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EDITORIALS — FEATURES



On the Issue of Americanism There Can Be No Compromise

A Blow at Americanism

Speaker Sweet and the New York legislature yesterday struck the severest blow at American democracy this nation has suffered for many years. They struck at the heart of Americanism—representative government—when they voted to expel five members of the socialist party for no other reason than that they were affiliated with that party.

These socialists were regularly elected. There was no question of fraud. There was no question of their buying their seats, such as was charged in the election of Senator Newberry. They were the choice of their constituencies, the representatives of the people in their districts. If our American government means anything, it means that the ballot controls; that the voice of the people is the law; that the consent of the governed is the necessary qualification for office.

One need not agree with the socialists' theories of economics or government. But if enough voters agree with them, they are entitled to public office. That is Americanism; that is democracy; representative government; republicanism.

If this were not so what is to prevent a republican congress from ousting all democrats, or vice versa? What is to prevent a reactionary legislature from ousting all progressives? What is to prevent a narrow-minded, partisan congress from expelling Herbert Hoover, for instance, from the presidency if he should happen to be elected on a third party ticket?

In the city of Boston a man was dragged thru the streets in pre-revolutionary days, and lynched, because he dared to advocate the abolition of slavery—a disgrace in any event and especially in the light of later events.

Some day New York and the rest of the U. S. will be just as ashamed of the action against the socialists yesterday.

The aliens are going home because this country is dry. In this exodus may be a suggestion for the solution of Gov. Edwards' troubles.

Palmer Quakes

Attorney General Palmer has summed up in a recent issue of The Forum magazine what he calls "The Case Against the Reds."

"Like a prairie fire," says the intrepid Palmer, "the blaze of revolution was sweeping over every American institution of law and order a year ago. It was eating its way into the homes of the American workmen, its sharp tongues of revolutionary heat were licking the altars of the churches, leaping into the belfry of the school bell, crawling into the sacred corners of American homes, seeking to replace marriage vows with libertine laws, burning up the foundations of society."

But St. George Palmer was at hand, thank heaven, to slay the terrible monster! He discovered its lair, launched his spear, and now the awful thing is no more.

What was it, according to Palmer's own statement? It was 55,000 deluded men and women composing the communist and anarchist groups in America. That is Palmer's estimate of the total number of communists in the United States, and he takes that from the claims of the communist party itself. This terrible menace of rattle-brained radicals and enthusiasts, comprising one-half of one per cent of our population, was doing all these terrible things to American workmen and the American home, and the American churches and schools, and the American marriage laws and the American government.

It's true that nobody but Palmer and a few other politicians, anxious for campaign issues and hoping to capitalize the hysteria against the "reds," saw much of a menace in this band of deluded extremists. Most everybody believes in America and her institutions and has so far refused to tremble at the wordy manifestos of this infinitesimal group of "revolutionists." But an attorney general should know when to quake.

The kaiser wasn't damned, in spite of universal wishing, but perhaps being Doomed will be just as satisfactory.

Mating Time

One and a quarter million women in the British Isles are expected to leave the homeland to go to the British colonies. The Salvation Army is aiding the movement. There is a great excess of women over men in Britain. This has been accentuated by the war. Spinsterhood or emigration is the choice these women have. A great many of them are choosing emigration. They are not going—like the women in the early days of American colonization—to be put up at auction as brides for the settlers. They are not going—like the Japanese picture brides of today—to meet men already their husbands. Not many of them are going for the conscious reason that they want husbands.

But that is the real underlying reason. It is the fundamental urge for mating that will take these women overseas. And the Salvation Army is proud of its job.

"We offer no apology for active propaganda designed to procure a better distribution of the sexes," says the commissioner of the army engaged in this work. "One of the biggest after-the-war tasks assigned the Salvation Army in Britain is to stimulate emigration of women and direct it to those colonies in the British empire where there are more men than women."

