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The American Humorists are coming to Los Angeles next year. That's no joke.

Mrs. Alberta Storrs will not go on the stage. For which the stage is to be congratulated.

Goremykin is about to be retired—even before we have learned how to pronounce his name.

The Odd Fellows would justify their name if they didn't meet in Los Angeles—when they have a chance.

It looks as though Bryan would have a victory as well defined and overwhelming as Roosevelt had in 1904.

San Pedro will be welcomed into the consolidation by all Los Angeles. Hollywood is also knocking at the door.

This is the cyclone season in the east. The blizzards are just past and the sun-strokes have begun. And yet people will live there.

Those Kentucky people who are going to the Blue Grass state could have found all the necessary ingredients here—even the mint.

Hollywood wants in on the big city, provided its own autonomy is preserved. Score one for Hollywood, the first to knock for admittance.

Really, the only safe menu these days seems to be hard boiled eggs and "murphies wid de jackets on"—and even the former are under suspicion.

That Chicago man who lost all his senses save that of small mist wish he were anywhere else right now, unless he wears a good strong clothespin.

Now let the American Humorists, who have decided to meet here next year, go over their ranks with a muck rake and exterminate any Coldfeet Collins that may be found in them.

Frank Wiggins finds it necessary to keep open house for Los Angeles all summer at Atlantic City, New Jersey. His absence will be excused if he will bring home with him all the eastern nymphs of the beach and their families.

Mr. Mathews says he will "run." As soon as he gets a good look at the chances for the election of a Democrat to congress from this district his speed will be accelerated toward the rear. This is the year of Democratic opportunity.

Congressmen who object to the extravagance of President Roosevelt and his large expenditures at the White House should remember that we have a large and swashbuckling president and it takes lots of money to maintain an establishment on that basis.

The day after the national liquor dealers, in session in Louisville, came out for temperance they drank twenty-nine varieties of champagne at their banquet. Maybe they thought to promote the temperance cause by licking up all the liquor themselves.

Capt. Cake and Nathan Cole, Jr., voice the sentiment of every Democrat in California in declaring in favor of Bryan for the presidential nomination in 1908. The state Democratic convention of California will undoubtedly be unanimous and enthusiastic on this point.

Chairman Butler of the consolidation commission states that no proposition coming from that body was ever made to submit the question of consolidation to a majority vote of the county. Assemblymen who claim otherwise have received some remarkable "information," it seems.

Prominent citizens of San Francisco are en route to Washington for the purpose of asking congress to indorse an issue by that city of \$200,000,000 of bonds for the rehabilitation of San Francisco. The great movement to bring the Owens river water to Los Angeles involves the expenditure of only about \$25,000,000, just one-eighth of the obligation that San Francisco proposes for herself. Our comparatively small sum, too, we are assured, will not increase taxation, as the enterprise will take care of its own interest from the water department earnings and eventually more than pay for itself. We should easily do at least one-eighth as well as San Francisco proposes to do.

FAVORING CONSOLIDATION

On all sides it is evident that the outlying towns are coming to a better and saner understanding of the city and county consolidation plans which Los Angeles is formulating.

The Municipal league dinner and the remarks made there indicated very plainly that San Pedro, one place most desired by Los Angeles, is the most eager to come into the plan, and has the most thorough comprehension of it. San Pedro is a harbor—something Los Angeles needs; Los Angeles is a railroad terminal and competing point—something San Pedro must be, to obtain its share of ocean traffic. The union of the two is logical and inevitable.

The chief recalcitrants so far are Long Beach and Pasadena. The latter we do not need and in many ways would find an incubus. But it does need Los Angeles woefully—especially Los Angeles' great Owens river water. The advisability of burdening Los Angeles with Pasadena merely for the help the latter might be in bearing its share of the cost of this water is a thing not yet voted on as desirable.

As to Long Beach, much the same argument holds.

With San Pedro favorable, may be listed Hollywood and the whole Cahuenga valley. The former's board of trade, at a meeting in the Hollywood hotel Thursday evening, unanimously favored union with Los Angeles if the borough system were provided, enabling it to continue its own self-government. As this is just what is proposed, Hollywood may be counted on as a certain and most valuable acquisition; almost as certain are the sister beach towns, Santa Monica, Venice and Ocean Park. All these places have kept their heads and their tempers, have waited the will of the committee in announcing the plans, and have seen the advantages proposed by reason of the calm, judicial views they have taken of the whole proposition.

