

# A Few Snapshots At Celebrities

Rayner of Maryland—Senator Perkins, Ferryman—When Tawney Was a Blacksmith—Untermyer on Economy, Porter, Who Defeated Wadsworth.



**ISIDOR RAYNER**, the Maryland senator who charges President Roosevelt with overstepping the constitutional bounds of his authority, was counsel for Rear Admiral Schley in the famous inquiry. When he was a congressman and the Dingley bill was under discussion he had a tilt with its author. Mr. Rayner was making a speech in favor of an amendment reducing the tariff schedules when Mr. Dingley interrupted and asked Mr. Rayner if he favored putting coal on the free list. "Coal is not mentioned in this bill," replied Mr. Rayner. "But I should like to know if the gentleman will join me and others to put coal on the free list," persisted the Maine statesman. "Will you vote for the bill if we put coal on the free list?" asked the Maryland congressman. Mr. Dingley replied that he would answer that question when the bill was completed. "Well," retorted Mr. Rayner, "when you answer my question, I'll answer yours. We'll both answer together."

Senator George C. Perkins of California, who has been prominent in the discussion over the president's Japanese policy, was once a sailor. He was born in Maine sixty-seven years ago and at thirteen shipped on board a craft bound for New Orleans. In 1853 he shipped "before the mast" on the sailing ship Galatea, bound for San Francisco, where he arrived in the autumn of that year. He got employment in a grocery store at Groville, at first merely as errand boy. By frugality he saved up \$300 in the course of a few years. One day he met a man who operated the ferry across a nearby stream and learned that the boat had gone aground on a sand bar. Disheartened over his failure to get the boat off, the man was anxious to sell out the business, and young Perkins was quick to see a chance to embark on his own career.

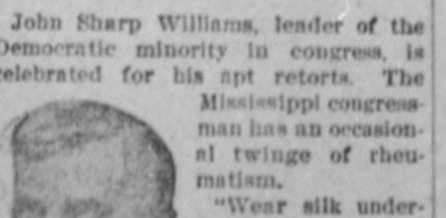
Take for the boat as it was," asked Perkins. "A thousand dollars and not a cent less," was the reply. Perkins closed the bargain on the spot, agreeing to pay the money before



**SENATOR PERKINS AS A FERRYMAN.** Downtown. Going to the bank he drew out his savings, and instead of returning every store along the one business street of which the town boasted, borrowing money to make up the balance. From one business man he secured \$45, but in most instances he was only able to negotiate small loans and even now he remembers that every fifty cent piece was a welcome addition to his pile, but he had the satisfaction of obtaining the needed amount and was the owner of the boat before he went to bed. It took him three months to dig away the sand bar, but he got the ferry working and sold the boat not long afterward for \$3,000. That gave him his start. Senator Perkins is a member of the committee on agriculture. One day he was asked by a visitor, "Isn't it a little singular you were put on the committee on agriculture?" "Oh, no," said the senator, thinking of his experience as sailor and ferryman. "It was perfectly natural. I was made a member because I used to plow the seas."

John Sharp Williams, leader of the Democratic minority in congress, is celebrated for his apt retorts. The Mississippi congressman has an occasional twinge of rheumatism.

"Wear silk underwear and you'll never have a touch of it." Representative Sibley, millionaire member from Pennsylvania, said to him. "My goodness, man, if I wore silk underwear the doctors would call my trouble gout and charge me accordingly," Mr. Williams said. "Only millionaires can afford to pay for gout."



The simplified spelling reform got a big jolt when the committee of appropriations of the house of representatives, on motion of Chairman James A. Tawney, took action equivalent to adopting Noah Webster instead of the Carnegie spelling board as authority for the orthography of congressional

documents. The report of the committee and its adoption meant that, so far as congress was concerned, it was through with "thru" and that "drop" would be dropped. It was a declaration of the "spelling mother used to make" instead of the newfangled words. At the office of the Carnegie board in New York, however, an employee said: "We're not crushed, elipt, distrust, deprest, droopt, tript or uipt. We've still got the goods."

Congressman Tawney rose to lawmaking from the blacksmith forge. He is fifty-two years of age, and at twenty-six he was still pumping the bellows, making horseshoes and hiding his light under a bushel, though making an honest living. But as he worked at the forge he had a law book handy and when he got a chance read it. In this way he picked up a knowledge of the law and at last entered a law office, studied at a law school, was admitted to the bar, and so proceeded on the pathway to fame until the doors of the house of representatives opened and admitted him to participation in the legislation of the nation.



