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Eugene V. Debs

Who Speaks In Pensacola To-Night.

The appearance of Eugene V. Debs, who speaks at the opera house to-night under the auspices of the Pensacola Library Association, should be greeted by a general outpouring of our citizens.

Mr. Debs is recognized as one of the most eloquent and entertaining of America's platform orators, but he is more than that—he is a man with a message—and he presents that message to his hearers with an earnestness that never fails to impress, even though it may not always convince.

The world is far enough advanced now so that people may listen with profit to a man like Mr. Debs without necessarily endorsing his position or subscribing to his opinions. What his politics is, makes no difference. Be it enough that his broad patriotism stands pre-eminent as a part of the man's very being and that his views on existing industrial conditions are endorsed by hundreds of thousands of his fellow citizens everywhere.

In a city like Pensacola where the welfare of her laboring men forms the very foundation of the city's prosperity and where union labor particularly is strongly organized and universally encouraged, Mr. Debs should have a full house. The Journal at least trusts that he will and it feels perfectly secure in predicting that everyone who attends will find himself well repaid for the effort.

For White Primary Nominations.

The action of the county executive committee in electing a city committee for the management of a white primary for municipal nominations is a matter upon which the citizens of Pensacola may well congratulate themselves.

The city committee is composed of as excellent gentlemen as could have been selected and The Journal has no doubt but that they will discharge the important duties devolving upon them faithfully and well.

The Journal takes some little pride in the consummation of this important movement, because it was really the mover in directing public sentiment to the importance of the white primary and in securing a definite expression of public sentiment on that subject. Indeed, had it not been for The Journal, the reading public of this city would not yet know that the matter was being agitated or was to be acted upon, as this paper alone has given them all the information that has been published about it.

It will now be the duty of the city committee to organize and issue a call for a primary and the latter will be conducted on the order of the state and county primaries of last year.

It will be noted that The Journal is the only Pensacola paper from which it is possible to secure anything like a comprehensive report of the Swayne impeachment trial. Come to think of it though, you can hardly blame a certain other paper for refusing to publish certain portions of the evidence.

The question arises now that if Judge Swayne was allowed to edit the news reports of a Pensacola paper, how many other people ostensibly not connected with the paper have been doing the same thing?

Whatever may be thought about the propriety of Judge Swayne's effort to edit a newspaper, there can be no difference of opinion as to the newspaper that permitted him to do it.

This from the Tampa Tribune—Said Merchant A to Merchant B, "Won't you have a biscuit." Said Merchant B to Merchant A, "Think I ought to riscuit?"

The Sunday Journal in addition to its other special features will contain an article by that state-renowned writer, "Lobbyist," whose previous efforts have been read with so much interest. It is needless to say that his letter on this occasion will contain something interesting as his letters always do.

The Days of Pewter.

Pewter played an important domestic part in the days of our distant ancestors. A peep at some of the household books of the Stuart days is quite a revelation on this point. In 1684, for instance, Sir Miles Stapleton, a Yorkshire baronet, took it into his head to replenish his stock of pewter, and here are a few of his many purchases as recorded in his own handwriting: "It, paid for six large puter platters or dishes at 1s. 7d. a pound, and they weighed 57 pound and a half, which comes to £04.01.05; paid for two dozen of puter plates at 1s. 6d. a pound and they weighed 37 pound, £02.15.00; paid then more for two puter stands for the table, £00.08.00; one gallon puter can and six porringers £00.19.06; paid to William Hutchinson of York, for 17 new puter dishes for the table weighing 74 pound at 12d. a pound £03.14.00." And among other purchases at the same time are two dozen new pewter plates for 32 shillings, another two dozen at 15 shillings a dozen, and a large quantity of spoons, basins and candlesticks.—Westminster Gazette.

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The Remedy For Corporation Abuses

By JAMES B. DILL,
Organizer of Industrial Combinations

IT seems to me that what in this apparently critical time the country demands from the corporations is INTEGRITY from the top to the bottom—integrity in organization, integrity in maintenance and A STANDARDIZED NATIONAL SYSTEM, not an enforced federal control of a mass of state corporations widely differing in their creation, organization and the laws which govern them.

Corporation laws are in the same condition as the divorce laws of the different states. What is legal for a corporation in one state may be a crime in another. An action for which directors in one state are sought to be indicted is specifically permitted by the laws of the state which create it. An attempt to unite these basic and fundamental differences in organization by a similar enforced federal regulation seems to me impracticable. It is an attempt to begin at the top and end at the bottom rather than an attempt TO BUILD SOUNDLY FROM THE BOTTOM UP.

The commissioner of corporations, Mr. Garfield, concedes that it is hopeless to look to the different states for harmony in legislation creating or regulating state corporations. He concedes that the remedy must proceed from the NATIONAL government. It does seem to me that with these two concessions any attempt to have a state created corporation built upon a foundation which is recognized and asserted by the department as being bad, to make this structure built on the wrong foundation sound and good by a federal regulation WITH RESPECT TO THE ROOF, comes very near to the line of an absurdity.

The story is old, but the application seems to me timely. The cup of coffee at the breakfast table was bad. More cream was put in, but it was not improved. Sugar was added. It was still bad. The hot water pot was called into requisition, but the product was still not in accord with the required taste, for the reason that the foundation was not right. The coffee, the ingredient out of which the liquid was made, was bad.

