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THE POOR 'DOPE' FIEND

Like all great reformatory measures the Harrison anti-dope law is causing an upheaval in certain quarters. The failing supply of narcotics strikes first the impoverished users and the criminals. In the large cities crime waves are ascribed by the police to drug users crazed by loss of their favorite stimulants. The well-to-do have prepared for the crisis by laying in stocks of "dope" which will require months to consume. But from time to time there will be break downs and smash-ups among the elect of the earth, because dope loves a shining mark and all classes of society have their addicts. The unmasking of these victims, who for years perhaps have contrived by deceit to keep their weakness from the knowledge of their friends, is pitiful in the extreme. Yet it is not nearly as pitiful as their plight. Cruelty in the present is mercy in the future. By uncovering the addicts they will be put in the way of treatment, and constructive influences, mental and physical will take the place of the false inspiration and destructive fires of the drugs. For those with money the situa-

tion is not as difficult as for the down-and-outs who everywhere form the majority of drug users. These wretched victims must be cared for at public expense in retreats provided for the purpose. Environment, occupation, diet, company—these must all be controlled. Neither hospitals, almshouses nor asylums are exactly fitted to the task. Although the prospective patients are sick, poor and at times crazed, the cause of their distress is so evident that the victims should not be lumped indiscriminately with other sick, poor and crazed people. Some cities have already risen to the emergency presented by the anti-dope legislation by providing special hospitals and staffs of experts for the care of these unfortunates.

BETTER A SCHOOL FOR THE MEN

If Senator Cummins has his way Fort Des Moines, Iowa's contribution to the coast defense of the country will be changed from a cavalry post to a military school subordinate to West Point. Senator Cummins has decided that Iowa is in no danger of invasion and that state pride may be immaculated safely upon the altar of education.

Thereby hangs a tale, the telling of which indicates that our present doleful state of military unpreparedness is due to the unholy influence of politics. The late Capt. Hull, for many years Republican congressman from Des Moines, wanted to do something for his tristrict. It impressed his imagination that the dignity of Hull would be enhanced if the government would be induced to spend a few hundred thousands in the vicinity. Des Moines had a decent federal building, so the next civic decoration should be a fort, with a few boys in blue adding color to the landscape of Iowa.

Certain citizens of Iowa, a wide-awake state even in those standpat days, objected to the use of government funds to erect a monument to Cap Hull's tenure of office. They protest that Iowa feared no foreign foe, and that police of Des Moines were quite equal to the task of

maintaining law and order in that bustling community. But in time Hull slipped through congress his appropriation for a nice little fort in the environs of Des Moines.

Unfortunately for the continued glory of Fort Des Moines Cap Hull died, and common sense and experience gained in mobilizing at San Antonio two years ago dictate the abandonment of army posts in the interior and their disposition within striking distance of the borders. A fort in Iowa is about as useless as a navy yard would be at Cairo, Ill.

But thanks to the old time politicians of the Hull school, the government has valuable property scattered around the country which should be put to proper use. Military schools recommend themselves particularly at this time. Nevertheless it should not escape the attention of congress that what the army needs is not more officers but more enlisted men. If useless forts are turned into training schools for the rank and file of the army not only will enlistments be increased but the standard of efficiency be elevated.

Last year there were 13,000,000 telephone conversations in this country, and probably 17,000,000 times the line was busy when you wanted to use it.

The half dollar, quarter and dime may pass out of existence and no more be coined. For some people they have already become pleasant memories.

Men are given medals for heroism, but a woman is forced to content herself with a plain gold ring for the third finger of her left hand.

It is hoped the telegraph companies won't allow their lines to be blocked with mere war news when the ball scores get fairly started.

The hotel people of Washington should favor Wilson for president. He certainly kept the crowd of statesmen in town a long time.

The gamblers are to be driven from Palm Beach. It seems they are the only individuals who gave visitors a chance.

Evidently it is getting almost hot enough to send the American army back to Vera Cruz for the summer.

When a man buys a new hat, that is an incident. But when a woman buys a new hat that is an episode.

There are various ways of wasting time. One of them is to spend it coloring a meerschau pipe.

WHEN A BRAVE MAN DIES.

(From the Chicago Herald.)
Next to a good life comes a brave death. Captain Loxley, of the Formidable, like so many other sailors in this way, died as befits a man.

His last words were a compliment on the seaman-like manner in which a subordinate was superintending the launching of the boats. "He gave his orders as calmly as if his ship had been in harbor with her anchor down," says a rescued sailor.

