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Ye Smudge Pot By Arthur Perry

Next to the Russian Friends of American Freedom stands the Anti-Saloon League. Neither has any particular reason for existing, and nothing to do.

IT'S A GOOD WORLD YET (Eugene Register) Urur Gail went to Jasper Monday to get a calendar and almanac.

News report Wednesday carried the information that the railroad men of Trieste had struck for 14 lire per diem. A lire is approximately a dime.

It seems that Admiral Sims is opposed to giving every voter in the south who saw the ocean during the war, a distinguished service medal.

True logic is presented by Congressman Outby of Florida, who announces that there would have been no war "if the allies had not fought Germany."

There has been an auto accident on Hellbent avenue, and how in the world it ever happened no one knows.

The report that the "spirit" of Serbia has been crushed is erroneous. Negotiations are under way for battles with Montenegro, Albania, and Italy.

Senator Poindexter is the leading arator among the presidential possibilities, the idea being to talk his rivals to death.

The imitation flowers worn by the girls cost more than the real thing.

"FLU EPIDEMIC IN CHICAGO GROWS; OREGON HEALTH OFFICER ACES" (Hillside Portland Telegram). More cause and effect stuff.

The bullfighting season has opened in Mexico, which no doubt accounts for no Americans being killed, captured, or tortured in that section for 10 days.

It is more or less remarkable that some who fought for America, are now arrested for smoking cigarettes in America. They made the world safe for democracy, and the country safe for smokers.

Eventually, it will mean the establishment of a society for the Execution of Lxi agitators.

Don't crowd! You'll get a chance to join!

"MAKE TWO SWIFT STROKES."

HEAR Old Reactionary! He always does just what is expected of him. We knew he would fall for that "vote 'er straight" bill, and gratuitously advertise the fact that his political horizon hasn't broadened since Columbus discovered America.

Why borrow trouble. There is enough legitimate defense work for Horatious at the G. O. P. bridge, without bothering about a measure concerning which even Reactionary is "indifferent." Why waste time and energy over a bad cause.

"Nothing but absolute devotion to truth and fairness would tempt me" proclaims our communicant who in spite of our warnings insists upon adopting the holier-than-thou attitude again. But where has truth and fairness been violated, and where, oh where, do these virtues come in, on a defense of this brazen attempt to turn the political clock back two or three generations.

We said "The proposition is to disenfranchise the independent voter and make supreme the old party slogan, 'vote the ticket straight.'" And that is absolutely what the proposition is. We repeat it.

We didn't say the measure proposed to disenfranchise the republican voter or the democratic voter, but the independent voter. And before we used "disenfranchise," we looked up the word in Webster's unabridged with the following result:

Disenfranchise—To deprive of the rights of a citizen, or of a particular privilege as of voting, holding office, etc.

If Reactionary will investigate why a dozen of the republican state senators voted against this measure, and two of them fought like wild cats against it, and a republican governor vetoed it, he may decide that declaring the purpose of this measure was to disposses the independent voter of his rights as a citizen, was stating the absolute truth.

Dear old Reactionary. We were asked the other day why we allow him so much space. We are under no obligation to give him an inch. We merely accommodate him because we enjoy him. He represents to our mind a distinct example of abnormal political psychology, which is becoming almost extinct. In the interest of political antiquity we don't want to lose him.

For at a time when the political issues of the country are so complicated and disturbing it is almost refreshing to find someone who finds them so altogether simple and reassuring. There is nothing to worry about for Reactionary. Merely perceive that all the good and all the wisdom of the universe is in the republican party and all the evils and all the depravity in the democratic party, make "two swift strokes of the pencil and go about your business."

"Make two swift strokes of the pencil and go about your business," there is Reactionary in a nut shell. There is his simple formula of political responsibility from A to Z. Provided that stroke is on the right ticket. So why wake him up?

COMMUNICATION.

Approves the Machine Bill

To the editor: Nothing but absolute devotion to truth and fairness would tempt me to again ask space in the Tribune after the editor has pointed out to me the danger of falling into the Wilsonian habit of writing notes. But in justice to the republican party and to the men who voted for the straight party ticket bill I wish to call attention to an editorial in the Tribune of Jan. 19th, criticizing with great severity the republican legislature of Oregon for passing the straight party ticket bill. In this connection the editor says:

"The proposition is to disenfranchise the independent voters and make supreme the old party slogan 'vote the ticket straight!'"

Here is a positive statement that the independent voter will be disenfranchised by this bill. Let us see if it is so, for if it is every republican in the state will rise up to avenge it. For the republican party from the day it came into being down to the present moment of time has stood for a free ballot and a fair count, and the only section of our country where this right is not recognized is in certain states south of Mason's and Dixon's line where the democratic party is in absolute control. Before going further I wish to say that personally I was indifferent as to whether this bill passed or was defeated. I have always been able to vote a straight ticket if I wanted to. Of if I wished to ramble around over the ballot and get unmercifully stung, as usually happens, I have had no particular difficulty in doing that.

Now as to the real facts. This bill disenfranchises no one. No one's franchise rights are abridged in any particular. The only change it makes is to restore to the man who wishes to vote a straight ticket something that never should have been taken from him in the beginning—the right to go into the voting booth and with a clear and intelligent understanding of what he thinks will best serve his country's interest, make two swift strokes with the pencil, fold and turn his ballot over to the election board and go quickly about his business. And when it comes to the so-called independents, non-partisans and what-nots they can do under the new law exactly what it has been their blessed privilege to do under the old one—they can roam at will over the wide expanse of the official ballot,

voting their fears, their hatreds and their suspicions to their heart's content just as they have been able to do in the past. And in the meantime wouldn't it be great if a man could once in his lifetime, just once, discover a non-partisan that wasn't partisan and an independent that wasn't biased. REACTIONARY.

Coughed Night and Day

John Younne, Elberton, Ga., writes: "Last fall, when my neighbors were down with influenza, I took a severe cold and before I was aware of my condition I was down sick in bed. I coughed night and day and my throat was raw and sore. I got a bottle of Foley's Honey and Tar Compound and took eight small doses in two hours. My condition began to improve and in a few days I was as well as ever. In my opinion Foley's is the best cough medicine made." For sale by Medford Pharmacy.

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Signed

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Women's Troubles

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