

SECRET MEXICAN ENVOY TO JAPAN ARRESTED BY U. S. ON HIS RETURN

When Men Die. Their Last Words. Character Revealed. What Will You Say?

By ARTHUR BRISBANE. "All the world's a stage, and all the men and women merely players. They have their exits and their entrances; and one man in his time plays many parts."

No thinking man reads unmoved what the intellectual giant, Newton, said, near the close of his life: "I do not know what I may appear to the world; but to myself I seem to have been only like a boy playing on the seashore, and diverting myself in finding a smoother pebble or a prettier shell than ordinary, whilst the great ocean of truth lay all undiscovered before me."

Many men, smaller than Newton, revel in their own importance to the last. Marshal Ney, who fought for Napoleon, then betrayed those for whom he had agreed to betray Napoleon, said before his desperate charge at the Battle of Waterloo was ending: "Come and see how a marshal of France can die."

Murat, another marshal, son of an innkeeper, whom Napoleon pushed ahead, giving him his sister in marriage and making him King of Naples, was, according to Napoleon, the best cavalry officer in Europe, and, according to many young women, the best-looking man. When he faced the firing squad, he said: "Save my face, aim at my heart."

"Give Dayrolles a chair." Polite to the last. According to Boswell's Johnson, Chesterfield said of himself and Lord Trawley, when both were old, what many, no longer useful, might say: "Trawley and I have both been dead these two years, but we don't choose to have it known."

The most pathetic last words are those of Francis Bacon, greatest philosophical mind since Aristotle, born almost two thousand years before him. Bacon died disgraced, but his work has been teaching men for more than three hundred years.

"For my name and memory, I leave it to men's charitable speeches, to foreign nations, and to the next ages." He would not be disappointed if he could come back, for the world cares little about the present or bribe that he took as a judge or his treachery toward his benefactor. "The next ages" see only the intellect of gold, not the feet of clay. Read Bacon's life and his essays.

Byron, after his tempestuous career, made miserable by physical deformity and an energy too powerful for his body, said: "I must sleep now."

SEIZE COPIES OF BRAINARD'S OBSCENE BOOK

Harpers Plant Invaded In Drive to Suppress the Work. CLEAR BOOKSTORE SHELVES

Books Go In Hiding When Grand Jury Member Is Arraigned.

NE WYORK, Dec. 14.—Rapid developments took place yesterday in the prosecution of Clinton T. Brainard, former Washington publisher, secretary of the extraordinary grand jury, and J. P. Morgan's representative in Harper & Brothers, for the publication of the scandalous book, "Madeline."

Brainard, who is president of the publishing house, and has been attacking Mayor Hylan, is out on bail of \$500, pending trial in the court of special sessions, for printing and selling "the filthy and obscene book."

Reputable booksellers are throwing the book from their shelves in this city and authorities in other large cities are preparing to take official action.

The Society for the Suppression of Vice is considering the filing of a formal application to the Postmaster General to bar the book from the mails.

Special agents of the society are sweeping the city for copies of the indecent volume. Department stores have been warned of Magistrate Simpson's action and have promptly pulled the book from their shelves.

America Faces Contest With Russia and Japan For Supremacy of World

By HAYDEN TALBOT. (Copyright, 1919, by Universal Service.) BERLIN, Dec. 1.—"Not yesterday nor today matters. Tomorrow is all that matters."

"With the coming of the twenty-first century," continued Rathenau soberly, "the world will include exactly three great powers, America, Russia, and Japan. By or before the year 2100 there will come a conflict that will decide which one of these three powers will cease to function."

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Dec. 14.—Little Jimmy Blake, who disappeared Friday night while with his mother on a street in Ventnor, was not kidnapped, according to the opinion expressed today by W. W. Sprague, chief of police in the suburb.

