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these trusts is to control or monopolize, and these monopolies, when unrestrained, seem to produce conditions which bring about strikes and disorders, and disturb the business affairs of the country.

Local self-government, that came to us not as the gift of the national government, but as the legitimate outcome of the reserve powers of the states and of the people, is the very corner stone of our political structure, and the best assurance of liberty regulated by law. It can only be maintained by strict observance of the limitations of the federal constitution. The democratic party has always resisted, and will continue to resist, the encroachment by its enemies upon the fundamental right of the people of the several states. All power comes from the people, and should be surrendered only in the interests of the people, and whenever this power is used for selfish interest it is not only an abuse, but usurpation.

The declaration in the St. Louis platform in favor of arbitration is one that appeals to my sense of fairness. Nations and states have employed to advantage this method of settling disputed questions, states have invoked its aid with good results, and individuals frequently have resort to it in adjusting questions of difference. The Hague tribunal, representing the sentiment of conciliation, is the highest practical expression of intelligent thought on this subject. The principles of arbitration are the same, whether governing in the great court of nations or applied in the affairs of industrial life. Its permanent establishment as a part of the industrial system of the country, upon a basis of mutual consent of all parties to a controversy, would insure more friendly relations between employer and employed, for the interest of the workman and the employer is identical. It affords a safe and equitable method of determining differences that may arise, and has been called "a reasonable and natural mode" of settling such disputes. The spirit of arbitration is kindred to the love of law and order. It is the arbiter of peace instead of war, and makes for happiness instead of sorrow.

All lovers of their country must deprecate the rehabilitation by the republican party of a disappearing race issue, at a time when every effort should be made to promote rather than retard the progress which was being made in the states where slavery had existed, toward kindlier relations between the two races. The revival of this issue, with all its attendant evils, must of necessity retard the development of the southern states, whose people are struggling manfully with conditions left by the war, and seriously interferes with the industrial progress of both races.

Peculation and fraud in the public service under the present administration, especially in the postoffice and land departments, reached such proportions that knowledge of the evils practiced became public property. Prosecutions naturally followed, but a thorough and impartial investigation by congress, proposed and urged by the democratic minority, was refused by the republicans at the mandate, it is believed, of the administration. Congress adjourned earlier than at any long session for many years for the purpose, it is believed, of preventing further agitation of the question, and in an effort to curtail expenses.

Offices are created and filled in pursuance of law to carry on the government, and not to further party ambitions and the selfish purpose of any citizen. Many of the 100,000 federal officeholders, servants of all the people, while under salary, are now vigorously, some covertly and some openly,

ly, working and contributing to the present campaign to secure the success of the republican party, in defiant violation of the civil service laws, rules and regulations. Several members of the cabinet and other officials of the government, forsaking their duties and the departments at Washington, are spending their time in making speeches and using all the influence and power of their official positions to elect their chief.

The late democratic convention, and its candidate for president, have given signal exhibition of a mutual respect and confidence almost unprecedented in our political history, and our party has received new inspiration and hope in its appeal to the people, who always appreciate and admire courage, character and discretion in their leaders. Our candidate has these qualities and can be depended upon at all times to observe that self-control in speech and action which is so necessary to safe reasoning and sound judgment.

With unabated trust in the efficiency of the cardinal principles of our great party, when applied to the practical administration of government, to realize the blessings of peace and prosperity for all, and believing that the people will correct the present abuses of administration by a change of party in power, I await with confidence the result of their judgment at the polls.

Very truly yours,  
 H. G. DAVIS.

**The Only Way Out**

During the campaign two years ago, Senator Cannon spoke at Huntsville on the senatorial candidates. While he was giving Senator Rawlins' record and dwelling on his high standing in the senate, some hoodlum in the audience called out to know why Smoot should not be elected. Cannon paused in his eulogy of Senator Rawlins just long enough to point his finger at the questioner and say: "Because we've had trouble enough."

If no other reason were offered for the defeat of the republican ticket in Utah this year, that one would be enough: "Because we have had trouble enough."

Senator Cannon saw clearly the natural, the inevitable results of the Provo apostle's ambition. He had been in the United States senate himself as an honored representative of this state; he knew the temper of the senate, its high regard for the traditions of the fathers which reprehend anything like a union of political and religious forces in affairs of state; he anticipated the storm that would be raised and he had the courage to tell this people his fears.

Senator Smoot and his coterie ridiculed the predictions then made as the fevered imaginings of partisans; he and his associates apparently believed that he could be the first and only man in all American history to unite high ecclesiastical and political office in one personality and go unscathed of attack.

The very presumption of the man was enough to show his ignorance of Anglo-Saxon history in its long struggle for emancipation from church domination in civil affairs; it was enough to demonstrate his entire and child-like inability to comprehend the temper of the American people. Worse than that, it showed his willingness to stake the prosperity of Utah, its reputation in the land, its internal peace, all these he was willing to risk—and for what?

Was any issue involved so great that this risk to Utah was justified? Did Smoot's eloquence, his knowledge of public affairs, his experience offer compensation for the hazards he thrust upon his state by his election? Was there any crisis, immediate or remote,



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