

AN AUTHOR WRITES OF EATING

ERST VON WOLGOZEN HAS HIS JOKE ABOUT OUR COOKS.

Everything Must Be Sweet to Suit Americans, He Says—Surprised by the Sight of a Duck Press—Chickens as Big as Storks—Much to Be Found in Salads.

Ernst von Wolgozen, who came to New York last winter to study social conditions, is a man of letters and in his own country ranks higher in a literary sense than many of his countrymen who visit the United States. It was to be expected therefore that he would carry home valuable impressions of life here, but he seems to have been impressed chiefly by the crudities of the cuisine.

To him American cooking is so grotesque and naive a gastronomic system that his ridicule of it lies in the least serious fields of burlesque. As a conclusion to all he observed here, he thinks Americans want everything so sweet that frequent visits to the dentist is inevitable. From the coffee in the morning until the late supper he finds that Americans must have their sweet tooth satisfied or they are unhappy. To this lack of development of taste he attributes the excellence of the dentists and the appearance of the gold teeth which he was surprised to see just as often in the mouths of negroes as in those of white people.

It is not easy to say in what kinds of homes Herr von Wolgozen studied life here, since he finds that the domestic service in the best houses is so poor that it is difficult to get the dishes washed and the result of this is the necessity of getting along with one knife. This condition he says makes it difficult to eat roast beef, as the silver knives will not cut it and there are no housewives in which both kinds of knives are found.

He remarks that of all the roasts served on New York tables, beef is alone possible to eat, since lamb chops and veal cutlets are tasteless. Perhaps the most astonishing statement he makes in reference to the roasts is that at a certain house he received for dinner honey as a compote. Surely this is unique not only in his experiences but in that of most New Yorkers. Compote or stewed fruits are seldom served in American families, but are to be found on the tables of Germans, so Herr von Wolgozen must have had this experience in the house of some of his compatriots.

"Game," he says in one place, "is much more eaten in the United States than it is with us. Poultry grows to the most improbable dimensions there. I have seen chickens as tall as storks and as fat as a poodle dog.

"The flesh of these abnormally large beasts is, however, not tender, and the limbs in particular acquire an entirely different character from the flesh on the roasts. It turns brown and succulent in the roasting, while the white flesh remains dry and flavorless."

It is evident that what Herr von Wolgozen describes as a chicken must have been a turkey. Some of his other experiences at table were more remarkable, but they probably happened in a boarding house if they happened anywhere. He says that young chicken is even served with sweet four sauce, which he finds very disagreeable, since even in the finer houses the servants will not wash the dishes and it is necessary to eat everything on the plate with the chicken and the sweet sauce.

He says that in his boarding house after soup a piece of fish was served to him, about this plate from which he was supposed to eat the fish were laid many small dishes containing vegetables, chicken and various combinations of vegetables and meat. He was compelled to eat these on the fish plate and liked only potatoes, which he baked in their skins he found delicious. He observes with the air of an authority that all the fish from the Atlantic Ocean are so poor that only the river and fresh water fish are regarded as worth eating.

"I do not think," he said, "that there is in the three kingdoms of nature anything that is not to be found in an American salad. The groundwork of this is composed of two or three large green leaves. On these is poured oil mixed with vinegar, and there is added a more or less sparkling structure of all possible greens and sweets, salted lettuce, tough and tender, liquid, edible and inedible objects.

In a first class residence, in which the woman of the house understands good cooking, such a composition, judging by the taste and appearance, I was able to analyze as follows: Two leaves of lettuce with five drops of vinegar and oil on top, the lettuce is cut in a board, a quarter of a slice of banana, some white meat of chicken, some slices of radish, some tinned peas and carrots, a teaspoonful of chocolate cream, and with a rum sauce to be served with it. The salad is garnished with a slice of banana, some white meat of chicken, some slices of radish, some tinned peas and carrots, a teaspoonful of chocolate cream, and with a rum sauce to be served with it.

"In less cultivated families one is less cautious and uses in the preparation of a salad those objects which are the more or less well known as 'carrot' meals. That is, as well as the edible and inedible products of nature. If there are no asparagus tips, for instance, one can use a small walking stick, cut into thin pieces, and use it as a garnish. It is probably gone out of fashion. Instead of the ingredients of meat one can use rubber balloons, which are an admirable substitute for apples, grapes, and what kind of nuts and covers will be used.

The vagaries of the fruit salad have made their debut rather ridiculous in America and perhaps some readers of Herr von Wolgozen's criticisms may be moved to return to the sensible culinary rule of the days in which it was thought a crime to eat Mayonnaise dressing, Matiga grapes, and other things in this country. It is quite true that the German author enjoyed such things in a house whose mistress could read Greek. Mastery of ancient literature probably made her indifferent to the trivialities of food of today.

