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PEOPLE OF THE DAY

New Governor of Minnesota.

Adolph Olson Eberhart, who succeeded the late John A. Johnson as chief executive of Minnesota, is a Republican in politics and was twice elected lieutenant governor on that ticket. A native of Sweden and thirty-eight years old, Mr. Eberhart has lived in the state of which he is now governor since he was a lad of ten. He was educated for the ministry, but gave up church work for a political career shortly after graduating from Gustavus Adolphus college at St. Peter, Minn.

From the first he was successful, his ability as a speaker soon making him known throughout the state. For a time he was clerk of the federal circuit and district courts and later was



ADOLPH O. EBERHART.

appointed United States commissioner for the district of Minnesota. He served two terms in the state senate and in 1906 was elected lieutenant governor, although the head of the ticket was beaten. He repeated the performance two years later under similar circumstances.

Originally Governor Eberhart's name was Adolph Olson; but, owing to the confusion arising from the fact that there were several others of that name in Minnesota, where he lived, he added his wife's surname to his own when he married. Governor Eberhart is said to possess executive ability of a high order.

One View of Actors. William H. Crane spends his summers at Cohasset, Mass., where he has a cottage. On one occasion Mr. Crane came up against a particularly iron-headed selectman over a question of the boundary of a piece of road that ran by the actor's new estate. Carefully and clearly Mr. Crane expounded his side of the matter, with much music of words and figures. As he went on the old man grew more and more restless.

"Gosh!" he said at last. "Of course I knew you stage fellows could get up talk and scenes, but I never s'posed you could get up facts."

New York's Majority Contest. Otto T. Bannard, nominee of the Republican party and its fusion allies against Tammany for the majority of New York, is well known in financial circles. Besides being president of New York Trust company, he is a director in about a dozen other large financial institutions. Until his nomination, however, he was little known to the general public. In his campaign he has the support of nearly every important newspaper in the city. His



OTTO T. BANNARD.

opponent, Judge Gaynor, the Democratic nominee, is both popular and well known.

Mr. Bannard is an organization Republican and is treasurer of the Republican county committee. The only public office he has ever held was that of commissioner of the board of education under the late Mayor Strong about a decade ago. He is a native of New York city and was a classmate of President Taft at Yale. He began his career as a lawyer, but soon left the law for finance, in which he has been eminently successful. Mr. Bannard is a bachelor and has just passed his fifty-fifth birthday.

AN INTEL TUAL MARVEL.

Harvard's New Eleven-year-old Student is a Mental Wonder.

William J. Seis, the eleven-year-old boy admitted to Harvard university as the youngest matriculate in the long history of the institution, could spell, read and write at the age of two. He became deeply absorbed in books when other children were playing. In the denouement of his life, he has read and made books of his own. He has read everything he could get his hands on, and when he had advanced to the age of five his yearning for knowledge had also advanced to such a state that he began taking books from the Brookline (Mass.) Public Library.

When he was six he was sent to the Runkle school. The school authorities placed him in one of the higher grammar grades, but withdrew him after six months, for he knew more than they taught at that school, and it would have been a waste of time to have kept him longer with the other pupils. When he was eight years old he was sent to the Brookline high school, one of the best in the country, for it is supported by the richest town in the world. He remained there five months, but was withdrawn for he was then further advanced than the school.

He evinced a strong liking for mathematics and physics at the age of eight and was greatly interested in astronomy and other sciences. At that early age he was ready for college, but his parents declined to send him to the higher institutions, as they were of the opinion that their son would do more thorough work at home. He was allowed to study whenever he wished, and whenever he liked. He was never forced along any particular line.

This remarkable boy has been a puzzle to scientists, astronomers and mathematicians. He prefers the company of men and women who gather at his home, who are on an intellectual footing with him, to the boys of the neighborhood. He discusses advanced sciences with the learning of a professor. When a boy of eight he spoke of languages. As a freshman at the Brookline high school he made astronomical calculations which puzzled professors in mathematics, invented a new system of logarithms in series of twelve instead of ten, prepared a series of advanced grammar and helped pupils in classes above him to master their lessons.

COOK FOUND SANTA CLAUS.

At Any Rate, He Told a Little Chicago Girl His Little Discovery.

It was left to a little Chicago girl to discover the real object of Dr. Cook's and Commander Peary's heroic marches to the north pole. It was to call on Santa Claus, of course.

