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The request of the pool rooms for an open Sunday is one to which considerable objection can be raised. It is not necessary to look at this question from the old theological point of view in order to decide its merit. The weekly day of rest has secured its place in modern society and no man would dare to get up and oppose the principle. What is good for one man is therefore good for another, and as the Sunday pool can be shown to encroach upon that principle it should not be tolerated.

The mayor went south a few weeks ago on urgent business. He was commissioned to endeavor to have the government loan deferred. Apparently he got a very cool reception, for he had hardly reached Victoria when he trotted off the Seattle and Vancouver on a makeshift errand. For a couple of weeks he loitered around the expensive hotels of Seattle and Vancouver, until he was finally summoned by the council to return. He now presents an expense bill with one-half of it under the head of "incidental expense." This surely does not look very good from a man who was so precise in his demands of his predecessors.

An offer was made to the

city this year of 94 net for three-year 5% treasury notes. This was a much better offer than was accepted from the Bank of Montreal.

An offer was also made of 86 net for the long-term bonds. This would be infinitely better than financing by treasury notes. Yet these were all turned down, and that without the citizens being informed.

Mayor Newton secured his election by promising to consult the people on every issue. He promised that as soon as he had sized up the situation he would call a meeting of the citizens and take them into his confidence. That was the last we heard of it. As soon as he got elected he forgot all the pledges he had made, and he now endeavors to do everything in secret. Why this change of heart, or is it that he never meant a word of what he said?

The government at Victoria has passed a bill giving the Pacific Great Eastern railway tax exemption at Squamish. It joined with the G. T. P. in compelling the people to practically grant an exemption here. This government cares nothing for the people when it comes to a conflict with the big corporations.



TORONTO SOCIETY OFFICIALLY WELCOMES THE TANGO

Although banned by ecclesiastical authorities of Montreal and other Canadian cities, the tango, hesitation waltz, and other new dances were given the unqualified approval of Toronto society on the evening of February 24, the day before Lent commenced, when they made their appearance at the Rose ball, given by the Imperial Daughters of the Empire, considered to be the premier society function of the season in Toronto. The new dances were on the program as waltzes, but the newspapers agreed that the tango was the popular dance of the occasion.

1. The above is a pretty pose in one of the new dances.

Newest Notes on Science

France will hold an international exposition of marine motors for vessels of all sizes from June to September.

The greenhouse attached to a hotel in Yellowstone Park has been built over a hot spring to benefit by its heat.

Russia expects to produce 24,000,000 long tons of bituminous coal and 6,300,000 long tons of anthracite coal this year.

Of interest to farmers is a recently patented device to scatter hay evenly as it is delivered into a mow by a fork.

Spanish railroads are conducting energetic campaigns of education to improve agricultural conditions along their lines.

More than 70 cities in the U. S. and more than one hundred in the world are equipped with automatic telephone exchanges.

The rotary drilling system that has been successfully employed in American oil fields has been introduced into the Caucasus.

Although many plants close their leaves and flowers at the approach of rain, lettuce flowers open their widest at such times.

Radium water as a medicinal beverage has been introduced in Holland.

A cloth dampened with alcohol should be the only thing used to clean piano keys.

Rubber nails for places where metal ones would corrode are a novelty from Germany.

A Californian is the inventor of a pan to be attached to any broom to catch its sweepings.

After eight years' work Japan's largest dry dock, having room for 35,000 ton vessels, has been completed.

Rust will disappear from steel if soaked in sweet oil for a day, followed with a rubbing with fresh lime.

The thumb print as a means English time recording machine of identification is used in a new for workmen.

Successful experiments with cotton growing are being carried on in the Canal zone by a North Carolinian.

The government of Ecuador will establish seven wireless stations and equip three war vessels with wireless.

Electric burglar alarms surround the Treasury at Washington and are tested every fifteen minutes, day and night.

Since 1878 the length of tramways on public roads in the United Kingdom has increased from 269 to 2662 miles.

Electricity is the only agent that will thaw frozen water pipes without disturbing the ground that buries them.

The Spanish city of Seville, once the most famous in the world for its silk, is planning to revive the industry.

Seaweeds obtain their nourishment from the water in which they grow, not from the ground in which they are rooted.

Because of the scarcity of wood in Switzerland about 70 per cent. of the ties on the government railroads are metal.

A railroad in Utah has been rebuilt and given a less steep grade to make the operation of down hill trains more safe.

From heretofore waste tomato seeds Italian canners are making an oil with rapid drying qualities that is useful in varnishes.

When water would freeze windows can be washed with a cloth saturated with kerosene followed with a polishing with a dry cloth.

In Scotland 83.8 per cent of illuminating gas is made in municipal works to 51.4 per cent. in Ireland and 30.6 per cent. in England.

The Royal Cafe gives the best meals and the best service in the city. Visitors to the city are advised to make this restaurant their selection.