The time and attention spent in trying to correct and make good that bad cup of coffee was time thrown away. The idea was not brilliant, but it was sound, when some one suggested that A FRESH CUP OF COFFEE BE MADE with new ingredients. The result was satisfactory.

We have state corporations created by some states which desire to sell charters. Hence charters are made FOR SALE. They are based on laws which are made to fit the charters. This is true of some states. In other states the laws are good, but they are abused and violated. The result in the product, state created corporations, is not satisfactory to the public. The cup of coffee is bad.

The national commissioner of corporations proposes to make this coffee good BY AN EDICT from Washington. He proposes, by good federal regulation, to procure the proper conduct of what he regards as badly founded, wrongly organized and improperly maintained corporations.

IS IT NOT BETTER INSTEAD OF TRYING TO FIX UP THE OLD CUP OF COFFEE TO HAVE A NEW ONE MADE? IS IT NOT BETTER INSTEAD OF HAVING FEDERAL REGULATION OF STATE CREATED CORPORATIONS TO HAVE FEDERAL INCORPORATION?

The American Attitude Toward Money

By JAMES M. BECK, Ex-Assistant Attorney General of the United States

WE are not a mere money loving people. In no country is LESS VALUE attached to money when earned. The citizen of no country is more prodigal in the expenditure of money than the American. He labors hard to earn money, with no other thought than scattering it with an open hand when earned. ANY OTHER NATION COULD LIVE WELL ON WHAT WE WASTE.

IT WOULD BE BETTER IF WE WERE LESS INDIFFERENT TO THE POSSESSION OF MONEY AND HAD A LITTLE MORE OF THE SPIRIT OF THRIFT WHICH FRANKLIN PREACHED IN COLONIAL DAYS.

Compare the types of human character in the literature of other ages with the average man as we meet him today. Read the literature of the eighteenth century and study human types as depicted by Fielding, Smollett and Congreve. The hero was a pleasure loving gallant, whose chief exploits were either in the drawing room or on dueling field or the field of battle. HONEST INDUSTRY AS AN IDEAL of life never seemed to have occurred to those who depicted the morals and manners of the eighteenth century.

Compare such a character with the man of today, who, with feverish energy, concentrates every effort to the achievement of some problem in business. I admit that this feverish spirit of business enterprise betrays men into excesses. In the great gamble of fluctuating values men frequently sink to the morals of the gambler; but, strange as it may seem to many, THE SPIRIT OF GAMBLING IS FAR LESS TODAY THAN IT WAS IN THE EIGHTEENTH CENTURY.

Knowledge as a Cure For Egotism

By President WOODROW WILSON of Princeton

I AM by nature an advocate of a liberal education, that which will enable the student to see the GENERAL VIEW and not merely to gain the skill of the specialist in a limited field. A liberal education is the best safeguard against the STUPID EGOTISM which would make you think that you in your generation will settle things that will never afterward have to be touched.

I DON'T KNOW ANY CURE FOR EGOTISM LIKE KNOWLEDGE, THE KNOWLEDGE OF WHAT THERE IS TO KNOW.

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PRESS CLIPPINGS AND CURRENT COMMENT.

Jefferson's Views.

Thomas Jefferson believed firmly that the divine will should and does govern the universe, but in making each individual conscience its interpreter he took it out of the civil polity, and that the "things of Caesar might be rendered unto Caesar," he struck at the church establishment in Virginia and overthrew it. It is this creed of individual sovereignty that made him the great political philosopher of the world by making him the first statesman to make it practical.—Waco (Tex.) Times-Herald.

Another Gone Wrong.

And now another United States senator has been besmeared. While the Wyoming senate turned down the resolutions of censure, the statements contained in those resolutions are none the less interesting, and, if true, show that Senator Warren belongs to the same class as Burton, Mitchell and Dietrich. He is charged with having put a number of his relatives on the federal pay roll, and had them turn the salary over to him.—Shreveport (La.) Times.

It Stands Confessed.

Almost anyone can offer a better defense for General Miles than he does for himself—namely, that he was a humiliated young fool, who thought to gain favor in high quarters by an excessive show of what he imagined to be his loyalty to the government. He wrote himself backwards into history. The best thing would be for him to confess it and forget it.—Mobile (Ala.) Register.

Roosevelt the Stronger.

There can be no denying that Roosevelt is a wonderfully popular man in the north and west, and if it should so happen that a few senators determine to oppose him the chances are that his influence is greatly enough to defeat them for reelection without greatly disturbing the party alignment in most of the states.—Houston (Tex.) Post.

The South's Need.

The south is in need of laborers for the farms. Negro labor is no longer in ample supply; no longer reliable. The south does not want undesirable citizens from any part of the world, but it needs good, honest men and women, who will come and settle on the farms and give an honest service.—Richmond (Va.) Times-Dispatch.

Pleasing the People.

The people are rather infatuated with President Roosevelt's high-handed usurpations, although they may be rather distasteful to the railroad and trust attorneys engaged in drawing salaries from the government as servants of the people.—Bristol (Tenn.) Courier.

Queer Looking Worms.

New Zealand, Australia, the Samoan and the Solomon islands, as well as portions of the Hawaiian group, are the homes of various species of worms with thick, heavy bodies and with a well defined neck connecting the body with a head that is a startling reminder of that of the monkey. In the Sandwich Islands they are called me-ta-uku, which means "creeper with a child's head." An old New Zealand legend says that at one time they were of immense proportions and threatened the extinction of all human life on the islands.

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