Jeanie McDonald, the tiny daughter of Isaac McDonald, found this out and wrote to Dr. Cook, addressing her letter North Pole, Brooklyn, asking him to please tell her what kind of a house Kriss Kringle lived in. She wrote: "Dear Dr. Cook—Did you see Santa Claus at the north pole? What kind of a house did he live in? Yours truly, JEANIE McDONALD."

Dr. Cook has replied in part as follows: "See Santa Claus? Why, of course I did. That's just why I went to the north pole. I went there to make sure that Santa Claus would not be angry at some of our grownups and big bad boys who have made fun of him and said they did not believe in him any way."

"I found him in a huge snow palace, and every room from top to bottom was crowded with toys and candy and great big packages of good will and kindness and love for little boys and girls. And there were special packages, happiness and content and good fellowship, for the grownups."

He is always smiling, even when he is working hard loading his sleighs with his good things for the people down here. And he keeps his reindeers always ready for trips around the world, and the children will be needing at his next visit, and, although we were very hungry when we got there, we could not kill any of Santa Claus' animals, because he said that would prevent him from making all the calls he had to make among his children.

"See Santa Claus? Yes, indeed."

CAUGHT BY THE SEARCHLIGHT
Locomotive Engineer Saw Oklahoma Man Riffing Mail Pouch.

Henry M. Kneeland of Muskogee, Okla., confessed that he had stolen a mail pouch at Sapulpa. His defense was that he was drunk.

Just as Kneeland was riding the pouch a train came around a curve, and in the headlights' glare the pouch-seer saw him kneeling over the pouch. He was arrested on the engineer's description.

LEARNING HOW TO WAIT.

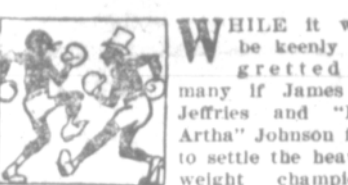
Art of Tending Table Gracefully Taught at the University of Chicago.

There is now a school for waiters at the University of Chicago. Forty young men, who combine a deep knowledge of psychology and ethics with a gift of breaking dishes and spilling soup on professors, are being taught the gentle art of serving food in an ultra-cultured manner at Hutchinson hall, the university commons.

Wants to Be Hanged.

William Stevenson, claiming he has a thirst for blood and is dangerous to society and who is to be hanged at Laverne, Ala., Oct. 22 for murdering his young wife and daughter, is opposing efforts of friends who seek commutation of sentence.

Joseph Cannon
Versus
Herbert Parsons



WHILE it will be keenly regretted by many of James J. Jeffries and "Lil' Artha" Johnson fans that the heavy-weight championship controversy this winter, there is another contest on that promises to make up for any disparity in the direction. This is the Cannon-Parsons bout, and if such affairs were fought out in the squared circle instead of the political arena the announcer would step to the middle of the ring, elevate his chin, scowl deeply and then probably introduce the men as follows:

"Gents an' odds, dis bout is at a hundred an' fifty-eight pounds, Queensberry rules. See? De guy in dat corner is Herb Parsons, New York. De other guy is Joe Cannon of Illinois. Snake hands, you an' de foist bloke wot hits in de clinches gits his slats pushed in. See?"

All joking aside, however, the amazing charge Herbert Parsons, congressman from New York and chairman of the New York Republican county committee, has made against Speaker Cannon and his own party has caused a great sensation throughout the country, and the affair promises to develop into one of the bitterest fights in the history of politics.

Mr. Parsons charges that Tammany Hall entered into a deal with up state Republicans to defeat the efforts of New York city Republicans to perfect the signature law during the last legislative session in Albany and a part of the deal was that Tammany should support Speaker Cannon and the rules of the house of representatives.

He also claims that the Republican representatives of New York city were not informed of the deal either from Albany or Washington.

This charge followed the declaration of the century chairman that Tammany was planning wholesale frauds in the coming election and that most comprehensive



SPEAKER CANNON OPENING CONGRESS.

AMUNDSEN'S UNIQUE PLAN.
He Will Harness Polar Bears to His

Captain Roald Amundsen, a widely known Norwegian explorer, who is about to start on a polar expedition, has decided to try a remarkable innovation in the use of draft animals for polar travel. He will endeavor to make polar bears draw his sledges.

Some time ago Captain Amundsen made a contract with Carl Hagenbeck of Hamburg, Germany, a famous animal trainer, for twenty ice bears to be used in his expedition. He has been industriously training the bears for a month, and the results are said to promise success for them in polar work.

Peary, Cook and all the other polar explorers have used dogs to drag their sledges. When provisions ran low the dogs had to be killed and the meat fed to the surviving dogs. Very seldom, when actually compelled, have the explorers lived on Arctic dog meat. With the polar bears it is different. Should provisions run low a bear could be killed and the larder of the expedition be greatly replenished.

