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long as it is under the rule of that unspokeable, un-American government. The Tribune tells the Mayor that he must listen to his "friends."

A GREAT STANDING ARMY?

A report comes from Washington to the effect that the war department is hurrying plans for the nationalization of the State militia.

The local corps are to be trained for war by annual service at great maneuver camps. The regulars and the State troops are to be merged into a thoroughly organized and efficient whole.

An act of Congress approved Jan. 21, 1903, provided that within five years the uniformed militia of the various States and territories should be organized, armed and disciplined like regular troops.

Subsequent legislation has strengthened the Federal authority over State militia, until as Gen. Oliver now asserts, "There are no longer any militiamen, but United States Volunteers, out of which, in combination with regular troops, the War Department plans to create a virtual standing army 250,000 strong."

Col. Glenn, a recognized expert in military affairs, explains that we are to have an army of 250,000 men, and that we ought to have 30,000 men located in at least eight camps of instruction in different parts of the United States.

The Colonel characteristically believes that for an efficient national defense every able-bodied citizen shall be subject to the call of his government and shall have received such previous training as will render him an efficient instrument of national defense instead of a menace when called upon and placed in ignorant, untrained and unwieldy bodies called armies, though in reality mobs, that are a menace to themselves as well as to society.

This military authority concludes in these words:

"For these reasons it is very much hoped that the Secretary of War has devised some scheme that will insure the instruction of all our able-bodied citizens. If he has not done so, and only contemplates an army of 250,000 regulars and militia as a real instrument of national defense, then his scheme is most defective. An army of 250,000 men is not sufficient to form a first line of defense for either the Atlantic, Pacific or Gulf seacoast."

Just what America requires a large standing army for, is not clear. That every adult, able-bodied citizen should virtually become a soldier in time of peace in order to prepare for an unlikely war is, as we understand it, an un-American conception. Unlike a navy, an army can be created and drilled quickly. Considering the remote possibility of an attempted invasion by any foreign power, the proposition for a large standing army in the United States with reserves on the plan of Germany or France, seems very strange.

FOR SMOKERS.

The Editor of the Magazine of History is pursuing violators of the rules on smoking on the street cars of New York, and some denounce him as unmanly for doing so.

Commenting on this controversy, the Chicago Record-Herald tells the following story of ungalant conduct, which may be duplicated in any city, in almost any public place:

Some time ago a resident of this city got on a Madison street car with his wife. It was an open car, and the two passengers seated themselves well toward the front and facing each other. The woman sat next to a man who was smoking a cigar and who was at least three seats ahead of the place where he should have been under the rules. It happened that the smoke was very offensive to the woman, and his attention was called to the fact by her escort and to the other fact that he was not in the place reserved for smokers. Upon this, his indignation knew no bounds. He advised the other man to attend to his own business and grew more and more wrathful at his impertinence. Naturally harmony was not promoted by this exhibition, and the conductor was summoned to enforce the rules.

Many men have no regard for the rights of their fellow-men. Being "free" American citizens, themselves, no matter how many vice they are the slaves of, they consider it unnecessary to inquire into the rights of others. They are oblivious of the fact that though they are endowed with arms and have an undoubted right to swing them, yet, other people have noses, and the right to swing the arm ends just where the nose of the other fellow begins. But for the fact that so many are entirely oblivious of this simple, but important truth, there would not be so much friction in this world.

More bonds, more boodle.

Kissing goes by favor but more often it goes by default.

Peary will be weary before he leans against the north pole.

At Fairview there are no signs reading "Keep off the grass."

It pleases a merry widow to ask her, "Where did you get that hat?"

At Denver the allies will not amount to a scattered corporal's guard.

May Anna and Helle be each other's agony until death does them part.

There is no salvation for this city as a lazy man will work harder to get

an easy job than he will after he gets it.

Judge Gray is not one of those who declaring they will not consent, consent.

This week Denver is not in the state of Colorado but in a state of ecstasy.

Mr. Rockefeller's autograph will always be more popular than his autobiography.

Figures can't lie, but how deceptive they can be in the prospects of a wild cat scheme!

How long will the cheering last when Bryan is nominated? Will it beat the Chicago record?

Mr. Newhouse's chances at Denver are every bit as good as were John Hays Hammond's at Chicago.

Ever since he was offered the glad hand by the Nebraska statesman, Mr. Hearst has played the part of William the Silent.

Martin R. Preston, candidate for President on the Socialist ticket, is the only presidential nominee who is enjoying genuine rest and seclusion.

With Judge Taft in the mountains of Virginia and Mr. Bryan on his Nebraska farm, President Roosevelt at Sagamore Hill is essaying the role of a looker on in Vienna.

The Atlantic fleet has resumed its voyage around the world. If nothing else is gained by the great naval pageant at least one day will be, and that is something.

A New York jeweler proposes to build a house on the rotary plan, so that he can have any part of it turn in any direction at any time. His life may not be a strenuous one, but it will be a continual whirl.

The resolution of respect to the memory of the late ex-President Cleveland avoided what at one time promised to be a rather disagreeable incident. It finally proved to be a case of it were Dunn when 'tis Dunn, then 't well if it were Dunn quickly.

If, as generally believed, the deficit existing in the city treasury at the end of the last year, is illegal, the remedy is not to borrow more money to cover up the wrong-doing. It would be more natural to find out if there were any warrants issued illegally, and then seek such redress as the law may provide.

The Tribune refers to the whitewashing of the Big Cottonwood conduit in explanation of the rapidly with which the million dollars disappeared. That conduit was estimated to cost at the very utmost \$350,000. But it was contracted for, for a substantially smaller sum. The citizens are told that \$43,655.93 was paid for it, owing to the whitewash the new administration found it necessary to put on it. Calling names does not account for the discrepancy between the contract cost, and the alleged actual cost of that conduit.

