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We know little and practice less of eugenics. Children are brought into the world by blind instinct, as with the beasts. Thus are we barbarous at life's fountain head.

We boast of our schools. Compared with the past, of course, we have something to boast of. In the light of what reason tells us we ought to do our boast is absurd. The great army of criminals, of the untrained and unequipped for life, is recruited from the multitude of adolescents whom, for one cause or another, we do not educate.

It is estimated that a billion dollars a year goes for alcoholic liquors. This is pure waste. It is due to ignorance. Men drink because they do not know saner and more healthful forms of satisfaction.

Owing to our lack of intelligent eugenics and our defective schools, we are burdened with a horde of the idle, shiftless and vicious. Most families have one or more black sheep; some families are all black sheep. Think of the innumerable company of drones, living, preying upon the workers!

Ten thousand deaths and a hundred thousand accidents is the tax of our privately owned, dividend-producing railways. Most of these might have been prevented if we had the sense Germany has and the care for human life. Add to the human waste the loss of hundreds of millions of dollars which might have been saved with careful supervision.

We allow all manner of medical charlatans to advertise without limit, making money by preying upon public health. Religious fakers in the same business are permitted to do their will. We haven't brains enough, or courage enough, to take care of the health of the nation.

About 12 per cent of the laborers they tell us are out of work all the time. Strikes and lockouts are chronic. Government permits capital and labor to play unending foot ball with the public.

The loss by fire in the United States is about $200,000,000 a year. The year of the San Francisco holocaust it rose to $400,000,000. Almost all of this is preventable.

Probably a third of government expenditure is nothing but waste. In addition to running the machinery of state and nation, we must maintain two or more great party organizations. Most of the money spent in army and navy is total loss, due to vicious inherited ideas of what a nation is.

Our credit system bears hardest upon the poor. This, with the installment plan, constantly forces people to needless expenditure, and is a persistent economic push toward extravagance.

We have a lot before us to do. We are just faintly beginning to be civilized. We are taking only our first baby steps in social unity. We are slowly, oh, so slowly rising from the mud of competition to the cleanliness and strength of cooperation.

We are just glimpsing the twentieth century idea of a nation, which is that of a people organized not to conquer other nations nor to resist invasion, but to work together to produce the goods of life, to promote the richness and beauty of life and, above all, to save the waste of life.

Barbarism understands team-play for war, for destruction, only. Civilization means team-play for production and distribution.

Senator Works Will Speak.

Senator Works of California will be the principal speaker at a meeting of the Columbia Heights Citizens' Association to be held in St. Stephen's parish hall this evening at 8 o'clock. Residents of Columbia Heights have been invited to attend the meeting.

MRS. ELLA S. NUTZ DEAD.

Funeral Services to Be Conducted Thursday Afternoon.

Mrs. Ella Sherwood Nutz, widow of Harry D. Nutz, and eldest daughter of B. F. Sherwood of Whitman, Talbot county, Md., died early this morning at the home of her sister, Mrs. Walker B. Lester, 708 Rock Creek Church road, after a lingering illness.

Funeral services will be conducted at the Lester home at 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon by Rev. William A. Haggerty, pastor of the Petworth Methodist Episcopal Church, and interment will be in Glenwood cemetery.

Mrs. Nutz, who was forty-five years old, had spent the past year or more with relatives here.

Besides her father, she leaves the following brothers and sisters: Mrs. Walker B. Lester, Mrs. A. W. Lecke and Miss Georgia Sherwood of Washington; Mrs. L. P. Harrison of Cambridge, Md.; Walter Sherwood and Howard Sherwood of Whitman, Md.; C. P. Sherwood of Camden, N. J., and Lieut. John W. Sherwood of the United States Medical Corps, now stationed at Fort Bliss, Texas.

Released After Giving Security.

Ferdinand Volkman, 204 West Marshall street, Richmond, Va., who was arrested in Richmond Sunday and brought here yesterday to answer a charge of having stolen a diamond from a ring belonging to Miss Louisa Becke of 140 13th street southeast, was released on $300 security. Volkman, it is stated, formerly was engaged to Miss Becke, and she charges that he took the diamond from her engagement ring after the engagement had been broken.

It pays to read the want columns of The Star. Hundreds of situations are filled through them.

HERE'S A BRAND-NEW APRIL FOOL'S STORY

Cub Reporter Shows How "C. E.'s" Orders Can Be Heeded—Sometimes.

"Write a piece about April Fool day," said the city editor to the effervescent cub reporter, "and mind, don't copy anything from the encyclopedia, and don't have anything stale in it."

That is a pretty large order for a youthful reporter, to whom the mention of April fool from time immemorial brings up in his mind the vision of a brick under a hat. Statistics on fool tricks being barred, the cub sat him down to bemoan his fate, and while thus engaged an ancient newspaper man sidled up to him and said:

"Don't take it so hard. There's always an April fool about. Just listen while I give you a few pointers on the April fool of 1913. Do you take notes, or are you a real reporter yet? All right. Here we start.

Many Sure to Be Fooled.

"There is going to be a real April fool for about 999 local democrats who have been sending folks up to the White House to boost 'em for the commissionership. Every time I see one of those fellows he drags me off behind a pillar somewhere and blows five-cent cigar smoke all over me and tells me to look out for something that is going to break at the White House soon. Of course he wouldn't have it leak out for the world, but he's slated for the District building and there isn't any chance of losing. So many of these fellows have cornered me lately that if they were all appointed we'd have more Commissioners than policeman which, of course, isn't many under the April fool law that was passed reducing their number annually.

Has a Stinging Quality.

