

We have never yet, nor will we ever, permit anyone to undersell us or dispute our supremacy in any branch of our business

Our 88c Sale Prices

stand unmatched anywhere in the city. We challenge all comers to a test

88c Sale Continues Friday and Saturday

Efird's Department Store, Wilmington, N. C.

Democrats See Fair Chance For Winning Next Campaign If Wise Leaders Are On Job

Only Danger is Action of Small Group of Congressional Leaders Who are Flirting With Opposition in Effort to Undermine Constructive Legislation of the Wilson Administrations—Too Much Demagoguery Says Glass

H. E. C. BRYANT
WASHINGTON, April 19.—Democratic statesmen believe that the party has a fair opening for success next year. They do not fear the Republicans as much as they do trimmers in their own camp. A little bunch of senators is playing with various groups across the aisle. Instead of standing by the constructive legislation enacted during President Wilson's administration they are joining Republican blocs to undermine it.

The average cotton farmer of the south sees through the humbug talk that congressmen make in their behalf but some of the extremists urge him on. If the Democrats of the present congress, at the next session, act wisely, the Republicans can be routed for President Harding is very unpopular, and there is little prospect of his retaining any of the people he has lost.

"We will win if wise leaders lay the foundation in the house and senate," declared Senator Glass, of Virginia, to me.

"Our chances depend on our work in the coming session of congress. If a few Democratic senators undertake to repudiate the laws we passed when we were in power the country will not support the party. There is too much demagoguery."

That tells the story in a few words. A few time serving Democrats can un-

dermine Democratic hopes. That is just what the Republicans want to see. President Harding is still wrestling with his world court suggestion. Woodrow Wilson has explained his views on the proposition. He thinks that the Republicans should take the league of nations, court protocol and all. It is understood that he has told Democratic senators to fight for the court as provided for in the league, but if they cannot get that, vote for the best they can get if it recognizes the principle of the league. If Mr. Harding wins he will have to do it by Democratic votes. Some of the prominent Democrats will refuse to support the court until the Republicans will accept. The court issue grows more intense every day.

Ex-President Wilson is going to take more of a hand in the campaign than some of his foes had expected him to do. If he were physically fit he might enter the race for the Democratic nomination, but that seems out of the question now. His mind is very alert and his memory excellent. He has not forgotten some of the Democrats who rocked the boat while he was steering it, and in senatorial campaigns next year he will write a few of his famous letters.

Democrats are still discussing candidates. They eliminate Oscar W. Underwood because he is from the south, and the country has linked him with the wets. The Democrats do not seem to mind a liberal-minded aspirant, but they are not going to let the country get the impression their party is an organization against prohibition. Many Wilson Democrats are turning to John W. Davis, of West Virginia. They believe that all factions could unite on him. Some of the former adherents of William G. McAdoo are lukewarm toward his aspirations now, for they believe that it will be hard, if not impossible for him to overcome the opposition to him in places where the Democrats greatly need votes to win.

The Clarke boomlet rolls along. Westerners are pushing it quietly. Former Associate Justice Clarke is formidable but is at a disadvantage; he is not well known. If he were as widely known as Mr. McAdoo he would be more popular.

The Democrats are still up a tree on their standard bearer. Many of the leaders of the party in congress frankly admit the situation is badly mixed at this time.

At this stage of the game the record of Justice Clarke, the least known of the men mentioned as probable nominees, is being looked up. Here are some interesting facts about him.

President Wilson appointed Mr. Clarke federal district court judge, and later promoted him to the supreme bench, to succeed Charles E. Hughes. Mr. Clarke and Louis E. Brandeis were considered radicals, but they sometimes divided on important cases. He voted to sustain Postmaster General Burleson in his refusal to allow Victor Berger, the Socialist leader of Milwaukee, the privileges of second-class matter. He read the opinion of the court while Messrs. Brandeis and Holmes dissented. He also presented the opinion declaring illegal and a restraint of trade the so-called "open competition plan" of the National Hardwood Manufacturers association and Messrs. Holmes, Brandeis and McKenna dissented, and Messrs. Day and Pitney dissented in the steel corporation case. They held that it should be dissolved.

Mr. Clarke likes politics and has always been independent in views and action. He voted William Jennings Bryan, the democratic nominee for president, and voted for Palmer and Buckner, gold standard Democrats. He was very friendly to Tom Johnson, of Cleveland. He got his early inspiration from him. Former Secretary of War Newton D. Baker, a progressive Democrat, liked him. It is understood here that Mr. Baker called Mr. Wilson's attention to him.

