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Ye Smudge Pot By Arthur Perry

It remained for Eugene V. Debs, the socialist possibility for the presidency to come out on a plank with no knots in it. "I am for horse sense in all things," said Mr. Debs, from his prison cell, where he is doing time for talking glibly during the late fracas. If elected, Eugene will be the only head of the nation who stopt in jail on his way to the White House. His plank is O.K. anyway.

"Administration Adopts Policy of Silence"—(Hillside Oregonian). Proving that wisdom crops out in unexpected places, the 7 years late.

There is nothing in the evidence against Jack Dempsey, charged with evasion of the draft to show that he made either tracks or tractors.

Unless devility is resumed along the Mexican border at once, the present period of quiet will be used as an alibi for taking a mandate over Turkey.

Comparing Los Angeles with Medford is a favorite pastime in these boosting days, and, as far as the start is concerned Los Angeles has the worst of it. However, it is what a city stops with that counts. If Los Angeles had Crater Lake within 80 miles of the city limits, the hardships of an Arctic explorer would not have to be endured to get there, and after arrival there would be something to do besides devouring fried trout. Also, in California their system is to let go of a dollar on the theory that it will bring back another one. In Oregon, the clutch only works one way.

Prohibition and the League of Nations are the cause and cure of all ills according to your belief.

In all the abuse that has been heaped upon the pacific and estimable Hon. Noot Baker, no one has mentioned him for the vice presidency.

Sam Richardson is waiting with a wagon spoke for a crack at Dr. Elias Swinton of Pittsburg, who in a lecture Monday declared that the babies of the present lack "mental grasp."

There seems to be no way to make Turkey pay the penalty for "crimes against civilization," which includes inventing the Turkish cigarette.

Two days have elapsed since his defeat in the South Dakota primary, and Hiram Johnson has not emitted his usual yell of "Fraud!"

COLUMBUS, Neb. Population. WASHINGTON, Mar. 26.—Population statistics for 1920 announced today by the census bureau include: Columbus, Neb., 5,416, increase 396 or 7.9 per cent.

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DEMOCRACY,—DO YOU BELIEVE IN IT?

IT is astonishing how many good citizens aren't democrats. By democrats we don't mean the Democratic party, we mean believers in democracy.

The other day William Jennings Bryan gave an address in Illinois on the initiative and referendum in which he declared that only the people have the right to rule. He admitted the people would make mistakes, but they would be profitable mistakes, and through them the people would be educated to a better government. The public official who can not trust the people, who does not believe in the ultimate fairness and wisdom of the people, has no right to hold office in a democracy. He better go elsewhere.

There is nothing new in this doctrine. Thomas Jefferson said the same thing, so did Abraham Lincoln, so did Theodore Roosevelt. And yet while the principle is seldom denied in theory, it is frequently denied in practice. The scepticism which Mr. Bryan's pronouncement was received in Illinois, proves it.

And yet, if one comes to think of it, our entire system of American life is based upon this principle. The jury system is an example. And the wonder is not that juries sometimes make mistakes, but that mistakes are made so seldom. This is due to what a well-known writer has called the "political over-soul"—the strange but merring instinct of right and justice, which the composite heart and mind almost unconsciously dictates.

So many people who profess to love their country at heart dispise its fundamental principles. Captains of industry have been notorious in this regard, from the days of Tweed, and Crocker, Commodore Vanderbilt and Jay Gould, who frankly based their political and business ethics upon the principle of the public be damned. This principle in recent years has fortunately been largely discarded, for the enlightened business man, as well as the enlightened politician has come to realize, that democratic faith is not a pretty abstraction, but a sound principle of success.

In the present time of unrest and readjustment it is important to keep the fundamental principles of American government clearly in mind. Efficiency may sometimes be retarded by freedom,—but to make a God of material efficiency is to sell the soul of Democracy as has been rather effectively demonstrated the past few years.

There is no middle ground, no perch on the fence in this proposition. We are either believers in Democracy or we aren't. As Justice Holmes of the Supreme Court recently said in a decision, which might well be treasured as a text book of American policy.

"The theory of our constitution is that truth is the only ground upon which men's wishes can be carried out. If the people can't be trusted with facts that establish truth, Democracy fails.



CHEERFUL TALK

I DO NOT talk of sorrow, I'm chipper blithe and gay; and of a bright tomorrow I spring my spiel today, for folks are tired of hearing of doubting and of fearing; they long for something cheering to shoo the gloom away. As I go daily drilling along Commercial Street, no voters hear me trilling a lay of frigid feet; I do no mournful yellin'. I boast the world we dwell in, the world we're raising Hail Columbia in, and say it's good as wheat. Oh, men would rather listen to silly jays like me, whose adjectives all glisten with merriment and glee, then hear the briefsmiths blowing, more melancholy growing, the while their tears are flowing in rivers in the sea. Men work and they are weary, they fret and they are sad; and hopeful words and cherry may help to make them glad; and so the sunshine grafter who strives to kick up laughter, though he seems daft and dafter, is really not so bad.

