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BOOST—DON'T KNOCK

Friday sport still continues to exact toll in human lives.

It is a wonder that nobody thought of clean money long ago.

The country is safe in spite of the dire predictions of certain politicians.

It is possible to be a perfect daredevil in an aeroplane, but what is the use?

If it were not for politics a lot of young lawyers would find existence dreary.

What has become of the old fashioned joint debate between leading candidates?

Some plutocrat should offer a prize for the encouragement of longevity among aviators.

Not only does it hurt an oyster to be eaten alive, as Doc Wiley says, but it cannot talk back.

Women's dresses, we are told, are to be tighter. Gracious heaven! Can such a thing be possible?

Artificial rubber is said by an expert to be a failure—not able to stretch a point—so to speak.

After a while perhaps Americans will learn to utilize their house tops as well as their sleeping porches.

Society is now barring the wiggly dances, thus commendably following the lead of many public dance halls.

Even if abstaining from gossip will not remove superfluous hairs it will leave a sweeter taste in the mouth.

It is a sad world. You escape a scorching automobile by the skin of your teeth, only to run into a candidate.

After all, it is only fair to attempt to make a man of a monkey, since so many monkeys have been made of men.

Once more the last of the passenger pigeons has died. That bird will accomplish that feat once too often some day.

Now it is explained why the small boy and the tramp are so healthy. A Boston physician says that soap is a barrier of diseases.

The dear little boys in the kindergarten may be shy on some branches of useless knowledge, but they are learning to sew nicely.

The New York milkman who offered to accept kisses in pay for his wares must have been dispensing the milk of human kindness.

This is a grand year for fruits, but certain well-known gentlemen with cravings for office will remember it because of its sour grapes.

Toadstools caused the death of thirteen persons in Paris during the last season. Another proof of the unlikelihood of the number thirteen.

Despite all predictions of an early hard winter, it can be regarded as certain that navigation up Salt river will remain open until after November 5.

Harvard surgeons have installed a device that records heartbeats at hundreds of miles. Pooh! The ordinary love letter has been doing that for years.

Why would it not be a good idea for some one to seek to develop the commercial utility of the aeroplanes rather than to display its circus possibilities?

"Lots of Americans are fools," says the Charleston (S. C.) News and Courier. This may be true, but the foreigner who says it is going to get in trouble.

That Philadelphia woman who has been taken to a hospital because she cannot stop talking presents an unusual case. Ordinarily the verbal form is "will not."

Airman seem to be working on the wrong end of the problem. They should not seek to discover how fast they can go but should try to see how fast they can render flights.

People who insist on dancing the "grizzly bear" even when there is a danger of being shot for doing so may think it is a better business than it is.

EDITORS GATHER AT BRIGGS HOUSE.

The Beacon-News Host to Newspaper Men.

The Beacon-News was host to the Republican Editorial Association of the Eleventh Congressional District and a number of invited guests Saturday at the Briggs House in Chicago.

At noon the association was called to order by the president, F. E. Marley of the Batavia Herald, with U. S. G. Blakely of the Plainfield Enterprise as secretary.

The association and guests were then invited to the private dining room of the Briggs House, where a sumptuous lunch was served. After the lunch a program of toasts was enjoyed. President Marley introduced A. M. Snook, president of the Beacon-News, as toastmaster, and the following responded: Congressman Copley, President Marley, U. S. G. Blakely, L. A. Constantine, James Kennedy of West Chicago and George S. Faxon of the Plano News. A short business meeting followed and the association accepted the invitation of President Marley to be his guests next year.