Some of the things Mr. Clarke has stood for are: The initiative and referendum, municipal ownership, decent treatment and working conditions for laboring men and women, two-cent railroad fare and other reform measures.

Mr. Wilson like Mr. Clarke. He belongs to the "intellectuals" of the Democratic party. On of his favorite diversions in his earlier career was lecturing on Shakespeare's Fools, and he proved a drawing card. His mental poise and self control and happy way of saying things attracted the president. The change of the machine politicians that Clarke would not work with them—would wear no party leader's collar—was another thing that

Governor and President Get Bushel of "Sweets"

(Special to the Star.)
NEW BERN, April 19.—President Warren G. Harding and Governor Cameron Morrison were today "taken in" on North Carolina's sweet potato week, when Harry Barlow, secretary of the local chamber of commerce, shipped to each a bushel crate of home-grown, home-cured "Craven sweets" and in a letter enclosing recipes, suggested many attractive ways of serving them, with compliments of the New Bern Sweet Potato Growers association.

Mr. Clarke, upon receiving his license to practice law, hung out his shingle in Youngstown, but later moved to Cleveland. He is now known as the "Youngstown Lawyer" by many Ohio Democrats who heard him make a famous speech that brought him into the limelight and in disrepute with organization party men. In the Ohio state convention of 1904, Senator Brice, one of the three Democratic senators who voted for the notorious sugar schedule, that caused the papers to charge him and his two associates, Gorman and Smith, with being Havemeyer senators, was seeking "vindication." A regular program had been mapped out by the politicians to give Brice a vote of confidence. Into the convention, the thin, wiry "Youngstown lawyer" dropped a bomb in the form of a resolution providing for the selection of United States senators by a popular vote. The theretofore quiet, orderly convention became very boisterous. Mr. Clarke was cheered and hissed.

"When any great question is before the American people for decision," said he, "what one of you looks to the debates of the United States senate for light? Not one; not one!"

This aroused the crowd, and there were yells of derision and approval. Some of the delegates cried "sit down!" and others, "Go on; that is what we want to hear. Few people in the hall knew the speaker.

"When a United States senator is to be chosen the questions no longer are asked, what is his worth—meaning what is his character; what are his talents, what service has he rendered the state or what service is he capable of rendering?" the Youngstown lawyer added.

"No, these questions are no longer asked. The only question now is not what is his worth, but what is he worth—meaning how much money has he? as if the length of a man's head could be measured by the length of his purse.

"This is a question that rises far above men, far above party, it is a question vital to the welfare of your country, for you all know that the senate has become a mere rich man's club, nesting place for trusts, combines and understandings in which the hateful sugar trust has lately raised its hydra-head, and in the name of community of self, seizing the Democratic party by the throat, compelled it to stand and deliver."

That was considered a very fierce and radical speech at the time it was made. A new and dangerous radical had bobbed up. In a contest with Mark Hanna for the senate, Mr. Clarke was charged with being a "corporation lawyer," a "radical" and a "communist." He was defeated.

Messrs. Clarke and Hanna were born in the little town of Lisbon.

While a resident of Youngstown, Mr. Clarke owned an interest in the "Youngstown Vindicator," and wrote editorials for it. Among other reforms he advocated changes in the civil service systems of the day. As an attorney he represented the Erie, the Pennsylvania and other railroads. In 1897 he went to Cleveland to live, and became the attorney for the Nickel Plate railroad. He was the trial lawyer for Williamson, Cushing & Clarke.

"I am employed by corporations but not a corporation lawyer," Mr. Clarke explained.

ALL WORLD'S RECORDS FOR DANCING ARE BROKEN AGAIN

CLEVELAND, April 19.—All world's endurance records for dancing were broken here tonight by Miss June Curry, who finished 98 hours of continuous dancing at 8 o'clock and was still going strong, according to an attending physician. This breaks the record of 88 hours and 15 minutes established early today by Arthur Howard Klein.

Soldiers of the American army made athletics so popular in France that it is now the usual thing to see boys playing baseball throughout that country. Besides this sport, tennis, rowing and swimming have met with great favor.

Get health—Keep health—Feel fine by eating Kellogg's Bran regularly!

