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DEMOCRATIZED REPUBLICANS
vs
REPUBLICANIZED DEMOCRATS

IN THE FORUM OF THE STATE OF OREGON, U.S.A.

Now comes the above named plaintiff, and for cause of action alleges: That heretofore, to-wit: at various sundry and divers times, the defendant above named did, without the permission or consent of this plaintiff, attempt to copy, emulate and appropriate the various wiles and devices used by this plaintiff to beguile the innocent and unwary into voting for its candidates for office, as well as measures sponsored by it, thereby creating confusion in the minds of the innocent and unwary voter; misleading him and deceiving him in the belief that he is supporting the national party of the plaintiff, when in fact he is supporting the national party of the defendant.

For a further and second cause of action, this plaintiff alleges: that by reason of the matters set forth in part 1, the defendant above named has, by apparent acquiescence in all of the acts of this plaintiff approved, ratified and condoned said acts, thereby making it impossible for this plaintiff to continue to induce its party members

to follow the "bell-wether" with torchlight processions and trumpets; and create enthusiasm over the campaign. The plaintiff herein specifically charges that this defendant did support the large reduction in Federal Income Taxes of those in the "Mellon" class, as well as the infinitesimal reduction in the income taxes of the rank and file of the American voter, thereby making it impossible for the plaintiff to charge this defendant with playing Wall Street, or with attempting to create a deficit in the National Treasury, so that our government might be compelled to issue new bonds for the proletariat to invest in. The plaintiff herein further specifically charges that this defendant did, at various times and places, without the solicitation of this plaintiff, support the plaintiff's program to secure a return to the old dirty ward-heeling caucus-convention system of hand-picking candidates for office, by a few self-appointed selectors of this plaintiff, with a view to making it appear that this defendant is also against the selection of candidates for office by the people through the primary election law, to the detriment of this plaintiff's candidates for office, as well as its prestige with large campaign contributors to the old caucus-convention system, which this plaintiff has always upheld.

For a third and further cause of action this plaintiff alleges that this defendant has refused to stand upon or get out from under the Volstead Law, and alleges upon information and belief, that this defendant intends to adopt the plaintiff's plank upon this momentous question with a view of depriving this plaintiff of each and every material issue in the coming campaign.

Wherefore this plaintiff prays loud and lustily that this defendant may be enjoined from using the head of this plaintiff's elephant upon the body of this defendant's pachyderm, and that the defendant be restrained and enjoined forever and a

day from purloining the plaintiff's thunder.

PLAY BALL!

The opening of the baseball season means to many men the time when a daily outing is taken with the evence of watching a baseball game and joining in the cheering of the fans. To many a man confined in an office, exposure to sunshine and the breezes of a summer day is unknown save only in the bleachers of a baseball park.

The cares of an office are left far behind and whole-hearted enthusiasm in the sport sends the blood coursing a little faster through his veins. He joins in the cheers for the home team and is depressed or elated as the tide of battle falls or rises. His sentiment and animal instinct are exercised when he exhorts the batter to "hit or a mile," or calls the umpire a hief or worse. And thus his nature is rounded out, for the average man is ashamed to show much enthusiasm on any other occasion.

America may well acclaim baseball as one of her greatest agencies for democracy. Staid bankers and street urchin, college professor and corner loafer, jump up and pound each other on the back when some beloved home team hero makes a single with two on base and the next man up hits a home run. Such are great moments in the game, and although forgotten in the press of business the next day, there is an unseen bond of fraternity between the men who applauded the same act and united in their audible praise.

Do the men who play the game enjoy themselves more than those who watch? Notice the glee of the player who slides into second with the catcher trying to catch him off the bag. It would be a good thing if more men were able to participate in the game, but there are few normal boys who do not play baseball. They hope themselves to become Babe Ruths or Ty Cobbs some day, but even if their ambitions are not realized, the exercise will give them a better physical machine for grow up.

With every succeeding season baseball seems better to deserve its title as the national pastime.

LIGHT WINES AND BEER

Two millions out of a possible twenty million or more, voted or expressed their opinion through the straw vote recently conducted by a certain class of newspapers. About eighty per cent of this two million represent about fifty per cent of the wet element that is making so much noise. The remaining twenty per cent may be classed with those who are indifferent to the enforcement of any law. A large percentage favored light wines and beer. They have an able representative in the President's cabinet who is interested in distilleries and breweries. A recent order was given permitting breweries to manufacture a malt product (under the guise or representation that it was a food or medicinal beverage) with ten per cent alcoholic content. Who has delegated this power unto themselves to permit one class to manufacture an intoxicating beverage, and deny the same right to others who classify one beverage as a medicine and another as liquor?

Why not open the distilleries to the manufacture of rye and corn products with ten per cent alcoholic content under the same classification?

The manufacture of light wine and beer by the so-called legitimate manufacturer will not prevent the manufacture of light wine and beer by the same element now engaged in manufacturing moonshine. He may purchase light wine and beer and add alcohol to it to dispense to those who crave a stronger kick. If the drinker of strong drink will be able to satisfy his craving with light wine and beer, why is not the moderate drinker of wine and beer now satisfied with near-beer that has less alcoholic content? If near-beer will not satisfy the craving of one regular beer-drinker, how do the proponents of light wines and beer expect to satisfy the craving of the drinker of strong intoxicants?

