

# BIRTHDAY GREETING

DINNER TENDERED SECRETARY  
BRYAN BY NEBRASKA  
ADMIRERS.

## HAVE GENUINE LOVE FEAST

Speakers Laud Work of Guest of Honor. Praise His Character as a Man and as a Representative of the People.

Lincoln.—William J. Bryan, secretary of state, was welcomed to his home city Wednesday night by democrats and friends who had gathered in honor of the fifty-third anniversary of his birth. The crowd filled the floor, the stage and the galleries of the city auditorium, where the Lincoln Bryan club held its annual dinner in Mr. Bryan's favor.

It was an orderly crowd that greeted the new secretary of state. The various speakers were cordially received and some of their remarks concerning Mr. Bryan were received with vigorous applause, but Mr. Bryan alone could bring out anything like an ovation. When he first came onto the platform he was greeted with cheers and again when he arose to speak the diners rose to their feet and cheered. His statements were applauded lustily and when he concluded his speech there was a rush for the stage by those who wanted to shake hands with him.

Speakers from Nebraska and other states lauded the work of the guest of honor, praised his character as a man and as a representative of the people and extended their best wishes for his future career. In reply Mr. Bryan pledged himself to continue the work for which he was praised and especially to back the efforts of the new president. When he was praised for his part in the Baltimore convention which the speakers said had resulted in the election of Woodrow Wilson, Mr. Bryan deprecated the laudation. "I did not produce the conditions," he said. "The conditions produced me."

The auditorium was packed with men who waited for a half hour to gain advantageous places at the long tables. Several hundred were unable to take dinner in the hall and after eating at the hotel they took places in the gallery. The gallery had been filled previously by men and women who sat in their places for four hours.

### Auditorium Filled.

The big room had been decorated with large flags and colored lights and pictures of Wilson, Marshall and Bryan were strewn over the walls. Tables were placed lengthwise down the hall, packed as tightly as possible, and a thousand men rubbed elbows at the meal. On the stage eight tables accommodated about 200 men. Across the front of the stage was the speakers' table, at which sat only those who had an active part on the program.

An orchestra at one end of the gallery played during the meal. As Mr. Bryan entered the building the musicians played "The Star Spangled Banner," bringing the crowd to its feet. Later it played Mr. Bryan's favorite air, "La Paloma," and drew cheers from the crowd.

O. W. Meier, president of the Lincoln Bryan club, made the opening remarks and introduced the chaplain of the evening, Rev. H. R. Chapman. Mr. Meier drew applause from the audience when he referred to Mr. Bryan as the "prime minister of the United States." He introduced Edgar Howard as toastmaster.

Speakers for the evening who lauded the achievements of Mr. Bryan were Governor John H. Morehead of Nebraska, Governor George H. Hodges of Kansas, Governor E. F. Dunne of Illinois, Dr. Charles R. Scoville and Jerry B. Sullivan of Iowa.

### The List of Speakers.

This was the toastlist:  
O. W. Meier, president Lincoln-Bryan club.  
Invocation—Rev. H. R. Chapman, Lincoln.  
Toastmaster—Edgar Howard.  
"Star of West"—Becker quartet.  
"Mr. Bryan as a World Citizen"—Dr. C. R. Scoville, Chicago.  
"Nebraska Hospitality"—Gov. John H. Morehead.  
"The Party"—Jerry B. Sullivan, Iowa.  
"Reclaiming Kansas"—Gov. G. H. Hodges, Kansas.  
"There Stands Illinois"—Gov. Edward F. Dunne, Illinois.  
Mr. Bryan.

### Dominant Figure in American Politics.

Governor Hodges of Kansas in the course of his remarks said:

"I know not what star stood over the cradle of the infant son that was born in the Bryan home in Salem, Ill., March 19, 1860. It was sufficient

### NAPOLEON OF NEBRASKA.

### Evangelist Scoville Calls Bryan Genuine World Citizen.

When the revival committee gave up the auditorium for the use of the Bryan club, Charles Reign Scoville was placed on the toast list. He said in part:

"I consider it both an honor and a privilege to speak tonight of Nebraska's distinguished citizen, who no longer belongs to you, but in the highest, truest, holiest sense has become

for our purpose to know that for the past seventeen years that boy, grown to manhood, has been the dominant figure in American politics and is today stronger and more firmly fortified in the public confidence than any other man in American public life. We come tonight bearing to him from the people of Kansas a message of congratulation, of love and loyalty, and by bringing to him the assurance, on this fifty-third anniversary of his birth, that in my state his name is still magic, and its mention is still greeted with the old time sincere applause."

