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PLANS FREE CITY FOR CANAL ZONE

W. D. Boyce Foresees Metropolis on Isthmus.

WOULD BE A FREE PORT.

Chicago Publisher Asserts Income of City From Docks, Tolls, Taxes, Rents, Leases, Etc. Would at Least Pay Interest on Capital Now Invested. Would Develop Trade.

"There is no reason why the canal zone cannot be made into a city of 500,000 people in twenty years and produce sufficient municipal income to pay the interest on at least the original capital invested by the United States from dockage, tolls, taxes, rents, leases, etc."

This suggestion was made by W. D. Boyce, a Chicago publisher, in an address before the southern commercial congress in Mobile, Ala. Explaining his idea, Mr. Boyce continued:

"We have 290,720 acres inside the canal zone. Already many millions of dollars have been spent to make the canal zone sanitary and a desirable place to live in the year around. Nearly all of this will be a complete loss unless we build a great city there. In one way a great commercial and manufacturing city can be built along the whole canal, from one end to the other, with docks everywhere.

"The way to build a big metropolis on the canal zone is no experiment, no wild theory. It has been successfully worked out and proved by Germany and England and a number of smaller countries.

Free City and Free Port.

"The way to build a big city at the central point between North and South America, the Atlantic and Pacific oceans, the far east and the far west, is to make the canal zone into a free city and free port. By that I mean free from import or export duties into and out from the canal zone. This will not affect the primary question of tolls for passing through the canal.

"If created a free port and protected through international treaty so it could not be affected through changes in our administration or home policies merchants and manufacturers from all over the world would build factories and warehouses and establish branches and agencies at this world center for quick distribution, delivery and sale. In fact, it would become an immense world's department store where everything for the use of all people of all nations could be found. It would become the greatest transshipping port in the world.

"The definition of a free port is: A harbor where the ships of all nations may enter on paying a moderate toll and load and unload. The free ports constitute great depots where goods are stored without paying duty. These goods may be reshipped free of duty. The intention of having free ports is to stimulate and facilitate exchange and trade.

"A free city is a city or zone where there is no import or export duty of any kind on goods bought, sold or consumed.

A Paramount Necessity.

"The reason why I have brought up this question is because I believe it the paramount one in the development of our commercial relationship with South America. If a free zone is created at Panama, South American merchants will also establish branches and agencies there to facilitate trade."

Mr. Boyce directed attention to the

growth of Hamburg, Copenhagen, Hongkong, Punta Arenas and other free ports and in particular to the success which had attended British free ports in promoting commercial interests. He asserted that by following their example the United States could secure and retain the trade of South America in full.

ELIOT EXTOLS POVERTY.

Is a Safer Moral Condition Than Inordinate Wealth, He Says.

That poverty is preferable to inordinate wealth as a safe moral condition, and that low wages are not responsible for immorality, are some of the conclusions reached by Dr. Charles W. Eliot, President Emeritus of Harvard, as published in the current number of the Harvard Theological Review. In his article, which is entitled "The Churches and Social Sentiment," Dr. Eliot says:

"One declaration as to what churches must stand for exhibits a strong tendency to attribute the moral evils in the community to poverty. One reads frequently in the public prints that the cause of prostitution is the failure of employers to pay young women what is called a 'living wage.' Must the churches stand for that doctrine? It seems to me a demoralizing and degrading doctrine in all its implications. To my thinking, poverty is a far safer moral condition than inordinate wealth."

"Atrocities" Pictures For Schools.

By permission of the Turkish director of public instruction the schools of Constantinople are to be provided with pictures which are said to illustrate atrocities practiced upon the Turks in the Balkan war.

MERCHANT ADMITS THAT HE IS A THIEF

Says His "Work" Is So Easy It Is Laughable.

San Francisco.—For five years William Bastain has been accepted by local business men as a responsible citizen, with a profitable wholesale jewelry business. His property investments have been numerous and large, thousands of dollars have been sent by him to support his mother in Germany, and his young sister has had the best educational and social advantages.

He lies now in the city prison a confessed robber, with a record covering many years, captured by a pet bull pup who plumed him in a corner as he stole through a back yard in the night.

"My work has been so easy it has been laughable," Bastain told the detectives when he finally broke down. "I have never been disturbed while at work. The people I did business with believed me to be what I represented myself absolutely. Jewelers bought my diamonds, and the mint took my melted gold without question.

"I have always been a natural thief, and I have found it easy to steal things, but I am averse to killing or injuring. I had never been in a position where I had to shoot until Friday night. My reluctance to use my revolver caused my capture."

Bastain was making his way across the yard of the home of Ulrich Debrunner when Miss Jennie Debrunner's dog discovered him. The uproar brought the girl to the scene, and while the dog held the man she summoned the police.

Among the numerous burglaries to which Bastain is said to have confessed was the looting of the home of S. N. Wood, a wealthy merchant, of \$5,000 in jewelry last December.



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MILK INSPECTION GOES ON.

Government Has Not Abandoned Bacteria Examination.

Washington.—Denial is made by the department of agriculture of the widespread reports that the department has abandoned or will abandon the bacteriological examination of milk shipped in interstate commerce as a means of determining its cleanliness and fitness for human consumption. In a statement issued Secretary Houston says:

"The only change in policy in the department in regard to bacteriological examinations has been to discontinue basing prosecutions upon the bacteriological examination of a single sample. It now collects a number of samples at different times and examines them bacteriologically.

"If the bacteriological examination shows that the milk is not clean, but is not a serious menace to health, and

due bacteriological deviation from clean milk is a small one, the department, through the bureau of animal industry, endeavors to teach the dairyman how to produce clean milk. If he then neglects to take measures to make his milk clean and safe for human consumption the department, by taking action in the case of milk shipped in interstate commerce, endeavors to force him to bring his milk to a point of safety and food excellence through prosecutions under the food and drugs act."

12,000 PENNIES PAY TAXES.

Refusal to Accept Checks Brings Small Coin Flood.

Oxford, Pa.—Angered by the tax collector's refusal to accept checks proffered to him, taxpayers here have hit upon a plan of revenge and are paying their obligations in pennies.

There was a flood of the small coins, 12,000 being turned in in one day, and a larger outpouring is expected.

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