

# The Bull-Frog and the Coon

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Moderato.

1. While doves were soft-ly coo-ing, A coon once went a woo-ing, his Su - san,.... his Hon - ey  
2. The Frog-gies both grew fright-ened, As his arms 'round her tight-ened, 'Round Su - san,.... his Hon - ey

Sue The moon looked on with en - vy, the stars seemed ra - ther friend - ly, The  
Sue Then with a splash they part - ed, a - fraid and heav - y heart - ed, The

Owl..... was woo - ing too;..... A - long a brook they wan - dered, and  
Owl..... in fu - ry too;..... He still kept on a - lov - ing, and

there up - on a log, By chance he saw the woo - ing, of Miss and Mis - ter Frog; It  
soon to his sur - prise, The same two lit - tle frog - gies, there right be - fore his eyes, Were

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set his mind a work - ing, my du - ties I am shirk - ing, I'll show Sue..... how frog - gies woo.....  
spooning hard as ev - er, as if noth - ing could sev - er, un - til Sue..... said "let us woo....."

CHORUS.  
Sang the lit - tle Mis - ter Bull - Frog, sang the La - dy Frog - gie too,....  
ca - chunk ca - chunk

Then they loud - ly sang to - geth - er and their eyes went goo - goo - goo.....  
chunk Kiss

Then their lips they went a smack - ing, just as frog - gies off - en do;.... When they  
Kiss Kiss Kiss

kissed good bye, then he said "Oh my!..... I'm go - ing too." too."  
Kiss Kiss Kiss

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## Items, General and Personal, Of Interest to G. P. O. Workers

That Columbia Union would refuse to send a full delegation to San Francisco because of the expense was not considered seriously by many members, as shown by the action in tabling the matter without debate at last Sunday's meeting.

Aside from the fact that such action on the part of the third union in the jurisdiction of the International Typographical Union, in point of members, and with a scale as high as the highest, would have caused much criticism, there is another feature that the Eastern unions must not lose sight of. There is a much more radical element in the unions of the far West generally than in the East, and should the delegates from the West find themselves with a preponderating majority at the first convention of the International Typographical Union held on the Pacific Coast, legislation may be enacted that will give the conservative East some trouble to undo; therefore, it will not only be good policy for full delegations to be sent from the East, but they should be composed of the best and ablest men of the organizations.

M. E. Madden, a leading member of Chicago Typographical Union, No. 34, has been in Washington for several weeks, assisting in the effort to defeat the legislation antagonistic to the magazine publishers. Mr. Madden has been active in union matters in his home city for nearly thirty years, and has among the craft here many old friends and former associates.

The old contract for the stock on which the postal cards are printed closed last week, and work in that section has been closed down until a supply is received under the new contract beginning March 1, and in the meanwhile the employees are distributed among the other divisions of the office.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Lowd have the sincere sympathy of their many G. P. O. friends in the loss of their ten-month-old son, one of the pretty twins of which they were so proud.

Vice President Francis Benzer, of Columbia Union, is a popular officer, judging from the applause with which he is greeted when called to the chair.

The baseball enthusiasts of the Bloomington district are much excited over the prospect of the Independence League playing on McDevitt's Field for another season at least, and there is a prospect of one of the franchises being acquired by G. P. O. people and a team representing the printing office entering the league.

President George Berry, of the International Printing Pressmen and Assistants' Union, has been a visitor at the National Capital meet of the past week, looking after the interests of his organization in connection with the magazine publishers' controversy with the Post-office Department.

Capt. John C. Colwell, one of the most brilliant of the sons of old Cumberland County, this is the fourteenth of a series which Mr. Leeds is running in the Sentinel and which are attracting marked attention not only in his home county, but throughout the Keystone State.

Friends of William A. Anglin are of the opinion that it would be a good thing to send that famous humorist as a delegate to San Francisco. If he can be induced to enter for the contest the other aspirants will have to hustle to beat him.