War Record of U. S. Marines

At the outbreak of the war on April 6, 1917, the total strength, officers and enlisted men, on active duty was 13,682, while on armistice day, November 11, 1918, it was 72,929. On December 11, 1918 the Marine Corps reached its maximum total strength of 75,101.

A Marine Corps unit arrived in France with the first expedition of American troops.

Between April 6, 1917 and November 11, 1918, there were 602 officers and 29,113 enlisted men, or a total of 29,715 marines, sent to France for service in the American expeditionary forces, while during the same period 172 officers and 1,308 enlisted men, or a total of 1,480 marines arrived in Europe for duty with the navy ashore.

In addition to the above 9 officers and 500 enlisted men joined the A. E. F. in June, 1919. Thus, 31,824 marines were sent overseas for shore duty with the A. E. F. or naval forces.

On April 6, 1917, 10 officers and 2,187 men were serving on vessels of the navy, and approximately this number continued on such duty during the entire war. Marines served on 59 different vessels during the war.

From June 26, 1917, to November 11, 1918, marines were in France with the A. E. F. a total of 304 days, of which 96 days were in active and 21 days in quiet stations.

During the war the Marine Corps had two infantry brigades in France, maintained over 100 stations in the United States, had seven detachments serving with the navy ashore in Eu-

rope; and had at least fifteen stations beyond the continental limits of the United States.

Marines served in America, Azores, Belgium, China, Cuba, Dominican Republic, England, France, Germany, Guam, Hawaiian Islands, Holland, Ireland, Luxembourg, Nicaragua, Philippine Islands, Porto Rico, Scotland, Spain, Virgin Islands and Wales.

Marines were represented by one or more officers or enlisted men in ten different divisions in France.

As a unit of the 2nd division of regulars the 4th brigade of marines engaged in actual battle in eight distinct operations, four of which were major operations (Aone defensive, Aisne-Marne offensive, St. Mihiel offensive and Meuse-Arzonne offensive).

In addition to the above operations the Marines suffered casualties in both army and navy aviation operations. There were on board the American battleships of division 9 (6th battle squadron) that served for one year with the British Grand Fleet; on

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"I had been troubled in long with nervousness and sleeplessness that my housework was drudgery and I got little pleasure out of life. My appetite left me entirely and at times I could hardly bear the sight of food and what little I did eat caused me severe suffering afterward. Gas would form on my stomach so badly that it affected my heart and I thought I had heart trouble.

"I was so nervous I would jump at the least unexpected noise and would drop everything I had in my hands. I got so weak and faint at times that I would have to catch hold of something to keep from falling over. My sleep was broken and restless and I was losing weight rapidly. I had little strength or energy and, as I had tried all kinds of medicines without relief, I had become very much discouraged over my condition.

"My husband had been taking Taulie and when I saw what wonderful results he was getting I decided to try it myself and now I think as much of Taulie as he does because it has helped me the same way.

"My appetite has come back and everything agreed with me perfectly. I am taking on weight rapidly and have already gained nine pounds; in fact, I feel perfectly well in every way. Taulie has done wonders for me and I am only too happy to tell others about it."

board the American battleships of division 6, which based on Perleaves, Bantre Bay, Ireland, and also formed part of the crews of many other vessels, including many cruisers that assisted to convey the American troops overseas.

In France 78 officers and 2,380 enlisted men, or a total of 2,458 marines, were killed in battle and died from wounds (and gas) received in action; 4 officers and 24 enlisted men died of accidents; 15 officers and 371 enlisted men died of disease; while 2 officers and 11 enlisted men died from other causes. Approximately 252 officers and 8,277 enlisted men, or a total of 8,529, were wounded, while 29 officers 962 enlisted men were gassed. As shown by the above the total casualties of marines in France was 12,305.

Thus there were 2,788 marines who died in France, 88.2 per cent of whom were either killed in action or died of wounds (and gas) received in battle, and 11.8 per cent died from accident, disease and other causes. Approximately one twentieth of the battle deaths of the A. E. F. were marines.

The Fifth and Sixth regiment of marines were cited three different times in French army orders, the sixth machine gun battalion of marines (first), and the fourth brigade of marines (once). As a result of commendable duty of various kinds 1,648 decorations (American and foreign), including seven medals of honor, were awarded to marines.

The 2nd division of which the 4th brigade of marines was a unit, captured 12,020 prisoners, which is 10.07 per cent of the total prisoners captured by the entire A. E. F.; captured 143 pieces of heavy and light artillery, 58 trench mortars, 8 anti-tank guns, as well as a large number of machine guns and rifles; and advanced 60 kilometers against the enemy.

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