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Mr. C. H. Stebbins is in doubt as to the integrity of Clem Deaver's Lieutenant... Editor Independent: I like The Independent better than any paper I ever read...

glad to publish it. Admitting for the sake of argument that everything contended for by the socialists is right, yet results will never be reached by simply dreaming dreams and seeing visions of a happy people...

We Must Organize

Editor Independent: The attempt by the Cleveland-Palmer-Buckner contingency to get control of the democratic national organization and turn the party of Jefferson into an aristocratic Hamiltonian organization...

tion, but we practice paganism. We are now administering the "water cure" instead of Christian Bismillam. We are teaching the gospel of Christ by force instead of by persuasion and love...

For at least the last three years this spirit of destruction, in opposition to democracy, has been and is now guilty of supporting and protecting our flag human slavery, of carrying on a war of criminal aggression in the orient...

RANDOM SHOTS

Along the Line of March of the Liberty Building Guards—The Battle for the Common People... I. Greenmayer, Sloan, Ia.: I have waited as long as I reasonably can to discontinue the paper...

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A DOUBLE DECKER

The Independent in Error—It was the Other Bill Dech... Editor Independent: I see in your issue of the first of May the following: "W. H. Dech, Ithaca, Neb., who was a power on the stump in the old days," (quoting paragraph in third column, second page, Independent of May 1, 1902).

Two Quotations

When they (the Filipinos) have shown their capacity for real freedom by their power of self-government, then and not till then will it be possible to decide whether they are to be ruled independently of us.—Theodore Roosevelt... Many politicians of our time are in the habit of laying it down as a self-evident proposition, that no people ought to be free till they are fit to use their freedom. The maxim is worthy of the fool in the old story, who resolved not to go into the water till he had learned to swim. If men are to wait for liberty till they become wise and good in slavery, they may, indeed, wait forever.—Lord Macaulay... The readers of The Independent will remember that at the time when we had the first billion dollar congress the editor remarked that it would not be long until we had a two billion dollar congress, and that the mullet head taxpayers would be just as easily pacified as they were then when they were told that this was a billion dollar country and of course we must have billion dollar congresses. The appropriations of this session, that is one-half of the expenses of a whole congress which lasts two years, is \$225,008,262. The mullet heads are all satisfied. The leaders don't even have to tell them that it is a two billion dollar country.

Who Paid the Bill?

Say, mister, dy'e remember That glorious time we had— Not long ago— When we marched in Parade, You ad id? Skyrockets, whew! Roman candles! 'Till the stars of the Firmament Looked like a half-dime— A Canadian half-dime— With a hole in it. A glorious night— A republican knight— Dinner palls galore— And they contained the real thing— (Beer). Yes, sir; we marched in Solid phalanx To the sweet strain of God Save the Queen— Or something more Absurd? Republie? It's a Dead One! I'd rather shrieked while we Marched And cheered for Hanna And what not— And we thought a Glorious time IT was—? And so cheap— Mark paid the bill (So we thought), But behold! 'Tnext Morning— When we awoke (With such a headache) The price of meat had Raised 'bout 'Steen cents and a half— And we discovered that We (The marchers) Had to pay the price of the Fireworks! (I'm sad, but say, hooray!) For I am a sucker! A. REPUBLICAN... The capital invested in railroads throughout the world is estimated at \$32,661,696,000, of which no less than \$18,170,114,000 has been invested in 162,225 miles of European railroads which have an average capital of \$119,593 per mile, while the average of 263,356 miles in the other parts of the world is \$65,024 per mile.—Public Opinion.

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