

LETTERS  
KEY GETTER

Send a week-end stag fraternity dinner and was pressed for time. Miss Wippler would write this letter to his sweetheart for him: My very own little Honeybunch: Are you all right? And are you thinking of your Honeybunch? It seems an eternity since I held you in my arms, during that thrilling dinner out on the terrace, in the moonlight—moonlight and everything but you I hear. How I wish you were here to make me feel perfect. Are you in love with me a little bit, My Honey. Do write me a note to come to tomorrow evening to help choose me through the stag dinner I came to attend. How I hate these stupid affairs—all but the cocktails—because they take me away from my very own Pettie.

My little sweetie sweet. I do with this sweet letter to my own dear Pettie. From your ducky darling, Pete!

And if a dreamy-eyed, lone-sick individual draped himself into Miss Wippler's office and explained the joyful news of his heart, she would dip her typewriter in ink and write this for him: Sweetheart! Was it only last night! Today is the 5th, yesterday was the 7th. Yes, it must have been last night, but it seems such a long time back. Surely hours are precious things—they hold so much! I did not know that I was going to meet you, and you caught me quite unawares when you stood in the path and challenged. For the first half hour I thought you were a ghost, a specter, a phantom. Later in the evening I began to think that I had seen you, and this morning my memory holds you so warm and receptive! I could not sleep but kept reviewing the golden hours we spent together. I love you now and will love you always. If you will only have me, I will be the happiest creature under God's sky. My darling, see me again tonight and tell me that I can be— Always your very own,

Have you filed your federal income tax return? Better do so before March 15 or you will be liable to heavy penalties.

Oh, for the Life of a Traffic Cop



New York City was struck by a storm of snow and sleet the other day. The streets were blocked and passages almost impossible. One fair woman was caught at East Street and Eighth Avenue. Traffic Officer Henry G. Woodall then came to her aid and just as the photographer snapped the shot, she turned to see if she ever to Officer John McGuire.

MANY LAWYERS  
IN CONGRESS

Professional Solons Enact and Interpret Laws—John J. Citizen Given Insight.

(By George Holmes) WASHINGTON (AP)—Along about this time of the year, when John J. Citizen sits down and takes his pen in hand to write a check for his income tax, it becomes the fashion to swear at congress. Always a popular avocation, this swearing at congress is more general this year, perhaps, than normally, owing to the results of several and several inquiries in high places that indicate like a pall over all Washington.

What is congress? Who are the men that compose it. Where do they come from. What do they do for a living when they are not making laws?

The answer to the last question is that the vast majority of them are lawyers. In fact, congress is simply congress in interpreting those same laws and constructing comfortable things by so doing.

Mostly Lawyers. A vocational analysis of the Sixty-third congress reveals many interesting things. One of them is that congress is composed of predominantly of lawyers. It might almost be said congress is composed of, for and for lawyers. And so for those who are not lawyers, they present a fairly accurate picture of a cross-section of American life.

There are 531 members of congress—435 in the house and 96 in the senate. Of that number 324 are lawyers—29 per cent are lawyers—men who are either their profession back home or who actively engaged in practicing law have been trained in the law. The rest consist of merchants, farmers, copywriters, manufacturers, bankers, teachers, editors, insurance agents, actors, engineers, tailors, plumbers, railway men and what-not.

These of them have been engaged in public life so long that their real vocations—if they ever had any—have been lost sight of in the years of their office holding. They might be termed "professional office holders" for their own autobiographies reveal no particular calling in life, only long years on the public pay roll.

Here, in a nutshell, is a congress vocationally analyzed, as revealed in their own writings in the congressional directory, that vast repository of facts about the great and the good-to-great: Lawyers, 374; office holders, 16; authors and writers, 15; teachers and instructors, 15; farmers, 12; manufacturers, 12; bankers, 12; contractors, 7; general mercantile, 6; doctors, 6; insurance agents, 6; real estate agents, 4; coal dealers, 2; dentists, 2; lumber dealers, 2; paper dealers, 2; shipping agents, 2; ministers, 2; civil engineers, 2; grain dealers, 2; actors and producers, 2; glass blowers, 1; miner, 1; chemist, 1; locomotive engineer, 1; well driller, 1; cotton dealer, 1; gas company official, 1; railway president, 1; tailor, 1; electrician, 1; produce merchant, 1; tree surgeon, 1; lawyer, 1.

