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Events of Interest from the Seat of Government by the
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REINDEER A COMING FOOD

Washington, D. C., April 24.—Some of the big packing house people ought to try and get hold of Secretary Lane of the Interior Department, as he is a great booster for one of the articles of food which his little province of Alaska specializes. Lane said two years ago that the people ought to begin eating reindeer meat, and he has kept on saying so. Reindeer is not necessarily an exclusive necessity for Santa Claus, but the animal goes out by itself and picks its living from under the snow—and gets fat at the job. Inasmuch as reindeer are multiplying beyond the needs of the Alaskans Mr. Lane asserts that the people of the United States should begin to eat them in place of other meats. In a recent statement he declares that the meat of the reindeer is of excellent quality and possesses a flavor as fine almost as that of venison.

"Name Gives Wings to His Words"

Admiral Peary went up to the North Pole, and "brought it home" to his people. Now, four years later, he has made a speech in which he predicts great territorial expansion within the next hundred years. Why not—that's in his line? Secretary Bryan has officially reproved Peary for rushing the imperial game, and in his comment the Secretary of State says that Peary's "name gives wings to his words." Other wise, Mr. Bryan says, the speech would have been foolish. All of which may, or may not be so; but Bryan as the chief can say such things about Peary and Peary can not yell back that "Bryan is handing out a gold brick." That kind of talk was all right for the case of Doctor Cook, but when it comes to Bryan, then rank must be respected, if one is to hold a job like that of Admiral.

Splendid Streets

Splendid streets are the pride of Washington and the work of further improvement is in progress. Under a new contract 500 men have just been given employment by a paving company which has started work under its contract for the resurfacing of streets in the District of Columbia. An appropriation for \$339,000 is available for the work which will continue steadily until next December.

Parking Automobiles

Naturally the National Capital City is expected to set the pace in many respects, and one of the new schemes is the parking of automobiles in the busy business district. Where to place automobiles in the business district is a problem confronting all large cities, and just now Washington is trying a new plan in the wide streets of which the city fortunately has many. A space eighteen feet wide, midway between the curbs, has been designated as a park for automobiles. The space has been marked by white lines painted on the asphalt, and the new parking area is expected to be of much convenience to motorists in the downtown section.

Villa on the Wane

Military heroes come and go in Mexico, and the "first choice" of Washington appears to be in a bad way in Mexico. Emissaries from our government have at times dealt directly with Villa, and whatever else may be said of the Mexican, he has always kept his promises and shown profound respect for the United States government. Carranza is

evidently thoroughly anti-American, and the United States has been rudely treated at his hands. His attitude has been as insulting as was that of Huerta, and in very few instances has Washington been able to gain satisfaction in its dealings with him. But perhaps there will be other revolutions, and other heroes in Mexico who will be less troublesome.

Like a Little Snow Ball

In the beginning the Comptroller of the Currency and the high officials of the Riggs National Bank rolled up a little snowball of trouble, and as they pushed it along it became a little larger. Finally it got away from them and started down hill, and now it has become a monster of tremendous size, and it keeps getting larger. The Riggs asks for the "moral support" of the 7,500 national banks in the country and its officers claim that its fight is of general importance to all the national banks. The Treasury Department pulled the Department of Justice into the fight, and then the two branches of government had a little disagreement among themselves, which brought the President into the matter, and instead of straightening out his subordinates the heads of the Treasury and Department of Justice left the White House more antagonistic than ever.

It is recalled that the Ballinger controversy started in about the same manner, and Democratic leaders at Washington are fearful that the personal troubles between Williams of the Treasury and Allies of the Riggs Bank, which might better have been fought out with soft gloves in a back yard, may so involve the entire Administration that the whole controversy may become an issue in the next presidential campaign.

Government Lawyers in the Case

At first Washington was told that Louis Brandeis of Boston would represent the government and then it appeared that the Attorney General would personally "sit in." Next came Solicitor General John W. Davis, and one might have supposed these would answer, but it was not to be so—since there were other angles and other interests of the government, and therefore more lawyers were added. All these government lawyers are watching each other—and that's the reason the politicians are beginning to croak "Remember the Ballinger case." Just as though anyone would ever forget the Ballinger case, since it, doubtless more than anything else, marked the beginning of the end for one William Howard Taft and his party.

