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LEADING democrats who have voted that ticket all their lives until the present campaign are now found supporting Hiram Johnson for governor; and for good reasons. The latest of these to declare himself is M. I. Sullivan, a lawyer of standing and eminence in his profession and practicing in this city.

Why Democrats Are Lining Up for Johnson

It can readily be understood why Mr. Johnson's work in this relation should make him objectionable to certain interests in this city, but no man can explain why Mr. Bell should lay emphasis on the facts in this regard or imagine that he can make anybody think less highly of Johnson on this account.

It is, in fact, an extraordinary inversion or perversion of reasoning that seeks to persuade the popular mind that it should share Mr. Calhoun's prejudices in this regard.

Mr. Sullivan, in his letter explaining his reasons for voting for Johnson, supplies first hand, personal testimony concerning Mr. Johnson's action at the most critical period of the graft prosecutions, when Francis J. Heney was shot.

I remember well being in his office on the 13th of November, 1908, for the purpose of urging him, on behalf of the Citizens' League of Justice, for the purpose of urging him, on behalf of the Citizens' League of Justice, for the purpose of urging him, on behalf of the Citizens' League of Justice.

What happened? Johnson convicted Ruef and the work was done without pay. It was an eminent and patriotic service, done in a disinterested way.

Really, the whole discussion raised by Mr. Bell and Mr. Calhoun's organs is childish and its only effect is to demonstrate the weakness of the attack and to bring out in a high light the eminent and disinterested character of the services rendered by the republican candidate.

A SMALL body of selfish interests, masquerading under the names of dummy associations, organizations, leagues, or what you will, so long as their identity is concealed, is conducting a campaign of misrepresentation to mislead voters of interior counties on the subject of the proposed issue of \$1,000,000 bonds to buy sixty-three blocks of land on Islais creek in this city for the excavation of an interior harbor.

Character of the Fight on Islais Creek

This masquerading body has had a discreditable history. At the last general election its agents succeeded in creating an unworthy sectional feeling in parts of the state where the circumstances were not understood, and to that end voters in other counties were persuaded that these bonds would be a charge on the general tax payers.

Next, the same people were found engaged in shameless lobbying at Sacramento in the effort to defeat the bill for resubmission of the bond issue.

This summer the same interests started on a new tack, alleging that the harbor revenues would not be sufficient to pay the interest and sinking fund of the bonds, but as at the same time they supported the \$9,000,000 issue of bonds to be voted simultaneously for general harbor improvements the insincerity of the plea was manifest.

Met at every point, they once more changed front and are now circulating "literature" which argues that San Francisco needs no interior harbor being already big enough.

It is a shabby little plot characterized from the start by deceit, unworthy appeal to sectional feeling and corruption.

"The Three Twins"



THE single argument of value advanced by the railroad presidents for an increase of rates in the current inquiry before the interstate commerce commission is that they have been compelled to raise wages. This argument would be conclusive if they could prove further that they were now losing money because of this increase of operating expenses.

The Testimony of the Dividends

Louis D. Brandeis of counsel for the shippers elicited the information that J. Pierpont Morgan was a member of the executive board of the New York Central, and that the firm of J. P. Morgan & Co. was among the financial advisers of the railroad.

The increase of wages should be placed to the credit of the railroads and if they can show that they are losing money on that account they should have higher rates, but the proof fails and the reasoning is not conclusive.

The New York World, discussing the evidence and reasoning of President McCrea of the Pennsylvania road, puts it thus:

President McCrea's logic plays tricks with him. The railroads, and among them the Pennsylvania, he says, must raise their rates in order to meet the increased expenses in wages due to the increased cost of living, which bears on every operative in the railroad service.

It is sufficient comment on Mr. McCrea's argument to say that the stock holders of the Pennsylvania are receiving the same dividends as for ten years past.

JOHN B. MOISANT wants some millionaire to take up the practical work of perfecting the aeroplane. He does not see that the aviation meets and the competitions for prizes are accomplishing much in the way of practical progress.

To Make the Aeroplane Effective

When I talk about what can be done by the plane in war I am talking about an accomplished fact, not a dream. It is not that we must make the aeroplane practical; it is only that we must put it into practice.

Mr. Moisant believes that the future of war is bound up with the flying machine and that the nation which first equips a squadron of really practicable and effective aeroplanes would hold all the others at its mercy.

As a military problem all this does not greatly concern America because it will be a long time before a fleet of aeroplanes can fly across the Atlantic or the Pacific.

Answers to Queries

DOOMSDAY BOOK—J. T. Sunnyside. What is the English "doomsday" book? That was the name given to a volume in which was recorded a survey of England made under William the Conqueror.

CHICAGO BUILDINGS—T. E. E. Vallejo. What is the height of the Masonic temple and of the Montgomery Ward building in Chicago? The Masonic temple is 354 feet and the Montgomery Ward building 394 feet.

VOTING—G. A. G. San Pablo. Can an elector who lives in one county with his family vote in another county in which he does business? The constitution of California provides that to be an elector a man must have been a resident of the state one year next preceding the election, of the county in which he claims his vote 30 days and in the election precinct 30 days.

INDOOR GROWTH—M. K. J. City. How can I grow a carrot or sweet potato in water in the house? Have made several attempts, but have not succeeded. They have always rotted.