BASEBALL'S RECORD SEASON.
Will Rank as the Most Successful in the Game's History.

This year's baseball season of the National and American leagues will rank as the most successful in the history of the national game. According to estimated figures, the combined attendance reached the unparalleled total of 7,978,108, more than 700,000 in excess of the great record of 1908. Both leagues showed an increase over the previous season, but the American outdrew the older organization by 108,048.

The honors for the greatest attendance was carried off by the New York Nationals, a total of 783,700 persons witnessing the games at the Polo grounds, an average of 12,450. The Athletics of Philadelphia finished second with a total of 674,015, an average of 10,545 a game. The Boston Americans were third and the Chicago Nationals fourth.

The largest crowd at a single game during the season was on Sept. 18. The Athletics-Detroit game at Philadelphia is said to have drawn 35,000 persons.

CRANE A FINE LINGUIST.

Chinese Among the Accomplishments of Deceased Minister.

Charles R. Crane, appointed minister to China by President Taft and requested to resign by Secretary Knox because of alleged indiscreet comments on the China-Japan treaty relating to Manchuria, is a Chicago man and the son of a millionaire father, Richard T. Crane, who doesn't believe in colleges.

"Instead of teaching young men to seek labor," says the elder Crane of the higher seats of learning, "they cause them to despise it, and the students leave the schools with the feeling that they are too good to work and smart enough to make their living by their wits."

So such education as he could get in the Chicago public schools was considered enough for Charles R. Crane.

His father thought he could graduate with honors in the college of hard knocks and put him in the way of doing it by setting him to work in his own manufacturing plant in Chicago.

Donning overalls and jumper, young Crane learned the business from the bottom upward, and after serving in



CHARLES R. CRANE.

various capacities from the lathe to the bookkeeper's stool he became first vice president of the concern in 1894 and took charge of the foreign business of the company. Mr. Crane thus started his career as a liberal education. He also studied the languages of the countries which he visited.

Early in the course of his business affairs he went to Russia, where the Crane company has extensive interests. He went into all the provinces. He met officials and peasants and made a close study of life in the realm of the czar. He was well received at the Russian court and soon became an authority on Russian affairs.

When he was not in Chicago or Russia Mr. Crane was off ranging the globe elsewhere. A keen power of observation, continual travel and continuous study soon developed in him a deep knowledge of men and affairs. During his travels Mr. Crane spent much time in China, his business interests taking him into every province. He came into close contact with all classes of Mongolians.

In his home he has a large collection of curios of his many visits to China. Among the twelve languages with which he is conversant is Chinese.

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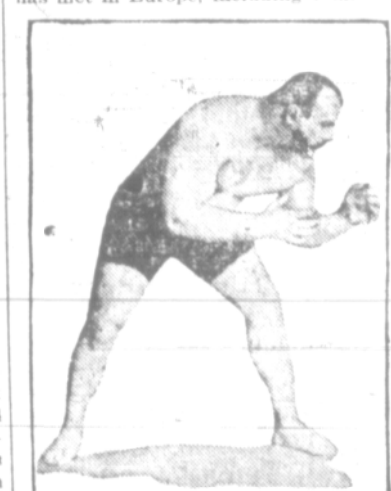
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THE SPORTING WORLD

Zbysco Hurlis Challenges.

Zbysco, the champion wrestler of Poland, who recently arrived in this country, has issued a challenge to everybody in the heavy-weight wrestling class, including Frank Gotch, the world's champion.

Zbysco, according to his manager, has defeated every person whom he has met in Europe, including Ivan Pa-



ZBYSKO, THE CHAMPION WRESTLER OF POLAND.

doubeys, the Russian wrestler, who it is said defeated Hagenbeck in two straight falls, each of which was secured in less than ten minutes. The Polish champion intends to tour the country and hopes he will be able to get on matches with cracks.

Giant Hockey League.

Men who are interested in hockey are considering the formation of a giant ice hockey league, which will include in its circuit several Canadian cities and several in the United States. The promoters plan to include Montreal, Toronto, Ottawa, Buffalo, Detroit and Cleveland in the circuit.

The idea is to build a chain of arenas or hockey rinks, which may be used for amusement purposes in summer as well as in winter. The first move toward this object is being made in Toronto, where the project for the erection of a big hockey rink remains in abeyance pending a decision by the property committee of the board of education as to whether the proposed site shall be sold.

Floyd MacFarland to Retire.

