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# Our National Capital

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

**SECRETARY McADDO'S ANNOUNCEMENT:**  
 Washington, D. C., October 16.—From a political viewpoint the most important news that has recently developed in Washington was Secretary McAdoo's announcement that in his annual report he would recommend the retention of the tariff on sugar. On account of Mr. McAdoo's position as a member both of the official and personal family of the President, it is recognized that he would not have made the statement in the formal way that it was given out without the latter's approval. During the past few weeks Secretary McAdoo has been in consultation with many leading Democrats of both the House and Senate, and it is known that they have urged in the strongest terms that the free sugar law be repealed, both because of the Treasury's urgent need of the money that the sugar duty will bring in and because they have become convinced that it would be impossible for the sugar growers of the United States to continue in business under free trade conditions. On the revenue side it is pointed out that the sugar tariff is providing \$56,000,000 a year for the support of the government, and that last year one-quarter of all the income from tariff duties came from sugar alone. With a deficit of over \$30,000,000 for the past three months, the cutting off of the huge sum derived from sugar would make a hole in Uncle Sam's pocket that it would be hard to fill.

**Wilson Administration Is Committed**  
 Among those who are conversant with the plans now actively under way by the Wilson political managers to secure the re-nomination and reelection of the President, it is hinted that there is a special reason for the change of front in regard to free sugar. It is known that the Republicans planned to make a big feature of the depleted condition of the Treasury, the failure of the Underwood tariff to reduce the price of sugar to consumers, and the injury which it had caused to the domestic sugar industry. In addition to this Democrats in Louisiana and in some of the beet sugar states were in open revolt because of the free sugar policy. It is hinted that the President and his friends had in mind that keeping a tariff on sugar would help to reunite their own followers and take away some of the political thunder of their opponents. At any rate it is considered in Washington that the Wilson administration is definitely committed to the policy of keeping the duty on sugar, and it is regarded as one of the wisest steps that the President has taken. The only opposition comes from the big sugar refiners who were hoping that free sugar would be put in force in order that they might get rid of the competition of home-grown sugar which puts sugar prices down and so cuts into the profits at certain seasons of the year.

**Clara Barton**  
 There are a few good women in the country who refuse to have Clara Barton's name eclipsed. Her work, like that of Florence Nightingale, softened and embellished the blood-red pages of war's history. And yet, in the great marble palace being erected for the organization in Washington, there is no recognition given to Clara Barton. The Clara Barton Memorial Association is an active, going institution with headquarters in Washington, and a large number of people pro-

posed to provide a suitable memorial. Among the active workers is Mrs. John A. Logan, who is the first vice-president of the association. During the Grand Army Encampment an earnest acquisition to the Clara Barton enthusiasts, came from the southland, and the Washington workers were delighted to welcome Mrs. E. May Glenn Toon, of Wilmington, North Carolina, who explained how she was working independently in her own locality, keeping fresh the memory of the immortal Clara Barton. Mrs. Toon exhibited some very handsome and clever booklets and cards of her own design to use in carrying on the work.

**Hot For the Hyphenates**  
 Within twenty-four hours President Wilson and ex-President Roosevelt agreed and spoke in favor of putting every man in this country on record as to where he stands in the matter of allegiance to the United States. The President says that "in the years which are immediately at hand" that every man should declare: "Is it America first, or is it not?" Colonel Roosevelt expresses a similar opinion, only he makes it in a broader and more forcible manner. These two leaders in public thought, are in entire harmony with the views expressed by the most capable thinkers, both in and out of public life; that there is a necessity to "smoke out" every man who does not put the United States above every other country.

**The Budget Idea**  
 Ex-President Taft rarely neglects an opportunity to argue in favor of a budget system for the United States. Close students of affairs agree that the Taft administration was marked by sincere attempts to systematize the business affairs of Uncle Sam. By "the budget system" it is meant that the Executive shall prepare and submit to Congress estimates of expenditures and proposed revenue, and that Congress shall appropriate certain limited sums for the different branches of work. The system, which Mr. Taft and other statesmen advocate, is practiced by all large corporations of the country, and the theory is that a "budget system" would do away with the absolutely "hit or miss" plan under which the public business is transacted.

**Returning to Washington**  
 Within the past week or two a large number of Senators and Representatives have returned to Washington, after a Summer's absence, and the Senate and House Office Buildings are again populated, and a good deal of grease is being poured into the political machinery, preparatory to starting the Congressional mill grinding again.

**Cummins the Only Candidate**  
 Although most of the "favorite sons" among progressive Republicans, are being groomed for the presidential nomination, it is understood that Senator Cummins of Iowa, is the only real candidate in the field, though it is fair to presume that all the rest of them are like Barkis, who was described as "willing." A possible exception may be made in the case of Justice Hughes, who says he will be "dinged, if he will run," or something more elegant of like effect.

**Studying Foreign Languages**  
 An interesting phase of the relations of Americans with European and South American countries, is pointed out by M. D.

of the Berlitz School of Languages. At the beginning of the war last year, 3000 of the Berlitz Schools in Europe were closed, and in many cities of the United States there was consternation because the instructors left in such large numbers to join their countrymen in arms. However, all that was regulated by the immense organization, and it now appears that there are more people than ever before studying the foreign languages in order to qualify themselves for new conditions in foreign commerce that are due to follow the war. Spanish is the favorite tongue, and the reason is ascribed to the close relations that are being built up in trade with the South American Republics.

