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### CANNOT CUT THE NAVY'S SHARE

And Keep Up the Efficiency of the United States Floating Protectors—Trouble Ahead.

Despite the avowed intention of the present administration to reduce the naval appropriation, it is difficult to understand how, with the constantly increasing number of ships placed in commission, the vessels are to be manned and the naval establishment is to be kept up to its present efficiency.

The Illinois, Kearsarge and Kentucky are now in reserve undergoing repairs at the navy yards. The new battleship South Carolina, now in course of construction at Cramps' shipyard, will have her acceptance trials in October, and the Michigan, within a few per cent of completion, will have her trials in July. Both of these will require a full crew and complement of officers. Moreover, the Delaware and North Dakota, the new Dreadnaughts of the navy, are within 25 per cent of completion. The Florida and Utah are building and the Wyoming and Oklahoma are not yet laid down, but have been authorized.

In addition to these vessels, five torpedo boat destroyers are more than half completed and seven submarines are within from 75 to 80 per cent completed, and the ships now in commission in the navy are not likely to become obsolete or taken out of commission for some time to come.

In line with President Taft's views, however, Secretary Meyer is shaving down the preliminary estimates submitted to him by the department

chiefs for the annual budget. The same retrenchment is being striven for in other departments of the government.

### DECREASE IN COAL OUTPUT EXCEPT ON THE COAST

The United States geological survey has completed the statistics of coal production in 1908 in all of the Rocky mountain and Pacific coast states. In the Rocky mountain states Colorado, Idaho, Montana, New Mexico, North Dakota, Utah and Wyoming, the output in 1908 amounted to 21,648,414 short tons, valued at \$33,252,730. In 1907 the production in these states was 23,990,917 short tons valued at \$36,097,789. In not one of these states did the production in 1908 exceed that of the preceding year. The total decrease amounted to 2,306,503 tons; the decline in value was \$2,845,059. Almost exactly 50 per cent of this decrease in production occurred in Colorado, whose output declined 1,155,263 short tons. Nearly 40 per cent of the decrease or 763,839 tons, was in the output of Wyoming. These two states, Colorado and Wyoming, contribute more than two-thirds of the total production of the Rocky mountain region.

The Pacific coast states, which include the territory of Alaska and the states of California, Oregon and Washington, in 1908 produced 3,123,468 short tons of coal, valued at \$6,976,332, against 3,775,062 short tons, valued at \$7,937,918 in 1907, a decrease in production of 652,134 short tons in quantity and \$961,586 in value. In California and Oregon there were small increases in production but in Alaska and Washington the production decreased. Of the total production in the Pacific coast states 97 per cent is from Washington.

Detailed statistics covering coal production of the Rocky mountain and the Pacific coast states will be published in the forthcoming report by Edward W. Parker of the geological survey, on the coal production of the United States in 1908.

### PORTLAND HOTEL KEEPERS TO FIGHT THE NEW PLAN

PORTLAND, Oe., May 25.—That the excise board plan of regulating the sale of liquor in Portland is aimed more particularly at the hotels than at any other business interest is the contention of the Portland Hotelkeepers' association. The association will wage an independent fight against the proposed debaucher amendment, and will also inaugurate liquor law.

The hotelkeepers say that their campaign will be entirely apart from any action taken by the brewers, wholesalers and saloons proper, and that they are prepared to contribute to a liberal fund, if the developments of the next few days make it seem necessary, for the purpose of paying for literature to be sent to every voter in the city protesting against the passage of either of the amendments.

### TAFT MAY HAVE TO GIVE UP GOLF

Too Much Friendly Curiosity Threatens to End President's Chief Pastime.

Too much friendly curiosity on the part of the public threatens to end President Taft's golf playing. After the recent game with Walter Travis, late champion of the United States, General Edwards and F. Oden Horstman of this city, he expressed himself rather forcibly on the matter and said he had just about reached the conclusion that he would be obliged to quit golf altogether.

"I had hoped," he said, "that I might play once or twice a week, but if a crowd attends every time I go to the links, I'll have to stop. There's no fun in going around the course with a lot of people at your heels."

The officials of the Chevy Chase Golf club have done and will do everything in their power to guard the president against outside interference, but as the links cover a great deal of ground, and are not surrounded by trespasser-proof fences, it is impossible to prevent outsiders from trailing in behind the president. By the time he has made half a dozen holes he has a "gallery" of 20 or 30 persons plodding along at a more

or less respectful distance behind him. Every time he makes a good drive there is a delighted chorus of "Good!" "Great!" "Fine work!" "Isn't he in grand form today?"—and when his ball goes wrong there is just as heartfelt an outburst of "Too bad!" "Isn't it a pity?" "What a shame!"

The president is not of a nervous disposition, but he would certainly feel more at his ease if he were not followed during his play. When he first began golfing in Washington soon after the inauguration he proceeded to the links accompanied by the secret service guards, but lately they have been in his party.

### DANCE HALLS ARE ORDERED CLOSED

KENNETT, Cal., May 25.—District Attorney Tillotson has notified the officers of the various townships of Shasta county that the various dance halls, known officially and heretofore licensed as "places of public amusement," are to be discontinued. Constable Foley received such an order for Delta township, which includes the unincorporated town of Kennett. While the order is general, it affects practically three towns only at the present time, namely, Kennett, Coram and Delanor.

### Marriage Licenses.

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