

# SWINDLERS ARE MAKING HUGE HARVESTS NOW

CHICAGO, May 8.—The American confidence man reaped a harvest of more than \$10,000,000 last year, according to figures compiled by Chicago authorities. This is the approximate amount actually collected from the credulous public by professional confidence operators and does not include the millions gathered in annually by the various stockjobbing schemes.

The crude devices of the old time confidence man, with his shell game, three card monte, bold brick, green goods, money changing and lemon games, have given way to modern methods, more complex, and more profitable.

The really successful confidence men of today usually have summer and winter homes, ride in limousines and are aided by richly gowned women, authorities say. They are educated and far more clever than their brothers of old days, whose favorite trick in Chicago was to sell the Masonic Temple to a "rube" for a small sum, or agree to make the building "turn around."

Land selling schemes, peddling of worthless mine and oil well stock, wire tapping and "fake" sporting events are now the hand maidens of the modern confidence man, who matches wits with the banker, capitalist and lawyer, instead of dealing with the ignorant ruralite. Nearly all the victims of a Chicago gang recently sent to the penitentiary were bankers and business men. The gang's loot aggregated more than half a million dollars a year.

Fear of publicity keeps most victims quiet, thus giving the high class confidence man a certain degree of immunity, authorities say. They add that federal prosecution for using the mails to defraud has been a big factor in breaking up gangs and recently brought about conviction of half a dozen leading confidence workers.

"Tom Brown, who came from Detroit and made his headquarters in New York, was father of the present type of confidence man," said William A. Pinkerton, veteran detective, in striking a comparison between the old and new swindlers. "He operated forty years ago and formerly was a three card monte man. He was known as a bunco steerer and won by fake lottery schemes and other crooked gambling devices. Then he invented the gold brick with which he toured the country. The green goods game came later and Brown had many imitators who picked up thousands annually. Wire tapping and other schemes now used developed from those old games. The modern operators don't bother with small money and often clean up \$100,000 in a single deal. The old timers thought \$1,000 a big job.

"Victims are not really honest at heart, for they often enter into a scheme to cheat another fellow. The small town banker and business man has proved a shining mark for swindlers. They cannot risk their reputations by complaining. It is surprising how many shrewd business men fall into the net."

It is estimated that \$3,000,000 of the \$10,000,000 total was obtained in Florida, where hundreds of confidence workers are said to operate, particularly among winter tourists.

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## HOOD RIVER TEACHER SPREADS BOLSHEVISM

HOOD RIVER, Or., May 7.—For an apparent attempt to convert fellow teachers and students of other city schools to Bolshevism, Mrs. Gladys Wendover of Portland, a language teacher at the Hood River high school has been dismissed by the school board yesterday. While the board expressed regret at the necessity it was considered the only alternative under the circumstances. Mrs. Wendover, it is said, was warned several weeks ago, when it was found she was distributing radical literature, and she had then agreed, it is said, to cease her activities.

## PRESSING CALL FOR MORE MEN IN U. S. NAVY

A big need for more men in the navy is now apparent and a call has been issued to stimulate the work of recruiting with all possible speed.

J. E. Adams of the Navy Recruiting Station at the city hall in this city has just received the following message from headquarters in Washington and is anxious to get more men as soon as possible:

"Secretary Daniels has cabled the Navy Department from abroad directing that enlistments be pressed with all vigor. The situation as regards personnel for manning ships of the Navy is so acute that every endeavor must be made to obtain as many first enlistments in the recruiting service as a whole are satisfactory taking into consideration industrial agricultural and reconstruction activities, but are not up to the needs of the Navy. The Department expects your district to increase materially its weekly enlistments and directs that you report by despatches to the Bureau of Navigation any obstacles under which your district is operating which can be eliminated by the Department.

FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT, Acting Secretary.

## A Wonderful Healer Our WITCH HAZEL

Many preparations are now on the market that are supposed to take the place of good old-fashioned witch hazel, but they have failed to rob it of its popularity.

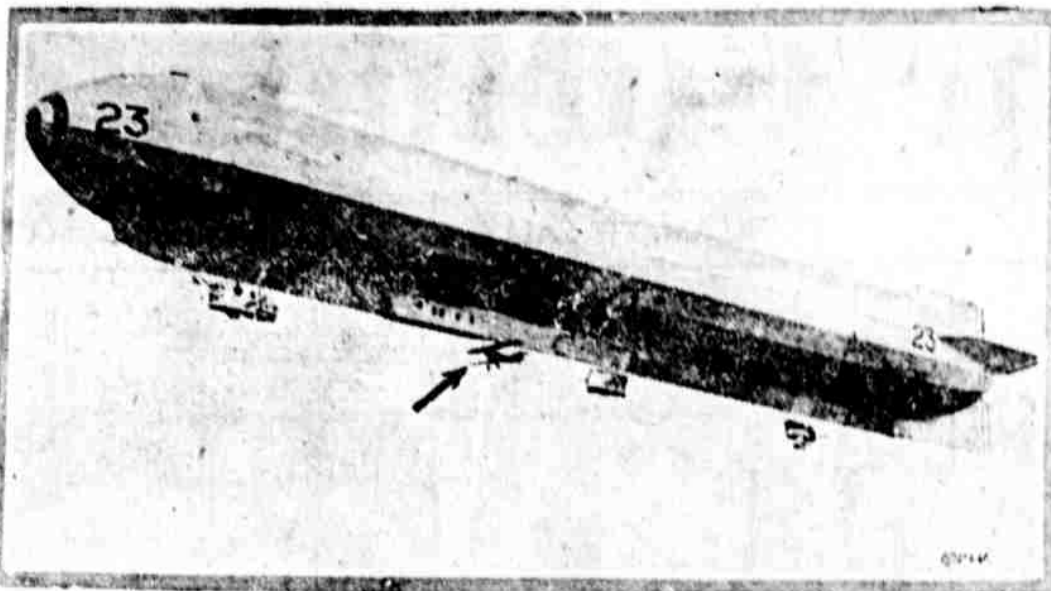
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Now that the war is over the censor is permitting the public to learn something about what the Allies fliers had to do with beating the Hun. The British not only had to guard against Zeppelin raids on land but the navy had to patrol the seas. Here is a photograph showing the British airship No. 23 starting on patrol. An arrow indicates a small airplane, which could be released and start in pursuit of Zeppelins or enemy planes within a few seconds.