But he saw Herr von Wolgozen dine that he saw the fruit facts, which he remarks are served here in a paper, pudding and the apple pie put on the table with small pieces of hard American cheese baked under their crust. Does that happen in any home? Oysters and lobsters he found very cheap in this country. In comparison with other American food and to what he calls "the uncultivated child-kind of our tastes" he attributes the enthusiasm for ice cream.

His own ignorance of international delicacies was shown by the excitement created in his mind by the sight of a duck press. This is a nickel press, or a hand press, not unlike a letter press, invented by old Frederic of the Tour d'Ardenne, who died a few weeks ago in Paris. The first part of the press crushes the bones taken from a wild duck and with the meat that remains on the skeleton they form a delicious gravy.

This device was invented in Paris twenty years ago and uses there long before it ever came to America, but apparently it escaped the eye of Herr von Wolgozen until he landed on these shores. He is right in stating and expounding the principles of it in various places. He knows what it was until at the Hotel Hamilton in Buffalo he saw the machine in operation and learned from an indulgent waiter that it is used at the Hamiltons and all foreigners he found New York

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grapefruit wonderful, marvelled at the number of cereals found on American breakfast tables and wondered if they were thought to be wholesome why they were smothered in deep layers of sugar. Nothing gastronomic in the United States impressed him more than the habit of chewing gum, which he says has become the principal American vice.

It is not eating that seems to give the greatest pleasure to the rest of the world, but constant movement of his chin and his jaws. This chewing and swallowing in itself delights these simple children of nature.

"Who comes to the United States for the first time will never cease to wonder at a people that never stops chewing. In the street cars, in the stores, in the pleasure resorts are the chewing instruments of this rare nation in powerful motion. Expressions of contentment beam from the faces of these people attracted to the greatest number of shophires when they go to luncheon in the middle of the day and when they go back from lunch to business."

The soldiers chew during their drills, and I am sure they chew in battle. The youngest man when he makes a declaration of love, the 230 pound policeman running after a thief—all have a little piece of sugared gum which they call chewing gum stuck between their back teeth.

SUMMER SCHOOLS OPEN. Special Courses at N. Y. U. in Health and Cookery.

A good many people are here from all over the country to begin work at one or another of the universities. Three summer schools are going at once in New York now.

The School of Philanthropy, which is managed independently of Columbia university in the summer months, opened in the Charities Building, 103 East Twenty-second street, two weeks ago, but the lecture halls of Columbia and the University of New York were opened yesterday for the first time since the June commencement.

At the New York University one of the innovations is the introduction of a three weeks course in the principle and practice of design in the first half of the session and another three weeks course in public school music in the latter part. The first of these short courses has so far attracted the greatest number of students, so that the session dances are to be crowded into the early weeks of July. The first takes place after a garden party given by the faculty on Monday, July 10.

Prof. Ernest Bryant Hoag of the University of California, successor to Prof. J. P. Gory, will give courses this summer in school hygiene and public school music. There is no school of household arts connected with the New York University. It offers a number of courses in domestic art and in the latter part of the summer sessions only. Under the direction of Henry Grisoom Parsons these will be a department of school gardens, the theoretical part of which will be given in the culture room, the practical part on the Schwab place on Riverside Heights and in the municipal children's gardens, organized by Mr. Parsons, has also been announced.

George B. Hotchkiss, a former newspaper reporter, will give a course in news writing in which the city's journals will form the basis of study.

BORDER ARMY BREAKING UP. Thirtieth Infantry Leaves San Antonio for Fort Leavenworth.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., July 5.—The dispersing of the Cavalry's Cavalry manoeuvres began this afternoon with the departure of the Thirtieth Infantry for Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. The regiment, consisting of 740 men, thirty-six officers, twenty-three wagons and 100 animals, will be returned to station at a cost of \$35,000, a saving of \$6,000 on the cost of bringing it to San Antonio.

Col. Daniel McArthur, chief quartermaster of the division, started a rate cutting war between the railroads by calling for bids. The contract for moving the Ninth Cavalry to Fort D. A. Russell, Wyoming, was awarded to the Missouri, Kansas and Texas Railroad for approximately \$40,000. It cost \$45,000 to bring it here, a question of rates has postponed the award for transportation of the Fourth Artillery to Fort D. A. Russell.

MOLTKE HELD IN QUARANTINE. Fireman Sick Brooklyn's Cholera Case Was Genuine.

Health Officer Doty said yesterday that the examination in the case of Anna Nitti, a steamer passenger by the Italian liner Duca degli Abruzzi who died in the hospital at Swanburne Island after removal from a tenement in Myrtle avenue, Brooklyn, showed that she certainly had cholera. Angela Nitti, the baby daughter of Mrs. Nitti, was sent to Hoffman Island for observation.

