

Snapshots at People

Gossip About a Few Celebrities Who Are Mentioned in the Dispatches—The Pope's Doctor Carries a Sword.

Dr. W. Seward Webb's Odd Experience—Allan Ryan, Who Will Take His Father's Place—Sulzer's Marriage.



DR. W. SEWARD WEBB.

DR. W. SEWARD WEBB, who, with his wife and son, had to leap from his burning automobile in New York recently, can well afford to burn up a big touring car now and then and never feel the loss, Mrs. Webb was Miss Lila Vanderbilt, daughter of William H. Vanderbilt. Dr. Webb is a successful speculator in and out of Wall street and has money and automobiles to burn.

That Dr. Webb is a born speculator is indicated by a little story told of him. Some years ago his daughter conceived the idea of proving her business ability. She paid \$20 for a brood sow and made arrangements for having the animal looked after on Dr. Webb's magnificent country estate of 5,000 acres in Vermont. The sow waxed fat and multiplied. In three years Miss Webb's profits had grown into hundreds of dollars. The fourth year the litter sold for \$700. Dr. Webb concluded to go into the pig line himself, so he bought his daughter out and established one of the biggest and best appointed piggeries in the country.

Some years ago Dr. Webb bought a tract of country in the Adirondacks and made it into a splendid hunting camp and preserve. There was a big lake on the land called Smith's lake. The new owner rechristened it Lake Lila, after his wife. A man with money enough to buy a lake and change its name, thus altering the map of a county, may be considered fairly well to do.

Dr. Giuseppe Petacci, physician to Pope Pius IX., is a highly important dignitary in the papal household. While his official salary is only \$50 a month, there are certain compensations in the way of honors which make the post one greatly to be desired by physicians. The man who looks after the physical welfare of the spiritual father of so large a portion of humanity is a person of distinction.

Dr. Petacci, like his predecessors in this office, was chosen because of his demonstrated skill and ability in his profession. He succeeded the late Dr. Giuseppe Lapponi, who died shortly after the new pope entered the Vatican. Dr. Lapponi became famous as the physician of Pope Leo XIII. during the latter years of the aged pontiff's life.

The pope's physician wears a uniform prescribed by the regulations of the papal residence. It may seem odd to an American that one who corresponds to "family doctor" should go about the premises with a sword dangling at his heels, but it does not look odd in the Vatican, where practically everybody wears some sort of uniform.

Representative John A. Keliher of Massachusetts tells of a teacher in his district who read "The Old Oaken Bucket" and then told the little ones to make three drawings that would illustrate what they had heard. One of the little chaps made a circle, three rude pails and some dots.

"What is the circle, Johnny?" the teacher asked.

"That's the well."

"And what are the three pails?"

"One is the old oaken bucket, one is the iron round bucket, and one is the moss grown bucket that hung in the well."

"And what are the dots?"

"Those," said Johnny, "are the loved spots which my infanicy knew."

Joseph W. Folk, governor of Missouri, is just at present the proud possessor of two booms—one for the presidency and the other for the United States senate. He is willing to succeed Theodore Roosevelt as president or William J. Stone as senator. He tells a story about a colored man who was brought before a court for a trivial offense.

"The state of Missouri against John Anderson," was read in a loud voice, and the colored man's eyes bulged nearly out of their sockets, and he seemed overcome with terror and astonishment.

When he was asked if he had anything to say or plead guilty or not guilty, he gasped out: "Well, yo' honor, ef de whole state of Missourah is agin dis one pore niggah, I's gwine to give up right now."

The governor is a shrewd judge of men, as the following story shows: One day upon reaching his office at the capitol in company with a friend Governor Folk found a number of men waiting in the anteroom. He paused as he passed through and made a joke

that was a decided chestnut. When the governor and his friend were in the private office, the friend remarked: "Say, that was a fearfully old one you got off just now."

"I know it," was the reply.

"Then why did you do it?" the puzzled friend asked.

"Did you notice which of those fellows laughed? Well, they are the ones who have favors to ask."

