

# SPORTS

## DUCK DOPE

For many centuries of erudition the owl has had the reputation of being the wisest member of the feathered kingdom. But if an unprejudiced court of inquiry were to hold a hearing on the matter, and putting aside all precedent, were to decide the case on its merits, the owl would be forced to surrender its mantle to the modest, demure wild duck.

No sooner had congress passed the law forbidding spring shooting than the wild duck became apprised of that fact. Now, in the fall the duck flies to heights unknown, and casts never a glance at Mother Earth until far in the Southland. But in the spring, when there is a federal game warden in every section, disguised like a corn stalk, and waiting for the innocent Nimrods to offend, the duck is annoyingly familiar. He comes up in your yard and harangues your watch dog; he digs up the seeds from your newly planted garden, and

picks the eyes out of your chickens; he gets in your carburetor; he sits in the mud by the side of the road when you pass, and laughs at you as only a duck can laugh. And all you can do is to gaze at him like the traffic cop gazes at the woman who kills her engine in the midst of Eleventh and O commerce. But when the Calends of September roll around, said duck scorns you like a frat house scorns a bill collector. Far out over the vast stretches of the country he may barely be distinguished, pursuing his policy of watchfully waiting his chance to join his sly playmates in the sunnier climes, where he must fight naught, but the wily negro and the slovenly alligator.

Just what means this family of the winged tribe has of digesting the congressional record to the extent of understanding what it means is unknown, but no one denies that the wild duck is a well-versed bird with-

## HANG OLD PHOTOS IN MILITARY OFFICE

One Picture Shows a Company of Valiant Women

A number of pictures, including a photograph of General J. J. Pershing, who is now in charge of the punitive expedition into Mexico, and of old cadet companies of thirty years ago, were recently hung in the office of the military department.

The picture of General Pershing was taken at the time when he was the commandment of cadets at the university—from 1891 to 1895.

The photographs of the companies of 1884 are rather curious. The cadets wore caps and uniforms such as were worn during the civil war. This picture was taken on the steps south of U hall. There is also a picture there of "Company D," which

was organized April 18, 1888. A roll beneath the picture reveals the following list of officers: Nettie Clenen, captain; Alma C. Benedict, '88, now deceased, first lieutenant; May Tibbles, second lieutenant; A. Belle Manley, first sergeant; Louise Pound, '92, second sergeant.

## Columbia

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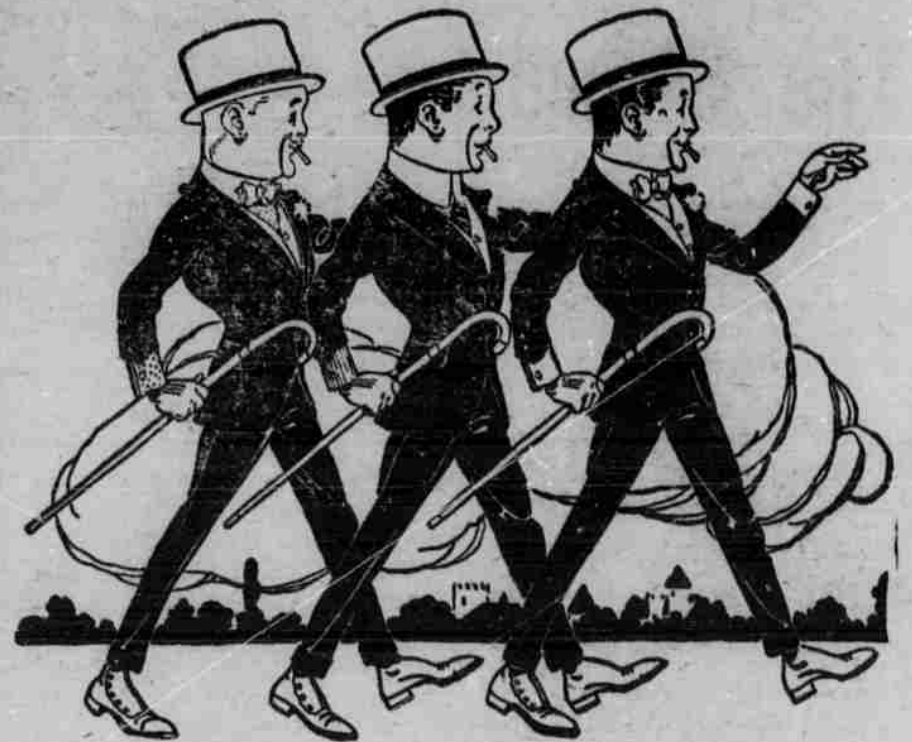
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