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## THE SAN FRANCISCO CONVENTION.

The eyes of the nation are this week directed San Franciscoward, for there history is being made as was done at Chicago a short time ago. And there a candidate will be named. Either he or Mr. Harding will occupy our national white house after next March 4.

At this writing (Monday) no one can say who the candidate will be, but William G. McAdoo seems the most probable selection. Yet, nobody can tell.

In a democratic national convention it requires a two-thirds majority to name the candidate. Just why this undemocratic rule should maintain is unexplainable. The precedent was established away back in the days of Jackson and has maintained ever since.

Democracy implies the rule of the majority and the two-thirds rule was invented as a political trick to overcome the majority. The two-thirds rule has triumphed over the majority but two or three times in democratic history, but has overcome candidates frequently whom would have been nominated if the majority alone would be necessary.

The use of the two-thirds rule caused the nomination of President Wilson in 1912 and the defeat of Champ Clark, for at one time Clark polled a majority of the convention at Baltimore, but Wilson finally triumphed mainly because delegates gave way because they wanted to go home.

The two-thirds rule has come to mean minority rule and this is undemocratic and un-American. But no one seems to be brave enough to change the rule back to American principles because such a move would instantly be declared a political trick. But as the rule was first adopted as a political trick the repeal should not be regarded as such, but as a sane return to American principles.

Right now a majority of the San Francisco convention would probably nominate Mr. McAdoo, but Mr. Bryan or any other contentious fadist may be able to defeat his nomination, plainly demonstrating minority rule.

No other candidate but Mr. McAdoo seems to have such spontaneous support from the people as he. They know he stands for the interests of all the people, rich as well as poor, the farmer as well as the millionaire banker or manufacturer. Moreover, they know he is big enough to fill the place if elected. His achievements in public life have inspired perfect confidence among the people. Nevertheless Mr. McAdoo has forbidden the use of his name in the convention, his name will be placed in the running.

Mr. McAdoo caused millions of men to be drafted during the war and now the people, through their delegates in San Francisco, propose to give him a dose of his own medicine—draft him. Mr. McAdoo has never said he would not accept the nomination if tendered him, but he refuses to voluntarily become involved in a scramble to get the place and he has a reason.

He knows by experience the tremendous drain on physical vitality a long term as national secretary of the treasury, and he has reason to believe the presidency requires more. He has seen President Wilson lose the wife of his youth while president and a physical breakdown of his health from which he will never completely recover.

Mr. McAdoo cannot help having these facts in mind and so far as the honor is concerned he wants it not. If he accepts the nomination it will be because he feels it a duty to the American people. He will be drafted in the fullest meaning of the word.

There is no question but what if Mr. McAdoo receives the nomination he will accept and will be very popular before the people. His management of the railroads made him very popular with the railroad boys and with labor in general. Moreover he has the utmost confidence of the business world.

The fact that he is sure to be caricatured as the "crown prince" is frivolous. It may have a small influence among ward politicians, but to thinkers it will have no influence whatever. The fact that he is son-in-law to the president and that the president connived for his nomination, is the merest and most boyish nonsense. He has the stuff in him to make a first class president and that is what the people want. He will not be a rubber stamp president and a creature of the U. S. senate at all events.

## THE S. F. KEYNOTE SPEECH

The Monday evening Portland newspapers brought to Scio the Cummings keynote speech. Read carefully one cannot but help pronouncing it a masterpiece.

To make a comparison of the Cummings effort and that of Lodge, the two addresses are apart as day and night.

The one was a logical, candid and fair presentation of the democratic side of the situation without the abuse of anyone; without a particle of the spirit of hate, while Mr. Lodge's effort was made up of clear and concise argument and the presentation of facts but largely of abuse and hatred of the president.

Mr. Cummings arraigns the republican leaders, and particularly the republican senators, for first urging the lead in forming a league of nations and then turning coat and abusing the president for the league formulated at Paris and for using every means fair or foul, to prevent the ratification of the league.

Mr. Cummings recited the many accomplishments of the democratic congress under the leadership of the president, and that of the republican congress.

Every person should read both keynote speeches and draw his own conclusions. It is impossible to fairly represent Mr. Cummings' speech, it is so comprehensive and covers so much territory that only a complete report of the speech will do it justice.

With such a highly comprehensive opening address the convention should be harmonious and complete its work in a manner satisfactory to all.

John W. Moore, the sawmill man at Gates, was down Sunday and reports the mill business flourishing. He is not bothered with car shortage.

### Increase in Japan's Coal Output.

Shipping and Engineering notes with interest that the output of coal in Japan during the first 11 months of 1919 was put at 25,825,000 tons, showing an increase of 2,740,000 tons, or about 10 per cent, as compared with the corresponding period of the previous year. In spite of the pessimistic reports made from time to time of the gradual exhaustion of the mines. This was attributed to the revival of old mines and the increase in the number of new mines, owing to the profitable prices obtaining, although the output in Kyushu, which constitutes 60 per cent of the total output, did not materially change.

