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The democratic party stands for the removal of the restrictions and the full measure of Indian citizenship.

The democratic party stands for the protection of invested capital but denies to it the right to oppress the people.

If Roosevelt could hold the presidency twenty-five years there would be no state powers of any consequence.

The parental care of the United States over Cuba is now insured since those rich deposits of iron ore have been discovered down there.

The strike situation now appears to be perfectly satisfactory to the companies and the operators. It seems to be the only fractious and unreasonable public that complains.

"We have no fear of tainted money in our midst," declares the Ohio State Journal; it is so easy to convert tainted money into something more wholesome and palatable.

A national association for the preservation of history is to be formed, but it is a foregone conclusion that the small boy will devoutly hope for the early failure of the organization.

Chas. D. Carter will defeat his republican opponent for congress by an overwhelming majority, and the Fourth will be one of the best represented districts in the state.—Wapawucka Press.

British battleships are being provided with searchlights, by the light of which a newspaper can be read at a distance of eighteen miles. They have forty-eight inch projectors.

Democrats know what they want and stand square-toed for it in their platform. They want the constitution, immediate statehood and a new era. There is nothing indefinite about that.

It is estimated that probably 80,000 or more men on the railroad lines between New York and Chicago have been laid off or put on shorter hours since January 1, because of the retrenchment policy of the railroads.

When Standard Oil finds it necessary to explain to its own employees, it may be assumed that not all of its officers and heavy stockholders are enjoying the transcendent peace of mind professed by Mr. Rockefeller. In the explanation just made it is declared that Standard Oil is a righteous corporation and always has been such; that it has not violated the laws in letter or in spirit; that the assaults made upon it are attacks on the great industries of the country. Those who are employed by Standard Oil, whose income depends on the business of this gigantic and abusive trust, and would fain find some other source of maintenance, are entitled to any comfort they can obtain. But there can hardly be a great deal of consolation in a circular which most of these employees know to be either misleading or absolutely false.

CASUAL PHILOSOPHY.

Water is music when a fountain plays. Love gets cold feet at a shiftless step-lace.

Most of us expect a lot of things we have no reason to expect. Mustard plasters also come under the head of drawing materials.

Pantaloons of a justice can hardly be termed breeches of the peace. Astronomers and theatrical managers are always looking out for new stars.

The interesting thing about a lie is guessing if anybody will be fool enough to believe it.

GOVERNMENT CONTROL OF THE TELEGRAPH

According to the dispatches, President Small of the Commercial Telegraphers' union is appealing to the authorities of the United States and Canada to assume control of the wires of both telegraph companies. We are not informed as to the scope of control that President Small advises, but suppose the government should assume such control, what would be the result? The very first thing that would happen would be an official declaration of the open shop, a principle which the union is now resisting with all its resources.

The government either as an owner or custodian would not and could not depart from the principle of the open shop. It could, under certain circumstances and conditions, take charge, through a receivership or otherwise, perhaps, but it could not bar the non-union member, which seems to be one of the fundamental demands of the union.

That was tested in the case of the government printing office when the president boldly declared that the United States government could not under any conceivable circumstance recognize the principle of the closed shop.

It will be said, of course, that with ideal relations existing between employers and employees the usefulness of the union would be at an end. But can such ideal conditions exist under government operation or ownership? We know that thousands of postal clerks are quite dissatisfied with their compensation and are constantly clamoring for more pay.

The last congress gave them a little more, but not enough to satisfy them. The clerks in the executive departments have appealed in vain for ten or twelve years and have mustered influential forces in their behalf, but their efforts have been in vain.

It is by no means certain that government ownership or operation of any utility would settle the question of compensation satisfactorily to all concerned. Long before the wage question could be determined, the rates would be reduced and rate reduction would tend to delay increased compensation.

The certain result of government operation or ownership would be the assertion of the doctrine of the open shop. That would take precedence of all questions of pay or hours and would practically eliminate every fundamental issue involved in the present strike.