Peace is good and war is bad, but the time will never come when the pulse will not thrill to the hero tale of the man who fronts death bravely and takes it calmly often for some ideal dimly understood.

Thousands are dying in trenches and hospitals and on the stricken field as bravely as Captain Loxley died. But the full horror and the full heroism never come home to us in the

mass. We understand the many, but we feel the individual.

Whence it comes that when fate, which has slain its thousands in the indistinguishable tumult of Europe, singles out one man for a gallant and striking death humanity hastens to render homage:

"When his last glance falls unshrinking

And all men's hearts grow brave,"
Then all men's eyes grow tender
On the mouth of an open grave.

HEALTH DON'TS.

(By Dr. R. R. Danials.)

Don't eat when you are sick.

Don't sleep in a closed room

Don't drink water for three hours following a heavy meal.

Don't wear woolen underwear nor woolen footwear.

Don't neglect to chew your food; a meal well chewed is half digested.

Don't eat too much heavy food; vegetables and fruits are quite as important as meat and bread.

Don't eat two kinds of meat nor

two kinds of starchy food at the same meal.

Don't drink tea nor coffee, nor use tobacco, unless you want to have hardening of the arteries.

Don't eat until you are full; always leave a little room for your stomach to work on.

Don't worry; worry wastes the nerve force and the energy you need in working out of your difficulties.

Don't neglect to get out for a walk every day during the winter; you need more fresh air in winter than in summer.

Don't make fun of the health-faddist; he is probably doing the best he knows and probably has much better health than though he didn't do it.

TRANSIENT FALLS OFF BRIDGE

Pendleton Mar 23.—Blinded by the headlight on an approaching engine, John Kinsie, a transient, aged about 40, stepped off the bridge at Umatilla early this morning, fell 35 feet to the ground and sustained serious injuries. That he was not killed is considered by the physicians remark-

able. According to his story, he was walking across the railroad bridge in the dark and thought that he had crossed it when the headlight came in view. Blinded by the glare, he stepped deliberately off the bridge, thinking he was walking down the railroad embankment, and was precipitated through space to the hard ground. He was picked up and brought to Pendleton by No. 6 and taken to St. Anthony's hospital where Dr. D. J. McFaul, county physician, and Dr. R. E. Ringo, the railroad physician examined his injuries. They found a compound fracture of right arm at the elbow, the elbow joint mashed to a pulp, a compound fracture of the right leg six inches above the knee and a cut on his lip. Evidently he alighted on his side. The fractures were reduced and the man is resting comfortably.

The Court-of Last Resort.

Around the stove of the cross roads grocery is the real court of last resort, for it finally overrules all others. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has been brought before this court in almost every cross roads grocery in the country where man expects to receive full value for his money that this remedy is most appreciated. Obtainable everywhere.

Women's Stunning Suits For Easter

We feel as if we simply must have new clothes for Easter—but where to find them is the perplexing problem. Here you will find a wonderful collection of Spring's choicest suits, ranging in price from \$15.00 to \$35.00. Here you are assured of the style being right because we did not have one single suit left from last season. Especially attractive are those at \$20.00 and \$22.50 of poplins, serges and gabardines in Belgian blue, black, navy and black and white checks. See the new military models just received.

Some New Coats for Children Just Received Yesterday

Very pretty and very cute they look on the little tots. Black and white checks are most prominent among them with others of black satins and serges of Belgian blue, navy and green. Ages 3 years to 14 years. Priced \$2.50 \$3.50 \$4.50 \$5.00 \$6.50 \$7.50

Newest Handbags \$1.25 and \$2.25

Women's leather handbags in all the very smartest new shapes and leathers. Come in and let us show you them. They are quite smart looking and will impress you as being handbags of a very serviceable order.

One style of genuine pin seal in new melon shape, carried on flat handle, moire or leather lined, fitted with purse, mirror, powder puff etc..... \$1.25 and \$2.25 Other styles in pleated genuine leather novelty shapes at \$1.25 and \$2.25

Easter Novelties In Jewelry

Special showing of Easter novelties in jewelry—the largest and most complete assortment in town. Exclusive designs in pins, brooches, cuff links, vanities, bracelets, neck chains, bar pins, hat pins, etc.—New arrivals in our "Little Paris Shop" in fancy shell goods—barrettes, back combs, hair pins, etc at lowest prices.

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