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OUR PEOPLE HONEST, OUR GOVERNMENT GOOD

"The American people are honest. They demand honest administration of their public affairs. Under our form of government they obtain it. Our system of party responsibility, own necessity of being relieved, water every 24 hours. The pump with the constitutional provisions for frequent elections at and is standing in its own light is to be kept in readiness and will which parties must render an accounting to the people, safe- by continuing opposition. guards our country.

"The freedom of speech and of the press acts as an additional guarantee that no sinister influence can control our government or corrupt our great political parties.

"Individuals holding office may prove false to their public When they do, they prove equally false to their party ation. It is natural for them to trust. Their guilt is not partisan or American but personal. do this. There is no more logic or justice in condemning a party because one of its number is found to be dishonest than there is to condemn the banking system because some bank official is dishonest or to denounce religion because some church member is recreant to his faith.

"Those who seize upon the misdeeds of some public official as an excuse to attack our political party system and to cause distrust of our political institutions are doing what they can to destroy the only form of government which so far has withstood those influences which corrupt and eventually destroy govern-

The above quoted words are from a statement of John T. Adams, chairman of the Republican National Committee-And they are worth pondering.

The American people as a whole are honest, and our government is good-

Our people are on the average more honest than those of any nation of the past, and our government is the best that has been produced in the long and checkered history of the world. There are two alternatives to our system of representative party government-dictatorship or one man government, and

the rule of the mob. Without any exception, history records that government by dietatorship invariably leads to corruption; to gross injustices; to terrible excesses. A power which is unchecked, which owes no accounting to the governed, invariably becomes dominated by ambition and greed-

And it is notorious that government by the mob leads to vicious practices of every kind, and graft and corruption flour-

In saying our people are honest and our government good, there is no intention of trying to convey the impression that the average of honesty in this country may not be greatly improved; nor of asserting that our good government may not be made a great deal better in many, many ways. We can never attain perfection. We can only approximate it.

But those partisans who, in their zeal to make political capital out of the dishonor of an individual, fan the flames of class hatred and sow the seeds of suspicion against all public men are contributing to the injury of American government. They are merely aiding that small vicious class which is indulging in the same denunciation not out of a desire to make political capital, but because they are secretly or frankly opposed to our form of government. In the midst of such clamor, it should be empha zed that our American government is clean, upright and trustworthy. Partisan excitement and recrimination must not cause us to lose sight of the fact that before we are partisans we are Americans, with faith in our institutions. Those who for any reason seek to destroy this faith are not performing a service but an injury to the American people and to the pinciple of popular government.

Here is the argument: If Secretary Mellon's tax reduction ecommendations are adopted, money now invested in tax-free securities will be put into active business, there will be more construction of residences, rents will come down, and the man of ordinary means will be the chief beneficiary.

KEEP DOWN OVERHEAD

The great trouble in all cooperative associations is the selling end. There must be a market provided or the price will be below cost. There is only one way in the world to sell products at a profit and that is to have somebody want them and willing to buy them and pay for them. Anything else is a mere subter-

fuge.
We are all for the McNary wheat bill and yet we are not deceiving ourselves. We know it is temporary and will not give permanent relief. We are for it because we are confronted with a condition and not a theory.

We notice a Walla Walla cooperative concern is on the rocks, and in our own famous valley many are near there. It is because the selling end has not been able to keep up with the producing end. It is the business of the selling agents to reach over the country and find markets. There are enough people who want to buy and are willing to buy everything that we produce if it is given to them at a price that they can

NEED FOR CALMNESS

the country was surfeited with

out the Harding policies. It was sentimental fiction. President Coolidge must have his own policies, make his own conclusions, and make his own results. The country now sees the lack of leadership in the Harding administration. It gave too many opportunities for graft. President Coolidge can clean this all out, but he cannot do it by carrying out the Harding policies, he must do it by having his own big stick, and being his own master of how it should be wielded. The hour demands a strong, firm man, and America heretofore has produced that man. We believe that Coolidge will run true to history, and that the New England ruggedness will stand him in good stead in the trying hours of the next few months. We believe that before many months

