

Mentioned In The Dispatches

Senator Foraker and the Negro—Ambassador Dudley—Joseph Lee, Diplomat. Mrs. Annie Adams—Justice Harlan's Golden Anniversary.



JOSEPH B. FORAKER.

The senior senator from Ohio, Joseph Benson Foraker, who has taken issue with the president on the order dismissing the colored troops of the Twenty-fifth infantry, is one of the ablest debaters of the senate. Though not given a great deal of joking, he often uses apt illustrations. He was one day contradicting a certain statement.

"Though this is a firm contradiction," he said, "I want it to be a pleasant and polite one." It is not necessary when men call falsehoods to call them liars and club them over the head. Their error can be pointed out in neater and more graceful ways.

"For instance, in a small town in Indiana a group of drummers were assembled. They sat in the reading room of the country hotel. On the flimsy hotel paper they had finished writing to their firms with the lumpy ink and the rusty pens which the hotel management provided, and now, with newspaper reading and desultory talk, they whiled away the tedious evening. A young drummer in a red tie took the cigarette from his mouth and said:

"Well, my day's sales here reached \$5,000. Not bad for a small town, eh?"

"An elderly drummer looked up from his newspaper and said quietly:

"Not bad at all. It is wonderful what one can sometimes do in these little places. On my last trip here my commissions came to just what you say your sales did."

"The young man reddened.

"This isn't a lying competition," he said gruffly.

"Oh, excuse me," said the other. "I thought it was."

The post of ambassador to Brazil is one of the most important in the diplomatic service of the United States. In view of the fact that Brazil is the largest of the South American republics and a country with which our relations are becoming every day more cordial and close. The appointment of Irving Edell Dudley to succeed Lloyd C. Griscom at this post is a recognition of his services for the past nine years as minister to Peru. He was mentioned for the position of minister to Venezuela when Herbert W. Bowen was dismissed from that post, but now gets a better station.



IRVING E. DUDLEY.

Ambassador Dudley was born in Jefferson, O., in 1869 and is a graduate of Kenyon college and is also a graduate of the law department of the Columbia university. Washington, and for several years was in the service of the war department. He removed from Washington to the Pacific coast in 1888, practiced law and for two terms was city judge of San Diego, Cal. President McKinley appointed him minister to Peru in 1897. His knowledge of South American affairs and Latin-American diplomacy is thought to fit him especially for his duties at his new post.

The new minister to Guatemala and Honduras, Joseph Lee, has gained a thorough familiarity with the affairs of Latin American countries and has been consul general to Panama. He has long had a hobby in regard to pushing the trade of the United States in the countries of South and Central America. He speaks Spanish and Portuguese and has been connected more or less with the affairs of the southern hemisphere for the past twenty years. He was born in Maryland thirty-seven years ago and comes of the Lee family of Virginia, of which Francis Lightfoot Lee, signer of the Declaration of Independence; "Light Horse Harry" Lee of Revolutionary fame and General Robert E. Lee were the most noted members. He made his first voyage from Baltimore to Brazil as a lad of fourteen and at that time nearly died of yellow fever. He was for some years connected with a Wall street banking house and in 1891 made a trip around the world, being appointed secretary of the United States legation at Panama in 1894. He was charge d'affaires when General Huertas made his attempt to overthrow the Amador administration and was considered to have acted with much discretion in the exercise of his influence in behalf of a stable government. It was Minister Lee who in 1902 was to a large extent responsible for the settlement of the American claims in the territory of Acre, which created so much diplomatic discussion between Bolivia and Brazil. He sailed 3,000



JOSEPH LEE.

times up the Amazon in the prosecution of his aims, and several times his life was endangered.

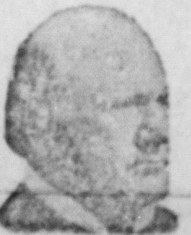
Mrs. Annie Adams, mother of Maude Adams, the noted theatrical star, and herself an actress, has had some undesirable advertising in connection with the shooting of former Senator Brown of Utah by Mrs. Anna M. Bradley. Mrs. Adams, and it was jealousy of her which prompted Mrs. Bradley to shoot him. Mrs. Bradley claims to have had two children by the dead Utah statesman and was driven to desperation by his refusal to marry her or to make the children his heirs. Mrs. Adams says she knew the relations existing between Senator Brown and Mrs. Bradley and had advised him to marry the latter and only consented to wed him herself when convinced that he would under no circumstances make the other woman his wife.



MRS. ANNIE ADAMS.

Music has always played a part in political campaigns, and every political contest has brought its crop of campaign songs, but it remained for St. Louis to transfer an actor and professional stage singer to the political arena and make him a winner. Joseph L. Brockel is the man, and he got the somewhat lowly but nevertheless remunerative office of constable in one of the St. Louis districts. During the campaign Brockel never made a single speech, but he was very active. He just sang his way to success, sometimes warbling at five or six meetings in one evening. When he was billed to appear the crowd waited for him, no matter how late the hour, for he has quite a St. Louis reputation as a minstrel. At one time he was with Primrose & West and afterward traveled with Francis Wilson. Incidentally Brockel has a trade, that of bricklayer, and he is handsome, too, being six feet tall and of fine physique.

