

SPECIAL NOTICES

ANNOUNCEMENT

We have been kept too busy to write the advertisements for today's Star. But we hope to be able to have our usual list of good "Propositions" appear in Monday's Star.

TWO-HORSE WAGON LOADS

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STATEMENT DEFENDS HONOR OF THE MIDDLES

Issue Declaration of Principles in Connection With Academy Scandal.

ANNAPOLIS, Md., June 26.—Because they feel that "the public has not had sufficient information to understand clearly their attitude and that grave suspicion is resting upon them that their whole code of morals is on trial," the members of the regiment of midshipmen have issued a "declaration of principles" in connection with the "gouging" scandal at the Naval Academy.

"After referring to the oath of a midshipman to sacrifice all to patriotism and honor the statement says: 'No dishonest practice, where knowledge of such practice has been had by the members of the corps, has ever been tolerated in the regiment of midshipmen. Honesty and veracity have been demanded of every individual. For our mutual protection we have frowned upon any dealings toward a policy less than scrupulously honest and frank. Far from countenancing irregularities which they have been detected to have shown our willingness to aid the authorities in ridding the naval service of such a stain, the members who may be guilty of the misconduct.

Honor Committees Discontinued. "In view of this state of affairs the honor committees of the several classes were discontinued as unnecessary in a military institution, where the principles of honor and truthfulness are the basis of discipline. We have, notwithstanding the discontinuance of these committees, upheld the ideas of honesty and veracity as a matter of loyalty and obedience. "Therefore, since we believe the honor of the Naval Academy to be at stake, and since we consider it imperative upon ourselves to protect it, we present this declaration of our principles, in order that our attitude in this matter may be made clear, definite and final."

Admiral Fullam's Statement.

After referring to his own efforts to keep up the standard of honor in the academy, and expressing confidence in the honor of the regiment as a whole, Admiral Fullam says: "The whole naval system is one of honor from start to finish. It is the best honor system that exists in any institution or in any service. Other honor systems are unnecessary for men of honor, and since we have no more honorable man honorable. The superintendent must emphasize the fact that nothing is more reprehensible than attempts to shield guilty men by throwing the responsibility for their misconduct upon others or by bringing discredit upon those who have used every possible means to establish and maintain high standards."

TOWN BECOMES CENTER OF THE THEATER OF WAR

Dixmude, Wiped Out by Shells, Described by National Geographic Society.

Among the European towns that were in existence before the war, but which a long continued hail of shells and explosives have swept away, is Dixmude, a month-long center of the Flanders battle theater. This city, as it is described in a National Geographic Society statement, "Dixmude, the melancholy little village of yesterday and the ruins of today, was once a brave, wealthy merchant city, with more than 30,000 inhabitants. In the days of its prosperity it was a port for large steamships, and the products of many countries filled its warehouses. In those days it was a strongly walled and bastioned city, and its well trained citizen soldiery knew how to uphold the honor of their thriving port upon the sluggish Scheldt. The German invaders, however, found no evidences of the old-time walls and fortifications, nor of any Yser guays.

Becomes "Decaying Village."

"Dixmude, just before the war, had the final process of its obliteration, was a decaying village of 1,100 people, with grass and weeds growing in its sleepy streets and in its large Grand Square, that square roomy enough to hold in comfort a mass meeting of twice the town's population. This large square, the splendid Church of St. Nicholas, that stood upon it, and some solid, old stone houses lining the crooked streets remained to bear testimony to Dixmude's earlier importance. "Much of the city's splendor was wiped out by the soldiers of Ghent and Bruges in the middle of the sixteenth century. During the 1552 campaign, the Dutch and Spanish troops burned 200 houses, the palatial guild and corporation halls and the chateau at Dixmude. Its walls and the palaces of its merchant princes were destroyed long before the present.

Entertainment for Holidays.

"These singing competitions between the birds were held on holidays, and money prizes were distributed for the sweetest trilling. Accomplished birds often brought their owners large sums. More than 1,000 trills in one hour by one of these slightest little finches was a Dixmude record, and as proud a one to the burghers there as is a base ball pennant in an American city. "The town was medieval in appearance. Many of the houses had windows screened by heavy, rust-eaten iron bars, and heavy, one-piece wooden shutters. Some of them were very ancient, and, thus, valuable memories of Europe's struggles. St. Nicholas' Church, an imposing structure of Gothic tower, was the town's principal boast, and its interior contained some exquisite ornamentation. The palters carved in stone as delicate as rare, handmade lace. The altar screen was prized as one of Europe's marvels."

Gentry Brothers Favor Children.

The Gentry Brothers' show, which are closing their exhibitions this evening at 16th and U streets northwest, have entertained free many children and others during their stay who could not afford to pay the admission price. At the instance of the boys of the eighth police precinct station the children of St. Joseph's Orphan Asylum were guests of the management yesterday, the men of the eighth precinct contributing the cost of their transportation to and from the exhibition grounds, and the day before the inmates of the Methodist Home were guests.

HIS ROYAL MULENESS—FOUR OF HIM—TO RACE

Yea, and There Shall Be Astride Thereof Gentlemen Jockeys.

Tis So.

"What this safe and sane Fourth of July idea needs is something to give it a tang of adventure," said Louis Wilson, the pride of Park road, captain and paymaster in the National Guard of the District of Columbia, and between times discharging officer of the District of Columbia. Mr. Wilson was idly polishing his new two-gallon forty-two centimeter silk hat when he made this remark, in the course of dressing for the many functions which he has to attend. "You are right," was the reply made by Tom Grant, raconteur and secretary of the Chamber of Commerce. It must be understood that Messrs. Wilson and Grant were not conversing by the ordinary word-of-mouth method, but were at that moment bound in the mystic bonds of telepathy, and were exchanging thoughts by less than wireless.