REPRESENTATIVE TAWNEY READING LAW AT THE FORGE.

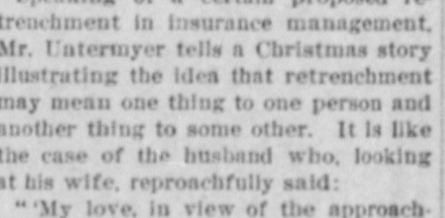
E. H. Harriman, like other men of large affairs, is rather absentminded and is not overcareful about his dress, though he employs a valet. His private car had just arrived in Omaha one time, when he was told that some new gasoline motors were in the depot awaiting his inspection. He dressed hurriedly, attiring himself in coat, vest, hat and overcoat, and started for the platform, when some one called out: "Mr. Harriman, it's pretty cold this morning. Hadn't you better put on a pair of trousers?"

Samuel Untermyer, counsel for the life insurance reformers organized under the title of the International Policy Holders' committee, participated in a unique debate in Buffalo recently before the members of three of the city's leading clubs—the Buffalo, Saturn and University. In this debate he supported the contention that the control of the New York Life Insurance company and the Mutual Life Insurance company should be handed over at the election then about to occur to the men on the ticket put in nomination by the committee. James McKean, who was of counsel for the Armstrong insurance investigators, represented the so called administration tickets of the two companies, arguing against Mr. Untermyer.

Speaking of a certain proposed retrenchment in insurance management, Mr. Untermyer tells a Christmas story illustrating the idea that retrenchment may mean one thing to one person and another thing to some other. It is like the case of the husband who, looking at his wife, reproachfully said: "My love, in view of the approaching holidays, I thought we were going to practice economy for a time."

"Oh, so we are, dear," the lady answered. "I went downtown and countermanded the order you had given your tailor for a \$250 fur lined overcoat and got instead an ermine stole that only cost \$200, a clean saving, you see, of \$50. Not bad for one day, was it?"

Peter A. Porter of Niagara Falls, N. Y., who defeated Congressman James W. Wadsworth of the Thirty-fourth New York district, has succeeded, after some difficulty, in getting the party classification which he desires in the Sixtieth congress. Mr. Wadsworth was the regular Republican nominee in the Thirty-fourth district, and Mr. Porter was nominated by independent Republicans by petition and was endorsed by the Democrats and the Independence league. He claims that the Republican vote of the district was split and that at least 50 per cent of



SAMUEL UNTERMYER.

Gifford Pinchot, chief of the forest service, is a leading member of this cabinet. He can wield the racket as well as he can chop down a tree, which is saying a good deal. Another member is Lawrence O. Murray, assistant secretary of commerce and labor, and still another is Alford W. Cooley, who succeeded Garfield as civil service commissioner. While the main object of the cabinet is recreation and exercise, other things than sport are sometimes discussed, and at informal conferences after the game the president often obtains ideas on affairs of state upon which he is said to place much value.



REPRESENTATIVE ELECT PORTER AND THE TRIUMPHANT COW.

He went to him. He has always been a Republican, desires to vote with that party in the next congress and will be put in the Republican list in the directory. He entered the field against Mr. Wadsworth because of dissatisfaction among the farmers of the district with the present congressman's attitude during the discussion last spring and summer over the meat inspection bill and had the support of every agricultural journal in the country. His emblem in the campaign was the cow, and one of the expressions of congratulation which he received was a cartoon, the joint production of two artist friends, H. H. Green and Mildred C. Green, representing a farmer and his cow celebrating the victory for the agriculturists.

# The President's Tennis Cabinet

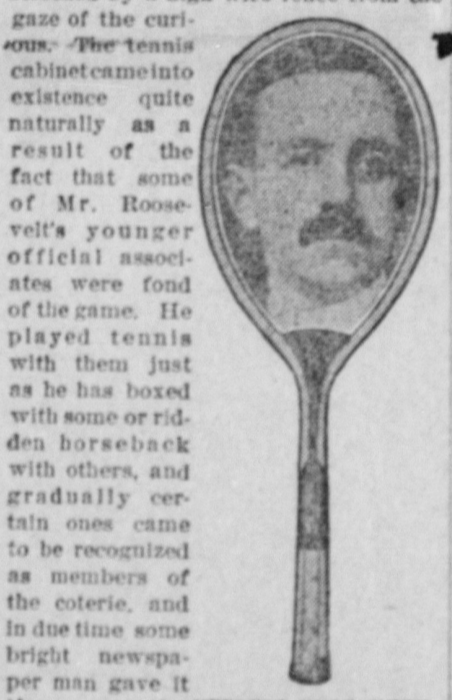
James R. Garfield, Herbert Knox Smith, Gifford Pinchot, Lawrence O. Murray and Alford W. Cooley, Who Play on the White House Courts.



