

186 NAVY OFFICERS SCORE PROMOTIONS

President Approves Report of Admiral Mayo's Selection Board.

12 MADE REAR-ADMIRALS

Fifty-one Commanders Become Captains and 123 Lieutenant-Commanders Become Commanders by Latest Order.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—One hundred and eighty-six officers of the Navy are promoted to the next higher grade by President Wilson's approval today of the report of the selection board headed by Admiral Mayo, charged with the task of choosing meritorious officers for advancement to keep pace with the expanding Navy.

Twelve Captains become Rear-Admirals, 51 Commanders become Captains and 123 Lieutenant-Commanders become Commanders. The new Admirals are:

Robert E. Coontz, commandant of the Puget Sound Navy-yard, Bremerton, Wash.

Thomas W. Kinkaid, commanding engineering experimental station, Annapolis, Md.

William Strother Smith, on duty at Navy Department with naval consulting board.

Spencer S. Wood, commanding a battleship.

Joseph Lee Jayne, commanding a battleship.

Charles W. Dyson, in charge of the designing-room of the bureau of steam engineering.

Clarence Stewart Williams, chief of staff to the commander of the first force battle fleet.

John Daniel McDonald, commanding a battleship.

Hilary P. Jones, commanding a division of the cruiser force.

William P. Shoemaker, member of the general board, Navy Department.

Joseph Strauss, former chief of the bureau of ordnance, commanding a battleship.

Edward W. Eberle, superintendent of the Naval Academy.

Among the Commanders made Captains are: Walter B. Gherardi and Stephen J. Graham, naval attaches at Berlin and Vienna, respectively, before the United States broke relations with the Teutonic powers. David Worth Bagley, who commanded the destroyer Jacob Jones when she was torpedoed and sunk in the war some recently, is one of the Lieutenant-Commanders advanced.

Following are the new Captains, in addition to Gherardi and Graham: Clark D. Stearns, Robert K. Crenk, Henry B. Price, William P. Scott, Joseph M. Reeves, Roscoe C. Moody, Frank Lyon, John M. Lubbock, Mitchell I. Cone, Robert W. McNeely, George E. Gelm, Frank H. Brumby, James P. Morton, George L. F. Stone, Harris Lansing, Franklin D. Karns, David W. Todd, John V. Klemann, Henry V. Butler, James J. Raby, William H. Standley, Kenneth M. Bennett, Edward H. Watson, Rufus Z. Johnston, Thomas T. Craven, Daniel W. Wurtsbaugh, Ralph Earle, Gatewood S. Lincoln, Ivan C. Wettsel, George E. Gherardi, Arthur C. Cluverius, Duncan M. Wood, Leif C. Palmer, Albert W. Marshall, Thomas A. Kearney, Duane W. Kimball, Edward C. Casley, Jr., William L. Littlefield, Earl P. Jessop, Arthur Crenshaw, Amos Bronson, Jr., Harry E. Yarnell, Arthur MacArthur, George E. Gherardi, Arthur H. Hepburn, Thomas C. Hart, Cyrus H. Miller, Orin G. Murlin and Luther M. Overstreet.

SHOOTING CASE PROBED

KILLING OF PEORIA, ILL. BANK CASHIER STILL MYSTERY.

Authorities Declare Important Information Was Brought to Light; Finger-Print Experts Work.

PEORIA, Ill., Dec. 24.—County and city authorities indicated tonight that they had obtained evidence which they termed important in the connection with the slaying yesterday of Bern M. Mead, cashier of the State Trust & Savings Bank, by E. A. Strause, its president. None of the police officials would comment on the discoveries they said they had made. It was learned from the authorities, however, that the revolver which was used by Strause was his own property and not the one which belonged to the bank as had been supposed at first. Finger-print experts are at work on the case.

Coroner William B. Elliott announced that the inquest into the shooting would not be held until Wednesday.

Strause has added nothing to his statement of yesterday.

Business at the bank continued today without any unusual circumstances.

