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TAMMANY SEES STRENGTH VANISH

Waning Power as the Saloons
Are Closed

Women's Part in Politics
Speeds It—Foley Last of
Old Leaders and Society's
Clientele is Changed.

(New York Evening Post.)
"The girls will get us," said a veteran Tammany leader rather ruefully when man suffrage came into effect in New York State.
His vision of a waning power did not often when, on top of woman suffrage came prohibition and the loss of the thriving Tammany saloons, were many a political battle was planned and won in a back room whose orting prints were almost black from the soot of many a good Democratic se. Here suggestions were given a ategical edge through "another round, hn," and whole blocks of sure sup- porters were tabulated on the right side the ledger.
When opponents of Tammany have ed to rouse an apathetic opposition, ey have always used the phrase that Tammany has only to turn on the

button to set its wheels in motion." The magic button connected with hundreds of saloons and clubs, veritable centres of activity, and it galvanized into energy one proprietor, one bar-tender, a bouncer, other employees and a score or more hangers-on. With a saloon on almost every corner, there was a nucleus in each district that never failed to become an overwhelming majority at registration, primary, or polling time.

And all these workers had "friends" and "friends of friends." Every saloon was a lookout, and every night brought around men who must be set to working and were.

It can't be done now. Lunch-rooms, soda fountains and mayhap a children's nursery, substitutes for saloons, thrive on something other than politics and political patronage. The clans have strayed, some in search of employment, some to a Cuban or Canadian oblivion, and don't respond as they did in former years to the call to glory and profit.

Visited All Saloons.
Even of summer evenings in the years ago, when elections were months distant, Tammany "runners" visited the saloons in each district on every corner. They came well heeled with money which

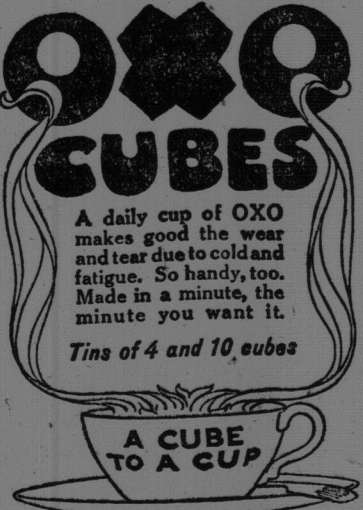
Tammany allowed for "entertainment." The loiterers in the saloons could look forward to plenty of drinks and smokes and lunches as a result of the generosity of these Tammany "runners."

There was nothing illegal in this. The "runners" did not buy votes. They merely won the gratitude of a grateful clientele. Each "runner" came to know his men by name and face, and eventually the whole block assigned to him. The people in it, as well as their peculiarities, their ways of thinking and drinking, were known to him better than to those who compile the city directory. Long days and nights of study and liquid propa-

ganda enabled each "runner" to deliver his district and its ballots to Tammany. Never a death, birth, marriage or untoward incident occurred in those blocks that the Tammany "runner" didn't know of it, its ways and wherefores. And often in the wake of hard times to individuals or to whole blocks came a Tammany chieftain, bearing a pair of shoes, a basket of food, a good sized bill for the doctor or butcher or undertaker.

Tammany took care of its own, and at one time almost justified the claim that it was the largest charitable institution in the world. And even if the beneficiaries did look into the teeth of the gift horse—which few cared to do—they found nothing alarming or distasteful there.

Foley Is Last Leader.
With the kaleidoscope changes effected in the faces of our streets and in the habits of our voters, both male and female, this system of paternalism has vanished into the mists of history. Tom Foley of the First District is probably the only Tammany leader of the older type, the kind of men who won and held the affection of their districts as a father holds the love of his



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UNCLE SAM HAS HIS OWN TROUBLES

(New York Evening Post)
Charges of graft have been hurling through the air in all directions. To allegations of wholesale graft and extortion in New York building operations, made before the Lockwood Joint Legislative Committee, have now been added charges of graft in the conduct of the United States Shipping Board and of extortion in the dealings of coal operators. The Lockwood Committee has continued its hearings and added to its revelations during the last week to such an extent that considerable additions to its staff of lawyers have been found necessary. These additions are to take care of the criminal proceedings before the Grand Jury, arising out of the committee's revelations. On Thursday Mayor Hylan testified before the committee and was fain to admit that he had been "fooled" by limestone contractors in the matter of school buildings.

