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PINCHOT WILL BE THE REAL TEST.

There can be three verdicts by President Taft in the Ballinger matter. "Guilty" will be expressed by evicting Ballinger from the cabinet. "Not guilty" will be expressed by evicting Pinchot from the forestry department. The third verdict will best be described as "politics." It may be expressed by leaving both men unscathed by the presidential snickersnee. Only the second one can be in any sense an acquittal for Ballinger and his administration of the public lands. There can be no disguising the fact that Pinchot has raised a definite issue between himself and Ballinger. If he is found by the president to be wrong and to have unjustly assailed a cabinet member, there can be no halfway measures. He must go. If, on the other hand, the president finds that Pinchot was justified, still he may avoid the actual official decapitation. A president is bound to go with and protect a member of his cabinet beyond the furthest limits of ordinary conduct. He is not so bound with respect to minor officials. According to official usage, every doubt must be resolved in favor of Ballinger and against Pinchot. The true test, then, of the conduct of the interior department for the past six or seven months is whether Pinchot is discharged or not. If Pinchot is permitted to continue his notable public service and Ballinger also remains in the cabinet, none need be surprised in a month or two—say in December—to hear that Ballinger "has received such an attractive proposition that he intends returning to private life," or else that "private interests demand his attention" or "that his health has given way under his strenuous public service, and he must seek rest." Anyhow, Pinchot is the test. Unless he was right he will go.

PENCIL POINTS

The Pan Tans can cease shivering—if they ever did—now that the investigation has been finished and the findings published. The Pan Tanners have been lectured, but they escaped without being spanked. Also no traces of jam were found on their fingers. But a wholesome warning has been issued to everybody to keep away from the people's preserves.

If you don't think Spokane is growing by the proverbial "leaps and bounds"—by the way, who originated that phrase, anyway—just try to find an apartment, house or rooms. It's almost like hunting for the needle in the haystack. Everything is being gobbled up, and new houses are being erected as fast as men can do it, to accommodate the ever-increasing population.

Any couple named their baby "Cook" or "Peary" Jones or Smith yet? It's about time. Let The Press know about it.

In Little Old New York

BY NORMAN

NEW YORK, Sept. 15.—An artist by profession and a hotel clerk by occupation is Frederick Alexander Duncan, of Ponca, Okla., who stands behind the desk at the Plaza from 11 at night until 7 in the morning. He is constantly in Duncan's pocket reposes his little sketch pad. He sees a strikingly-gowned woman, a beautiful girl or a man of impressive bearing—at once the pad is out and Duncan is busy with his pencil. In half a minute, with a dozen strokes, he has sketched a likeness, to be filled in later from memory. In his duties at the Plaza he has had the opportunity of sketching some of the most notable people in America. Members of the Gould, Vanderbilt, Goetz and Mills families are among the subjects of sketches in his remarkable collection. On several occasions he has been noticed at his work by the person he was transferring to paper and has been asked for a copy of the sketch. Duncan was born in Texarkana, that noted town which lies partly in Texas and partly in Arkansas. His family moved to Ponca, where he went to school. He spent six days at the world's fair in St. Louis, putting in all his time in the art gallery. Later he studied art at various schools, one of his teachers being Howard Chandler Christy, who has taken much interest in Duncan's work. The young man finally decided that New York was the place for him to pursue his studies and he came. When he arrived in the big city Duncan had a very limited amount of capital, but he possessed large assets in the way of good breeding, a pleasant disposition, manliness and a determination to succeed. He had read in the papers and in Oklahoma of the noted men and beautiful women who stop at the great hotels in New York, and he decided that he could find no better place where the very models he wanted could be had at all times and at no expense. So he got a job as a hotel clerk. "I would not exchange for a fortune the experience I have had here at this desk," said Duncan. "I have been able to study every variety of dress, manner and deportment. The opportunities to study the human nature of society people are remarkable, too. "John W. Gates is a man whom I always notice. He was one of the first of the Plaza's patrons to engage one of the very expensive suites. He pays \$42,000 a year for his rooms. He is a very impatient man. When he comes in late at night and just misses one of the elevators, which run every minute, he pounds on the floor with his stick. "When Marjorie Gould was introduced to society Duncan had a great evening. Picture after picture he made of the society girls, as they arrived. While the great ball was at its height he went up to the ballroom and from one of the galleries made further sketches. The material he has gathered he expects to be of great use to him some day, when he is further advanced in his art. WOMAN ALLEGES MAN BEAT HER HEAD AGAINST DOOR Elwyn MacGivray filed an action in the superior court against E. N. Gregg for \$4500 damages for personal injuries sustained in an alleged assault by the defendant in a store on August 18 last. The woman says that without any provocation Gregg seized her in public, in the presence of her friends, and beat her head against the door sash with such force that the hearing of one ear is permanently injured. FRUIT MORE PLENTIFUL Fruits and vegetables for canning are now coming in more plentifully. Tomatoes can be bought for 40 cents per crate, while some of the extra choice varieties sell for 50 cents per crates. Cucumbers for pickling are down to \$1 per sack of 100 pounds, while some that are not sorted but go in big and little sell as low as 50 cents per sack. In the way of fruit for canning, pears are in demand at \$1.25 to \$1.50 per box. Blue plums are selling at 50 cents per box and crab apples at \$1.25 per box.