The following were present: H. E. Baldwin, Joliet News; U. S. G. Blakely, Plainfield Enterprise; D. L. Stanton, Lombard News-Item; C. H. Staats, Downers Grove Reporter; George Faxon, Plano News; L. A. Constantine, Aurora; F. H. Bevier, Aurora; A. M. Snook, George Stephens, editor of the Beacon-News, Aurora; F. P. Hanafin, president of the Elgin Courier, Elgin; O. A. White, American Press Association, Chicago; F. E. Marley, Editor Fillmore, Marengo News; W. C. Brill, Hampshire; Editor Holmes of Dundee; Larner of Elburn Herald, Mead of Geneva; Copley, Adams, Peotone; James Kennedy, Trowbridge, Crete.

McHENRY COUNTY PROGRESSIVES.

McHenry County Progressives are displaying an activity which is likely to bear results by the time the votes are counted next November. Chairman C. P. Barnes of the county committee has caused to be sent to every voter this week a pamphlet giving the political situation in detail, both in the state and in the nation. Among other things this pamphlet says:

"Governor Wilson is not presidential timber. He is, however, a brilliant educator. He is also what is called a book man—a theorist. He is strong for precedents, and not in favor of making new one when the occasion requires. Roosevelt would act while Wilson would be theorizing. Wilson (like his party) is entirely wrong on the tariff and many other questions of vital importance to the prosperity of our people. We do not want four years more of a president who makes it so apparent that he is affected with an extreme weakening of the spinal column.

"Colonel Theodore Roosevelt has not changed in any way since he left the presidential chair almost four years ago. He is still fighting for the common people, and to restore the government to the people. He is our grandest type of true American citizenship. He is as much greater, grander and abler than Taft or Wilson as the Rockies are higher than the valleys beneath them.

"What did Roosevelt do as President?"

"Roosevelt accomplished more constructive work as President than any other man who was ever in the White House.

"His greatest work was his leadership of the nation to new moral standards in business and public life."

Regarding the congressional situation the following will be of interest:

"The Progressive party has endorsed for re-election our very able and strong Progressive Congressman, Hon. Ira C. Copley of Aurora, who is earnestly supporting the candidacy of Colonel Roosevelt for President.

"In answer to a recent article in the Inter-Ocean that Colonel Copley was begging to be taken into the Taft camp, our Congressman on Sept. 27, 1912, gave out for publication the following clean cut shoulder blow to the Taft supporters in this district:

"I am perfectly satisfied to leave my cause to the voters of this district in November, and it makes no difference to me what man my political opponents see fit to run against me. If I cannot go back to Congress retaining my self respect, I will willingly stay at home. The voice of the voters of my district, as well as of Illinois, was unmistakable at the April primaries.

"I would not endorse a nomination so flagrantly stolen as was that of Mr. Taft at the Republican national convention if I knew that the whole force and resources of a national Republican committee were to be centered in my district to defeat me."

"Hurrah for Copley! If he had more men in public life like him stealing nominations would soon become unpopular."—The Elgin Courier.

Should Have Been Prepaid. Old Father Epicuremus, the philosopher, has just sent us a telegram stating that "some men's idea of earning a living is just answering a dinner bell." We should have welcomed the communication had the old gentleman not sent his message collect.—Judge.

Has Thoughts of Rape. Gibbs—I suppose your wife often speaks of the husband she had before she married you? Dibs—No; but she sometimes speaks of the husband she may have after me.

A WOMAN'S BACK.

The Advice of This Downers Grove Woman is of Certain Value.

Many a woman's back has many aches and pains. Oftentimes 'tis the kidneys' fault. That's why Doan's Kidney Pills are so effective.

Many Downers Grove women know this.

Read what one has to say about it: Mrs. Jacob Schaller, 97 South Main street, Downers Grove, Ill., says: "For two or three years I suffered off and on from attacks of backache. I had dull, heavy pains in my loins and there was weakness extending from my hips downward. The least exertion tired me and I often had to sit down and rest. The kidney secretions also caused much annoyance and plainly showed that I had kidney complaint. Several months ago I had the good fortune to learn of Doan's Kidney Pills and I immediately began using them, procuring my supply at Bush & Simonsen's Drug Store. No other medicine ever brought me such great relief as this one. Since taking the contents of two boxes of Doan's Kidney Pills, my back has been entirely free from pain and my kidneys have caused me no trouble whatever."