The steamship Moltke, from the Mediterranean, was held in quarantine yesterday to await the result of an examination of a fireman who was ill with intestinal trouble. A little girl in the steerage was also sick, but not of cholera, and was taken to Hoffman Island for treatment.

Spanish War Veterans Elect Officers. POCHEKKEPPE, N. Y., July 5.—At the encampment of United Spanish War Veterans in session here to-day Bernhard Wall of New York was elected department commander, defeating Francis D. Cushing, City Attorney of Oswego, by a vote of 121 to 115, with two void ballots. The other officers chosen were: Senior vice-commander, Chauncey W. Herriek; junior vice-commander, Dr. J. Wilson Poucher, Pocquekkee; department inspector, Clayton W. Morse, New York; department judge advocate, Henry Dewitt Hamilton, New York; department secretary, W. Philadelphia, department surgeon, Charles S. Keegan, New York, and department marshal, D. E. Hynes, New Rochelle. It was voted to hold the department encampment in Binghamton in 1912.

The Spanish War Veterans to-day adopted a resolution asking the national encampment to urge the Government to reestablish the canton.

Summer Social Register. This year's Summer Social Register, just issued, in comparison with that of last year indicates an increase of 20 per cent. in the number of inland residences and also an increase of 50 per cent. in the families who have gone abroad between April 1 and June 1. Of the 7,587 inland residences 64 are at Lenox, 184 at Scarsdale, 124 at Westchester, 104 at Rye, 291 are at Newport and Narragansett, 348 are along the north shore of the Sound, 321 are on the North Shore of Long Island, 408 are at the Hamptons and 322 are along the Jersey coast.

MARIA PIA PASSES AWAY

QUEEN SURVIVED HER SISTER ONLY ELEVEN DAYS.

Dowager of Portugal Bereaved by Assassination of Brother, Son and Grandson—Daughter of the Unifier of Italy Dies Exiled From Portugal.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. Rome, July 5.—The Dowager Queen Maria Pia, grandmother of former King Manuel of Portugal, died to-day at Turin. Death was due to uraemia. Dowager Queen Margherita was with her at the end.

Maria Pia survived her elder sister, the Princess Clotilde of Savoy, widow of Prince Napoleon, just eleven days. She was one of the group that gathered about the deathbed of the martyr of Italian unification on June 25.

Maria Pia, Queen Dowager of Portugal, outlived the days when she was Queen in fact as well as name. Change and great sorrow came to cloud the closing years of her life. She was the daughter of Victor Emmanuel II, who freed Italy from the domination of the Hapsburgs. She lived to see her own grandson, the young King Manuel II, driven from the throne of Portugal, her adopted country, by a republican revolution only a year ago.

The Queen Dowager was born October 16, 1847, at Turin. Victor Emmanuel was then only king of Sardinia. It was many years later that he became the first king of united Italy. In 1862 a royal husband was picked for the Princess Maria Pia. The chosen man was King Luis of Portugal. They were married with great pomp in Lisbon on October 6.

King Luis was an easygoing, pleasure loving monarch who preferred the green room of the opera to the company of his queen. The Queen became the mother of Carlos, who ascended the throne of Portugal October 9, 1889, upon the death of his father.

The first of Maria Pia's great sorrows was the assassination of her brother, King Humbert of Italy, at Monza in 1900. Then on February 1, 1908, her son, King Carlos, and her grandson, Prince Luis, the heir to the throne, were slain by assassins on the Praca do Commercio in Lisbon. After the accession of Manuel Maria Pia lived in close retirement, devoting much of her time to charitable works.

Then on October 4 of last year Manuel himself and the members of the royal family, including the aged Dowager Queen, were forced to flee Portugal by the outbreak of revolution. Maria Pia went to live with her sister, Princess Clotilde, in Italy at the Villa Moncalieri, near Turin.

GEORGE W. DARR DEAD. Came to Town to the Bedside of His Wife, Who Is Now Recovering.

George W. Darr, head of the Stock Exchange house of Darr & Moore, died yesterday morning at his home in Greenwich, Conn., after an illness of several months. His death was due to a dropsical condition induced by an affection of the liver.

Mr. Darr left New York about two months ago to spend a few weeks at French Lake, N. Y., in the hope that he could recover his health. After he had been there two days he received word from New York that Mrs. Darr was seriously ill and he came hurriedly back to New York. Early in June his physicians advised him to go to the country and his home at Greenwich was opened. Mrs. Darr began to recover almost immediately, but Mr. Darr grew steadily worse. It was said yesterday that Mrs. Darr is now quite out of danger.

