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UNERRING EFFICIENCY NOW MARKS US ARMY FINGER PRINT SYSTEM

WASHINGTON, March 25.—Finger print identification has been developed by the army to the point of efficiency where its application at times vies with the thrills of detective fiction. Any unidentified man who has served in the regular army can be located in from 10 to 20 minutes, and his full record laid bare. In that short time a searcher finds him among the more than 7,000,000 men who have been in the army since 1906, when the finger print system was introduced. He may have been one of the 50,328 Smiths, the 40,101 Johnsons, the 28,902 Browns, or one of the 27,938 named Williams. All the army needs is his finger print to turn up his record.

Walter S. Kaye, in charge of the bureau, says the indexing has been worked out so efficiently that even a new clerk, one never before having had knowledge of the system, can begin work as a searcher with little preliminary instruction.

The science of finger print reading is based on the study of the curious, circling network of all but invisible lines of the ball of the thumb and each finger. Examination of millions of specimens shows that the normal formation is the whorl, or the scroll which winds these lines from the outer edge in a gradually reducing circle to their inner termination at the core of the network. A majority of human beings are marked with this scroll, but there are others whose finger print lines in flattened figures or in complications of figures far removed from the simple, easily read whorls. The first step in identification has to do with determining the broad general division in which the prints under examination are to be sought.

There are but four main groups or classifications of prints, arches, loops, whorls and composites. Each type has its gradational cases. The whorl have 1,024 values or combinations and the loops, arches and composites have each their respective values to simplify segregation for filing and to make them easily located when identified.

cations are sought. The evaluation of prints thus made has overcome all difficulty of dealing with large collections of finger markings, such as are in the army files.

Finger prints, since their adoption in 1906, have exposed frauds, protected innocent men from injustice, kept undesirables of the criminal type out of the service, protected the government from unscrupulous claimants and uncovered the guilty. Many interesting accounts of such instances are contained in official papers of the war department during the last 15 years.

Those who have worked in the identification bureau since its establishment are authority for the statement that never has a mistake been made. They have made more than 200,000 identifications.

"The finger print system," Mr. Kaye says, "is superior to any other system so far devised in that it permits of no error. This may seem a strong statement, but the finger print, when clearly made, allows of no misrepresentation; it is an actual presentation and does not permit the personal equation of error to enter. Other systems allowed errors of measurement and errors in location of marks."

In the more than 70,000,000 digit photographs in the identification bureau's files, Mr. Kaye says, there are no two of them alike. "There is just as much chance of finding two prints alike as there would be in going into the fields and finding two flowers exactly alike."

Japan's Colossal Buddha Restored to His Dais

TOKIO, March 23.—The Dabutsu, the colossal bronze Buddha of Kamakura, is once more seated in his ancient position on the lotus flower dais from which he was jolted a few feet in the great earthquake.

For nearly a year the work of restoration has been in progress. The huge casting, weighing 145 tons, was raised from its pedestal and kept suspended while the base was rectified. Thereupon the image was lowered carefully into position.

JAPANESE TWINS LIVE AT MACLEAY

Statesman Reporter Adds
Orientals to Long List in
Marion County

The list of twins that has accumulated in the archives of the cub reporter's desk has acquired remarkable length and it is growing daily. The number is now well over 100 and still the list contains very few names other than those of children of high school age or less. When at last the list is completed and the names of all the twins in the county have been tallied it will undoubtedly number at least 200.

Today's search disclosed the first Japanese twins that we have as yet found. They live at Macleay, Oregon, and are boys age 7. Their mother said that their names were, sr—er, "Soapyenn, er—er. Oh, well, it matters little if we can't pronounce it, their names will surely be included in the final list, and among the honor role, too.

