

# PROMINENT PEOPLE

## THIS SENATOR AVERSE TO ARBITRATION



In stating his position regarding the Panama Canal situation, Senator James O'Gorman, of New York, said: "The canal is an American canal, constructed by American engineers through the liberal appropriation of funds by the American congress, and, above all, it is constructed upon American territory, and I am amazed that anybody should have the hardihood to contend that it should not be administered by American law."

"We should not lose sight of the fact that even if we were willing to submit this domestic question to an arbitral court it would be impossible to find anywhere an impartial tribunal to try it."

"Nominally, the case as it stands is one between the United States and Great Britain; as a matter of fact, the controversy raised by Great Britain would be one between the shipping interests of the United States and the shipping of the entire world."

"Every nation in the world, certainly every maritime nation, would be as much interested as Great Britain herself to uphold the British contention. Can any one doubt what the result of arbitration would be under such conditions? An arbitration court made up of representatives from any civilized country that might be suggested would be prejudiced against the United States, and that does not fit in well with the American sense of fairness in dealing with a question that is in controversy."

"The case would be prejudged."

## MAY RECALL HAAKON, KING OF NORWAY

According to common gossip in the courts of Europe, King Haakon of Norway is rapidly losing favor. And judged by the same source of information, it seems apparent he will soon be discouraged by the Storting into giving up his throne.



Just after Haakon left Norway early in December, with Queen Maud and Prince Olaf, for London, to do their Christmas shopping, the Republican party introduced a bill into the Storting abolishing all decorations. This bill is certain to be passed, and as the power to confer decorations is the only privilege enjoyed by the king without securing the sanction of his ministers, the forces of the intended legislative attack is obvious.

Almost immediately prior to the introduction of the bill Haakon conferred the grand cross of St. Olaf on retiring Minister Thorne.

Another factor emanates from the charge made that the king and queen have hoarded their allowance for the six years they have reigned in order to spend it on Appleton house, Sandringham, which was a wedding gift from the queen's father, the late King Edward of England. The royal couple of Norway spend much of their time there and this is disapproved by their subjects, who have frequently complained that the pair buy most of their Christmas things in London markets.

One can gain an idea of Haakon's expenditures on himself from the cost of his clothing, which does not exceed \$1,250 a year.

Queen Maud would shed no tears over the voluntary loss of the throne. She was the second daughter of Edward, and the English climate suits her; that of Norway does not, for her health is impaired during the periods she remains in Norway.

Another slight on her desires is exposed by her refusal to learn the Norse language.

King Haakon would have no regrets.

## DEWEY RECOMMENDS HORSEBACK RIDING



Admiral Dewey celebrated his 75th birthday on December 26, in a quiet way, working a little in the forenoon, riding out for an airing later, and dining with a few friends in the evening.

"I feel like an enigma," said Mr. Dewey to friends. He looked as healthy and happy as a man just out of college.

"I never felt any better in my life than I feel today," added the admiral. "Two things, horseback riding and keeping away from banquets, have helped me. To be of a good old family of people who live to ripe old ages helps one to grow old gracefully and keep in vigorous health."

Admiral Dewey went to his office to work during the day, but his callers were so numerous that he had to give it up. Among his visitors were Rear Admirals Barker, Mason, Taming, Fletcher, Vreeland and Cono, Surgeon General Stokes, Gen. John Spencer S. Woods, Commanders Victor Blue, W. D. McDougall and H. J. Ziegler.

Admiral Dewey was born in Montpelier, Vt., in 1827.

"I should say," he declared today, "that any man who begins to ride horseback early and continues with it throughout his early years will find in the end that he has invested in a form of physical exercise that will be a great asset to him in his later years. Driving is splendid, too. Getting into it is the principal thing. I learned to ride early in my own state of Vermont. I don't know how early, but I have kept on with that exercise and it has been a great benefit to me."

"I remember one day riding with George Bancroft, the historian. He was 80 years old at the time. I asked him to what he ascribed his perfect physical condition at that time and he pointed to his horse for answer."

## NEW CIVIL GOVERNOR OF CANAL ZONE

President Taft has tendered to Col. G. W. Goethals, U. S. A., chief engineer of the Panama canal, and the colonel has accepted, the post of civil governor of the canal zone.

The change of government on the Isthmus will take place probably in the spring. Colonel Goethals will serve as civil governor until the canal is formally opened on January 1, 1915.