AROUND OLYMPUS. Cupid has just been arrested. "Nonsense!" said his father. "What could a boy like that have been doing?"

Explained. "Father," said Willie, "what's the difference between a sanitarium and a sanatorium?" "Oh, about five dollars a day," said Mr. Billups.

PERSONS IN THE NEWS. COLONEL CHARLES F. BLINN, the newly appointed acting superintendent of the port, who was recently married, returned to his desk at the custom house yesterday after a two weeks' vacation spent with his bride in Riverside, Los Angeles and other southern cities.

THOMAS F. BURNS, the assistant manager and cashier of the United States steamship, left yesterday on a three weeks' tour of the southern part of the state. He is accompanied by his wife and daughter.

E. W. PORTER of Santa Rosa, M. I. Meredith of Philadelphia and Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Kellogg of Seattle are among the recent arrivals at the Manx.

W. D. FORSTER, superintendent of the Tonopah and Goldfield railroad, is among the recent arrivals at the Stewart.

I. G. ZUMWALT, who is running for congress on the democratic ticket, is at the Stewart, registered from Colusa.

CHARLES A. WILSON and John Wilson, mining men of Cleveland, are guests at the Fairmont.

JOHN G. HARDY, a manufacturer of women goods of London, is a guest at the St. Francis.

R. E. COLLINS, a member of the state board of equalization, is staying at the Stewart.

Uncle Walt The Poet Philosopher

Some time ago a dauntless soul went soaring o'er the snowclad Alps, and folks who saw his pinions roll had tingling feelings in their scalps.

THE CHAVEZ EXPLOIT. I the fire of Austin, I his praise would sing! But when I need it, my old lyre is sure to have a busted string.

WALT MASON. A man may fly to beat the Dutch, across the Alps, across the sea, and not accomplish half as much as some plain guy who plants a tree.

Copyright 1910, by George Matthew Adams. Their wisdom and helpfulness overflowed a single day's space, so I quote some more today.

"I read your article in the paper last evening relative to a letter a poor, shy girl had written you," writes one of my correspondents, "and could not help thinking how well it suited my own case several years ago.

The Morning Chit-Chat

TODAY'S letter is especially addressed to "shy people." Yesterday I gave some of the wise and helpful suggestions for overcoming shyness which my readers sent me in response to a letter, which I published, from a shy girl who wanted to be told how to overcome her weakness.

"Dear Shy Girl—I was—and I am not. I love you already, and I'd dearly like to help you, so I'm going to tell you just what made the difference in me.

"Then do as Miss Cameron says—put on your prettiest dress, spend an hour over your hair if necessary, and start out for conquest—not of other people, but of yourself.

"Don't neglect anybody—the postman who brings your mail, the girl behind the counter, the garrulous old lady on the train—have a word and a smile and a bit of sympathy for them all.

"In behalf of my shy girl and all her sisters, thank you, folks. Seems to me she hasn't any excuse for suffering from that trouble any longer.

Awkward for Both. "This is awkward. I flirted with a young man at the seashore and we both pretended to be rich. Now I find he lives in our city."

Hard to Convince. "Little Tommy (eldest of the family, at dinner)—Mamma, why don't you help me before Ethel?"

Around Olympus. "I've been reading the herald smiled in the grim fashion of his kind."

Explained. "Father," said Willie, "what's the difference between a sanitarium and a sanatorium?"

PERSONS IN THE NEWS. CONGRESSMAN W. F. ENGLEBRIGHT of Nevada City is staying at the Palace.

DR. J. F. MCCORMACK of Cass Bay is among the recent arrivals at the Palace.

S. A. RLYTHE, an oil operator of Bakersfield, is registered at the St. Francis.

W. WALKER, an oil operator of Coalinga, is staying at the Argonaut.

S. C. LEYALL, a businessman of Vallejo, is registered at the Argonaut.

ELMER E. COLE, a merchant of Los Angeles, is registered at the Palace.

A. W. JONES and G. R. Georgeson of Berkeley are guests at the Palace.

F. W. MCCORMICK, insurance adjuster from Fresno, is at the Turpin.

CHARLES A. WAXMAN, a leather goods man of Seattle, is at the Turpin.

A. B. POWER, a capitalist of London, is registered at the Fairmont.

C. F. KENDALL, a fruit grower of Watsonville, is at the Dale.

C. C. CHAPMAN, real estate man of San Diego, is at the Stanford.

GEORGE EATON, cattleman, from Hanford, is at the Dale.

F. W. LANGDON, a merchant of Chicago, is at the Colonial.

HERMAN DAVIS, a mining man of Reno, is at the Stanford.

C. W. MILLER of Portland is staying at the Palace.



WALT MASON



RUTH CAMERON

Ruth Cameron

Magistrate—Now, if you two men had had any common sense you would have settled this matter out of court.

Defendant—Just what I wanted to do, your worship; but the blighter wouldn't fight—Punch.

Bargains. Uncle Hiram—So you won't pay 50 cents to see "High Life in New York" at the opera house tonight?

Independently Rich. "If I were you," said the doctor, "I should give up eating meat."

Explained. "Father," said Willie, "what's the difference between a sanitarium and a sanatorium?"

Abe Martin



Tipton Bud's doctor has advised him to take a long rest as his wife has got neurasthenia. Miss Tawney Apple's niece was prematurely drowned yesterday while walkin' in a canoe.