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CONGRESSIONAL MODESTY.

Members of the present congress have been more modest than usual in setting down their biographical claims to fame in the congressional directory.

The encomiums heaped upon themselves by self-admiring law-makers used to provide much diversion for the newspaper correspondents, and through them for the people back home. But either the law-makers don't esteem themselves so highly as they used to, or else they are more circumspect in letting their egotism leak out under their own signatures.

There are still some signs of frank self-appreciation in the new directory. Senator Du Pont of Delaware, for example, requires two-thirds of a page to tell of his military and political career. Representatives Baker of California and "Cyclone" Davis of Texas use up nearly a page apiece in complacent exposition of their own records.

Congressman Britten of Chicago proudly sets forth that he is the only republican who defeated a sitting member for re-election to the sixty-third congress. But even these efforts lack the old flamboyant tone, and there are no such radiant utterances as that in which Senator Thompson of Kansas and Representative Littlepage of West Virginia, in their first attempts, predicted glorious futures for themselves.

There was blank amazement in Washington a few years ago when Representative Lindbergh of Minnesota confined his autobiography to his name and three additional words—"Republican, Little Falls." There are a dozen or more such entries in the present directory. Senator Lane of Oregon takes the palm for dignified modesty in this full-orbed biographical statement: "Harry Lane, Democrat."

All of which seems to indicate that old-fashioned American spread-eagleness is really vanishing from its last stronghold—the United States congress.

LEAP-YEAR PRECAUTIONS.

(Oregonian.)

With leap year arrived and the possibility at hand of marriage proposals from the rapidly increasing left-over crop of potential housewives, an eminent feminist has come forward with a word of advice and warning to those of her sex who intend to take full advantage of the season. Miss Lucille Pugh, female bachelor, feminist, suffragist and lawyer, announces that it is entirely right that girls propose to the man of their choice. But, she warns, "look up his rating first." While Miss Pugh mentions no sum that the prospective husband should have by way of permanent income, it is apparent that she regards only those of considerable means eligible or worthy of consideration, since everyone knows that the mere \$200 a month office man is not rated by Bradstreet's or Dun.

No serious fault need be found with this warning. There are those idealists who will prate of love in a cottage, but as a matter of fact there is sound wisdom in looking carefully before leaping even in leap year. A girl does well to make certain that the man she is marrying will be able to support her and whose prospects of advancement, under her careful management, are reasonably bright. But while the subject is under consideration it does seem that some Samaritan should utter a word of solemn warning to the men. The hazard is one-sided by no manner of means. So when the young woman, having informed herself as to the man's rating and desirability, presents the question in concrete form, it might be well

for the man to defer a definite answer until he has engaged in some research work of his own.

What does she know concerning domestic science? What sort of education and training has she had? What sort is her disposition? Such precautions may insure him against impairment of his precious "rating" through the advent of wifely extravagance and ultimate alimony.

FORMALITY IN DRESS CLOTHES.

It is an interesting question for debate, whether social customs as respects clothes are growing more formal or not. As respects women the drift may still be toward conventionalism. Yet working women have always been unconventional. But as soon as people acquire some money and leisure they pay down their good money for costly dressmakers who can produce style.

In the case of men the drift seems the other way. There are, of course, exceptions, as, for instance, the great number of young men who even in country villages now dazzle the natives by the splendor of a dress suit. In many moderate sized towns the manners of great cities are aped by wearing tuxedo suits to concerts, theatrical performances and informal dinners and dances.

But there is a very considerable movement against costly clothes for school functions, seen both in the simple home-made gowns worn by many graduating classes of girls, and in the rule of no dress suits for the boys at promenade dances in many cities.

The decline of the "plug" hat is still more significant. It still appears on the socially pretentious at many certified functions. But in the business district it is seen mostly on Indian doctors and circus and theatrical agents. Formerly many business men felt it necessary for the dignity of their position. The bank clerk is much more apt to wear it today than the bank president. Even the semi-formal derby is less in favor than comfortable soft hats, which can be dropped on the floor without catastrophe, and do not blow off the head in every winter wind.

To most men clothes are but a mere incident of life. Anything that will look neat and feel comfortable in a busy life is the ideal. Conventional forms are sure to be swept away, as remnants of the decorative and archaic medieval life when men wore powdered wigs and plush knee breeches.

THE OTHER FELLOWS SAY.

Just to make sure, hadn't Mr. Lansing better send a special copy of our Ancona note to Constantinople?—Philadelphia North American.

There will be no patched-up peace, says President Wilson. But there will be a lot of patched-up nations.—Charleston News and Courier.

Breaking off diplomatic relations with Austria is a good deal like backing into a war through the rear entrance.—Boston Transcript.

The principal mistake Greece made, like Belgium and Poland, seems to have been in her selection of a place on the map.—Boston Transcript.

When Secretary Daniels got converted to preparedness he went right up to the front bench, opened the hymn book, and began to take a leading part in the services.—Chicago Herald.

"The katser was overcome with emotion." Sometimes the Allies must feel that that's all that ever

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We may be forced to terminate diplomatic relations with Austria. It is quite possible that our state department is facing a shortage of note-paper.—Brooklyn Eagle.

China is perhaps the one country in the world which can shift from a republic to a kingdom and vice versa, without the population being aware of the fact.—Chicago Herald.

The social center of New York's population has moved 600 feet in the last two years, which shows that the 400 possesses a degree of progressivism not heretofore suspected.—Boston Transcript.

When Senator Hoke Smith realizes that cotton is worth twenty cents a pound in the Berlin market his heart bleeds for the starving women and children of Germany.—New York Morning Telegraph.

The synthetic rubber which Germany is now making is a boon. It is the synthetic money her printing presses are turning out that is going to prove the greatest disappointment. New York Morning Telegraph.

The rain that kept you from church was no wetter than that which soaked you at the ball game.

To some men opposition is opportunity—like the wind against which the boy's kite rises.

THE IDEA

Why send a letter away in a plain envelope when you can get the glass of water envelopes at the same cost as the white ones, and by using them help yourself by advertising your town?

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE SPRINGS WATER COMMISSION Week Ending January 28, 1916.

Table with columns: Date, Vr. No., Name of Party Issued to and Items, Amount. Rows include Hallawell Seed Co., The E. Gill Nursery Co., The Ashland Printing Co., J. Galbraith, R. J. Shaw, J. Kerr, L. M. Eagon, State Industrial Accident Commission, Ashland Lumber Co., Chester Stevenson, Ashland Printing Co., Total, Balance last report, Disbursed per this report, Balance this date.

THE AGE OF METALS.

An age usually gets tagged after it has been lived through. There was the ancient "age of bronze" and the much more modern "golden age of literature," but the present can easily be labeled in transit.

Some might call it the age of the flying machine, others the electrical age, but the most exact name would be "the age of metals," without which neither the flying machine nor the electric motor would be possible.

The world is just beginning to comprehend the vast amount of the various metals required in modern warfare. We read that Germany is even stripping the roofs of her old churches of their copper.

How is this copper used?

In many ways, but the principal are the following: For the cartridge cases of rifle and quick-firing ammunition; for the rifling band, plug and firing head of large calibre shells; for telephone and telegraph wires, for gun parts, and for a long list of miscellaneous purposes.

A large part of this copper, probably the larger part, is used in the form of brass, wherefore there is coincidentally a consumption of an immense quantity of spelter—about one pound of spelter for every two pounds of copper. Spelter also is used in



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