and pimply skin is due to a sluggish bowel movement. Correct this condition and clear your complexion with Dr. King's New Life Pills. The mild laxative taken at bed-time will assure refreshing resulting from overloaded intestines a full, free, non-gripping movement in the morning. Drive out the dull, listless, unclean and sluggish liver. Get a bottle to-day. At all Druggists, 25c.—Advertisement.

Read the classified ads.

MAULE'S SEEDS ONCE GROWN ALWAYS GROWN



MAULE'S 40TH ANNIVERSARY SPECIAL. Send 10c. for a packet of Maule's Success Tomato Seed, tested for germination like all Maule's seeds. The Success is the heaviest for its size of any variety, finest treated with fewest seeds.

The Maule Seed Book

176 page catalog and book of gardening information Free of postage. Economy and fresh seeds insured by our direct-to-you selling method.

WM. HENRY MAULE, Inc.
275 Arch Street
Philadelphia, Pa.

Office Hours: 9:00 A. M. to 5:00 P. M.
Office Main and Center
ANDOVER, N. Y.
Will answer all country calls.

C. W. O'DONNELL, M. D.
Physician and Surgeon
Office and Residence, Church St.
ANDOVER, N. Y.

E. J. LOUGHLIN, M. D.
GENERAL PRACTITIONER.
Office and Residence, Center St.
Andover, N. Y.

DR. DANIEL LEWIS
ALBRED, NEW YORK
Hours 2-4 and by Appointment

HENRY STEPHENS,
FIRE INSURANCE LIFE
Office at residence, 51 Main St.
Andover, N. Y.

CRAYTON L. EARLEY,
ATTORNEY AND COUNSELLOR AT LAW
Money Loaned on Good Real Estate Security
ALL LEGAL BUSINESS RECEIVED PROMPT ATTENTION.
Andover, N. Y.

ANGELO O. TUCKER
GENERAL INSURANCE
Notary Public with Seal
Life, Health and Accident, Farm and Village Property, Auto Wrecks and all kinds of Casualty Risks. Absolute Security Guaranteed.

VETERINARY
DR. C. S. MOORE—Veterinary Surgeon and Dentist.
Located in Wallace Jones' office. West State St. Federal Phone, Wellsville, N. Y.
Cattle tested for tuberculosis.

Cool, quiet, mental place, with comforts of home.
THE SANFORD HOUSE
239 Main St., Hornell, N. Y.
Furnished rooms by day or week. Newly furnished. Modern conveniences. Reservations by mail.
Mrs. Sanford-Burdick, Prop.

WHEN IN HORNELL STOP AT Hotel York
H. A. York & Son, Prop.
Near Erie Station
Everything First Class

SEE RICHMOND THE OPTOMETRIST AND SEE BEST
Wilcox Hotel, Andover, the fourth Wednesday each month—Feb. 28, Wellsville, Mondays, Tuesdays and Saturdays.

C. E. BROWN
Undertaker and Embalmer
Finest Equipment
Skilled Service
Calls attended to day or night
Main Street, Andover, N. Y.

FLOWERS FOR ALL OCCASIONS
FUNERAL DESIGNS
... A SPECIALTY.

WETTLIN, The Florist,
Hornell, N. Y.

400 TYPEWRITERS!
BIRMINGHAM 512. SMITH-PRINCE 512.
Let Your Children Learn Typewriting at Home during Vacation. Instruction Book FREE. Ask for FREE TYPE SAMPLES. BUFFALO, N. Y.

Try the News ads for results.

News Ads Always Get Prompt Results

Good Printing is a News Office Specialty