Congressman William Sulzer of New York, who recently surprised his friends by getting married, was at first reported to have eloped with his bride, Miss Rodolheim of Philadelphia. It was also said that the legislator fell in love with her while she was nursing him through an illness in a hospital. The congressman corrected these reports, saying:

"I met her in a hospital, but my only ailment at that time was a case of love at first sight, which I hardly believe she will be able to cure in our lifetime. There was no elopement, but we wished to fool the people who had expected that we would have a big wedding, and I guess we did it."

"Another reason for our marriage at Atlantic City was my desire to carry out a promise made long ago to the Rev. Herbert Gessner to allow him to marry me should I ever wed. We were boys together in Elizabeth, N. J., and later, while we were classmates at Columbia, I promised to let him marry me when I had picked out a wife. He acknowledges that he had about given up hope of ever fastening me with the shackles of matrimony when myself and my intended bride descended upon him and asked to have the knot tied."

Martha W. Littleton, chief counsel for Harry K. Thaw, is always in great demand as an after dinner speaker and is noted for his stories. "One day," the lawyer said recently, "I misbehaved at the table, and my father told me to go upstairs. I knew that meant he would be around after awhile with a paddle. So I got busy as soon as I reached the bedroom."

"When he came up he dumfounded me by saying briefly, 'Take off your pants.' I began to whimper. 'I don't want to,' said I. He inspected me narrowly. 'Strikes me you look rather stout,' said he."

"Executing a flank movement, he caught me over his knee and stripped down my trousers. Under the first pair he found another. Under the second pair he found another. Under the third pair he found another. When he got to the fourth pair he stopped and said gravely:

"How many pairs of pants did you put on?"

"I dunno; I put on all of mine and all of Jim's," said I weakly.

"He burst out laughing, and from that day on I never got a licking. But he used to talk to me when I was bad, and it wasn't long before I would have taken half a dozen lickings thankfully rather than one of those grave, earnest lectures that made me feel ashamed of myself for hours and hours afterward."

It is announced that Thomas F. Ryan, the noted New York financier, is shortly to retire from active business and that he is coaching his third son, Allan A. Ryan, to succeed him in the commercial world. The elder Ryan proposes to retire to his native state, Virginia, with a winter home in Richmond and a summer home in Nelson county.

Allan A. Ryan, on whose shoulders the financier's mantle of responsibility will fall, is already a member of the New York Stock Exchange, having received his father's seat in 1905. He is married and is in business with one of his four brothers under the firm name of Allan A. Ryan & Bro. He is also president of a typewriter company.

Thomas F. Ryan is building a million dollar residence in Richmond. It is said also that he will erect a costly skyscraper for his favorite city and that he has political inclinations. Mr. Ryan at present is a member of the Democratic state central committee of Virginia, having always maintained his official residence in the state.

An Ohio representative has discovered the "original Taft man." He declares that at a banquet given in Cincinnati in 1897, when Secretary Taft was then only a judge on the federal bench, Hiram Kullison made the prediction in a speech that "Judge Taft will some day be president of the United States."

It is related by persons in Washington who attended that dinner and heard this proclamation that Secretary Taft turned the incident aside by saying, "Why, Hiram, what have you been drinking?"

CONNECTICUT'S OWN SALOON.

Two Centuries Ago It Ran an Inn Acquired Under Foreclosure.

Hartford, Conn.—In connection with the recent temperance agitation it is recalled that Connecticut once ran a saloon and that the Connecticut legislators moved into the saloon to transact their business.

On May 17, 1660, one Jeremiah Adams, a member of the flock of Rev. Thomas Hooker, who migrated from Cambridge, Mass., to settle this town, secured a monopoly of the retail liquor business for this village. At a session of the Connecticut lawmakers held in Hartford on March 1, 1661, Adams obtained a license to conduct an inn, the permit to be held by Adams and his heirs or successors as long as they conducted the place "to ye good liking and approbation of ye Genl Court."