### Illinois Proud of Runaway Boy.

Governor Dunne of Illinois, among other things in his talk said:  
"We in Illinois are proud of our runaway boy, but naturally cannot forget his abandonment of his mother state. Why he should have left his nourishing mother and consented to his adoption by even the generous state of Nebraska we in Illinois cannot understand. I am here with you to do honor to the great man who made Wilson and democratic success possible. Were there no Bryan during all the period between 1896 and 1912 there would have been no Wilson today. With the people of Nebraska, I uncover and do honor to the native son of Illinois and adopted son of Nebraska, Secretary of State William J. Bryan."

### Nebraska Legislature Offers Homage.

The house and senate joined in giving welcome to the distinguished visitors, Mr. Bryan, Nebraskan, and premier democrat of the nation; Governor Dunne of Illinois, just now engaged in a bitter struggle to secure some of the reforms in that great state that are now being enjoyed by Nebraska people; Governor Hodges of Kansas, the state where reforms are usually tried out, and some dozen or more visitors from outside the state who were here to attend the birthday banquet.

### Welcomed by Governor Morehead.

Governor Morehead, in welcoming the visiting chief executives of Kansas and Illinois, as well as other speakers on the toast list, took occasion to tell them of some of the reforms brought about within the past few years in his own state. He declared that whereas a few years ago practically every member of the Nebraska legislature rode around with a pass in his pocket, such a passport could now be found only in the pocket of the actual employes of the railroad companies. The present legislature, he said, is made up of business men and not politicians, and it is so bent on working for the good of the whole people that the members can hardly be distinguished as belonging to one party or the other.

The governor said that it was the proudest moment of his life when he was able to go to the inauguration of Woodrow Wilson, and there be greeted, not as Governor Morehead of Nebraska, but as the chief executive of the state of Bryan.

### BRYAN TO HOME FOLKS.

Asks Them Not to Forget the Six Million Democratic Voters.

Mr. Bryan was called at the end of the toast list. While admitting that he appreciated the kind words of the men who had just spoken before him, Mr. Bryan denied that he was the man who had brought about the triumph of democracy.

"They forget that there are six million voters who deserve the credit," he said. "I am only one of the multitude."

Mr. Bryan devoted the fore part of his address to compliments to his associates on the toast list, his remarks during that part being largely of a humorous nature. He declared that he was unable to make a real speech, as he was too greatly overcome with joy and gratitude to do anything but give a few reminiscences of the battles of the past.

### TELEGRAMS FROM HIS FRIENDS.

President Wilson and Others Send Their Congratulations.

Toastmaster Edgar Howard made public at the banquet a number of congratulatory telegrams from party friends invited who could not be present. President Wilson said:

"Please accept my sincere good wishes on the occasion of the celebration of Mr. Bryan's birthday by the Lincoln Bryan club. I can not tell you what a comfort it is to me to know that I am to have the aid and counsel of your distinguished fellow townsman. It is a source of genuine pleasure as well as great advantage to me to be associated with him."  
"WOODROW WILSON."

Congratulations were also received from W. G. McAdoo, secretary of treasury; James C. McReynolds, attorney general; Lindsey M. Garrison, secretary of war; William M. C. Redfield, secretary of commerce; W. B. Wilson, secretary of labor; Josephus Daniels, secretary of navy; A. S. Burleson, postmaster general; William Sulzer; Samuel M. Ralson, governor of Indiana; James M. Cox, governor of Ohio.

the citizen of the United States and of the whole world.

