Snapshots at People

Governor John I. Cox of Tennessee and His Night In a Barn-John W. Kern of Indiana.



TOHN I. COX, governor of Ten-Bessee, who was one of the state executives in attendance at the recent White House conference, was a farm hand in early days, was born near Bristol, Tenn., in 1855, and his father, a Confederate soldier, was killed in the

fighting in Virginia. The young Cox got his first job when he worked for a neighbor at 25 cents a week. Later in his career he carried mail. His pluck won, and he was enabled to enter the bar and rise in the world. After he had been elected governor he was traveling one time in the Cumberland mountains. He applied at a farmhouse about dusk for accommodations. The farmer was desirous of obliging him, but was afraid the quarters he could provide were too

Governor Cox, observing a barn near by, walked toward it, remarking as he did so, "I guess you wouldn't object to my spending the night in your barn?" "Why, governor, I couldn't think of

such a thing as that," said the farmer. "That's all right," replied the governor. "I've slept in 'em before when I was younger, and I'm not too old to

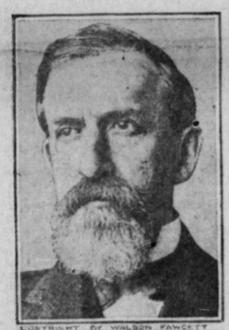
"But, governor," replied the farmer, "I couldn't think of letting you do that while I have a house, no matter if it is

"We have several other persons for you to look after, and I want them to be comfortable," answered the governor. "I wouldn't miss sleeping in that barn on that pile of fodder for anything."

"All right," said the farmer; "I hate to see you do it, but if you want to we'll fix you up, and we'll crowd the others in and make them as comfortable as possible."

This settled the matter of accommodations. The governor crawled into the loft, arranged a pile of fodder to make his bed comfortable and had a good night's rest.

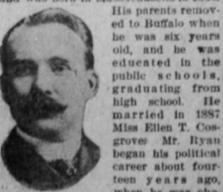
John W. Kern of Indiana, who is talked of as a candidate for the Democratic nomination for vice president was born in the Hoosier State in 1849.



JOHN W. KERN

his father having been a physician who removed to Indiana from Virginia and was one of the pioneers of Howard county. A part of Mr. Kern's childhood was spent in Iowa, where his parents lived for a time, but they returned to Indiana when he was about fifteen, and he attended the state normal school, taught in Howard county and later graduated with high honors from the University of Michigan. He was for four years reporter of the supreme court of Indiana and from 1892 to 1896 was a member of the state senate. From 1897 to 1901 he was city attorney of Indianapolis, and he was the unsuccessful candidate of his party for governor in 1900 and 1904. He received the complimentary vote of his party for the United States senatorship in 1905.

Congressman William H. Ryan, who is a member of the committee appointed by Speaker Cannon to inquire into the operations of the so called paper trust, is a member of a bonding, liability and fire insurance firm in Buffalo and was born in Massachusetts in 1860. His parents remov



educated in the public schools, graduating from high school. married in 1887 Miss Ellen T. Cosgroves Mr. Ryan began his political career about fourteen years ago. when he was cho

WILLIAM H. RYAN. sen to represent his ward in the board of supervisors of Erie county, Not long afterward a nomination for congress came his way.

William E. Borah of Idaho and His Rescue of a Negro From a Mob - Others In the News. @ @ @

by contraries. For instance, I have frequently noticed on my way to the capitol the sign of a tobacconist. It is Plugge. There is another speaking sign over a store in the National theater building, where Sam Needle is ready as a theatrical or civilian tailor. Daly & Knightly are plumbers on New York avenue, and yet in spite of the implied willingness of the firm to attend to the wants of their customers at all hours I understand that their establishment is closed promptly at 6 o'clock every evening. There is a tailor on a side street named Makover, and yet I am advised that he does very little in the way of repairing, devoting his energies to the very latest sartorial creations. A gentleman named Garden is a florist uptown, and some one told me of a saloon in East Washington conducted by a gentleman named Booze. A similar establishment in Buffalo is conducted by an old German named Sauerwein. But I never could understand why two of my constituents, named respectively Drinkwine and Mumm, formed a partnership and opened a tonsorial parior instead of a sample room. When Congressman Steele of Indiana was defeated for re-election by Fred Landis I am told that he formed a partnership with a gentleman named Robb. Of course there is nothing in a name, but the combination of Robb & Steele does not seem to have the exactly proper sound for a firm of attorneys."

William E. Borah of Idaho, one of the new members of the senate and chief counsel for the people in the Haywood trial, made his reputation at Washington as an orator when he delivered his speech on the Brownsville episode a short time ago, sustaining the position taken in the matter by the president. But few of his auditors knew that he had proved his friendship for the colored race by defending a negro at the risk of his own life. He was not then a senator, but plain Bill Borah, lawyer, of Boise. There had been a ball game at

Nampa between the rival teams of that town and Boise, and the rivalry led to a little ruction on the diamond, in the course of which a colored man who was "rooting" for the Boise club was attacked and in self defense shot a white man. He was lock-

ed up in the Nampa jail, and at mid- WILLIAM E. BORAH night a mob gathered outside of it. Borah was called up by telephone. He had returned to Boise, but he got a special train, informed the governor of the state of what was about to happen and declared:

"I'm going to get that negro out of the hands of the mob if he's alive when I reach Nampa."