Justice John M. Harlan of the United States supreme court, who has declared against centralization in government, had a double reason for being merry at Christmas time. It was only three days before the one sacred to the Saviour's nativity that he celebrated the golden anniversary of his wedding. He is one of the most vigorous of the venerable men on the supreme bench and one of the most learned also. Some of his friends were telling stories about the jurist recently, and one related this:



JUSTICE JOHN M. HARLAN.

The justice was coming into Washington on a sleeping car from Louisville. Before retiring he went into the smoking compartment to get a drink of water. There were half a dozen men in the place, and a flask had been passed around and the glass used for the liquor.

Justice Harlan took up the glass, smelled it and turned on the smokers. "Who," he roared in his deep bass voice, "has had the temerity to drink whisky out of this glass?"

"I did," piped up the owner of the flask, somewhat awed by the great bulk of the justice.

"Then, sir," said the justice sternly, "where are you hiding the bottle?"

A Republican congressman who met defeat in his candidacy for re-election is John F. Easey of Iowa. His defeat was prophesied by Henry T. Rainey, the lone Democrat from Illinois in the present congress, who in a speech at the last session pointed a finger at Easey and declared, "Answer me if you can, for unless you do when the roll of the Sixtieth congress is made up it will be found that you and your 'stand pat lobby' have been left at home."

Professor Arthur T. Hadley, president of Yale university, has given a great deal of thought to the question of how to make the courses of instruction at institutions such as he heads of the greatest possible benefit to the largest number and how to adapt the educational system to the needs of the time. At Yale Scientific school evening classes for workmen and others employed during the day have recently been instituted. Dr. Hadley, in speaking of a gathering of educators on the subject of "Economy in Education," said:

"We have today a great many more elective courses of study than we need, and we have multiplied them without any definite principle or clear understanding of the purpose for which the elective system exists. Its true object is to find out what lines of work a boy is good for. To do this it is not necessary to have as many different studies as there are different kinds of human interest. It is not true that each pupil can be appealed to by some one subject and that one only. There are three well defined types of mind—the scientific, the literary and the practical. If you have arranged your courses so that you can find out to which of these types a pupil belongs and teach him certain subjects by a method that suits him, you have done all that is needed. The work of the school will be more efficiently and economically accomplished if this adaptation is made with a few subjects instead of a great many."



ARTHUR T. HADLEY.

The New State Of Oklahoma

Constitutional Convention Will Soon Complete Its Labors. Then Officers Will Be Elected—New Laws The State Desires Are Up to Date.

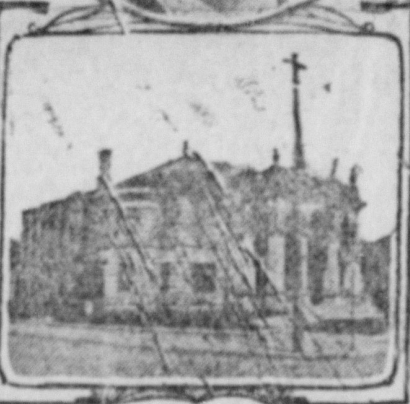
OKLAHOMA'S constitutional convention, according to late dispatches from Guthrie, probably will finish its work by the end of January. The proposed constitution then will be voted upon by the people. If it carries, the fact will be certified to President Roosevelt. Should the constitution meet the views of the president his proclamation will follow, making Oklahoma actually a state of the Union. Then the new state will elect a full complement of officers, including a governor to succeed Frank Frantz, the present territorial governor; five congressmen and two United States senators, the latter, of course, to be elected by the first state legislature. It is said to be probable, however, that the Oregon system of nomination of senators by popular vote will become a part of the state constitution.

There is strong probability, too, that the Oregon initiative and referendum law or one very similar will be enacted. The Torrens land system also stands a strong chance of being engrained into the organic law of the state. Many of the "latest improvements" in statecraft are expected to be put into the constitution, making Oklahoma one of the most up to date commonwealths in the republic.

The state is said to be overwhelmingly Democratic. Of the 112 members of the constitutional convention 100 are Democrats.

Oklahomans believe that by Nov. 1, 1907, all the necessary preliminaries will have been complied with and that their state will then be actually and finally admitted to fellowship.

The new state has approximately a million and a half of people. The two territories combined by act of con-



GOVERNOR FRANK STANTON AND THE CAPITOL LIBRARY AT OKLAHOMA CITY.

gress to form it have an area of 69,800 square miles. When the president formally proclaims the new state the name Indian Territory will be wiped off the map, and henceforward Oklahoma will include all of that section.

Indian Territory never was a territory in the accepted definition of the term. It was made up of the holdings of the five civilized tribes of Indians, with the small Quapaw reservation in the northeast corner. The five tribes are the Cherokee, Choctaws, Creeks, Chickasaws and Seminoles. Each of these tribes was called a nation and had its own domain, and each nation was governed much in the manner of a full fledged state except that Uncle Sam exerted a fatherly supervision. Each nation had its governor or principal chief and its legislature, made up of a house of kings and a house of warriors.