Other twins included in today's disclosure are, Luella and Rosella Burkhardt, age 8, of Broadacres, Oregon. Claudine and Clifford Lavine, age 6, of Mill City, Oregon. Frances and Florence Bell, age 5, Rt. 5, Salem. Creta and Juanita Davenport, age 10, Rt. 4, Silverton. Ruth and Janet McAllister, age 12, Aumsville, Ore. Lenora and Lloyd Weathers, age 9, Rt. 3, Salem. Floyd and Marie Baumgartner, age 6, Salem. Inez and Hlota Miller, age 4, Rt. 6, Salem. Loretta and Willetta Sneed, age 6, Rt. 6, Salem. School district No. 118, which is attended by all of the children on Rt. 6, Salem, although a small school district numbering only 101 pupils, is favored with 3 sets of twins, quite a remarkable record for so small a school.

Famous Eater of London Counts Ninety-Two Years

LONDON, March 23.—Francis Bourn is a candidate for the Hall of Fame, for he just completed a run of 72 annual helpings of the famous but heavy meat puddings, the product of the "Olde Cheshire Cheese" of Fleet street. The pudding is served free at the hostelry to all customers at the opening of the season each year. Mr. Bourn is 92 years old and still healthy. He has been a constant customer at the Cheshire Cheese, he says, since 1851.

The inaugural ceremony is usually presided over by some noted figure, such as the premier, a cabinet minister or an ambassador, and a place of honor is always reserved for the person who can claim to be the oldest customer of the inn. Mr. Bourn has received the first helping in this seat of honor for the last 19 years and has had his pudding served by the late American Ambassador, Walter Hines Page; and Ambassador Davis and George Harvey.

The famous pudding is known to contain rump steak, kidney, lark and oysters.

Movies Benefit American Trade, Says London Daily

LONDON, March 23.—"Trade follows the film," says the London Daily News in an article relating to the benefits obtained by American industry through the medium of the moving picture. American clothing and shoes and vari-

ous other articles have become so well known, through the film in various parts of the world that there is a regular demand for them and British dealers have started fashioning their goods accordingly, says the newspaper. In this respect the Daily News quotes Percy Nash, one of the best known British producers, as saying: "So great is the influence of the American film that many British manufacturers of ready made clothing and shoes have had to alter their designs and to manufacture on American models with which their overseas customers have been familiarized by the American moving picture."

ARKANSAS OUT FOR BUSINESS

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., March 23.—The Arkansas legislature wants textile mills in the state and would exempt them from taxation for seven years. The question will be voted upon in the form of a constitutional amendment at the next state election.

Twice before the legislature has attempted to induce mills to come to the state by cutting out taxes over a period of years. Each time the effort has failed, due to constitutional provisions regarding the adoption of constitutional amendments.

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MARKETS OF EUROPE MADE AVAILABLE TO AMERICAN FARMERS

BERLIN, March 23.—Ready always to help American farmers find markets in Europe for their produce, the department of agriculture at Washington is showing increased activity on the continent. After the war it took over the records and offices of the American system of food administration, and today has bureaus in London, Berlin, Paris and Rome, with sub-offices in various other strategic centers. William A. Schoenfeld has been sent to this city as general director for Europe.

The products bought by Europe from America are, in the order of their importance, cotton, grain, tobacco, fruit and meat. The various European bureaus study local crop reports, the needs of the population for the various articles imported, and the time when the American crop is wanted in Europe. They inform the European purchaser of current prices and, wherever the department has established standards recognized among the American producers, place these at the service of the European buyers. This increases confidence in American business honesty, and thus helps the American producer in winning back the large market which he lost in Europe part during the war. Another phase of the work of the European bureaus is that of keeping information on improved methods of agricultural development discovered or introduced by European farmers. If a sugar beet grower in Germany succeeds in raising a particularly fine grade of beet through a method peculiar to his farm, the bureau in Berlin immediately investigates and sends its information to Washington.

The department of agriculture in Europe works in close cooperation with the commercial attaches and the consulates, but limits itself strictly to raw products. Take the case of fruit, for instance. Apples, pineapples or oranges in their natural state are the concern of the department, but the moment an apple is canned or dried, it falls within the jurisdiction of the commercial attaché. In this way overlapping and conflict are avoided.

RADIO FANS PAY TAXES

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