

WASHINGTON GOSSIP

Not Seen in Congressional Record



WASHINGTON.—In a way a very ludicrous thing happened in one of the committee rooms recently when the official reporter declared that the documents submitted in a certain case were fabricated, because they read "too smoothly" and that men did not talk that way. The stenographer lost his job, but the fact remains that members of congress and United States senators are absolutely dependent upon the official stenographers for decent records of the scattering and often incoherent and original speeches which they make in congress. It is positively funny to listen to some of the speeches, and then read the same speech as it is ironed out for print in the Congressional Record.

A representative, for instance, gets up and says: "Mr. Speaker—Mr. Speaker—am I recognized. Mr.—ur—Speaker—ur—ur—Speaker? I—ur—have—ur—ah been ah—ur—listening—ur with a good deal of interest, sir—I mean Mr.—ur—Speaker, to the—ur—remarks, sir—I mean—ur, Mr. Speaker—ur—Mr. Speaker—ur— from Wayback, and—ur—I want to say, Mr. Speaker—ur—ah—uh, that, Mr. Speaker—ur, representing the constituents of a—ur—a great congressional district of more than 200,000 members, sir, I mean—ur, Mr. Speak-

er, I cannot afford—ur to sit here and hear these constituents, sir—ur insulted, sir, by remarks, sir, I mean, Mr. Speaker, of the gentlemen from Wayback, and—ur I stand here, sir, in the presence of the great American—ur—ur people to defend, yes, sir, to defend the bringing, sir, upon my constituents, sir, that is—ur satisfactory—ur to all when I was elected—ur to this honorable body, sir. But, sir—I mean, Mr. Speaker." And about this time the gavel of the speaker comes down with a bang that rattles the medallions in the glass ceiling, and he says just as easy: "The time of the gentleman from— has expired," and his oratory is cut short. Now, you don't suppose for once that that sort of stuff is going to appear in the Congressional Record. No, indeed. The official stenographer has taken down every "uh and ah," and goes to the little desk at the end of his five minutes' stands, and talks it into the dictograph just as smooth and pretty as anything you ever read in your life, and it comes out just as though Mr. Representative was an orator of the first class, and he sends it back to his constituents, and they think he's wonderful to speak right on the floor of congress in that wonderful way.

Stakes Sandwich on Seat in Congress



UNIQUE among the candidates who ran the other day in the Pennsylvania primaries is Dr. Moses Stern of Philadelphia, candidate for the Democratic nomination for congress in the Third district. Dr. Stern fled with South Trimble, clerk of the house of representatives, a sworn statement that his expenses in the primaries amounted to 25 cents.

When he read the morning papers Dr. Stern probably learned whether the bread which he cast upon the waters was returned unto him many fold. He frankly confessed that he wanted to get on the public pay roll with a warm seat in congress before the country went bankrupt.

He was a bit worried lest a part of his expenditure may not have been regular. He insisted that he has bribed no one, but admitted that he did purchase a small chicken sandwich "for a colored gentleman." The rest of the 25 cents was spent for ten two-cent stamps, which were used to mail his nomination papers to the proper authorities.

Dr. Stern gave the house much information about himself and his ambitions, as well as his campaign, in the statement which he made to the clerk. Here are some choice extracts from his statement.

"I hope you have no complaint

His Bride's Name Slipped from Mind



WHEN George H. Covert, a salesman, living at the Y. M. C. A., walked into the marriage license bureau in City Hall the other day to apply for the necessary paper which would enable him to become the husband of Miss Vera Ione Murray, a Washington girl, Covert was nervous—naturally. But his plunge into the matrimonial sea, clerks of experience say, affected him in a most unusual way. He forgot the name of his bride-to-be.

Covert approached Clerk Kroll shortly after three o'clock in the afternoon and applied for a marriage license. The clerk obligingly issued it, and asked no questions. Names are

never questioned in the bureau, and, anyway, a young man about to take unto himself a wife is supposed to be thoroughly familiar with said wife's name and address.

