

MANY PROMINENT MEN APPEARED IN PARODY AT GRIDIRON DINNER

Washington, Dec. 11—Peace and preparedness advocates alike came in for a raking fire of jest at the Winter dinner of the Gridiron club tonight. At the close the preparedness ranks appeared the stronger, but their casualties from verbal shrapnel were almost as heavy as those of the pacifists.

President Wilson, Vice President Marshall, members of the cabinet, senators, representatives and men prominent in public life from many parts of the country were among the club's guests. The chorus of the song introducing the President follows:

We take our stand back of you, Mr. Wilson,
Strength to your arm we give;
You're the leader of all,
We respond to your call,
We will stand firm with you for the
red, white and blue.

No party or faction divides us in twain
We're just plain Americans, proud of the name.

Let the world realize
Naught can sever our ties,
We take our hats off to you.

A figure representing William Jennings Bryan was prominent in the evening's entertainment. He bobbed up in three skits, always in a stellar role.

"The Saccharine Soldier," perhaps the liveliest of all the sketches, brought the former secretary of state to the fore as the leader of a band of soldiers, armed with marshmallows, bonbons and other candies and exhibited as relics of a barbaric age. Among the officers were General Gumdrops, Colonel Caromel, Major Marshmallow, Captain Candy and others bearing names of confections. The soldiers' "weapons" were huge red, white and blue candy canes, which they waved quite recklessly.

Announcement of the loss of all of the army's chewing gum to a girl's school and the destruction of two wagon loads of chautauqua contracts caused great distress in the camp. Mr. Bryan then obliged with "Good-bye, chief, I'm through." Here is the chorus:

Goodbye, chief, I'm through,
I pray you'll not forget;
I say goodbye to you
With more or less regret;
I go to save the nation,
With lecture and oration,
So I bid a fond adieu.
Goodbye, chief, God bless you,
I'm through.

As Mr. Bryan finished singing, General Gumdrops broke out into "In days of old, when knifings were bold," and the entire company mimicked. The skit closed with the singing of a strictly preparedness chorus.

The Gridiron "Bookies" sketch brought out Colonel Roosevelt, Harvey Watterson and House, and Secretary Garrison, General Leonard Wood, Mayor John Purroy Mitchell, of New York, Dudley Field Malone, of New York, Collector of customs, Representative Augustus P. Gardner, of Massachusetts; Oswald G. Villard, of New York, Mr. Bryan and Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., as candidates for the army. Scarcely had the squad assembled when Colonel Roosevelt leaped forward and began to assail those who are trying to "Chinafy America." As the examination for candidates proceeded, Colonel Roosevelt was asked if he desired to join the cavalry.

"I want to organize a gas-bomb brigade," he replied.

"What do you know about gas-bombs?" an examiner asked.

"Everything; why I fired one at Pittsburgh."

"Did it do any damage?"

"It almost killed Leonard Wood."

Mr. Gardner, clad only in a shirt and a barrel, rushed in complaining that Secretaries Daniels and Garrison had stolen all of his outfit except his press agent. Secretary Garrison, under examination stated that his idea of a hero was a man who stood on the administration firing line and permitted Roosevelt to shoot speeches at him. Colonel Watterson declared his belief that preparedness just now is a good thing because it will demonstrate that a single-track mind can run both ways. Colonel House was assigned to the Household cavalry. Dudley Field Malone went to the Boy Scouts.

To prove that newspaper men in Washington are not handed information on a silver platter, four exhibits of raw material with whom the reporters have to work. Mr. Bryan, Secretary Redfield, Senator James Hamilton Lewis and Secretary Tammity, were presented in a sketch. Mr. Bryan said he had mixed news but he was keeping it for his own paper. Secretary Redfield entered a general denial. Senator Lewis uttered many words, but not one for quotation. Secretary Tammity confined himself to necessities without news value, chiefly concerning the days in New Jersey.

A clock's rule declined to elect only Senators Reed of Missouri, and Thomas of Colorado, was quickly adopted, it is eye for a much sought. A snuffbox was appeared to investigate a picture that when the heard that "limited" took. Clever words were represented by a human figure, creat-

tually was "talked to death" and carried out. Vice President Marshall remarked, before adjourning the "senate", that the body needed a plucking board instead of a cloture rule.

Besides the executive officers, Senators Cummins, Borah, Sherman, James, Penrose and Oliver; Representatives Cannon and Mann, of Illinois; Gardner of Mass.; Stevens of Minnesota; Rear Admiral Benson, chief of naval operations, U. S. N.; Major General Scott, chief of staff, U. S. A.; Hiram Maxim, a member of the naval advisory board, and David Belasco, of New York, were among the widely known guests.

INTERNED ALIENS ARE KEPT ON ISLE OF MAN

Douglas, Isle of Man, Dec. 11.—

There are almost 30,000 aliens of military age interned on this island, all men, and they are being supported by the government at an approximate cost of ten shillings per capita weekly. Elaborate camps, with modern sewage systems, have been constructed, and a beginning has been made in establishing workshops where idleness can be turned into industry. In time all the interned aliens may be brought here. There are almost 4,000 at Alexandra Palace in London still. There are no longer any interned at Frimley, near Aldershot.

There are still many thousands of Germans and Austrians who have not been interned and all have a chance of appearing before a tribunal established for the purpose of deciding whether internment is desirable. When interned they can communicate with their home governments through the American embassy which still maintains two men at the former home of Prince Lichnowsky in Carlton Terrace. For many months these two men have been Edward G. Lowry, of New York and Leiland H. Littlefield of Providence.

