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he know their contents, he knows the things he cares most for. But their outside also. As he would rec- although he loves to hear the Bible ognize the face of a friend by passing read, he is "not much of a church. his hand over it, so he can recognize goer."

his books by mere touch. Through his hearing and his He loves to have a book in his speaking he does all his work. He Thomas P. Gore Left Sightless hands. Whenever he is being read never writes anything himself. He to he wants to hold a book himself. did learn to use a typewriter, but When he is getting his idea into never liked it, and depends altogether shape for a speech he goes off into on dictation. He can sign his name, a room by himself but takes a book but it is not a triumph of legibility. to hold. It may not be a book from Ears and tongue seem to be which he is going to quote, but it will enough for him. Every morning his be a book he cares for, and a book, wife reads the daily paper to him too, that he likes the feel of; for he is and anything else that he needs. His especially sensitive to certain bind- younger brother, Dixie Gore, is his

ings. His wife says that books are his his correspondence as any one's sec-Read to he Wants to Hold a Book one dissipation. He neither smokes retary would.

nor drinks. But he goes to a book store as a needle to a magnet and tate their replies just as Senator Gore

volumes. How does he make himself master formation as most seeing ersons of their contents? There's where keep in their minds.

you have a hint of the man himself. managed to do what Senator Gore has accomplished, no matter how

not a rich man.

good deal more.

more than sympathy to keep them two sentiments which the blind Sen- them.

Nothing would be further from the truth than to picture him as a semi- upon. whole thing was an accident, the stick dependent drag upon his friends. under part of the eyeball. Some in- have described his wife as his insep-When he was 11 years old and a during his campaign speeches, and know enough not to."

page in the Mississipppi Senate-he either leading or following him was born and brought up in that around constantly. That's all nonsense. The other

home ta his brother for a Christmas day when a Sun reporter called at present. Some of the children at the the hotel where Senator Gore lives hotel where he was living wanted to in Washington the Senator had gone see it work and naturally an 11-year- off to New York on business, and acold boy did not need to be asked cording to his custom he had gone all by himself.

While he was showing it off, the He almost invariably travels alone. rod it fired kept catching in the bar- He has made a campaign tour of half Their place in Lawton has more trees rel, so finally having placed it in po-sition, young Gore squinted down the That's the kind of man he is. A man town, though it is what Mrs. Gore

The stories of his wife campaign-

plains quite simply that she would

It is not being constantly with him

Before Oklahoma was admitted,

He is an inveterate worker. When

Even people who are not blind dicalways succumbs to that one temp- does. The difference is that he keeps tation of buying more and yet more in his mind, always at his command, a hundred times as much exact in-

private secretary and goes through

In his home town, Lawton, Sena-

No man who was not thoroughly tor Gore goes and comes without any likable could ever in this world have escort whatever. In Washington, however, he has not begun to go about alone. There are wide, automuch he might have wanted it. Never mobile-infested driveways to be crosthat is, unless he had been ready to sed around the Capitol, whose enpay exorbitantly for it, and Gore is trance also are complicated medleys

of steps and archways, swinging A schoolmate read him through col- doors and preoccupied pedestrians, lege. A brother became his lawpart- He has the subtle sense of percepner. Another his secretary. His tion which is not uncommon in the wife is something of all three, and a blind. Sometimes when he is walking along he will sense the nearness

But neither a man's schoolmate nor of steps, or a wall, or some object. his brothers nor even his wife can In his home town the telephone good mind to start with and having throw in their lives with his to that and telegraph poles are along the extent unless there is something edge of the sidewalk. Often when walking with his wife he will put out going. In this case there is more; his hand and touch one of these poles ship, it means having Mrs. Thomas there is admiration and affection- as unerringly as if he had eyes to see

He says that it is something he cannot explain and something that he can neither control nor depend

"If I should try to feel the nearness rebounding and striking him on the Some imaginative correspondents of objects," he says, "I could not do it. I can't depend upon feeling it, ury to the optic nerve resulted and arable companion, going wherever anyway. I might walk off a dozen the sight gradually failed in that eye. he goes, sitting upon the platform flights of steps for once that I would

> It isn't to be wondered at the Senator Gore is not an enthusiast on the subject of outdoor life as it is expounded by the President, for instance. There is not much in it for him. Yet he is a great lover of nature as he feels it.

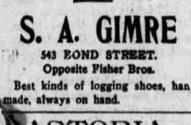
He loves trees and flowers, especially the fragrant ones, with roses and southern honeysuuckle in the lead.

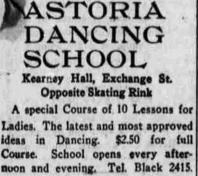


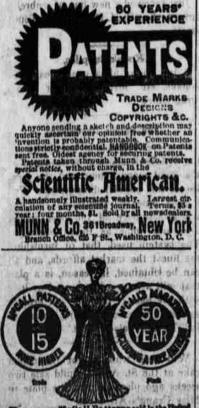
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barrel-with his good eye, of course- who has learned to depend first of all to see if everything was all right that on himself-and then on others. time. Somehow or other the gun

twice.

went off, and so did part of his right ing with him are not true. She ex-

Of course, the sight was destroyed, have liked to go with him, but that An operation was performed, the "traveling costs twice as much for front of the eyeball removed and a two? as for one, and I felt that we false eye substituted. Owing to the colud not afford it." fact that not all the eyeball was taken away, the glass eye moves so that she contributes her share to her

naturally that many persons never husband's success, but by reading to suspect that it is not the real thing. him. He has the courage and the Since he was 11 years old, Thomas will for everything else, but that is P. Gore has not been able to read a the thing others must do. word. For a few years he could distinguish outlines of some objects, but when, as Mrs. Gore says, "we knew since he was 15 or 16 he has lost even Statehood was coming," they spent that power.