For the exceptional woman, a career may take the place of wifehood and motherhood; for the great majority of women, thanks to the primal urge of evolutionary tendencies, to want and seek a mate is as necessary to her own nature as it is to the welfare of the race.

On Calvary

According to Saint Luke

And when they came to the place, which is called Calvary, where they crucified Him, and the malefactor, one on the right hand, and the other on the left.

Then said Jesus, Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do. And they parted His raiment, and cast lots.

And the people stood beholding. And the rulers also with them derided Him, saying, He saves others; let Him save himself, if He be Christ, the chosen of God.

And the soldiers also mocked Him, coming to Him, and offering Him vinegar.

And it was about the sixth hour, and there was a darkness over all the earth until the ninth hour.

And the sun was darkened, and the veil of the temple was rent in the midst.

And when Jesus had cried with a loud voice, He said, Father, into thy hands I commend My spirit; and having said thus, He gave up the ghost.

Now when the centurion saw what was done, he glorified God, saying, Certainly this was a righteous man.

And that day was the preparation, and the Sabbath drew on. And the women also, which came with Him from Galilee, followed after, and beheld the sepulchre, and how His body was laid.

WE'LL SAY SO

Greetings! After eating a scrupulously filled chocolate drop and kicking a cigar box that contained a brick off the sidewalk, we wonder that we can still find sufficient amusement in the headline, "Man Must Hang for Murdering Quartet," to remark that if the quartet is anything like the one we hear singing every night in the house across the street the murderer ought to be given a medal, which is more enduring than a necktie.

Our wife has been eating meat again. If the barbers raise the price of haircuts to \$1, she says she's going to hand housewives together in a club to cut their husbands' hair. Shall we not call it the Barberism club?

Now that the barbers are talking of raising, and potatoes have gone up to five for a quarter, we hear the dairymen have hopped up the price of milk. First time we knew cows lived on potatoes and had their hair trimmed. Not a very funny joke, what?

Jewelers predict that potato necklaces will soon be the fashion. We don't doubt it, and foresee the time when potato peelings will supplant the old-fashioned currency.

Strawberries have dropped 25 cents a quart. This will go down in history as cheap strawberry week.

An Amsterdam cable says the ex-kaiser has cut down his 16,000 tree. Deducting Sundays, holidays and days on which Bill was under a physician's care, there have been less than 400 days that he could have spent in cutting down trees, so that to make this record he has had to fell 40 trees a day. Working 10 hours a day, he had to cut down a tree every 15 minutes. We'll say Bill is some chopper. What do you suppose was the diameter of the tree? And they grew pretty close to the grounds to which Bill is restricted, didn't they?

Thousands of discharged housemaids in Denmark are talking of coming to the United States to escape H. C. L. Smart lot of girls. What's H. C. L. in the U. S. of A. to a housemaid?

Died A. D. 1919. Sign on a distillery in Lexington, Ky., according to the report of a returned traveler: GREEN RIVER BORN WITH THE REPUBLIC

But, as the dressmaker remarked, "I seldom lose my temper, but when I do I'm a toarer."

Rosebuds in the Wheat

BY EDMUND VANCE COOKE
I heard God in his judgment-seat speak unto Death, "It is not meet; Rosebuds are in the ripened wheat."

"Canst thou not count thy sickle's gain And cut the ripened, golden grain, Letting the rosebuds still remain?"

"Nay, I shewest woman power To scythe the morning flower, Ere it hath blossomed its little hour."

"And all the earth is filled with grief And men deny me their belief; Rosebuds are in the garnered sheaf."

Then answered Death, "Oh, I am old; My eyes are dim, my blood is cold; The sickle wavers in my hold."

"Is it my fault the rosebuds grow Hard by the wheat field's outer row, Or that my hand is palsied so?"

"Give Love my sickle. Let him serve; No tender stroke of his will serve. And they shall die who shall deserve."

"Nay, none!" cried Love, for I would spare The milk-breath and the silver hair And all between, the fool or fair."