**Let 'er Slide**  
 A large part of the trouble at Panama is said to be due to the capacity of steam shovel interests to manufacture publicity. Everyone who has been to Panama knew there would be big slides for months, and possibly for three or four years. The only way to remedy the top-heavy conditions of the hillsides is to "let them slide." The public needs only to be patient and give General Goethals and General Conditions time to fix things up. Both are on the job.

## THE PROGRESSIVE PARTY'S ATTITUDE

Adoption of New Constitution Not a Party Question Say Bull Moose Leaders, Should Be Left to Individual Voters.

We are of the unanimous opinion that the question of the adoption of the Constitution is not a party question and should not be approached from that point of view. We condemn the State Committee to the Republican party for making it a party issue and attempting to force through its adoption by the use of party methods and machinery. A State Constitution is a fundamental proposition and should be approached from the standpoint of what is for the best interests of all the people, regardless of party interests. At the time the question of a Constitutional Convention was agitated two years ago, the Progressive party took this position and has held to it ever since. While deciding, therefore, not to make the matter one of party policy at this time, we deeply regret the manner in which the constitution is submitted, by which the voters are compelled to accept all of sixteen important articles out of eighteen or reject them all. This is contrary to the very fundamental principles of the Progressive party, which principles stand for the right of every man to an independent voice and vote in the laws which govern him and his fellow citizens. Had the present constitution been submitted item by item, or group by group, as was done in the case of the Ohio constitution three years ago, each citizen could have exercised his judgment in deciding on each important question. Under the method by which the present constitution is submitted, citizens of New York State are deprived of this right, which is undeniably theirs. We therefore, urge upon all Progressives and independent voters the necessity of obtaining a copy of the constitution and studying it with the greatest care because, as you have to take it or leave it, you are obliged to make up a debit and credit account and decide accordingly or to reject it because you cannot reach an intelligent decision. A copy of the constitution or information regarding any article of it, will be furnished free of charge to any voter of the State of New York on receipt of a letter or postal card addressed to Walter A. Johnson, Chairman of the State Committee of the Progressive party, 30 East 42nd St., N. Y. City.

**AMONG THE SUFFRAGISTS**

**Women Can Qualify if Men Can**  
 "Why the average voter" exclaimed a prominent Democrat during a debate in the New York Constitutional Convention, "doesn't know the difference between a primary and a mass meeting." If the average man is as ignorant as that, the vote should be taken away from him and given to the average woman, for she knows the difference. She learned it in New York State when she went to market on September 28. On that important day she noted a barn, or an empty store, or perchance a lively stable with a few men hanging about, and, when she asked what it was, somebody told her that it was the primary. And even to her feeble female mind it did not bear the least resemblance to anything massy. Why she had seen more men in church, and it certainly was not in it for a minute with the Elks' Clam Bake.

On Tuesday next in the State of New Jersey the voters will line up according to their taste on the question of votes for women. Those who believe that the Declaration of Independence means just what it says, and who further believe that women are people, will find themselves in the line headed by the President of the United States and voting for a reform advocated by the vast majority of organizations having public welfare as their object. In the other line will march to the polls the stand-pat voter so dead sure that anything new under the sun is bad, because it is new, that he lines up with booze and rotten politics and unblushingly follows the lead of forces that, in knowing woman suffrage as an enemy, prove incontrovertibly that votes for women will hold up the hands of moral and civic reformers. It will be a fateful day in little old New Jersey.

The gangs of boys that made life a burden to the police force of New York City have been made over into protectors of law and order by making them part of the city movement. It would seem that after men have found that self government is the best thing for the school boy, the street arab, and the prisoner at Sing Sing that they might go fearlessly to the polls this year and vote to give self government to women.

When the voteless women of the East seek favors of elected officials, these officials smile, bow, and forget. But the story that comes from the women of the West is that when voting wo-

**Notice to Persons Having Claims Against Allegany County**  
 Notice is hereby given that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Allegany, New York, will hold its annual session at the court house in the village of Belmont, on Monday, November 5, 1915. All persons having claims against said county are hereby notified to present the same to the Board not later than the third day of the session.  
 L. D. BENNETT,  
 Clerk of the Board of Supervisors.  
 Alfred, N. Y., Oct. 20, 1915. 45

**A For Sale Ad.** written with some selling-sense in it, will sell the used things for something like their actual value in cash. Men seek favors of elected officials, these officials still smile and bow and jot it down as something not to be forgotten. Men with the ballot, according to Florence Kelly, have shortened their working day until in this country a thousand men have the eight-hour day to one woman. How then can anyone say that voting means nothing for the wage earning woman?  
 ANNA CADOGAN ETZ  
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**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 Alfred, 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 23, 1915.  
 CHAS. M. LASH, Executor.

**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 administratrix 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 R. C. Perry, late of Andover, N. Y., deceased, to present the same with proper vouchers thereof to the undersigned executors 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**  
 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 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.

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