#### **Every Family to** Be Able to Talk To Spirits, He Says

Delegates to Convention of General Assembly of Spirtualists Discuss Future Life And Disembodied Spirits.

By MARGERY REX.

New York, July 16.—On one of the hottest days of the year, in a redand-gold ballroom, 100 men and women gather together to discuss the future life, the disembodied spirits and the possibility of communication

The twenty-fifth convention of the general assembly of Spiritualists is in session at the Waldorf. These earnest people sit attentively while their leader speaks of the past of their re-ligion, of the social and business ostracism once attendant upon it and of the freedom from persecution which prevails today.

Predicts Family Mediums.

pronouncement causes no vention, although it is rather startling news for outsiders. But the president of the gathering, J. F. Steckenreiter, goes on to tell of the heavy price believers once paid for their faith, since any Spiritualist was considered at one time a legitimate object to persecute. He emphasizes the difference between the fortune teller and the medium, a distinction not always conceded.

Various pastors of Spiritualist churches tell of the headway made during the year both financially and socially. Young people's societies are formed, mortgages on churches paid off, clubs chartered and guilds

It is surprising to learn, when they arise to speak, that various women in organdies and silks are ministers of this particular gospel. Several colored women, good speakers, tell of success among their people and in

One of them, Mrs. Hetty Johnson -a New York minister-relates stories of her "child-guide Chatter-box," who aids and advises her. To who does not entertain this belief it all is apt to seem trival.

Noted Adherents of Faith. But at once names like those of the late W. T. Shead, the late Wil-liam James and the living Conan Doyle come to mind.

Doyle come to mind.

General acceptance of spiritualism is delayed, the president of the meeting says. Yet few believe now that it is actual claptrap or a device of satan. Neither do intelligent ministers of other creeds denounce it from their pulpits, he declares.

Later on Mrs. Mable Marie Butler,

of Birmingham, told me that there was a great difference between spiritualism and spiritism. Spiritualism is as different

spiritism as college is different from grammar school," she says. 'Our belief is wonderful, new and healthy. It is holy and wholesome. It is God's own love in a practical

form.

"But the pearls of occult science are buried deep in the earth. It takes time to bring them completely to light. That means we all must work hard."

Young and comely, she had at tracted more than one glance by the intensity of the fervor which shone from her pleasant face during the speeches of other members.

Flowers and Spirits Connected. Mrs. Hetty Johnson tells of the

connection between flowers and the spirits. At her Sunday seances each visitor holds a flower, which makes it easier to get a message. "With God's flower in my hand," she says. "I can always get a bet-

"That is like holding God in my hand. And we can better realize that there is a paradise waiting for us be-

slightly, as though fellow members month.

had not reached such a high plane But of understanding as they themselves.
One raises a lorgnette and smiles

But there is a camaraderie between the old and young, between the more intelligent and the less intelligent, between the well-to-do and the poor. They are held together by mutual belief in an extremely consoling form of religion.

"A Girl In Every Port" Costs This Gob Heavily

Kansas City, Mo., July 16.-R. J. Shepard, sailor, has been sentenced to jail because he was a "champion" long distance toll "dodger."

Shepard had "a girl in every port." Recently he decided it would be wise to "keep them all on a string," so he phoned one in San Francisco. another in New Orleans, a third New York and a fourth in Balti-Later he told the phone company he would not pay the toll

charges.

Shepard's service in the world war caused the court to be lenient with him and he drew a light fine.

Police Discover Booze

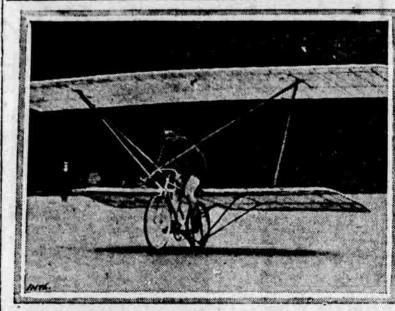
Concealed in "Nightie" Boston, July 16.—Because his up for his use a magnificent suite in nightshirt looked like a young tent, Jacob Sladkewich was searched, and royal title mentioned. He made apbeneath the robe was found some peals to different courts for recog-illegal liquor. The police had entred the house searching for contraband "hootch." They were about to depart empty-handed when they noticed that Jacob's "nightie" looked extra large. Jacob pleaded guilty in East Boston court and was fined \$50.