Then whispered God beneath his breath, "The sickle must remain with Death, Even to the whitest blade beneath."

"For who would know that life were saved, If life should never know defeat, Aye, even with rosebuds in the wheat!"

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The Disease of Intensity

BY DR. FRANK CRANE
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It is good to be in earnest. But the danger of intensity is that it is likely to make us narrow.

Everything in this mundane sphere has its drawbacks. Cows have lumpy jaw, horses pink eye, hogs cholera, men appendicitis, every organism has its peculiar disease. As the poet says,

"Pleas have other fleas to bite 'em,
And so on ad infinitum."

Hence, as aforesaid, intensity often runs to narrowness.

Whoever knows all about something rarely knows much of anything else. Expertness is bought at the price of all-aroundness.

I know a man who understands everything about automobiles, and can fix any gas engine in creation with a pair of nippers and a screwdriver; and he couldn't tell you whether Boticelli is the name of a cheese or a violin.

Some women are so virtuous, in the commonly accepted meaning of the term, that there is but One Virtue, that they are petty, mean, and unbearable in all other ways.

So there are men so temperate they are offensive, and so honest they are indecent. There is a diseased patriotism, which in its single aim to be loyal, becomes selfish, intolerant and hateful.

Sometimes religious conviction is so intense that it gives no helpful light and heat, but just burns.

I often think of that motto of Socrates, "Nothing too much."

And of the Frenchman's quip, "Our virtues are our virtues carried to excess."

Of course, on the contrary, there are those so broad they are exceedingly thin, so gentle they are mushy, and so tolerant they are quite willing to discuss the advisability of burning up an orphan asylum.

Once President Grant removed a postmaster from office in North Carolina. When the senator from that state remonstrated at this interference with his perquisites, and asked the President why he removed the man, Grant replied: "Oh, he was too unanimous."

The fact is that life is very much like walking a rail of the railroad; it is hard to keep one's balance.

What everybody needs is a little of something else. Efficiency generally lacks personality.

This narrowness has many names—shapes. We call it selfishness, intolerance, bigotry, fanaticism. It undoubtedly smells as sweet by one name as another.

Youth is impatient with age, and old people are harsh with young; religionists denounce scientists, and the latter pooh-pooh right back at them. Alas that every enthusiasm must have its seamy side, and that men fighting for a noble cause must use the same bitterness, violence, and intolerance other men use in fighting for lust and loot!

IN THE EDITOR'S MAIL

OUR WISE MEN
Editor The Star: Our capital, a forum at which all men of wisdom—yes, of wisdom, surely!

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Al! Hundred million! Does not our heart swell with pride that we have vouchsafed these men? More! Vouchsafed the honor of placing these men in this forum that they may bring all honor and glory and happiness to us!

Let us pause a moment in this venerable company. Let us witness with what zeal and thoughtful purpose they administer these, our affairs.

Alaska! Do I hear Alaska?
"Aa, yes, to be sure, they are discussing questions of moment concerning our great territory. Appropriations, mayhap, for the completion of the railroad that is to give men work, and carry the produce of a great country to its markets, or, it may be, they are discussing measures that will make our great territory's governmental machinery work more smoothly—discharge its functions with less loss of invaluable time. In short, they are perfecting

prevention of disease. It will be impossible for him to answer questions of a purely personal nature, or to prescribe for individual diseases.

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measures to promote the welfare of the hundred million!

What! They are—are discussing, wrangling over a tailor's fee, submitted for the pressing of the gubernatorial pants?

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The After Effects of Pneumonia

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After recovery the lungs are filled with a mass of wreckage—the debris of the battle—which must be gotten rid of by a process known as resolution. Frequently, inflamed spots remain, congestion persists, cough hangs on, and the least exposure brings on a cold that is hard to get rid of. If neglected, such damaged air passages may easily develop serious disease of the lungs.

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