The inquiry into the affairs of the United States Shipping Board was commenced in New York on Thursday by the Congressional Select Committee on United States Shipping Board Operations and other dishonest practices on the part of contractors, the bribing of employees, grafting by ship officers in the purchase of supplies, and corruption of Government officials. In addition to mere negligence, among the charges laid forth in the report to the committee made by J. P. Richardson and A. M. Fisher, Commander Abner B. Clement, Ad-

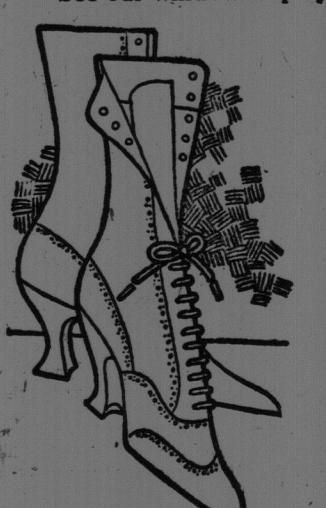
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miral Benson's executive assistant, giving evidence before the committee on Thursday, admitted the substantial correctness of the charges made in the report. The coal industry was attacked in a Senator William M. Calder and Senator W. E. Edge of the United States Senate Committee on Reconstruction and Production. Disclaiming any attack on individuals, but charging that "the coal industry as a whole stands self-condemned of practicing gross extortion on the whole public of the United States," they

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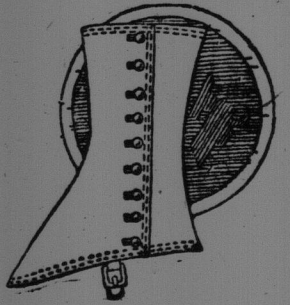
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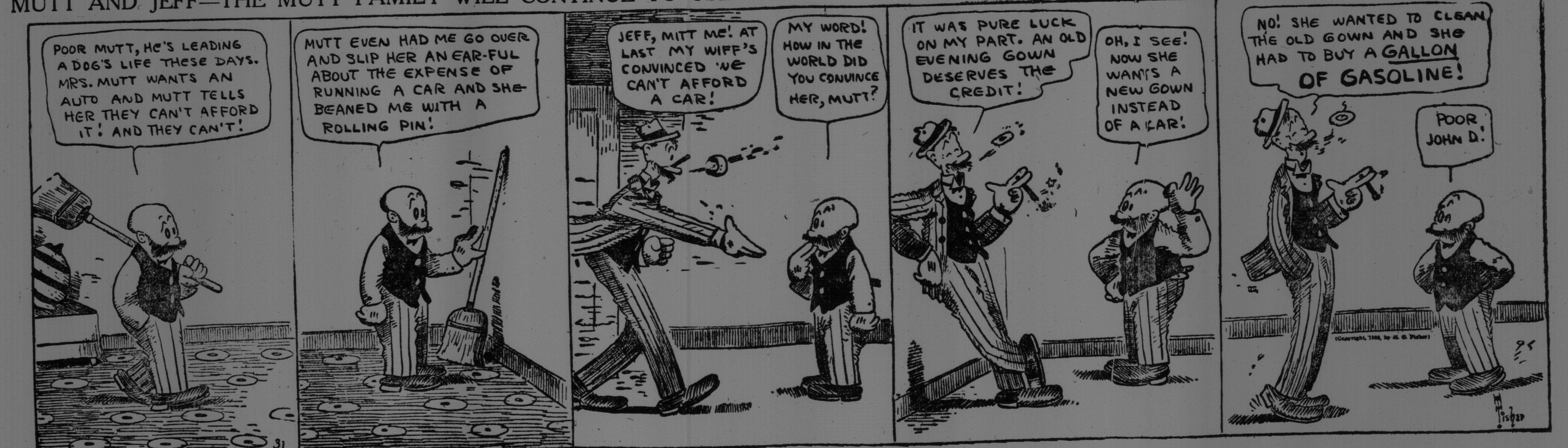


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MUTT AND JEFF—THE MUTT FAMILY WILL CONTINUE TO USE THE STREET CARS By "BUD" FISHER



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MUTT EVEN HAD ME GO OVER AND SLIP HER AN EAR-FULL ABOUT THE EXPENSE OF RUNNING A CAR AND SHE BEAMED ME WITH A ROLLING PIN!

JEFF, MUTT ME! AT LAST MY WIFE'S CONVINCED WE CAN'T AFFORD A CAR!

MY WORD! HOW IN THE WORLD DID YOU CONVINCE HER, MUTT?

IT WAS PURE LUCK ON MY PART. AN OLD EVENING GOWN DESERVES THE CREDIT!

OH, I SEE! NOW SHE WANTS A NEW GOWN INSTEAD OF A CAR!

NO! SHE WANTED TO CLEAN THE OLD GOWN AND SHE HAD TO BUY A GALLON OF GASOLINE!

POOR, JOHN D.