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#### Talking as Business

DEOPLE will talk. That propensity is the basis for the biggest corporate enterprise or community of enterprises in the world; the Bell system of telephone companies, the apex of which is the American Telephone and Telegraph company. Its annual report for 1931 has just been issued and it states that local telephone conversations declined about one chief of police shall be elected by per cent and toll and long-distance conversations six per cent the people, as now provided by compared with 1930. It would be interesting to have these conversations classified into business, social, family, lovemaking, political and miscellaneous. But the wires are silent and the operators have too much to do to eavesdrop on the conversations of their patrons, so there is no chance to get such a segregation.

So far as general conversation is concerned the depression would score the highest percentage in 1931. But over the commissions and repeal all laws telephone that would not be so high. Prohibition, Hoover, the Japs, all have been subjects for a lot of oral discourse; but in spite of all the talk none has been fully disposed of yet. That is true about talk; it takes a tremendous lot of it before anything is settled.

Getting back to the report of the A. T. & T. we find here one company that isn't on the road to the poorhouse. While is revenues decreased 2.6% in 1931 the company was able to shrink its expense in proportion so that its operating income was a little in excess of the year before. However its subsidiary, the Western Electric company, reduced its dividends so the total net earnings of the parent company were ten million dollars off. The net amounted to \$9.05 per share of the common stock outstanding. The company maintained its dividend rate of 9% through the year.

This financial report will go into a lot of homes because at the end of the year there were 644,903 stockholders. This is the largest army of owners of any corporation in this service ever with a standardized country, probably in the world. The number increased 77,209 state police, though they are not impertinent to your enquiry, I during 1931, showing that more people are buying than sell- on a civil service basis." ing stock, in spite of the fact that A. T. & T. stock was hammered down close to the century mark a few weeks ago. The know. I think too many things Col. Steinberger's muster out of average holdings of stock per shareholder was 29 shares, are under civil service now. It's the service, summarily, and I re-Pres. Gifford has stated elsewhere that no one person owned got so unless a man can pass a lieved him in the command at izing agencies. With but few exas much as one per cent of the capital of the big telephone get a job. No, I think it is better monopoly, so the ownership is spread pretty thin.

The report makes note of extension of telephone service to Java and Sumatra, all of Italy, to Hawaii and to Rio de Janeiro and other distant points; and the introduction of teletypewriter service in the United States.

The slowing up of construction work and reduced use of service made fewer jobs "with the result that for the most part losses from the forces due to voluntary resignation, death or retirement were not replaced." The aggregate of a good idea but shouldn't be made persons employed for the affiliated companies was 344,800 retroactive against those now on at the end of the year compared with 394,400 at the end of 1930. The report pays attention to the responsibility of a corporation in providing employment as follows:

"The System's experience in this depression is being recorded and studied to see whether any plan can be devised for a still better handling of the employment situation in possible future periods of depression. Normally, expenditures are undertaken by either an individual or a corporation when it is felt that they can be afforded, after giving due consideration to all other demands that have to be met. Business management naturally is inclined to spend when income is high and to restrict expenditures when income is low. This tends to lift the peaks and lower the valleys of employment, which is a hardship on individual employees and is detrimental to the business in the long run. It would seem that an employment reserve set aside out of earnings in prosperous years, might aid in further stabilization of work as well as prove a protection for labor much as a surplus is a protection for capital. As such a reserve could be built up only after conditions improve, the adoption of such a plan is not immediate but it will continue to receive serious study

The great A. T. & T. is probably as humane and wisely managed a corporation as there is among the large concerns and it may undertake such a plan for employment reserves. Most business concerns however when good times come, will be so busy getting both feet into the trough for their selfish interests that they will forget all about reserves for their employes. The problem is a mixture of ethics and economies, one of restraining the predatory profit greed of individual instincts and strengthening the regard for the general wel-

### No Bids for Bonds

CALEM will be safe for an indefinite period from the load of two and a half millions of bonds for a water plant if the disclosures of the highway board meeting are an index. The state highway commission asked for bids on a block of \$1,000,000 in bonds to run for six months on a SIX per cent coupon rate. The only bid it received was for a block of \$50,-000 at par. So the bonds will be readvertised for sale.

In the fact of this showing it is plain to see how impossible it would be for Salem to float an issue of two and a half million dollars in five per cent bonds. Times will change of course and the state surely will be able to sell its 6% sixmonths notes. Later Salem may be able to market its bonds. But so far as having the money on hand to relieve unemployment now, which was the idea back of many votes for the bond issue, that is simply an idle dream.