WHAT GERMANY CAN PAY

people will be thanking God for

Coolidge, just as they thanked God

for another type of man-Roose

It is reliably reported that the Dawes commission will report that Germany can pay \$33,000,000,000 indemnity. General Dawes is giv-Again, we repeat that it is the ing utterance to startling expreseiling end that must be strength- sions. One is that if France had not invaded the Ruhr, Germany would have continued to evade payment. Another is that France, having sent the army to Ruhr, finds her condition worse than it. was before. The Dawes commis-

been trying to collect by weakening Germany, whereas the only
way to collect is to let Germany is not true to life it is our movies. get strong so she can pay. This last is the crux of the whole argument, and once again General Dawes has put his finger on the spot that governs the whole pro-

POOR ECONOMICS

The object of the Mellon bill is lack of sustenance. Unless the tion. surtax is made low enough to induce investment, the men with money, doing precisely as all of us would do under the circumstances, will keep the money in tax-free securities.

When the country sees this and

The country needs more money. place it where they can get a safe interest, without worry and tax-

GOVERNOR PIERCE

Governor Walter M. Pierce underwent a serious operation Saturday afternoon. He has been fighting against this for some time; but it became necessary, and he went to the hospital and took it. Like the old lion that he is, Governor Pierce did not want the public or anybody to see him when he was down, and the entire affair was kept secret. It was a mistake in policy. Governor Pierce is a big man, and every move he makes is interesting. Around his sick bed the prayers of the people can be heard for his speedy retheir pains.

Certainly, partisan rancor and personal animosities are forgoten his own behalf.

CLEAN HOUSE

The disclosures regarding Attorney General Daugherty are not wholesome. A man charged with the enforcement of law must not must keep himself above suspicion. Mr. Daugherty has done publican party is greater than any growing towns of the west. individual, and no man has any right to prejudice the party before the country simply because he is so stubborn he will not bow to the

Daugherty must go.

SOMETHING DIFFERENT

The chamber of commerce is a mighty live body. It is live because it is up on its toes and presenting interesting things. The program yesterday was a novel one, but one of the most interesting that has been given.

tions. It was unique, it was entertaining, and it was instructive. We congratulate the chamber of

POSSIBLY NO LAW

A United States senator who was buying stock says there is no law against it. This is probably true, but there is a moral prohibition against any man voting in congress upon any matter in which he may have an interest. a cabinet official has no business handling stock, and above all, he must not permit a big oil man to use his money to bet on the races. It is unmoral.

Out of this turmoil should come law prohibiting all these things.

OUT OF THE RUT

The state of Missouri this week rotes on a constitutional amendment taking a technicality out of the law. Under the Missouri law. failure to dot an i or cross a t is a matter for reversal of a verdict. Most of the states have gotten away from this and their interpretation is broader. Missouri has held to this because of a constitutional provision.

MIGHT BE SERIOUS

On Sunday The Oregon States-

question. He says France has our movies. That is about the way to collect is to let Germany is not true to life, it is our movies.

THE RECALL

According to the Oregonian the recall petition was paid for by one man, who furnished \$10,000. This is the most serious indictment of the recall principle we have seen. A rich man becomes offended and for purposes of his to release money for investments. own, pays out his money to sub-The object of the democratic sub- ject the state to turmoil and upset stitute is to make the tax so high the calculations of an administrathat the bill will kill itself for tion. It is an intolerable situa-

Auxiliary Water Pump Installed at Silverton

SILVERTON, Ore., Feb. 25 .-(Special to The Statesman.)-The new auxiliary water pump quits looking through the eyes of has been installed and received passion, it will realize that it is its final test at Silverton. It has retarding its own development, its a capacity of 1,440,000 gallons of only be used during some emergency such as the failure of either of the intakes or in case of a very large fire.

most logical argument

PROBLEMS

Adele Garrison's New Phase of REVELATIONS OF A WIFE

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CHAPTER 111.