A son of the Emerald Isle, for years an employe of the G. P. O., was much impressed by the politeness with which he was supposedly greeted by the boss on completion of his first night's labor on an American newspaper. In the old country the boss or head of a department is known as the master. Well, the printer from the other side was one of the early phalanx that first night, and was just leaving the composing room when the man at the desk called out "Good night," notifying the foreman and others that "30" was in. The son of the old sod, thinking it was for him, turned and bowed, and replied, "Good night, master." Then to a companion, "Well, good night when ye lave off work!"

Billy Dooley, leader of the insurgents of the local Pressmen's Union, was in the neighborhood of the G. P. O. about noon on Friday, and the suspicion was immediately aroused that he is fixing his fences to again be a delegate to the I. P. P. and A. U. convention. Dooley is the sight of one of his eyes is completely gone, and that he fears he will have to give up working at his trade in the Bureau.

The failure of Representative Richmond Pearson Hobson to appear at the G. P. O. for the Washington's Birthday exercises was a great disappointment for the hero of Santiago has many admirers among the 4,000 employes, and all were anxious to hear him, but they recognized the fact that his duties as a member of the Naval Committee of the House, at this time, are very exacting and must take precedence over any personal engagements elsewhere.

Miss Lydia A. H. Burkin, daughter of George Burkin, one of the expert foreign readers of the G. P. O., is in charge of Friendship House, an institution that is doing a great deal of good charitable work among the people of the southeast section of Washington.

Ray Wilson, of the ruling room, is much gratified that his mother is again making her home with his family at their handsome place in Brookland, after an extended visit of several months at the home of another son in Kansas City, Mo.

prise to his friends, but Bob took it with such good grace that it made him many new admirers, and his chances for San Francisco look first class.

How very gratifying it is to have the assurance from the Secretary of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing that the installation of steam presses in the bureau will deprive no one of employment. Of course, not! If a machine will do the work of four plate printers and three helpers will be given an easy chair and allowed to draw their salary just to sit around and look on.

When the division of issues was abolished the same assurances were given those employes, and of the seventeen pressmen in that division three or four were taken on at the bureau, two or three were taken care of by the Public Printer, several got places as watchmen or helpers at half the salary they formerly earned, and the balance were let out altogether. So it undoubtedly will be with the plate printers and their helpers.

Another former printer and highly respected citizen passed away last week in the person of W. A. Aughinbaugh, a special examiner in the Patent Office for a quarter of a century. Mr. Aughinbaugh was a compositor and proofreader on specifications before going to the Patent Office and had many warm friends among the printers of the G. P. O.

If there is a prouder man in Washington than Machinist Jim Gibson when he walks about with those twin boys, it must be a man who has handsome triplets.

Comrade W. R. Livermore is a grandfather of the third degree, if that is what they designate a man who has his third grandchild.

Revised Jack Connolly is a weekly recipient of some highly interesting experiences from an old friend who is traveling around in Central and South American countries, some of the letters reading like fiction.

Washington's Birthday was observed by most of the forces of the composing and proof rooms as a day of labor, the closing hours of Congress necessitating the extra duty.

Eugene F. Rosen and Thurston G. Brown, skilled laborers in the document section, having satisfactorily completed their six months' probationary period, have received absolute appointments, according to civil service requirements.

Owing to the prolonged absence from office of Injunctor Laura B. Gordon, due to the severe injuries sustained recently, a chapel meeting was held on Thursday noon, presided over by President Roberts. Former Delegate William R. Lovs was the unanimous choice for temporary chairman.

A. P. Beatty, of the document section, returned from a visit to his old home on Monday morning.

not been able to leave his apartments. Owing to injuries to the right foot he will be obliged to use crutches. Daily inquiries are made as to his condition.

C. W. Henry, of the correcting alley, document section, has returned to office, having recovered from his recent sickness.

George N. Page, of the pamphlet binding section, who sustained severe injuries a few weeks ago while at work, is improving.

Compositors E. H. Tabler, D. McCallum, C. C. Auracher, B. C. Wright, G. P. Dowell, George W. Newell, and Miss Laura B. Gordon, of the document section, are on the sick list.

