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NEWS IN BRIEF.

- (1). Picture.:- Cuba is preparing for a different war now. Who is--
- Cuba's prettiest and most perfectly proportioned girl ? That should--
- easily start another war, but in this one guns--
- are barred. It's unsporting to shoot a sitting bird.
- The winner is Miss Conchita Astravez, brunette, 17-years-old,
- and never been - - I say, isn't she enjoying herself ?
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- (2). Picture.:- Once again spring has come. It's the--
- same spring as last year, and --
- it's having the same effect on--
- the birds as it has on young--
- men and maids. Pelicans make love in public. That's what the public parks teach them. Gulls dream of spotted eggs, and Father--
- Cormorant comes home to see how the matter stands, and how--
- the mater sits. And Drake goes west for a duck.
- (3). Picture.:- While our civil servants are smiling at 50%--
- back on their pay, French civil servants are getting arrested--
- for protesting against more cuts. Their protest is so riotous that the Police have--
- to protest against their protest and protect the--
- protesters by arrest. Arguments about their protests take so
- long to express that the Police - - well, they just say "Pass along, please !"
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