

# DUTCH SEND BACK BERLIN'S NOTE ON EXILE OF BELGIANS

Reported to Have Practically Told Holland to Mind Its Own Business.

AMSTERDAM, Holland, Dec. 26 (via London).—The Telegram says it has reason to believe that Germany's reply to Holland's note regarding the deportation of Belgian workmen is framed in such terms that it is inadvisable to communicate it to the Dutch Parliament and that the Gov-

ernment has requested Berlin to alter the reply in such a manner that it may be presented to the Parliament. The Dutch Government last month instructed its Berlin representative to notify Germany that the Belgian deportations had caused a painful impression in Holland. Rotterdam despatch to the London Times on Dec. 2 said Germany had responded in words which were tantamount to saying "mind your own business."

# PROPOSES TRAINING FOR 500,000 BOYS OF 17 EACH YEAR

System Involving No Interference with National Guard Before Senate.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—Plans for a universal military training system involving no interference with the National Guard and designed to avoid strong objection which has developed to one year training plans were placed before the Senate Committee to-day by Col. Webb C. Hayes of Ohio.

The plans were worked out by Col. Hayes and Col. Foote, who are in charge of artillery school at Fort Monmouth. Col. Foote will be called before the committee early in January to explain the plans. Under the plan a trained military citizenship will be created by enrolling all youths when they reach the age of seventeen years and training them for a period of three months each summer for four successive years. The 435 congressional districts are the units selected for securing personal military service and training equally throughout the Union. It is estimated 1,000,000 boys reach the age of seventeen each year. Exemptions for all causes about fifty per cent. of these, 430,000 would be available in each congressional district. This would constitute in the first year one regiment and a brigade of 4,800 thereafter to be trained annually in each district. Enrollment would be on the 16th of June each year. A new bureau in the War Department to handle the reserve would be created. At the end of each training season, with the exception of a sufficient number to care for the equipment, all would be returned to their homes. Reservists would not be called on except for active service.

# SIX NEW REAR ADMIRALS.

Twenty-eight Captains and Seventy-five Commanders on List. WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—Six new Rear Admirals, twenty-eight Captains and seventy-five Commanders, the first to be promoted under the new system of selection in the navy, are on the list presented to Secretary Daniels to-day by the special board which examined the fitness of the officers. Secretary Daniels will lay the list before President Wilson and later the nomination will go to the Senate. Each nomination is to be made from the next lowest grade. Existing vacancies will require four Rear Admirals, twenty Captains and thirty-five Commanders. The others selected will fill vacancies expected during the coming year.

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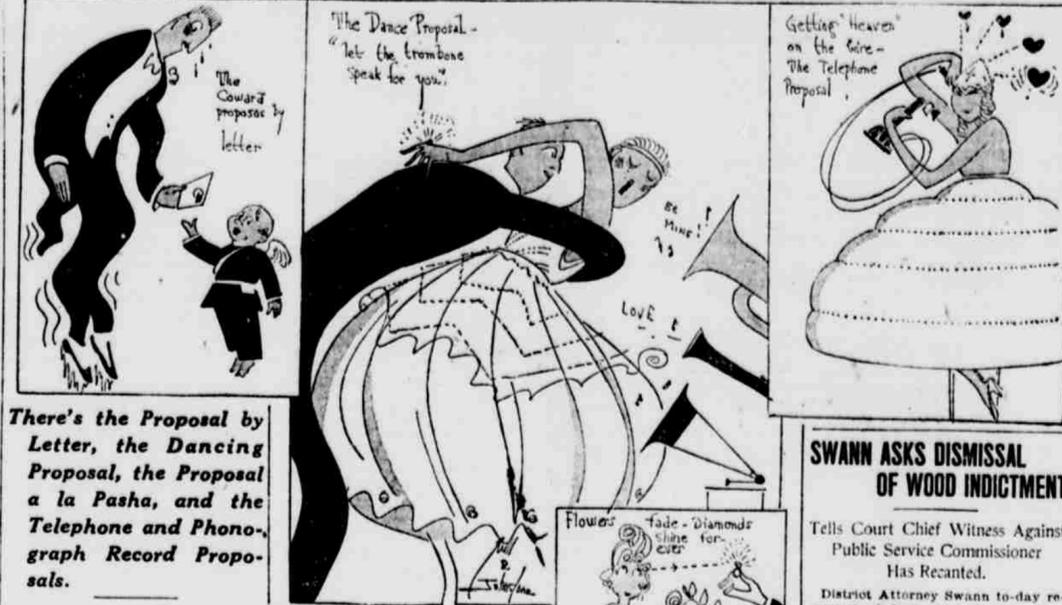
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# PROPOSING AS A FINE ART