One serious point that confronts all the towns and cities of Southern California is the uncertainty of a sufficient water supply, under present conditions. Renewed light on that subject is cast by the official communication sent to the city council on Thursday by the city water commissioners. Here is a pertinent extract from it: "Observations made at various points in Southern California show that the existing sources of supply are becoming exhausted; the entire surface flow of all streams in the territory surrounding the city is appropriated to divers uses and, in addition, waters are being very extensively pumped from the available water-bearing gravel beds." And then the startling statement that "At some places in Southern California the water plane in these gravel beds has, within the last few years, fallen as much as one hundred feet."

It is just as certain as sunrise that the constantly increasing drain upon the underground gravel beds will steadily decrease the supply of water and, in the not distant future, practically exhaust it. A moment's thought is sufficient to convince on that point, as repeatedly shown by The Herald. There is no increase in the annual precipitation in the nearby mountains which constitute the watershed of this section, and there is no other near source of supply.

It is as vital to the neighboring communities as it is to Los Angeles that they should be in touch with the bountiful water supply afforded by Owens valley. To reject the opportunity now offered for ample future supplies is suggestive of shutting the gate of prosperity.

This consideration alone, although there are others of importance, should cause thoughtful people in the neighboring towns and cities to grasp at once the golden opportunity to insure their permanent progress.

TIME FOR DIVISION NOT NOW

Judge Dillon's declaration at the Municipal league banquet that in his opinion the time has about arrived for a division of California into two states strikes a chord of approval in the hearts of many.

And no wonder. Northern California, as a whole, does not understand Southern California, and because the north end is the big end, the southern end is ignored and neglected in matters that are of vital importance.

This condition does not necessarily imply that the north is inimical to the south, either. There are frequent ebullitions of praise and evidences of pride of the south on behalf of the north that show, for the most part, an utter absence of prejudice or bad feeling.

Because the state is so overwhelmingly big there is not sufficient cause or opportunity to get acquainted. Affairs and questions in the south that are of great moment are held in the north to be trivial, because of a lack of knowledge, and hence of a want of appreciation sufficient to obtain the knowledge wherewith to act intelligently. This fact has just been again exasperatingly demonstrated in the consolidation measure. Governor Pardee never did, apparently, understand what Los Angeles wanted, and as a result he, finally put into his call the very thing that Los Angeles did not want. And so it goes, all the time.

Men of the central and northern sections know each other and their conditions fairly well. All their associations and sentiment cluster around San Francisco, to which city they make pilgrimages and where they often spend weeks together, like the pilgrims at Mecca. Southern California is outside of all this, not from choice by any means, but from force of circumstances. This is threshing over old straw, of course, but it seems necessary, in view of Judge Dillon's declaration, to indicate the spirit and conditions that evidently urged him to make the statement. But The Herald cannot agree with Judge Dillon that the time has arrived for a division of California into two

states. At this moment the northern and central section has need for Southern California, its friendship, its energies and its capital. The south is intensely loyal to the state at large. It glories in its magnificence and is proud of its greatness, even in territory.

The time to divide the state will be when all sections are squarely on their feet and when there can be a friendly and harmonious agreement on the part of both north and south to divide the state. The San Francisco disaster, as the Santa Barbara Independent recently said, does not change any of the reasons why the state will eventually be divided. It does, however, postpone action to a period more remote than otherwise might have been the case.

In other words, California will be separated some day—not by rebellion, or secession, or from a spirit of resentment, but because of a generous and general recognition of the necessity for such division on the part of all loyal and faithful citizens of the greatest and best state in the Union. If this time shall never come, then there will be no division.

THE INDIANA SLOGAN

"The Democracy of Indiana sends greeting across the sea to that wise and conservative statesman, unflinching patriot and superb leader, William Jennings Bryan, and pledges its vote in convention and the electoral vote of Indiana to him for president in 1908."