REHEARSAL TIME CHANGED

Multnomah Guard Band to Work Thursdays for Two Weeks.

Because the regular rehearsal night of the Multnomah Guard Band falls on Christmas and New Year's nights Thursday night will be used for rehearsals during the next two weeks.

Uniforms for the band will arrive next month. The bandmen are being drilled for marching by Adjutant-General Dobbin and Drum Major Frank Hennessy, and it is expected that in a short time the organization will be one of the best marching bands in this section of the country. Forty men make up the organization, but there is still room for clarinet players. Those who apply for membership will find band officials at the armory.

Boy Shot by Companion.

ASTORIA, Or., Dec. 24.—(Special.)—Carl Simonson, 16-year-old boy, residing at Fernhill, was accidentally shot in the back by a companion last evening while returning from a hunting trip. His condition is said to be serious. The boys were walking along the railroad track when the gun was discharged.

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Subject to Croup.

"Our little girl is subject to frequent attacks of croup," writes F. O. Freng, Calipatria, Cal. "I always give her Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, as one or two doses of it cures her." This is a favorite remedy for croup, as it can be depended upon and is pleasant and safe to take. It contains no narcotic.

MOVING PICTURE NEWS



Geraldine Farrar and Wallace Reid in "Joan the Woman," at Liberty Theater.

TODAY'S FILM FEATURES. Star—Mary Pickford, "Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm." Sunset—Mae Marsh, "Polly of the Circus." Columbia—Jack Pickford, "Tom Sawyer." Liberty—Geraldine Farrar, "Joan the Woman." Majestic—Mae Marsh, "The Cinderella Man." Peoples—Macliste, "The Warrior." Globe—Ann Pennington, "The Little Soldier Girl."

MORE than 4000 kiddies, ranging from wee tots of 3 years to those skeptical of the reindeer man from the Far North, jammed their way into the Liberty Theater yesterday morning to partake of Manager Myrick's Christmas cheer. Many a seat upheld as many as three kiddies. Two seemed to be an average capacity, and at that more than 600 children were turned away, happy in the possession of a box of candy. Seekers of human interest tidbits would have been sated had they journeyed down to Broadway and Stark street at any hour during the morning. The small guests of the Liberty management commenced to arrive as early as 8 o'clock and it was nearly 11:30 before the rear guard, with the assistance of a policeman or two, a score of friendly house attaches and a larger squad of mothers and fathers, herded the happy army of childhood out into the street.

W. P. Strandberg, garbed in fur-trimmed red flannel and the proverbial whiskers, played Santa Claus to the kiddies. He shook hands with several thousand children and assisted those who exits in handing out to each child a gift box of chocolates. For photoplay entertainment Manager Myrick provided a Bill Hart and Frank Lyon comedy picture, "Fighting Bill" was shown in "The Silent Man," while the rotund comedian appeared in that hilarious two-reel comedy, "A Country Hero."

The Liberty's entertainment was the most successful of the kind ever given in Portland and several thousand children were made much happier by the Christmas festival.

Screen Gossip.

Seven Keyatone comedy companies, with their impediments of custard pie props, moved from Hollywood to the Triangle studios at Culver City last week. The companies will have a new \$100,000 stage to perform on.

Doug Fairbanks is making a picture in Texas with Alan Ryan and Art Rosson, the latter Doug's latest director, and with him. They say that Fairbanks has left the job of picking his leading woman to Rosson.

Constance Talmadge and her company are back in Los Angeles to make "The Shuttle."

Nigel Barrie, well-known young English actor, who has been playing with Miriam, is now in "The Liberty" and has been with Marguerite Clark in several pictures, has joined the British Royal Aviation Corps.

Claire Whitney, the beauty who played in Fox films for nearly a year, is now in "The Liberty" as an officer of the English Aviation Corps. Miss Whitney and Sunderland, in this country on furlough, played together in the Clara Kimball Young picture, "Shirley Kaye."