## BACK FROM CALIFORNIA.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Whitman have returned from a ten day pleasure trip in San Francisco and other California points. After autoing through the many scenic points near the Bay City, they drove the car to this city and report the roads in very good condition for this season of the year.

## Business Man's Prayer.

"Teach me that 60 minutes make one hour, 16 ounces one pound and 100 cents one dollar.

"Help me to live so that I can lie down at night with a clear conscience without a gun under my pillow and unhaunted by the faces of those to whom I have brought pain.

"Grant that I may earn my meal ticket on the square and that in earning it I may not stick the gaff where it does not belong.

"Deafen me to the jingle of tainted money and to the rustle of unholy skirts. Blind me to the faults of the other fellows but reveal to me mine own.

"Guide me so that each night when I look across the dinner table at my wife, who has been a blessing to me I may have nothing to conceal. Keep me young enough to laugh with my children.

"And when the smell of flowers and the tread of soft steps, and the crunching of wheels out in front make the ceremony short and the epitaph simple. Here lies a man."

## Not a Bite of Breakfast Until You Drink Water

Says a glass of hot water and phosphate prevents illness and keeps us fit.

Just as coal, when it burns, leaves behind a certain amount of combustible material in the form of ashes, so the food and drink taken day after day leaves in the alimentary canal a certain amount of indigestible material, which if not completely eliminated from the system each day, becomes food for the millions of bacteria which infest the bowels. From this mass of left-over waste, toxins and ptomain-like poisons are formed and sucked into the blood.

Men and women who can't get feeling right must begin to take inside baths. Before eating breakfast each morning drink a glass of real hot water with a teaspoonful of limestone phosphate in it to wash out the thirty feet of bowels the previous day's accumulation of poisons and toxins, and to keep the entire alimentary canal clean, pure and fresh.

Those who are subject to sick headache, colds, biliousness, constipation, others who wake up with bad taste, foul breath, backache, rheumatic stiffness, or have a sour, gassy stomach after meals, are urged to get a quarter pound of limestone phosphate from the drug store, and begin practicing internal sanitation. This will cost very little, but is sufficient to make anyone an enthusiast on the subject.

Remember, inside bathing is more important than outside bathing, because the skin pores do not absorb impurities into the blood, causing poor health, while the bowel pores do. Just as soap and hot water cleanses, sweetens and freshens the skin, so hot water and limestone phosphate act on the stomach, liver, kidneys and bowels.—Adv.

## PROSECUTION RESTS IN GARRISON CASE

SEATTLE, May 7.—Mental weakness due to heredity, injury in childhood and an operation on the forehead have been advanced by the Defense in the trial of Ruth Garrison who is charged with the murder of Mrs. D. M. Storrs.

The prosecution has now finished its evidence.

## FIRE IN MILLS ADDITION.

Fire which broke out at the further edge of Mills Addition Tuesday afternoon destroyed the Stiles smoke house in which two hogs were being smoked. The meat was lost as well as the house. The fire department had to stretch 1,450 feet of hose in order to reach the building.

## UNDERSTANDING NOW REACHED WITH ITALY

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 8.—As a basis for the resuming of peace negotiations, Premier Orlando accepted a proposal that Italy administer Fiume as a mandatory of the League of Nations until 1923 after which the city will revert to the Italian Sovereignty.

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# YANKEES ARE NOW INVADING JUGO SLAVIA

BELGRADE, Serbia. (By Mail)—There has been an American invasion of Jugo Slav territory. In every city from Durazzo, in Albania, to Stranitzza in Serbia, and reaching from Belgrade to Zagreb, the jewel of Jugo-Slavia, American Red Cross officers, physicians and nurses, and representatives of the Food Administration and of the army, may be seen. All are engaged in the big task of feeding and clothing the people in the areas which have suffered most by the war. The United States has been likened to a bountiful mother caring for a flock of small children—the children being the many Balkan countries comprising what one day is expected to become greater Jugo-Slavia.

At a hundred points in Serbia, Montenegro, Albania, Bosnia, Herzegovina and Croatia, the American Red Cross is giving the people a taste of American generosity. Food, clothing, shoes and medicines are being distributed to the destitute. American physicians and nurses are caring for the sick and wounded. By their work and their example, these Americans are inculcating in the Slav, new ideas of thrift, self-help, cleanliness and honesty, which must have a lasting influence.

The population of these countries is composed of many diverse races. The individual ambitions of the different Slav countries have been sacrificed in a desire to keep Italy from obtaining Dalmatia or any part of the Eastern Adriatic coast. The eyes of all are turned to America which they regard as the greatest sponsor for the unity and integrity of the Slavic nations.

The man who fails to invest in a Victory Liberty Note ought to occupy the same status as the dodo—be extinct.

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