

DID HE GET EVEN? OH, YES!

Sleepy Man Tells of Thirty Cents Won at Draw Poker.

GAME BEGAN AS FREEZEOUT

Dick and George and Harry and Others and Last of All a Wild-Eyed Westerner Just Dropped In.

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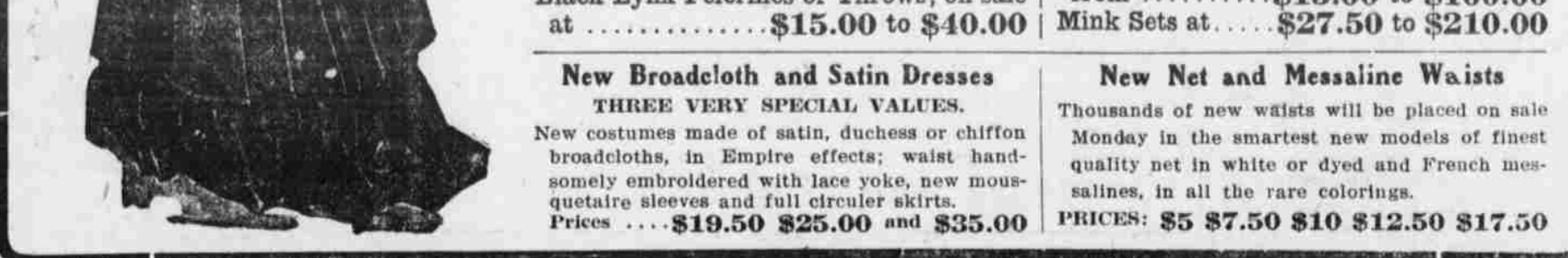
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The autographs of either Samuel Gompers or Eugene Debs cost 25 cents, while, oldest of all, in the light of the recently finished political campaign, one need pay only a dime for the signature of Senator

Foraker, irrespective of the nature of the correspondence to which it is appended. If Americans seem to rate their own public men rather cheaply compared with their authors, the English are no better. John Bright and Richard Cobden are let go for 2 shillings 6 pence (60 cents), while Canning, Palmerston, Lord Liverpool, Brougham and Lord John Russell can be bought for 1 shilling. English royalty, such as any one of the four Georges, look very handsome in the album at only \$1, while a mere prince sinks to a shilling--New York Times.

Preparations are being made for the reception of the committee of Country Life, appointed by President Roosevelt, which has left Washington on a tour of the country and which will reach Omaha, December 9, at 7 a. m., over the Union Pacific from Denver. The commission is making a complete tour of the United States, now moving through the southern

states to San Francisco, where the commission will be divided into two sections, one coming east via the Union Pacific to Omaha, and the other returning over the northern line and meeting at Omaha. The committee is composed of L. H. Bailey of New York, chairman; Henry Wallace of Iowa, Kenyon L. Butterfield of Massachusetts, Walter H. Page of North Carolina, Gifford Pinchot of the United States Forest Reserve Department, E. W. Allen, executive secretary and C. J. Blunsford, statistician for the Reclamation Department and in charge of the party. See want ads are business boosters.

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