WASHINGTON GOSSIP

Not Seen in Congressional Record

WASHINGTON.—In a way a very ludicrous thing happened in one of the committee rooms recently when the official reporter declared that the documents submitted in a certain case were fabricated, because they read "too smoothly" and that men did not talk that way. The stenographer lost his job, but the fact remains that members of congress and United States senators are absolutely dependent upon the official stenographers for decent records of the scattering and often incoherent and original speeches which they make in congress. It is positively funny to listen to some of the speeches, and then read the same speech as it is ironed out for print in the Congressional Record.

A representative, for instance, gets up and says: "Mr. Speaker—Mr. Speaker—am I recognized. Mr.—ur—Speaker—ur—ur—Speaker? I—ur—have—ur—ah been ah—ur—listening—ur with a good deal of interest, sir—I mean Mr.—ur—Speaker, to the—ur—remarks, sir—I mean—ur, Mr. Speaker—ur—Mr. Speaker — from Wayback, and—ur—I want to say, Mr. Speaker—ur—ah—uh, that, Mr. Speaker—ur, representing the constituents of a—ur—a—ur great congressional district of more than 200,000 members, sir, I mean—ur, Mr. Speaker, I cannot afford—ur to sit here and hear these constituents, sir—ur insulted, sir, by remarks, sir, I mean, Mr. Speaker, of the gentlemen from Wayback, and —ur I stand here, sir, in the presence of the great American—ur—ur people to defend, yes, sir, to defend the bringing, sir, upon my constituents, sir, that is—ur satisfactory—ur to all when I was elected—ur to this honorable body, sir. But, sir—I, mean, Mr. Speaker." And about this time the gavel of the speaker comes down with a bang that rattles the medallions in the glass ceiling, and he says just as easy: "The time of the gentleman from —— has expired," and his oratory is cut short. Now, you don't suppose for once that that sort of stuff is going to appear in the Congressional Record. No, indeed. The official stenographer has taken down every "uh and ah," and goes to the little desk at the end of his five minutes' stands, and talks it into the dictograph just as smooth and pretty as anything you ever read in your life, and it comes out just as though Mr. Representative was an orator of the first class, and he sends it back to his constituents, and they think he's wonderful to speak right on the floor of congress in that wonderful way.

It is the general belief among newspaper readers that it is the so-called "Backwoods" statesmen, who are the guilty ones in this respect, but the official stenographers say that the remarks of some of the members known throughout the land as brilliant orators, would at times look something like the foregoing.

Stakes Sandwich on Seat in Congress

UNIQUE among the candidates who ran the other day in the Pennsylvania primaries is Dr. Moses Stern of Philadelphia, candidate for the Democratic nomination for congress in the Third district. Dr. Stearn filed with South Trimble, clerk of the house of representatives, a sworn statement that his expenses in the primaries amounted to 25 cents.

When he read the morning papers Dr. Stearn probably learned whether the bread which he cast upon the waters was returned unto him many fold. He frankly confessed that he wanted to get on the public pay roll with a warm seat in congress before the country went bankrupt.

He was a bit worried lest a part of his expenditure may not have been regular. He insisted that he has bribed no one, but admitted that he did purchase a small chicken sandwich "for a colored gentleman." The rest of the 25 cents was spent for ten two-cent stamps, which were used to mail his nomination papers to the proper authorities.

Dr. Stearn gave the house much information about himself and his ambitions, as well as his campaign, in the statement which he made to the clerk. Here are some choice extracts from his statement.

"I hope you have no complaint about my extravagant expense account?

"I had no kind friend to lend me $10,000 cash to help me push my campaign for congress.

"I am satisfied nearly all of my constituents are the salt of the earth.

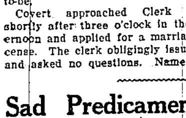
"My friends put my hat in the ring, and they say it is constitutional.

"As a candidate I have been imploring voters to aid me to get on the public pay roll in Washington and get nice and warm in my seat in congress before the United States treasury becomes bankrupt and pawns our beautiful building, our national capitol, to my Uncle Rothschild.

"It has been my soaring ambition all this summer to be on a street corner speaking on a soap box and face a bitter contest of mollycoddlers in my Third congressional district until the polls close Tuesday, November 5, 1912.

"I have not bribed any voter, but did buy a small chicken sandwich for a colored gentleman."

His Bride's Name Slipped from Mind



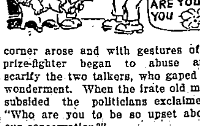
WHEN George H. Covert, a salesman, living at the Y. M. C. A., walked into the marriage license bureau in City Hall the other day to apply for the necessary paper which would enable him to become the husband of Miss Vera Ione Murray, a Washington girl, Covert was nervous—naturally. But his plunge into the matrimonial sea, clerks of experience say, affected him in a most unusual way. He forgot the name of his bride-to-be.

Covert approached Clerk Kroll shortly after three o'clock in the afternoon and applied for a marriage license. The clerk obligingly issued it, and asked no questions. Names are never questioned in the bureau, and, anyway, a young man about to take unto himself a wife is supposed to be thoroughly familiar with said wife's name and address.