However, Covert informed Kroll that his bride-to-be was Miss Vera Ione. The license was issued to George H. Covert and Miss Vera Ione, and the minister delegated to tie the knot was the Rev. Charles Wood. Not until the bridal pair reached the parsonage did they discover the grave error made by Covert, and a hurried trip was made to the home of Col. John E. Young, clerk of the court, who rectified the error, and promised to make the necessary change in the official record book as soon as he reached his office next morning.

The knot was tied immediately, and Covert attributes the mistake to the fact that he was nervous—this being his first venture. He has been exonerated by Mrs. Covert, nee Vera Ione Murray.

Sad Predicament of Two Politicians

WHILE Colonel Walter Watkins of Tennessee was in Washington recently he told about the sad predicament two citizens of his state got into talking politics while traveling east some years ago on a Pullman car. It was a hot night and sleep was impossible. They were in the smoking room, and fell to talking about state affairs. While thus engaged an old grizzled, gaunt man came in, clad as befit a torrid night, and began smoking. The two politicians kept up their talk and were regretting how poorly their state was represented at Washington. They were somewhat sarcastic in referring to the senatorial delegation and declared that younger and more vigorous men were needed.



corner arose and with gestures of a prize-fighter began to abuse and scold the two talkers, who gaped in wonderment. When the irate old man subsided the politicians exclaimed: "Who are you to be so upset about our conservation?" "I am Senator Harris," said the stranger in tones that could be heard above the rumbling of the train, "and I have a mind to throw both of you out of the window."



He Spoke to Him. Willie, accompanied by father and mother, was crossing the ocean. Father and mother were both very seastick, but Willie was immune. Throughout the trip he had been annoying the passengers. Finally his mother, turning to the father, said, in a very weak voice, gasping between each word: "Father—I wish—you'd speak—to Willie."

A Wise Woman. "Now, for \$2," announced the star gazer, "I will furnish you with a philter which will make your husband love you to the exclusion of all others."

Favorite Fiction. "I Haven't Time." "Freak Buttermilk." "North Temperate Zone." "The Grand Calumet River." "One Word More, and I Leave the Subject With You." "Certainly, Madam; It Will Afford Me Pleasure to Contribute Something." "Go ahead, Dear; I'm Listening."



Customer—Say, is my credit good for a shave. Barber—Now, if you can't raise a dime, keep on raisin' whiskers.

This Would Account for It. Perhaps the planet Mars is ruddy. (For that's its color, so 'tis said), Because instead of being yellow The dandelions there are red.

Ungracious. "That rich uncle of mine was a tightwad to the end?" "What do you mean?" "I used to borrow money from him when he was alive, and would you believe he charged me with every penny of it in his will."

Did He? Alice—Who was the young gentleman that was throwing old shoes after the married couple with such enthusiasm? Ethel—Oh, that was Mr. Sniggins, the rejected suitor. He was trying to slug the bridegroom in the neck.

Her Artistic Eye. "I sometimes think," said Mrs. Lapsling, who was looking at a collection of family portraits, "that the pictures they take nowadays aren't half as good as the old vagariotypes they used to take sixty years ago."

Excusable. "Drat the luck! I wrote a paragraph about a Turkish towel and a printer made it 'Turkish howl!'" "Oh, well, don't blame the poor fellow. He was probably thinking about what Italy is doing to Turkey now."

Unable to See. "Would you want your wife or your mother or your sister to have to mingle with men at the polls?" "I can't see why it would be any worse than mingling with them in overcrowded cars."

Its Effect. "Drink often causes paradoxical conduct in a man, doesn't it?" "How so?" "When a man gets tight, it often makes him looser up."