Meantime even the proponents of the bond issue seem to be satisfied to let the matter slumber in the courts for months. It promises to be many moons before there will be any dirt turned on a pipe-line trench for "mountain" water.

Russia seems to be stirring herself. So apparently indifferent has Moscow seemed to the military advances of Japan in the orient that the remainder of the world wondered if there were some understanding between the two countries which gave Japan a free hand. Japan not only seized the portion of Manchuria within her historic zone of influence, but pushed up into the area of Russian influence, and is said to have penetrated into Inner Mongolia and up to the heights east of Lake Baikal. But Russia objected to none of these moves. New Moscow admits that the soviet is massing troops along the Siporder in the lar east, admits alaim tien, and expresses fear of Japanese invasion. This threat will doubtless serve its purpose to hold Japan within bounds. Even though soviet Russia seems ill-equipped to carry on war, there is an inner unity which would carry the nation far especially under the stirring appeal to resist an invader. The situation flustrates however the case with which a localized conflict may spread until millions of people are involved in warfare.

### Yesterdays

. . . Of Old Salem Town Talks from The States-man of Earlier Days

March 5, 1907 Dr. Coleman, president of Willamette university, yesterday announced that an interested friend of the institution, a resident of Portland, had offered to donate as much as \$50,000 for construction of a new campus building. contingent upon obtaining of an adequate endowment fund.

PORTLAND. - The threatened tie-up of Portland sawmills by striking employes, materialized only in part yesterday, but it seemed probable, judging from the rapidity with which the union ranks were being recruited, that the mills would be forced to idleless within the next few days.

Twenty-seven new books, mosty fiction, have been added to the odd Fellows' library here.

March 5, 1922 The people of Weodburn voted resterday by 84 to 24 to turn over he Woodburn high school and property free of debt to the proposed union high school district which will incude Woodburn and 29 surrounding districts.

At the coming May 19 primary election, the people of Salem will be given an opportunity to vote on the question whether the city the charter, or be appointed by the mayor, following the expiration of the present term of Chief Moffitt.

Louis E. Bean of Eugene yesterday announced his platform as a candidate for governor. He would create a non-salaried cabinet to take the place of all boards and creating state commissions.

The question asked yesterday by Statesman reporters was: "Do you think members of the Salem fire department should be put under civil service? Such a proposition will go before the council Monday night. Do you think the and the Oregon cavalry officers tainly good if possession gives police department should be included too?

Arthur Welch, postman: think it is a good idea for the firemen. It will standardize the department. In cities where it has been adopted the results have been fine. I'm not so sure about the police, but we have the best

the way it is.'

it is Portland?"

John Heltzel, attorney: "Oh, I guess it's all right but I wouldn't want to see any of the boys put out of a job. The police? It seems the force."

Allan Carson, attorney: "I think it would be a good thing. Portland has used it successfuly."

#### I hought "To believe with certainty we

must begin by doubting."-Stanis-

#### Mamie Bostrack is Rehired as Teacher Of Rosedale School

ROSEDALE, March 4-About 15 women met with Mrs. Ida Bates Wednesday afternoon for the regular missionary meeting. Mrs. Lester Bates returned Monday from visiting her mother who is been ill in a hospital in eastern Oregon.

The local teacher, Miss Mamie Bostrack has been re-hired for another year. Mr. and Mrs. Ed Caldwell are

rejoicing over the birth of a son, named Roland, February 27. O. D. Needham.

By EDSON HERE'S HOW



Sunday: "A Panful of Star Dust"

## BITS for BREAKFAST

Truth strange as fiction:

ciently explicit, I wrote again on the 4th of the month, to which he responded on the 7th as follows: (Here is given the letter,

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(Continuing from yesterday:)

after my scalp. The guard house sion was to treat with them for was full of soldiers, sometimes of citizens, and often of Indians. settlement and cultivation. Joint I made one effort to arrest the occupancy by peoples so different outrages but was reported for in language, religion, habits of dismissal insubordination." Col. Currey added a postscript to his letter in these words: "And not will say that as a sequence of my controversy at Walla Walla. H. W. Hale, carpenter: "I don't I had the pleasure of causing civil service examination he can't Fort Walla Walla. Later on I ceptions the agents of the governrelieved Colonel Maury of the command of the district, and in a few days became commander John E. Brophy, bank teller: of the Department of the Co-"Oh, I don't know. Do they have lumbia. I make this note that you may form some idea of the the work with any heart, and, act ordeal I was going through when the incident occurred about