German Liquor Traffic

Greater Now Than Ever London, July 16.—According to official statistics issued by the Cologne Prohibition congress, the drink traffic in Germany, which had decreased during the war, is again increasing considerably. Ten million bottles of champagne were sold in Germany last year, while 10,000,000,-000 marks were spent on alcoholic. The mark I be to buy broken-down race horses at large prices and give parades to show them off.

Mounted upon these decrepit steeds were placed uniformed messenger boys for whose services he had arranged. 000 marks were spent on alcoholic

### Cycleplane Successful



his "aviette" or cycleplane at a recent official test at the Longchamps race-course near Paris. Poulain flew five meters at a height of 50 centimeters, or about one and one-half feet, winning a big sum for the first successful "flight" of this kind in a man-propelled plane.

# will believe in communication with the dead, and in every family someone will serve as medium for the Noted Spenders' Feats Pale As British Woman Throws Gold to Winds Mrs. Smith-Wilkinson, Who Stunned Paris by Squandering \$5,000,000 in Two Weeks Plans to Dumbal well-known society folk of America assisted in the arrangements for the grand mask ball which was given for a local charity June 25. Princess Murat, the former Miss Stallo, of Ohio, directed the arrangements of this affair, which eclipsed in splendor even the four great balls recently given by the Marquise de Polignac, the former Mrs. James B. Eustis of New York. The Marquise de Polignac, who is one of the most active, and one of the most active, and one of the most popular

dering \$5,000,000 in Two Weeks, Plans to Dumbfound Manhattan-Coal Oil Johnny, Jacques Lebaudy and Charles G. Gates Other Celebrated Wasters.

Thus demands Mrs. Smith-Wilkin-son of a hewildered world. Truly the English spendthrift has made heads, at least, go around in that dear Paris, where she spent \$5,000,000 in two weeks.

The lady is surely careless with Not content with the hats to be bought along the Rue de la Paix, "Madame Monte Carlo," as the stunned citizens of Paris dub her, found a bargain in useless crowns, this especial one being that of the ill-fated czarina, the price \$3,300,000.

Among other trinkets she "picked up" in France were the Shrewsbury pearls, price half a million. Then gowns, loose diamonds to sew on

dresses, reupholstering of autos and of private suites ran into millions. And this strange woman defends herself with the plea that she cannot spend her income, which reaches thirty millions.

Some Other Noted Spenders.

Though apparently champion of the spending ring, Mrs. Smith-Wil-kinson is not the first person to enoy wasting money. There have been those who blazed the trail for her and who established precedents and high marks for wasting long before the gay Britisher came to dazzle the

There was our own Coal Oil Johny, who at the age of 21 left the oil

had a nice little way of getting what he wanted. He selected not only \$8,000 worth of clothes of a fine morning, not only bought cabs to help out indigent cabbies, but was perfectly willing to purchase such things as revenge, for instance.

Buys Hotel. Staying at a hotel during his sensational New York visit, he found that a certain clerk was too indifferent to his importance. Johnny bought the hotel, fired the bored

clerk and opened the doors to the \$1,000,000 that one day.
Alas, in four years Coal Oil John-

But doesn't Mrs. Smith-Wilkinson make Coal Oil Johnny look a tight-

And yet there are other women whom we thought wild wasters until we heard of the golden blaze that has come out of England.

Mrs. Anthony Caused Stir. There was Mrs. Charles Anthony, of Muncie, Ind., who went in for gold watches on evening slippers, fiamond heels, armlets gleaming with gems. When visiting here a few years ago she wore a contrap-tion that looked like diamond handcuffs. It dazzled Peacock Alley

dizzy.

And she was considered a spendthrift. Not long before that time

murder by his wife of Jacques Le-baudy, self-styled "Emperor of the ahara," brought out the story of his excesses and extravagances, which often took an amusing turn. Thought Insane.

Lebaudy was believed to be inane. He was at times placed in sanitariums. Perhaps this explains his expenditures and escapades. Son to which table to go in order to disof Jules Lebaudy, late sugar king of France, the "Emperor," in 1903, went to London. There he had fitted

affair was ended, were sufficiently startling to cause comment. He used to buy broken-down race horses at

# Society Women Of U. S. Add to

Play a Most Important Part in Social Life-Mrs. John Drexel Gives Smart

Dinner.

By HELEN HOFFMAN. Paris, July 16 .- American society vomen, and their number is legion here, play a most important part in the gay social life of the French

capital.