months reading and studying works At 11 he was too young to have on economics and constitutional law acquired a trade, a profession or even and history. When the time came an education. After he lost his sight for the campaign for the Senatorship, he promptly decided on the education the trained memory of the blind canas the first necessity, and set about didate was stored with facts which getting one. he had at his absolute command. As

He went through the public schools a rule, all he needed to do when he then the normal school, then the wanted to prepare a speech was to Cumberland University at Lebanon, go into a quite room with a book in Tenn. One of his earlier school- his hand and cogitate, as he calls it. accompanied him to Lebanon and read to him. Every bit of his work he is not gaining knowledge through was done this way. He was valedicbeing read to he is assimilating it by torian of his class and one of six cogitation. Sometimes, out of misgraduates with highest honors. taken kindness, people rob him of the

When he left college he went to time he wants to spend at the latter fackson, Miss., for six months to occupation. learn to read with his fingers. He

Another man could surround himeven bought two books in Braille self with books and papers so that type, Longfellow's poems and the anybody could see that he was oc-Constitution of the United States. cupied. But they see Gore sitting by But getting his learning through his himself on the train or in a hotel and fingers was too tedious a method to think he must be in need of entersuit a man so eager, so fairly cove- tainment, which they proceed to suptous of knowledge as young Gore ply. was.

"And I didn't have any time to The two books for the blind with cogitate!" will be his lament later to which he supplied himself then have his wife.

not grown into a library. He never Not that he doesn't want companbought a third-and he's not very ionship. It is only when he has a certain of the where-abouts of the speech on hand, or something of that original two. He has a library all sort, that he objects to having his right enough, but it isn't composed cogitation interfered with. He is a of books for the blind.

He cannot read one word in the volumes with which he has surrounthe ladies.

ded himself; yet he knows their contents with a thoroughness which for reading. Science, especially the JELL-O can be bought at any good he said. 'Here ten times running toscience of government, economic sub- grocery. This makes enough dessert day I've asked for a bit o'bread, and would make most men seem, in conjects, and above all the Bible and for a large family and is very econom- what do they give me? Why, durn trast, to be strangers to their to their own book shelves. Not only does masterpieces of oratory, these are ical.

calls "a little home."

And most of the trees and shrubs were set out by the Senator himself. But his love for flowers and trees does not include animals. He has no use on earth for either dogs or cats. In fact, aside from his friends and family there is only one thing of really great interest to him, and that is his work. He has plenty cut out for him in the near future.

As he drew the short term, he will be out of the Senate in two years unless re-elected in the meantime. So next summer, although he has just finished one campaign, he must go to work on another. Fortunately he is perfectly well and strong, so the prospect has no terrors for him.

It is because he has always crowded his life with work that he has made his blindness a matter of such small importance, for it really seems that to him. The handicap which looms so big to the outsider he simply does not waste time talking about. Here is a little incident which shows how completely he has effaced the consciousness of it from his life.

His wife suffers with asthma in Oklahoma, and a year or two ago her husand urged her to go away for the winter so as to escape it. In talking about it, he said to her:

"Your ill-health is the only misfortune we have."

"Why," said his wife, "most people would think your blindness was our great misfortune."

"Oh, he said, "I never think of that" Apparently he does not. He is too busy thinking of work. Undoubtedly the fact of his blindness made people feel kindly toward him when he be-



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1 10c. package JELL-O, any flavor. lish rates-12 cents a mile instead of Dissolve the JELL-O in a pint of 50 cents-if we have many more such good fellow among men, and is also, boiling water. When cool and just panics," Mr. Ryan said. "Everybody by his wife's own account, fond of commencing to thicken stir in the figs felt the pinch. I overheard a tramp and nuts. Serve with Whipped Cream. grumbling in a public square.

But his one insatiable passion is Delicious. The walnuts, figs and



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came candidate for Senator. But he had to fight for success.

There were four candidates, two of them being strong ones, and the blind man asked no quarters. He made the fight as any other man would have made it, and he expects to serve his State as other men serve it. It may be thought that he will be handicapped when it comes to following a discussion in the Senate chamber, because he cannot see who is speaking. But the voices will soon become as familiar to him as the faces are to other men. Besides this, every person who addresses the Senate is recognized specifically by the Vice-President as "the Senator from -," whatever State it may be. With the far greater than ordinary concentration of attention which Gore will

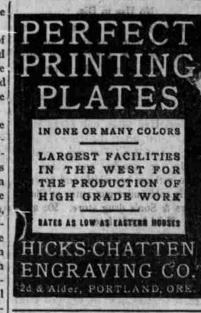
be capable of giving, he will doubtless keep better track than most members do of what is going on.

HE WANTED PIE.

William J. Ryan, president of the Supreme Council of Public Hackmen of New York, said the other day that try the following delightful dessert: the winter panic had reduced the hackmen's receipts considerably.

"We'll have to come down to Eng-

" 'The trade ain't like it used to be,' it, just a bit of bread.' "



ALLEN C. DURBORROW DEAD. CHICAGO, Mar. 11 .- Former congressman Allen C. Durborrow died last midnight at the Robert Burns hospital after an illness that had confined him to his bed.

Mr. Durburrow was best known as the man who introduced the bill in congress which resulted in the appropriation for the Chicago post office and for the political battle he waged with Wm. Lorimer in 1903 for a seat in the national house of representatives.