"Not only that, but April Fool's day, 1913, is going down in the annals of the democratic party as having a stinging quality all its own. Did you see the grand procession of come-ons just after inauguration? You didn't? Oh, yes, you did, only you didn't know what they were. They were the boys who have been telling the folks back in the swamp districts that they were going to be appointed secretaries, ambassadors and other fine posts just as soon as the democratic party took over the administration. The fact that a man has mixed democracy with his corner store chewing tobacco for the last sixteen years of an otherwise idle life hasn't made much of an impression upon this businesslike administration, now has it?

Nightmares Assured.

"There's going to be an awful big April fooling for somebody about April 7, when Oscar Underwood flashes that tariff bill. It's too bad we couldn't arrange to have the session begin today, it would be so appropriate for a lot of the boys. Some of these life-long democrats, who have been upholding the principles of the party, are going to have a nightmare when they see what the party intends to do to the putty mills and the soup works back in their district. It's free trade for everything except the stuff they make in my district!' That's the trouble.

Another in Hiding.

"Another April Fool is hiding somewhere around Representative Hinebaugh's office. He's the chap that came to town with nothing but a handbag and bearded "Osc" Underwood in his office to such good purpose that he put the progressive party, almost eighteen strong, on the map. Now what's going to happen? Victor Murdock says he's consented to let his seventeen friends vote for him as Speaker on the progressive ticket, but away back in the office stands that genial Mr. Kent of California with a brick under a hat just waiting for Judge Hinebaugh to take a kick at it. What is the brick, you ask? Why, it's the entire republican and progressive republican party in the House. That's all."

ANOTHER STEP TAKEN TOWARD MEMORIAL

Merchants to Ascertain How George Washington Structure May Be Used.

Another step toward raising a quarter of a million dollars, which will be Washington's share in the two-million-dollar fund for the erection of the George Washington memorial building, was taken yesterday afternoon when the joint committee of the Board of Trade, Chamber of Commerce and the Retail Merchants' Association met in the Chamber of Commerce to discuss the terms of the act authorizing the memorial.

As a preliminary, D. J. Kaufman, chairman of the joint committee, appointed a subcommittee to confer with the regents of the Smithsonian Institution, and any other officials necessary, to determine exactly what the scope of the act may be in relation to Washington. The members of that subcommittee are Mr. Kaufman, representing the Chamber of Commerce; W. T. Galliher, Board of Trade, and James F. Oyster, Retail Merchants' Association.

Regents Will Control.

Under the terms of the act control of the George Washington Memorial is placed in the hands of the regents of the Smithsonian Institution, but Congress has authority over certain functions that might be held in the building, such as possible inaugural balls, etc. In order to determine without question just what the building could be used for the subcommittee will talk the matter over with the regents and with any one else in authority who should be consulted.

Following this conference a report will be made to the joint committee, and it is assumed that ways and means for raising Washington's gift of a quarter of a million dollars will then be determined.

The joint committee is composed of D. J. Kaufman, chairman; C. J. Bell, Christian Heurich, John Dolph, R. N. Harper for the Chamber of Commerce. W. T. Galliher, chairman; M. E. Ailes, Theodore W. Noyes, S. W. Woodward and W. S. Corby for the Board of Trade. James F. Oyster, chairman; E. C. Graham, Julius Garfinkle, Sigmund Kann and A. Lisner for the Retail Merchants' Association.

The law was enacted at the last session, and authorizes the erection of the memorial in the north end of the reservation known as Armory Square, to cost not less than $2,000,000. It will have an auditorium to seat not less than 6,000 and other rooms, and a permanent endowment fund of not less than $500,000 must be provided.

The committee feels that the purposes of the building as stated are indefinite, and is undecided as to whether it is the intention that the building be used for conventions, one of the greatest needs of the city. Although it heartily favors the erection of the memorial, it desires that the power to use the building be enlarged so that conventions may meet in it without obtaining the permission of Congress.

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SEEKING "PIE" FOR OTHERS.

Secretary Bryan Calls at Treasury in Interest of Friends.

William Jennings Bryan, Secretary of State, in the role of a pie hunter, called on Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo yesterday afternoon. Secretary Bryan wasn't after anything for himself, of course; he got his March 4. But several old-time friends back in Nebraska have asked Secretary Bryan to use his influence to land Treasury Department jobs for them, hence yesterday afternoon's call.

The two cabinet members gossiped and talked for half an hour or more in Secretary McAdoo's private office, and late afternoon callers who have been under the impression that a coolness existed between the two Secretaries lifted their eyebrows and expressed surprise at the cordiality of the conversation.

VALUABLE FRESCOES FOUND.

Came to Light in Church of Santi Giovanni e Palo at Venice.

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During the restoration of the Church of Santi Giovanni e Paolo, at Venice, the famous mausoleum of the doges, three valuable frescoes have come to light. One of these frescoes represents an angel, and the second a figure of Justice, both adjoining the monument of the Doge Andrea Vendramin, who died in 1478, at the period of the cession of Scutari, then a Venetian colony, to the Turks. The third fresco, which is purely decorative, is on the wall near the monument of the Doge Marco Corner, who died in 1368. A similar discovery of frescoes, attributed to Fra Angelico, has been made during the alterations in the chapel of Pope Nicholas V in the Vatican—a chapel decorated by that artist.

The Greek ephor of the antiquities at Saloniki, M. Oeconomos, has found in the historic Church of St. Demetrius, the patron saint of that city, a fresco of a saint dating from the fifteenth century (the Turks captured Saloniki from the Venetians in 1430), and a number of inscriptions arranged in twenty-one squares. These inscriptions record the movable feasts of the years 1471 to 1492.

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