The disputes between capital and labor can not be arbitrated by vesting the ownership of properties in the federal government unless unionism should relinquish its fundamental principle, that of unionism itself. We fail, therefore, to see what President Small could hope to gain for the cause he is now so strenuously espousing by transferring control from the private corporation which may exclude all but unionists to the government which can recognize only the individual.—Houston Post.

ARMY DISORGANIZED.

Commenting on the recent dismissal of Col. Ayers from the army, the Houston (Texas) Post remarks: "From the raise to power of General Corbin, during the McKinley administration, the official roster of the army has undergone many changes due to the executive favoritism and the intrigues of the war department's bureaucracy. Many soldiers who served with distinction in the civil and Indian wars as well as in the Spanish-American war were summarily retired or denied promotion in order that rank fakers like Leonard Wood might be advanced beyond their merits. Soldiers who resented such ill treatments, as Schley resented it in the navy, have been given the 'hot end of the poker,' to use modern vernacular, and their efforts to obtain justice have not availed because the power that dominated the war department has likewise dominated the legislative department of the government."

The case of General Miles is also memorable. The army has been so completely demoralized by the military quackery of Roosevelt and his satellites, that it needs a complete reorganization.

The work of the National Reclamation Service will be shown by stereopticon pictures at the Fifteenth National Irrigation Congress, which will be held in Sacramento, September 27 next. An evening session will be devoted to the Reclamation Service and during this session an illustrated lecture will be delivered by Director F. H. Newell, who in his present position, and as chief engineer was in charge of the work from its inception. These will be among the most interesting sessions of the congress, for those in attendance will be enabled to see clearly depicted before them the stupendous work now being carried on by Uncle

Sam with a view to creating new farms and new homes for the citizenship of this country.

MUSINGS BY THE WAY.

We need models a whole sight worse than we need critics. Try again! Begin life over. It is never too late to mend.

Look for success and you will find it—just keep a-lookin'.

Not what we take up, but what we give up—that makes us rich.

Be a willing worker, be not only good, but good for something.

What we see depends almost altogether on what we are looking for.

Certainly! The man on the mountain has a longer day than the man in the valley.

We all make mistakes at times. It takes all sorts of experiences to shape a life.

Our noblest emotions and our richest sentiments are born in hours of deepest sorrow.

The overcautious mind of necessity is always tinged with doubts, fears, pessimism and cynicism.

I am almost sure it depends on yourself whether you raise an angel or the devil in that boy of yours.

This life is no blot—it's no blank. It is overflowing with the richest meanings—and it all means something good!

I know a great many saints who are experts in committing you to the mercy of God and ignoramuses in showing any mercy themselves.

Hasten slowly—don't lose heart. If you have to put your iron on the anvil twenty times, what's the difference, just so the weld don't break.

The fact that angels commit no sin is largely due to their surroundings. That same environment down here will make angels out of the last one of us.

Have you just simply robbed him of his ideals? He may seem to forget about it; he may act the same to you, but, oh, how little forgiveness counts when a star goes out!

"Where are you going?" Never mind! Just follow the signboard that has on it the Golden Rule. Do the nearest duty the best you can—that's the royal road to paradise.

Somebody has said that every noble life leaves the fiber of the world. "I will" is a projectile that hits the mark, a power that moves mountains.

For one to go all to pieces, or for one to give a full rein to a suspicious nature is like standing at your bank of strength weakening your reserve fund by perpetual overdrafts.

What a tragedy! I have seen an apparently invulnerable character go out like a candle suddenly snuffed. The reef may be hidden for years and the wreck the stillest ocean palace.

I don't believe that all of any man's heart is ossified. The wires are not all down. Like wireless telegraphy, there must be an instrument both in this and in another place if these unseen aerial waves be recorded.

A competent authority declares that our great writers are not great robbers. Literature is not a repository of stolen goods. What seems like stealing by the steel pen is rather the output of the lapidary or a reticence of the mint, or better still, the borrowing from a bank repaid with interest.

