

THE BETTER HALF OF THE CITY ADMINISTRATION REVIEWING THE FIREMEN'S PARADE.



From left to right—Mrs. John Purroy Mitchel, Mrs. Robert Adamson, Miss Katharine B. Davis, Mrs. Marcus M. Marks and Mrs. Henry Bruere.

COMSTOCK'S RULE IN VICE SOCIETY NEAR OVERTHROW

Loss of Postoffice Job Forerunner of Complete Retirement.

CRUSADER CHARGES OFFICIAL CONSPIRACY

Former Supporters Return and Organization Will Have John S. Sumner at Helm.

By JOHN J. LEARY, Jr. Anthony Comstock's retirement from the office of postoffice inspector, exclusively reported to The Tribune yesterday, is the first public announcement of the beginning of his end as a vice crusader in New York.

Already he has been stripped of most of his power in the New York Society for the Prevention of Vice, the financial management of which has been shifted to the shoulders of another, and the great work of the society placed in the hands of John S. Sumner, a lawyer, who ranks as assistant secretary, at \$10,000 a year.

The change means that, if present plans are followed, the name of the society will not hereafter be linked up with attacks upon works of art like "The Birth of Venus" which Comstock would have had no right to publish.

Whatever individual members of the society may think of the nude in art and undraped statuary, the society and its agents will not attempt to regulate questions of personal taste. That will be left for the individual to settle for himself. If he wishes a copy of a magazine in the Louvre or Tate galleries in his office or drawing room, that will be considered his own affair.

These persons, however, who seek to strip the morals of youth by distributing works vicious per se, and those who set up gaming devices calculated to ensnare the pennies and dimes of youth, will find that the society is on its feet as keenly as in the old days when Comstock was in his prime and used his energies to that class of sin. There is more of this, officers of the organization see, than the average man has any idea of.

J. D. ROCKEFELLER HAS NEW GRANDSON

Fifth Boy Born to Son, Weighs Ten Pounds and Is a Lively Youngster.

John D. Rockefeller has another Rockefeller grandson. He was born yesterday at 10 West Fifty-fourth Street, and is the sixth child of Mr. and Mrs. John D. Rockefeller Jr.

JUDGE BEN LINDSEY ARRESTED IN COURT

Denver, June 12.—Judge Ben B. Lindsey was arrested in his own chambers this morning on a charge of contempt of court and conviction in the commission of perjury.

The charge was filed in the Criminal Court by District Attorney Rush under orders from District Judge Perry. Judge Lindsey was allowed his freedom on his own recognizance until 10 a. m. Monday, when he must appear for trial.

CAT ON DERELICT 2 YEARS RESCUED

San Francisco, June 12.—A wireless message about a black cat came all the way from Papeete to-day to the marine department of the Chamber of Commerce.

LUSITANIA ARREST MADE

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Wisdom of Change Justified. The wisdom of the directors' change of policy was justified a year ago, say the directors of the Postoffice Department, when the department ceased to give prizes to those who broke up a year's work in the department. The department had none of that work assigned to it. The old system persisted, it was pointed out yesterday, the society would have found itself with nothing to do. As it was, the work was an efficient machine for handling it.

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Powder Man's Purchase Is Majority, and He Plans Mutualization.

General D. Coleman du Pont, head of the E. I. du Pont de Nemours Powder Co., has bought the stock of the Equitable Life Assurance Society.

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Veterans of Volunteer Times March Gamely in Review, Hauling Prehistoric Hand Tubs Preceding Up-to-Date Motor Apparatus.

A hundred and ninety years of fire fighting evolution passed in review before Mayor Mitchel yesterday. It began with a little hand pump engine of 1725, made of wood and topped with ridiculous-looking levers, and ended with a ponderous \$10,000 motor-driven and motor-pumping engine of the 1915 type, capable of smashing holes through brick walls with its volleys of water.

CARRANZA WILL STEP DOWN FOR NEW PRESIDENT

Washington, June 12.—General Carranza has promised the United States to aid in restoring peace and order in Mexico and in electing constitutionally a President to whom he will deliver his authority.

