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The Game of Make-Believe

For the national entertainment during the dog days there is being played the cutest little game of make-believe.

Cannon, Aldrich, the Taft Cabinet—all are at it for their very lives, whooping it up by word of mouth, congressional literature, interview, campaign documents, inspired publicity and all the means known to the political trade.

- They are making believe—and are trying to make the country believe: 1.—That the Roosevelt policies have not intentionally been betrayed. 2.—That Roosevelt will O. K. the Taft record. 3.—That the public interest benefits by the Taft alliance with Cannon, Aldrich and Wall Street. 4.—That Ballinger has been vindicated and Pinchot discredited. 5.—That Wickersham has served the public and not his former clients—the trusts. 6.—That the insurgents and progressives have been obstructionists and will now turn in and work for the G. O. P. 7.—That nobody knows about Brother Henry's connection with the sugar trust and his influence in Washington. 8.—That the good features of the railroad rate law were contributed by the administration and the bad features by LaFollette and the progressives. 9.—That the tariff was revised downward. 10.—That the increased cost of living has been explained to have nothing to do with the tariff or the trusts. 11.—That a real investigation is to be made by a real tariff commission. 12.—That "an era of economy" has superseded the "reckless extravagance of the previous administration." 13.—That the platform promises have been redeemed. 14.—That Cannon will be re-elected speaker.

Such are the principal items in the administration's game of make-believe. There are many details, but they fall under these heads.

To the old seasoned politician the game is rather a hard one. To Taft it does not seem over much. His life has been a sort of happy fairy tale. Some political godmother or godfather has stood always at his elbow ready to wave a magic wand in response to which office, power, popularity have come out from the ground. Does he believe in fairies? Of course he does. So he has gone gayly off to Beverly, happy in his make-believe that all these things are true.

The Same Old Racket

An alienist has made an examination of Porter Charlton, the self-confessed murderer of his wife.

This alienist succeeded most admirably. He set out to find that the young man was insane; that's what he was paid for finding out, and, of course, that is what he DID find out.

There is nothing at all unusual in the process. It was tried in the case of Harry Thaw with more or less success, and it has been tried time and again, usually with the result that the science of medicine loaned its influence, for a consideration, to help thwart justice.

It is indeed a most unhappy state of affairs when the most humane and elevating of the sciences and the arts conspires to help self-confessed criminals to escape justice.

Should Charlton succeed in escaping the punishment that is due him he will have the medical profession and the government of Italy, intimidated by high influence, to thank.

OBSERVATIONS

ADVANCE census report! The center of population is not in Indiana. It's near Oyster Bay.

ANOTHER Taft victory! Interstate commerce commission (appointed by Taft's predecessor) lowers exorbitant freight rates in the west.

F. AUGUSTUS HEINZE, "copper king," paid his lawyer \$300,000 to keep out of prison. That's like throwing money away, when one stops to remember that Taft's parole law was intended to cover just such cases.

A Voice from the First 4th

Letter from John Adams, signer of the Declaration of Independence and third president of the United States, to his wife, July 3, 1776:

"The second (4th) day of July, 1776, will be the most memorable epoch in the history of America. I am apt to believe that it will be celebrated by succeeding generations as the great anniversary festival. It ought to be commemorated as the day of deliverance by solemn acts of devotion to God Almighty. It ought to be solemnized with pomp and parade, with shows, games, sports, guns, bells, bonfires and illuminations from one end of this continent to the other, from this time forward for evermore."



JOHN ADAMS.

Vice President's Wife, Now Seriously Ill, Great Home-Lover

Mrs. Jas. S. Sherman, wife of the vice president, who is now seriously ill at the Johns Hopkins hospital in Baltimore, is essentially a housewife and mother. She did not live in Washington during all the 24 years her husband was in congress, and it was with great reluctance that she left her Utica, N. Y., home and entered into the fashionable and political life at the national capital when her husband became vice president.

Mrs. Sherman has made an exceptional Washington matron, for she says that she has no opinion on politics, and she refuses to talk "politics" at all. She doesn't belong to a woman's club and she hasn't the least idea about bridge.

But she has for years prided herself upon the way she can keep house and "mother" her three boys. Her whole life is best illustrated in her own words: "I have never gone flitting around in society because I have had to bring up my boys, and now I have my grandchildren. I think a woman's home is enough of a sphere for her."



MRS. JAS. S. SHERMAN.

Fresh churned unsalted butter. Quality unexcelled. Jersey Butter Store, 1114 C st.

Drs. Thomas, Osteopaths.

BEWARE! Do You Put Ice in Your Summer Drink? Look Out

WASHINGTON, July 4.—Watch out in using ice these hot days. Be very sure you know the source of your ice supply before you use it in water, tea, lemonade and other summer drinks.

