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Ye Smudge Pot

By Arthur Perry. America is suffering from "gold madness," as Nicholas Butler of Columbia University avers, and in a number of local cases, the diagnosis will reveal that it is dime dementia.

Jack Dempsey says that Bill Brennan was "a poor foe man." Outside of giving Mr. Dempsey the battle of his life, and tearing off his left ear with a right hand smash, Mr. Brennan was helpless.

HOW'S THINGS IN ARMENIA

(Eugene Guard) Wanted—Job of any kind by ex-service man. Have driven supply trucks over in France and am capable of handling any kind of truck or automobile.

Chief among the pre-Christmas social events of note, is the annual hog weight guessing contest of which Mr. Wig Ashpole is the charming host, with G. Washington Nichols assisting.

Now and then a heinous culinary artist further degrades the hash by maliciously sneaking a carrot into it.

The report on Crater Lake is very painful, and shuts off a number of long winded speeches, intended to enlarge the dining room.

They are going to try a vampire in Chicago next week for talking a millionaire out of \$925,000. Here is a lady who had something under her permanent waves besides a well painted "Cupid Bow" mouth, and assorted giggles.

NOTHING LIKE EFFICIENCY

(Roseburg Review) Kill every fly you see and ask your neighbor to do likewise.

"We Are Cutting and Slashing Underwear This Week, Without Regard to the Future" (Ad in Marshfield Sun).

As soon as a Jan gets so he can write his name with one swab of a mop the California idea is to shoot him for a spy.

The boys and girls are coming home from college, and the home-folks will get some needed pointers on the latest hoofing and the proper way to wear a silk handkerchief.

Prayers for snow at the glad Yuletide are being made by citizens with high-topped shoes.

THE CHILDREN ARE BEGINNERS

(Salem Statesman) Mrs. H. D. Begun of Lafayette, Ore., returned to her home Sunday after spending last week with her sister, Mrs. George G. Bingham.

America is no longer the "land of the free". Europeans immigrating to this country will be examined for hell raising proclivities and inclinations by inhuman officials.

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AUTOCRACY, AGAIN.

WE ARE in receipt of a voluminous clipping defending the open shop. No name is signed, but the portions underlined indicate that our contributor believes that our recent editorial on President Grace of the Bethlehem Steel company was a plea for the closed shop.

Of course, it was nothing of the sort. What we condemned was the autocratic attitude of the steel company in refusing to sell its product to a reputable and useful concern like the Fuller Construction company, because that company employed union labor.

In our opinion, if America's system is to endure, there must be an abandonment of extreme positions on both sides. A middle ground must be found, not because a middle ground is the easy way, but because it is the only right way.

There are many good people, who invariably confuse conciliation with cowardice. They can't see that it often takes more courage to be fair, than to be fractious. No one ever accused Theodore Roosevelt of being timid, and yet it is Theodore Roosevelt's record in his dealing with labor troubles, as endorsed by such a union labor leader as John Mitchell, which supplies the present proponents of conciliation with their strongest precedent.

The foundation of this policy is the admission that labor and capital have an equal right to organize. The essential corollary is that the power of such organization must be applied, not with a view to selfish interest, but with a view to the welfare of the people as a whole.

If Mr. Grace's policy is right, then John D. Rockefeller has the right today to refuse to sell a drop of gas to any firm that doesn't agree with him on matters of business and political policy.

We hold the Fuller Construction company should not have been forced to suspend business, to abandon necessary construction work, at a sacrifice to the public and itself, simply because its policy was to employ union labor.

No, it can't be done. And it will not be done. Both the capitalistic autocrat and the labor autocrat must go if American institutions are to survive.



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