Vienna Admits Foe's Advance Along Isonzo

London, June 12.—To-night's Austrian official report admits the crossing of the Isonzo River at Monfalcone and Caporetto by the Italians, and says that the invaders have gained a foothold at their points on the eastern bank.

BERNBERG SAILS, HOPING BIG WAR WILL END SOON

Bergen, Norway, June 12.—Dr. Bernbergh, the German propagandist brought over by Herr von Bernstorff some six months ago, should be about 300 miles away from this country at noon to-day.

Dr. Bernbergh had preceded his double aboard ship by a half hour. He went to the pier in a taxicab and was escorted at once to his suite, which was filled with all sorts of floral and edible gifts from friends he had made in this city.

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"FRIENDLY" TONE OF WILSON NOTE GRATIFIES BERLIN

Prospect of Further Negotiations and Chance to Prove Charges Welcomed.

U. S. MEDIATORY OFFER NOTED

No Difference of Opinion, Says One Newspaper, as to Desirability of Saving Lives.

Berlin (via London), June 12.—The text of the American note was published to-day in the Berlin afternoon newspapers. Definite statements as to the attitude of the German government with respect to the note are not yet available, but in circles which, while themselves not officially responsible, are often good barometers of the sentiment in responsible quarters, the note seems to have made a distinctly favorable impression and is believed to offer the possibility of negotiations on which a satisfactory settlement can be reached.

The conciliatory tone of the note apparently has evoked a responsive attitude here. Individuals who in the earlier stages of the negotiations displayed stiff-necked adherence to their own views, which made discussion almost impossible, are now willing to talk of compromises in which the compromise would not be all on one side.

The official viewpoint can probably be correctly appraised only after conferences among the Imperial Chancellor, Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg, the Foreign Secretary, Herr von Jagow, and representatives of the Army and Admiralty. The Emperor, it is believed, will speak the final word.

It is understood that these conferences will begin immediately. The answer will certainly not be drafted, and the lines of the German policy will probably not be definitely decided upon, before Mr. Anton Meyer-Gerhard, the special envoy from Count von Bernstorff, the German Ambassador at Washington, has arrived and made his report.

Both the "Lokalanzeiger" and the "Vossische Zeitung" hailed the second American note as opening the way for further negotiations between Germany and the United States, which both profess to believe will straighten out the situation. These papers admit that the note contains nothing new, but they rejoice at its friendly tone.

What the United States Must Do. The "Vossische Zeitung" says: "There is no difference of opinion about the desirability of saving lives. The note opens the way for negotiations between Germany and America regarding what Germany can do and what America must do to protect the future."

"The line of thought and the tone of the note," continues the "Vossische Zeitung," "do not make it easily understandable that it brought about the break between President Wilson and Mr. Bryan. After the declarations made by Mr. Bryan one expected a note which would increase the danger of a German-American crisis."

Mr. Bryan's statement to-night was ostensibly made for the purpose of explaining why he signed the strong note of May 13 but declined to sign the note just sent.

"The difference between the two notes would seem obvious enough," he said, "but, lest silence be taken as an admission of inconsistency, the explanation is given."

Statement Not Necessarily True. The former Secretary likened the first note to the plaintiff's statement in a law case, not necessarily true, but based on the evidence at hand. He did not agree entirely with the language of this, he said, but the difference was not so material as to justify a refusal to sign it. At that time, however, he was hoping for three things to develop, which would have made it much easier for Germany to comply with the demands of this government.

First—Announcement of willingness of this government to arbitrate all differences.

Second—Action to prevent American citizens from traveling on belligerent ships or on American ships carrying contraband, especially ammunition.

Third—Further insistence on the part of the United States to accept arbitration.

It would be premature to go into details, especially of a technical nature, now, it is enough to be satisfied that the Wilson note is so constructed as to admit the possibility of additional negotiations. He himself shows a desire for such negotiations. He suggests that the German government produce further proof substantiating the claims regarding the Lusitania, and declares himself ready to act as an intermediary between Germany and Great Britain regarding mutual concessions so far as submarine warfare is concerned.

"True, this offer would have been of considerably greater value if the President had explained that he was willing to make such propositions, whereas he intimated that Germany and Great Britain should initiate the suggestions.

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