The first vessel will be sent through the canal, barring the unforeseen, Sept. 25, 1913, on the four hundredth anniversary of the discovery of the Pacific. From then until the formal opening of the canal will be operated as a "sample" for training of the operating force, the getting of everything in final shape, etc.

The canal, according to Colonel Goethals, is now more than 75 per cent completed, and July 1 next will see it ready for the turning in of the water. It is apprehended that the entrance and presence of the water may cause some further slides of the Culebra cut, but the expectation is that the dredges can take care of the material thus deposited in the big ditch.

Colonel Goethals intends, when the canal is a-going, to retire from the government service and settle in New York as a consulting engineer, with the idea of making some money for his family. Meantime President Taft has asked congress to reward the colonel's work on the Isthmus by promoting him to be a major-general in the army.



# WASHINGTON GOSSIP

## Collapse of Washington's Famous Cotillon Club



WASHINGTON—The collapse of the "Bachelors" Washington's famous cotillon club, which for the last twenty years has established the standing of the successful crop of smart society, has been followed by the establishment of the "Benedicta" and at last Washington winter time smart set has undergone the long threatened pruning. The Bachelors, according to some reports, "fell of its own weight." In other words, too many who could not muster all the requirements were admitted to membership and one by one the "swagger" element withdrew. The defection began several seasons ago when Major Charles McCawley, U. S. M. C., who throughout the Roosevelt regime was the Beau Brummel of Washington, gave up his membership. George Howard, son of Lady Howard of England and kin to the ultra-aristocratic Riggs connection, resigned about the same time. Gist Blair, one of the most eligible bachelors in the country, came a close third, but these lapses were made up by the younger army and navy set.

Last year things got worse and even the lances of criticism assailed the bachelors, whose dances careful mothers considered a bit too blasé for the debutantes whose coming-out heretofore had not been considered properly accomplished unless "they appeared" at least at the Bachelors' three yearly

"Germans." The turkey trot was one of the first wedges, the introduction of bridge whist tables where some pretty high play was possible was another disintegratory feature, while the habit some of the young matrons had of going out to the smoking rooms and puffing a cigarette or two between dances was yet another phase of the bachelors' later dances which more careful mothers refused to view with favor.

Anyway this season the Bachelors fell through, the last president, Lawrence Townsend, former American minister to Belgium, resigning and the general committee going out with him and leaving the old organization with its new membership floundering.

The Bachelors, under Major McCawley's regime, first attained the distinction of having the mistress of the White House stand as hostess at one of the first dances each year. Mrs. Roosevelt and Mrs. Taft both "reverted" for the Bachelors at least once each season. For "resident hostess" one of the smartest of the resident set stood as sponsor while always the second or third dance had for its hostess the wife of one of the ambassadors.

Lady Curzon as Miss Mary Letter, danced her first ball at the Bachelors, as did Mrs. Longworth and, later, her sister, Miss Ethel Roosevelt; later still, Miss Helen Taft. Flanking these distinctions were hundreds of belles and their daughters.

The Benedicta gave just one ball, Dec. 31. It was danced in the smallest ballroom in Washington. Consequently there was the grandest string pulling contest Washington has witnessed in many a decade, for every benedicta list came out, everybody knew just exactly who was who in the smartest of the capital's smart set.

## Y. M. C. A. Puts Ban on All Suggestive Songs

THIS notice was posted the other day at the Y. M. C. A. rooms and dormitory here:

"Members of the Y. M. C. A. and visitors to the Association building will please refrain from playing or singing music of the following kind in or about the buildings: 'Hitchy Koo,' 'How, Row, Row,' 'Everybody's Doing It,' 'When I Get You Alone Tonight.'"

"Such songs are suggestive and not at all in keeping with the ideals of the Association."

The notice appeared on the bulletin boards throughout the Y. M. C. A. dormitory as well as on the announcement boards in the Association's gymnasium, pool room, bowling alleys, Turkish baths, reading rooms and barber shops.

"The ruling was made," said Secretary Cooper, "not because any one has made himself objectionable by performing these questionable songs, but merely to insure that the policy and moral conditions of the young man shall be carried out in this detail as in others. For many years I have noticed a steady lowering in the moral tone of the average popular song. Former-



ly sheet music was derived from the operas of Gilbert and Sullivan; now days they seem to come mostly from the burlesque stage. Twenty-five years ago many popular songs possessed considerable merit; today many of them are unspokeable.