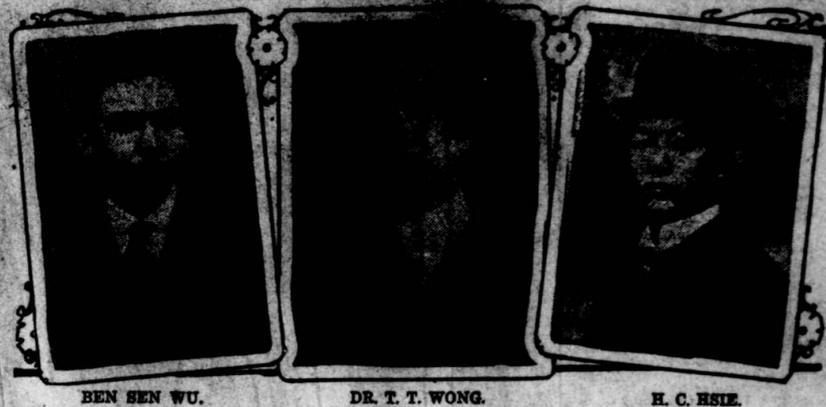
Family is Separated. Mrs. Blake, who has been in a serious condition since the boy disappeared Friday night, has not been questioned by officers yet. Her physicians said her mental and nervous state was such it would be dangerous to disturb her.

WILL YOU Be a Good Fellow?

Policemen Join Ranks of Good Fellows in Effort to Assure All Children in Capital a Merry Christmas—600 Boys and Girls Assigned.

Hundreds of members of the Metropolitan Police force this week will become Good Fellows to aid in ferreting out the names of little children whom the reindeer special might miss and old folks who face a Christmas without cheer.

Victims of Chinese Mission House Triple Slaying



BEN SEN WU. DR. T. T. WONG. H. C. HSIEH.

NEW ALLIANCE OF EUROPEAN POWERS SEEN

LONDON, Dec. 14.—The vague and colorless official communique issued late last night about the secret Downing Street conferences served only to strengthen the wide-spread conviction that the foundation has been laid for a new European alliance with Britain and France as the main pillars and Italy and Belgium hoped for as supporting poles.

Decisions Reached. Unofficially, but on unusually well informed authority, the Universal Service learns that the following provisional decisions were reached: 1—Britain has pledged financial and economic assistance to France to tide that country over the present critical fiscal situation and enable her to play a strong role on the continent.

No Bolshevik Recognition. 2—There will be no recognition of the Bolshevik government in Russia, though France and Britain are prepared to recognize a "stable government" there if formed. Further conferences on the Russian problem will be held in London soon.

GRIFFITH AND MOVIE PARTY REACH BAHAMAS

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 14.—It has been announced from the office of D. W. Griffith, moving picture magnate, that a telegram has been received from him at Nassau, Bahamas, indicating that he and his party of twenty movie actors and actresses had arrived there. No mention was made of any accident or delay en route from the Florida coast.

MONEY ASKED TO START U. S.-GERMAN AIR LINE

BERLIN, Dec. 14.—The Unger Steel Airship Company yesterday began advertising for capital with which to construct ships and terminals for the proposed air service between Germany and the United States.

ARRESTED IN FRISCO WITH COSTLY GIFTS

U. S. Immigration Authorities Take Mysterious Diplomat From Steamer. OBJECT OF VISIT UNKNOWN

San Francisco, Dec. 14.—Acting on orders from Washington, immigration authorities have taken into custody Lieut. Col. M. Emilio Cirios, who returned yesterday from Japan.

U. S. WITHOUT WORD ON HOLDING OF AMERICAN. The Government today is hurriedly investigating the report from Eagle Pass, Texas, that Mexican bandits, led by Pancho Villa, are holding Fred G. Hugo, American ranch manager, for \$10,000 ransom.

Repudiates Confession. Wan has now repudiated this recital of one of the most extraordinary slaying mysteries in American criminal records. He declares that it was obtained under great duress; that he was the victim of one of the most searching and cruel third degrees to which any suspect was ever subjected; that advantage was taken of his ignorance of American law, and that his rights and privileges under the law were violated beyond all right or reason.

MOTHER OFFERS HER UNBORN BABY FOR SALE. SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 15.—Sale of an unborn baby due to arrive with Santa Claus was blocked today by Juvenile Officer Astero.

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