LEGAL NOTICE

(OFFICIAL PUBLICATION.) Report of the condition of the

FIRST NATIONAL BANK

At Downers Grove, in the State of Illinois, at the close of business April 18, 1912.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and discounts	\$ 93,793.42
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	9.74
U. S. bonds to secure circulation	35,000.00
Other bonds to secure Postal savings deposits	1,010.00
Premiums on U. S. bonds	300.00
Bonds, securities, etc.	21,311.38
Banking house, furniture and fixtures	11,300.00
Due from approved reserve agents	6,838.80
Checks and other cash items	71.95
Notes of other national banks	1,917.00
Fractional paper currency, notes and cents	56.91
Lawful Money Reserve in Bank, viz.:	
Specie	\$7,041.20
Legal tender notes	1,380.00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5% of circulation)	1,750.00
Total	\$181,780.40
LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in	\$ 25,000.00
Surplus fund	4,200.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	1,789.05
National bank notes outstanding	35,000.00
Individual deposits subject to check	60,965.79
Savings deposits subject to notice	30,601.56
Time certificates of deposit	15,124.00
Total	\$181,780.40

State of Illinois, County of DuPage, ss.—I, Samuel Curtis, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

SAMUEL CURTISS, Cashier. Correct—Attest: J. WARREN ROGERS, JONAS R. FOSTER, E. E. STEVENS, Directors.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 26th day of April, 1912. WILLIAM H. BLODGETT, Notary Public.

(OFFICIAL PUBLICATION.) Report of the condition of

FARMERS & MERCHANTS BANK

Located at Downers Grove, State of Illinois, before the commencement of business on the 19th day of April, 1912, as made to the Auditor of Public Accounts of the State of Illinois, pursuant to law.

RESOURCES.	
1. Loans:	
Loans on real estate	\$108,857.00
Loans on collateral security	21,209.51
Other loans and discounts	
Accounts	49,102.32
Total	179,168.83
2. Investments:	
United States bonds	1,000.00
State, county and municipal bonds	9,900.00
10,900.00	
3. Miscellaneous Resources:	
Banking house	15,400.00
Furniture and fixtures	4,600.00
20,000.00	
4. Due from Banks:	
State	19,721.89
National	31,275.28
50,997.17	
5. Cash on Hand:	
Currency	9,728.00
Gold coin	2,700.00
Silver coin	2,442.50
Minor coin	890.39
16,021.89	
Total Resources	\$277,317.90
LIABILITIES.	
1. Capital stock paid in	\$ 25,000.00
2. Surplus fund	14,500.00
3. Less current interest, expenses and taxes paid	1,199.34
34,300.66	
4. Deposits:	
Savings, subject to notice	34,919.93
Demand, subject to check	73,889.44
108,809.37	
Demand certificates	129,358.73
237,168.12	
Total Liabilities	\$277,317.90

I, V. SIMONSON, Cashier of the Farmers and Merchants Bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

V. SIMONSON, Cashier. State of Illinois, County of DuPage, ss.—Subscribed and sworn to before me this 25th day of April, 1912.

(Seal.) W. H. BLODGETT, Notary Public.

State of Illinois, County of DuPage, ss. IN THE PROBATE COURT OF DUPAGE COUNTY.

To the June term thereof. In the matter of the final settlement of the estate of Mathias Mey, deceased. To Magdalena Mey, Downers Grove, Illinois. To Franklin Mey, Vandalla, Illinois. To Jacob Mey, Lisle, Illinois. To Henry Mey, Lisle, Illinois. To David Mey, Sharpsburg, Pennsylvania. Heirs at law of Mathias Mey, deceased.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE. That, on the third day of June, A. D. 1912, at the hour of ten o'clock a. m. or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard, the undersigned will present to said court at the Probate Court Room at Wheaton, Illinois, in said county, final account as executor of said estate, and ask that the same may be approved, that said estate be declared settled and that the undersigned be discharged from his duties as such office, at which time and place you are notified to be present, if you so desire.

Dated, Downers Grove, Illinois, April 25th, A. D. 1912. HENRY H. WOELPERSHEIM, Executor of the estate of Mathias Mey, deceased. BUNGE, HARBOUR and CHADWICK, Attorneys.

FOR THE STOMACH.

Here's an Offer You Should Not Overlook.

