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"Without or with offense to friends or foes
I sketch your world exactly as it goes."
—BYRON.

Two Parties Needed

Since Governor Smith speaking for Democratic unity argued the necessity of a continuing opposition party, Speaker Longworth has come out with an endorsement declaring the two party system essential to the American form of government and far better than the multi-party blocs of European parliaments. As a Republican he wants a united opposition.

Up to the present election there has only been one party in the South. Now, it is widely proclaimed "the old bondage has been broken and the South politically born anew," signifying the approaching dissolution of the southern bloc. It is declared a national blessing that the southern states can no longer be herded at the polls like cattle and counted for the Democratic ticket, regardless of real desires.

If this is true for the south, it ought to be true for the west, where the old bondage to the Republican party still exists and the Democratic party cuts no greater figure than the Republican party in the south. The two-party system is as essential in Oregon as in the rest of the nation, but we have only the one party and the voters are herded to the polls without question of their deliverance.

Oregon broke out of the Republican fold six years ago to elect a Democrat governor, but it was on the same issue that Virginia and other southern states broke out of the Democratic corral to elect a Republican president this year. The Kluxers were in power and bigotry in flower. It is back in the Republican fold more securely than ever and in all probability the southern states will return to Democratic allegiance four years hence.

However, Oregon will never secure the attention of either national party until our electorate shows its independence, breaks away from the G. O. P. and becomes doubtful in its allegiance and therefore an object of solicitation on the part of both parties. When this happens, the state will come into its own politically. Meanwhile, we can expect the neglect that falls to the lot of those safe and sane in political bondage.

Germany's Example

While President Coolidge is demanding a great navy in the name of peace and President-elect Hoover is touring Latin-America on our biggest battleship as an envoy of peace, Germany is furnishing a fine example of the real peace spirit in the national opposition being voiced to building a single warship, to be known as "Cruiser A."

Germany has no navy, yet plans underway to build even one vessel, threaten to upset the government. In the Reichstag election in May because of opposition to the proposed "Cruiser A" the Socialists made heavy gains. However the party's representatives ignored their pledges and voted a first installment on the appropriation for the warship, which resulted in stormy times within the party and splits and new coalitions in the Reichstag. Now "Cruiser A" is the center of another parliamentary battle which threatens the life of the ministry.

All this, coming from a country that so recently hugged the delusion that a great navy meant a great empire, shows that even a single warship represents a state of mind that the German people do not want to return to, and that Germany, having learned the lesson of the futility of preparedness, has become the most pacifistic of countries.

While other nations are talking of reducing naval programs but actually enlarging them, Germans would eliminate a navy entirely by scrapping their only proposed cruiser. If her example were followed by the other great powers, the Briand-Kellogg pact to outlaw war might amount to something besides a political gesture.

"John, the Good"

While Austria is celebrating the tenth anniversary of the Republic, the tiny state of Liechtenstein is celebrating the seventieth year of the rule of Prince John of Liechtenstein. The aged ruler has two claims to fame, one that his rule has been so just that he is called "John the Good" and the other that in point of years his reign has been the longest of any other monarch, save Louis XIV of France. Here evidently is the ideal prince flourishing in the midst of democracies.

Liechtenstein is a small independent principality lying between Austria and Switzerland with an area of only 65 square miles. It is extremely mountainous, traversed from north to south by the Rhoetan Alps. The climate is mild and the inhabitants engaged chiefly in agriculture and stock raising. The capital city is Vaduz (population 1200). It is an hereditary monarchy with an elective diet of 15 members. Its posts and telegraph are administered by Switzerland. Its population is 11,000.

Liechtenstein is a happy, contented country. The inhabitants pay no taxes and are not liable to military duty. Its standing army numbers only 91 and it has no national debt. Its safety lies in its unimportance, for it has been overlooked by ambitious war lords and for 200 years has gone its way in peace and independence, escaping wars and eschewing revolutions, content to let well enough alone.

Prince John is said to know personally every one of his subjects and "has spent a large part of his personal fortune in their welfare." He has been an ideal ruler and kept his country free and tranquil in the midst of troubled times. It is an unique record. And who can say that this tiny nation is not far better off than its ambitious neighbor Austria, seeking the glory of empire to find only disaster?

Best Editorial of the Day

NOTE ON PRINCIPLES

(From the Baltimore Sun)
Al Smith in his radio speech last night declared:
The principles for which the Democratic party stands are as great in victory, and it is our duty to carry on and vindicate the principles for which we fought.
As a logical proposition this is true enough, but it hardly bears upon the point in the present situation. People don't follow principles in politics, but men. Al was not beaten by a set of principles but by Herbert Hoover; and the fifteen millions who went down to defeat with Al were following Al.
From the very beginning of our political history this has been true. Thomas Jefferson, who formulated the principles of Al's own party, was followed loyally even when he abandoned his own principles. Indeed, they would not follow his principles

at his express command. The Louisiana Purchase was so directly in contravention of what he had always taught that he asked for a specific act of indemnity; but the country airily dismissed the request, because it had more faith in Jefferson than in any set of principles. Abraham Lincoln turned completely around after he assumed office, but the people turned with him. So did Woodrow Wilson. Indeed, there is not a single great leader in all our history whose record is perfectly consistent, but their inconsistency has never troubled their followers.