"Tolstoy was the apostle of love, Washington and Lincoln were the apostles of freedom, but William Jennings Bryan stands pre-eminently as the apostle of the kinship of the common people. As Napoleon Bonapart indelibly placed France upon the map of the world so your distinguished citizen has indelibly placed your great commonwealth on the map of the United States, and the principles here born have made him a friend of humanity, a citizen of the whole world."

# Social Forms and Entertainments



### An Eight-Egg Social.

This scheme is not original with me, but was tried by a crowd of young people who had pledged themselves for a certain sum for charity. There were just sixteen in the "bunch," so eight of them went on the reception committee and eight arranged the program with the following results: The admission was fixed at eight cents (no objection to more) and the doors were opened at eight minutes before eight. After all had arrived egg-shaped cards were passed and the contest occupied just 18 minutes, or it could begin eight minutes of an hour and end eight minutes afterward.

What eggs are necessary in answering these questions? Eggs-actitude.

What eggs are always overdone? Eggs-agitated.

What eggs are looked for? Eggs-pect.

What eggs cry out? Eggs-claim.

What eggs are high up? Eggs-aited.

What eggs are unquiet? Eggs-citable.

What eggs banish? Eggs-ile.

What eggs are athletic? Eggs-ercise.

What eggs hasten? Eggs-pedite.

What eggs burst? Eggs-piode.

What eggs investigate? Eggs-amination.

What eggs are bartered? Eggs-change.

What eggs have a title? Eggs-celency.

What eggs are models? Eggs-ample.

What eggs are wide? Eggs-panse.

What eggs carry out orders? Eggs-ecute.

What eggs are irritated? Eggs-asperated.

What eggs are not included. Eggs-cept.

What eggs travel? Eggs-pedition.

What eggs use effort? Eggs-ortion.

What eggs are fond of digging? Eggs-cavation.

What eggs debar? Eggs-clude.

What eggs display? Eggs-hibit.

What eggs brace up? Eggs-hilaration.

What eggs lay out funds? Eggs-pend.

What eggs surpass all others? Eggs-ceed.

What eggs go out? Eggs-it.

What eggs advise? Eggs-hort.

What eggs are too much? Eggs-orbitant.

What eggs know by practice? Eggs-perience.

What eggs are very great? Eggs-ceedingly.

What eggs make allowance? Eggs-cuse.

What eggs are unusual? Eggs-ceptional.

What eggs try? Eggs-periment.

What eggs are too many? Eggs-cess.

What eggs render justice? Eggs-ecutioner.

What eggs should be imitated? Eggs-emplary.

What eggs make clear. Eggs-planation.

The method of serving refreshments was most unique. Each person received eight egg-shaped cards about two inches square, tied with white and yellow ribbons (the season's colors). One set had the word "cake" written on each card, another "Egg Sandwich," another "Coffee," one had "Olives," one "Candy," etc. The joy of this was to get your cards exchanged with others until you have a set that will call for eight different articles instead of just the one. The

cards are to be redeemed at eight different tables at one cent each, making the spread cost just eight cents.

### Bird Puzzles.

What bird is used for raising heavy weights?  
What bird does the tailor use?  
What bird assists the president?  
What bird is 21 shillings sterling?  
What bird formed part of Queen Elizabeth's dress?  
What bird is used in making flags?  
What bird is a domestic animal?  
What bird is a group of small islands?  
What bird is a good friend in a shower?  
What bird is a drinking vessel?  
What bird is a musical instrument?  
What bird is most favored by sweet-hearts?  
What bird is a gold coin?  
What bird must we use in eating and drinking?  
What bird is part of an organ?  
What bird is a jolly good time?  
What bird is a sovereign in humble occupation?  
What bird uses a loom?  
What bird is a favorite dish of the Chinese?  
Answers: Crane, Goose, Secretary, Guinea, Ruff, Bunting, Cat, Canary, Umbrella, Dipper, Lyre, Love, Eagle, Swallow, Reed, Lark, Kingfisher, Weaver, Rice.

### MADAME MERRI.

### SOME MATERIALS AND COLORS

Need Be No Complaint That a Sufficient Variety Has Not Been Offered.

