

GRIDIRON CLUB ENTERTAINS THE NEW ADMINISTRATION

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daughter Tariff, "the fairest maid that ever nursed an infant industry." She was the heroine and Oscar's sweetheart. Even the messenger boy who now came in had to announce that "it's a bitter night."

The villain and the heroine. But hark! Footsteps are approaching on horseback. The villain enters. "Tis a bitter night," he exclaims, as his eyes fall upon the telegram. Will the good ship get in safely? Not if the villain knows it.

Then comes the scene between the villain and the heroine. "I'll dress you like Sheba's Queen," said he. "No," replied the brave girl. "Rags are royal raiment when worn for Woodrow's sake!"

And then when Miss Tariff said that she was "a poor, unprotected girl," Penrose Smoot asked her if she did not want protection. "Well," was the coy reply, "I might take a little on Florida oranges and North Carolina cotton goods."

"Also on Tennessee coal and iron and Texas steers." "All this and more you shall have, my proud beauty, if you will fly with me!" "Inland me, villain," screamed the heroine. "Help! Help!"

Whereupon, of course, Oscar, the hero, dashed in, forgetting in his excitement to announce that it's a bitter night, and rescued the girl. There was much more to the thrilling play, including a hand-to-hand conflict between Old Bill Bryan and the villain in the effort to douse the gim, but finally the good ship was halted. Then it was discovered that its only cargo was fifteen thousand office-seekers.

"President Wilson," somebody asserted, "says take the ship to sea again and scuttle her." "God help the poor office-seekers on such a night as this," said Old Bill Bryan, as the drama came to an end.

Interviewing the Cabinet. The two new members of the club, Robert H. Patchin, of the New York Herald, and Thomas F. Logan, of the Philadelphia Inquirer, were assigned to the task of interviewing the Cabinet officers, Secretary Tumulty and others, in order to show their journalistic qualifications. Mr. Tumulty was asked to explain why the President went to a different church every Sunday. His alleged answer was: "It's a part of the administration's economy programme. It's cheaper to move than to pay pew rent."

Postmaster General Burleson was reported as saying that he would enforce civil service reform if it cost him every Republican postmaster in the service, while Attorney General McReynolds was credited with saying that he believed in cut-throat competition provided it was confined to the two wings of the Republican party. Secretary Houston expressed his fitness for presiding over the Department of Agriculture by asserting that as a professor of ancient languages he could call all the vegetables by their Latin names. Secretary Daniels was reported as saying that he was teaching Presbyterian hymns to all the sailors and that he was going to pass a big naval bill by recommending one battleship for each Congressional district. All the other Cabinet officers were credited with propositions that were equally laughable, and when the candidates had shown that they could interview public men at the rate of five a minute it was decided that they must be pretty good reporters, after all.

the warbled, but Jeffersonian Democracy answered: "I might care to meet you there, if I had time to spare."

A Quartet of Ghosts. Then the ghosts entered, gliding in mysteriously under a green spotlight and swathed in gauze. They were the policies of past administrations. The ghost of high protection carried a large letter K and thus sang:

The ghost of high protection, Once he ran the shop. Since the last election, He has no place to stop. The ghost of dollar diplomacy was distinguished by three gilt balls and lamented that he felt like thirty cents; the ghost of monopoly bore a globe representing the earth and prophesied that he would always be hanging 'round; and the ghost of imperialism was decorated by a crown and scepter. The ghost of the money trust—the biggest ghost of all—sang in a deep bass voice that he was a ghost of grim persistence, but that Bryan was now on his trail. The ghosts faded away with a chorus, splendidly sung, which said:

Poor old ghosts, ghosts of the misty past! The bell of progress ringing clear, so Sounds out and calls us to depart at last. Now we are doomed to disappear. Tribute to President Wilson. Finally came the story of the Independence Bell, which was sung with great spirit and is worth repeating, as follows:

In the days of old the leaders of the nation Gathered round so bravely, each with pen in hand, Stanch and stalwart signers of the Declaration. While the Independence Bell rang through the land, Then its tones grew silent, Vigilance and courage that we need to ring it.

As the chorus was repeated to the accompaniment of musical chimes, and with splendid harmony, there was a spontaneous burst of applause which lasted many minutes. The song served as the introduction for President Wilson, and he took his cue, so to speak, from the theme of the story, speaking beneath a mammoth floral liberty bell which was disclosed as he arose from his seat.

The President's speech was not reported, for Gridiron dinner speeches are never published, but it was greatly enjoyed by all who had the good fortune to hear it. It was thoroughly in keeping with the spirit of the occasion and made a delightful impression. All of the speeches were good, and the interest in them was heightened by the fact that some of the speakers were attending a Gridiron dinner for the first time.

