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A REAL FIRE CHIEF

In spite of rumors, circulated as facts, that Clinton Baughman, incumbent chief of the fire department was to be removed from office by the recently installed council, Mr. Baughman, Tuesday night, was returned to office by that same body, getting an unanimous vote from the five councilmen present after Mayor Johnson had named him as his appointee to the position.

The council and Mayor Johnson showed much wisdom in this appointment, for Mr. Baughman is in every respect a real fire chief, and the appointment of a new man would have weakened the fire protection forces of the city. Under Mr. Baughman the department has become one of the best in the state. Working with inadequate facilities, and we must admit the fire fighting equipment in Ashland is inadequate, Mr. Baughman and his men have estab- ful mannequins from the land Rished a record which we are sure will stand a long while of dollars. In cutting down the per capita fire loss. With a state per capita fire loss of approximately \$12, Ashland has a "Why import American beauties" per capita loss of but slightly over one dollar.

In this connection a letter received here from Jay W. Stevens, chief of the fire prevention bureau of the National Board of Fire Underwriters is interesting. Mr. the chic creations of our fash-Stevens is recognized as one of the foremost authorities ionable designers?" on the activities of fire departments on the Pacific Coast, and it is largely upon his recommendation that insurance rates in a city are reduced or increased.

Mr. Stevens in his letter says, "It is my understand- is a great difference between the ing there is some talk of changing the Fire Chief in your French and the American silhoucity, and, while I have not been asked to do so, I am writ- ette. Sport has made a great ing to advise that it is my opinion this would be a serious mistake. I have been watching the work of your present can a Diana, with muscles well Chief with great interest and feel confident that anyone developed, short bust and long, who is in position to know must agree his work has been fine legs. I am persuaded that most satisfactory.

The position of Fire Chief is one which should not be tampered with, as only an experienced person can qualify. the typical woman. The day has passed in most American cities where politics are permitted to interfere with the fire service. Past ex- is more important-namely, that perience has taught this to be a dangerous practice. If the change is made for a less experienced man, which naturally means a Chief less competent, I can assure you smart cloths. People who are not the city is liable to pay dearly for such an experiment."

However, this advice, no matter how sound or how pleasing it may be, is not necessary, for Mr. Baughman has been placed in the position, but it is simply used to creation as well. We work on to show in what esteem authorities hold our fire chief.

NOT REALLY NATURALIZED

From a number of different angles attention has gests what is likely to please labeen called recently to the inconsistencies in our relations ter among the buyers. with immigrants to our shores in our naturalization laws and in the relations of aliens and naturalized citizens to foreign countries whence they came. All these problems greatest success. The American of the melting pot are serious, if not taken too seriously. girl knows how to wear They are not emergency, and we merely make ourselves ridiculous and ineffective if we get too excited about them. But we should be sufficiently interested to urge upon and 'natural.' Her hair is beautiful even demand that Congress "in its wisdom" shall pro- and well kept, and her form pargress toward a more definite national policy.

A writer in one current magazine of high standing discusses the fact that Italy, Greece and many other countries do not recognize naturalization in the United dearth of mannequins. There are States, and that a former Italian subject, for instance, few of them to be found, and naturalized in the United States is amenable to "military call," and if he does not respond is liable to arrest for desertion should he ever return to Italy.

This writer gets very excited about the fact that an to raise the standard of the man-American citizen is likely to be arrested on returning to his native land, because we have not treaty with these countries freeing their former subjects from pre-natural ization responsibilities.

We confess to no such excitement. The situation is illogical, but it has no practical importance. If the former Italian is loyal to this country and has adequate reason for returning to his own country for a time, he can make. through the state department at Washington, such arrangements as will free him from arrest.

What we should be excited about it that men of Italian or Greek or other nationalities become residents in this country and are naturalized, and still regard themselves as morally bound to a degree of loyalty to their native land.

The real test of the matter is in the moral intentions of the naturalized citizen. If he has become naturalized as a convenience to get a job or for some other reason, then he is really not an American.

If he, either through ignorance or through intention, feels that he must still pay allegiance to his former country he is not fully an American.

The matter of language is by no means so important. It is advisable that all citizens should speak one langpage, and read it. But this is not imperative.