A rather thick silk is in favor among the wealthy for outdoor costumes, and a favorite tint is verdigris, shot with gray, perhaps, or in other ways modified. For instance, a little verdigris braiding or embroidery is applied with gray silk. Many shots are worn, such as gray and green, green and blue, blue and mauve, mauve and pink, the effect of which is to make a winter outdoor costume very smart, always remembering that the long coat invariably covers the light material. The length is not so inconvenient as it was last year, but frees the feet and ankles.

A black velvet coat trimmed all round with black fox and with heavy collar and cuffs to match, is cheap at about \$60. This gives some idea of the price of well-cut, up-to-date, long, outdoor coat. One of this description can be worn in the evenings as well as in the daytime, a recommendation to many.

### To Clean Furs.

To clean white furs, mouflon, swansdown and ermine, first beat out all the dust, gently but thoroughly, then lay the article upon a table covered with a clean white cloth and saturate it with a mixture of grain alcohol—three parts—and ether, one part. With a clean whisk-broom work the fluid into every hair and down to the skin. Next sift into the fur all the boracic talcum it will hold, lifting the fur so that the powder reaches the roots. Put into a closed box and leave it for three days. Take out the furs and shake the powder from them, removing that which cannot be easily dislodged by brushing with a clean whisk-broom. Pat the furs well on the wrong side to raise the nap.—Woman's Magazine.

### Directoire Shoes.

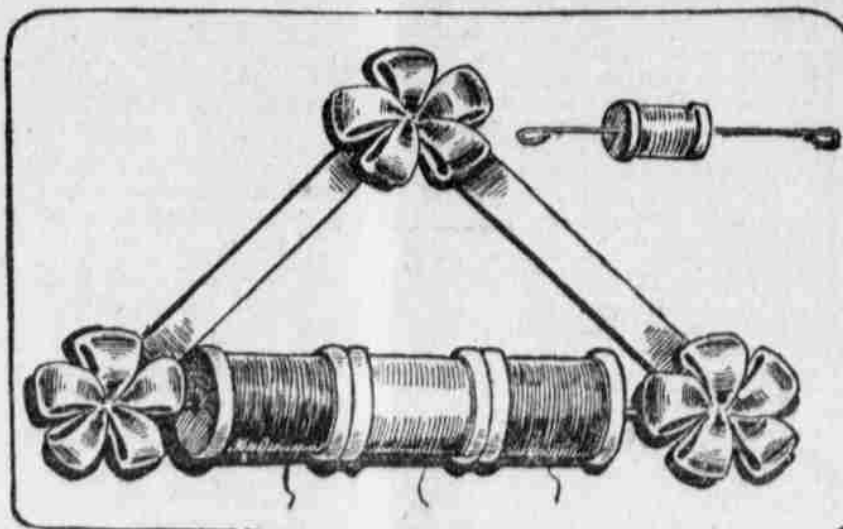
The directoire black and white silk shoes are charming for evening wear. The heels are covered with the same silk and the shoes are trimmed with a small stiff bow, centered by a small crystal button.

With this kind of shoe open-work white silk stockings with a plain filet mesh are smart wear, and some of the most bizarre specimens, where the threads cross, appear a jet bead.

### Coats of Brocade.

Coats of brocade, velvet, panne and the new figured ratine are worn with any afternoon gown with excellent effect.

## Little Ornament to Hold Three Reels of Cotton



This useful and decorative little cotton holder can be made in a few moments, with the aid of some prettily colored remnants of ribbon and a piece of stiff wire. It can be constructed to hold three reels as shown in our illustration, or it can be easily made to hold a larger number if desired, by using a longer piece of wire.

In the first place, the reels are threaded on to the wire and the ends bent round into loops in the manner shown in the small sketch on the right.

long loop of ribbon is attached by which the holder may be suspended from a nail in the wall.

The three rosettes can be made separately and tacked in their places, one at the top of the loop and one on either side of the reels of cotton.

The reels will revolve freely upon the wire, and when one has become empty it may be easily replaced by slipping a fresh one on to the wire.

The color of the ribbon should be selected to match or harmonize with that of the wallpaper on which the holder is to hang.

