

### FLYING SHIPS FOR MAIL SUGGESTED 100 YEARS AGO

WASHINGTON, March.—More than a hundred years ago when the United States mails were being transported by carriers on horseback, the editor of the Freeman's Journal, now the Narrastown, Pa., Herald, suggested the use of "flying ships," and today Postmaster General Work decided it was time publicly to acknowledge receipt of the "friendly advice."

In the issue of the Freeman's Journal of March 1, 1822, the editor wrote: "We would advise the postmaster general to avail himself of the novel and very ingenious flying machine, invented by James Bennett, of Philadelphia, by which we conceive, the mails would be transported with more celerity and their arrival at the places of destination be much more certain than is the case at present."

In approval of the development of the air mail service, Postmaster General Work said:

"If this was true then, it is true today, and I wish I might be able to advise this old editor that we are today using the 'flying machine' with splendid results in transporting the mails with safety and celerity."

Postoffice records show that in 1822 a "wonderful feat" was performed in carrying the mail and news dispatches, by relays of horses every five miles, between Washington and New York in 15 hours.

### LITHUANIA REFUSES TALK WITH POLAND

WASHINGTON, March 30.—Differences with Poland over the Vilna question have prompted Lithuania to refuse an invitation to participate in the Baltic states conference which was to meet today at Riga for adoption of a common policy at the Genoa conference according to advices received from Kovno by the Lithuanian representative here.

"Lithuania has expressed her inability to participate owing to the fact that Poland has constantly ignored treaty obligations, has rejected the proposal for settlement of the Vilna question by the Hague court of international justice and at the present time is organizing armed bands in the neutral zone between the two countries," it was said.

### ORDER ORANGEMEN TO LEAVE COUNTY

CRANA, County Donegal, Ireland, Mar. 30.—Notices have been posted about town ordering all Orangemen to leave the town—a measure of reprisal for the recent McMahon murders in Belfast. Irish provisional government troops have taken over the police barracks here which were evacuated by the royal Irish constabulary.

An unsuccessful attempt was made last night to burn Masonic hall. The windows were smashed and petrol was sprinkled about the premises.

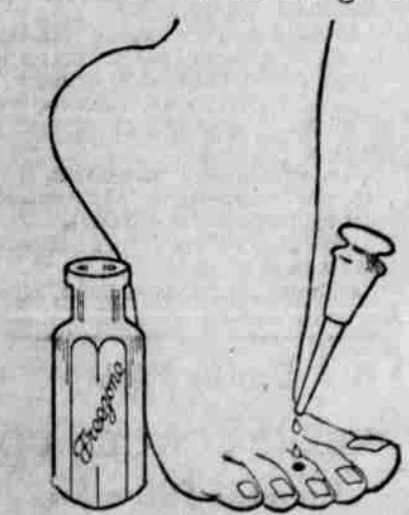
### SUES HENRY FORD FOR \$11,000,000

MIAMI, Fla., Mar. 29.—Damages in the sum of \$11,000,000 are sought from Henry Ford by Edward S. Huff, Miami electrical engineer, in a suit initiated here today.

Huff claims that he originated the magneto now in use on motor cars manufactured by Ford and claims that Ford has not paid him in full for the invention.

### CORNS

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### MOONLIGHT SCHOOLS REPLACE MOONSHINE STILL



So reports Mrs. Cora Wilson Stewart, who is presiding over the convention of delegates to the Illiteracy Conference in San Francisco. Mrs. Stewart is from Kentucky, famous for its "moonshine stills" which she says are being replaced by "moonlight schools" where the parents of school children are taught the same lessons as the youngsters.

### MEMORIAL DAY PLANS OUTLINED BY AMER. LEGION

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., March.—Graves of American soldiers, sailors and marines, who died in the world war, will be visited on Memorial Day by comrades in the American Legion both at home and abroad, according to plans announced today at Legion national headquarters.

Legion posts in every community in America will take charge of Memorial Day ceremonies and decorate the graves of all veterans, it was said. While thousands of communities throughout this country are honoring the soldiers dead in their midst, the distant graves in France, England, Italy and Russia will not be neglected.