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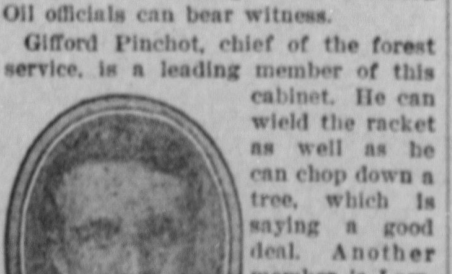
The tennis cabinet is an institution which does not figure in official communications to congress. There are no salaries attached to membership in it, and pictures of it do not form part of the art gallery of every well regulated household in the land. Changes in it do not cause the newspapers to set up big headlines, and appointments to it do not require confirmation by the senate. Nevertheless it exists and is one of the unique institutions of the Roosevelt administration. It is an outcome of the fact that the president likes to handle not only the "big stick," but the tennis racket, the boxing gloves, the rein of a saddle horse and various other things that pertain to a strenuous activity. There have been "kitchen cabinets" in times gone by in this and other lands which exercised considerable influence in affairs of state, but a tennis cabinet is something quite novel. There is no opprobrium in belonging to a tennis cabinet, as there might be in being a member of a kitchen cabinet. There is no smell of pots and kettles or atmosphere of murky statesmanship about the active, strong limbed, clear headed men who form this cabinet.

In President Cleveland's time there was no White House tennis court. Mr. Cleveland has always been fond of outdoor life, but not of that kind of exercise. Mr. McKinley took little exercise but that of walking. Tennis playing as a White House sport dates only from the incoming of the Roosevelt. There is now a fine court on the grounds of the executive mansion, screened by a high wire fence from the gaze of the curious. The tennis cabinet came into existence quite naturally as a result of the fact that some of Mr. Roosevelt's younger official associates were fond of the game. He played tennis with them just as he has boxed with some or ridden horseback with others, and gradually certain ones came to be recognized as members of the coterie, and in due time some bright newspaper man gave it the name by which it is now known. One of the best known members of the tennis cabinet is James H. Garfield, son of the martyr president and recently nominated as secretary of the interior to succeed Ethan Allen Hitchcock. When Mr. Hitchcock retires, Mr. Garfield in vacating his present post of commissioner of corporations will be succeeded in it by Herbert Knox Smith, the present deputy commissioner. He is another who belongs to the tennis cabinet. The president likes both these members of his "trust spotting" department. The future commissioner of corporations is sometimes known as "Knocks Myth," but that there is nothing mythical about the way he plays the game of hunting trusts Standard Oil officials can bear witness.



HERBERT KNOX SMITH.

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# MOHAMMED ALI MIRZA.

The Progressive Crown Prince of Persia. Mohammed Ali Mirza, who succeeds to the throne of Persia on the death of the shah, is a young man of progressive ideas for one belonging to oriental royalty. As his apparent he has enjoyed considerable power as governor general of Azerbaijan. It is an unwritten law of the Persians that the valiah (or heir apparent) shall be governor of this province and reside at Tabriz. Mohammed Ali was born in 1872 and is the son of a princess distantly related to his father. Persian monarchs have numerous wives, but the successor to the throne must be the son of a legitimate wife of royal blood. The prince was educated under the supervision of European tutors, ac-



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quired a fair knowledge of French and in many ways is an example of the progressive spirit of the last decade in Persia, which has recently resulted in the change in the rulership from an absolute despotism to a constitutional monarchy. His taste is for military affairs. He is fond of sport, courteous in his relations with others and yet inherits from his grandfather, Nasr-ed-Din Shah, much firmness of character. There are but two short railroads in Persia, each about six miles in length, and it has comparatively little intercourse with other countries. Customs are much as they have been for centuries, though within a few years modern ideas have been gaining favor. A writer who went on a hunting trip with the crown prince not long ago has described as follows what happened when his highness aimed at an ibex: "Rising noiselessly, he carefully takes aim, and the report of his rifle is the sign for us to rise also. Twenty or more ibex are now in full flight, a beautiful sight, and bullet after bullet flies after them, but one has been left prostrate on the rocks, and we run toward it with a yell and a whoop. Examination shows that the prince's bullet passed right through the shoulder, a splendid shot at about 150 yards."

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