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A Fairly Good Creed.

About this time of the year people adopt new creeds as a guide for the future. Here is one, generously circulated, which might be of value to some:

I believe that I owe service to my community because—

The place where I live and bring up my family, and from which I receive all that I have, is the most important place in the world to me.

All that I can do as a community supporter and leader is an investment which will bring me more joy and satisfaction than any other I can make.

In proportion as I give of my thought, energy and moral and financial support in co-operative effort to benefit my home town I shall receive benefits myself.

Progress is a constant effort to develop, to make things and surroundings better and more desirable.

All unselfish effort brings a just reward, much of it very tangible, therefore, I'll work, not weep; boost, not knock; do my part, not shirk.

I believe that if I set an example in these matters many others will join me and that we can make our town a better town, a good town—a real town—where life is worth living.

CARNIVALS MAY BE FORBIDDEN

(By Associated Press)

BERLIN, Dec. 28.—The German government has been asked to forbid the annual pre-Christmas carnivals which for four years are held in virtually every South German and Rhineland city.

Complaint is made that the carnival season is "too frivolous and impoverishes the population which cannot refrain from participating."

During these carnivals the whole population of country and city parade the streets, dance, throw confetti, blow whistles and feast. It is necessary to purchase tickets for the restaurants in advance, and all stores are closed for the four days.

"It is impossible to keep aloof from the merriment of these carnivals," said a resident of Cologne, where the merriest of the merry carnivals once was held. "The people dress up fantastically and celebrate with utter disregard for strangers. A gloomy countenance is the cue for a bombardment of confetti, of ribboned paper, until the owner laughs and joins the frolics."

The complainants declare this is no time for frivolity in Germany, an idea that it would waste money which will be sorely needed.

A number of municipalities forbade the carnivals on their own accounts last year, but preparations for scores of celebrations this year prompted the appeal direct to the central government.

NO CHANGE IN WOMEN IN AGES

(By Associated Press)

LONDON, Dec. 29.—A consignment of eastern vanity bottles 2000 years old has just reached London. Some were found with mummies of Egyptian women of fashion; others came from a Roman tomb in Naxos.

They are stibium pots from the toilet tables of vanished beauty. Stibium is a preparation of finely powdered antimony with which the Egyptian women darkened their eyelids and pencilled their eyebrows.

Time has made these little vanity bottles very thin and iridescent. They shine with beautiful prismatic tints of rich gold, green, blue, purple and red. When they arrived, they were full of desert sand. Held against the light, they show that a dark deposit has eaten its way into the glass; it is 20-centuries old eye paint.

GOLD FIELDS PRODUCTIVE

(By Associated Press)

VIENNA, Dec. 29.—Gold fields that have not been worked since the 15th and 16th centuries are to be exploited by the government. The deposits lie in the Ziller and Lavant valleys on the Tyrol-Salzburg frontiers and prospecting has given a yield of slightly more than an ounce of gold to the ton. The showing is so satisfactory that the government will join in the ownership of the land in the near future.

BANISHED FOR GIVING RELIEF

(By Associated Press)

MOSCOW, Dec. 29.—Banishment to Tolma, a small village in Volodga province more than 100 miles from the railway, is the penalty imposed upon Dr. N. M. Kishkin and nine of his associates on the All-Russian Committee for Famine Relief who were arrested three months ago just as they were preparing to leave for England to enlist foreign aid in the battle against famine.

Maxim Gorky was a member of this committee. He has since left Russia and gone to Germany, to the intense displeasure of many Russians who allege that Gorky gave his word he would never leave Russia until his associates on the relief committee were released.

Dr. Kishkin was Minister of Home Affairs under the Kerensky regime and was several times Mayor of Moscow. He was formerly a prominent leader in the Cadet party. Among the prominent Russians who are to suffer banishment with him are Professor Prokopovich and his wife, who is known in public life as Catherine Kukova.

Gorogin, a journalist who was issuing a relief journal for the committee, is also to suffer banishment.

The All-Russian Committee for Famine Relief was dissolved several months ago on the charge that anti-Bolsheviks abroad had intended to use the committee as a tool to overthrow the Soviet regime in Russia.

It was reported in September that four of its members, N. M. Kishkin, S. N. Prokopovich, Catherine Kukova and M. Avarkissoff, were about to be executed. To save them, Michael Peoroff, president of the United Relief Committee of Russian Organizations in Europe, asked the British government to intervene. Metropol, Russian Archbishop Platon of the Russian Orthodox Church, residing in the United States, issued an appeal at that time to the heads of all Christian churches imploring them to make every effort to save the lives of the four former members of the disbanded relief committee.

George Chitcher, the Russian Minister of Foreign Affairs, soon after denied that the four persons had been executed and said they were "quite safe."

TARIFF FOR CHINA

(By Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—Under the tentative draft of an agreement presented by Chairman Underwood of the subcommittee of the Washington conference which is charged with revising the Chinese tariff, with a view to its yielding increased revenue, China would be permitted to levy an import duty of an effective 5 per cent for the present and 7½ per cent duty at a later date to be decided upon. Action on the tentative draft was deferred until Wednesday.

ITALY MAY LEND ENORMOUS SUM

ROME, Dec. 28.—The Italian government has just authorized a loan of 200,000,000 lire (\$10,000,000) to a society which has been organized to utilize the vast water power available in Catania, in Southern Italy.

It is expected to develop electrical energy to the amount of about 300,000 horsepower by utilizing natural basins along the rivers and that this will enable the development of many industries.

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LUMBER MARKET REMAINS FIRM

The lumber market remains firm for this season, according to the American Lumberman. Some grades

which have not been in keen demand at any previous time this year can now be bought at bargain prices. Such stocks are largely softwoods and notably from the southern pine producing region. Hardwoods, particularly the upper grades, are in very scanty supply and prices are firm. The belief is growing that the hardwood demand is going to be much greater than the volume of stock available, a belief which is supported by reports of the purchase of a good deal of low grade hardwood when the buyers found the desired quantities of high grade stocks could not be obtained.

The year opened with a steady downward tendency in lumber prices, which tendency was not arrested until about the middle of March for soft-

woods, and some weeks later for hardwoods. Beginning with March the price tendency has been slowly upward, there being, of course, times when prices have been lowered; but the gains more than offset the recessions. While prices today are considerably below those asked at the beginning of 1921, it is evident that today they are upon a substantial and sound basis and that any changes are likely to be upward.

An encouraging feature of the market is the betterment of the export situation brought about largely by the rise in foreign exchange. For example, there may be cited the deal whereby France is expected to purchase 240,000,000 feet of southern pine, taking one-third annually, beginning with 1922. This deal has been subject to negotiations for months and while it is not yet consummated, it indicates the improvement evident in the export trade. Thus with a good outlook for home building, with a better export demand in sight, and with an expansion in the requirements of industrial consumers in evidence it looks as if 1922 will be a prosperous year for lumbermen.

Wall Street Is Not Disturbed By Gold Making Of Germans

(By Associated Press)

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Wall street was undisturbed Tuesday over persistent reports that a German scientist has succeeded in making synthetic gold. Certain chemists also were skeptical.

"If the Germans wait for synthetic gold to make reparation payments, they will probably need a longer moratorium than they now seek," said Dr. Horace G. Byers, head of the chemistry department of Cooper union.

"Of course," Doctor Byers added, "it would be a brave, or an ignorant scientist, who would pronounce the synthesis of gold impossible. There is, however, no credible evidence that chemists are today any nearer the realization of the dream of the alchemists than they were in the days when the German kings were duped by the Knights of the Black Art."

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