Dr. H. W. Wiley, chief of the bureau of chemistry, who takes a personal concern in the health of the whole country, says it is a very dangerous practice to put ice in drinks of any sort. The doctor has some definite ideas about ice. Some time ago he had a criminal information brought against the American Ice Co. of Washington, charging it with selling adulterated ice. It seems this company was bringing into Washington natural ice from ponds in Maine. The doctor had some of this ice analyzed and found it to contain "an added poisonous and deleterious ingredient, and consisted wholly or in part of a filthy, decomposed and putrid animal and vegetable substance."

In other words, the water in the Maine ponds was not pure, receiving some sort of impure surface drainage. The company realized the doctor had the goods on it, pleaded guilty and was thereupon fined \$150. According to Dr. Wiley, ice, even

manufactured ice, isn't always what it is cracked up to be, which was a first-class pun when first uttered in 1873. But listen to the doctor: "It's a bad practice to put ice into drinks," he told the Times correspondent. "There ought to be laws passed in every state forbidding restaurants, cafes and hotels from putting the ice into drinks. In private houses there is no excuse for the practice. "The proper way to get cold drinks is to use coolers in which the ice does not come in contact with the liquid. "Even manufactured ice may be impure, for not all manufacturers distill the water to be frozen. "Freezing does not kill germs. Some of the most dangerous bacteria thrive in ice, some of them even growing in size and number. By experiment we have found that temperatures as low as zero will not kill dangerous germs. "Much ice furnished city customers is the natural product. Often this is cut from streams which receive the drainage of sewers. People would not think of drinking the water from these streams for a minute. Yet they will tranquilly put ice taken from such streams into liquids to be drunk."

SMART BUT UNUSUAL HAT



This wide-spreading hat of pure white straw has a brim and crown application of deep blue foudard with large white spots. An immense bow of handsome lace adds smartness and lends height to the hat.

CYNTHIA GREY'S CORRESPONDENTS

Dear Miss Grey: (1) Where can I get a book giving directions for dancing? (2) Please give me a formula for a note of thanks for a graduation present.

A GRADUATE. A.—(1) At a book store, or ask a dancing master. (2) Write an informal note using the same words you would employ in thanking your friend personally.

Dear Miss Grey: (1) When potato water is used for washing furniture, should the potatoes be pared or not? (2) Should the furniture be cleaned before polishing?

HOUSEKEEPER. A.—(1) No. (2) The potato water will cleanse, and a soft, dry cloth should be used to polish. Rub vigorously.

Dear Miss Grey: (1) What shall I do to be more attractive? I seem to have plenty of friends, but I can't keep them. (2) Does a boy like a girl who talks loudly, uses slang and runs after him?

GIRL. A.—Be natural and sincere. (2) Boys admire in girls the traits that make them known as the "gentler sex." It's man's nature to seek for that which he craves, and to be disgusted with the over-attention of women.

Thos. Chippendale, who lived in the eighteenth century, made mahogany furniture, with colored woods inlaid, of unique design.

SOCIETY

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Seymour and Mrs. P. G. Hubbell, arriving are entertaining friends at their country place at Glencove. Saturday to spend the week.

Members of the board of managers of the Children's Home met this morning at the home for the purpose of electing a new president. Mrs. L. L. Love is hostess this evening at a dancing party in honor of her sister, Mrs. Frank Taylor.

Mrs. John Parker was hostess last evening at her home at the Country club complimentary to a number of friends of Miss Cornelia Garrison, who is her house guest.

Mrs. C. L. Hoska, who has been in Philadelphia with her daughter, Mrs. Doe, arrived home last evening accompanied by Mrs. Waltersdorf of Chicago, a life-long friend of Mrs. Hoska and her husband, the late C. L. Hoska.

Mr. and Mrs. Edmund B. Riley (Miss Margaret Dryer) are spending their honey moon at Mt. Tacoma. They are expected home within a fortnight and will spend the summer in Burton.

Hugh C. Wallace and his wife, who is the daughter of the late Chief Justice Fuller, received notice of the death of the eminent jurist, yesterday and left last evening for Chicago to attend the funeral.

Mrs. John Palmer is spending the week in Mount Vernon as the guest of her brother and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. William Athelw, Jr.

Mrs. Wilbur Burton has invitations out for a bridge party Thursday evening at her home, 3706 North Thirty-fourth street, complimentary to Miss Margaret Boccher, who is spending the month in Tacoma.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Dond are entertaining Eastern guests at their home in the North End, Mrs. Sabin Brush and son and Mrs. George Brush.

Mrs. Iston is entertaining the members of the Needlecraft club this afternoon at her home, 1422 North Anderson street.

Mr. and Mrs. James Pincus entertained with a family party Sunday at their country home at American lake complimentary to Mr. James Hoffman of San Francisco, a cousin who is visiting in Tacoma.