But travelers were few, and the first liquor enterprise in the capital was not a success, for on January 14, 1690, Adams' property went into the hands of a receiver, and the colony took possession on foreclosure proceedings. The Connecticut lawmakers then had the saloon on their hands. Under their management the tavern was named the Bunch of Grapes, and for a number of years was the best known public house between New York and Boston.

The general court of Connecticut set aside a room in the upper part of the building for a legislative hall and meetings were held there. For four years the colony of Connecticut prospered in the saloon business, and then sold out to Zachariah Sanford, Adam's grandson.

It was during the time that he ran the hostelry that Capt. Joseph Wadsworth stole the charter from Sir Edmund Andros and hid it in the Charter Oak.

BILLIONS IN FARM ANIMALS.

Government Report Shows Enormous Worth of Live Stock in Country.

Washington.—The crop-reporting board of the bureau of statistics of the department of agriculture in a bulletin issued reports the numbers and values of farm animals on farms and ranges in the United States on Jan. 1, 1908, as follows:

Farm animals.	No.	Aver. price.	Total Value.
Horses	19,292,000	\$23.41	\$1,867,530,000
Mules	3,829,000	107.75	416,939,000
Milch cows	21,194,000	20.57	650,657,000
Other cattle	50,073,000	16.29	845,238,000
Sheep	54,631,000	3.88	211,736,000
Swine	26,984,000	6.55	329,629,000

Compared with Jan. 1, 1907, horses have increased 245,000; mules, 52,000; milch cows, 226,000; other cattle decreased 1,493,000, sheep increased 1,391,000 and swine 1,290,000.

In average value per head horses decreased 10 cents, mules \$4.40, milch cows 33 cents, other cattle 21 cents, sheep increased 4 cents and swine decreased \$1.57.

The total value of all animals enumerated on Jan. 1, 1908, was \$4,331,230,000, as compared with \$4,423,698,000 on Jan. 1, 1907, a decrease of \$92,468,000, or 2.1 per cent.

CLERK IS HEIR TO A FORTUNE.

Post Office Employee Is Bequeathed \$50,000 by His Aunt.

New York.—Haywood F. Norton, aged 26, was up to recently a hard working and ambitious clerk in the general postoffice in New York. Mrs. Mary Ahearn, a sweet-natured widow of 55, was his aunt. When she died the other day and her will was opened, it was found that her nephews, Haywood F. and William Norton, and her niece, Mrs. Mary Claus of Brooklyn, had inherited her fortune, amounting to considerably more than \$100,000. A house at 134 West Sixty-sixth street was left to Haywood.

When, after the funeral, Norton was asked to stay and hear the will read, he tried to beg off on the strength of getting back to work.

When he learned that to him had been left nearly \$50,000 he was speechless. His brother William, an electrician, is in Denver wiring the auditorium in which the Democratic national convention will be held.

HONOR FOR YORK GIRL DOCTOR.

Discoverer of Electric Anaesthesia to Apply System on Large Scale.

Paris.—Miss Louise G. Robinovitch, the young New York physician who won eminence in France and Germany by the successful application of electric anaesthesia in cases where chloroform and ether generally had been used, will soon receive a grant from the Paris authorities which will permit her to apply the system on a large scale in local insane asylums.

Louis Parisot, a prominent scientist, said Miss Robinovitch's discovery is destined to exert a profound influence in the practice of both surgery and medicine.

Under the influence of electric anaesthesia the patient may be kept asleep for many hours, while the blood pressure remains normal. No evil after effects result. The system is also successfully used in the treatment of nervous diseases, delirium tremens and other forms of acute mania.

Discovers Old Document.

Newark, N. J.—A document bearing the signature of George Washington has been found among the records in the Essex county courthouse. It was discovered by County Clerk John B. Woolston, and steps to preserve it properly will be taken at once. The document is a certificate that Colonel Francis Barber, commandant of the Second New Jersey regiment in the revolutionary war, was killed February 11, 1783.

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SCHOOL LAND AUCTION.

The following described lands in Red Willow county, will be offered for lease at public auction at the county treasurer's office, McCook, Nebraska, Tuesday, March 24th at 2 p. m. Terms of leasing and appraised value may be had on application to the county treasurer at McCook or to the commissioner at Lincoln. The west half and west half, southeast quarter, 16-2-27; northeast quarter 36-4-28. 2-28-31.