Secretary Bryan, who was the spokesman for the Cabinet, although all of his colleagues were asked to stand up as a visible demonstration of their presence, made an excellent speech. He was impregnated during the early part of the evening by Mr. Charles B. Hanford and the deception was perfect. Senator Root and Senator Goff were among the other guests who were called upon and who responded happily.

The Fruit Stand Episode. There was one brief stunt during the evening, which created much amusement. One of the members of the club—a portly and prosperous looking member—entered with a push cart laden with wares. He was labeled "The Interests" and his cart bore a placard with the words, "Republican Fruit Stand." Presently Miss Democracy came in with another fruit stand, containing nomination peaches, tariff plums, and conservation lemons. In the crowd which followed was an impersonator of Roosevelt, who loudly denounced the Republican fruit seller as a liar, a thief, and a malefactor. He appealed to the crowd to buy at the Democratic stand and presently Miss Democracy went out with an empty cart and a purse full of money. During all this time "The Interests" sat unconcerned. "Why don't you get excited?" asked a member. "The other stand has sold everything and you have sold nothing. You can't live that way."

"O, that's all right," said The Interests, lighting a big cigar. "I own both stands!" A Novel Kind of Application. The legion of office-seekers was remembered in the application for a fourth-class postmaster, which was found at every plate as a menu souvenir. It was made up like a genuine application blank, but different, slightly different. For instance, here was this line: NOTICE TO APPLICANTS—Do not answer questions as though writing for a newspaper, but adhere closely to the truth. The applicant was advised to fill in all the blanks with care, as "an error might lose you the job." Some of the questions are worth quoting:

Where were you made a Democrat? Were you a Democrat prior to March 4, 1912? Does Uncle Sam support your family? Do you use or have you ever used water? If so, to what extent? Were you ever separated from the Government Civil Service? Did the separation seem to work out any great difference with the transaction of the public business? Did you resign, or were you kicked out? Or did somebody else just get the office away from you? Avoid reference to politics, and, for heaven's sake, say nothing about being Progressive.

beer, chewing gum, morphine or opium? Which do you prefer? Name the Presidents of the United States since their first inauguration. Name the Presidents of Mexico in their disorder? There was an affidavit attached by which the applicant swore to administer the office for the good of the Democratic party only, to let the rural delivery vehicles be used to bring Democrats only to the polls, and to give 10 per cent of the postoffice receipts to the Democratic campaign fund. The usual accompanying certificate of character from a disinterested friend contained these questions:

"Denial" the applicant's name? Have you reached years of discretion? Then, if so, why indorse the applicant? When did he get out? Has he taken the gold cure? Would you take his L. O. U. to open a jackpot? Would you guarantee his hotel bill while he was in this job? The Guests and Decorations. Just a word in conclusion about the guests and the decorations.

In addition to the President, every member of the Cabinet except Secretary McAdoo was present. The official executive family was also represented by Secretary Tumulty, Assistant Secretary Foster, and Maj. Rhoads, U. S. A., the President's military aid. The Brazilian Ambassador and the Swiss Minister represented the diplomatic corps, while, as usual, the Senate and House could almost have gathered a quorum. Many of the officials of the new administration, including Assistant Secretaries John Ekkelton Williams and Franklin D. Roosevelt, were also present, while in the list of guests were to be found the names of men distinguished in every profession and from nearly every city in the United States. The entire party numbered about 25, and its personnel was unusually high.

The banquet hall presented a scene of rare beauty. The enormous electric Gridiron, which flashed while President Rudolph Kauffman was delivering his speech of welcome after the opening chorus, was imbedded in a mass of American Beauty roses. Hundreds of these fragrant blossoms were used in a floral panel, which reached to the lofty ceiling. Spring flowers were in abundance and gave both fragrance and color to the magnificent picture planned by the artistic skill of Small. As usual, the flowers were not taken away by the guests, but will be sent today to cheer the bedridden patients in the city hospitals, thus affording a sympathetic and delightful sequel to the dinner.