The first of a series of dancing and card parties to be given by the Regents Park club took place Friday evening at the home of A. E. Van Emden. A literary and musical program was given during the evening followed by refreshments.

Mrs. Roy Weaver of Ellensburg is the guest of her parents, Mr.

FASHIONS

The best leghorns, with black velvet facing, now sell for \$18.

Traveling cloaks are made of black and white checked English worsteds.

Striped volles rival foulards in popularity.

About nine out of ten handsome gowns are collarless.

The yoke and collar matching the color of the material are not often seen now.

Many of the summer coats have long revers that cross and button below the waist line.

A box plaited quilling of net is the finish at the wrist of a pretty sleeve seen recently.

Upon all handsome or dressy gowns, sash, girdle, belt, or bow effects of ribbon appear.

Small black velvet bows are considered smart on blouses of all colors.

Handsome waists made of fine batistes and handkerchief linens are trimmed with embroidery and lace insertions. Colored embroideries are often used.

Miss Catherine M. Cook, state superintendent of public instruction for Colorado, and Mrs. Sarah Platt Decker took the leading parts in the laying of the cornerstone of the first building erected in Colorado to be devoted exclusively to the development of household art and women's work. The building is the gift of Senator Guggenheim to the Colorado Agricultural college.

"Poor old Henpeckke has to mind the baby." "Yes. Isn't it wonderful how that baby takes after its mother?"

Daily Comic and Humor Section

Dey Paint Der Mine in Glow Vorm Colors!



OSGAR UND ADOLF WRITE DER PROSPECTUS.

Dot Get-Rich-Quick Scheme of Osgar und Adolf Now Iss to Bromise Diffidants by Mail and Send Dem by Slow Freight After a Railroad Iss Obened in Case Von Iss Nefer Bull.

LAVA LEDGE, Idaho.—Yell, me und Adolf haf prepared our prospectus of our mine mit each oder together. I writted der wordings und Adolf assisted by kipping my conscience unter der influence of narcotigs mit a hypochondriac springs abbled to do arm vich dit nod know vot my right hand was doing.

Here, blasse, is some, speechnance from our prospectus: "Voul't you be rich—haf money vich you could nod use? Ef so, for why don't you?" "ID IS EASY, providet you are easy."

"Der Osgar und Adolf mine offers today more stock dan any oder. Id is guilt etched. No oxpense has been spared on der zertificates so dey vill look nice. "Should you buy stock now, und we hope so, in ten years you vout vant more, in vich case we

pple, but helup us push it. "Ef peoble writing for Inflamation vill be much obliged by enclosing stamps, und den we can start right away a stamp mill. Id ought to treat about fifty tons a day. Diss treat vill be on der stockholders."

Diss iss sables enough of der prospectus to gife you a idea how id glitters. After writing id und hafing id brintet mit ink on paber we maied von of id to eferypody on der list of der Associatet Charities, und vallet to sit down for der results. Noddings else now. But later, yess. OSGAR.

Josh Wise SAYS:

"Nature makes some funny blunders. Th' graafe, which could look over any baseball fence, doesn't care for th' game."

Little Girl: Look, aunty, there is a man with a wooden leg. May I give him a penny? Aunty: Certainly not, my dear. I have no doubt he is an impostor.

"So Billy Dasher is going abroad when college is over? Did he win some scholarship?" "No, but he is going to marry an heiress."

Perfumed butter for breakfasts and teas is a fad in Europe.

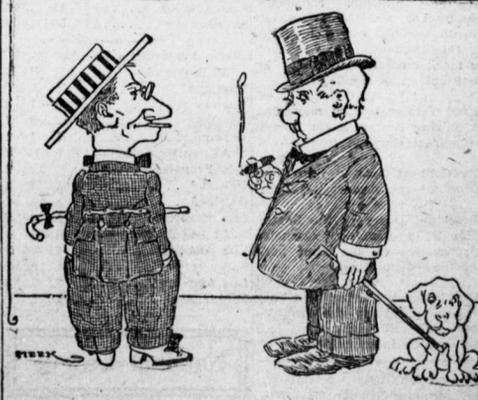
Low: I went to a phrenologist last week. Sue: Oh, what did he tell you? Low: Well, I can't understand it. He coughed a little and then he gave my money back.

A German dentist has originated the novel idea of making artificial teeth of paper. "Have you completed your graduation essay, Mildred?" "No, I read it over to papa and he understood every sentence. I've got to rewrite it."



"I tell you vot, Adolf, diss felller Ballinger iss getting too much in der public eye." "Yess, he is, Osgar; he reminds me of noddings so much as a cinder."

HAS GUMDROP PED FROM SIGHT



"So you have received a letter from Dr. Cook? Is it charitable of him?" "Yess; it was written in disappearing ink."

TAKING HIM DOWN SOME



Boastful Artist: My work is being hung on the "line." Cynical Friend: Well, so is your wife's.