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

GOVERNMENT SHIPMENTS BY MAIL

Washington, D. C., Aug. 28.—The recent arrangement whereby the Treasury Department will ship money through the post office instead of by express, thereby saving the Government practically \$500,000 a year, has brought forth a protest from the Committee on Railway Mail Pay, an organization made up principally of railroad presidents. "If the Treasury Department can use the Post Office Department, and consequently the railroads," says the statement for the railroads, "what is to prevent the War and Navy Departments from shipping their supplies by mail with United States troops and marines as armed guards, to be carried free by the railroads as agents in charge of the mails."

Of course any increase in the weight of the mails automatically increases the rate of the railway mail pay and the fact that half a million dollars worth of business has been taken from the express companies—who are so discredited that they have to kick by proxy, will automatically regulate itself so far as the railroads are concerned. The suggestion of the railroad interests that the War and Navy Departments use the mails to a greater extent, is looked upon as a pretty good idea at Washington, and an official of the Post Office Department remarked: "Why not adopt the suggestion by Mr. Peters? Much of the supplies of the two Departments could be arranged to conform to the requirements of parcel post packages, and these could be transported through the Post Office more economically and logically than by express. Of course the idea of using soldiers and marines has been suggested to convey sarcasm; but it is not so unreasonable after all; and in case the Army and Navy wish to find something akin to real service for its men by using them as guards, then the principle could be applied in such a way that the railroads would have nothing to weep over. As a matter of fact the railroads manage to take pretty good care of themselves in their dealings with Uncle Sam."

Even the Post Office Department uses railroad freight service in transporting heavy supplies; but some of the officials in the General Post Office take the same view as that scornfully suggested on behalf of the railroads, that the Government should look after all its own transportation, for all Departments and Bureaus.

Sugar the Government's "Meal Ticket"

Within the next few weeks, according to present plans, the Democratic members of the Ways and Means Committee of the last Congress, who have been re-elected, are to meet in Washington, to discuss with the Secretary of the Treasury and possibly with the President, the question of what action shall be taken at the next session to provide revenues for the Government. Particular attention, according to report, is to be given to the matter of possible changes in the Underwood tariff laws. The Administration, it is asserted, has no intention of permitting any wholesale changes in the schedules; but it is admitted that there is a widespread demand among Democrats as well as Republicans, for a few modifications, and particularly for the continuance of a duty on sugar. The sugar duty, in spite of the reduction made last year, still brings into the Treasury nearly \$50,000,000 a year. For many years it has been known in Treas-

ury circles as the "government's meal ticket," because it not only yields the largest income of any article on the dutiable list, but also because it is one of the most reliable revenue producers. The returns fluctuating less than they do in the case of many other imports. Influential Democrats in the Government service privately admit that the party made a mistake in the sugar tariff legislation and they hold that the existing situation of the Treasury with a rapidly growing deficit, affords a good chance to correct this error. They are anxious to patch up the weak spots in the tariff law in order to make it less of an issue in the campaign.

In This Fateful Year of Wars

So far as the attitude of the Government is concerned, Germany is in disrepute at Washington. It has been assumed everywhere that President Wilson would adopt very severe measures with the Kaiser's government following continued submarine outrages costing the lives of American citizens. For that reason there was no particular pressure brought to bear from outside to shape the course of events. Of course diplomacy has had its swing; but the Administration has been growing very unneutral since the Lusitania affair, and to continue on good terms with Germany while the latter maintained its position with reference to this nation's views, has been quite impossible.

Mexico has likewise been a thorn in the side of the Washington Government. Nevertheless the head of our federal institution, has been making a vigorous attempt to treat life as lightly as possible, and he has been having the first recreation since he came to Washington, in consequence of which he is not much in his demeanor and expression to indicate that the foreign troubles have spoiled his disposition or lessened the hours of his rest.

Uncle Sam does not care to fight—and if one were to believe a quarter of the things that are being printed about "unpreparedness" the inference might follow that any third-rate dinky nation could whip the whole United States before we could float a ship or load a musket. The condition has been painted very black by military gentlemen and the millionaire interests that have fattened off selling guns and ammunition. As a matter of fact our country is weak in those points that have distinguished Europe in the war; and the country is backing up a demand being exploited in the press and by the movies, that Uncle Sam has no fighting force, is purely fiction; and the best informed men who have no axes to grind, are pretty well agreed that it would take a foreign foe somewhere between a hundred and a thousand years to break into New York harbor.

The Greatest Encampment

All previous Grand Army Encampments will be outclassed by the annual event planned for Washington this Fall. Ordinarily the Capital City does not concern itself to any extent concerning visitors, but there is careful preparation to make this the greatest of all Encampments; and the citizens could not do more in anticipation of it if it were an inaugural event.

Wine Cup Restored

State and diplomatic functions appear never to have been considered complete without wine on the menu. A few positive persons like the Bryan's have tipped over the tippler custom, but their successors have invariably re-

stored the old practices. Therefore there was not much surprise when it was announced that Secretary Lansing had restored the wine cup. The temperance people have vigorously criticized what they term a "backward step."

Butter That is Never Spread

American consumers of print butter have been given short weight to the extent of \$8,000,000 during the past year. Consumers of bulk butter are paying other millions for imaginary butter. The Federal Government has been shouting from the house-tops about these frauds in weights, but the local authorities, who should be the most energetic and active in the matter, are pretty hard to move.

Artificial Preservations Not Necessary

Fruits and vegetables can be kept indefinitely if they are sterilized by heat and properly sealed, and there is no excuse, in the opinion of the experts of the Agricultural Department, for running any risk by using preserving powders which may be injurious to health.