TAKE A SMILE HERE



Strenuous Sir—I hate babies. Yet they are everywhere I turn. Is there anything I can do to escape them? WATTA GROUCH. ANSWER: JUMP OFF! Dear Sir—No matter how nicely I cook, my husband never compliments my meals. How can I induce him to show some appreciation? A WIFE. ANSWER: STARVE THE BRUTE. My Dear True—A bigger man than I am called me a liar! What shall I do? D. E. FICIENT. ANSWER: USE THESE UNTIL YOU GET STRONGER. WITH THIS WORK. THIS WILL DO THE WORK. YES—JUMP OFF!

FROM DIANA'S DIARY

Miss Dillpickles Joins a Bloomer Girls Base Ball Nine and Pursues Her Ambition to Make a Home Run. BY FRED SCHAEFER.



"SLIDING TO THIRD, I SPIKED THE RED HEIFER CAPTAIN." IV. A "large outpouring turned out," as the village paper predicted, to see the Lisle Sox do battle with the Red Heifer Semi-Professionals, and I came near getting that home run—but not quite. Red Heifer is rather a sporty little village with a tile works which shut down for the occasion, most of the Semi-Professionals being employed in the same when not semi-professing. They were all keyed up to wipe out the sting of last year's defeat by the Lisle Sox, and put in a heartless pitcher. Usually the home team is supposed to stall so as to let the bloomer girls stack up better, but it soon stuck out all over the Red Heifers that this game was for blood. Well, about the only Lisle Sox that got as far as first was Kittie Valencia, the Grand Old Lady of Base Ball. This was because she always wore her glasses when she went in to bat, and the pitcher had to throw wild for fear he would break them and be sent to the penitentiary for it. So she would get a pass to first each time. At the same time, our flinger, Cupid La Loup, had just got a unhappy letter from home, and she was sore enough to pitch her best article of ball, and she kept hits scattered well enough to keep the locals from tallying.

HUBBY CAN'T IMPERSONATE SATAN, NO SIR!

Wife, Who Seeks Divorce, Says He Burned Red Fire and Pursued Her in Her Night Gown.