There Are Only Five Ways, According to a Supposed Expert, but Any Moderately Popular Woman Knows They Are Countless.



There's the Proposal by Letter, the Dancing Proposal, the Proposal a la Pasha, and the Telephone and Phonograph Record Proposals.

By Nicola Greeley-Smith. There are, according to Vanity Fair for January, just five ways of proposing marriage. For the benefit of young men about to commit the harari of the bank account an anonymous expert writing in the current number of that cosmopolitan periodical divides the possible forms of proposal as follows: No. 1. Proposal by Letter—This, Vanity Fair declares, is a spineless and fainthearted method to be avoided for many reasons, but principally because letters sound so silly when read to the snickering jury by the counsel for the plaintiff. The pen is mighty, but not half so eloquent as the parlor sofa, the soft-shaded lamp and the crackling open fire, the three great aids to wooing, says Vanity Fair.

No. 2. The one sure copper-riveted way—Dance her into submission. It is only in "walking the dog" that a man inspires in a woman that complete confidence so essential to married happiness. No. 3.—The proposal a la Pasha—"Give presents to the little dear, trying always to stick to jewelry. True, honest love thrives best in a young lady's bosom on a diet of pearls, rubies, emeralds, sapphires and diamonds. Moreover, if she marries you you have a half-way equity in the jewelry. If she won't you can force her mother to return the loot."

No. 4.—The proposal by telephone—This is a very busy little world, Vanity Fair observes, and a proposal over the wire often saves a vast amount of time and a two or three point margin at your broker's—an important consideration with stocks jumping two or three points a day. No. 5.—The Proposal for Bashful Men—"A new, exclusive, patented, painless and absolutely correct model. No more pinching of marguerites, 'she loves me, she loves my car'. Just have a proposal record made and let her play it on her talking machine. If she accepts you, all right; if she does not, she can file it away with Yaaka hula hula dula or the latest Aloha song. It is suggested that you have half a dozen records made at once, send them around to the different girls you know and then await developments. If more than one acceptance is received simply toss a coin."

BUT THERE ARE PLENTY OF OTHER WAYS. No one need be told, after reading the suggestions of Vanity Fair, that these proposals are very good as far as they go. But what moderately popular woman can read them without realizing that Vanity Fair's supposed expert has grazed on surface of a many-sided subject? What about the subjective proposal? The subjective mood, lost from the language, has lodged in the heart of the American man who starts his proposal in a condition and starts with an "E." To illustrate: You have been to the play. You are at supper. The head waiter is circulating with his tray of souvenirs. Air is thick with smoke. Speech is thick with alcohol. The man opposite has just decided that you are the one woman in the world for him (on Tuesdays, anyhow). If he says, tremulously, "If I had ten million dollars I would lay my heart and fortune at your feet, I would hang you with pearls, have you painted with a milk white wolfhound, build you a palace of porphyry and buy you a white Legion he guaranteed to lay two eggs a day. All this I would do, yes, even give you a porterhouse steak three times yearly if my ability could keep pace with my desire. But, alas, who am I, a poor \$49 a week dreamer, to ask a queen like you to be my wife?" There he is, to take or leave, with a string on him. If you take him you are committed to a life of fishballs and street cars, for has he not told you in his very offer of marriage all the things he would like to do but never will be able to do for you?

