

# T-BONE SLIM DISCUSSES

## HOME SWEET HOME

This work—this work, I cannot understand it! I'm field pitching: The first hour I load two racks (alone) the skinner decks them up—thirty shocks per load. That gives me a shock per minute. I load twenty racks and resign—ten hours is up, and also my dander. Now what's the big idea of going "full speed ahead" all day?

The Twentieth Century Limited can make 85 miles per hour, but it is "run" only 45 miles an hour. Now, what's the idea of holding back them trains?—I pause for reply.

"United we stand and divided we fall" is not the final word on that subject—the capitalists are united enough, but there isn't enough of them to stand well. Just you watch!

Solidarity, Numbers and "Time" it is, that keeps a kid on his feet.

Since "union" is not enough, the Milwaukee road crawls out of it by saying, Our Motto: United Effort and SERVICE (foxy, eh?) Bring Success. Service will bring success. I've served all my life—and it is still bringing success, always will be bringing it.—I hope it doesn't get lost.

We have observed a possessive tendency among the grown-ups, even among high-tone-pups, that this is Mine: America for the Americans, Ohio for the Ohipans, Arkansas for the Arkansawyers, Omaha for the Omahaites, Yates Center for the Yatesians, Beatrice for the Beatricians, Chicago for the Chicagoans, Mexico for the Mexicans, Philippines for the Full-o-prunes and so on. Brown co. for the Browns, Blue Island for the Islanders, Florida for the Floridans, (Bryan may as well go back home to Nebraska); New York will be left open as a reception room for the imported slaves, and point of departure for the exportation of the matured rebels—Japan for the Nipponese is going to work a great hardship upon our missionaries, for it stands to reason that China will follow with "The Flowery Kingdom for the Chinese-and-their-Blossoms-to-Come, and Persia will not be for the Standard Oil. No doubt our missionaries and other malefactors will be expelled from Japan, like I was from Odell, Nebraska, by a rant of a marshall—what could I say, not desiring to hit a superannuated, henpecked, husband and father. Persia, it seems, has already taken the stand Persia for the Persians, and the death rate among foreigners is increasing. Aberdeen, S. D., and Jintown, N. D., not heard from up to date, but it's more than likely these towns will have a committee picked.

Teddy Rosenfelt didn't exactly say "be a wobbler"—he said: "Don't be a mollycoddle."—He couldn't come right out flat-footed in favor of the I. W. W.

On your next fishing trip don't forget to take along a few "boxes" of sardines—they lend atmosphere to the excursion.

America isn't blushing for the I. W. W. It's glowing with pride—we've got one organization that isn't licking the boss's feet.

"Divorcee, 24, tarred and feathered by a mob of infuriated citizens. . . ." Disappointed lovers, no doubt. Ho hum! Yes. In Ohio.

They're all out to tell strangers to "git out o' our taown—" "Git fer home, Bruno, she's a'rarin'," so's to say. Unfortunately the inhabitants of America, the so-called Red, White and Black Americans, are foreigners or descendants of foreigners; (their recent performances tend to verify the occasion and the magnitude of the descent). The Red brothers have toughed it out longest so they really are entitled to consideration in this drive, America for the Americans. But here's a difficulty: How are you going to take it away from Ford, Morgan, Rockefeller, Guggenheim and the rest of 'em?

America for Americans must mean something. It doesn't mean that the restaurants will be taken away from Grecians and that we'll go back to eating from dry-goods boxes—no; we're going to keep the marble counters—we save enough on coat sleeves alone to justify this.

America for the Americans; I believe in it.

Perry, Iowa, for the Perryicans; I'll say so.

Industries for the workers; you said it!

The Industrial Workers of the World is laboring night and day for that objective. . . . Let's jump to some lighter stuff. The author is weary.—T. B. S.

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