> ing some minor details.") Continuing the text, from Davenport: "Learning that the Hon. the white man enjoys, . . . . who L. T. Barin of Portland was a can doubt that the red man, too, soldier at the fort in that per- would have become a successful iod, I consulted him personally agriculturist and stock raiser and learned particularly as to But, copped up on a tract of counthe execution. He was captain of try not large enough to afford the guard that took the Indians them a living by their ancestral to the scaffold and surrounded modes, waiting upon the promises it until the drop fell. He said of the government, which were that while the smaller Indian was often DELAYED, and NEVER singing a low toned, mournfully monotonous death song the taller | fed, partly clothed, and always in one made a speech in which he denied committing any crime which would confine a white man, and demanded that he be set at liberty. We had a lengthy in either the savage or civilized the struggle for existence. The conversation, in which he said that the soldiers at the fort un- general know of the Indian char- extreme among the Cayuses, and derstood the case thoroughly and acter,' I often exclaimed after a the Cayuse women were in the the UNANIMOUS EXPRESSION nine months service at the Uma- main above suspicion. Enea's was that the execution was un- tilla. lawful, unnecessary and without

which you were desirous of know-

ANY SHADOW OF EXCUSE. "Almost every day something occurred to show the predatory instincts of human beings and how the presence of an inferior order of civilization, like an Indian reservation, contributes to acts of outlawry. BAD WHITE MEN and bad Indians, the lower specimens of both races, provoke Mrs. Celia Sterling of Lebanon a continual disturbance, and race has been visiting her sister, Mrs. prejudice, inflamed by the mem-

bring on a general conflict. Such is the philosophy that explains the PREDISPOSING PHASES of 'Not deeming his answer suffi- our Indian wars.

"Although the reservation system of managing the Indians has been quite generally condemned more particularly reciting some by the American people, I am of of the incidents of the trial. In the opinion that for us IT WAS one part of the letter, Col. Cur- A NECESSITY. They claimed the rey wrote: "Steinberger was run- land upon which they lived and ning things with a high hand, roamed-and the claim was cerwere afraid of him. He had al- any right. It was as good as ours, ready browbeaten Col. Cornelius and hence the only rational and out of the service and he was just way to get peaceable possessuch lands as were needed for life and social tendency could mean nothing less than continual warfare.

> "The mistake of the government was not in admitting the title of the Indians to the country occupied by them, but in not do ing enough in the line of civilment were faithless as to the success of the project, even when they could spare the time from SCHEMES FOR THEIR OWN EN RICHMENT. They did not enter ing upon the maxim that it is cheaper to feed than to fight Indians, of course nothing could come of it. Suppose on the other hand, that as many incentives to exertion had been given them as ENTIRELY FULFILLED, partly doubt as to the spirit and meaning civilization. It is well known by of the whole business, what else critical inquirers into causes of then could they be except vagabonds or social derelicts, judged that it varies with the intensity of sense? . . . , 'How little people in

"Previously, I was full of false log houses, orchards and fields, notions concerning Indians, and the girls were chaste, and orthough I knew or rather judged derly members of the Catholic dethat the common estimate was nominations . . . . Not all the Infar from the truth. To speak of dians, even with what assistance chastity as being more than an ex- the government rendered, could ception among Indian women would raise a laugh in any American community, and the persons holding to such an opinion would be considered very generous or very green; but I found after a fair inquiry that unchastity among ory of past grievances, tends to Indian women is the exception, as

Mary's room and closed the door behind her.

want to see me?

was insolent.

"I am sure I don't know why you

the wall and stared at Mary. "I ful sway of her body. suppose Buck never told you about me, Carlotta Guido?"

move. Finally she said:

"I think it's the darndest piece of nerve I ever heard of. A poor shrimp of a stenographer!" She threw back her head and laughed with low contempt. "Do you think ences with emotions and the embit-that I'd let you take Buck Landers tering consequences of—men's de-

about her; an impervious vulgarity that encased her like armor.

# "THE LOVE TRAP" By ROBERT SHANNON

wealthy sports promoter, who is of her cigarette. much older. Later, Mary meets young couple grows but thoughts of Landers form a barrier. Mary tells Steve she does not want to marry Landers. One evening Steve takes Mary in his arms. Then, conscience stricken, he tells her they must not see each other again.