The governor caught his spirit and decided to accompany him. With two trusty deputy sheriffs they reached Nampa and the jail just as the mob had battered down the doors and was ready for the completion of its task.

"We've come to get this negro," Borah said in tones so firm that the crowd gave attention. "We've come to get him peaceably if possible, but get him we will at any cost. Aboard our special train we have a force sufficient to cope with you, and unless bloodshed be your desire you must surrender this negro."

The determined men made their way

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Mr. Ryan was once talking about business and professional signs. "Sometimes," said he, "they are exceedingly appropriate, and then again they go

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into the jail, brought out the negro. and with revolvers threateningly exposed made for the train. In a twinkling they were aboard and speeding loward Boise.

The appearance of a new novel by Winston Churchill of New Hampshire is an event in the literary world. Mr. Churchill's latest story is entitled "Mr. Crewe's Career," and one of the critics terms it "a tract on political condi tions" in the Granite State. This writer thinks it is a failure as a novel It is chiefly about a young man named Vane, a young Hercules of a lawyer

who breaks with his father, the chief counsel for the railroad which absolutely controls the politics of the state.

WINSTON CHURCHILL The old gentleman is a highly moral man in his way, but he has become the head of the corrupt machine which it has been necessary to organize in order to protect the dividends of the rail-

road's stockholders and which has disfranchised the people and made the pretense of popular government a farce. Vane finds the path of reform made even more difficult by his love for the daughter of the president of the offending railroad. She also is of a robust type, however, and young Mr. Vane and she fall in love. Young Vane wins a damage suit

against the railroad, and his friends want to run him for governor. His father, as his last act of duty toward his employers, for the old judge has already seen the error of his ways, makes impossible the nomination of

Her Denomination.

"I'm sorry, Pat, but I cannot be your wife," said Bridget after Pat had pro-

"Why not?" asked Pat, with a tone of sadness in his voice. "Well, Pat, I suppose I must tell you

the truth-I'm a somnambulist."

"A what?" "A somnambulist."

"Sure, and that won't make any difference. You can go to your church, and I'll go to mine."-Judge's Library.

"Your daughter plays well," a woman said to the mother. "Yes," was the reply. "She does

for she loves the plano and never tires ler, said furiously: of it. Ye see, she's a great taste for

music; but, then, that's only natural, for her grandfather had his skull fractured with a cornet at a picnic."

Conducting by Illustration.

Once Dr. Hans Richter, the famous London orchestral conductor, not satisfied with the rendering of a scene from "Tristan and Isolde," stopped the rehearsal and asked for more dignity in the playing, adding that Isolde was the daughter of a king, not of a cook.

On another occasion, while rehearsing Tschaikowsky's "Romeo and Juliet" music, Richter was by no means satisfied that the needful warmth of expression had been obtained. "Gentlemen, gentlemen," said he, "you all play like married men, not like lovers."

The other day, while rehearsing a Mozart symphony in which the first violins had a number of delicate trills and turns to perform, these were played too heavily for Richter, and he exclaimed: "Please, gentlemen, pianissimo! Queen Mab-not suffragettes."

What Else Could Be Expected?

A well known American writer automobiled through Scotland and at a hotel in the highlands was treated with incivility by a waiter.

Accordingly he complained to the manager. The manager sought out the waiter, a raw boned, red haired high-

"Dugald," he said, "the American visitor accuses you of inattention and insolence. What have you to say?"

"It's no' to be expeckit that a self respectin' Scot could wait on him wi' civeelity. Wasna it he that said we took to the kilt because our feet were too large to get through trousers?"

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"Won't you buy a calendar, sir? The new year is close at hand."

"No; I don't want a calendar." But the vender persuaded him to buy one, which he paid for and ordered it to be delivered to his wife at his home, a short distance away.

Going to the house, the vender said to the wife:

"Your husband, madam, sent me from the cafe with this calendar, which he wishes you to buy for his desk."

The woman paid a quarter for the calendar, and the vender returned to the cafe where her hugband sat. While he was trying to make more sales there the husband went home, heard of the trick that had been played on his have a fine touch, and it's no wonder, wife and him and, ringing up his but-

"Go down to the cafe at once and

bring up the calendar vender you'll find there.'

The butler found the vender busy with a customer and delivered his message. But the vender, handing out another calendar, said:

"Oh, I know what your boss wants. He wants a calendar. Have you got a quarter? It will save me the trip up." Taking the calendar with one hand him right. He should have had it in and extending a quarter with the oth- his wife's name."-Everybody's. er, he hurried back home

necessary to pay your bills.

It Served Him Right.

Two Irishmen, meeting one day, were discussing local news. "Do you know Jim Skelly?" asked

"Faith," said Mike, "an' I do." "Well, he has had his appendix taken

away from him." "Ye don't say so? Well, it serves

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