George W. Darr was born in Clarion, Pa., in 1853. He spent his young manhood in the oil fields near Oil City, Pa. Later he moved to Pittsburg, where he became secretary of the Pennsylvania of the New York and Cleveland Gas Coal Company until that corporation was absorbed by the combination.

He became a member of the New York Stock Exchange in 1898 and a short time later the brokerage firm of Darr & Moore was formed. Other members of the firm are Joseph H. Moore, Lawrence Darr, his son, John Reece and Charles P. Green. Mr. Darr was president of the iron and steel works at South Sharon, Pa., and was president of the Sharon Steel Company, a subsidiary of the United States Steel Corporation.

Mrs. Darr was Miss Eleanor Gillespie of Pittsburg, Lawrence Darr is the only child. Mr. Darr was commodore of the Indian Harbor Yacht Club.

Commander Pratt Dies in California. WASHINGTON, July 5.—Commander Alfred A. Pratt, U. S. N., retired, died at the Naval Hospital at Mare Island, yesterday morning. Commander Pratt was one of the fourteen officers compulsorily retired on July 1 upon the recommendation of the elimination board of the personnel of March 3, 1909. He was born at Sycamore, Ill., on June 30, 1873, and entered the service as a midshipman on September 30, 1891. He served in the Spanish war as a watch and division officer on the gunboat Marblehead. His last active duty was as navigator of the armored cruiser Colorado from July 20, August 12, 1910. He had been undergoing treatment since that date at the Naval Hospital at Mare Island.

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EXPERIMENTS IN WILL MAKING.

O'Donnell's \$25,000 Will Probably Go as He Tried to Forbid.

A will case out of the ordinary developed in the Surrogate's Court yesterday in the estate of Anthony O'Donnell, who died in 1909 leaving property worth about \$25,000. Shortly after his death a will was admitted to probate which had been executed on May 20, 1903. It left \$50 to the Rev. Father Peter Farrell and divided the residuary estate into four parts, which went to the testator's sister, who is sister Mary Rose in Providence Retreat, Buffalo; to St. Francis of Roman Catholic Church; to the Home for the Aged of the Little Sisters of the Poor and to the La Salle Academy. John J. O'Donnell, a nephew, contested the will on the ground that it was not signed by the testator in the presence of the witnesses in the presence of the testator. Surrogate Cahalan heard the case and reserved decision.

A new will, which was executed eighteen days before the one admitted to probate, was filed yesterday in behalf of the estate of Thomas F. Foley, the undertaker who buried O'Donnell, but Farrell and before he could collect his bill. This will left \$50 to St. Patrick's Cathedral and divided the residue into nine parts for St. Teresa's Church, St. Joseph's Church, La Salle Academy, the Home for the Aged, St. Joseph's Hospital, the Mission of Our Lady of the Rosary, the Convent of Sisters and the Holy Family.

After the testator's signature to this will is written "I hereby revoke the foregoing will." Then followed the testator's signature and the date, July 2, 1907. The name of Paul D. Judge was signed as one of the witnesses of the revocation clause, but he filed an affidavit with the new will yesterday stating that the signature was not his. Patrick F. Cahalan, who was named as executor of both wills, is dead.

An expert in the Surrogate's office said that under the law the prior will is valid in spite of the alleged attempt to revoke it.

DEATH FOLLOWS DISMISSAL. Dr. Bingham Had Held a Post in the Lighthouse Service for 35 Years.

Dr. F. N. Bingham, who had charge of the medical supplies for the lighthouse service, eastern division, for the last thirty-five years, died last night at his home on Monroe avenue, New Brighton, Staten Island. He was 72 years old and on Tuesday had received notice of his dismissal from the position he had held so long. His death is attributed to distress because of the dismissal coupled with the heat.

Dr. Bingham's dismissal is said to be in conformity with a policy of reorganization of the headquarters of the eastern division of the service, which has its headquarters at Tompkinsville, by which, he said, the older men are being replaced by younger men. The dismissal followed the appearance of Dr. Bingham before an examining board.

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Advertisement for CHARLES FROHMAN IS SICK, featuring an illustration of a man in a suit and the text 'Charles Frohman will be compelled to remain away from his office at the Empire Theatre for some weeks. He has been suffering from acute articular rheumatism, first in the elbow and now in the right knee. He is able, however, to carry on his work at his home and will be able to join his rehearsals at the end of July.'

Advertisement for Imperial Beer, featuring a large illustration of a beer bottle and the text 'When It's "Too Hot to Eat," Try This Pale, Cool Beer! With Its Tempting Sparkle and Snappy Flavor, Imperial Beer is Appetizing and Invigorating! Have It With Dinner Tonight!'

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