However, Covert informed Kroll that his bride-to-be was Miss Vera Ione. The license was issued to George H. Covert and Miss Vera Ione, and the minister delegated to tie the knot was the Rev. Charles Wood. Not until the bridal pair reached the parsonage did they discover the grave error made by Covert, and a hurried trip was made to the home of Col. John E. Young, clerk of the court, who rectified the error, and promised to make the necessary change in the official record book as soon as he reached his office next morning.

The knot was tied immediately, and Covert attributes the mistake to the fact that he was nervous—this being his first venture. He has been exonerated by Mrs. Covert, nee Vera Ione Murray.

Sad Predicament of Two Politicians



WHILE Colonel Walter Watkins of Tennessee was in Washington recently he told about the sad predicament two citizens of his state got into talking politics while traveling east some years ago on a Pullman car. It was a hot night and sleep was impossible. They were in the smoking room, and fell to talking about state affairs. While thus engaged an old grizzled, gaunt man came in, clad as befitted a torrid night, and began smoking. The two politicians kept up their talk and were regretting how poorly their state was represented at Washington. They were somewhat sarcastic in referring to the senatorial delegation and declared that younger and more vigorous men were needed.

"Looking at our senators," was remarked. "They are played out. Bate is old and Harris is dried up and useless."

Just then the old stranger in the corner arose and with gestures of a prize-fighter began to abuse and scarify the two talkers, who gaped in wonderment. When the irate old man subsided the politicians exclaimed: "Who are you to be so upset about our conservation?"

"I am Senator Harris," said the stranger in tones that could be heard above the rumbling of the train, "and I have a mind to throw both of you out of the window."

They had not recognized the senator in his pajamas in the semi-darkness.

Mrs. Wildsmith on Trial.

Mrs. Bert Wildsmith, or, as she is now known, Mrs. Frances Dewey, is on trial for murder in circuit court, Ann Arbor. The charge against the woman is the killing of an infant, which she had adopted from an institution in Detroit. The man with whom she was living as wife, Bert Wildsmith, will also be tried on the same charge, his case following that of the woman.

The crime for which the Wildsmiths are to be tried was committed on February 24. A Ypsilanti physician on a hurry call to the Wildsmith home on Oakland street in that city, found an infant dead, its arms dislocated and its body covered with bruises.

Prosecutor Opens Macgregor Trial.

The long delayed trial of Dr. Robert A. MacGregor for the murder of Cyril Sparling has begun in the Huron county circuit court, after four weeks' effort to get a jury.

It has been decided that the German battleship squadron will sail for America on May 11, proceeding first to Hampton Roads.

Bridge and structural workers have signed an agreement with the employing contractors for three years thus removing all danger of building being interfered with in Chicago during the coming years.

THE MARKETS.

LIVE STOCK.

Detroit—Best steers and heifers, $7.75@8.25; good to choice butcher steers and heifers, 1,000 to 1,200 pounds, $7@7.50; light to good butcher steers and heifers, 700 to 900 pounds, $5.50@6.50; mixed butchers' fat cows, $3.50@6.70; canners, $2.50@3.25; common bulls, $3.50@5; good shippers' bulls, $5.50@6.

Veal calves—Best grades, $7.50@8; others, $4@7.

Milch cows and springers—$25@60.

Sheep and lambs—Best lambs, $8.50@8.75; fair to good lambs, $7.50@8; light to common lambs, $4.50@6.50; spring lambs, $10@10.50; fair to good butcher sheep, $5.50@6; culls and common, $2@4.50.

Hogs—Range of prices: Light to good butchers, $7.40@7.50; pigs, $6.40@6.55; light yorkers, $7@7.25; stags, 1-3 off.

East Buffalo, N. Y.—Cattle—Slow: best 1,400 to 1,600-pound steers, $8.50@8.75; good prime 1,300 to 1,400-pound steers, $7.75@8.25; good prime 1,200 to 1,300-pound steers, $7.25@7.75; best 1,100 to 1,200-pound shipping steers, $7@7.25; medium butcher steers, 1,000 to 1,100 pounds, $6.25@6.60; light butcher steers, $5.75@6.25; best fat cows, $5.50@6.50; fair to good do, $2.75@5.25; common to medium do, $2.75@4.25; trimmers, $2.50@3; best fat heifers, $6.50@7.25; good fat heifers, $5.40@6; fair to good do, $5@5.25; stock heifers, $4.25@4.50; best feeding steers, dehorned, $5.50@6; common feeding steers, $4@4.25; stockers, all grades, $1@4.25; prime export bulls, $6@6.50; best butcher bulls, $5@5.50; bologna bulls, $4.25@4.75; stock bulls, $3.50@4.50; best milkers and springers, $50@60; common to good do, $25@35.

Hogs—Lower: heavy, $7.95@8.05; yorkers, $7.80@7.90; pigs, $6.75@7.

Sheep—Lower: wool lambs, $10@10.25; clipped, $9.25@9.50; yearlings, $8@8.25; wethers, $7.25@7.50; ewes, $6@6.75.