WHAT DICKY SAID TO MADGE NEAR DAWN.

In Mrs. Ticer's homely parlance "didn't need anybody to rock me to sleep," when I finally reached my room.

Dicky had returned from his trip with his sister in a vile humor-he is always exceedingly irritable when he's tired-and announced his intention of going straight to his bed.

Mrs. Harrison, however, who had lounged in a rocker all day, was as fresh as any daisy ever quoted, and announced her intention of getting something to eat. In common courtesy, I could not forsake her, and besides, I against tax-free securities is the guessed in what a clutter she fact that the other fellow has would leave the kitchen, a proceeding which always infuriated

THE CITIZEN'S CIVIC RESPONSIBLITY

(Copyrighted 1924 by San Jose Mercury Co.) TON. NEWTON D. BAKER, Secretary of War in Mr. Wilson's Cabinet, in an address at Cleveland, Ohio, recently declared, "The soldier who sleeps on outpost duty and thereby endangers the lives of his fellows and the cause of his country is shot. Yet the private citizen, the voter, can sleep on outpost duty and thereby bring even greater dangers to his country. Then he not only goes unpunished, but feels himself entitled. to become cynical when corruption and bad government become evident." This puts the indifference of the ordinary citizen and its results and his almost total lack of the sense of public duty or responsibility in its true light.

If the results of this indifference and the consequent failure in the performance of civic duty are criminal in their bearing upon national affairs, they are even more so as they affect covery. He is a man of courage, local public interests and government. No voter can escape re- immaculate kitchen. and brave men are apt to hide sponsibility for corruption, vice or unsatisfactory civic conditions unless he has done all he could to change them. And the voter who is so lacking in the elements of good citizenship as to cause him to not even go to the polls to vote, and thus add fears. She cooked and ate an trying to get free from the enuntil such time as Governor Pierce his voice to that of his fellows who are striving for better ample supper, messing up dish tangling bed clothing. is able to take up the fight on things, is indeed in the same criminal class as the soldier who after dish. Then, calmly wishing "That't to pay for the clock!" sleeps at his post.

In the central West are two cities built upon the banks of a stream forming an interstate boundary. Both towns are glad enough to be rid of her ever- picturesque language he sent after built up to this boundary and the river is the only thing to lasting sweet smile not to wish me. indicate where one city or state ends and the other begins. The people who laid the foundations of the town on the eastern in the shape she had found them door. She opened it promptly, bank of the river looked earefully after the moral and intellecdeal in stocks and bonds. He must tual side of its life. They saw to it that the laws in the interest not bet on races through men who of morality, temperance and good order were rigorously enown these stocks and bonds. He forced. They employed the best teachers with the highest ideals and characters and established the best schools in that part of the country. The reputation of their town brought this. He is under desperate sus- other right minded, intelligent and enterprising citizens. Today picion, and he must go. The re- it is one of the best governed, most progressive of the rapidly

> The town on the west bank of the river, on the other hand, although started first and for a time the larger, early in its history began to cater to the intemperate and the depraved. Whole blocks of buildings contained only saloons, lewd shows I believe, before all consciousness before. There was no trace of and dens of vice. The laws in the interest of morality, temperance and good order were openly ignored and violated. Graft and official misconduct and inefficiency paralyzed every effort for improvement. Although many good people came to make their homes there they were of the kind who found it easier to drift along with the crowd than to make a stand for the ens is that bell?" right. They were therefore just as much responsible for the conditions there as the criminal and the depraved.

