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**Ye Smudge Pot**  
 By Arthur Perry

The Germans complain that the 14 points of President Wilson are not followed in the peace terms, not knowing that there are 14 different ways of looking at each one of the 14 points.

"The freedom of the high seas" is another thing they desire. There are all kinds of high seas, including that one Harry Manning has been endeavoring to hit. As far as Germany is concerned, in the future, oceans are needles. All her high seas will be confined to the opera houses.

"Stern indignation" one can read, follows in the wake of President Wilson's lifting of the ban on beer and wine. It is called "stern indignation" because it starts 'em kicking.

**PRESS TIME IS RIGHT**  
 (Orlando, Cal., Unit)

It is rumored, with quite substantial ground for the rumor, that one of Orlando's young ladies, who left for the southern part of the state the first of the week, is to be married about the time the next issue of this paper comes off the press. Particulars will be given later.

WANTED—Two girls for pop corn. (Salem Capital-Journal). Approximately totaling four ears.

Dock Keene has invited this col. to go auto riding with him, and the suspicion arises that he is looking for an accessory in the assassination of the doggone Oregon System.

**MR. BROWN, PLEASE EXPLAIN**  
 (Albany Democrat)

For Sale—All good young fresh cows, now giving milk, at Joe Brown's place, south of Mary's.

Trotsky and Lenin, the boss Bolsheviks, urge the abolishment of money, but it is estimated they possess \$500,000 in American gold. They are ardent believers in poverty, for the other fellow.

**THE DANGERS AND JOYS OF FARM LIFE**  
 (Yreka, Cal., Journal)

Last Sunday Mrs. Miffie Tamasia met with a painful and what might have proved a serious accident. Mrs. Tamasia had gone into her dairy house to get some cream and while pouring the cream into a pitcher the wind blew her skirts into the fly wheels of a gasoline engine which was in operation turning a cream separator. The rapid revolutions threw her with much force upon the cement floor, and in less time than it takes to tell the story she was almost divested of her clothing. She clung to the door sill, thus saving herself from being entangled in the gear wheels of the engine, and due to the timely assistance of John Silva, who hastily shut off the engine, Mrs. Tamasia escaped serious injury.

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**CONDEMNED BY THEIR IDOL**

THE intellectual twin of the person who can see no good in President Wilson, because he isn't a republican; is the person who can see no error, because he is a democrat. Both are so blinded by political partizanship, as to be absurd. Both have sold the priceless privilege of thought, for a mess of emotional pottage.

Fair minded people may disagree regarding the exact niche the president is to occupy in history, there may be difference of opinion regarding his wisdom and abilities, but there can be no question to our mind, that he has played a great part in the world drama, is altogether a distinguished and remarkable man, and deserves well of his countrymen.

The recent flurry over his appeal for the removal of the beer and wine ban, has brought once more into our midst, the gushing, fanatical, unthinking, and altogether amusing Wilson worshipper. To this unconscious victim of hypnosis, the suggestion must be right, because the king can do no wrong. Argument is apostasy, analysis is treason. As for the Presbyterian convention vote of censure, the Anti-Saloon League's resolution of disapproval,—these Godless busybodies should be made short shrift of, for daring to raise the hand of protest, against the edict of the Faultless One.

President Wilson, even his admirers must admit, is not blessed with an overactive sense of humor, but it is our belief that he would be among the first to deprecate this attitude which is at once so un-democratic and so un-American. In fact in a recent speech in Paris he might have referred to this very thing when he said:

"My view of the state is that it must stop and listen to what I have to say no matter how humble I am and that each man has the right to have his voice heard and his counsel heeded insofar as it is worthy of him. I have always been one of those who believe that the greatest freedom of speech was the greatest safety because if a man is a fool the best thing to do is to encourage him to advertise the fact. It cannot be so easily discovered if you allow him to remain silent and look wise, but if you let him speak the secret is out and the world knows he is a fool."  
 "So it is by exposure of folly that it is defeated, not by its repression."