In one of the scenes in "The Cinderella" Alan Ryan and Art Rosson, giving lavish gifts on Christmas morn. One of them is a piece of white silk ribbon, apparently starting from the door to the next room. She pulls in several yards of this ribbon and finally gets to the gift, one of the cutest puppy dogs you ever saw. Try this on some friend.

Douglas Fairbanks asserts that motion pictures are better than No. 20. When a raw beginner can climb to the top within three months, "Doug" can see little artistry there. Artists are not made that quickly.

Cecil Fletcher, leading man for Elsie Ferguson in "The Song of Songs," is produced by Artcraft, has been engaged by Charles Dillingham to play the leading juvenile role in "General Post," a play to be presented soon.

The latest news item: Blanche Sweet is that she is in New York. But no film job is announced.

Artcraft has over the New York Motion Picture Company in the latter's suit to prevent the screening of the first Hart-Ortcraft, "The Narrow Trail," in New York.

Ernest Ward, son of the English actor, Frederick Ward, is to direct Frank Keenan in his Pathé pictures.

Mrs. Vernon Castle, Fannie Ward, Frank Keenan, Bryant Washburn, Bessie Love and Pearl White are among the 1918 Pathé players.

David Powell, now leading man for Olive Tell, has an unusual hobby. He makes hammered brass trays and boxes and beaten silver ornaments.

Wallace Reid and Anna Little are in the East to make a Paramount picture.

Film trade journal reporters were much exercised last week by the rumor that the film magates were to meet at the Astoria Hotel, New York. The film magates were there, to be

GONG RINGS IN DEATH

Veteran Fire Horses, Hearing Familiar Sound, Run.

JESSE S. McFERON KILLED

Driver Dragged on Powell Road by Old Steeds, Which, True to Training, Keep Galloping Until They Reach Fire Hydrant.

Prince and Jerry, veteran fire horses now working for the park bureau, could not resist the impulse to run when they heard a gong yesterday morning and, as a consequence, their driver, Jesse S. McFeron, was killed almost instantly.

Mr. McFeron was walking beside his team as they hauled a heavily loaded wagon down the Powell Valley road at about 10 o'clock. As he reached the grade crossing of the Mount Scott carline at East Fiftieth street, Mr. McFeron saw the car approaching, shook his lines and spoke to his horses to hurry them across the track ahead of the car.

Just at this moment the gong placed at the crossing as a warning against approaching cars started to ring. The shaking of the lines and the sound of the gong together were too much for the old fire horses, and they plunged ahead at full speed. The driver, clinging to the lines and trying to stop the horses, was dragged under one of the rear wheels of the wagon. His chest was crushed and he died almost instantly.

Wagon Wrecked in Collision. As the horses galloped along they swerved a little from the road and drove the tongue of the wagon into a telephone pole. The pole was snapped off close to the ground and fell hanging by the wires, and the wagon was wrecked, but the horses sped on their way until they sighted a fire hydrant beside the road. There they ground their hoofs into the mud of the road and came to an abrupt stop within 20 feet of the hydrant.

Patrolman Rudolph reached the scene of the accident a few minutes after it happened, but beyond notifying the coroner's office, there was nothing for him to do. Deputy Coroner Lyman took charge of the body and removed it to the public morgue.

Dead Man Leaves Family. Mr. McFeron leaves a widow and several children. He lived at 68 East Seventy-eighth street, North. He had been an employe of the city park bureau for three years, and before that was connected for several years with the water bureau.

Prince and Jerry went to the fire bureau fresh from the range in 1907. They served with engine companies 8 and 11 respectively until last October, when they were transferred to the park bureau.

How To Keep Well By Dr. W. A. Evans.

Questions pertaining to hygiene, sanitation and prevention of disease, if matters of general interest, will be answered in this column. If not suitable, letters will be personally answered, subject to proper limitations and where stamps and addresses are enclosed. Dr. Evans will not make diagnoses or prescribe for such services cannot be answered.