Mule Race Suggested.

This flash of mutual understanding across the dark waves of ether is said to be the beginning of the negotiations for the great American mule race which is to mark the celebration of Independence day in the long meadow which lies along the westerly slopes of the 16th street reservoir, mule being about as independent a thing as can be found, it was suggested by "Chris" Columbus (the word of Columbus, secretary of the Retail Merchants' Association, that the two gentlemen aforesaid should ride mules along a given course for a silver cup. However, Louis Wilson was just a bit shy about appearing in public on a mule, although he has ridden the great surrogates in Washington, but he wanted to have a third party to insure fair play. As Mr. Columbus has heard Tom Grant speak well of and has seen his name in the papers, Mr. Columbus suggested that Tom Grant should ride the third mule.

Wants Reporter Along.

Mr. Grant said that he would just love to take a Fourth of July ride on a mule, or a colt, for that matter, but he did not think it would be fair to him to let this race go unheralded and unsung and that positively a newspaper reporter must accompany him every step of the way to give a true and accurate account of the entire proceeding. Mr. Wilson suggested the well known farmer-journalist and corn boy, John Martin of Kentucky and the Anacostia fisher, Mr. Martin accepted the assignment with alacrity. Therefore the race will be run. A silver cup has been promised to the winner, and it is whispered that four ten-dollar bills have been put up as an added attraction.

All Are Preparing.

Tom Grant is taking riding lessons in a lively stable up town. Louis Wilson is preparing a new suit of silk riding clothes the great surrogates Charles Columbus has threatened to bring in a "dark horse," which is a political expression indicating a surprise. John Martin has bought some arnica, and he has been heard to say that there will be an exciting morning by the reservoir.

Lieut. Windsor Added to Censors.

Lieut. C. C. Windsor has been ordered from the New York navy yard to Sayville, L. I., to increase the number of government censors there to three. Officials here disclaim any connection between the increase in censors and recent official conferences here which were said to reflect the apprehension of the government that American neutrality was being endangered by matter passing through the Sayville station. It is said the Navy Department that the number of censors has been increased because of the large amount of work.

Dr. Van Schaick on Way Home.

Dr. John Van Schaick, pastor of the Church of Our Father, with Mrs. Van Schaick, sailed for home from Holland June 19. Dr. Van Schaick, who has been engaged in war relief work, had expected to go to Poland, but the Rockefeller Foundation contract for relief work in Poland has been canceled by Germany and he is therefore returning to Washington. Dr. Van Schaick has arranged to attend the sessions of the Universalist general conventions in Pasadena and Los Angeles in July and later will go to his farm in New York.

Edward Grant, ten years old, struck and injured by an automobile in Baltimore, died later at an infirmary from the shock and internal injuries. The driver was released.

METHODS OF PROCEDURE BY TRADE COMMISSION

Rules of Practice Partly Follow the Program Adopted by the I. C. C.

Methods to be followed by the newly organized federal trade commission in regulating the business of the country are outlined in the rules of practice, made public today. Framed with a view to keeping proceedings in as simple form as possible, they follow in many respects the practice established by the interstate commerce commission. Although the federal trade commission law and the Clayton anti-trust law clothe the commission with broad discretionary powers, the rules of practice follow the law closely. They provide for daily sessions in Washington to consider pending cases and make orders.

Investigation of Complaints.

To prevent use of the commission as an instrument of persecution in competition, informal complaints will not be made public until they have been investigated and it has been determined whether they justify intervention by the commission. When the commission has decided to take cognizance of a case a formal complaint will be issued and served, with notice of hearing fixed at least forty days after receipt of the complaint. Within thirty days after service of a formal complaint a defendant must file an answer replying in detail. On the complaint and the answer, the commission will take up the case in public hearings, examining witnesses, hearing arguments and accepting briefs. Interested parties will be allowed to intervene on application to the commission.

Rules Governing Service.

Rules governing service of complaints, orders and subpoenas, taking of depositions, where oral testimony is not available, use of documentary evidence and compensation of witnesses, follow closely the rules of procedure in the federal courts. The commission now has under investigation several hundred informal complaints. So far no action has been taken. It is expected, however, that the work of the commission will soon produce results in the shape of formal actions and public hearings.

With three ribs fractured and a lung punctured as the result of a kick from a horse, Alvey Harshman of Wolfville, Md., is in a serious condition and will undergo an operation.

Abe Martin Says:



There's no diplomas fer goin' thro' th' mill. Look out fer th' feller called "Honest John."

NEW STYLE HOSPITAL SHIP.

Bureau of Construction Has Several Changes Under Consideration.

A new type of hospital ship for the navy is under consideration by the bureau of construction and repair. Congress at the recent session omitted to make provision for a new hospital ship, but the recommendation will be renewed next fall, with more hope of success. The new ship, if built, will be better equipped and more up-to-date, from the standpoint of the medical profession, than the vessel now in commission. Mattresses, pillows and hammock mattresses in the navy will in the future be stuffed with kapok. No more hair mattresses or feather pillows will be made for the navy. The present equipment, however, will be kept until it is worn out. These kapok stuffed articles will be used also as life-preservers. The present cork and other like preservers will be retained, however, until all of the feather and hair mattresses and pillows have been replaced with kapok.

Washington Graduates at Ann Arbor

Six students from this city graduated Thursday from the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor. Miss Grace M. Devey received the degree of bachelor of arts from the department of literature, science and the arts. The others who received degrees from the college of engineering are Solomon Shapiro, William J. Ahern, Ralph W. Brown, Jesse Plegman and Albert H. Kaufman.

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