



T-Bone Slim

(I have here numbered the printable—ditch rest).

Hereafter you can turn to this column with perfect safety because I'm not going to put anything into it that you would not yourself.

Editor has promised me, if I do he'll take it out.

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(No. 1): The only reason we haven't a social structure based on industrial freedom is because it was thought a lily cannot grow except on a manure pile. (Dung-hill will not do).

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(No. 2): I've caught a terrible cold—in a thoughtless moment I had cut my finger nails and it left me almost naked.

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April 30 is to be "President's Day" and the people are expected to pray for Roosevelt.

I'm heartily in favor of it, but I would suggest that the people put in a good word for themselves, also. No sense in brushing the knees twice and jeopardizing suspender buttons the second time. I'd give fifty cents to see William Randolph Hearst hit the grit).

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(No. 3): Well, I see the governors are at it again; they're going to help John Farmer—John better nail his shirt to a tree.

Helping John is like starting to climb a ladder from its middle—they are fast workers.

According to their pictures the governors are intelligent looking. Horner, the pride of Illinois, has striking resemblance to Adolph Hitler.

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By the way, one of Hitler's spokesmen has it Jewish youth shall attend college only in proportion to population—somehow that reminds me of Solomon's even-handedness:

Minorities are not going to monopolize learning.

(All or none is a better rule.)

(No. 4): The Greeks had a word for it: "Eyedoubleyouize". (two times you is two.)

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William Randolph Hearst is turning handsprings because "we have a man in Washington to think for us".—(I hope he doesn't EAT for us.)

I do not see anything the matter with Roosevelt as far as thinking goes. But thinking isn't going to cure this depression: the trouble is self-evident, the cause is plain, the cure is present.

It takes action.

Over-expansion cannot be adjusted to 80-20 per cent wage slavery, two-fifths labor employed. Two-fifths buying power cannot offset the buying power sunk into over-expansion.

Two-fifths buying power cannot even maintain the Frankenstein we have built.

Praying and thinking won't do it. Wisdom is not needed. Horse sense, brother, horse sense.

These are not mysterious afflictions. They are very common place—children have wondered at our ignorance. Horses have lifted their ears in amazement. G. B. Shaw was so frightened he didn't dare let himself out.

Baron Von Reuben

Holdrege Nebr.

Two-fifths labor employed means two-fifths buying power. Buying power is labor.

All labor working part-time or part-pay can mean two-fifths labor employed, more or less. It is now two-fifths. Labor power is basic. Labor's buying power is its reflex. All other power follows in various degrees of disorder, depending on the orderliness of Labor, its buying power. Organize then your Labor power into selling power. Give orders to economic power instead of taking orders from it.

(Study that last crack—later on I may dissect Mr. Economic Power.)