Counsel For the Defense

Against all these government lawyers stands Joseph Weldon Bailey. As a lawyer people have heard little of Joseph Weldon in recent years, but when we mention "Senator Bailey," then it is very different. Oh, yes, Bailey is still alive, thank you—and he still grows angrily at the Democratic party, even though that organization furnished him his honors down in Texas. Bailey was tarred by the Standard Oil stick, and the Riggs National is also sometimes spoken of as a part of the "Standard Oil crowd," so why shouldn't they be companionable? Thus far Bailey has been fighting like a politician, but maybe he will find the lawyers' angle by the time he gets into court. Anyhow there is a pretty lively prospect that a big part of the national banks of the country will side with the Riggs, and since bankers are

important in many ways to political parties, it will be a safe investment of time for newspaper readers to follow the developments in the Washington bank case.

Portia and Her Case

This case reminds Washingtonians of another case in the local courts wherein there has been a real stampede of attorneys from Milwaukee and Washington representing a fair widow of thirty-five who has been suing a daz-zling old millionaire of seventy-five for a half of one of his millions as a heart balm, because he changed his mind about matrimony. Against the formidable array of attorneys a fair Portia, unaided and alone, has struggled for her millionaire client. And she seems to get along quite well by herself against such odds just as Bailey is doing in his more prominent matter against all the spare lawyers on the government reservation.

The Republican Hopes

The war has made an artificial tariff wall that has enabled American manufacturers a freedom in supplying the markets of our country. The Republican leaders are all chuckling over "what is going to happen" when peace is declared, and Germany begins to ship the dye-stuffs and other commodities. If Republican expectations are realized the Underwood tariff will be a regular double-barreled weapon aimed straight at Democracy. Therefore the Republicans are building their hopes on the tariff for 1916.

GAVE HIS FRIEND "FACE."

A Story That Throws a Light on the Chinaman in Business. An interesting story that illustrates the loyalty of the Chinese in friendship is told by Mr. Isaac Taylor Headland in "Home Life in China." Mr. Burt, a former president of the Union Pacific railroad, was staying with Major Conger, the American minister in Peking, says Mr. Headland, and wanted to get some choice pieces of the best Chinese porcelain. I was asked whether I could go with Mr. Burt, which I was glad to do. In one of the shops we found a large and very fine Yung Cheng vase. "Ask him how much he wants for it," said Mr. Burt. I did so, and the man answered: "Three hundred and fifty dollars." "I think I shall buy it," said Mr. Burt, "but not today." I was so busy with my work the next morning that I could not go shopping, and so while Mr. Burt and a friend who could talk Chinese were wandering along the street they dropped into the shop again and inquired the price of the vase. "Four hundred dollars," said the dealer. "But," said Mr. Burt, "he told Mr. Headland yesterday that it was \$350." "Four hundred dollars," repeated the merchant. When I called on Mr. Burt that afternoon he said to me: "How much did that man want for that Yung Cheng vase when we called on him yesterday?" "Three hundred and fifty dollars," I answered. "Well, we were down there this morning, and he asked us four hundred for it." "We'll inquire again this afternoon," I said. When we got to the shop I said to the dealer, "How much is this vase?" "Three hundred and fifty dollars." I turned to Mr. Burt and said, "He says the price is \$350." "He told us four hundred this morning." I said to the dealer, "Why did you do that?" "To give you face," he answered. The dealer thought they suspected that I was getting a commission on the vase and that they might be able to buy it cheaper if they were alone. He intended to show them that both he and I were honest men and that there was no collusion between us. Such is the attitude of a Chinese merchant toward his friend.

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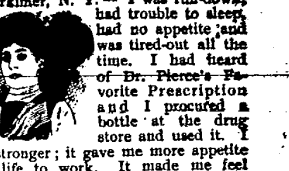
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