The town finally became such a plague spot that the governor of the state undertook to compel its officers to obey and ment toward my pillow and tried enforce the state laws. He met with only indifferent success, because his efforts were not supported by the people of the stopped for a few seconds inter- for a short rest before taking up Salem is a literary center and town. Today, while conditions are somewhat improved, this mission. But it began to ring work again. She is the daughter four of her best poets recited what town is noted for the scores of reeling men to be seen upon its again, just as my hand touched they considered their best produc- streets, for the crowds of blear-eyed, vacant-countenanced, dissipated idlers hanging around its solid blocks of drinking places and for the carloads of men that come to it from all the country round about to have what the depraved call "a good time." It has not grown any in population in twenty-five years, and prop- wall, making a jagged hole in the erty within its boundaries is practically unsalable. The citizens pretty wallpaper we had put on of this town are, of course, wholly responsible for what it has so recently. been and is. They have been asleep at their posts and have not Madge Gets Even heard the call to civic duty.

> The people of nearly every community are lacking the individual sense of responsibility for the condition of its government and the community life. Most of them feel no individual, personal sense of shame, as they should, for the community shortcomings or for the vice, intemperance and evil in their midst. No city can be what it should be, it can never become what its situation and natural conditions make possible, until its citizens are aroused to a realizing sense of their civic duty. until they have come to have a quickened public conscience. The above statement should appeal to all citizens without

reference to their religious professions, but it should come with compelling force to the citizen who professes to be a follower of Christ. His professions make it his duty to take an active if not a leading part in every movement for the betterment of his community and the improvement, elevation and reformation of his fellow men. He can not truly follow or serve his Master who does not thus serve his fellow men. For himself Christ has stressful than his, and I did not no need of anything that you, His follower, can say or do; but know when the day I was beginn every slave to his appetites and passions that you can help to ing so early would end. emancipate from his slavery, every sinner, every boy or girl going wrong that you can help to turn from the downward course, every den of dissipation and vice that you can help to close, every purifying and elevating influence in your community that you can help to stimulate, is most valiant service to the Master and to His cause. You can thus help in a most wrath kept burning all the more practical way in the work of regenerating the world.

Mr. Indifferent Christian, the following words of Jesus are addressed directly, personally, individually to you: "Then shall rapidly, I found myself turning He say also unto them on the left hand, depart from me, ye over in my mind wild, childish eursed, into the eternal fire which is prepared for the devil and schemes for getting even with his angels; for I was hungry, and ye did not give me to eat; him. talk, that time is now. If there sion is the last desperate effort lem boy who spent Christmas in took me not in; naked, and ye clothed me not; sick and in prison Dicky's side—was a soft, thick rug. and ye visited me not. Then shall they answer, saying, Lord, Noting this, I carefully tiptoed to who sits tight, holds his own council and still cruising in those and will expect Germany to pay that attracted our attention was and will expect Germany to pay that attracted our attention was that time is now. President ti

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SEE THE FOUR-FACED GENTLEMAN TRICKSTER



What Is That Bell?

she did not think that I meant to I closed the door for fear the before I went to the room I was and I saw that she

I looked at Katie's window be fore I finally went to bed, but it was dark, and I knew that she was either asleep or had purposely ex- with a burlesqued salute. tinguished the light so I would not come to her.

finally reached our room, a en before this." sound which usually effectually banishes sleep from me, but I had en to ask for the coffee, it was not been in bed a whole minute, exactly as I had left it the night had slipped from me, not to return my little maid anywhere. until the sound of the tiny alarm clock I had slipped beneath my pillow had awakened me at the hour Lillian wished us to arise. "What! What! What the dick-

Dickey started up in bed, pawing at the air.

I made a hasty, guilty movethe pillow, and Dicky, dashing aside the pillow, picked up the clock, wrenched the alarm off and threw the little thing across the room, where it crashed against the

"Perhaps that'll teach you not to be so brash with that cursed thing!" he growled as he burrowed his head into the pillow again. "Of all the inconsiderate women in the world, you're the worst. Here I didn't get to sleep until midnight and you set an alarm clock at my ear for six in the morning. Well, thank goodness, you won't set that devilish alarm clock off again, and I'll scrap any other one you ever bring here again!"

