

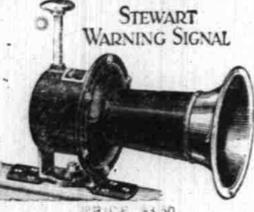
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USE GREAT SALE SPARINGLY IN GREAT BRITAIN

[By Associated Press] LONDON, Eng.—Falling into line with other Departments of State in the question of economy, the Privy Council of Great Britain have ordered that the "Great Seal" shall only be used very sparingly, thus saving time and money.

The affixing of this Great Seal to a document takes nearly half an hour and requires the attendance of two officers known as "The Sealer" and the "Chaff Wax."

It was formerly affixed to Royal Assent appointments of Archbishops, Bishops, Kings Counsel and Indian Judges, etc., but now will be used on the patents of Peers, Baronets and appointments of Judges to the High Court.

The Seal was always taken with the Lord Chancellor, either on state or private visits, but the custom was broken by Lord Loreburn who only carried it if certain its use would be required. It is six inches in diameter and was struck in silver in the largest press at the mint. It consists of two deep and heavy plates of silver closely fitted into each other and the present one was made soon after King Edward's death, at a cost of \$2,000 to \$2,500. Constant usage makes it necessary for new ones to be struck frequently, and during the reign of Queen Victoria no less than four were made.

An old seal goes through the process of "demasking," the Sovereign at a meeting of the Privy Council striking it with a hammer sufficiently hard to make a distinguishing mark. One side of the seal is given to the sitting Lord Chancellor and the other the ex-Lord Chancellor.

THE CROW AND THE FOX

(As La Contain would have written it had he been an American.)
Perched on a tree, Master Crow sat and held
A beakful of Camembert cheese.
Soon came a fox to the fragrance he smelled,
And he handed the crow words like these:

"Well, well, look who's here on this tree!
Believe me, some bird! Gee! you look good to me.
Say, kid, if your pipes can compare With all those swell feathers you wear,
You've got poor Canuso backed off the map!"

Now these words made the crow such a swell-headed yap
That, to show off his do-re-mi's,
He opened his beak—Zip! down came the cheese!

Sly old fox scooped it up and said,
"Bonehead, get wise;
Fight shy of us soft-tail guys;
The drinks are on you if you fall for such truck."

This lesson will stand you one cheese—Tough luck.
Master Crow was sore, and he swore,
Just a little too late, that he'd be a boob no more.

—Arthur J. Goodhart, in London Opinion.

Fifty-four hits in 58 shots with 12-inch guns is said to be the record established by the battleship Florida in the Atlantic fleet's individual target practise at short and intermediate ranges off the Virginia coast.

Capt. John A. Stinson, retired shipmaster and veteran of the Crimean War, is dead.

PARCEL-POST BUSINESS IS NOW NEARLY DOUBLE THAT IN APRIL

Weight of All Parcels Handled in Territory 162,149 Pounds Against 88,433 Before

Uncle Sam's parcel post in Hawaii is becoming more popular every month. In the last six months the weight of parcels handled by all post-offices and zones in the territory has risen from 88,433 pounds for the period from April 1 to April 15 of this year to 162,149 pounds for the first two weeks of this month, October 1 to October 15.

Figures compiled by Theodore P. Mellin, assistant superintendent of mails of the Honolulu postoffice, show the total postage collected for the present period is \$7,413.51, against \$3,749.87 for the count made in April. This is a gain of \$3,663.64 in six months.

As concerns local delivery business, in Honolulu city alone, 179 parcel post packages were mailed in this city from October 1 to October 15, against 112 for the corresponding period in April.

In the first zone, from Honolulu to other postoffices on Oahu along the line of the Oahu Railway, 8763 packages were handled in the present two-weeks' period, as contrasted with 5555 packages in April. This is an increase of 3210 packages.

In the second zone, from Oahu to Maui, Molokai, Kauai and the Kona offices of Hawaii, a big gain has been experienced. The number of parcels handled for the October 1-October 15 period was 15,961, against 10,213 for the April count; a gain of 5748 packages.

Third zone business, from Honolulu to the island of Hawaii and viceversa, also shows a flourishing gain, with 7645 parcels mailed in the two weeks, as against 5745 for the first two weeks of April this year.

Business from Hawaii to the mainland, Philippine islands, Samoa and other United States possessions, all in the eighth zone, jumped from 5597 parcels the first two weeks in April to 6935 the first two weeks of October, an increase of 1338.

ECONOMIC WAR IS WARNED AGAINST

[By Associated Press]

THE HAGUE, Holland.—An earnest warning in regard to the proposed economic war against the Central Powers is publishing here from the Belgian side, where such a struggle would necessarily have far-reaching consequences that tend to be overlooked. It comes from Frans van Cauwelaert, the Flemish leader and member of the Belgian Chamber, who writes:

"The German people will assuredly not have unlearned its spirit of robust industry through this war. Want has

heightened its amazing working force; the lack of some accessories, which it was accustomed to draw unhindered from abroad, has taught it to manufacture out of its natural resources or to replace by related products. What has been prepared in the giant laboratory of this technical war will probably only become apparent after years have passed. But it would be dangerous self-delusion to contemplate holding a constraint by artificial means the power of extension of national forces that are better organized and of greater creative readiness. External barriers will not hold against inward superiority. Economic exclusion of another all too quickly degenerates into economic isolation of oneself. No one desires that the Germans should again devour the best in the land, but we must seek our salvation where it is to be found, and not flounder from one morass into another."

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