"It is not the actual, literal meaning of the words sung that is objectionable, but it is the connotation, the idea obviously implied, or that one is led to anticipate, which constitutes the peculiarly vicious effect of these songs. Popular music today is at its lowest ebb. But even if it cannot show brains, it at least can show decency and I would welcome any movement designed to this end."

The Washington Y. M. C. A. has a membership of 3,000.

## Plans to Further Embellish the Capitol Grounds



PLANS are made, and their execution will be proceeded with as soon as finances warrant, for further embellishing the capitol grounds by the planting of additional shrubbery. It should be emphasized that no attack is contemplated on the design of the grounds which represents the admirable work of the landscape architect, Frederick Law Olmsted. The layout of the capitol grounds is satisfactory to everybody, and the design is venerated by all the men having in charge the care and preservation of the grounds.

When the capitol grounds, as we know them, were young, a great deal of the plantation was for quick results. The results were achieved. Some shrubbery has developed so that as a

permanent feature it cannot be in dorsed by progressive landscape architects, but even this will not be trifled with. Plant mortality in the capitol grounds was high last winter. A large amount of shrubbery was killed by the long and excessive cold. A number of trees have been slain by summer storms, and several were destroyed or irreparably injured last summer.

Whenever the replacement of a tree is determined on a memorial tree will be set out, with the final result that memorial groves will surround the capitol. Last spring a beginning in this line of work was made, and in the east park on the senate side Senator Bacon planted a willow oak, Vice President Sherman a purple beech, Senator Lodge a red oak, Senator Cullom an oak, and Senator Wetmore an English beech. At the east front on the house side Speaker Clark planted a sugar maple, Representative Cannon an oak and Representative Brownling of New Jersey an oak. There are several tree vacancies in the west grounds, and these will be filled by the planting of remembrance trees next spring.

## Baby McLean's Birthday Party Breaks All Records

BABY Vincent Walsh McLean's \$10,000 birthday party, given the other day at the Walsh home in Washington, broke all records for gorgeous and ingenious entertainments.

Gifts came in hundred lots, and in hundred lots they continued to come for several days. The greater number are yet to be opened for the inspection of the youthful recipient and a pair of secretaries will be required to get the notes of thanks off in proper time.

The one best gift of the whole collection, however, is the snow burro which came as a gift from Mrs. McLean to her only son. The burro has a long pedigree and a shaggy coat and a perfect disposition. He arrived several days ago, December 15, being the natal day of Baby Vincent, whose birthday fete was brought forward a few days to bring it in closer touch with the Christmas season.

A giant white bull moose, white as snow and terrifyingly natural, shares the place of honor with the burro in the affections of the young heir. This also was a gift from Mrs. McLean and its appearance for the first time created a great sensation.



The birthday cake, which had the place of honor on the table specially constructed for the comfort of the tiny guests, was a real wonder cake with its tier after tier of frosted "ter races," the pinnacle crowned with a trio of birthday candles.

Boxes of cake, with the monogram of the celebrant, together with quantities of wonderful toys and marvelous mechanical trophies, were given to each of the guests as they set out home at the close of the afternoon. For entertainment there was a circus with a real clown. Punch and Judy show and a vaudeville entertainment completed the show.

Baby McLean is three years old and is heir to between ninety and a hundred millions.

**Of Affection.**  
There is nothing in poetry, or, indeed, in society so unpleasant as affection.—Lander.

**Baking Money.**  
"Money makes the mare go." Not when our money is "on" her.—The Tailor.

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## CHINAMAN WAS TOO CUTE

Suspicious of Wedding Cake Sent Him by Englishman Who Owed Him Money.

An Englishman who was appointed to an important post in China got married soon after. Among the recipients of the usual little card boxes containing a piece of wedding cake was a Chinese merchant with whom the bridegroom had an outstanding account for goods supplied.

After the honeymoon, one of the first persons the newly wedded husband met was his Celestial creditor. "And how did you like the cake?" said the Englishman, laughing, after the usual congratulations.

"Ah, ah," returned the Chinaman, with a cunning leer, "me no such big fool to eat him, sah. Me put cake in fire. Burn him up. He, he!"

"Oh, that's too bad," said the Englishman, very much hurt. "You might have tasted it, at least, out of compliment to my wife and myself. Why didn't you?"