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FATTENING THE CHICKENS.

Chickens having the run of the farm seldom put on sufficient flesh for the most exacting trade. By penning them for ten days or two weeks and feeding a fattening ration, a gain of one to two pounds per fowl can be made, says a writer in Farm and Home. An extra fat chicken will usually bring 2 or 3 cents more per pound than one only in fair order.

Not over a dozen chickens should be put together in very limited quarters. The room should be kept fairly dark, sufficient light being admitted at feeding time to enable the fowls to see to eat. The reason for crowding and darkening the room is to prevent unnecessary movements, for to fatten readily a chicken should get very little exercise.

A ration recommended for the fattening pen is composed of equal parts of corn meal, middlings and ground oats, to which is added 15 per cent by weight of beef scrap. This mixture is wet up with sour skim milk and fed from V-shaped troughs. The chickens should be fed all they will eat in ten minutes, after which the feed troughs should be removed and the pen darkened until time to feed again. Feed three times a day.

THE BALKAN STEW-POT BOILS OVER.

Though distant thousand of miles, the American people, mindful of their inheritance, have always taken a keen interest in the struggles of old world peoples for a chance to work out their own national existence.

The way the European powers have dealt with the Balkan horror is in striking contrast with the American attitude toward Cuba.

Old Bismarck once said that the whole Eastern question was not worth the bones of a Pomeranian grenadier. Yet the sufferings of the Cuban reconcentrados, which stirred the American people to a wrathful blow, were slight compared with the massacres that defile the snowy sides of these Eastern summits.

The countries that once surrounded the Mediterranean, Black and Egean seas were once the most prosperous in the world, now they are the most miserable.

Up in Northern Albania the people are not allowed to have telephones, electric lights, machinery, books or newspapers. Our American people, used for centuries to the orderly processes of democracy, cannot conceive of the unrest prevailing in Macedonia, where there were thirty assassinations in 1911 of government officials and politicians.

At the northerly end of this tract, Austria seeks to cement control of the regions it has seized, by encouraging able bodied men to emigrate to the United States. It wants no fighting force left to keep up the struggle for independence. The vast number of Austrian laborers in the United States has a new and tragic significance, when you think of the aged relatives left at home to be subject to tyrannical governments.

Since the Young Turks got in power at Constantinople the former atrocities have been materially relieved. Uncle Abdul Hamid would show his affection for his turbulent subjects by cutting off their heads. The Young Turks were glad enough to get peace last year by paying \$250,000 to repair the dwellings burned in the insurrection, and the rebels got the right to retain their arms and their privileges of citizenship.

This leniency comes too late. Its only effect can be to encourage this underworld of Eastern Europe to fight again for their beloved crags and glens.

Time Saved. In a large family, where there are many children, much loss of time and annoyance is saved if, before putting stockings into the wash each week, each person will tack the two stockings of each pair at the heels, says Suburban Life. There is no trouble in trying to mate them afterward, as each person may use a different colored thread.

SEEK SUNKEN CITIES

English Expedition to Search for Lost Continent.

Coast of Yucatan the Scene of the Operations, and Result May Be the Discovery of the Much-Discussed Atlantis.

London.—Yet another party of treasure hunters has sailed from England. This time the search is for no paltry hoard hidden by an old time pirate, nor for a mere million or two of golden doubloons sunk in some Spanish galleon. This latest expedition is to go diving for a lost continent, Atlantis perhaps, and salvage the countless millions worth of gold and gems and art treasures of the sunken cities of a region as large as all Europe.

At the head of the expedition is Bernard Meekham, an English explorer. His plans include the employment of a huge floating dry dock, at least a dozen submarines for work on the sea bottom and a hundred or more expert divers.