The smartest dinner parties are given by leaders of Newport, New York, Philadelphia and Boston society, to say nothing of women who are well known in the fashionable circles of the west and south. The very successful balls which have been recently given for French charities, and which have fairly daz-zled Parisian society-not an asy thing to do-have been managed by American women.

Mrs. Perry Belmont and other well-known society folk of America active, and one of the most popular members of fashionable society here, has returned from a short stay in Switzerland.

Smart Parties.

Among the smartest dinner parties given here during the past few joyed a hearty laugh.
weeks were those of Mrs. John R. A fast-moving musical comedy of Drexel at the Ritz. Included in her the tabloid type, featuring girls, won By MARGERY REX.

New York, July 16.—"Is ti the spender or the miser who makes the world go round?"

Thus demands Mrs. Smith William of the Principles to ruin himself and family as these of the Principles to ruin himself and family as these of the Principles to ruin himself and family as these of the Principles to ruin himself and family as these of the Principles to ruin himself and family as these of the Principles to ruin himself and family as these of the Principles to ruin himself and family as the respect his spendings were seemingly as power-less to ruin himself and family as the respect his spendings were seemingly as power-less to ruin himself and family as the respect his spendings were seemingly as power-less to ruin himself and family as the respect his spendings were seemingly as power-less to ruin himself and family as the respect his spendings were seemingly as power-less to ruin himself and family as the respect his spendings were seemingly as power-less to ruin himself and family as the respect his spendings were seemingly as power-less to ruin himself and family as the respect his spendings were seemingly as power-less to ruin himself and family as the respect his spendings were seemingly as power-less to ruin himself and family as the respect his spendings were seemingly as power-less to ruin himself and family as the respect his spendings were seemingly as power-less to ruin himself and family as the respect his spendings were seemingly as power-less to ruin himself and family as the respect his spendings were seemingly as power-less to ruin himself and family as the and women well known in the ex-Most memorable in the history of clusive circles of Newport, Philarecent American spendthrifts was delphia and New York society.

Working on Ballet.

Mrs. Charles Barney of Washington, D. C., whose exhibitions of paintings are well known in the ar-tistic circles of Paris, has left Paris the dinner having cost the other hundred. Although willing to throw away money, Gates, it was said, could not be beaten out of a nickel.

As for Mrs. Smith-Wilkinson, if anyone wants to beat "Mrs. Monte Carlo's" prodigality she will have to get hold of the Hone diamond and cast get hold of the Hope diamond and about four years ago, was a great

#### Atlantis Cafe in Vienna Is Rendezvous of Sports Traders, Thieves and Revolutionists "Marvelous nerve," said Prince Hashim, who inquired particularly as to the material from which the

sell a handful of jewels or a wagonwhere it can be done.

those of the British lady.

Charles G. Gates, who once tipped a

waiter \$1,000. It is only fair to say that the man nearly dropped dead

and, later revived, told the pro-prietor, who returned to Gates \$900.

plant it in her largest tooth.

York and show the old residents alizing that you were in the most what a large evening looked like.

John W. Steele—his real name— central Europe and the near east. central Europe and the near east, at the Italian table are one or two Atlantis cafe bears no visible sign to Italian soldiers-who will be useful distinguish it from any other coffee in getting goods over the border. house along the Ringstrasse. Only the dealers in illegal traffic have put their cross over its door, and if you belong to the famous international profiteers, beside which the Third of Moscow is harmless as a love, be you Italian, or Serbian, or Hungarian, or German, the Atlantis is the Mecca of your journeys.

It stands on the busiest Vienna street across from the great Imperial hotel. Behind its plate glass winpublic, to let who would enter, eat, by, is a large room, upholstered in drink or dwell therein. This cost red leather, with comfortably-padded dows, candidly open to every passerbenches along the walls and around Alas, in four years Coal Oil Johnny became bankrupt. He had to go
laboring man hope flashes at these
words. Yet at some rather extreme
ideas which are offered now and
then, a few of the audience smile
then, a few of the audience smile
lightly as though follow members

Alas, in four years Coal Oil Johnny became bankrupt. He had to go
back to the labor which had formerly
netted him but \$2 a day. When he
died, at 77 in Omaha last New Year's
day, he had been earning \$50 a

Malas, in four years Coal Oil Johnny becames which support the ceiling.
Arm chairs are fitted into cozy
nooks and efficient waiters trot from
table to table, carrying syphons, filling liqueur glasses, pouring Turkish
coffee thickly out of little copper
month. mugs. The orchestra, goaded by a emperamental conductor, sighs out the strains of a heavy, honey-sweet Viennese valse. Altogether a typ-

ical Vienna cafe. But if-instead of burying your Arbeiter Zeitung, both of which are nandily at your eibow, supported on rames fitted with handles-you look about you keenly you will hear strange whisperings and see hands reaching out to each other under cover of the table, and now and then you will see something gleam in transit, Or you will see eager heads bent together over some small package wrapped in tissue paper, and over and over again you will catch one word, repeated in all languages, "Combien?" "Quanto?" "Skolko?"

