

FLEET AT SAN FRANCISCO

107 Vessels, 2800 Officers and 33,500 Men in Armada.

San Francisco, Cal. — The Golden Gate swung wide open Sunday in welcome to the grand fleet of the United States, which arrived from southern waters for 10 days of final preparation for the war game in Hawaiian waters, the greatest peace-time maneuvers in the history of the nation—and the long helms to Australia and New Zealand.

The entire assemblage—the largest concentration of sea power ever assembled in San Francisco harbor and the mightiest naval force ever brought together at one time under the Stars and Stripes—formed a procession 25 miles long. The entourage consisted of 107 vessels of all kinds and classes, carrying an officer personnel of 2,800 and approximately 33,500 enlisted men.

Von Hindenberg Will Not Run. Berlin. — General von Hindenberg has declined to be a candidate for the presidency of the German republic.

Indian Infant Death Rate. The infant death rate among prehistoric American Indians was high, M. W. Sterling, ethnologist of the United States National museum, concludes from his recent exploration of ancient town sites discovered by him near Moberge, S. D. About three baby skeletons were found to every adult skeleton discovered. An almost complete mummy of an eight-month-old child was among the finds. The body had been accidentally mummified through the action of copper salts. Copper ornaments buried with the baby to accompany it into the next world, Mr. Sterling explained, had served to preserve its body in this world. An adult body, similarly preserved, was also found.

Still Protested. One of a party of men left his seat in an already crowded train to go in search of something to eat, leaving a rug to reserve his place. On returning he found that, in spite of the rug and the protests of fellow-passengers, the seat had been usurped by a woman. With flashing eyes she turned upon him: "Do you know, sir, that I am one of the directors' wives?" "Madam," he replied, "were you the director's only wife I should still protest."

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A. P. DENNIS



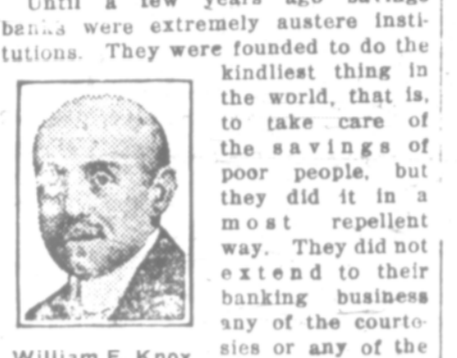
Alfred P. Dennis of Maryland, who was recently appointed a member of the tariff commission to succeed David J. Lewis, whose term expired.

TREASURY FORCES ARE REORGANIZED

Washington, D. C.—Official duties assigned to the several treasury executives were shifted about considerably with the advent of Lincoln C. Andrew of New York as an assistant secretary, succeeding Elliot Wadsworth, resigned. Forecasting efforts to bring about more effective enforcement of prohibition laws, to do wholly or in part with this work, including the prohibition unit, the coast guard and the customs service, were concentrated under the jurisdiction of Mr. Andrew. For the first time, too, the office of prohibition commissioner was placed under control of one assistant secretary, while the internal revenue bureau, of which it is a part by law, was given to another official. It was declared that there was no thought at the treasury at this time of displacing Commissioner Haynes, but that such changes as have been made were worked out in the belief that greater efficiency might result in all the work for which the treasury is responsible.

THE FRIENDLINESS OF MODERN BANKING

By WILLIAM E. KNOX, President American Bankers Association



Until a few years ago savings banks were extremely austere institutions. They were founded to do the kindest thing in the world, that is, to take care of the savings of poor people, but they did it in a most repellent way. They did not extend to their banking business any of the courtesies or any of the amenities of life whatever. They simply took the money, did the depositor the favor of taking it, and gave it back to him when he wanted it. And then they considered their full duty done. The tellers and clerks treated the depositors as though they were entirely beneath them. I, myself, heard a depositor, an old Irishwoman, say to a teller who had been snappish with her: "Then you better keep a civil tongue in your head. It is the likes of me that keeps the likes of you in your place." In that brief and caustic and well-deserved comment she had summed up the whole situation in a nutshell.

There was nothing warm, nothing cordial, but as the years went by those who worked at the windows got on friendly and kindly relations with the people coming to the windows. Here and there some man got so close to the people that they began to tell him their personal affairs and ask for his advice, and of late years the banks, too, have been stressing the human element. They have struck a better way of approaching people. They have taken steps, for instance, to try to get as close as they can to the foreign element. That is one of the great problems in all the large manufacturing and business centers. A great mass of foreigners come here and get together in groups, but they do not get any real touch of Americanism. They are just as Jewish and just as Italian ten or twenty years after they come here as they were the day they came, because nobody appears to take any particular interest in them. But when an institution like a savings bank begins to take an interest in the problems of the people, to let them feel that here is a group of people engaged in a business that is willing to listen to them, their troubles, their trials, is willing to advise them, willing to steer them straight, willing to be sort of Big Brother to them, I do not think there is any better Americanization work than that being done.