CHAPTER XIV.

that had to be attended to, and her by something terrible in the hard along bleak and unsatisfied. She integrity would not permit her to do dark beauty of her face. A heavy heard nothing from Steve, did not slipshod work. Nelson, the manager, perfume radiated from the opulent glimpse him about the hotel. It said nothing in her praise but she body. knew he was satisfied with her. Nelson, of course, was one of Buck's truth," she said, truculently. "It but that was a dread. Deep in her creatures, but Mary expected no might save you a lot of trouble. breast, throbbing like something special consideration on that score. And when I say trouble, I mean alive, was the desire to see Steve She was in the inner office with it." the door closed when from the other room she caught the sound of Nel- discuss with you. Mr. Landers is night and saw on the screen a young son in conversation with a woman out of the city and, as far as I am actor who reminded her a little of -a throaty, intense female voice concerned, you can get any infor- Steve. It was a negligible resempitched high with excitement. Nel- mation from him you please." She blance, but it stirred her tremendson's voice rose, seemingly in pro- was trembling terribly on the in- ously. He was now in her mind test against something, but he was side, but was making every effort practically all of the time; she apparently inundated in a tide of to conceal it. "I'm sorry, Miss blamed herself flercely for not actwords from the woman. With- Guido, but I haven't anything more ing more sensibly-for forfeiting out knocking, the woman entered at all to say to you."

Tall, deep-breasted, with a shapely, arrogant carriage, she was a passionate face with its heavy for anything. You've been trying and still fresh enough to be thrillthirty or more. Her black frock fault you're not going to get away was severe, but there was a touch with it. The trouble is that Buck of the bizarre in her large pearl ear. Landers belongs to me-not you.

"I want to get a slant at what that, kid." you look like." Her voice was deep

of emotion.

haven't any objection."

of expression, and then turned and "Fresh, eh?" She leaned against left the room with a slight, grace-

away from me?" There was a confident coarseness

it is among the whites, and the ex-

a rule, among those families that

hung about the towns and made a

haphazard living in contact with

social deterioration of every grade

stress and tug of living was not so

family of the Walla Wallas were

well to do farmers, having good

support themselves on the reser-

vation, and so from necessity, if

not from choice, some of the Wal-

la Wallas got their support in and

about the town of that name, and

a part of the Indians picked up a

living along the Columbia river

above and below the mouth of the

Umatitia. It was among such remnants, always hard pressed for a

living, that lascivious white men learned of the unchastity of

Wrote Daveaport: "In this con-

nection (meaning ministrations

to sick Indian children assisted

by the Indian women), I might

mention that when my wife left

the agency in the latter part of

April, there was such a scene as I

never witnessed under similar cir-

cumstances in any civilized com-

munity. Her so called barbarian

acquaintances of both sexes as-

sembled to bid her goodybe, and

their expressions of sorrow by

tears and lamentations affected

being stoleal! Such terms do not

apply. She was surrounded and

held fast by men and women un-

willing that she should leave."

No is Answer

Of Havemenn

To Woodburn

WOODBURN, March 4 .- A let-

er from F. G. Havemenn, former

school clerk here, who has been

requested to return \$200 given

him by last year's board, was read at the school board meeting this

week, It provoked lively discus-

sion, but no action was taken. Havemenn refuses to return the

"The school records show that

The letter says in part:

Mary Kennedy, pretty secretary, becomes engaged to Buck Landers, set with sapphires and the blight on the hopes of Buck she inhaled deeply, nonchalantly, Landers? Almost in a panic, Mary

young Steve Moore, Landers' ward.
They are attracted to one another

fall for this baby-baby stuff. Or burned like an acid. Steve was did the both of you think I wouldn't through with her, and never wanted They are attracted to one another immediately. Landers asks Steve to entertain Mary while he is out off the next day after he installed you here in the hotel. And now thought so. Well, she would have young couple grows but thoughts they tell me he's talking about to keep away from him, and just much there is to that story?"

polite.