H. M. FAYON, Com. Public Lands and Buildings.

NOTICE OF TAX SALE REDEMPTION.

To Myrtle Miller: You are hereby notified that on the 5th day of June, 1906, I purchased at private tax sale, lots one and two, (1 and 2), block one, Park division to Indiana, Nebraska; that said lots were assessed in the name of Myrtle Miller; that said lots were assessed and sold for the taxes of the years 1902, 1903 and 1904; that I have paid the subsequent taxes thereon of 1905 and 1906; that the time of redemption from said tax sale will expire on the 6th day of June, 1908.—2-21-31.

S. R. SMITH, Boyle & Eldred, attorneys.

NOTICE.

State of Nebraska, Red Willow county, ss. To all persons interested in the estate of Harriet Humphrey, late of said county, deceased: You are hereby notified that on the twenty-fifth day of February, 1908, Worth Humphrey filed his petition in the county court of said county for his appointment as administrator of the estate of Harriet Humphrey, late of said county, deceased, and that the same will be heard at the county court room in the city of McCook of said county on the 16th day of March, 1908, at the hour of ten o'clock a. m.

It is further ordered that notice of said hearing be given all persons interested in said estate by publication of this notice for three successive weeks in the McCook Tribune, a newspaper printed and published and of general circulation in said county.—2-28-31.

Dated this 25th day of February, 1908. [SEAL] J. C. MOORE, County Judge.

ORDER OF HEARING.

In the district court of Red Willow county, Nebraska: In the matter of the estate of Ella A. Buck, deceased.

On reading and filing the petition of John F. Helm, praying that administration of said estate be granted to him as administrator, Ordered, that March 14th, 1908, at nine o'clock a. m., be assigned for hearing said petition, when all persons interested in said matter may appear at a county court to be held in and for said county, and show cause why the prayer of petitioner should not be granted and that notice of the pendency of said petition and the hearing thereon be given to all persons interested in said matter by publishing a copy of this order in the McCook Tribune, a weekly newspaper, printed in said county, for three successive weeks prior to said day of hearing.—2-28-31.

Dated February 24th, 1908.—2-28-31.

J. C. MOORE, County Judge. Boyle & Eldred, attorneys.

NOTICE OF REFEREE'S SALE.

By virtue of an order of sale to me directed by the clerk of the district court of Red Willow county, in the state of Nebraska, on a judgment rendered in said court in favor of Albertina Rogers, plaintiff, against John S. Miller, Minnie Rogers, Roy Rogers, John S. Miller, Albert Phillippi, Albert Phillippi, Harvey Phillippi, Daisy Phillippi, Freda Phillippi, and Roy Rogers, defendants, on the eleventh day of December, 1907, for the partition and sale of the following described real estate, to-wit: The south half of the north township two, north range twenty-nine, west of the sixth principal meridian in said Red Willow county; I will offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash on the 16th day of March, 1908, at the front door of the court house in McCook in said county at two o'clock in the afternoon, the above described real estate.

Dated this 13th day of February, 1908.—2-14-5c.

J. S. LEHEW, Referee.

REFEREE'S SALE.

By virtue of an order of sale to me directed by the clerk of the district court of Red Willow county in the state of Nebraska, on a judgment rendered in said court in favor of Minnie Marilda Miller, plaintiff, against Albertina Rogers, Roy Rogers, John S. Miller, Freda Phillippi, Albert Phillippi, Daisy Phillippi and Edwin Phillippi, defendants, on the eleventh day of December, 1907, for the partition and sale of the following described real estate, to-wit: The east half of the west half of section two, the northwest quarter of section one all in township two, north range twenty-nine and lots one and two in block two in the fourth addition to McCook, all in Red Willow county, Nebraska. I will offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash on the 16th day of March, 1908, at the front door of the court house in said county at two o'clock in the afternoon, the above described real estate.

Dated this 13th day of February, 1908.—2-14-5c.

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