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HUNDREDS of thousands of bright minds in this country are being destroyed by the dope habit, which has flourished since the advent of prohibition.

If the habit continues to grow at the rate it has grown in the last few years it will only be a question of time when we will become a nation of dope fiends—a race of people deprived of their mentality and daily sinking below the level of a beast. The beast does not use dope.

The remedy?
Change our laws—make them more drastic—let the punishment for trafficking in the stuff be so severe the seller would sooner cut off an arm than dispose of even an atom of these destroying drugs.

There will be no end to the traffic until we enact laws capable of putting an end to it, and find officials with honor and nerve enough to enforce them to the letter.

Is the mentality of a nation worth the effort?

MARRIED today—tired of each other tomorrow—divorced the next day—and looking for another! We haven't quite reached that stage in this country, but we are hopping right along.

In some courts it is as easy to get a divorce as it is to buy a license to wed. The principal difference is in the cost.

The rising generation just growing to maturity is being brought up to look upon divorce as a matter of fact—as a natural means of settling family differences.

With divorce rampant today and running amuck tomorrow, how long will it be before the parson will have nothing to do?

The man that goes around bragging about licking the other fellow generally turns public sympathy toward the under dog.

Never marry a spendthrift for the purpose of reforming him, girls. He might turn around and develop into a skinkint.

Speak kindly of the weather man. If you survive the effort you can stand most anything.

Don't lose sleep over the things you want. It's the ones you have that get you into trouble.

Why hide the fact that you started your career as an office boy? They always know more than the boss.

Some people are always complaining because they don't get what they deserve—and they'd yelp mightily if they did.

It is easy to understand why some wives are never able to save money. They never have any.

Keep right on throwing your money to the birds. They think more of it than you do.

When you feel like cussing your engine because it won't go fast enough, just remember that others are cussing you because you are going too fast.

When you give others a piece of your mind you have less than a whole one left.

If some women would spend more time improving their health—perhaps their complexions would not require so much attention.

THE LEAGUE AGAIN

THIS country is very much divided on the question of the United States becoming a full member of the League of Nations, and that division is not along party lines.

The league has strong advocates and bitter opponents in both of the great political parties.

Millions of Americans are opposed to this country mixing up in European affairs. They dread the possibility of being drawn into another foreign war.

But there are other millions who contend that there can be no stability in world affairs until America takes her stand by the side of the other nations and assumes her share of the burdens and responsibilities of world reconstruction.

Even the wisest men of our nation are at variance on this question.

One thing, however, is morally certain. Unless the nations of Europe reach some fair and just basis of an early settlement of their rapidly growing differences, thereby making possible a restoration of the industry and commerce of the world, it is but a question of time when the lid will be blown off again and hell will become an iceberg compared to the next furnace of war.

Our first duty is to our own country and our own people, but undoubtedly we owe a duty to the world in the present crisis.

Just how far that duty should carry us is the question of the hour, and it is a difficult one to solve.

We can not afford to ruin our own country, and neither should we contribute to the collapse of civilization thru the withholding of our co-operation and assistance. Solomn should be alive to-day.

WHO WILL IT BE?

FLOWERS, plants and shrubbery will beautify any yard or any home. A systematic cultivation of them by the people at large will make a veritable garden of beauty out of any town.

A few seeds, a little elbow exercise, and the work is done. The principal occupation then is to watch them grow.

Women invariably take the lead in the beautifying of the home and its surroundings, and we have many women in this town who are experts in this line.

This summer some one of these women is going to have the most beautiful yard in town.

Who will she be?

We would like to see every woman in town strive to be that one. We would like to see every woman make of her place a spot that is pleasing to the eye, a spot that attracts the attention and compels the admiration of people as they pass by.

We would like to see the husbands encourage the wives in such a laudable undertaking by performing or securing the manual labor necessary, slight tho it be.

We would like to see this town converted this summer into one of the show spots of the state, and we'll personally join the procession any time it is formed.

What do you say, brother, or sister? Are you game?

BIG business has developed this country to a wonderful degree. It is necessary for our future development and expansion.

But there is one nauseating fly in the commercial pudding. Big business is making too many multi-millionaires and billionaires through excess profits. Those excess profits are filched from the pockets of our millions of consumers.

The government should set a reasonable limit to the wealth of an individual, and when that wealth exceeds the limit the surplus should be diverted into the federal treasury.

Limitation does not mean bolshevistic or communistic confiscation. It is common sense applied for our mutual salvation.

It may even prevent this country becoming Russianized in the near future.

Political parties are like private homes. When they become filthy they need a thorough cleaning. Republicans did it in Chicago by electing a democrat mayor.

The fellow who is full of faults himself can always find plenty of them in others.

Every man has his chance in this world, but some want the world without taking a chance.

A woman may not be able to throw a stone straight, but she seldom makes a miss when she uses a rolling pin.

SOME day, if you live long enough you may see the editor of this paper ascend straight up in the air for a hundred feet or so, sail through space until he is directly over your front yard, and then gently descend onto your doorstep for a friendly chat.

That is what they are working at now, and they are beginning to see light ahead.

The airship is a wonderful invention, but it is only a means to an end. It is like the first rung to a ladder—there are many others to mount before we can hope to reach the top.

But we'll get there!

It will not be long before we will be scrapping our present supply of airships and investing in helicopters.

Helicopter—that's what they call it now, until some bright fellow coins a shorter and more popular name.

You can generally tell a good man by the way in which he admits his faults.

Of course you never let your temper get the best of you. It gets the worst.

The more some people have the more they want, and the more they get, and the sooner they shuffle off and leave it to others to enjoy.

Everybody wishes a newly married couple happiness and then waits for the first explosion to begin.

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There's a perfectly good reason why Europe doesn't turn over a new leaf. It destroyed the leaf.

The list of presidential possibilities is not yet complete. This town has not been heard from.

Only a brave woman cries when it makes her nose red.

Some people glory in the fact that they are regarded as "coming men," while others are quietly satisfied with having arrived.

Most women are determined to remain single until some fellow affords them a chance to get married.

The popular method of suppressing corns among women is to wear shoes so tight that the corns can't grow.

Everybody is postponing again, but since everybody's doing it, everybody seems satisfied to let it go at present.

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