That is the Indiana slogan, a blast from the resolutions adopted by the Democracy of the state in convention at Indianapolis, and the report says: "The indorsement of William J. Bryan (which was unanimous) was received with an outburst of enthusiasm."

Indiana's next door neighbor, Illinois, is ready to echo the slogan that resounds from the Hoosier state. A dispatch from Chicago, printed in yesterday's Herald, stated that a canvass of Democratic editors in attendance at the annual meeting of the Illinois Press association "disclosed the fact that they are unanimous in support of the Nebraska man." That is equivalent to saying that Illinois Democrats are practically solid for Bryan.

The momentum already attained in the sweep toward Bryan is shown in the fact that within the last few days the Democrats of six important states have declared for him officially, and a seventh unofficially. Those states are Ohio, Missouri, Iowa, Arkansas, South Dakota, Indiana and Illinois. They represent 109 electoral votes and in the presidential nominating convention they will cast twice that number of votes. The total electoral vote in 1908 will be 476; necessary to a choice, 239.

There seems to be no longer a doubt that the other states generally will follow the example of the seven here named when they come to hold their state conventions. No other candidate than Bryan is considered now in any state. The gall of W. R. Hearst, in his pretension to be regarded as a competitor for the nomination, is ridiculed in every state.

NATIONAL LIQUOR DEALERS

Some Comment on the Unusual Character of Their Recent Resolutions. LOS ANGELES, June 8.—(Editor Herald): The average mortal will certainly think the millennium has dawned upon us when he reads the address of the National Liquor Dealers' association issued to the "People of the United States" this week. It declares in favor of temperance and denounces drunkenness as a crime!

Shades of Bacchus! Is his satanic majesty usurping the throne of heaven? If drunkenness is a crime, what about drunkard making, and what of drunkard makers? According to these fellows they must be saints. Is this effusion from the association the result of a twinge of conscience aroused by the damning of more than a quarter million of the citizens of the United States last year and the bringing of sorrow to a million hearts too deep for an angel to fathom, or is it blatant hypocrisy in trying to cover the tracks of crime that has made the liquor curse so infamous? But, after all, let us not be too hard on these drunkard makers, who make drunkards of more than one hundred thousand of our boys each year and who are in favor of temperance. Then it sounds so much like some church resolutions that we have heard and read which denounced the liquor curse, after which the resolvers go to the polls and vote for the perpetuation of the saloon! Yes, this is the address of the Liquor Dealers' association is as harmless as a Republican or an average church resolution. Yet it sounds a little strange, in view of the fact that five million dollars are to be raised in the United States to defeat prohibition. S. B.

SPRINKLES SELF WITH BLUING

Thinking It Holy Water, Houghton, Mich., Woman Seeks Safeguard From Evil in Storm

Special to The Herald. HOUGHTON, Mich., June 8.—The belief of all good Catholics in the efficacy of holy water to guard against evil was responsible for an incident attended with unlooked for results during the recent severe electrical storm here. A good woman, advanced in years, had sought her couch when the storm broke at an early hour in the evening, and, with a pious ejaculation, she sought her daughter to get the holy water. Obediently the daughter ran to the place—the location is immaterial—grasped a bottle and hastened into her mother's darkened room. She sprinkled the contents of the bottle in a generous manner, while the old woman dipped her finger into the fluid and devoutly crossed herself. Secure in the divine protection, she turned her face away from earthly things and found rest in peace.

The daughter returned to the lighted room and there found, to her consternation, that she had liberally bespattered the room and her mother with laundry bluing. In the morning the mother awoke to find dots of an ultramarine hue on her forehead and on the wall of her chamber, that the snowy counterpane of her couch was splashed with blue, and that on the bosom of her lacy white robe was an indigo cross. The woman felt that, in the sight of Providence, she intended and not the devil, that the bluing was as much a safeguard as would have been the sanctified water.

THE WORLD'S RICHEST ONE HUNDRED PERSONS

Men and Women Who Are Authoritatively Declared to Control Nearly Seven Billion Dollars of the World's Wealth From the Scrap Book.

Table listing the world's richest one hundred persons, including names, countries, and net worth. Total net worth: \$6,760,000,000.

Troops Leave Mine

By Associated Press. COLUMBUS, O., June 8.—The Eighth Ohio regiment has been relieved from further duty at the mines in Jefferson county, quiet having been restored.