That there was something good to eat besides the feast of reason, the following menu shows: MENU Buffet Russe Cherrystone Clams Radishes, Olives, Salted Nuts Clear Green Tartlets Soft Shell Crabs, Tarted Tenderloin of Beef, Pique, Fried Shrimps Florida Beans New Potatoes, Rissole Terrapin, Maryland Gridiron Punch Roast Guinea Chicken Mount Vernon Salad Maple Sauce Assorted Cakes Coffee

Martini Cocktails Haut Sauterne Moet & Chandon Imperial Crown Brut, Cuvee AA Apollinaris Cigars and Cigarettes Following are the officers and members of the Gridiron Club: President—Rudolph Kauffman. Vice president—Ernest G. Walker. Secretary—John Smith. Treasurer—Louis Williams. Executive committee (in addition to officers)—Arthur J. Dodge, Edgar C. Studer, and George E. Miller. Active members—David S. Barry, the Providence Journal; Ira E. Bennett, Washington Post; Samuel G. Ehrlich, Philadelphia Saturday Evening Post; Charles A. Boynton, Associated Press; L. White Busby, 236 Massachusetts Avenue; Frank G. Carpenter, Carpenter's Straddle; Edward R. Clark, Chicago Evening Post; H. Conquest Clark, 113 N. Street Northwest; J. Harry Cunningham, 11 Post Building; Oscar King Davis, 1803 Wyoming Avenue Northwest; P. V. De Graw, 239 Maryland Avenue Northwest; Arthur J. Dodge, Minneapolis Tribune; Arthur W. Dunn, American Press Association; Richard Lee Fearn, Washington, D. C.; Lewis Garthe, Baltimore American; John P. Gavit, James P. Hornaday, Indianapolis News; W. W. James, Minneapolis Journal-Saturday Times; Phil Chronicle-Telegraph; Perry S. Heath, 218 S. Street Northwest; Edwin M. Hood, the Associated Press; Jerome C. Johnson, Indianapolis News; W. W. James, Minneapolis Journal-Saturday Times; Rudolph Kauffman, Washington Star; Charles P. Kesner, St. Louis Globe-Democrat; Francis E. Lenoxy, 112 Sixteenth Street Northwest; Thomas P. Logan, Philadelphia Inquirer; David R. McKee, Washington, D. C.; N. G. Messenger, Washington Star; George E. Miller, Detroit News; John E. Monk, St. Paul Pioneer-Press; Richard V. Oulahan, New York Times; John Quinn, Chicago Tribune; Robert H. Patchin, New York Herald; Charles C. Randolph, Arizona Republican; F. A. Richardson, Baltimore Saturday Evening Post; New York States-Zeitung; John R. Shriver, Baltimore American-Star; Edgar C. Smider, Omaha Bee; Louis W. Steiner, Evening Dispatch; Alfred J. Rifer, Birmingham (Ala.) News; Lerry T. Vernon, Chicago News; Ernest G. Walker, Boston Herald; Henry E. West, Washington, D. C.; Robert J. Williams, 315 Rhode Island Avenue Northwest; James Rankin Young, Philadelphia Evening Star. Limited members—C. K. Berryman, Washington Star; J. Henry Kasper, 66 The Plaza, Herndon, Mass., 1119 Fifteenth St. n.w.; Alex. Mosher, Patent

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P. V. DE GRAY WITH INSURANCE COMPANY Former Fourth Assistant Postmaster General, Mentioned as Probable Commissioner. P. V. De Graw, who recently retired from the postal service as Fourth Assistant Postmaster General, has accepted the position of vice president and interstate commissioner of the Postal Life Insurance Company of New York. It is Mr. De Graw's purpose, through his connection with the Postal Life Insurance Company, to devote his energy to the promotion of plans, not only for life protection, but also for the care of superannuated governmental employees. Mr. De Graw's name has been presented to President Wilson for appointment on the board of directors of the club. During Mr. De Graw's administration of the Fourth Assistant Postmaster General's office he accomplished the extension of the rural delivery service from 20,000 to more than 60,000 routes.

DINNER CELEBRATION. Y. M. C. A. Debating Team Hears Addresses and Plans Future. The Debating Club of the Y. M. C. A. closed its season last night with a dinner at the National Press Club. The forty members of the club, their officers, and a number of guests of honor, celebrated the closing of the season by a discussion of next year's plans, when it is hoped that the organization will double its membership. H. W. Johnson, president of the club, was toastmaster. The following guests made brief addresses: M. J. Jones, director of education of the Y. M. C. A.; W. K. Cooper, its general secretary; Roger J. Whitford, coach of the club; W. E. Gilliland, vice president; P. N. Smith, secretary; E. R. Sterling, C. F. Stone, H. H. Williford, F. D. Scott, D. J. Richardson, T. T. Marze, A. D. Mackey, Mr. Hale, and H. J. Hustonman. The club will continue under the direction of its present coach, R. J. Whiteford, and will hold its reorganization meeting some time during the coming October.

Dominican Trouble Continues. A fierce complication has been injected into the political situation in the Dominican Republic by the split between the House and Senate in the matter of the election of a new provisional President. The Senate voted unanimously three times for Senor Bordas Valdez, a Senator from the Puerta Plata district. The House, however, has refused to indorse this election, and the vote in that body resulted in a tie between Jimenez and Horatio Vazquez, leaders in the late revolution. Velasquez, minister of finance under the Caceras administration, also is a strong candidate in the House.