What better answer to our hysterical idolaters, than this from the mouth of the man they idolize? Let everyone have his say. If what he says is foolish, don't prohibit utterance, but show wherein it is foolish. Above all don't confuse principle with performance. Damn the performance if you can, but don't sacrifice the principle of free expression.

There is no more cherished right in our American democracy than the right of free speech, the privilege of independent opinion. It is only through the conflict of honest differences, that a democracy can either advance to great things, or rest upon a firm foundation. Once let the spirit of the Wilson Worshipper be accepted as the spirit of our land; and our institutions will collapse like the tissues of a punctured balloon.

**THE ANSWER TO SENATOR SHERMAN.**

SENATOR SHERMAN'S offensive against the League of Nations is more picturesque than perspicuous. Exaggeration in speech is always entertaining, but seldom convincing.

Without attempting to refute any of the predictions of disaster, one might even grant the possibility and still ask the Illinois solon, which he would prefer, and which he believes the people of the country would prefer,—the possible complications he says such a league would involve, or the certain complications that no league at all would involve?

Is anything the fertile mind of the senator has conjured up, against the league so terrifying, as the spectacle in Europe which has just closed? And yet this is the alternative.

We know what modern civilization without such a league, brought, and what it will bring again; we don't know, and Senator Sherman doesn't know, what a world organized for peace will bring;—but he draws an elaborate hypothesis of evil and cries—"Halt!"

The answer to Senator Sherman is, this:—let's try the thing out. It may not be as bad as you fear. It may not be as good as some of its proponents believe. But we know how the old system has failed. Let's try a new system.

Granting everything you say to be correct,—which we doubt,—granting you are the Delphian oracle returned,—which we seriously question,—nevertheless, it appears to us the part of common sense, and good judgment, to accept a system which promises well and has never been tried, than accept a system which promises nothing and has so signally failed.

**More Need for Good Draft Horses Now Than Ever**

Harry McNair, of Ellsworth & McNair, Chicago, a firm which has sold over a quarter of a million horses within the past five years, is an acknowledged authority on horse markets. April 29, 1919, he said: "The farmers who breed their good mares, weighing 1400 pounds or over, to sound draft stallions of ton type, and who feed the colts so that they will make good, sound drafters, weighing 1700 pounds or over at maturity, will get big prices for all such horses before they are five years old. Prices on big, sound drafters will reach record breaking prices before a half decade rolls by, and the men who fail to grasp the present opportunity will have only regrets to harvest in the future."

Breed your good draft mares and hold fast to the young drafters you have. Don't let the clamor of the thoughtless disturb you. The draft horse has been relegated to oblivion at least three different times in the last century alone, but there is more need for good drafters today than at any time in history. Professor Handschin of the Illinois Experiment station has but recently made public the results of

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MAE MARSH IN SPOTLIGHT SADIIE. Goldwyn Pictures

**Ants and Bolshevism**

Washington, May 22.—"Though anyone who has read Henri Fabre must be aware of the comedy and romance and tragedy to be found without stirring from the birds, plants and insects of his own back yard, yet it would seem a far cry to peer into an ant hill and see why the communistic state is not adapted to man," says a bulletin from the National Geographic Society.

"Yet William Morton Wheeler, a noted zoologist, in a communication to the society, seems to touch upon what might be termed the 'Biology of Bolshevism.'"

The bulletin notes the writes as follows: "Though on most respects man and the insect differ enormously, both nevertheless display some remarkable similarities. They are the only two successful dominant animal types of the present age, and so far as they are social, not only have had to encounter the same obstacles, but have learned to overcome many of them in the same manner."

"The social insects, however, have been more successful than man in organizing stable communities, because they have frankly trusted and followed their instincts and have therefore carried their social organization to its logical, or perhaps we had better say, instinctive, conclusion, whereas man's intellectual processes and the ideals and dissensions to which they give birth forever prevent a definite solution of economic problems and keep him in a state of active and ceaseless evolution."