"Me too cute, sah," said the Celestial, with the same winning smile. "You owe me money, sah; sendee polson cake; I eat him; I die; you no payee up. Houp-la! He, he, he! I know you Ingles!"

Mothers will find Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup the best remedy to use for their children during the teething period.

## Continent of Trees.

The idea of an extensive forest generally calls to mind the forests of South America or the heart of Africa, but it is a surprising fact that in proportion to its size Europe is much more extensively wooded than the rest of the globe. It is calculated that nearly a third of the surface of Europe is covered with trees, whereas the proportion over the whole land area of the world is only about one-quarter. Finland and Sweden have the greatest extent of forest land, half of their surface being covered with trees. Britain and Portugal are the least wooded of European countries, only a twentieth part of their area being covered with forests. Though southern Britain is richly wooded, the trees are for a large part in hedgerows and are not collected into forests.

## Possibly Knew What He Meant.

In an address of welcome to a resident magistrate at Cala, Transkei, South Africa, the Kaffir spokesman, the other day thus expressed himself: "We cordially welcome your pluck and goodness in coming among such pusillanimous and unwholesomely ignorant people. We are overjoyful to get such a weak, non-excitable, superabundantly harmonious one as a magistrate."

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## WOMAN SICK FOURTEEN YEARS

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In spite of this fact which nearly every farmer ought to know, 95 per cent of the farm butter is sold without being put up in this form and it all goes together in one mass at the creamery, where it is worked over, molded into pound packages, wrapped and stamped with the name of the creamery and sold at a profit, all of which might have been had by the farmer if he would do the same thing and sell direct to city consumers.

Of course it is not always possible to sell direct to consumers, but even if butter is sold to the stores it will bring a much better price if put up in oiled paper in pound packages. In fact the making of butter is not all there is in the business.

No thoughtful person uses liquid blue. It's a pinch of blue in a large bottle of water. Ask for Red Cross Ball Blue, the blue that's all blue.

**As Usual.**  
"I'm so glad to see that you have recovered from your illness." "Yes; but I had a narrow escape. The doctor said if I had waited a day longer it would have been hopeless, and they all said it was the only case of its kind on record. The doctor is going to write it up for a medical paper. The only thing that carried me through was my wonderful vitality."—Exchange.

**Poetry and Music.**  
If I had to live my life again, I would have made a rule to read some poetry and listen to some music at least once every week; for perhaps the parts of my brain now atrophied would thus have been kept active through use. The loss of these tastes is a loss of happiness, and may possibly be injurious to the moral character, by enfeebling the emotional part of our nature.—Charles Darwin.

**Almost Too Much to Believe.**  
A gunner of the royal marines tells a story, says an English paper, of how a seagull rescued an exhausted innkeeper from the sea and deposited it on the deck of a warship. We can stand a good deal, but this story would, we think, have been told by a narrator exclusively to his fellow warines.

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**Would Take an Heiress Now.**  
Once more someone takes the trouble to tell us that there was a real Mary with a real lamb that went to school. And when you remember how much lower meat was in 1814, it isn't so hard to believe.—Milwaukee Journal.

**Eating Sunflower Seeds.**  
Sunflower seed eating is the favorite holiday pastime of the Spanish Hebrews of the Levant. The kernel of the seed, which is about as large as a grain of rice, has a nutty, oily flavor, somewhat similar to raw peanuts. On Saturday, after synagogue, Hebrews all over the Orient are to be seen munching the sunflower seeds with gusto. The wealthier classes substitute the salted pistachio for the sunflower seed.

**Giant Pineapple.**  
The Shaker colony near Aston, Fla., has grown a pineapple weighing 12 pounds five ounces. With this pineapple and others nearly approaching its size the Shakers have taken most of the prizes at county and state fairs for the finest pineapples.

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**World Looks for the Best.**  
There are two sides to every story. The victory you win means defeat to the other fellow. But that should not deter us from doing our best. It's the best that the world needs, but if you can do better than the other fellow, it is your work that the world wants.

**Advice to a Friend.**  
The young man was about to be married. "Praise your wife's grace and beauty constantly," advised one friend. "But don't overdo it," counseled another. "She may conclude that she has thrown herself away on you, and want to go on the stage."

**His Almost Endless Job.**  
A small boy watched his mamma taking ashes out of a stove, and said in a thoughtful manner: "Mamma, I would think the devil would get so tired taking up his ashes."

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**American Theatrical History.**  
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