The agitation calling for the wholesale internment of enemy aliens, which a part of the London press carried on most vigorously last year, has now died down and there appears to be no general criticism that the home office is not handling this difficult problem fairly and successfully.

EGGS LOWER IN NEW YORK

Receipts Not Excessive But Recent High Prices Cause a Stamp in Demand.

The receipts of eggs from March 1 to Saturday of last week were 3,987,576 cases against 4,134,402 cases the same time a year ago. Receipts for the week ending last Saturday were 32,197 against 35,566 the same week a year ago. Receipts Monday 6,467; Tuesday 8,563; Wednesday 8,505; Thursday 9,803; Friday 5,119.

There is an old saying that what goes up must come down, and this applies to the present fresh egg market. Up to the middle of last week, prices had climbed to unprecedented heights for this time of year and with nothing more than a temporary shortage. Fresh eggs were extremely scarce. These high prices necessarily cut down the consumption, while at the same time, the market called out every egg that could be gathered and shipped and towards the close of last week, the situation was rather in a demoralized condition. At the opening of this week, right on the jump Monday morning, prices on fresh eggs declined fully 3 cents. It was our biggest break we have had this season. The receipts were not so heavy, considering the high prices ruling, but the demand had fallen off to such a great extent that jobbers could not move the stock at anything like the prices they had to pay for it. Business on the street for fine eggs that would grade as extra firsts was done at 43 at 35 cents against as high as 43 cents last week. The bulk of the firsts sold under a wide range of 33 at 31 cents and stock that would grade as seconds ranged from 28 to 33 cents and this represented the bulk of the fairly good eggs coming.

According to reports, there are quite a few orders in the hands of exporters and several large houses are canceling for shipments to the other side. This, however, does not take up the surplus offering at extreme prices.

Tuesday morning, the market was unsettled. Receivers did not know just what was going to happen. On the call, 100 cases of fresh graded firsts sold at 34 cents.

With all the fluctuation in fresh eggs, storage stock shows very little change. Storage lots ranged from 22 1/2 to 23 1/2 cents and the fine grades are selling out slowly at 24 1/2 cents. There is very little going in storage eggs except in a jobbing way. The market continued very weak and unsatisfactory. Thursday, the range of quotations was wide in order to cover the different kinds as to prices. Best sales were made at the wide quotations and there was a great deal of shading of prices which receivers had to do in order to move the goods.

There was no much change in the market on Friday and prices late in the week were steady. Receipts on Friday were smaller than during preceding days.—New York Packer.

His Idea.
"Now Jack" said the teacher, "make a sentence using the word in disposition."
Jackson assumed an aggressive attitude and announced: "When you want to fight you stand in disposition."—Exchange.



Fifty Gift Suggestions Preceded by a Recipe for Happiness

Happiness goes out from the heart before it comes in. It never by any chance stays at home. You can harvest it for the common good, but you cannot store it for your sole individual use. You can lend it but you cannot borrow it, you can earn it but you cannot buy it, you can spend it but you cannot accumulate it. A man must contribute to the stock of human joys before he can participate in its profits. To seek happiness without giving it is a futile quest, and all our longings for what we have not learned to give to others are as empty bottles in the wine cellar of the soul. Happiness really never was any good in this world but to give away!

- A sewing set for a fellow's sister.
- An engagement pad for some other fellow's sister.
- A jewel case for a "jewel" in Philadelphia.
- A toilet set for your wife.
- A silver shoe horn for the "prettiest foot in town."
- A boudoir vase for a bachelor girl.
- A mirror for a woman who deserves it.
- Yourself in a frame for the girl back home.
- A trinket tray for a debutante.
- A cologne bottle for a girl with yellow hair in Chicago.
- A humidifier from a wife to her husband.
- A manicure set for a girl who saves money.
- An ash tray for a man who burns it.
- An umbrella for Uncle Edward.
- A cigar case for Cousin Jim.
- A tea caddy set for Aunt Jane.
- A magnifying glass for a fault-finding friend.
- A silver match box "from one sport to another."
- An auto case for "a friend with a car."
- An embroidery set for a woman who has nothing else to do.
- A card case for brother Jack.
- A silver button hook for sister Mabel.
- A smelling salts bottle for a man about town.
- A cigarette holder for a man about eighteen.
- A cigar cutter for a "friend of the family."
- Comb, brush and mirror for a young man's fiancée.
- A "breakfast companion" for "the June bride's" first Christmas.
- A silver pencil for the groom to figure the cost of living.
- A blue shopping bag for a lady with the eyes.
- A desk set for Bill "studying hard."
- A travelling bag for a man on the road.
- A brief case for a man "called to the bar."
- A cellarette for a man who keeps a bar of his own.
- A mesh bag from Brother Tom to Sister Sue.
- A gold pen knife from Sue to Tom.
- Five o'clock tea spoons to a young matron.
- An opera bag for a girl who shares your operatic tastes.
- A vanity box for a pretty young thing in Boston.
- A candy box for "Sweet Sixteen."
- Knife, fork and spoon for little Willie.
- A tea set from the children to Mother.
- A gold match box from children to Father.
- A shaving set for Grandfather.
- A bud vase for Grandmother.
- A wrist watch for Chawles.
- An assortment of pin cushions for an assortment of aunts.
- An assortment of paper cutters for an assortment of uncles.
- A silver bottle opener for a liberal host.
- A book marker for your pastor.

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