I knew there was some justice in Dicky's viewpoint. He had put in a strenuous day, and needed se veral hours more sleep. But my day and night had been much more

But his wanton destruction of the clock and marring of the wallpaper made me furiously angry. Although I was able to keep my lips closed and make no retort to dangerously for the repression. And as I dressed noiselessly and

Katie. My little maid's nerves and leaving the door ajar for a would be "jumpy" enough the quick get-away, I advanced to the next morning, without finding bed, and with one mighty jerk what she would characterize as brought him sprawling from the "vun awful mess" in her always bed to the floor. Then I bounded to the door and looked back laughing at the ludicrous picture he made-his face black with anger, My sister-in-law justified my his arms and legs thrashing around

me good-night, she went up to I called gayly. "Hope you rest

clear up the kitchen. But I was rest of the family would hear the her to help me, and I put things and knocked softly upon Lillian's dressed.

"On time, as usual," she smiled. You're a good soldier, Madge." "Them words are sweets," I said

"Now, there's plenty of time for cup of coffee at last before we Dicky was snoring audibly when start. Katie's always in the kitch-

But when I went into the kitch (To be continued)

NURSE VISITS

SILVERTON, Or., Feb. 25 .-(Special to The Statesman.)-Miss Thea Jensen has completed her training for nurse at a Portland hospital and is now visiting at her home at Silverton. Miss Jensen will remain at her home of Mrs. K. Jensen of Silverton.

POLAND ACCEPTS GRAIN

WARSAW, Feb. 5 (Mail)-The government of Poland is preparing to issue special bonds to facilitate the payment of taxes. Pending the passage of the act the government is accepting paymetn of taxes in kind and farmers have been informed that the capital levy will be accepted in grain.



There Is Big Money in Raising Purebred Chickens

Hundreds of poultry men have grown wealthy raising purebred chickens. Here is an opportunity for you to do the same. Fourteen trios of world champion chickens, with records of from 275 eggs to 315 eggs a year will be given FREE to ambitious people. Send name and ad-

If you wouldn't trust a twofaced man around the corner, what would you do about a four-faced one? The man in the picture here follows a stage career. Noted for the variety of his comedian makeup, he is always wildly applauded as he changes, in the twinkling of an eye, from one disguise to another. Grease-paint and eyebrow stick have little to do with it. He merely folds his face up into the

desired effect. By folding on the dotted lines, you may be allowed to see him in different ones of the character he plays so admirably, the minister, the storekeeper, the crook and the unkind father-in-law.

The picture below will show you how to fold in different ways to get the effects. Fold forward on A and back on B. Turn under the lower part on C. Now fold C forward and back on D, so lines A and D meet. Leaving D in this position, fold under the top picture on B. In all, you'll find you have four different disguises.



Cap'n Zyl



FUNNY EYES

You know, that pair of eyes of of yours is a very fine piece of optical machinery, but it is a piece of machinery which will play a few tricks on you now and then. Today and fomorrow I am showing you a few of the little things which will induce the eyes to play tricks.

Now, look at the picture. It does look as though the man was the tallest figure doesn't-it? And that the boy is the next tallest, and the girl looks the smallest, doesn't she? Measure them with a ruler and find out for yourself how it really is ..

If our eyes were not able to play these tricks on us we could not enjoy any pictures or any movies because we could not imagine three dimensions on a flat surface, which actually has but two dimensions. So, don't blame your eyes for the tricks like these which they play-be glad they do caper around a bit so you can enjoy movies and other pictures. -CAP'N ZYB.

FUTURE DATES

February 21, Thursday-Rotary Birth theater.

March 1, Saturday—Pioneer Roundu
Marion county and Salem Pioneers, YMC
March 13, 14 and 15—State Inte
scholarstic basketball tournament, W

mette gymnasium. March 14 and 15, Friday and Satua March 14 and 15, Friday achool branch y-Marion county Sunday school branch religious education meets at Stayton April 19, Saturday—Dedication of Statue "The Circuit Rider," in state May 16, Friday-Primary elect

June 10, Tuesday—Republican national convention meets in Cleveland,
June 24, Tnesday—Democratic national convention meet in New York.