"Wie Viel?" "How much?" The Uninitiated Barred.

If you want to do business in the Atlantis you must know the ropes. This is no place where you come in out down your money and ask for what you want. You would be thrown out if you did, with indignant protests that this is no shop, but the odd and spectacular nature of a cafe. No, you must know exactly yes, even the women are bought and sold, so they say, in the Atlantis cafe. Pretty Viennese, with their shoes run down at the heel and their stockings in holes, are offered positions as actresses in Rio Janeiro or Bueno Aires and are contracted for and shipped away. What becomes of them afterward no one knows, but

many hazard a guess. When you have seated yourself at what you judge to be the right table the conversation begins in cryptic phrases. Recently a man said to an-other laconically: "I have a wagon." The other replied (equally laconically), "How much?"

The first man named his price. The second: "Very dear. White

By DOROTHY THOMPSON. | mostly Jews who slip watches and pealed to him. from hand to hand at the jewelry load of grain—and no questions table. Dary-eyed and excitable asked? There is a market in Vienna Italians gesticulate in another corner over objets d'art; and Austria's If you are a Philistine you have pictures, ceramics and gobelins probably wandered in and out of the change hands around glasses of cofplace half a dozen times during a fee. The Italians are the noisest and, so a habitue of the cafe asalizing that you were in the most sured me, spend more money than famous "schieber" exchange in all all the rest put together. Always

> Passports Minus Red Tape. Serbs, Roumanians, Czecho-Slovakians negotiate chiefly in foodstuffs. From them comes the wheat to make the little white rolls which you eat with such pleasure in the famous restaurants, while the rest of Vienna lives on bitter black bread.

traffic in food is the traffic in pass-The "schieber" knows no kronen, if you are a "wise one," you can get a Roumanian, or a Serbian, or a Czecho-Slovak passport that will take you where Bulgarian, Hungarian or Austrian papers are use-less. And vises—needless to stand ing to Prince Hashim, is practically in queues before the consulates if you have friends at the Atlantic. Any vise in an hour is the unadvertised promise of the gentlemen who haunt a particular corner of the

The Atlantis has its personalities. There is a little spectacled woman in a red hat with the Manners and bustle nose in the Neue Frie Presse or the of an American stenographer who has been reading the success stories the American magazines and means to rise. Mark her well. She is the liaison officer between visitors to the cafe and all the Italian profiteers. She walks jauntily from table to table, finding here a man who wants to sell leather goods and there another who wants to buy Now she is offering an exceptional bargain in a lot of gold lorgnettes. No one can estimate how great a volume of business she does in a

single day. Nor need you confine your interests to business in the Atlantis! Over there is the table where volunteers were collected for an army to bring down the social democratic regime in Austria. Refugee communists from Hungary gather at that table and, presumably, plot. The revolution table is in a secluded corner, and its habitues are usually very well behaved. Revolutions are quiet in central Europe just now, much quiet-er than grain transactions.

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show them off.

Mounted upon these decrepit steeds were placed uniformed messenger boys for whose services he had arranged.

Lebaudy Couldn't Spend All.

The vast Lebaudy fortune was not appreciably lessened by the "Em-

## Afghanistan Princess Sees First Vaudeville

Gayety of Paris Possessor of World's Second Largest Diamond Sees San Francisco Night Life-En Route to England

By ELLIS H. MARTIN. San Francisco, July 16.—Even though but fragments of the lines

and none of the slang of the American vaudeville are understood, this popular form of American amusement has its appeal to royalty of far off Afghanistan. To determine this fact, the writer

played host at a theater party to the Princess Fatima, sultana of Afghanistan, and her three sons, Sirdars Hashim, Azim and Akbar, when they visited this city recently en route to London, where the young princes are to be educated. It was apparent from the first that

the princess and the princes have an unusually keen sense of humor. Though she speaks no English, the princess caught the point of many of the jokes and laughed heartily when they were idiomized in her native lan-guage—Assyrian—by her eldest son, Hashim. Ford Jokes.