Prohibit Importation of Arms

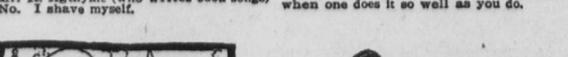
HELINGSFORS, June 8.—The Finnish senate has received an imperial order to frame a temporary regulation prohibiting for a year the importation of rifles or revolvers into Finland.

Here and There

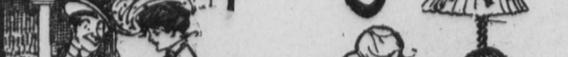
BY GEORGE O. BAKER



At the Musicale. Miss Steele Ayers (the composer)—Do you know The Barber of Seville? Mr. R. G. Thyme (who writes coon songs)—No, I shavie myself.



A Hot One. Cholly Chumpleigh—It's delightful, don't you know, to have nothing to do. Miss Cutting—It must be, especially when one does it so well as you do.



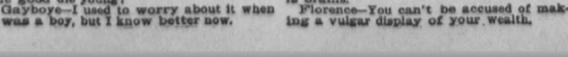
Single and Brave. Mrs. Strongminded—You bachelors say such horrid things. Married men don't. Oidebathe—No, we only say what married men think!



Good When He Was Young. Miss Imple—So you don't believe that the good die young? Gabyboy—You need to worry about it when I was a boy, but I know better now.



Not Brainy. Fred—The best capital a man can have is brains. Gonyboy—You can't be accused of making a vulgar display of your wealth.



Her Real Objections. Gerald—Do you object to baldness in a man? Geraldine—Not unless the bald spot extends into his brain.

GOREMYKIN MAY SOON BE RETIRED

PREMIER IS DISAPPOINTMENT TO EMPEROR

Does Not Possess the Force, Capacity or Skill Necessary to Steer the Ship of State

By Associated Press. ST. PETERSBURG, June 8.—According to reliable reports from Peterhof, Emperor Nicholas has about decided to retire Premier Goremykin.

From the first it was apparent to outsiders that M. Goremykin did not possess the force, capacity or skill necessary to steer the ship of state in the present crisis, and the emperor, who is extremely dissatisfied with the premier's sorry failure to make any headway toward a rapprochement with the lower house of parliament, is not ready to sacrifice him. The emperor, however, seems to be torn by conflicting counsels. The cabinet itself, under the leadership of M. Lokovsoff, the minister of finance, and M. Stichinski, minister of agriculture, the rivals of M. Goremykin, is in open rebellion and with the support they are receiving from the court the rebels are confident of being able to unhorse M. Goremykin.

Dispatches Continue Gloomy

Dispatches from the interior continue gloomy and show that the gradual extension of the agrarian disorders by partial strikes now affects twelve provinces. The latest disturbances reported are at Kiev and Tver. Numerous collisions between peasants and rural guards have taken place but nothing in the nature of mass movement has yet occurred. Although the Social Revolutionists have proclaimed a temporary cessation of the terrorist campaign, there is little abatement in the murders of police officials in the interior.

"J. CAESAR" UP TO DATE

A Pistol Used on Brutus in Pennsylvania Amateur Theatrical Adds to Realism

Special to The Herald. KNOXVILLE, Pa., June 8.—After enduring the cruel thrusts of his treacherous friend, Brutus, for several hundred years, Caesar last night got busy with modern armament and nearly put Brutus out of business. Brutus, who had been reincarnated in the form of Walter P. King, was going through the habit stage with Julius in a farce here. The latter had returned in the form of C. W. Arnold of a downtown bank.

Rushing upon Caesar as he stood near Pompey's statue, Brutus swung a trusty tin blade, Caesar, smiling sardonically, pulled a revolver and fired. The shot, according to the book held by the prompter, was to have gone over the shoulder of Brutus. It did not. The wand and powder hit Brutus and knocked him down. The doctor said the powder burns were not dangerous.