### Making a Hit.

I had an engagement one evening with a young woman friend, with whom I was endeavoring to make a big hit, writes a correspondent. We went to the theater; I walked up to the box office and asked for two tickets. Thinking I had them, my companion walked in ahead. I put my hand into my pocket, and holy smoke, I had forgotten to take any money with me! I turned red and white, but that was nothing compared to how I felt when the usher gently broke the news and escorted my girl to a door marked "exit." Did I make a hit? I've got the chills yet.

### Identifying the Nickel.

James evidently had a buffalo nickel of the first vintage, for he was having trouble with central. In reply to his "I did drop a nickel," central demanded, "Well, what kind of a nickel are you trying to use?" "I dunno what kind it is," he replied, "but it's got a little bull on it."

### Rare Plants in Demand.

In 1893 a scientific man named Drummond discovered one solitary aronia plant in the woods of St. Tammany parish in Louisiana, and it is cherished today at the Arnold arboretum. Now Harvard has written to New Orleans asking to have Louisiana searched again for the rare growth, and the New Orleans Garden society has offered a prize of \$5 for the discovery of another aronia plant. Harvard also wants Louisiana searched for a certain variety of ash, discovered near New Orleans about a century ago and never seen before or since.

### Watching Life of Plants.

From fuller information, now at hand in regard to the machine by aid of which the Indian scientist, Sir J. C. Bose, has been making visible in London the ingrowth of plants, shows that he does much more than make visible what everybody already knew—that plants increase in size. He also has revealed that the growth of a plant is by no means steady or continuous—that it is affected by many of the influences besides mere nutriment that affect the growth of animals. In short, this machine, which is called a crescograph and magnifies movement a million times, proves that plants are much more alive than it is customary to credit them with being, and it is not an altogether fanciful notion that when the facts in relation to plant life become better known, something of consideration for their "feelings" and something of compunction about treating them cruelly may develop.

### Pharmacy Popular.

Pharmacy is a popular pursuit among the women of South America, according to a Y. W. C. A. leader in that country, because it is a protected profession and is considered womanly. South American girls have not gone into public life and into the business world and the trades as North American girls have and still consider, as a rule, only the so-called protected lines of work. They teach and sew and a few have become typists and stenographers, but most women who take up any profession train for nursing, medicine or pharmacy. Chemistry is also a popular study.

### Rather Embarrassing.

We had just moved into a new house. I was dressing when the bell rang, and another went to the door. Sure enough it was the young man I was trying to avoid. But instead of saying I was not at home, mother said: "Oh, let me show you our new house." Everything was lovely until approaching the closet, where I was crouched down on my knees, half dressed, mother said: "This is where we keep all our old junk and rubbish," and opened the door. I shall never forget how embarrassed I was.—Exchange.

### To Break Him of the Habit.

"John," said her husband's wife, "I don't believe you have smoked one of those lovely cigars I gave you at Christmas."  
"No, my dear, I haven't," replied his wife's husband. "As a matter of fact, I intend to keep them until our little Willie grows up and wants to learn to smoke."

## Get Paid for Going to School.

When the 16th regiment, U. S. Marines started for Mexico the other day, they were not only equipped with rifles and packs but also carried their school books.

The problem of anti military reaction following the war has been solved by the Marine Corps, says Captain E. B. Hammond, officer in charge, U. S. Marine Corps recruiting station, 304 Panama building, Third and Alder streets, Portland, by combining academic and vocational education with military training, the broadening influences of travel, and adventure.

In pre war days it was a problem to keep a marine's attention concentrated and their minds interested in strictly military routine. There was a growing disposition on the part of young men to regard the spare time spent in the Marine Corps as time wasted. The present day combining of scholastic work with Marine Corps training has solved the problem.

The Marine Corps Institute, something entirely new in military circles, is a practical school, teaching marines a wide variety of subjects either in the class room, workshop, or by correspondence. In whatever part of the world a marine may be stationed, ashore or afloat, he may take advantage of this educational institution, and will be paid for going to school.

Although Quantico, Virginia, is the home of the Marine Corps Institute, there are already numbers of marines at sea and in our island possessions enrolled for courses by correspondence.

Once there was a woman who believed that her husband's folks were quite as good as hers. Her name was Eve.

## Everything Wrong.

The deals which Madame Nature hands this sad and solemn race are certainly a pity, a horror, and disgrace. She piles the ocean water twenty kilometers deep, which makes the famous liquid almost comically cheap. She stacks the plains and mountains twenty kilometers high, and leaves the mighty country dog-gone dry.

## Long Distance Call.

Tarzan Jones was sitting down to breakfast one morning when he was astounded to see in the paper an announcement of his own death. He rang up his friend Smith at once. "Hello, Smith!" he said. "Have you seen the announcement of my death in the paper?" "Yes," replied Smith. "Where are you speaking from?"

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Any and all persons having objections to said final account are hereby notified to be present at said time in the county court room in the Linn county court house in the city of Albany, Linn county, Oregon, and then and there make such objections.

MARIE F. POSVAR,  
Administratrix of said Estate.  
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