Al Smith's speech was good as political doctrine, and better as an exhibition of good sportsmanship; but the need of the democratic party as a party is not so much a formal body of doctrine as a leader who can make the people follow him.

ST. PAUL BACHELOR IS LAID TO REST

St. Paul, Nov. 21.—Funeral services were held here at 9:30 o'clock this morning for William Smicket, 65, bachelor, who died after a short illness. He had made his home in the community for several years.

SERVING HOT SOUP

Independence, Nov. 21.—The soup kitchen at the training school opened this week with Mrs. Crosby Davis in charge. They are serving about 200 students and teachers a day.

CLEAR LAKE

Mr. and Mrs. Bernon Boyd returned from a few days' visit at Eugene, Ore. Mrs. Boyd also visited her parents while gone.

Mr. and Mrs. David Schlegel and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Smith and Ralph Dutoit have returned from the coast, where they spent several days trying to catch some fish.

J. C. McFarland has left for the coast at Cutler City.

Miss Helen Ganiard is home from her school at Oregon City, quite sick with rheumatism, but is slowly improving. Her sister, Eva, has taken her place.

Mrs. Eck Dutoit and Mrs. Roy Smith and daughter Estelene were visitors at the Arthur Baker home Monday.

A number from Clear Lake attended the literary program at Buena Vista last Friday evening. A good program was given and many had to go home as there was not room for all.

Hubbard, Nov. 21.—Mrs. Caroline Fry has returned from a two weeks' visit at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Sarah Hinkle in Portland.

JOY STREET

By Claire Pomeroy

CHAPTER 29
Gay was so taken by surprise at Webb's declaration that she sat in stunned silence for a moment, staring out upon the traffic that whizzed along Columbia Ave. Bewildered and a little dismayed, this was something she hadn't anticipated. It was as though she had been crying for the moon and now that she had unexpectedly got it, she didn't know what to do with it. All the pent-up resentment against the man—all men, which she had been harboring all day was melting away, leaving her feeling a trifle foolish. She hardly knew how to cope with the situation.

At last she spoke: "What do you want me to do, Webb?" she asked. "If I were to tell you that I do love you, what then?" He looked puzzled. "What then? Why?" he hesitated. "Wait," said Gay. "Let's get away from here. We're being watched. People are getting curious about us. Start the car and we'll talk as we ride."

She started the car and steered straight ahead toward the drive again. It seemed the obvious place to go. Gay sighed. Always Riverside drive. She was beginning to loathe the sight of that famous boulevard. She remembered the thrill it gave her the first time she rode along the Hudson atop a lumbering bus. She viewed with interest the fleet of battleships lying in formation in the river; the Palisades across the way in New Jersey; the tall apartment buildings that loomed up on her right; the nursemaids and romping children on the stone benches near Grant's tomb. She saw women on horseback cantering along the bridge path, and women, sable-clad, leading little fuzzy dogs on nickel-trimmed leashes. She remembered the first night she had driven along here with Webb. The night he had told her about being a bull in a china shop. How her heart had gone out to him that night! But, now, it all seemed changed, somehow.

"I thought you really loved me," she said. "And it seemed as though she had lost something of the glamour of youth today. Perhaps it was because of young Barry. He had said so many things to her which she was sorry about. A girl ought to hear these things but once in her life, she reflected. Once, from the man she loves—and from the man who loves her. How wearisome it was, this business of being a woman. You must always wear the armor of defensiveness. . . ."

"If I thought you really loved me, Gay, I'd never stop this car until you and I were in Canada. We'd take a boat from there and keep on going until the boat couldn't go any farther and then we'd take another boat." Webb turned a searching look upon her.

"I'm afraid you are, Gay," he admitted sadly. "But, I'd never stop loving you."
"Maybe you wouldn't," she conceded. "But you'd stop liking yourself. You'd begin to hate—you."
Silence. He was frowning and he bit his lip, and his fingers were clenched tightly upon the steering wheel.

"Gay," he said finally. "If I get a divorce, will you—marry me?" She started. Marriage? But, how? How could he divorce his wife? She asked him.

"I'll manage—somehow," he said doggedly.
"Jimmie—I don't know," she replied wearily. "I'll have to think it over."
(To be continued)

HOMECOMING HELD
Monmouth, Nov. 21.—The Monmouth normal lodge of the I. O. O. F. held their homecoming meeting Tuesday night in the Odd Fellow hall. A large number of the members congregated and had a very enjoyable evening. After a late dinner they danced until a late hour.