The Tribune owns up to having delirium on the bond question. That can be believed. It says of the Big Cottonwood conduit as contracted for by the Morris administration: "Of course, where there was no water to run through, it would not make much difference whether the conduit would carry water or not," insinuating that no water was procured during the administration mentioned. The fact is that the so-called American administration has not secured one drop of water for that conduit. Every drop now flowing through it was bought by an honest administration. It is easy to believe that the paper is suffering from delirium.

Commenting editorially on the opportunity of Mr. James Devine to be chief of the fire department and the determination of Mayor Bransford to "stand pat" in the position he has taken, the organ of the Pseudo-American party says: "He (Mayor Bransford) does not appear to recognize his party obligations or to realize the depth of feeling that has been stirred up among the party workers against that appointment; and, in fact, not among

Delegate From Utah At The Women's Congress

Special Correspondence of the "News." At the congress of the International Woman Suffrage Alliance, held in Amsterdam, Holland, from June 15th to 21st, Mrs. Roumania B. Penrose attended as delegate from Utah by the appointment of Governor John C. Culver. The meeting was held in the Concertgebouw, one of the most capacious buildings in the city, and representatives were there from all the civilized countries of the world. Part of the program was to have been short speeches on the practical effects of woman suffrage, by delegates from Utah, Wyoming, Idaho and Colorado, the four states of the American Union in which woman suffrage has been for some time established. The governors of those States had appointed delegates in response to an invitation from the Alliance, but the distance being so great, none were present with the exception of Sister B. B. Penrose, who delivered the following address, which was received with much applause:

"The elective franchise was given to the women of Utah by act of the Legislature in 1870, while Utah was a territory of the United States, so that when the state was organized and admitted into the Federal Union in 1896 woman suffrage could not be considered in the light of an experiment. In the State Constitution, which was approved by the people of the State, a provision was incorporated placing woman on a political equality with man. Every citizen of the United States, of either sex, who has resided in the state one year, in the county four months and in the precinct 30 days next preceding an election, and who is twenty-one years of age, is entitled to vote at a large majority of the delegates in the Constitutional convention, after a long and heated debate in which all the old objections to woman suffrage were brought forward and vanquished. "The good effects of woman suffrage in Utah are numerous. Among them are these. The primaries, conventions and polling places are conducted in pro-

the party workers alone, but it is a universal sentiment throughout the whole party membership." Or in other words, Mayor Bransford does not propose to be bossed by the bosses of the Pseudo-American party. He seems to hold that in certain cases public obligations are higher than party obligations.

THE DEADLIEST ENEMY.

Louisville Herald. "The most extensive of all the morbid mental conditions which reflect themselves so disastrously on the human system is the state of fear," says Dr. William H. Holcomb. "It has many degrees of strength. It has states of extreme alarm, fright or terror, down to the slightest shade of apprehension of impending evil. But all along the line it is the same thing—a paralysis of the body. The physiologists tell us that fear impoverishes the blood by interfering with assimilation and cutting off nutrition. It lowers mental and physical vitality and weakens every element of strength. It demoralizes character, destroys ambition, induces or causes disease, paralyzes happiness in self and others, and blunts achievement. The most deadly thing for marring human lives is fear."

COTTONSEED OIL INDUSTRY.

Chicago Journal. In the great cotton belt of the South are 848 mills engaged in crushing cotton seed for its oil and other products. In these mills are 2,928 presses and in connection with them 2,742 gins and 3,126 linters. It is estimated that in the production of cottonseed oil and byproducts more than \$55,000,000 is invested. The mills annually use about 4,000,000 tons of seed, costing about \$60,000,000. When made into oil, cake, hulls and linters and their products its value is about \$90,000,000. At the present time but little more than half the total seed product of the country is crushed.

TEACH ENGLISH.

Boston Herald. The National Education association favors more attention to the "Three R's" and a simplification of the public school curriculum. The association recommends "the subordination of highly diversified and overburdened courses of study to a thorough drill in essential subjects." The essentials are not enumerated, but we hope they include instruction in English. The "finished product" of the public schools too often flaunts a fearful disregard for this.

JUST FOR FUN.

No Wonder.

Weekie—So Slipsey is a defaulter, eh? Deekie—So they say.

Weekie—By George I always wondered why he said "Thank you" so pleasantly every time I made a deposit.—Bohemian.

A Decorative Accomplishment.

"So you are going to teach your daughter music?" "Yes," answered Mrs. Thingit. "Just enough to give us an excuse for having a piano lamp and a mahogany music rack."—Washington Star.

Overlooked.

Auntie—Tommy, I put three pies in here yesterday, and now there is only one. How is that? Tommy—Please, it was so dark, auntie, I didn't see that one!—Punch.

Truth in the Jest.

"But," protested the wayward son, "you should make allowance for the follies of youth." "Huh," growled the old man, "if it wasn't for the allowances you got there would be less folly."—Chicago News.

The Longest, Loudest Day.

Scientists to the contrary notwithstanding, the glorious Fourth is the longest day in the year. It begins about the middle of June and ends nearly as late in July.—Kansas City Times.

A Distinction of Terms.

"Did you say he was a crafty politician?" "No answered Senator Sorghum, "not crafty, merely crafty."—Washington Star.

A New Danger.

When aeroplanes get to working easily it may be found necessary to roof the penitentiary yards.—Cleveland Leader.

As Usual.

A Texas girl has been asleep for three weeks, mother getting the breakfast as usual.—Minneapolis Journal.

Post Commencement Hint.

A college education never hurt anybody if he was willing to learn something afterward.—New York Press.

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