It has been the custom of Legion national headquarters for the last two years to collect a fund from the 11,000 posts for this purpose. Committees are established to take charge of the funds in France and England, composed largely of Legion men, acting in conjunction with similar bodies of officials and citizens of the various foreign countries. Posts in all European countries, in co-operation with these committees, will see that the grave of every American who perished overseas while in the service is decorated, it was said.

In order to prevent confusion and duplication of effort in decorating graves in this country on Memorial Day, the Legion has asked all posts to organize a Central Graves Registration bureau in every country for the purpose of properly recording graves of veterans of all wars and assigning such graves to the individual posts for proper decoration.

### ENGLISH SPEAKING U. S. A. INCREASES

WASHINGTON, Mar. 29.—Eleven per cent of the foreign-born white population in the United States, ten years of age and older, according to 1920 census, was unable to speak English, the census bureau announced today.

The number was 1,488,948 out of a total foreign born population more than ten years of age out of 13,497,836. These figures compare with 2,952,911 non-English speaking foreign-born residents, or 22.8 per cent of the total, enumerated in the 1910 census.

The bureau attributed the decrease to several causes, citing that many immigrants who could not speak English in 1910 had since learned the language, died or returned to their native countries, that the number who could not speak English arriving during the last decade was smaller than in the previous ten years and that a majority that had come to this country prior to August 14, 1914 had therefore had time to learn the language before the census was taken.

### HOTEL MAN FLOGGED BY 4 MASKED MEN

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Mar. 29.—B. R. Robinson, rooming house proprietor was taken from his home shortly before midnight by four men, handcuffed whisked to Shades mountain and severely flogged. Robinson today, according to city detectives, said he did not cure to prosecute.

The men who did it think they are doing something for the good of the land and I do not want them prosecuted," Robinson said, according to the detectives.

### REORGANIZATION OF HARDING'S JOB IS AGREED UPON

WASHINGTON, Mar. 29.—Submission to the full joint committee and the reorganization of the administrative branch of the government of that portion of the reorganization plan agreed upon by President Harding and the cabinet was said today to be in prospect in the future, possibly within the next week.

Agreement has been reached by the president and members of his cabinet on the reorganization plans for more than half of the government departments. The plan, which formed the basis for the agreement were worked out and submitted by Walter F. Brown, chairman of the full committee. It is expected that the reorganization plan will be embodied in legislation or consideration by congress.

Departments on which agreements have not been reached by Mr. Harding and his cabinet are understood to include interior, commerce and agriculture. These are said to be held up by objections to a reported recommendation for the transfer of the forest service from the agriculture to the interior department and the transfer of the bureau of markets from the agriculture to the commerce department.

### JAP NEWSPAPERS GIVE RESERVATION MIXED RECEPTION

TOKYO, March 29.—(By the Associated Press.)—The Japanese press comments favorably on the ratification by the United States of the four power treaty, but gives the "no alliance" reservation adopted by the senate, a mixed reception. Says the Chugai Shogyo Shimbo: "Now that the quadruple treaty is ratified pas-

sage of the supplementaries—the naval and Chinese treaties—will not be difficult and the attitude of the senate may safely be said to have been decided.

"The reservation is not likely to have particular significance on conception."

The Hochi Shimbun thinks the reservation cannot be an excuse by the other powers to hesitate in ratification of the entente, "because the reservation is nothing but an explicit representation which the United States really meant in reference to the entente."

The Nichi Nichi Shimbun declares the American reservation shows incompatibility with the spirit that ought to permeate every arrangement.

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# A Business Statement that is a Great Human Record

## HOW WAS IT DONE?

Records kept by the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company show an extraordinary decrease in the death rate among its Industrial, or weekly premium, policy-holders. Comparing 1921 with 1911, for example, there were 55,000 less deaths in 1921 than there would have been if the 1911 death rate had prevailed.

What brought about the great saving of life?

The general public health movement—progress in medical science and sanitation—other causes, perhaps. But a very great factor has been the tremendous health campaign carried on by the Metropolitan itself. This page tells a part of the story.

#### FOR THE NATION'S HEALTH

144 health exhibits and emergency hospitals at county fairs last year; 295 "Clean up" campaigns; agitation by Agents for health legislation; nationwide campaigns against special diseases; sickness and sanitary surveys; a study of municipal health departments; leadership of practically all American research work relating to influenza—these are some instances of the Metropolitan's activity in the interest of public health.