# WHO WHO and Why

## NEW HEAD HAS EXCELLENT RECORD



Col. George P. Scriven, who has succeeded Brig. Gen. James Allen as chief signal officer of the army, has had a career of remarkable activity. He has been attached at different times to three branches of the military service, and has seen service in all parts of the world and participated in the front of every campaign which has been waged since his graduation from the military academy in 1878.

He was born in Pennsylvania and appointed to the military academy from the state of Illinois, following several years' preliminary study in the University of Chicago, and in the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute at Troy, N. Y.

He began his military career in the artillery, but was soon on detached service abroad, carrying him through Europe and Iceland.

He made one of the most noteworthy military horseback rides on record, beginning at Laredo, Texas, and emerging on the Pacific coast of Mexico, after traversing hundreds of miles of the mountain trails of that country.

During the Spanish war, as a member of the signal corps, he took an important part in the army of invasion of Cuba, and afterward was with Major General Merritt's fourth Philippine expedition, and later on with General Chaffee in the famous march to Peking.

## FIND THE WHITE HOUSE "HOMEY"

Mrs. Woodrow Wilson, the new first lady of the land, and her daughters are as happy as children over the housekeeping arrangements in the White House. They find it a "homey" place, despite its vastness. This was Mrs. Taft's legacy.

A well-equipped conservatory particularly delights Mrs. Wilson, with its multitude of fairy blossoms and plants, which daily supplies cut flowers for the presidential family and decorations for the rooms and entertainments that keep the White House a bower of blossoms.

Uncle Sam furnishes besides to the new White House lady a complete outfit of silver, glass, cutlery and linens that would make any bride sick with envy. All spoons, forks, knives and metal dishes are of solid silver, of exquisite design, each piece worked with an American eagle and bearing the inscription, "The President's House."

Mrs. Wilson, who is sprightly and cheery in manner, bustles about, peering into pantries and winning the White House servants by words of commendation and understanding.

Mrs. Wilson, whose artistic talent is the delight of her friends, spends a great deal of time in the corridor, where hang the portraits of other White House ladies.



## AVIATOR BEACHEY WILL FLY NO MORE



Lincoln Beachey, the aviator whose recklessness has been the sensation of the country for two years, says he will never fly again professionally. He believes that he has been responsible for the death of a number of aviators. This is the cause of his abandonment of a game which has made him a rich man.

"I have quit for good," he said the other day.

"I have made a fortune in a little more than two years. I have defied death at every opportunity in that time. I have been a bad influence, and the death of a number of youthful aviators in this country can be traced, I believe, to their desire to emulate me in my foolishly daring exploits in the air."

"I won the American altitude record at Chicago. This was the flight that earned for me a reputation for recklessness. I soared into the sky as far as my fuel would carry me;

then without gasoline I volplaned to the earth, a distance of more than 11,000 feet. There was nothing remarkable about this, but it gave me something I would give all I have made to lose—a reputation for supreme daring. This is the reputation others have tried to gain, and their ambition has cost them their lives."

## PROFESSOR BERGSON ON IMMORTALITY

"You can not prove immortality," says Professor Bergson, "but you do not have to in order to be justified in believing it. Indeed, the burden of proof is on the doubter. Nobody can prove that something will never come to an end; such an attempt would be absurd." Is another part of his assertion "But if we can prove that the role of the brain is to fix the attention of the mind on matter and that by far the greater part of mental life is independent of the brain, then we have proved the likelihood of survival; and it is for those who do not believe it to prove they are right, not for us to prove they are wrong."

As reported, these sentences form a part of the lectures given by the popular French philosopher at Columbia university, on "Spirituality and Liberty." Many regard him as the most vital force in European philosophy today. The lecturer, whose method of thought is intuitional rather than abstract reasoning, added this further comment on the right to believe in immortality:

"If everything in the mind had its counterpart in the brain, the survival of the human personality would be highly improbable, but if the mind transcends the brain, and if the brain only reflects that part of mental life which has to do with action, then we may conclude that survival, though uncertain, is at least likely.

"And not only is such survival probable; it is susceptible of more and more definite proof. Science can show ever new instances of mental facts which have no counterpart in the brain."

