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When we think of it we know that a Democrat is no better than a Republican, no worse, and neither is better than a Socialist or Prohibitionist. There are very bad men and very good ones in all parties.

The dominant party, no matter what party that may happen to be, must carry the banners on and the undesirable element of citizenship. The worst element is pretty sure to align itself with the party from which may be derived a mercenary benefit.

As a local proposition, and this applies especially to County government, we secure best results by losing sight of the fact that there are political parties. We need merely ask of those who apply for County positions; who regardless of political or other belief, is the best fitted for the position sought, who will be of the greatest service to the community.

This rule should become so well established that a candidate would feel no more assurance of election under one party name than under another. It is well enough to have party responsibility back of such offices as have an influence in shaping administrative policies, but there is no reason to inquire whether a man is even affiliated with any party in considering him for such an office, for example, as County surveyor.

In order that this rule of nonpartisanship may be established it is important that a single party shall not claim as its members all of the County officials. The personal qualifications of candidates should claim first attention and after this the matter of dividing along party lines, some Republicans, some Democrats, and when their party strength warrants it, some Socialists and some Prohibitionists.

A Hard Verdict. The extreme penalty that must be imposed on the five men who "shot up" the Hindus at Boring may be according to the letter of the law. The law is general in its scope and it can not look beyond the fact that human life was taken.

To develop interest and instruct people on subjects pertaining to the relations of this country with other countries is the ambitious object of the American Society of International Law. Secretary of State, Root, president of the society is so interested in its development which he regards as highly important to the nation.

That the President regards the attitude of Republican leaders in refusing to grant the authority for building more than two battle ships as unwise, short-sighted and lacking in patriotism is evident. He has not given up his contention for four battleships and will appeal to the Senate even more urgently than he appealed to the House.

Immigrants are welcome to this Country, who come here to make it a home. Those are most unwelcome, who come to gather in a few hundred dollars to carry back to their Oriental homes. Such is the plan most of the Asiatics who come here.

The verdict may have been proper and necessary but most of us will deplore the fact that five men, five good American soldiers, should the country need them, had to be sacrificed for a being just a trifle above a dumb animal.

Alcohol not needed. Ayer's Sarsaparilla is not a strong drink. As now made, there is not a drop of alcohol in it. It is a non-alcoholic tonic and alterative.

Though it has become quite the fashion for American heiresses to journey to the Continent in search of noble titles, there is scarcely a case of record wherein such a marriage has turned out otherwise than a miserable, deplorable failure.

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Fighting the flames will be one of the large concessions on the Pay Streak at the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition. It will show how a fire department fights a big conflagration in a row of four and five story buildings, and how people are rescued from the burning structures.

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