The following members of the chapel of the document section comprise the "jobster" force organized on Monday last: G. R. Boone, H. S. Gunn, P. J. Waterman, T. M. Donn, W. E. Holt, J. M. Thompson, R. H. Campbell, John (Jack) T. Stewart, John W. De Vries, John Sheridan, Olin A. Palmer, N. C. Hawley, Howard T. Rig, Levi Huber, and Daniel McCallum.

Skilled Laborers H. C. Reeler and W. H. Anderson, of the document section, have been assigned to the intermediary force, reporting for work at 10 a. m.

The announcement of the candidacy of Thomas L. Jones, of the proofroom, for delegate to the convention of the International Typographical Union, at San Francisco, puts into the race one of its most widely-known and popular men, who deserves recognition for the work he has performed, in season and out of season, for the organization ever since becoming a member.

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Henry Noyes, who for the past two years has been only able to work

spasmodically, is again at his desk in the proofroom, and B. F. Mann also resumed work in that division yesterday morning, after an absence of six months in search of health.

Elevator Conductor Chapman sustained a severe sprain to his right ankle by slipping upon the ice.

Those reported absent from the proofroom yesterday on account of illness were Miss S. E. Stimpson, Edgar P. Bennett, Joseph H. Babcock, Clayton R. Edelin, Theodore Gerber, Edward J. Hall, John M. Johnston, Augustus L. Roberts, and John C. Wilson.

Forest Grimes, messenger in the linotype section, is an expert pianist, and proved a most acceptable accompanist for the G. P. O. chorus at its Washington Birthday concert.

Mrs. F. S. Larkin, sister of Mrs. George M. Ramsey, who has been an inmate of Providence Hospital for surgical treatment for two weeks past, is convalescing rapidly, and will return home this week.

More than usual interest attaches to the convention of the International Printing Pressmen and Assistants' Union this year, from the fact that it will be held in one of the buildings of the home and sanatorium they are establishing at Hale Springs, Tenn., which institution will be dedicated during the meeting next June. Permanent headquarters will be established there and all future meetings of the organization it is expected, will be held on their own property. Several candidates from the local union are spoken of, but as yet Secretary C. H. Evans is the only one formally announced.

The following from Billy Garrett, former Secretary of Columbia Typographical Union, now chief of the printing division of the Bureau of Insular Affairs at Cristobal, Canal Zone, of a recent date, gives an idea of some of the joys of life along the great canal:

"Following the catastrophe in New York Harbor on the 1st day of February, a brief history of the arrival, the consumption, the handling, and the accidents caused by the use of dynamite in the Canal Zone will go a long way to show that residence down here is not all that it is cracked up to be, with Uncle Sam paying for the rent, light, furniture, and fuel, notwithstanding these perquisites are invariably referred to by tourists and occasionally by members of committees who come to investigate conditions as overgenerousness on the part of the government.

"It is said upon good medical authority that residence in the tropics materially affects the nerves, and yet with danger of every description surrounding every employe on this great work, there is a very small percentage of 'yellow streaks' visible among the tollers. It is true that when you see a West India negro carrying a box of dynamite on his head in close proximity to a boat containing 200 tons of the same stuff you have a sort of an indescribable feeling crawling up your spine and commence to shudder in season and out of season, for the completion of the canal—that's all.

### IN RACE FOR DELEGATE.



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of how it is unloaded and handled than the following extract from a dynamite inspector's report that fell to my notice shortly after my arrival on the isthmus. It made me feel so good at the time and assisted so in forgetting home environments that I preserved it.

"The steamer Phyllis arrived at dock 14 with 1,022,000 pounds of dynamite—20,540 cases of 50 pounds in a case. Each box was picked from the hold by a man who passed it up to another man, who in turn passed it up to a third, by whom it was set on a long skid and allowed to slide toward the dock. Just before it reached the wharf each box was caught by a man who carried it to a point on the dock where it was carried into the box cars on the siding.

"Great sport! But what if the fellow on the wharf hadn't been a good catcher? This is the monthly, and frequently semi-monthly stunt at this wharf, and after this is completed the train is pulled over on the tracks immediately alongside of the printing plant to await shipment. Just imagine a comp pulling out on a hurried take at a window frame under those conditions, and then try and make yourself believe Gen. Blackburn's statement that it's the climate that affects the nerves.