The woman lifted her dark head or something moderately unpleas-T the office next day she found and narrowed her eyes, emitting ant . . . a refuge in mechanical du-slow smeke from her wide mouth Alone ties. There were tasks, duties, like a man. Mary was fascinated

"I haven't anything whatever to

"Oh, I don't suppose I should beautiful creamy olive. The dark, blame a poor little shrimp like you small hat—all recently purchased mouth belonged to a woman of for a big shot and it's not your No. I haven't got anything to settle in the lobby and walked out with Mary said politely: "Did you with you. It's him. But remember this-I've warned you. If you Her heart was pounding. Steve, in The stranger laughed. Her voice stand in my way I'll make you wish a gray suit that draped his form you'd never been born. Remember

Mary started to answer her but and emotional-plainly antagonis- stopped short-what was the use? tic, and Mary got up from her type- Against this kind of thing-this ill. kind of life she had no weapons. There was a theatrical magnifi- All at once she wanted to flee, to timidly concerned. "Everything cence about the woman, a sullen im- get a thousand miles away from has been all right with you, hasn't perious will that gave Mary a mo- everybody she knew. She wanted it?" ment's sense of helplessness. She to go somewhere and get rid of this felt dwarfed by the other's power new anguishing feeling that she moved impatiently. "I'm sick of it.

Carlotta Guido locked at her for ters, it's been time wasted. I'm want to get a slant at me, but I a moment longer without a flicker leaving New York in a day or two." of expression, and then turned and

hurt but there was a stunned some- "I've decided New York is a bust Mary waved her to a chair, sat thing about it all that kept her from for me." feeling too much pain. It was possible to bear these blows and not It was difficult to keep the wretchflinch in public.

Already she knew much about the good-by?" pinch, the economic struggle, of life. But these were new experi-A woman like Carlotta Guido, for instance . . .

But it was amazing how she had been seized by Fate. Her meeting Mary could feel her heart begin- with Landers, his helpfulness and, ning to beat. She knew that she unbelievably, the way she had been was meeting jealousy and insult- trapped into an engagement. Even that she had to collect herself and she might have married 'im-it be calm, to see it through. This was possible—for he had been magwas the woman Landers had men- netic and admirable. And wealthy. tioned the first time they met-the But that was all over now-it gave one who had threatened to stab him. her a sickening sensation. The Carlotta Guido produced a gold Guido woman had succeeded better cigarette case from a mesh bag. than she knew.

the board unanimously set my sal-

clerk, 'he \$200 you are asking

me to refund is included in that

amount and was paid by unani-

"My accounts have been approv-

ed by the auditors and I have re-

ceived no recompense except that

to which I was entitled by the

"If you are convinced you made

an error in drawing the \$200 war-

rant from the building fund, you

can replace it from the general

board's action and approval.

ceptions were to be met with, as ary at \$600 the last year I was

tried not to think of Steve. It hurt "What amuses me is that he could too much; shame and unhappiness marrying you. What I want to never think about him anymore as know is-I want to know just how long as she lived. She saw herself "I'm afraid I must refuse to disminded career. She thought of a cuss any of Mr. Landers' affairs convent, but that was seriously, a with you," Mary said, icy and bit too extreme. If she could only be a nurse or a school teacher,

Alone . .

One, two, three days she went would be only a few days till Buck "You might as well tell me the Landers returned from Boston-

again. She went to a motion picture that their beginning of . . . friendship. The other broke into a brief, sup- She had acted like a darned fool. A pressed laugh and then checked her- hollow sense of tragedy grew upon her, and she forgot her jaunty little dress, her new shoes and charming ing. She was miserably lonesome. Another day of dull unhappiness

passed and as she was leaving the hotel, Steve Moore rose from a chair her through the revolving door. with a grace impossible for any other man, was again at her side. His face was a mask, smooth and unemotional. She thought he looked

"How have you been?" she asked,

"I've been loafing." His head was somehow mysteriously soiled. Outside of writing one or two let-"For long?"

"Permanently. I'm going back to California and get a job there.' Mary went on working. She was His eyes looked straight ahead.

edness out of her voice. "Is this

"It looks that way, Mary." "But I thought you were going to stay with Mr. Landers? I-He glanced at her without smil-"I'm sorry it's not going to work

out that way, Mary. I've decided that it's impossible. I just wanted to see you for a few minutes before She felt herself tremble slightly.

Was he bidding her good-by forever with this cold, expressionless face? Her heart seemed to suspend operation, to wait in suspense . . .