Nearly All Natives. All but 14 are native-born Americans. They represent every state in the Union, of course but it is surprising how many of them are now service states outside of their birthplaces. From the more populous states they drifted west, many of them, there to win public favor and come back again as representatives of western states. Many-two give their birthplaces as Pennsylvania, 29 in New York, 29 in Ohio, 26 in Indiana, 19 in Massachusetts, 29 in Illinois, etc.

Three senators and eleven members of the house list their birthplaces as follows: Canada, Senator Bourke (R.); Michigan, Representative Hupfel; North Dakota and Representative Sprong; Illinois, Germany, Representative Kahn; of California, and Representative Voight; of Wisconsin, Austria, Representative Berger; of Wisconsin, England, Senator Gooding; of Idaho, and Representative Traister; of New York, Sweden, Senator Magnus Johnson; of Minnesota, Czechoslovakia, Representative Blahut; of Illinois, Norway, Representative Weald; of Minnesota, Ireland, Representative McNulty; of New Jersey, Ireland, Representative McNulty.

The average age in the senate is 54. In the house, it is 46. And there is your congress.

'GIANTS' AND 'YANKS' TARGET

Major League Baseball Clubs Aim to Stop Two New York Pennant Winners.

NEW YORK (AP)—In a determined effort to stop the flow of baseball championships toward New York, which has had a monopoly of National and American League pennants for the last three years, major league managers have begun preparing their teams for the 1924 campaign. Fourteen of the 16 teams in the two major leagues have again selected southern training camps at which to boil out the excess poundage acquired during the winter lay-off and to stage their annual battles between the rookies and regulars. The Pittsburgh Pirates are doing their preliminary work in California and the Chicago Cubs are back again at Catalina Island, off the California coast.

The training season will be of unusual interest to the fans because of the determination of John McGraw and Miller Huggins to get their machines in order to set records of four consecutive championships in their respective leagues and an equal determination on the part of their opponents to break the string of New York championships.

Manager McGraw has taken his charges to Sarasota, Fla., a new training camp, where his principal task will be to reconstruct his shattered pitching staff. The National League champions expect the stiffest opposition from Cincinnati and Pittsburgh, with possible trouble from the St. Louis Cardinals. Pat Moran, manager of the Reds, has the advantage of starting the training season with what is generally regarded as the best pitching staff in the National League. He hopes to strengthen the weak spots of his outfit and with this accomplished the Reds would appear to have the best chance to succeed the Giants. The Pirates, however, must be figured at all times as dangerous contenders.

The New York Yankees start their training season with the championship lineup of 1923 intact. In addition to bolting away the excess poundage of his players, Manager Huggins will endeavor to rid them of excess confidence gained by reason of their victory over the Giants in the 1923 world series. In an early survey of the American League teams, Tris Speaker's Indians and Ty Cobb's Tigers appear as the most formidable rivals of the Yankees.

There is much speculation as to what the Athletics will do in the coming campaign. They set a speedy pace for a time last season, but cracked under the strain of the vigorous campaign, injuries and unlucky breaks. Connie Mack has opened his purse this winter and has obtained several players which will make his team one that will bear watching. The Philadelphia Nationals appear doomed for second division depths again.

Both Chicago teams have been strengthened for the 1924 race, and while several changes have been made on the two Boston clubs they remain an unknown quantities. Washington will enter the race under a new manager, Stanley Harris, the brilliant, young second baseman, having been named to lead the team. Wilbert Robinson, manager of the Brooklyn Dodgers, expects to work a big improvement in his team.

Florida is the most popular training state with nine camps. Alabama and California each have two, while Georgia, Texas and Louisiana each have one. The 1924 training camps are located as follows: American League, New York at New Orleans, La.

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Women to Unveil Cady Statue.  
CODY, Wyo. (AP)—Mrs. Harry Payne Whitney's equestrian statue of William F. (Buffalo Bill) Cody, for whom this city was named, is to be unveiled here July 4, it is announced by the "Buffalo Bill" memorial committee. Mrs. Whitney, the New York sculptress, and Jane Garlow, Colonel Cody's grand daughter, are expected to put the statue in place. New ladies' summer tallies and men's "boaters" may be brought into the country.

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