"Notwithstanding the vast amount of explosives used in 'digging this ditch,' and the class of labor employed, together with the risk, fewer men have lost their lives on that account than are killed ordinarily in the same length of time by electric cars in our cities having a population equaling the number of employes on the canal. But forty-nine lives were lost by dynamite explosion from June, 1907, to September, 1910, and in but one

the premature explosion at Bas Obispo December 12, 1908, the direct cause was determined. It would require too much space to describe each minutely, but the following two will give you a fair idea of the stupidity among this class of labor under vigilant watching:

"Culebra Cut, November 15, 1907; two negroes, placed a small charge unknowingly too near an unexploded charge of 25 pounds.

"Culebra storehouse, May 27, 1908; one Spaniard and a Panamanian negro. The Spaniard became impatient with the negro's slowness and tried to knock the top off a box of blasting caps with a mallet."

"It's the same old story—the servant girl, the kitchen stove, and the short-necked can. They still exist and the fool-killer working overtime."

**Why Immigrants Take Boarders.**  
From Survey.  
The earnings of the immigrant industrial workers, as well as those of native birth, in present day industrial communities are generally too small to permit the maintenance of an independent form of family life. Of more than 2,500 wage-earners eighteen years of age or over, who were studied by the immigration commission in the general investigation of immigrants in industries, the average annual earnings were only \$35, and in the case of many Southern and Eastern European races the average was considerably less. These meager earnings in the case of male heads of families were supplemented by taking boarders or lodgers into the households or by having the children go to work. The average annual income of immigrant families was also only \$70. Less than two-fifths of the immigrant households were supported by the earnings of the husbands, and more than one-fourth derived part of their maintenance from the payments of boarders or lodgers.

**The French Premier's Laundry.**  
From the Pall Mall Gazette.  
Aristide Briand, prime minister of France, used to be the fiercest socialist that ever wore a red tie, but office has calmed him down, and nowadays the more advanced comrades rather despise him for being less shaggy and untamed than themselves.

One of these extremists has a laundry, and does the premier's washing. When the prime ministerial linen is received at the establishment, the proprietor speaks something in this wise—or so the story goes:  
"Here's that blackguard-Briand's washing again! May his bones rot for evermore! I should like to boil him in my own copper! Take care of the accursed linen, or else he'll go somewhere else, and we shall lose a good customer!"  
Business first and pleasure afterward!

**Disraeli's Pipes.**  
From the London Chronicle.  
The short pipe beloved of the navy reminds one of the other extreme—the pipe with yards of circling stem beloved of the Turk. Disraeli behind a short cutty is inconceivable, but Disraeli with the pipe of the Turk in his mouth is well in the picture. It is a real picture. Sir H. W. Lucy, in one of his gossips, recalls Disraeli's favorites: "He brought home the pipes which figure so prominently in his correspondence from the East, and one day presented them to Lord Rowton, who to the end kept them among his most treasured relics. It is characteristic of Disraeli that he christened his pipes in magnificent fashion. One he called 'Boophorus,' and the other 'Sultan.' The stems were fully eight feet long, made with wood covered with futed silk."

### WARNING TO PARENTS.

It is risky to feed raw milk and cream to children or invalids unless you are sure that at the farm which produces the milk the utmost cleanliness is observed at all times, particularly during milking, and where the employes are thoroughly healthy persons.

Raw milk often produces Tuberculosis, Scarlet Fever, also Typhoid, and other intestinal diseases.

We can guard against infection by properly pasteurizing milk or by home pasteurization.

Properly pasteurizing milk (and cream) by keeping it at 140 deg. F. for twenty or thirty minutes does not affect its nutritive value nor its digestibility. Quick or commercial pasteurizing, however, is unreliable.

You can home pasteurize raw milk by heating it to near boiling, then cool, and keep cold and covered until used.

Most indigestion in babies is caused from milk too rich in cream.

Society for Prevention of Sickness.

E. NEHLNER, Secretary.