Some Ford jokes were caught by the royal visitors without the neces-

sity of translation, for these cars have penetrated Afghanistan and already the Afghans have their jokes about them. Perhaps the greatest amusement to the royal visitors was given by an act least calculated to do so. It was an American office scene portraying

a gruff American business man, his son and a petite stenographer.

When the father referred to his boy as his "wife's son" and the phrase was translated to the princess she en-

ently enjoyed the dancing.

Musical numbers won their approval. Late American jazz songs caught their fancy, and a rendition of "My Old Kentucky Home" by

two male voices was termed "very good-a most haunting melody," by Prince Hashim. Marvelous Nerve. A black-faced comedian who made merry of the hardships of an ocean

The last act on the bill, however, drew from all members of the royal party expressions of wonderment and

voyage, pleased the visitors immense-

It was a motorcycle act in which a lady performer rode a motorcycle within a steel globe, a man standing in the center and dodging the hurling machine as it sped around the

cage was constructed. He is a stu-

was the only act on the bill which drew the applause of the permitting their sale of consumption princess and princes. It took the cafes and gay night life f San Francisco to remove for the first time the veil-which customs of

her country decrees she must wearfrom the face of Princess Fatima, -mere words-the princess said, would never express her regrets for not having visited San Francisco before she did. Not only does Princess Fatima like American meals and service, but she likes to dance to jazz music.

America Unknown. A startling fact revealed by Prince lashim was that in Afghanistan merica or the United States is practically unheard of and the few who But more underground than the raffic in food is the traffic in passorts. The "schieber" knows no said the prince. After completing their education in

London the three royal sons hope to return to their native land and bring about several beneficial changes in isolated because of lack of modern connections or communications with other outside countries. A network of highways, railroads and bridges would be a great advantage to the country, which is rich in fruits of all kinds and minerals, and it is the dream of the three royal brothers to educate themselves along engineering





Princess Fatima and Prince Hashind und

lines and be able to make these necessities a reality. Afghanistan has a population of approximately 120,000,-000 persons.

To Visit Harding.

Of the three largest and most valuable diamonds in the world Princess Fatima possesses the second largest.
The largest—Koh-i-noor—is owned
by Great Britain and valued at approximately \$100,000,000. The second argest-Durayai-Nur-is the property of Princess Fatima, who says its value passes the \$50,000,000 mark. The third stone, the Kohi-Tuhar-belongs to the shah of Persia.

#### Stringent Dry Laws Adopted by Belgium

Brussels, July 16.—Belgium is

direction of prohibition.

Minister Vandervelde, it is announced, will shortly introduce a bill prohibiting the sale in bars, restaurants and cafes of "heavy wines," such as port and sherry. The new sale of beer or light wines, but will be modelled after the law enacted about 18 months ago, suppressing the sale in public places of whisky, cognac and other hard liquors though

On the whole the law aimed at hard liquors has worked fairly well with compartively few attempts at evasion and not many arrests. The government winks an eye at the sale of whisky, cocktails and other sultana of Kabul, Afghanistan. Words kick-producing drinks at summer resorts like Ostend and Spa, which attract many foreigners, but puts a heavy hand down on the hard liquor traffic elsewhere in Belgium.

> Berlin, July 16.-Lenin plans to restore to their private owners all factories employing less than 300 workmen; according to a dispatch to the Berlin Boursen Zeitung. The income and profits of the companies will be controlled by the state.



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No. 2 While Hootched

St. Louis, Mo., July 16.—Young married men should take their wives with them when they go away from home, according to J. B. Adams, arrested here for alleged abandonment of his wife and child at Syracuse, N. Y. He faces a bigamy charge here. He married his second wife, Adams told police, while on a "spree" and didn't know it until he became sober.

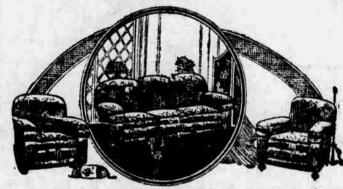
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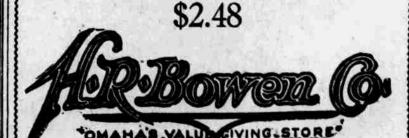
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