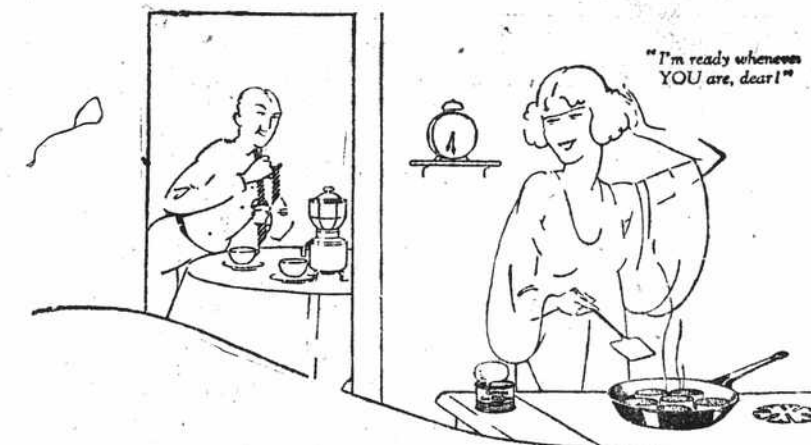
Constipation and the toxic poisonings that come from it not only take the enthusiasm out of life, making you depressed and physically and mentally dull—but they head you into diseases such as Bright's, diabetes, rheumatism, etc. You can actually rid yourself of these dangers if you will EAT KELLOGG'S BRAN REGULARLY!—at least two tablespoonfuls daily; in chronic cases with every meal!

Kellogg's Bran is nature's most wonderful food. It is scientifically prepared to relieve suffering humanity from constipation and it will do that as no other food can! Don't take a chance of "getting away" with constipation—IT WILL GET YOU! Don't ruin your health with pills and cathartics—they are as dangerous as constipation itself and give but temporary relief, at the very best!

What you should do for your family and for yourself is to serve Kellogg's Bran every day, in any one of several attractive ways, and fight constipation as you have never fought it before! AND YOU WILL WIN.

In the first place, Kellogg's Bran is delicious in its nut-like flavor, adding greatly to any cereal with which it is used. Eat bran as a cereal with hot milk, or mix it with hot cereal before serving. Another method is to cook Kellogg's Bran with cereal. In each case add two tablespoonfuls of bran for each person. A popular way is to sprinkle bran on hot or cold cereal. Bran makes wonderful bakery products. Recipes are printed on every package.

Kellogg's Bran is served in leading hotels, restaurants and clubs. It is sold by all grocers.



QUICKEST meal on record! A can of Gorton's and a hot frying pan and you've a breakfast, luncheon or supper of delicious fish cakes in no time. Gorton's famous "No Bones" salt Cod Fish, mixed with fresh-boiled potatoes—all ready to shape into cakes and fry. Just you try a can! Such FLAVOR!



Gorton's Original Ready-to-Fry Cod Fish Cakes

FREE: "Gorton's Deep-Sea Recipes." Gorton-Pew Fisheries Co., Inc., Gloucester, Mass.

Creamy Milk
For coffee lovers

Serve Dairymen's League Evaporated Milk with the morning coffee.

This rich, "creamy milk" flavors coffee richly.

Your grocer has it in large and baby-size cans.

DAIRYMEN'S LEAGUE
Co-operative Association, Inc.
Utica, N. Y.

ROACHES EAT BEDBUGS

Cockroaches have one redeeming virtue, says a famous entomologist—for they eat bedbugs. But depending on roaches to rid the home of bedbugs is a remedy worse than the disease. Old-fashioned poisonous pastes and powders, which insects must eat to die are ineffective compared with the new death to insects that is absolutely harmless to man or animal. It is El Vampire in the original handy bellows box. Its tiniest particle kills bugs at a touch. Blow it into crevices and watch it kill them. Puff it in the air and kill flies. Sure death to Bugs, Roaches, Flies, Fleas, Ants, Moths, Mosquitoes, Plant Lice and all insects. 10c at any dealer. Milled by Allaire, Woodward & Co., Peoria, Ill.

El Vampire

a Wonderful Flavor

BANQUET ORANGE PEKOE TEA
M^cORMICK & CO.
BALTIMORE, U.S.A.

Gardner's FAMOUS CAKES

Strength

...of purpose in giving the public the finest cake made at a reasonable price regardless of the cost of butter, eggs and sugar, is the enviable reputation of Gardner's Famous Cakes—a policy that will be maintained as long as our trade-mark is offered for your protection. Insist on

Gardner's FAMOUS CAKES

in Pound Packages

Distributor—EAGLE CANDY COMPANY—Phone 759 Wilmington, North Carolina

Read the Star Classified Ads for Best Results