(To Be Continued)

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#### Gosser is Marshall Pending Appointment

WEST SALEM, March 4 - J. A. Gosser is acting temporarily as city marshall and speed cop pending action of the city council Monday night when it is expected that a new officer will be appointed to succeed J. I. Simpson, who has been transferred to Eu-

TUSCALOOSA, Ala. - (AP) -At the board meeting, an offer The six graduating members of of the Garden club to set out eight the 1921 Crimson Tide were or 10 shrubs on the high school awarded gold watches by the grounds was accepted immediate- alumni association of the University of Alabama,

The pulse is increased in rate, even after the acute symptoms have sub

mains stiff and the muscles are likely

to waste. After a longer or shorter period, there remains permanent dis-

ability of the affected part.

At times the involved joints seem

to become practically normal. They

permanent deformity and disability.

Rheumatoid arthritis has been widely studied by scientists, but so

The first step is to discover and

do away with all areas of infection.
When the joints have not yet been seriously involved this procedure may have a happy effect; but where deformity and loss of function are areas.

present, I am sorry to say, no treat-ment can restore the joints to a nor-

Diet may effect some improv

ment. Limiting the meats and starches and taking a liberal supply of cream, milk and cod-liver oil are

until later attacks cause

WATCHES FOR GRIDSTERS

## By ROYAL S. COPELAND, M. D.

REUMATOID ARTHRITIS is alightly reddened. The hands and feet are particularly likely to suffer and sometimes the larger joints of the knees or elbows are involved. Occasionally the spine, especially in the region of the neck, is attacked. permanent stiffness and deformity of the affected

The cause is supposed to be an infection, but the most carefulresearch often fails to locate the exciting cause. Heredity possibly may into the enter her most deeply. Talk of Indians problem in some cases.

There is no doubt that poor health from any cause has a powerful influence upon the tendency to develop this disease. Young adults—even children—as well as

the old and those of middle life, are liable to suffer from the malady. Sometimes influenza, pneumonia or meningitis may precipitate the attack. More commonly chronic in-fections of the teeth, tonsils, nose, threat, gums, middle ear, gall blad-der or appendix may be found to be

"metabelism" of the body. Anything that interferes with this balance is often associated with joint disturbances. The thyroid and other of the glands have also been under suspicion as factors in arthritis.

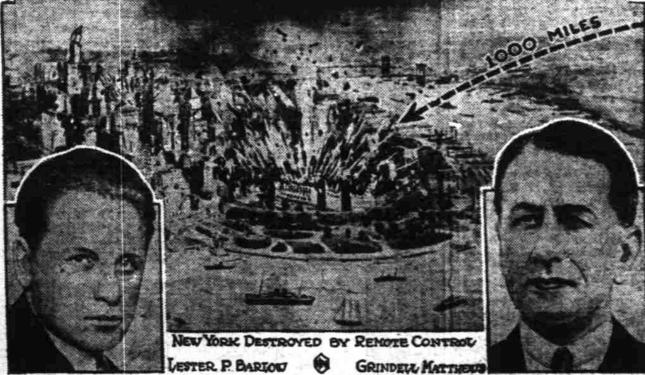
The enset of the disease may be sudden. Several foints may become swollen, painful and sometimes all pain on motion has subsided.

measures which have improved the condition of many a patient. General hygienic measures are always in order. Activity of the skin

mal state.

should be promoted by frequent bathing. The sufferer should drink an abundance of water to secure ac-The feed we eat is changed into products useful for the needs of the body, and the waste substances are eliminated. In general terms, this balanced process is referred to as the balanced process is referred to as the of weather and the consequent

## MEANS OF WORLD DOMINATION OFFERED U. S.



A sure means of curbing the war-like tendencies of the entire world and placing control of the entire earth in the grasp of the United States is now accessible to America, according to Lester P. Barlow, American inventor and called the "bomb wixard" of the World War. Barlow is in Washington to offer his latest and most terrible invention to the Government. It is an agency operated by remote control which Barlow claims is potent enough to wipe entire cities off the map at a range of 1,000 miles. The units of this destructive force may be either high explosive, incendiary or lethal gas, or a combination of all three. Though, for obvious reasons, only the most meagre details of the device are known to anyone but the inventor, it is believed that it bears no resemblance to the "Death Ray" invention of Grindell Matthews, English scientist. Barlow does not seek any remuneration for his creation. All he asks is that Congress give him a hearing and allow him to demonstrate his invention. However, he warms that if the U. S. fails to accept the device he will place it at the disposal of Promier Musselini of Italy or Dictator Stalin of Russia.