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COMMUNICATION

Dear Friends and Readers of the Mail Tribune: Do not think because I have not written that you are forgotten; not so; a big affair has occurred on our time for a month, and if you will pardon the delay, (with the editor's kind permission) I want to thank you so much for kind words, wishes, Christmas cards and a variety of very pretty pieces of hand work.

Great Scott, does all Oregon take the Mail Tribune? I should judge so by the deluge of requests that came for the camphor seed, and forbidden apple. All have been sent the seed, except postal card requests, which do not pay postage, and still I have some seed left.

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LA FOLLETTE.

AN ARDENT and evidently sincere admirer of Senator La Follette still infatuated with the Wisconsinite, writes on every possible occasion to protest the assaults upon the senator's patriotism occasionally made by the Mail Tribune and to vituperate faith in his staunch loyalty, loftiness of ideals, and purity of motives.

Argument with blind hero-worshippers is a futile task. They ever behold the object of their adoration through rose colored glasses. No matter how convincing the evidence, it is lightly brushed aside as irrelevant, immaterial and inconsequential, and the hero retains the advertised purity of Royal baking powder.

There is no denying the value of La Follette's service to his state and to the nation in the long battle to unseat plutocracy and restore democracy, and the Mail Tribune was an ardent supporter of such efforts. But when La Follette's perverted egotism led him to assume the role of conscientious objector in the senate to a war for humanity and to champion the cause of the Hun; and afterwards, at a time when the nation was engaged in a life and death struggle against the aggressions of old world autocracy, his megalomania led him to expressions of disloyalty and acts that gave comfort and aid to the enemy, he stained and blackened forever an otherwise excellent record.

La Follette is judged by his own words and deeds. He defended the sinking of the Lusitania and has never censured Germany for frightfulness, never denounced the invasion of Belgium, never criticized the enemy and never, by word or deed, had a word of praise for his own countrymen and their heroic sacrifices or aided in any way to help win the war. Silenced by the storm of criticism his disloyal utterances aroused, his opposition to the battle of democracy became passive. Now, his fellow senators, after a year and a half of inaction, have responded to the people's petition for his expulsion by plastering a coat of white-wash, but it fails to remove the stain of shame. It's a "damned spot" that won't wash out—and the worst of it is that La Follette does not want it covered, is as proud of his record as the Hun army of its, and as unrepentant as the German nation of its crimes.

Unable longer to champion the German and his atrocities, La Follette has become the champion of the Russian Bolsheviks, whose policy of frightfulness and massacre is modeled on the lines of their German masters. And to be consistent, the senator fought the passage of the famine relief bill to feed the starving peoples of Europe—presumably so that Bolshevism would flourish in the ruined lands.

A remarkable thing about this white-washing is that it was done by the "old guard" of senate standpatters whom La Follette had always fought. Only one republican voted against the Wisconsinite, and his new found friends include Knox, Lodge, Penrose, Smoot, Warren and Weeks. The reason is apparent—the republicans have 49 votes in the new senate, against the democrats' 47. The expulsion of La Follette would have logically forced the expulsion of Senator Norris of Nebraska, with a similar record of disloyalty. This would have wiped out republican control of the senate. The stand-patters need the support of the disloyal senators in their business and for the first time, La Follette is a welcome addition.

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