The more we love the more intensely sensitive are we to anything that looks like an oversight of our devotion. One should be slow to condemn what appears to be supersensitiveness. For it may be what we call such is but a storm of disappointed longing that sweeps a sea of perfect love.

It was only a fence advertisement, but I caught these words: "No wire fence can serviceably survive its smallest stay or strand. If No. 13 is the smallest, that determines the real life of the fence. A fence made with No. 11 strand but with No. 12 stays has only No. 12 value." And that makes me think, after all character is no stronger than at its weakest point.

BIG RAILROAD TRANSACTION

CHICAGO AND ALTON ROAD ANNOUNCES ITS TRANSFER.

TO CLOVER LEAF SYSTEM

Final Action in Deal Delayed to Ascertain if the Alton Will Get Immunity for Rebating With Standard—Important Deal.

Ardmoreite Special. New York, N. Y., Aug. 24.—The announcement that the control of the Chicago & Alton, which has to all intents and purposes been transferred to the Clover Leaf railway system, came as a surprise to the financial district today.

The prospective purchasers, who are only delaying final action long enough to ascertain if the Alton is to get immunity for rebating, in which the Standard Oil company is involved, also control the Minneapolis & St. Louis railway, which owns the majority of stock of the Iowa Central.

On the ratification of the Alton transaction they will be in control of a system with a mileage of 2,800 miles, traversing one of the best traffic sections of the country.

The Alton transaction is one of the most important in railroad circles in years.

TABLES ARE TURNED

HUSBAND BRINGS SUIT FOR DIVORCE AGAINST HIS WIFE ALLEGING ABUSE.

F. D. Troop has filed a suit for divorce against his wife, M. F. Troop, on the ground of incompatibility of temper, and barbarous treatment of the husband by the wife.

The complaint alleges that the couple were married Oct. 10, 1902, and lived together as man and wife until May of the present year. The complainant alleges that he has always endeavored to be a true husband by properly managing the affairs of his wife, and has always provided for the family. That she, the wife, at first acted with coldness toward him and on divers occasions abused the plaintiff. That she was a widow and had born to her in the previous union a son, Eugene Watkins, who on one occasion threatened to kill the plaintiff and did make an assault with a gun on plaintiff for which plaintiff had the said Eugene Watkins arrested and when the plaintiff went to appear as a witness in the case the mother of Eugene Watkins and wife of the plaintiff used scurrilous and obscene language to the plaintiff and did assault plaintiff by scratching him and otherwise abusing him.

Wherefore plaintiff demands a separation and divorce.

A young wife of Bristol said to her husband one night: "My dear, there is a gentleman in the parlor. He wants to speak to you."

"Who is it? Do you know?" the husband asked.

"Dear," said the wife, "you must give me, but that cough has bothered you so much of late, and though spring is coming on it still clings to you, and, oh! if you knew how worried I've been about you!"

"And she threw her arms around his neck. 'What would I do if I were to lose you?' she moaned.

"Come, come," said the young man, patting her shoulder tenderly, "men don't die of a slight cold. So you've called in the doctor, eh?"

"Well, I'll see him gladly if it will make you feel easier. Which one is it? Squills?"

"It isn't the doctor, dear," was the answer; "it's the life insurance agent"—Sphere.

The blessings of health are best told by sickness.

With Mrs. Pfeiffer. Saturday the Pfeiffer home was the scene of one of the gayest functions of the season, when the hostess, Mrs. Wm. Pfeiffer, entertained in honor of Mrs. Maggie W. Barry of Sherman.

The house was decorated in the summer's choicest flowers. The reception hall was set in sun flowers and in a cosy nook Master D. D. Pfeiffer served refreshing fruit punch.

The color scheme in the parlor was white and green, and Venetian vases filled with roses and ferns ornamented the mantel and pedestals.

In the dining room were graceful bunches of red cannas, asparagus and ivy.

The contest was quite unique and the jolliest ever introduced in the city, and the ladies' "weapon of war" was quite in evidence.

There were fourteen tables set for the game in the center was placed a bowl of peanuts. Each contestant was given a hat pin and the one who succeeded in sticking the greatest number of the nuts was the victor.