But a consciousness of intention to be a good citizen is vital

Judges in granting naturalization should carefully

TIDINGS take into consideration the mental attitude of applicants HOTEL CONTRACTOR for American citizenship.

STANDBYS OF CIVILIZATION

During the first 10 months of 1924, public service Lithian Hotel has arrived in Ashcompanies of the United States received for new financing \$1,132,802,292, almost double the receipts for 1923.

Gas an electric companies took the lion's share of this vast new capitalization. There never was a time floors and work is progressing whene these standbys of civilization were so safe, so much rapidly. According to the conin demand, so certain bases of community growth.

THE KING IS TALKING-BUNK!

When the king telephones, let all other instruments 3.50 be dumb! That's the rule in Mecca, where King Hussein of Hedjaz has had a telephone system installed, says a recent article in the New Zealand Herald.

As long as King Hussein's telephone is in use, no other telephone can be used in Mecca, save only the one with which the King is talking.

It's a good thing for King Hussein that he does not craft and in aviators, and that live in the United States for neither our government nor more telephone system would stand for such official interference with the private rights of other citizens.

A hick town is a place where Central can tell you army, due to more liberal apwhich member of the family the doctor was called to see.

"Youth will be served," is a good saying. But to check criminal youth we need another: "Time will be served."

French girls there are several

who are now earning 30,000 or

35,000 francs a year—a hand-

some salary for them although it

Tidings Want Ads bring results

bare fifteen hundred dollars.

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pendent dealers

can girl is a Diana, her French sister a Venus," declared Jean Patou, the Prince of Paris dressmakers, upon his return from the

Certain old Parisians were out of sorts when they learned he had brought with him six beauti-

polite swearing term in Frenchto the salons of the rue de la Paix?" they exclaimed. "Does this mean that our lovely little Parisians no longer know how to wear

"No, not at all," answered Patou. "I went to America for my mannequins for many technical reasons. In the first place, there girl is a Venus and the Amerion Olympus Venus was dressed like Diana, for Diana is the typical young demoiselle and Venus

"Besides, there is a fact which a large part of my clientele is come especially to Paris to buy nequins, not only in the presenthe mannequin herself, sometimes during hours at a time. She is our collaborator and in-

naturally among American women, American mannequins will clothes to the best advantage. She has a fresh, clear complexion as a rule and it is nearly always ticularly agreeable to look upon.'

Paris usually suffers from a crise"—the lack of something or other. At present there is the position is far more important as well as lucrative. Patou intends nequin and make it a profitable as well as honorable profession. Among his twenty-five or thirty



McNair Brothers

The Rexall Drug Store ..

TO START ON WORK

plumbing and heating on the crete pouring has been complettractors, Hoover and McNeil, the June first, barring unforseen ac

ARMY NEEDS MORE PLANES SAYS WILBUR

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8. Secretary of War Weeks today informed Congress that the army was sadly deficient in both airsome way immediately. He said the navy was in much better shape, for national defense by means of air forces than was the propriations given the navy.

WET WEATHER **Shoes and Boots** Weyenbergs, of Course

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Seattle and Tacoma will linked by a direct route from Elko, Nevada and Los Angeles tied in with the system by a cut off from Salt Lake City.

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From tomorrow on you can secure this gasoline at conveniently located independent dealers' stations in various towns in these counties. Newly-constructed storage tanks and an adequate fleet of trucks in Southern Oregon assure a constant and dependable supply to all DEALERS.

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GENERAL GASOLINE will be sold through carefully selected independent dealers, who are pledged to give you square, courteous service. In this advertisement appear the names and locations of the independent dealers already selected. These men are out to please their customers with the best fuel and lubricants the market affords. They have chosen GENERAL GASOLINE on its merits. They stand back of its performance.

Wherever GENERAL GASOLINE has been sold it has broken all existing sales records. It is high quality fuel and the quality is the same day in and day out,

We ask you for your own benefit to give GENERAL a fair trial. Just try one tank full. Wait until the ordinary gas is out of your tank; fill up with rich, high-quality GENERAL and then-"let your engine decide."

"Fill up your tank and let your engine decide"

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