#### HOMES FOR 17,744 FAMILIES

In the investment of its funds, the Metropolitan is now giving preference to loans which will aid housing. During 1920 and 1921, the Company made and pledged loans of \$68,080,917, on new dwellings and new apartment houses, providing homes for 17,744 families.

#### GREAT DECLINE IN DEATH RATES

The death rate among Industrial policy-holders reached its lowest point in 1921—31.9% lower than in 1911. The rate from typhoid decreased 71%; tuberculosis, 49%; Bright's disease, nearly 40%; infectious diseases of children 37%. The "Expectation of life" (reckoned from increased 4 years.

#### PUBLIC APPRECIATION

The American people have made the Metropolitan the greatest life insurance company in the world, with \$7,005,707,839 in force.

It leads not only in Industrial but in Ordinary. More than half of its business in force is Ordinary—\$3,892,267,274—which is more than that of any Company in the world.

#### THE FUTURE

The Metropolitan will continue its endeavor to offer the best there is in life, health and accident insurance, and to save human life. Continued growth will give the Company still greater opportunities to serve the American people in insurance protection and in the conservation of life and health.

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### Business Statement, December 31, 1921

Assets—	\$1,115,583,024.54
<i>Larger than those of any other Insurance Company in the World.</i>	
Increase in Assets during 1921	\$134,669,937.37
<i>Larger than that of any other Insurance Company in the World.</i>	
Liabilities—	\$1,068,341,845.04
Surplus	\$47,241,179.50
Income in 1921	\$301,982,699.39
<i>Larger than that of any other Insurance Company in the World.</i>	
Gain in 1921	\$38,462,619.41
<i>Larger than that of any other Insurance Company in the World.</i>	
Total Insurance placed and paid for in 1921	\$1,564,789,607
<i>More than has ever been placed in one year by any other Company in the World.</i>	
Gain in Insurance in Force in 1921	\$625,695,325
<i>Greater than that of any other Company in the World.</i>	
Total Amount of Outstanding Insurance—	\$7,005,707,839
<i>Larger than that of any other Company in the World.</i>	
Ordinary, (that is, exclusive of Industrial) Insurance in Force	\$3,892,267,274
<i>Larger than that of any other Company in the World.</i>	
Number of Policies in Force December 31, 1921	25,542,422
<i>More than that of any other Company in America.</i>	
Number of Policy Claims paid in 1921	323,531
<i>Averaging one claim paid for every 27 seconds of each business day of 8 hours.</i>	
Amount paid to Policy-holders in 1921	\$91,348,472.98
<i>Payments to policy-holders averaged \$40.16 a minute of each business day of 8 hours.</i>	
Dividends to Policy-holders, payable in 1922, nearly	\$16,000,000
Amount paid Policy-holders and Beneficiaries since Organization, plus Amount now Invested for their Security	\$2,047,692,135.07

### GROWTH IN TEN-YEAR PERIODS

YEAR	Income for Year	Assets at End of Year	Surplus at End of Year	Number of Policies in Force at End of Year	Outstanding Insurance at End of Year	YEAR
Dec. 31, 1891	\$11,423,496.68	1891 \$13,626,948.21	1891 \$3,088,533.18	1891 2,281,640	\$28,707,763	1891
Dec. 31, 1901	38,017,163.59	1901 74,771,758.56	1901 9,908,694.23	1901 6,234,302	1,070,977,204	1901
Dec. 31, 1911	98,135,273.71	1911 352,785,896.36	1911 32,809,469.87	1911 12,007,138	2,399,878,087	1911
Dec. 31, 1921	301,982,699.39	1921 1,115,583,024.54	1921 47,241,179.50	1921 25,542,422	7,005,707,839	1921

The Company issues policies from a Hundred to a Million Dollars of Insurance. In fact, its Ordinary is now larger than its Industrial. The Company also issues Health and Accident Policies—minimum \$5,000.

## GREATEST—

IN ASSETS  
IN INCOME  
IN GAIN of EACH

IN BUSINESS PLACED  
IN BUSINESS GAINED  
IN BUSINESS in FORCE

IN ORDINARY BUSINESS in FORCE  
IN REDUCTION of MORTALITY  
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