There is only one way—through the same method now employed to provide him with what he craves, for the light wines and beer will not satisfy him. How, then, may we ask will light wine and beer make the lawless element more law abiding? How will the manufacture of light wine and beer make the officers of the law enforce the law against the moonshiners and bootleggers any more stringently than they do now?

Let them enforce the law and administer the punishment prescribed giving the maximum penalty, and there will be a marked respect for the officers and judges, not now apparent to say nothing of the decrease in law violators.

"Light wine and beer" is the slogan of the wets, coined to secure an opening wedge, that the welfare of the nation may be subordinated to the financial gain of a few wealthy brewers and distillers, most of whom secured their wealth through the debauching of human kings. It is a catchpenny slogan—stamp on it as you would on the head of any viper rising in your path to strike at you and your family.

UNMAKING THE PERFECT

There might well be a fear in every human conscience and parent of a child that when they face the Recording Angel some very serious and uncomfortable questions will be propounded for them to answer. One of these, and the most important, will be to give an account of their stewardship over little children on this earth. Why, after they are given into our care and keeping pure and undefiled from their creator, they are moulded an dshaped into every contradictory form that human belief can devise to defile them and lower them to our own wicked and evil ways. Little children are born into this world free from any taint of guile, yet from the time they are placed at the mother's breast their education begins, and in a faulty manner. Coming on in early years they are taught many forms of deceit by unthinking mothers more concerned with their own follies than the welfare of the child and who fail to realize or sense that within themselves lies the future happiness of her offspring and their own after-life as well. Little bits of fiction are taught it, harmless perhaps, at the time, but a mite added to the new character forming. As it grows older others of her own characteristics are added to the child's mentality, and if they are not of the right kind, unconsciously she is doing an injury to the budding mind. She says many things in the presence of the child, threatens punishment and does not administer it, deceives it in many ways which the child soon finds out, and which it soon learns to look upon without any fear or compunction as being the proper thing to pattern after. In many ways the child is taught by the young mother to be untruthful by observing the parent having no thought for the truth, by example seeing many things done that are of an evil nature, and hearing about the home language that should never reach the child's ears. These things all enter into the child in its formative age and help to form the character for either good or bad. Unnaturally, not naturally, then, the child grows up with a character moulded for it by the parents, and that is surely where the blame, if blame there is will be

There are very few who cannot find time and space for raising a flower garden of some sort. Even a window box may be made a thing of beauty with little effort. The Canadian enemies of our prohibition law came across the border and gave adverse testimony before the congressional committee investigating recently. In line with this we find statements of alarm from Canadian officials at the number of people from that dominion who are emigrating to the United States to take advantage of better conditions now prevailing here. Can it be that our wet friends went over there and handpicked a few to come across and misrepresent Canadian sentiment?

Notes and Comment

By CHAD ALTON

In a college intelligence test recently, one student said Bismarck was a kind of doughnut. Anyone who has ever played pool knows he was wrong. Bismarck is the 1-ball.

It is reported that the University of Illinois has produced a one-eyed fish in its laboratory. In the present day of automobiles they would better serve mankind if they would produce an eye for the four corners of our heads.

Pastor Dr. Parkhurst, noted reformer of New York, mourns and grieves and objects to the prohibition laws. Does not the reverend gentleman know that there such things as bootleggers ready to supply him at all times?

Mr. Hoover is advocating steps to save Niagara Falls so that honeymooners may have something to look at. Love is queer stuff, and it the spectacle of falling water suggests in any matter to newlyweds anything to keep them in the humor of it, don't let us have Niagara go dry.

University of California co-eds have inaugurated a "no-escort" league, and are pledged to attend all functions without masculine guidance. Time was when a female accepted a man escort as a means of protection, but in our modern days she needs to be proficient in jiu jitsu if she steps out with the average male.

General Smedley Butler's account of his experience in cleaning up Philadelphia discloses that the city of Brotherly Love is about as rotten a town in the way of vice as any on the American continent. The general says that the very people responsible for his being there, the church element, bankers and society people, failed to back him up in his efforts to clean up, and he found them all a pack of hypocrites.

erned, and there is always something to argue about. We do not all think alike, and it would be a queer world if we did. Consequently it stands, to reason that we must abide by the majority.

A tribe of natives has been discovered in India, members of which it is said, are immune to the bite of any venomous snakes. They must have been inoculated with some of our modern moonshine.

Scientists with the aid of the X-ray have arrived at the theory that electrons so small that a half million might rest on the period at the end of this sentence compose atoms and this is the structure of matter. Then, we may further theorize, if one of these electrons could again be divided, and so on, ad infinitum, matter would be found to have no existence in fact. And is that not the fact?

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home owner with a lot may so beautify it that it is a pleasure to himself and all passersby. We are given the means to do this, why not help "make glad the waste places."

A young chap up at Spokane who took a shotgun, sawed it off, shoved it down his pants leg and went out to collect what he thought the world owed him, landed quite suddenly in Walla Walla prison. He boasted he was a relative of the once famous James boys, but that added nothing to his popularity when the judge came to passing sentence on him.

If press dispatches may be believed, some of our movie people who visit Europe might get more attention and louder applause than do our ministers plenipotentiary. And they do not have to don knee breeches and silk socks either.

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