(By United Press.) CHICAGO, Sept. 15.—Dressing in a robe of flaming red, with black trimmings, to represent himself as the Prince of the Region of Brimstone and Sulphur, burning incense and making weird noises to frighten his wife, were acts ascribed to Andrew Blaes in a bill for divorce filed today by Mrs. Blaes. The husband owns \$100,000 worth of property and lives at the Glenview Golf club. While Mrs. Blaes and her husband have lived in the same house nine years, it is asserted that they have occupied separate apartments. "About eight or nine years ago," says Mrs. Blaes in her bill, "my husband took up the study of hypnotism and occultism and has conducted many experiments in our home. Frequently he has burned incense and the odor has permeated my room and sickened me. The more I complained the more was burned. "On one occasion recently he dressed up in flaming red with some black trimmings to represent the devil. This was done late at night, after we had gone to bed. "Then he made weird and uncanny noises in the kitchen. I was ill in bed, but got up to investigate. The sight of my husband dressed in this queer garb frightened me, and I ran out of the house, clad only in my nightgown. He followed me, making unearthly noises. "At each step he would catch hold of my garment and rip out a piece. When I finally fell exhausted and hysterical in a neighbor's house, I was almost nude."

MOST ANYTHING

JOSH WISE SAYS: "A red ant's smaller than a black ant, but it ain't borer er bluish unseen."



Wright brothers' example and sue Peary for infringement. AT THE POLE. Mrs. Eskimo—Where have you been for the last six months? Mr. E.—Why, I was afraid to come home in the dark. Now we know why Dr. Cook took those 100 hammers along. Chickens can now be plucked by means of a special electric fan. Good thing Cook didn't discover that pole thing on April 1. You've got to pass it to the Danes—they didn't knock Dr. Cook.

Men and Boys' Learn Plumbing

Parents, have your boy learn the plumbing trade, the best paid of all trades. Plumbers are in demand everywhere. They earn \$5 to \$8 per day and have short hours. By my method of instructing I make you a practical plumber in months instead of years, so that you will be able to fill a good position or conduct a business of your own. Men can learn as well as boys. Edward McCaffrey Plumbing School. Phone Main 1582. 20 Riverside Ave., Spokane, Wash. Day and night school. Visitors are always welcome.

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Sale of Men's Shoes

Men's Heavy Shoes—Solid leather soles and counters, Goodyear welted; made of best tan and black leather, in blucher style, actual \$4.50 and \$5.00 values; our special price \$3.98 Men's Heavy Work Shoes—The usual \$3.50 and \$4 kind, in tan and black leather, with good solid soles, all sizes, at \$2.98

Sweaters for Boys

Boys' Sweater Coats—Gray jersey, white, blue, red or black border; all sizes, at 98¢ All Wool Sweaters—Boys' sizes, in coat style; gray, with fancy colored border; worth \$1.75 each; special at \$1.49

Women's Fall Suits and Dresses

Our second floor now exhibits more varieties and better fashions in the popular priced tailored suits and new styles in dresses than ever we have before shown. The fabrics used are broadcloth, worsteds, homespuns and serges. Black will be unusually popular, with blue, gray, slate, olive, cawaba, brown and stone freely used in the suits. The new dresses are of serge, henrietta, prunella, panama and taffeta in a similar range of colors and black. New Suits in an especially strong line at \$25.00 Other New Suits—At \$22.50, \$27.50, \$30.00 and \$35.00 Jersey Dresses at \$16.50, \$17.50, \$20.00 and up to \$35.00

Grand Opening of Fall Millinery on Thursday



Kemp & Hebert extend an invitation to every woman in Spokane and vicinity to attend the grand Fall Opening of the Millinery Section on Thursday and until the week ends. Elaborate preparations have been made to exhibit the greatest assortment of swell styles in Paris hats and shapes, of which the picture printed here is one of the more extreme examples. The high-crowned hats, the new turbans, the broad-brimmed plume-trimmed hats are all shown and the color range runs from the rich dark raisin shades and black up to the light chamois tints and white. Of course, our workrooms are amply prepared to make up any style the Fall season has brought into prominence and carry out any idea you may wish in an individual hat model.

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AMBASSADOR AND MRS. HILL TO VISIT HOME

(By United Press.) BERLIN, Sept. 15.—Ambassador and Mrs. Hill have arranged to sail for New York on the steamer George Washington, September 25, remaining in the United States two months, returning to Berlin in time for the opening of the winter social season. This is Mr. Hill's first home in two years. He goes on private business.