CIVILIAN MANAGERS FOR NAVY YARDS?

Rumor Has It That Secretary Meyer Contemplates Radical Change in Policy

Following the announcement that the navy department is planning to abandon a large number of navy yards and naval stations and to concentrate the plants in two yards on the Atlantic and two on the Pacific coast, a report has come that the new navy yards, including the enlarged one in San Francisco, may be conducted under civilian management. Secretary of the Navy Meyer, it is stated, having revived an old project to effect this radical change.

From time immemorial the navy yards have been commanded and managed by naval officers. Some years ago, it was suggested that these officers could be more profitably employed afloat and that the navy yards could be managed, more efficiently by civilians, experts in business methods and the handling of large plants, such as great shipyards, manufacturing plants and the like.

The obstacle to the scheme lay in the difficulty in securing the services of men competent to do the work at the salaries that the government would pay. Another objection raised was the opportunities that would be offered for political preferment and the distribution of "pork." The movement soon died out.

At any rate naval men in San Francisco and at Mare island are not concerning themselves much over the secretary's supposed plan, although many of his recent steps have indicated a tendency to bring about such a change.

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THOSE who wander into the Bohemia whence Mary Garden recently fled leave convention behind them. The most formal become friendly with perfectly strange fellow diners, who have no other social recommendation than an adjoining table in Bohemia. The gentleman who is technically known as "bouncer," is especially popular, and it is considered a great distinction for him to condescend to a liquor at one's table; while entertainers are quite the aristocracy, as they are in most Bohemias for some reason, possibly the power of talent. It was a sort of social triumph for Joseph D. Redding and Vail Bakewell to make good as entertainers. Every one in the room wanted to buy them liquors. The belles of Telegraph hill smiled for them, and they knew the aloof indifference of those to whom smiles and liquors are nightly rendered.

It happened on a recent evening when several men drifted in from the world to dine. They found an engaging informality, and, the "bouncer" being gracious, were distinguished by his favor. But there was no music. Or it was over too soon, or something. Anyway there was a pause that required music. Mr. Bakewell and Mr. Redding sought the piano. Mr. Bakewell sang "Pagliacci," "La Boheme," "The Girl of the Golden West" and "Natoma," and Mr. Redding played his accompaniments, and it was an artistic triumph as well as one that gave them prestige in Bohemia.

There was another night when a young matron of the outside world, who drifted into Bohemia to dine with friends, danced in a fascinating "Merry Widow" way that won applause and made the entertainers unbend to the envy of others less favored.

It is a queer "Through the Looking Glass" place where things that count in a Greenway set avail nothing and the "bouncer" is social arbiter.

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An engagement announcement that will be of great interest to local society is that of Miss Meeta Campbell Graham of Washington, D. C., and Dr. Carroll Storrs Alden of Annapolis. The news was told at a recent dinner party given by Captain and Mrs. A. H. Scales on the U. S. S. Santee at Annapolis. Mrs. Scales was formerly Miss Harriet Graham. The bride to be is a daughter of Brigadier General William Montrose Graham, U. S. A., who was stationed at the Presidio for a long time, and who was very popular here. Miss Graham is a grand niece of Major General George G. Meade of Gettysburg fame. Another sister of the bride to be is Mrs. Otis Burrage, wife of Captain Burrage, who has taken a house at Sausalito for the summer. Mrs. Burrage was formerly Miss Mary Graham. Doctor Alden is a graduate of Yale and has been instructor in English at the naval academy since 1904. He was graduated from Yale in 1908 and has been an assistant in the English department of that university. The date for the wedding is not announced.

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Miss O'Callahan and Miss Annie O'Callahan will leave early in July for Bartlett springs, where they will remain for the next two months.

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Mrs. George Carlton Mullen, formerly Miss Olga Atherton, is a visitor from Palo Alto and is the guest of Miss Josephine Hannigan for a few days. Another guest at the Hannigan home is Mrs. George Marong of Honolulu, who is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Hannigan, and she is being entertained at a series of enjoyable affairs.