Bill for Trade Commission. The bill to create an interstate trade commission for the regulation of corporations engaged in commerce along the States and with foreign nations, except common carriers, was reintroduced yesterday with committee amendments by Senator Newlands, chairman of the Interstate Commerce Committee. His committee took up the measure during the last session, but made only a general report upon it at that time. By means of an ingenious instrument, the hydroplane, the human aviator can penetrate the ocean depths and clearly distinguish objects more than a mile below the surface.

Plan for National Primaries. A scheme for a national Presidential primary to be held in all States on the second Monday in July in the year of Presidential elections was introduced yesterday by Senator Cummins of Iowa. A national board is to canvass the returns and certify the nominations to the national committees of the several parties and to the election officials. The bill forbids the nomination of Presidential candidates by any other means than by independent petition or through this primary.

Miss Frances Perkins, Secretary of New York Committee on Safety. Samuel Gompers Better. Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, who is a patient at the Episcopal Eye, Ear, and Throat Hospital, is reported as resting comfortably and in no serious danger. Ear trouble is the cause of his confinement. It has not been definitely decided whether an operation will be performed.

Strike Information Sought. A resolution calling for a Federal inquiry into the treatment of striking coal miners in the Paint Creek and Cabin Creek districts of West Virginia by mine guards and State troops during the strikes of the past two years was introduced in the Senate yesterday by Senator Kern of Indiana, the majority leader. Mr. Kern has become interested in the complaints of the United Mine Workers of America that their members and officers in West Virginia have been fined or sent to the penitentiary for long terms by courts-martial upon evidence which the strikers declare has been either trifling or wholly false.

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John J. B. Lerch, Appointed by President Lincoln, and a Member of His Bodyguard, to Observe Anniversary To-day.

FIFTY YEARS IN POSTOFFICE.



JOHN J. B. LERCH, Survivor of Lincoln's bodyguard.

John J. B. Lerch, one of the little band of eleven survivors of Eighth Battalion, Turner Regiment, District National Guard, which acted as the bodyguard of President Lincoln during the early years of the war, will celebrate his fiftieth anniversary of service with the Washington postoffice today. On April 13, 1863, just a half century ago, Mr. Lerch was appointed as one of the clerks in the postoffice of this city at the request of President Lincoln. He has served there ever since, and has this that is unique in his record, he has nothing but memories of kindnesses and kindly memories of all his associates during his long term of service. Mr. Lerch was born near Nuremberg, in the kingdom of Bavaria, where the people are noted for their qualities of heart, freedom from stiff conventionalities, and for their good fellowship. Equipped with his Bavarian inheritance of good nature and kindly interest in his fellows, Mr. Lerch remembers only to have met friends among the many he has come in contact with during his long period of residence in Washington. He speaks of a number of them with affectionate recollection. President Lincoln was a friend of his, and the great leader during his troublous times, who came within his ken, still hold warm places in his regard. Mr. Lerch was born December 19, 1812. He first came to this country with a party of friends in 1849, returning to the waterland in 1852. He again came to America, to stay, in 1853, and settled down in the District, where he was married in the following year. When war broke out between the North and the South he took a leading part in the organization of the Eighth Battalion, of the Turner Regiment, D. C. N. G. His battalion was chosen as the personal guard of the great President, and formed his secret wherever he went to the Capitol. For this bat-

ADDRESSES CONSUMERS' LEAGUE CONSUMERS' LEAGUE MEETS TOMORROW

Representative Peters and Miss Frances Perkins to be the Principal Speakers.



MISS FRANCES PERKINS, Secretary of New York Committee on Safety.

Representative Andrew Peters of Massachusetts and Miss Frances Perkins, of New York, will be the speakers at the second annual meeting of the Consumers' League that is to be held tomorrow at the National Press Club. Mr. Peters will speak on the general aspect of such protective legislation. "Our discussion this year," said Mrs. Harvey Wiley, the president of the local league, "will be confined to the question of legislation. The original policy of the National Consumers' League when it was founded twenty-three years ago was to try to ameliorate the conditions of working women and children by a policy of persuasion; the consumer, or purchaser, bringing pressure to bear on her own tradespeople, who were employers of labor. By degrees, however, the pioneers of the movement saw that what they could accomplish by this means was strictly limited, and that they would have to have recourse to legislation in order to protect the well-mentioned employer against the competition of his unscrupulous rival. The Consumers' League has standards in regard to hours, wages, and general sanitation and fire protection, which it considers absolutely essential to the physical welfare of the working women of the country. These standards it is trying to enforce by statute in State after State.

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