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WHO WILL NOMINATE THE COLONEL?

A good friend of the Observer, who by the way is not a Roosevelt man, asked us recently, "who will nominate the Colonel?"

Quite an important question, indeed. In the first place there is no certainty that the Colonel will be nominated. It does not look nearly as favorable for him now as it did three weeks ago.

There is but one way in which they will support the Colonel—if an order comes down the line to that effect they will get in and drill. If Roosevelt is named this time it will not be done by the people of the west, neither will it be done by the reform element in the Republican party.

At least that is the way the matter has appeared. The east may revive its courage before next June and decide to live along without Roosevelt preparedness and protection.

will concede nothing to Wall street in order that he be made the party's choice.

THE JADED FASHION MIND.

Pity should be given the poor jaded mind that designs women's clothes and issues the edict on her wearing apparel. Each year brings something new and unexpected to attract attention, and each year the styles must be watched religiously to see what is going to be worn.

Among the many kinks in the game this year is the new white shoe for girls and women. They must be white as the driven snow and be kept that way. If the dishes go unwashed or the beds go unmade the girl must whiten her shoes at least once a day and sometimes oftener.

THE ARISTOCRATIC JUNK MAN.

When the old junk man shows up in his shabby wardrobe and begs for the piece of iron or brass, asks for the rags and incidentally tells you he will do you a favor by removing your surplus magazines and old papers, do not let your sympathy go too strong.

AN EDITOR ON FANCY DANCING.

(Watchman-Examiner.)

Recently we have attended several full-dress balls. We could not escape them, for they invaded our hotels. They were disgraceful affairs. The women flung modesty to the winds, and because of it the men chuckled with delight.

YOUR MONEY AND THE BANK.

"If the bank rendered no other service to the community than to protect its valuables it would render a useful one; but it would be a mouse-trap proposition, you could only go one way; but the banks make it easier to get money out than in, and in the outgoing business assumes risks and renders benefits too often lost sight of in the busy whirl of business."

We take many things for granted and live in a matter-of-fact age. We want our morning paper at the breakfast table with never a delay and with little thought of what it costs to collect, transmit, type, print and deliver the news.

When your bank hands you a check book, it gives you license to draw as many checks, in as large or as small sums as you wish, with the only provision (except in certain cases where a minimum balance is required) that you do not overdraw, and promises to honor your checks as presented as long as your balance is sufficient to pay them.

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MEXICAN WAR VETERANS.

"The commissioner of pensions informs me personally that there are still living 563 men who fought in the old war with Mexico," says a Washington letter in the Philadelphia Public Ledger. It says further:

It is seventy years since the war began, and it will be sixty-eight years on July 4 since it was officially ended. There were 105,000 United States troops in that two-year conflict, of whom 31,000 were regulars and the other militia and volunteers.

These figures are an index of the price our country would pay today were it to attempt a complete subjugation of Mexico. That republic's population is now three times as great as it was seventy years ago, when it required 105,000 American soldiers two years to make the conquest.

Military men of high rank have told me recently that we would now need an army of 400,000 men, of whom 100,000 would be lost during the two years it is expected a second conquest of Mexico would require.

War widows have a way of surviving their husbands many years. Thus, while there are 563 soldiers living who actually fought under Scott or Taylor seventy years ago, there are 3,929 widows who are receiving pensions on account of their husbands' service during the Mexican war.

The last widow of a soldier of the Revolution died not many years ago; but the last soldier of that war expired in 1859. It seems highly probable that at the bicentennial of our national independence in 1976—sixty years hence—there will be widows of the Civil War soldiers drawing pensions from the government.

Carranza might try a note to Villa demanding a disavowal.—Wall Street Journal.

Georgia lynchings five negroes in one bunch. After all, is Mexico so bad?—Philadelphia North American.

Nobody seems to have suggested Teddy for the vacant place on the Supreme Court bench.—Charleston News and Courier.

The process of elimination is going to nail that Persa slinking to Switzerland yet.—Pittsburg Gazette Times.

The Republican idea is that President Wilson should be made to walk the one-term plank.—Columbia State.

Up to date the main trouble with British expeditions seems to be there is not quite enough expedition about them.—Chicago Herald.

Just Received----Young Women's SNEAKER SHOES

Lace Styles, English Last, with white soles and low white rubber heels. Chocolate Tan Priced \$4; Black Calf \$3.50.

All the New Styles Here in BOYS' WASH SUITS

Billy Boy--Tommy Tucker--Middy Styles--Etc.

The prettiest little models—pick a supply now while the sizes are complete. At the store there's an array of the smart new Styles to gladden every Mother's heart. Good, durable qualities, too, such as galetea, repp, poplins, panama cloth, Etc.—colorings unusually bright and effective—see the new belted styles here in a great variety. Sizes 21-2 to 8 years.

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The Italians seem very much surprised to discover that Montenegro has been unable to whip Germany, Austria, and Bulgaria.—Galveston News.

If the Filipinos have studied the case of Belgium they will show little enthusiasm over Senator Stone's proposal to neutralize the islands.—St. Louis Globe Democrat.

A Berlin professor is quoted as saying Germany loves the other nations, and is punishing them for her

own good. We suppose it hurts her as much as it does them.—Wall Street Journal.

No longer can there be any doubt about the horrors of war. Garrett Garrett, correspondent of The Times, writes that the cost of living in Berlin is as high as it is in New York.—New York Morning Telegraph.

Austria reports that peace with Montenegro is being delayed by the "national peculiarities of the Montenegro people"—peculiarities they share, apparently, with both the Bel-

gians and Servians.—New York Tribune.

Art Note

For a month three Cezane water-colors hung upside down in a Fifth Avenue gallery and nobody noticed it.—New York Evening World.

BADLY NEEDED

Fortune Teller—"I see a dark man." Politician—"Shake 'em up again and see if you can pick out a dark horse."—Richmond Times-Dispatch.

Advertisement for United States Cream Separator. Includes headline 'GET THE DOLLARS DON'T BE SATISFIED WITH THE PENNIES', 'USE A UNITED STATES CREAM SEPARATOR', and a list of benefits: SAVES TIME, SAVES MONEY, SAVES REPAIRS, SAVES THE CREAM, SAVES STRENGTH. Includes an illustration of a woman using the separator and a small image of the machine.



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