

Pernicious Partisans Persistently Attack Our Noble President.

It is with some irritation we note an organized, persistent effort on the part of a partisan press to cast discredit upon our president for that he has commissioned a fleet of warships as private yachts for himself, his family, his personal friends and his cabi-

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net officers. We have urged before in this behalf that, having the most spectacular and athletic president known to history, he is entitled to any privilege. It is improper to pour forth dispraise because he applies governmental property to his private use; there is nothing too fine for this president of ours. As a people the American nation should be profoundly grateful that he serves as our chief executive and carp not at such small items as \$500,000 or \$1,000,000 a year for his aquatic entertainment. Did he not with his own sword smite the Castilian enemies of progress and popular rule at Santiago—or was it El Caney? Did he not unaided capture the blockhouses, the forts, the defences, and, finally, the citadel itself? Did he not follow his deeds of grandeur on that red day of forcibly disassociating the smoke-blackened pearl of the Antilles from Spanish rule and offer it to us if we wished it, before permitting the Cubans to organize and conduct it themselves? President Roosevelt is good at any price; if he wishes to alter the Texas into a floating roof garden and reconstruct the Mayflower into a barge to tend the same we can see no objection. Any man who would lift his voice against the placing of a mortgage on the White house would by his own act declare himself to be a petty partisan, animated only by motives of jealousy and envy. Let us have no more of this railing at Roosevelt by reason of the Sylph, Mayflower, and any other of our sea-going batteries that he chooses to devote to the joy of the Roosevelt family; the family is large, and consequently needs many boats.—New York Telegraph.

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