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Cards have been sent out announcing the marriage of Miss Virginia G. Cobb and James J. Tormey, which took place on June 11 at St. Mary's church in this city. There was none but relatives at the pretty ceremony, and the officiating clergyman was Rev. Father James Tuohy. The young couple have been passing their honeymoon in Los Angeles and the southern part of the state, but will return to establish their home here.

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Doctor and Mrs. William Voorsanger will leave next Sunday for Los Angeles, and after a brief sojourn in that city they will pass two weeks at the Potter in Santa Barbara before returning to their home in this city.

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Mrs. George H. Hellman, who is visiting her brother, Brooke M. Wright, in Tacoma, will return to her home in this city in the latter part of June. Mrs. Selden S. Wright will remain in the north all summer.

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Mrs. Eleanor Martin entertained at an informal dinner party given last evening at her home in Broadway for fewer than a score of guests. The table decorations were American beauty roses.

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Walter Martin returned this week after an extended visit in New York and Washington, and is again at his Burlingame home.

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Mr. and Mrs. Ernest G. Stillman left yesterday for the east, and after a brief stay in New York they will sail for Europe, expecting to pass the later part of the season in Paris. They will visit England and the large cities of the British isles and will return to New York to occupy a handsome home that awaits them in the eastern city. Mr. and Mrs. Stillman passed the earlier days of their honeymoon in the southern part of the state.

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The hop given last evening at the Officers' club was one of the most enjoyable affairs given at the Presidio this season. The affair was arranged as a welcome to the officers and their wives just returned from the Mexican border, and the occasion was delightfully informal. The hop room was decorated with flags and flowers and scores of pretty gowns added to the attractive scene. The dance was directed by a committee composed of Captain Louis Chappelear, Lieutenant Abney Payne and Lieutenant Francis P. Hardaway. There was a large attendance from the posts around the bay, and several of the younger girls from town enjoyed the affair.

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Mr. and Mrs. Elton Bailey McFarland returned to their home in this city a few days ago after enjoying a stay of three weeks in the Yosemite valley. Mrs. McFarland was formerly Miss Genevieve Beckwith.

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Dr. Walton Thorne and Mrs. Thorne, with Jack Wilson Jr., Mrs. Thorne's son, are established at Hillside inn, Belvedere, for the summer.

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Mrs. Baldwin Wood will entertain at an elaborate luncheon Saturday at her San Mateo home in compliment to Miss Mary Keeney, the fiancee of Talbot Walker.

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Mrs. John A. Murtagh and her two young daughters arrived from their home in Fort Leavenworth this week on a visit to Mrs. Murtagh's mother, Mrs. J. de Barth Shorb, at the home of the latter in Broadway. On account of the excessive heat at Fort Leavenworth Mrs. Murtagh will remain here for several weeks with her children. Captain Murtagh is stationed at Fort Leavenworth and Mrs. Murtagh has been there for several months. Mrs. Murtagh will be remembered as Miss Ramona Shorb, and she has many friends here who will entertain for her during her visit.

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Mrs. George Stark Towne of Los Angeles, who is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Pierce Johnson of Monte Vista avenue, Oakland, is being entertained by her friends on both sides of the bay. Mrs. Towne, who will be remembered as Miss Arlene Johnson, has made her home in the southern city since her marriage last season.

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Lieutenant Frank B. Freyer is ordered for duty in the office of the judge advocate general in the navy department at Washington. Lieutenant and Mrs. Freyer will make their home in the eastern city. They returned recently from the orient.

CHILD'S GRAVE MAY RECONCILE COUPLE

Judge Graham Seeks to Restore Domestic Harmony

Blanche Gallagher, who appeared before Judge Graham last week and asked the assistance of the court in having the body of her little girl exhumed from her mother in law's grave in Holy Cross cemetery, for return to a plot owned by her in which it had been originally interred, agreed yesterday morning to allow the baby's body to remain where it is, provided she were given a half interest in the plot, which was arranged.

Judge Graham had James Gallagher, who is an iron worker, appear in the court chambers yesterday morning to meet his estranged wife. When the couple had met Judge Graham asked Mrs. Gallagher to accept a half interest in the plot owned by her husband, and after a few moments of thought, she did so. The court hopes that the constant meeting of the childless couple at the little grave will lead to a reconciliation.