Floyd MacFarland, the veteran racing cyclist, has announced his retirement from the pace following part of the cycling game. Affected by the death of Hugh McLean at Boston, was a close friend of Mac's, the Californian recently stated that he would never take a chance behind the motors again.

MacFarland is now recovering from a broken arm received in a fall while following the motors in Newark, and when he heard of McLean's death as the result of an accident he decided to quit the perilous game.

New Boats For Yale.

Coch Robt Kennedy of the Yale varsity crews has placed a rush order for the construction of two eight oared barges, to be ready for delivery at New Haven by the latter part of October at the very latest. The use of barges in the preliminary training work at Yale is a distinct departure from the custom of former years. It is evident from the placing of this order that Yale intends to follow the same scheme that Coach Wray has been using with success at Harvard in recent years in giving his varsity crew candidates plenty of fall rowing.

Harry Hillman to Quit.

Harry Hillman, world's amateur champion hurdle and Olympic record holder, is to lay aside his spiked shoes this fall after ten years of active competition and will either turn professional by becoming the trainer at Princeton or turn his whole attention to business. Hillman is only twenty-eight years of age, but cars in training has enabled him to exceed the usual athletic career by several years and such is his condition today that he expects to add several records to his list before he quits.

Yale's Big Stadium Coming.

Yale has taken up the new stadium proposition again and has sent Edward Thompson, her graduate athletic manager, abroad to inspect English structures. Yale wants one which will cost half a million and seat 50,000 persons, and Mr. Thompson went to Chester,

England, to see the stadium which seats 60,000.

New World's Trotting Record. The world's trotting record for yearlings was broken at the Colored fair, Lexington, Ky., recently by Miss Stokes, who made the mile in 2:19.4. The former record of 2:23 was held by Adwell. Miss Stokes is by Peter the Great and is owned by W. E. D. Stokes of the Patchen Wilkes farm.

Cartmell to Turn Professional. N. J. Cartmell, the University of Pennsylvania runner, who has been abroad, has announced his intention to turn professional and offers to run against Arthur Postle, the world's professional champion sprinter, in a series of either three or four matches at distances from 100 to 440 yards.

Mitchell, Naps' New Twirl. Pitcher Willie Mitchell, Cleveland's recent purchase from the Texas league, did some clever work for the Naps before the season closed.

The
Scrap Book

Dyer—Did his widow succeed in breaking his will?
Duel—Yes; long before he died—Pick-Me-Up.

She—How long do you think, dear, we shall have to be engaged?—He—I have enough money left to last for six months.

Madam (in horror)—Merry on us, Bridget, what have you been doing? Bridget (returning from the cellar with her hands full of lobsters)—I have just killed one of the biggest cockroaches a-crawling over your cellar bottom that I ever see in my life—London Express.

"Well, you know now that two negatives make an affirmative, don't you?"
"No, no, sir!"

"But that is the rule. I have just explained, and you ought to have answered me yes!"
"Well, that is what I did, sir. I used two negatives!"

A remarkable peculiarity of manganese steel is its almost complete lack of magnetic properties. A bar of this steel balanced on a knife edge was not drawn out of balance by a powerful electro magnet, but when hammered into very thin foil the steel was lifted by the magnet.

"Hello, Gayman! What's your hurry?"

"Got to catch a train."
"Whither bound?"
"For Halifax."
"What's the object?"

"No object. My wife told me to go there, and I'm going."—Exchange.

Mistress—What is that old paint pot doing on the corner shelf, cook? Cook—It belongs to a man who worked here four years ago. Mistress—You can throw it out of the window, Cook—Please not, mistress; it is all I have to remember him by—Meggendorfer Blatter.

Two well known Lebanon wags were ambuling homeward at an early hour after being up nearly all night. "Doesn't your wife miss you on these occasions?" asked one.

"Not often," replied the other; "she throws pretty straight."—Kansas City Journal.

Mrs. Crawford—Did you manage to coax your doctor to recommend a trip to that mountain resort you wished to visit?

Mrs. Crabshaw—Yes. But I can't go, for I couldn't get him to add that a few new dresses would do me a world of good.—Puck.

Teacher—How many of my scholars can remember the longest sentence they ever read? Billy—Please, ma'am, I can. Teacher—What! Is there only one? Well, William, tell the rest of the class the longest sentence you ever read. Billy—Improvement for Life—Kansas City Journal.

"I have a riddle for you," said a frivolous girl to a friend. "If ten men proposed to me, what would that be?"

"What?"
"A tender."
"Very likely. And if one proposed to you it would be a wonder!"

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