PALPABLE LIES NOT CRIMINAL

Missouri Supreme Court Instructs Citizens How to Tread on Border Line of Truth

Special to The Herald. JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., June 8.—A man may lie in a business deal and if his lie is so absurd that common sense would readily disclose the false representations, he may escape the penitentiary. If he misrepresents facts and obtains money through methods not readily comprehended, he is guilty of a felony and will have to serve a sentence in prison. He cannot plead that if the person defrauded had thoroughly investigated the manner of parting the victim from his money he would not have been deceived.

Such was the decision of the Missouri supreme court, handed down by Judge Fox and concurred in by other members of the court today.

How to Tell It

If you have a message you would like to tell the city knew. Rush you to a little booth. Pour out all your hidden truth—Telephone!

Have you news that you'd impart To the nation's throbbing heart? Hasten, if you so aspire To the man who works the wire—Telegraph!

But if you possess a word That the world awaits, unheard; If the universe stands still, Waits your secret, good or ill— Tell-a-woman! —W. H. C.

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Family Refuses to Believe Boy is Gone—Stop Funeral That He May Revive

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The family are followers of a sect similar to the "Flying Rollers," and it is a part of their belief that they shall never die. When doctors announced the boy was dying they would not believe it, and stayed with the body two hours after death had occurred, asserting that there was still life in the body, and repeating prayers to prolong his life.

The funeral was to have been held, but the father held a conversation over the long distance telephone with a man named Beems of Kansas, and the latter assured him that if he had strong enough faith the child would be restored to them. He said it would not be necessary for him to come here, but that he could give absent treatment and cause a resurrection at long distance.

The family will not consent to the funeral being held until every resource of faith and prayer has been exhausted.

Pi-Lines and Pick-Ups

Warped Wisdom. The man who "chases the duck" isn't necessarily a hunter. Sometimes fools rush in and win while wise men study about it. The man who says as he goes is always welcome to stay. The fellow who fools about a mule also has a kick coming. Many a cool million means a hot fight among the heirs. There is no money in trying to raise the wind with an electric fan. All the world's a stage—and some few have good press agents. Your ladies' tailor is your great man at figures. Some women wear the new short-arm sleeves with such nonchalance that one would suspect that they had been washing dishes all their days. Milwaukee is now a closed town—which makes it infamous. When Greek meets Greek in Los Angeles is at the hour for a "shine." Chicago papers are trying to minimize the beef trust expose by sneering at fabled maple syrup. But you can cut out maple syrup. Two popular actresses marry two actors. Has the supply of millionaires given out? There Are Others. Mr. Charlie Jones is suffering with chronic headache, and he says it don't get any better—never feels like working now.—Leadville (Miss.) Searchlight. Wilson Mizner says that he has left Mrs. Yerkes-Mizner for good. But as to whose good he is strangely silent. Orange—There's no place like home. Lemon—How fortunate! That man in San Jose who disappeared and when found said he simply left home to be alone—well, he's married. Of course! This summer, added to the usual fancy tan fresco, which the sun puts on the anatomy of the lady in the peek-a-boo, will be a brown bracelet on each arm—where glove and sleeve fall to meet. Maybe Chicago's city hall doesn't fall down because, like everything and everybody else there, it is held up. Huh? It is said that there is a movement in "the four hundred" to ostracize divorcees. Going to cut off the ciphers, as it were. Palm—Why do all the love stories end happily? Pepper—Because they are fiction. When the girl who has elbows that resemble the point of a chicken leg puts on short sleeves she exhibits some of the characteristics of a heroine. Too bad to damn the potted man just as picnic time comes. Many a man who would rather be right than president would rather be wrong than vice-president. Oh, Cheese! Samuel Striet, who has been cheating at this place for the past several years, will make cheese in the coming summer. A man by the name of John Reese will cheese at this place this summer. Everybody hated to see Mr. Striet leave because he was a good cheaser, and we all hope that the new cheaser will have the same success.—New Philadelphia (Ohio) Democrat. A red light has been put over the senate doorway. Red lights are either danger signals, or—something else. Take your choice. Foraker says he is not a presidential candidate. What a waste of breath! Chicago's Packington is now living up to its smell. A Kansas City woman fainted when she paid her taxes. Most of us only throw fits. That New York man who made love in an ice house—did he get the frozen face? Hash is now more a mystery than ever. One thing can be said for the insurance companies under the old extravagant management. They gave away good blotters.

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