NORMAL SCHOOL WINS
Albany, Ore., Nov. 21.—Albany college football team was defeated here Tuesday by the Oregon normal school eleven, 25 to 6.

DAMAGES ASKED FOR SON'S DEATH

The death of Vernon Versteeg, five-year-old son of Wesley Versteeg, is the cause of the damages suit to be heard before Circuit Judge Percy R. Kelly here Wednesday afternoon. Wesley Versteeg is asking \$7,800 damages from L. M. Ramage and Floyd Anderson, the latter is charged with having driven the auto which ran down and caused injuries to the Versteeg child which caused his death the same day of the accident.

On March 2, according to Versteeg's complaint, a truck owned by the Star Bottling Works and driven by Anderson ran over the Versteeg boy while he was pushing a small express wagon on the highway about one-fourth of a mile south of Hope-ville. In the express wagon was the boy's baby sister and pulling the wagon was the mother of the two children.

The little boy suffered a fracture at the base of his skull from which injury he died a few hours after the mishap.

Carson and Carson, attorneys for the Versteegs, will attempt to prove that the vehicle was operated in a careless manner. Winter and McGuire, Portland attorneys, will handle the case for the defendants.

MRS. BUTTERFIELD HURT
Woodburn, Nov. 21.—Slipping on a board at her home on the Pacific highway late Tuesday, Mrs. H. P. Butterfield fell and broke the small

Watch Tongue For Signs of Illness
Your tongue is nothing more than the upper end of your stomach and intestines. It is the first thing your doctor looks at. It tells at a glance the condition of your digestive system—and physicians say that 90 per cent of all illnesses start with stomach and bowel trouble.

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BROADACRES DANCING CLUB ENJOYS PARTY

Broadacres, Nov. 21.—The Wise-acres-Broadacres crowd gave another of their delightful dances at the Donald hall Saturday night. Lunch was served. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Wolfe, Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Bass, Charlton and Evelyn Bass, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Hunt and Norene, Philbert and Justice Hunt, Mrs. Herman and son, Ben, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Friend, Frances, Marjorie, Naomi and Howard Friend.

Mrs. Sloan and son, Mr. and Mrs. Nices, Mr. and Mrs. Lou Rogers and Nadine and Keith Rogers, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Miller, Fred Howe, Earle Stevens, Mrs. Gertrude Feiler, Mr. and Mrs. Croissant, Mrs. Flynn and niece, and H. Cone.

Clear Lake, Nov. 21.—The Clear Lake literary will meet Friday night at 8 o'clock. A good program is promised.

What Doctors Think of the Laxative Habit

In all history, no Indian was ever known to have constipation. Nor did he use any of the cathartics that go through one's system like a bullet. We have the candy Cascaret. Cascaretizing the bowels never forms a laxative habit. If already formed, occasional Cascaret will usually break the habit. For constant strengthening the muscular walls of the bowels, and their need of any acid at all grows constantly less. What other cathartic has this characteristic? The writer knows of none.



An evacuation brought gently about by cascara will, nine times in ten, be followed by full functioning of the bowels on the morrow—and for days after. For there is no REACTION as with sickening salts, or any of the man-made purgatives that go through one's system like a bullet.

Physicians tell us cascara is the ideal laxative—and the tongue tells us candy Cascarets are its ideal

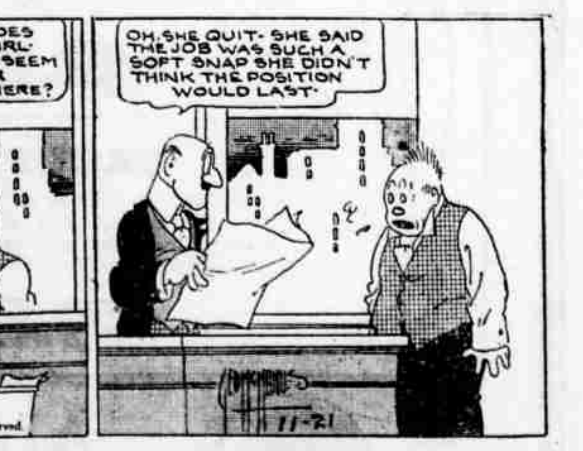
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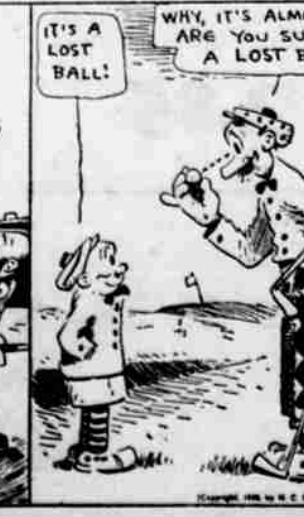
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