That is the kind of work the progressive savings bank is starting on, telling people that if they will come to them with their troubles they will be glad to give them the best disinterested advice, to do things for them free, that otherwise they would be charged for by somebody. They are willing to advise them when they get a little more money than the savings bank can take care of, what they can invest in, or in some cases what not to invest in. If the savings and commercial banks all over the country adopt that particular attitude toward our foreign fellow-citizens, it will give them an entirely different view of Americanism. It is this changed attitude that has resulted in the tremendous growth of deposits that have taken place in the savings banks since the war. There has been a different spirit breathed into the relations between the depositors and the men on the other side of the counter.

MORE BACKBONE, LESS WISHBONE

Why not think on the matter of wishbones and backbones and decide to take the power out of our wishbones and put it in our backbones? That's the place we need it if we are to accomplish things worth while.—Banker-Farmer.

Birthmarks

A birthmark is merely the result of excessive development of fibrous tissue, blood vessels, or pigment in a circumscribed area. Surgical treatment is generally prescribed for the removal of birthmarks. Among the methods employed are electrolysis, X-rays and the use of chemical caustics, such as nitric acid or the acid nitrate of mercury. The removal of a birthmark is a delicate operation and should only be performed by a competent physician.

Young Man Observant

Bestrice—Is that new friend of yours a good-looker, Millicent? Millicent—Well, he didn't miss much on the "Follies" last night.—New York Sun and Globe.

MRS. O. D. OLIPHANT



Mrs. O. D. Oliphant, who is national president of the American Legion auxiliary.

FROST DAMAGE IN WASHINGTON SEVERE

Olympia, Wash. — That the frost damage to fall wheat in eastern Washington, due to severe winter freezing, was decidedly spotted, but from present indications would aggregate a very heavy loss to the growers, was the report brought back from Spokane by R. R. White, assistant supervisor of agriculture of the state department. In the northern part of the wheat belt, said Mr. White, there was sufficient snow to give the necessary protection and prevent heaving of the ground and winter kill. Practically all other sections, however, suffered more or less severely. The wheat belt as a whole, however, has suffered heavily, in some sections it being estimated at 100 per cent kill. It is almost unprecedented for rye and alfalfa to winter kill, yet both crops have suffered severely in certain localities. Although it is too early to determine the full amount of damage to alfalfa, it is already apparent that it will be severe enough to affect materially the local price of alfalfa next fall. About 1,500,000 acres had been sown to fall wheat in this state. Roughly estimating, on the face of present reports, that at least 50 per cent of the sowing will have to be reseeded, a very heavy loss results.

Too Much to Expect

"You are a man of courtesy." "I try to be," answered Senator Sorghum. "What would you do if a woman were to be the opposing candidate?" "You've got to draw the line somewhere. I'd give up my seat to a lady in a street car, but not in the United States senate."

THE MARKETS

Table listing market prices for various commodities including wheat, alfalfa, butterfat, eggs, cheese, hogs, sheep, and cattle in different regions like Portland, Seattle, and Spokane.

"Plug Hat" Totem Pole

On top of one of the grotesquely carved totem poles of the Alaskan Indians there is a figure of a white man in stovepipe hat and frock coat. The art of totem pole carving consists almost always in the representation of animals and the part they played in the old myths. But this totem pole represents a certain Indian's claim to fame; either based on his own experience or founded on his ancestry, or both. It is a sort of combined distinguished conduct medal and coat-of-arms. In this case, an old woman belonging to the house in front of which the pole stands was the first person to see a white man. The figure representing what she saw was accordingly put on her pole.

Post at Eight

Mrs. Felicia Henana, the English poetess, who died in 1855, wrote poetry of some worth when she was only eight years old. At the age of fourteen she wrote a book of juvenile poems.

Netherlands Insurance Company

Financial statement for Netherlands Insurance Company showing income, expenses, and assets.

Pacific Fire Insurance Company

Financial statement for Pacific Fire Insurance Company showing income, expenses, and assets.

Yankee Sailors Led World

A foremast hand on a Yankee East Indiaman was the best paid, best fed, and most competent sailor in the world, regarded by coasters, fishermen, whalers and man-of-war-men as the top dog of his profession, according to the "Maritime History of Massachusetts." A Yankee shipmaster, in 1840, was the world's standard in ability and in conduct. The Massachusetts merchant marine was commanded for the most part by men of high character and education; navigators who could work lunars as well as Bowditch himself, and who inherited all the practical seamanship of the old school; "merchant-captains" who owned part of their vessel, and had full responsibility in trading.

Didn't Care Much

Burly North-Countryman (the "proud" winner of a particularly insignificant cup)—"Yes, I've won coop, and if any one wants drink because I've won coop he can have blinkin' coop instead!"—Humorist (London).

Royal Exchange Assurance

Financial statement for Royal Exchange Assurance showing income, expenses, and assets.

Newark Fire Insurance Company

Financial statement for Newark Fire Insurance Company showing income, expenses, and assets.

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