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Friday, May 28, 1920

The community needs a big new hotel.

The whole month has been a "long cold spell".

Conditions are reported normal again in Ireland.

Next week the G. O. P. will have most of the headlines.

Mexico seems to have little trouble in disposing of her ex-presidents.

You simply ought to buy that season ticket early - and Chattanooga starts on June 10.

Talking about superstition - everytime Hiram Johnson makes a speech he knocks on Wood.

This colyum is going to miss Carranza—we would always get a squib out of him in a pinch.

Wouldn't it be better if Congress would get to work on its mandate to govern the American people.

Only \$2500.00 of Johnson money sent into North Carolina—headline—Ye Gods! Won't even buy enough cigars to go around for the faithful.

MAX GARDNER is finding jim barrett about the best vote getter for him in the State. Jim makes friends for Gardner every time he opens his mouth.

We see by the papers that Brother Bill Bryan will be there, and brethren, the chances are more than favorable that he will start something after he gets there.

The peace resolution is now in the hands of the President—regardless of what he writes about it, we confidently assert that what he thinks about it really isn't fit to print.

The New York Times has endorsed one John W. Davis for the Democratic nomination for the presidency. 'Sall right, we presume if he can get the votes of all the Democrats who never heard of him before.

We still think Hoover a good man for President. Such is the tenacity of our conviction that we will insist even after they've inaugurated some one else that they missed the chance of electing the biggest man in America to the presidency.

**ALTERNATE JOHNSON**

Senator Johnson was elected one of the alternate delegates to the Chicago convention, "obviously," says Mr. De Young's San Francisco Chronicle "with a view of making a vacancy for him in the regular body when the question of the proposed alliance is before the convention, as, apparently, it will be." The "alliance" is, of course the Covenant of the League of Nations, to whose "iniquities" no other public man has given such study." By a rather unfortunate reference to "the florid eloquence" "of the young man Bryan" in the Democratic National Convention of 1896, the purpose and hope of the

California Johnsonians in choosing their hero as an alternate are betrayed. He has to melt stony hearts by his eloquence. His mighty voice is to soften and persuade hostile delegations. The galleries, judiciously "dressed", will make majestic reboation. In a grand transformation scene, pandemonic in hullabaloo, panangelic in brotherly affection, the foremost anti-iniquitarian will be nominated by a unanimous vote.

Lovely picture, more than worthy of the golden age! We hear the iron tears drawn down Penrose's cheek. Even Murray Crane takes shelter in a confessing handkerchief. The rocky heart of William Barnes is moved to the late remorse of love. The groups of veteran politicians who were cold and deaf to so many miles of appealing words in 1912 and 1916 are won at last. Yet why should Senator Johnson's physical presence and far-heard voice be necessary to get him the prize? He deserves it for more solid reasons. He represents openly the steady hostility, shown more insidiously by the leader of the Republican Party in the Senate, to the League of Nations, to the reconstruction of business confidence, to the diminution of armaments and war. In his six years as Governor the expenditures of the State were increased nearly 100 per cent. As an economist, a reducer of taxation, he perfectly represents the passion for economy and tax reform of this Republican Congress. With a so flawlessly Republican record, why should he have to let loose his thunder at Chicago?—New York Times.

**ASKING ALMOST TOO MUCH.**

"And so you are not married yet?"  
"No."  
"Engaged?"  
"No."  
"What's the matter?"  
"Well, papa says that my husband must be a keen and experienced man, of good health and good habits; mamma says that he must be frugal, industrious and attentive; and I say he must be handsome, dashing, talented and rich. We are still looking for him!"—Stray Stories.

**Making Money Now.**

"Is Scribson still doing literary work?"  
"Oh, no. Scribson has given up his dreams of fame and decided to let posterity take care of itself while he earns a living for his family."  
"Sensible decision. Is he selling automobiles?"  
"No. He's writing popular fiction for the magazines."



**DRY CLEANED.**  
"I never see the cat washing her face any more."  
"That cat is progressive. She strolls around in front of the vacuum cleana whenever I have it in use."

**The Other Fellow.**  
I like the other fellow.  
He's good to have along;  
For I can always put the blame  
On him when things go wrong.

**Milder Moods.**  
"There's no doubt about it," mused Senator Sorghum, "we're a great deal more gentle and refined than we used to be."  
"There have been some hard-boiled methods."  
"Not in statesmanship. There was a time when a political quarrel might lead to a duel. Now the worst you can expect is a libel suit."

**A Correction.**  
The Judge—I understand that you frequently said that robbing a trust fund was the last thing you would do.  
The Culprit—Well, what if I did say so?  
The Judge—You were wrong. You are now going to do from one to ten years.

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