Tiny score cards were passed and Miss Martina Sprekelmeyer was scorer and called time, at the finish Mrs. Bert Foster had proven herself best in welding the weapon and stabbed 750 gubbers and was given a cut glass bon-bon tray and the honor guest received a cut olive dish.

Dainty refreshments were served. The guest list included Mesdames Crockett, G. H. Bruce, Bunn, Sprekelmeyer, C. L. Anderson, Newcomb, Morris Sass, Byron Drew, Landrum, Bert Foster, Teer, Guy P. Cobb, C. M. Campbell, C. L. Byrne, A. C. Cruce, C. F. Adams, Hal Buchanan, J. E. Humphrey, W. A. Payne, H. C. Potter, W. R. Moore, Mike Gorman, R. W. Dick, H. H. Pennington, Alexander, T. K. Kearney, Guillot, Lester, L. T. Russell, Bert Simpson, J. B. Wall, Abernathy, Thurman, Joe Bledsoe, Misses Mullen, Moore Hovencamp of Fort Worth; Sprekelmeyer, er, Adams, Ada Drew.

W. C. T. U. The W. C. T. U. met at the home of Mrs. A. J. Madden Thursday afternoon and transacted considerable business. The young ladies connected with this organization, with the assistance of its older members, are raising a fund to erect a public drinking fountain on Main street for passers-by. This is an excellent idea in a "dry town" and should receive a liberal contribution from every one.

With the Player Folks. Theater goers will all doubtless be out in their best next Friday night, as the opening show of the season always promises a good house—"What Women Will Do" is billed for this occasion.

It is a new comedy and under the management of the Holden Bros., one of the greatest play producing firms of the country. "Sis in New York" is next on the boards for the following Saturday, with matinee and night performance.

LATE SOCIETY

When down town for that window with the "Lisk" grey enameled ware in it, the best that's made. You will find it at Stevens, Kennerly & Spragins Co. 25-6

J. L. Wallace went down to Galveston Saturday—to recuperate. Miss Alice Weeks, Mesdames S. B. Bradford, F. P. Von Keller composed a merry party who went down to Galveston Saturday.

Miss Mamie Hewitt of Galveston is an interesting guest of the Misses Bennett.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Taliferro returned Saturday from an extended visit in Waxahachie, Texas.

Miss Bonnie Madden has returned from a visit with Miss Bessie Minnis in Denton, Texas.

A man with curly hair has as many excuses for keeping his hat off as a bald man has for keeping his on.

Look! Look! When down town for that window with the "Lisk" grey enameled ware in it, the best that's made. You will find it at Stevens, Kennerly & Spragins Co. 25-6

GIN PLANT FOR SALE—I have several gin plants for sale with 3 to 6 stands in battery, all nearly new and in good locations. Chas. Durle office with Carter & Cannon, Ardmore. 9-1

If you need a new pocketbook see our stock. It contains the newest designs. Quality best possible for price. Chatelaines, bill books, leather cases, purses, etc., also in splendid variety. F. J. RAMSEY, 25 Druggist.

It's dead easy for a man to get the last word in an argument with a woman if he knows how. All he has to do is to say it to himself in a whisper.

You often have a kick coming when you are asked to foot a bill.

REMOVAL SALE! ABSOLUTE COST! On the first day of September we will move into our new store now occupied by Felker, the grocer, and until that date we offer everything in our store at ABSOLUTE COST! This is the season's most sensational sale in Ardmore and offers to buyers anything we have in Lawns, Percales, Waists, Dress Goods, Suits, Embroideries, Laces, Shoes, Clothing, Hats, Shirts, Novelties, Corsets, Corset Covers, Underwear and everything else in our stock at less than the goods can now be bought in the wholesale markets. Take Advantage of this Big Sale! Nothing of the kind has been offered you before this year, and will not be offered you again. Come early and make the selection of the goods you want. Second Door West of the Ardmore National Bank A. KLOSKI

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