Recall Dyspepsia Tablets remedy stomach troubles by aiding nature to supply the elements the absence of which in the gastric juices causes indigestion and dyspepsia. They aid the stomach to digest food and to quickly convert it into rich, red blood and material necessary for overcoming natural body waste. Carry a package of Rexall Dyspepsia Tablets in your vest pocket, or keep them in your room. Take one after each heavy meal and prove our assertion that indigestion will not bother you. We know what Rexall Dyspepsia Tablets are and what they will do. We guarantee them to relieve indigestion and dyspepsia. If they fail we will refund your money. Three sizes: 25 cents, 50 cents and \$1.00. Remember, you can obtain Rexall Remedies only at our store—The Rexall Store, T. E. Morris.

BRIGHT OUTLOOK FOR BOSTON NATIONALS



Cy Young, the Dean of Major League Pitchers.

The weakness of the Boston National League club last year was in the pitcher's box, for the South End outfit did enough hard hitting and scored enough runs to assure itself a much better position in the championship race than that in which it finally landed. No great change has been made in the pitching staff this year, but Manager Kling has three or four really good men, and the new owners are only waiting to see what is really needed before opening their purse strings and going out to get it. With "Cy" Young promising to regain some of his former strength this season, and with Tyler, McTigue, Perdue, Matten and newcomers named

Donnelly and Brady, all promising Boston will be in fairly good shape regarding boxmen. Behind the bat Kling will have Rariden, whose arm is so good, and Gowdy, who came to the team late last season, and whose backstopping has been one of the features of his team's work in the south. Except for various pitchers and catchers, Manager Kling started the season with only two regular players who began the campaign with Fred Tenney a year ago. These are Sweeney at shortstop and Miller in right field. All of the other seven players came to the club in 1911, and the purchases and trades that were made generally were for the better.

MACK'S INFIELD COST \$10.85

Clever Manager Secured Shortstop Barry, Eddie Collins and Frank Baker for Car Fare.

Did any one ever tell what Connie Mack paid for that magnificent infield of the Athletics—the one that did so much toward winning the world's championship for that club? Of course not? Well, it actually cost the clever manager of the Philadelphia team just \$10.85. This is surprising, particularly when it is recalled that such a fabulous sum as \$22,500 was paid for O'Toole by Pittsburg and the Giants willingly gave \$11,000 for Marquard.

Connie is recognized as one of the shrewdest traders in the whole baseball business, and if he ever went in for swapping horses he'd have David Harum yelling for help. He is an economist whenever it is possible, and it was possible when he secured Shortstop Barry, Second Baseman Collins and Third Baseman Baker. Eddie Col-

lins was in New York, Barry was at Holy Cross and Baker was fooling around in Reading, Pa. Mack captured this trio of baseball stars for the price of their railroad fares, and the three tickets totaled exactly \$10.85. He had Davis for first when he made the deal. It was a feat that will never be duplicated.



Games in Cincinnati will begin at 8 o'clock this season.

The Dodgers have sent infielder Jimmy Breen back to Milwaukee.

St. Joseph has turned Second Baseman Lowthers back to Washington.

Baltimore has released Pitcher Dave Roth to Troy, and Catcher Fingal to York.

Arlie Latham would accept a position as umpire in some good league. He says so himself.

Manager Irby of the Helena team released Murray, Annis and Cole. Murray has signed with Ogden.

Detroit is trying to sign John J. McCormick, the Holyoke boy who formerly caught for Cornell university.

Claude Elliott, the pitcher of other days, is to be an umpire on the Wisconsin-Illinois league staff this season.

Noah Henline, sold by Baltimore to Troy, but who could not agree to terms, has joined the Troy training squad.

Dan Murphy, the Athletic's new field captain, is bubbling over with aggressiveness and Connie Mack is all smiles.

George Mullin says he has set his heart on this being his best year. To make it that he will have to go some, all will admit.

"I appointed Wagner captain of the Pirates because he understands my system and has had the necessary experience," says Fred Clarke.

The White Sox have sent Roland Barrows to Jersey City. He was not under option to the Lowell club of the New England league last year.

President Devitt thinks the Spring at the Boston team training is too rich to be missed. He was possible when he secured Shortstop Barry, Second Baseman Collins and Third Baseman Baker. Eddie Col-



Jack Barry.