"Ants are to be found everywhere, from the wreth regions to the tropics, from timberline on the loftiest mountains to the shifting sands of the dunes and seashores, and from the dampest forests to the driest deserts. Not only do they outnumber in individuals all other terrestrial animals, but their colonies even in very circumscribed localities often defy enumeration."

"Their colonies are, moreover, remarkably stable, sometimes outlasting a generation of men. Such stability is, of course, due to the longevity of the individual ants, since worker ants are known to live from four to seven years and queens from 13 to 15 years."

"The ant colony or society may be regarded as an organism which, like the individual insects of which it consists, grows and develops to a fixed adult size, and the size to which it grows is characteristic of the species, just as is the size of any individual. Some ants always form diminutive colonies of only a few dozen individuals, whereas the colonies of other species, when mature, may comprise thousands or hundreds of thousands. The growth of these colonies obviously depends on the quantity and quality of the available food supply and on its distribution for immediate consumption, or its storage for the future use of the colony."

"The ethnic history of ants parallels that of man to the extent that these insects were originally flesh eating hunters, then shepherds of food producing herds, and finally agriculturalists, and that they have been compelled to pass through these stages or forfeit the advantages of living in populous and stationary communities."

"Ants feed on a great variety of substances but in all cases only the liquid portions of the food are taken into the alimentary tract. If the food is solid, minute particles of it are rasped off by means of the tongue and pressed into a small pocket in the floor of the mouth. The juices expressed from the mass are then sucked back through the gullet into a dilated portion of the alimentary tract, the crop, and the useless pellet is spit out."

"The crop is closed behind by a complicated valve, which separates it from a short, bag-like stomach, the walls of which have a permeable lining, so that it and the succeeding portions of the alimentary tract, the intestine, are able to digest and absorb any food which may be permitted to enter them through the valve."

"The crop and the true stomach have been called respectively the 'social' and 'individual' stomachs, because the liquid food stored in the former is in great part distributed by regurgitation to other ants, whenever they signify their hunger by protruding their tongues and making supplicatory gestures with their feelers, and because none of the food in this receptacle can be used by the individual unless it passed through the valve into the true stomach."

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**GENERAL R. L. BULLARD RETURNS AS CASUAL**

NEW YORK, May 23.—With nearly 4,000 officers and men of the 33rd division and the 25th Engineers, less company C and casuals, in all 5,427 troops, including 185 nurses, the steamship Kaiserin Augusta Victoria arrived here today from Brest. Traveling as casuals were Lieutenant General Robert L. Bullard and Brigadier General Herman Hall.

The steamship Panama arrived from Bordeaux bringing the 114th base hospital, 4th ambulance company, detachment of five officers and seven men of the 100th division headquarters and 71st base hospital, 10th and 19th and 1103th aero squadrons, a casual company of 12 lawns and companies of scattered casuals.

**Little Girl Now a Picture of Health**

Suffered Day and Night for Years—After Taking Tanlac Looks Like Different Child

"My little daughter Jean, has gained ten pounds on Tanlac and now she's the very picture of health," said Jim Snell, well known poultry and truck farmer of Raleigh, Tenn. "When Jean was only seven years old," continued Mr. Snell, "she was taken with something like nervous stomach trouble, and there wasn't a day or night she didn't suffer, until we got Tanlac for her, and she's now fifteen years old. Her stomach was in such a bad condition she had to live on toast and eggs and milk, and she couldn't eat any kind of meats or vegetables. She complained of pains in her stomach all the time and would spit up half digested food. She was nervous and would toss and roll all night, for she couldn't sleep well at all. She was bilious and her complexion was bad, and she looked pale and sickly all the time. We gave her most every kind of medicine we could think of, but nothing helped her."

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