THE TANTALIZING PROPOSAL WHICH MEANS NOTHING. Then there is the casual, or "by-the-way before I forget it" proposal. Of all methods this is most popular with the American man. You are going up in the elevator, or boarding a street car with him and while you are committed to a life of fishballs and street cars, for has he not told you in his very offer of marriage all the things he would like to do but never will be able to do for you?

Spanish Ship Sunk by U Boat. LONDON, Dec. 26.—The Spanish steamship Marques de Trafula (1,600 tons) has been sunk by a German submarine, says an announcement made to-day by Lloyd's. The crew of the vessel was landed.

SWANN ASKS DISMISSAL OF WOOD INDICTMENT Tells Court Chief Witness Against Public Service Commissioner Has Recanted. District Attorney Swann to-day requested of Judge Nott the dismissal of the indictment for bribery filed Jan. 25 last against Robert C. Wood, former Public Service Commissioner. Mr. Swann stated that the chief witness against Wood, Sidney G. Johnson, had practically recanted his testimony. John B. Stanfield, representing Mr. Wood, declared his client never should have been indicted, as in an inspection of the Grand Jury minutes proved no crime had been committed. Judge Nott reserved decision.

POLICEMAN SAVES WOMAN WHO SWALLOWED POISON Forces Mrs. Pritchard, on Whom He Was About to Serve Warrant, to Drink Milk. Mrs. Blanche Pritchard, thirty-five years old, of No. 831 East Nineteenth Street, Flatbush, is a prisoner in the Kings County Hospital charged with attempted suicide. The prompt action of Policeman Koblner, attached to Flatbush Court, in administering an emetic after she had swallowed bichloride of mercury, probably saved the woman's life. When Koblner went to the Pritchard home just before noon to serve a warrant charging Mrs. Pritchard with disorderly conduct, Mrs. Antonette Causton, Mrs. Pritchard's mother and the complainant in the case, told Koblner he would find her daughter on one of the upper floors. As Koblner climbed the stairs Mrs. Pritchard shouted, "I've fooled you all," and fell to the floor. The policeman, realizing she had taken poison, forced her to drink a bottle of milk.

SHOOTING AT XMAS DANCE ALARMS BORDER TROOPS Mexican Entertainment Leads Soldiers to Believe Snipers Resumed Their Activity. EL PASO, Tex., Dec. 26.—Firing in the vicinity of the Third Kentucky outpost near the border last night caused another general alarm at the camp of the First Battalion of this regiment, following an exchange of shots by Mexican snipers and the soldiers of this battalion Sunday night. Investigation developed the fact that last night's firing occurred on the Texas side of the Rio Grande, where a Christmas dance was being held by the Mexicans. The singing Sunday night came from the adobe house where Francisco Madero made his headquarters during the Madero revolution. A sudden drop in temperature, accompanied by sleet and snow, last night followed the wind and dust storm which spoiled Christmas celebrations for El Paso and the army camps near here.

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RAISING OF SUGAR PRICES MAY BRING NEW U. S. INQUIRY

Counsel in Dissolution Suit Against So-Called Trust Expected to Act. A new inquiry into the sugar companies and the men controlling them probably will result from The Evening World's exposure of the sensational rise in the wholesale and retail cost of sugar since the fall of 1914. James H. Knapp, special counsel for the Government in the dissolution suit against the American Sugar Refining Company, and Frank W. Swacker, who is investigating the high cost of living in the East for the United States Attorney General, have been carefully studying the stories printed in The Evening World last Friday and Saturday.

"I want to go over this matter very carefully," said Mr. Swacker to-day. "There may be a basis for a new inquiry into the sugar business as it reflects on the high cost of living." It was the opinion of other officers, however, that the unnecessary boosting of prices by the speculators in sugar and the creation of an artificial shortage would be taken up by Mr. Knapp, who is handling the dissolution case against the American Sugar Refining Company. Mr. Knapp's assistants believe the sugar boosting, when it is thoroughly gone into by legal inquirers, will prove of value in the dissolution suit. The case is now pending before the Court of Appeals. The Chamber of Commerce Committee, which was instructed to make an independent inquiry, will have another meeting some day this week.

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