Calves—$5@9.

GRAIN, ETC.

Wheat—Cash No 2 red, $1.20; May opened with an advance of ½c at $1.19¾ and advanced to $1.20; July opened with a gain of 1c at $1.19¾, advanced to $1.20 and declined to $1.19¾; September opened at $1.18¾, advanced to $1.19, declined to $1.18½ and closed at $1.18¾; No 1 white, $1.18.

Corn—Cash No 3, 81½c; No 4, 1 car at 79½c; No 2 yellow, 1 car at 84½c, closing at 84c; kiln-dried No 2 yellow, 3,000 bu at 86½c; No 3 yellow, 1 car at 84c, 1 at 83½c.

Oats—Standard, 3 cars at 63c, closing asked; No 3 white, 62½c; No 4 white, 1 car at 62c.

Rye—Cash No 2, 96c.

Beans—Immediate, prompt and May shipment, $2.60; June, $2.62; July, $2.65 bid, October, $2.30.

Cloverseed—Prime spot, $13; October, 100 bags at $10.40; sample, 14 bags at $11.50, 8 at $12.25; prime alsike, 10 bags at $11.25; sample alsike, 5 bags at $10.

Timothy Seed—Prime spot, 40 bags at $6.

Flour—In one-eighth paper sacks, per 196 pounds, jobbing lots: Best patent, $5; second patent, $4.75; straight, $4.40; spring patent, $6; rye, $5.20.

Feed—In jobbing lots in 100-lb sacks: Bran, $30; coarse middlings, $30; fine middlings, $32; corn and oat chop, $32; cracked corn and coarce cornmeal, $32 per ton.

GENERAL MARKETS.

There is a general tone of easiness in fresh fruits and vegetables. Prices in many lines are lower. Old potatoes are quite firm and 10c higher. Demand is fair and stocks are pretty well cleaned up. The butter market easy and off 1c. Eggs are in good supply and easy. Poultry is steady and there is a steady feeling in dressed calves, without much change in prices.

Butter—Extra creamery, 31c; first creamery, 30c; dairy, 25c; packing, 21c per lb. Eggs—Receipts, 2,152 cases; current receipts, cases included, 17¾c per doz.

Apples—Baldwin, $3.50@$4; steel reds, $6@$6.50; Ben Davis, $2.75@$3.25 per bbl.

Strawberries—24-pint cases, $2@$2.25; 24-quart cases, $3.50@$3.75.

Potatoes—Car lots, bulk, $1.10; sacks, $1.15 per bu.

New Cabbages—$3@$3.50.

Dressed Calves—Ordinary, 8@9c; fancy, 10@11c per lb.

New Potatoes—Bermudas, $3 per bu and $8.50 per bbl; Florida, $7.50 per bbl, and $2.75 per bu.

Honey—Choice fancy comb, 15@16c per lb; amber, 12@13c.

Live Poultry—Spring chickens, 15½@16c; hens, 15½@16c; ducks, 14c; young ducks, 15@16c; geese, 11@12c; turkeys, 16@18c.

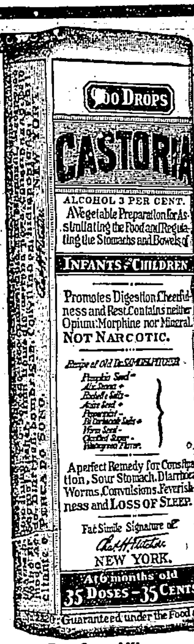
Vegetables—Beets, 80c per bu; carrots, $1.40 per doz; cucumbers, hothouse, $1; celery, 50@60c per doz; Florida celery, $3; green onions, 12½c per doz; turnips, 60c per bu; watercress, 20@30c per doz; green beans, $3@$3.50; rutabagas, 75@90c per bu; parsnips, $1.75 per bu; spinach, $1.25; wax beans, $3@3.50 per bu; green peas, $2@$2.50 per bu.

Provisions—Family pork, $20@$21; mess pork, $19.50; clear backs, $19.50@$20.50; smoked hams, 14¾@15½c; picnic hams, 10c; shoulder, 10½c; bacon, 14@16c; briskets, 11¾@12½c; lard in tierces, 11¾c; kettle rendered lard, 12½c per lb.

Hay—Carlot prices, track, Detroit: No 1 timothy, $27@$27.50; No 2 timothy, $25@$25.50; light mixed, $25@$25.50; No 1 mixed, $24@$24.50; rye straw, $12.50@$13; wheat and oat straw, $10.50@$11 per ton.

The Gazette's Berlin dispatch says that a majority of the maritime nations have already accepted Germany's proposal for a conference to discuss the question of life-saving. The place of meeting and date have not yet been given consideration.

Statistics given out by President Charles W. Dabney, of the University of Cincinnati, show that a large percentage of students attended the school come from families in moderate circumstances, against the general belief that the institution was made up of students from the families of the rich



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An Ananias.

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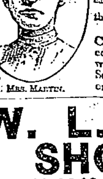
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