For nearly a hundred years, says Meekham, Yucatan fishermen have been bringing up from the waters along the coast beautifully carved stones, vases and small objects of gold and silver. These fishermen are Maya Indians, who believe themselves to be the descendants of a once mighty race. They hold these treasures of the deep as sacred and when asked where they get them reply that they have been given them by their forefathers.

The reports of these finds led Meekham to explore the ruined cities of ancient civilization scattered all along the coast of Yucatan. He thus became convinced of the existence of a once populous and rich country, swallowed by the sea long ages ago, but still accessible.

First of all, engineers and investigators were sent to Yucatan. Their reports showed that the country marked for exploitation had apparently sunk over an immense irregular land surface stretching along the twentieth parallel and breaking away from what is now the northern coast of South America and the eastern coast of Central America. Further observations showed that the temples, palaces and houses which formed the cities of this lost country were in far better condition than the land buried cities of Yucatan and Guatemala. Several valuable objects of gold and silver encrusted with jewels and recovered by the crude methods necessarily employed by the searchers made it practically certain that the inhabitants of the doomed land had not had time to escape with their wealth before the final catastrophe.

These discoveries, together with the traces found in the buried cities of Yucatan of a once powerful and enlightened race, indicate a wonderful civilization that was in existence long before the days of Egypt or Babylon. Even when the Spanish conquistadores invaded Yucatan these mysterious cities had been in ruins for centuries.

Submarines and divers will be employed to explore and loot the sunken cities. These submarines of the cur-



Ruined City in Yucatan.

ous Pino type, fitted with steel arms ending in immense claws controlled from within the boat, will crawl about the sunken cities and carry the treasures which the divers bring them to the under water platform of the huge dry dock above. From the surface of the sea steel tubes will also drop into the depths of the Caribbean, and from their ends will pour streams of light, illuminating street where only the scaly denizens of the deep have wandered for untold ages.

MINT TEA ALL THE RAGE

"Everybody's Doin' It" in London and Ordinary Ceylon and Chinese Brands Are Barred.

London.—If you want to be in the fashion you must drink mint tea. Ordinary Ceylon or China won't do, and, anyway, mint tea is fine for the complexion. Grand Duchess George of Russia says so. Mint tea is all the rage in the fashionable houses of Belgravia and Mayfair, and owes its introduction to the Russian princesses.

Tries Odd Suicide in Jail.

Huntingdon, Pa.—By swallowing match heads and ground glass, Frank Ronello, on trial for murder, tried to commit suicide. Sticking his handkerchief in his mouth when physicians responded to the call, he refused to swallow medicine and had to be held while hypodermics were used to compel him to vomit. He was gotten out of danger and then a jury convicted him.

Not Entirely Biblical. When the Bible was translated into Japanese an equivalent to the word "baptize" could not be found, and the word "soak" had to be used instead. So that Japanese biblical students are acquainted with a person named "John the Soaker" and with a doctrine of "soaking for remission of sins."

Usurer Properly Punished. Five years in prison and a fine of 15,000 marks was the punishment inflicted in Munich on a man convicted of usury. He rented houses, and exacted up to 350 per cent a year of his victims.

Change Due to Captivity. All canyon birds are descendants of the common gray species of the Canary islands. Their original yellow has been modified to lemon yellow by captivity and cross-breeding.

Both Disappointed. First Billiard Player—How is it you aren't at home this evening? Second Ditto—My wife's in a bad humor; she had company arrive and she wasn't ready. How about yourself? "Oh, my wife's mad, too; she got ready for company and they didn't come."—Boston Transcript.

Looked the Part. Walter found his mother talking to a portly lady. "Walter," said his ma, "this is your great aunt." "Yes," said Walter, looking at her ample proportions; "she looks it."—Savannah News.

Good Idea for Extension Table. The extra leaves of an extension table invented by a Pennsylvania are carried beneath the top when not in use and raised into place and fastened there by turning a pair of thumb-screws.

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