But the great majority of the people in Indian Territory were whites who had rushed in to inherit the earth. They settled upon Indian lands, sometimes paying rent to the Indians and sometimes not doing so. After a dozen years' hard work the Dawes commission finally succeeded in allotting the lands to the Indians in severalty, the holdings having been in common. These Indians became American citizens by the admission of the state.

The Indian Territory end of Oklahoma has grown perhaps more rapidly than the other end. The city of Muskogee, in the old Creek Nation, had about 5,000 population four years ago. Now its enthusiastic citizens claim 23,000 and will swear to it. The city has trolley lines and practically every up to date convenience that may be found in New York. Oklahoma City and Guthrie the largest towns of old Oklahoma, are both striding forward. Until 1913 Guthrie will continue to be the capital of the state. Then there will be a scramble for the location of the state capital that will enhance the hilarity of nations.

In resources, in the intelligence and progressiveness of her people and in everything that goes to make the greatness of a state Oklahoma takes no seat back of any other of the commonwealths, but toes the line well up toward the front.

MILTON DWIGHT PURDY.

Assistant to Attorney General and His Unusual Task.

Milton Dwight Purdy of the federal department of justice, who was delegated by President Roosevelt to obtain additional evidence regarding the now famous shooting affray at Brownsville, Tex., is regarded as one of the ablest members of the attorney general's staff. He was prominent not long ago in the prosecution of the railroads accused of giving rebates to the International Harvester company and in the Northern Securities company suit.

Mr. Purdy was born at Mogadore, O., in 1866 and graduated from the University of Minnesota in 1891. He obtained a diploma from the law department of the same institution a year later and in 1893, at Albert Lea, Minn., married Miss Belle M. Morin.



MILTON DWIGHT PURDY.

He has served as assistant city attorney of Minneapolis and as assistant county attorney of Hennepin county.

From 1898 to 1901 he was assistant to the United States attorney for Minnesota and became head of the office in the latter year, remaining in that post until 1902, when he was appointed an assistant attorney general of the United States. In 1905 he was promoted to the position known as assistant to the attorney general.

Mr. Purdy was commissioned to obtain affidavits from citizens of Brownsville and gather all other available facts bearing on the question of responsibility for the affair which led to the discharge of three companies of the Twenty-fifth colored infantry and the subsequent discussion regarding the justice of the action taken.

Rugs From Scraps.

Probably everybody knows that very pretty rugs can be made from bits of colored silks and ribbon, but in case some one has a lot of pieces and does not know what to do with them we make this suggestion: Select only bits of harmonizing shades—pink and brown, red and dull green and black, yellow and dark green, purple, black and cream color—and cut the pieces into strips of even width, sewing the ends together firmly. Roll into balls and send them to a weaver of carpets, with instructions not to use any discordant color for blending them together. You will be surprised at the soft, artistic effect of old scraps. A really charming portiere or couch cover will be the reward of a little patience and very little expenditure.

Loosening Chairs.

Loose rounds on chairs are annoying besides giving the pieces of furniture the appearance of cheapness and general disability. They may be easily made tight by filling the grooves into which they are fitted with a good glue. As soon as this dries and the rounds are made secure the glue that has run down on the outside may be chipped off with a knife. A Jaws' arm to a rocker or the runners on a rocker may be tightened in the same way.

Verdict for Dr. Pierce

AGAINST THE Ladies' Home Journal.

Sending truth after a lie. It is an old maxim that "a lie will travel seven leagues while truth is getting its boots on," and no-doubt hundreds of thousands of good people read the unwarranted and malicious attack upon Dr. J. C. Pierce and his "Favorite Prescription" published in the May (1906) number of the Ladies' Home Journal, with its great black display headings, who never saw the humble, groveling retraction, with its inconspicuous heading, published two months later. It was boldly charged in the slanderous and libelous article that Dr. Pierce's "Favorite Prescription," for the cure of woman's weaknesses and ailments, contained alcohol and other harmful ingredients. Dr. Pierce promptly brought suit against the publishers of the Ladies' Home Journal, for \$300,000.00 damages.

Dr. Pierce alleged that Mr. Bok, the editor, maliciously published the article containing such false and defamatory matter with the intent of injuring his business, furthermore, that no alcohol, or other poisonous, or habit-forming, drugs are, or ever were, contained in his "Favorite Prescription"; that said medicine is made from native medicinal roots and contains no harmful ingredients whatsoever; and that Mr. Bok's malicious statements were wholly and absolutely false. The retraction printed by said Journal then was forced to acknowledge that they had contained charges of "Favorite Prescription" from eminent chemists, all of whom certified that it did not contain alcohol or any of the alleged harmful drugs. These facts were also proven in the trial of the action in the Supreme Court. But the business of Dr. Pierce was greatly injured by the publication of the libelous article with its great display headings, while hundreds of thousands who read the wickedly defamatory article never saw the humble groveling retraction, set in small type and made as inconspicuous as possible. The matter was, however, brought before a jury in the Supreme Court of New York state which promptly rendered a verdict in the Doctor's favor. Thus his traducers came to grief and their base slanders were refuted.

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