APPOINT MANAGER TO RUN CITY BUSINESS

Experiment in Municipal Government being Tried by Dayton, Ohio

Dayton, Ohio, has begun an experiment in city government which will be watched with close attention, says the Toronto World in discussing the question of city government by manager. It has placed the conduct of affairs under Mr. Henry M. Waite as city manager, and made him accountable for his action in that capacity to the city commissioners. The new system is frankly based on the method employed in great business corporations, where the shareholders elect the directors, and these in turn appoint the executive head of the concern. So in the corporation of Dayton, the electors return the commissioners, whose position toward the city manager parallels that of the directors of a commercial corporation towards its general manager. In this way Dayton hopes to secure administrative efficiency and to eliminate the political and personal influences that too frequently intervene to the detriment of the public well-being.

Dayton's city manager is reported to have started his official career in the spirit of a man placed in control of any considerable mercantile or industrial business. It will be his object to fill the various offices with the best men he can find, and will require from the same quality of service expected in ordinary commercial life. Mr. Waite will, as we understand the scheme, carry out the policy adopted by the commissioners, who will be in effect the legislative representatives of the community, with power to secure that it is followed and to call the city manager to account should the desired results not be attained. The working out of this experiment cannot but be instructive, and should help in arriving at a system of municipal government which will stand the test of experience.

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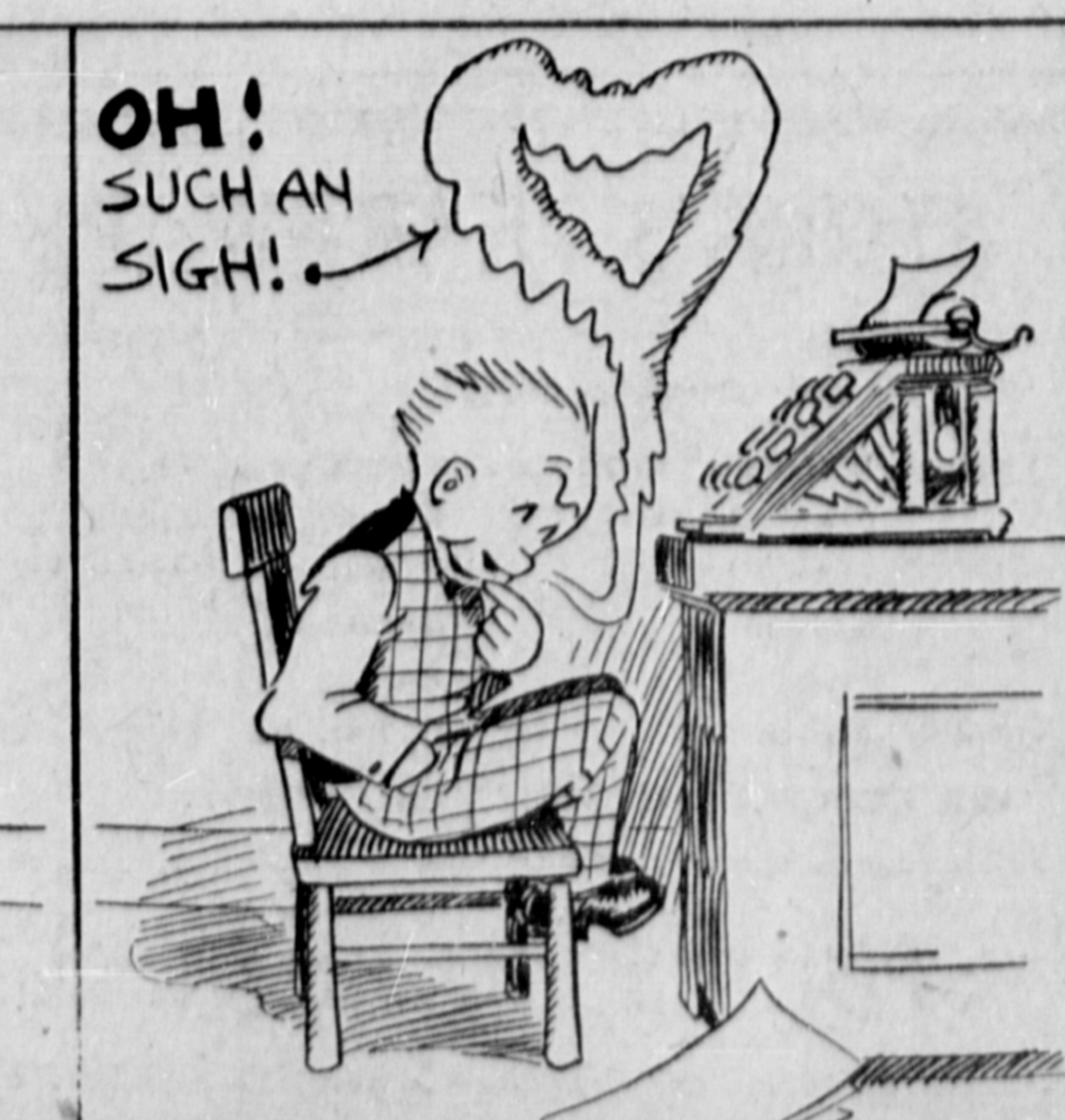
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