Prevention of Goiter. The thyroid gland is located in the lower front part of the neck. It may be as high as the lower part of the Adam's apple, or as low as the upper part of the breastbone, but it usually lies just about the collar bone. It is for this reason that goiter or enlarged thyroid gland is called the "lump" or "lump" and big neck. This gland pours its secretions directly into the blood stream and is therefore known as an endocrine.

Enlargement of the gland, known as goiter, is one of the most frequent of all disorders. There are goiter districts in various parts of the world. One of these, known as the Great Lakes goiter district, embraces the territory which includes Chicago, Cleveland and Detroit.

Dr. Marine and Kimball examined all the girls in the fifth to the 12th grades of the Cleveland public schools for goiter. They found that more than half of them, or 56.4 per cent, had the disease. They suggest that in other parts of the district the percentage is probably even higher. I should say that the rate is higher in some Chicago schools.

They decided to undertake the prevention of the conditions by giving iodine to all the girls in these grades. The iodine was given in the form of eighth and eighth grades is given three grains of iodide of soda daily for two weeks, beginning December 1 and again beginning January 1. The girls in the 11th and 12th grades get six grains a day for the same length of time. The iodine is supplied through the teachers and school nurses and it is taken at school.

The decision to try this out was based upon the fact that in a dispensary where all the children were given 15 grains of syrup of iodide of iron once a day for two weeks twice a year. The further reason for giving it to the schools was the wide prevalence of goiters in girls as noted above.

Goiter in girls and boys is not a serious condition. Necessarily a condition which affects more than half the young girls could not be serious, else the race would have gone before this. Such goiters are disgusting, but beyond that they do not do a great amount of harm. Nevertheless, if they can be prevented by so simple and inexpensive a procedure as that proposed, why not prevent them?

Goiters that develop in later life are not so innocent. First, there are the small nodular growths in the thyroid gland, which, like knots in the breast, are so prone to develop into cancers. Second, there are the goiters which are responsible for rapid pulse, irregular heart beat, great nervousness and, in some cases, protuberance of the eyeballs.

Some of these cases can be kept under control or even cured by attention to diet. Where there is a tendency to pale states—and gallstones is one cause of inflammation of the gall bladder—the diet should be low in fats and acids.

Saltin is closely related to saltgates.

Operation of No Avail. C. J. L. writes: "I have a congenital dislocation of the hip, which makes my left leg five inches shorter. In there any way I can have it corrected, or is it too late?"

It is too late. There is nothing that you can do.

Tight Feeling in Neck. N. E. T. writes: "I. Is a tablespoon-

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acid. The ordinary dose is 15 grains, though 30 grains can be given. It is much better to remove the cause of neuritis than to relieve the symptom—pain.

Some Symptom Queries. L. M. Y. writes: "1. Does pellagra first show symptoms on one's elbow? 2. Does cancer break out in a form of rash and cause sores? 3. Do tubercular germs affect the bone, and would they cause continual aching, like rheumatism?"

REPLY. 1. Cod liver oil is not good for weak lungs. A tablespoonful of cod liver oil three times a day, if your stomach handles it well, will do you as much good as will a teaspoonful of butter three times a day.

2. If your nose fills with sores or moist discharge and it is advisable for you to wash it to snuff salt water is as good as any other method. Generally speaking, a dry, tight feeling means that the atmosphere breathed is too dry. The remedy is to live out of doors as much as possible and to humidify the indoor air. If you have developed a nose trouble from smoking and snuffing, why try to cure it with washes? Why not go after the devil himself instead of trying to wash out his tracks?

REPLY. E. B. V. writes: "1. What diet would you recommend for inflammation of the gall bladder? 2. What as to the merits of salicin for neuritis, and would you think of a dose in one-half teaspoonful in water every three hours as excessive?"

REPLY. 1. Inflammation of the gall bladder is not liable to be materially influenced by change in diet. Where there is a tendency to pale states—and gallstones is one cause of inflammation of the gall bladder—the diet should be low in fats and acids.

2. Salicin is closely related to saltgates.

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