AMONG THE SUFFRAGISTS

The Seamen's bill sailed thru Congress with its safeguards for labor intact. Labor is organized, and organized labor has votes.

The Seamen's bill emerged as a law with the provisions for the safety of passengers clipped. Passengers are not organized. They are largely women and children anyway. The Eastland tragedy brings it home.

Women are organized in large numbers in the interest of every form of human welfare, but the government does not count their opinions. They have no votes.

Innate conservation is a virtue. It holds the world from flying off on a tangent, as would happen if every body was a radical. But professional conservatism is apt to be a rascal.

Peter Radford and W. D. Lewis, each posing as the farmer's friend and spokesman, and piously mouthing, via boiler-plate length and breadth of the land, that they would not give one prayer of sainted mother for all the women's votes in Christendom, now stand revealed as the paid agents of a business men's association that the State of Texas has dissolved as inimical to public welfare.

Obviously this association was not formed to promote the business interests of the community, for it is a well known fact, that the per capita wealth is higher in equal suffrage states than in the rest of the country. It was organized to promote the interests of its members, and is shivered at the mere thought of votes for women.

It is a crude way to put it, but according to Commissioner of Health John Dill Robertson in an address before the Olivet Institute in Chicago, cows and pigs are of more value than babies in the estimation of the state and federal governments.

In reference to the several millions that the government is spending to stamp out the foot-and-mouth disease, the commissioner said: "No such amount is spent to stamp out diseases that destroy baby life. One out of every five babies died before it is two years old. On an economic basis every baby is worth 1700; if a calf or a pig were worth that much, it would not be permitted to be exposed to anything that would threaten its life."

According to Judge Lindsey, the baby will never compare successfully with the cow or pig for attention from the government until mothers vote. In his recent article in Harper's Weekly, he writes, "You can't do much in child welfare without women and women can't work effectively without the vote."

"The eastern states do not deserve much credit for their child-

labor legislation," according to Owen Lovejoy, the secretary of the National Child Labor Committee, "for in them child labor is a pressing question and it has taken forty years of hard work to secure, in these states decent conditions for working children, but all over the West, where women vote is being passed, preventive child labor legislation, keeping ahead of the forces that might sometime exploit their little children."

ANNA CADOGAN ETZ,
 Up-State Woman Suffrage Press.

FARM BUREAU

Farm Bureau Meetings
 There will be a Field Meeting at the farm of A. C. White, on Saturday, Sept. 4th, at 10:30 A. M., for the purpose of securing results from the corn test which Mr. White is conducting. All members of the Bureau and others are invited to attend.

Manager Smith, of the Farm Bureau, spent the week of August 23rd in Otsego County, exchanging work with Manager Barlow.

Manager Smith, of the Farm Bureau, will be out of the county on his annual vacation, Sept. 6th to 12th.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Pursuant to an order of Hon. Elba Reynolds, Surrogate of the County of Allegany, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against the estate of David Slocum, late of Andover, N. Y., deceased, to present the same with proper vouchers thereof to the undersigned Executor of the Last Will and Testament of the said deceased, at the Law Office of Crayton L. Earley in the village of Andover, N. Y., on or before the 3rd day of January, 1916.
 Dated June 22nd, 1915.
 PATRICK HYLAND,
 Executor.

"The eastern states do not deserve much credit for their child-

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In pursuant to an order of the Surrogate's Court of Allegany County, New York State, made by Hon. James T. Ward, Dist. Atty. and Acting Surrogate of said County of Allegany, Notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against the estate of Hester Marshall, late of the town of Andover, Allegany County, New York, deceased, to present the same with proper vouchers thereof to the undersigned, administrator of the estate of Charles M. Lash at the law office of Charles M. Lash at Andover, N. Y., on or before the 10th day of September, 1915.
 Dated at Andover, N. Y., February 18, 1915.
 CHAS. A. BINES
 Charles M. Lash,
 Attorney for Administrator,
 Andover, N. Y.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Pursuant to an order of Hon. James T. Ward, District Attorney and Acting Surrogate of the County of Allegany, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to all persons having claims against James F. McGinty, late of the town of Andover, in said County, deceased to present the same with the vouchers thereof to the undersigned administrator at the law office of Francis B. O'Connor, Baldwin Block, Village of Wellsville, said County, on or before November 1st, 1915.
 Dated at Andover, N. Y., April 24, 1915.
 KATHRYN PARDON,
 Administratrix.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Pursuant to an order of Mr. James T. Ward, District Attorney and Acting Surrogate of the County of Allegany, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against the estate of Rosella Perry, late of Andover, N. Y., deceased to present the same with proper vouchers thereof to the undersigned executor of the Last Will and Testament of the said deceased, at the Law Office of Crayton L. Earley in the Village of Andover, N. Y., on or before the 2nd day of October 1915.
 Dated March 20th, 1915.
 ED. McLOUGHLIN,
 W. F. O'CONNELL,
 Executors.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

In pursuant to an order of the Surrogate's Court of Allegany County, New York State, made by Hon. Elba Reynolds, Surrogate of said County of Allegany, Notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against the estate of John H. Kemp, late of the town of Andover, Allegany County, New York, deceased, to present the same with proper vouchers thereof to the undersigned executor of the estate of said deceased, at the law office of Charles M. Lash, at Andover, N. Y., on or before the 10th day of December 1915.
 Dated at Andover, N. Y., May 29, 1915.
 CHAS. M. LASH,
 Executor.

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