Yesterday's Fire Record

12:53 a. m.—2612 Twenty-fifth street, frame dwelling, owned and occupied by Mrs. A. Philer. Caused by defective chimney; loss to building slight, to contents none.

4:05 a. m.—Montgomery and Jackson streets, fire under sidewalk. Caused by cigar or cigarette in rubbish; no loss.

9:54 a. m.—1475 Forty-eighth avenue, dwelling, occupied by A. McKenzie. Caused by defective chimney; loss trifling.

3 p. m.—455 Thirtieth avenue, dwelling, occupied by J. Hurrell. Caused by defective chimney; loss, about $200.

3:01 p. m.—Eddy and Taylor, dry grass burning in vacant lot; no loss.

Printer Can't Keep Up With Certificate Book Demand

Here is news for out of town contestants—and San Francisco contestants, too.

Don't become impatient if your orders for certificate books are not filled for a day or so.

The printer has been kept hustling to supply the demand for the books, and finally he has called for more time. The next consignment on our order will not be ready until Friday noon—tomorrow noon.

We called for a thousand books yesterday, but could not get them.

The first consignment will come at noon tomorrow, and we'll get more in the afternoon.

So keep right on sending and bringing in your orders. They will be taken down, and the certificate books will be mailed out just as soon as possible after the arrival of the first books tomorrow.

According to word received from the Oakland office of The Call last evening, there are 43 books left there, and they will be sold as long as they last. Then orders will be taken there also.

Do not think that the sale of certificate books has been discontinued or that the supply has been exhausted.

That is not the case. The total order now with the printer will keep us going for a few more days—it may last through July 9, which is the last day for the sale of pictures and coupons. But this is far from certain.

If the total order is exhausted, we will not have time to get out a new supply—that IS certain.

But the books are still here—they're merely slow in coming from the printer. We regret the delay, particularly at this stage of the contest. But get in you orders, and they will be filled in the order we receive them.

Remember, first come, first served!

You can give in your orders at the main office of The Call, Third and Market streets, San Francisco, or at the Oakland office, 952 Broadway; or mail them to the Booklovers' Contest editor, The San Francisco Call, San Francisco, Cal. In addition to sending the $1 for the certificate book, remember to inclose 4 cents for postage.

Have you been around to see the Velie automobile, value $2,100, first prize in the Booklovers' Contest; the Ford touring car, second prize and the Ford racy runabout, fourth prize? They are all on exhibition at the showrooms of the Standard motor car company, Van Ness and Golden Gate avenues.

Those three magnificent Kohler & Chase player pianos, third, fifth and sixth prizes, may be seen and heard at the showrooms of Kohler & Chase, 26 O'Farrell street, San Francisco, and 1015 Broadway, Oakland.

Everyman's library books can be purchased in any book store. The seventh prize is 500 leather bound volumes of these collections of the master works of the world, the eighth prize 350 volumes and the ninth prize 300 volumes. The publishers are E. P. Dutton & Co., New York city.

The eight Columbia grafonolas and the eight Columbia graphophones to be awarded by The Call in this contest are creating much interest. These instruments are renowned among musicians for their delicacy of tone.

The Mercantile self-filling fountain pens, prominent among the honorable mention prizes, are attracting considerable attention. Exactly 150 of these famous pens will be awarded. They are sold by dealers everywhere and guaranteed by the makers, the Aiken-Lambert company of New York city.

Pig'n Whistle candies are very prominent among the honorable mention prizes. Two hundred and fifty five-pound boxes of these delicious candies will be awarded. The Pig'n Whistle is at 130 Post street.

QUERIES ANSWERED BY THE CONTEST EDITOR

Contestants can not have their sets of pictures and coupons returned after the contest is over. The correct titles will be published at the time the awards are made, or before, so you can see how you stand.

Contestants desiring to trim their pictures and coupons, to make them uniform, may do so. Some are wider than others.

Contestants may paste the pictures and coupons in blank books, etc., in any way they wish, provided that they are kept in sequence and provided that all answers to the same picture are kept together.

Several contestants wish to know whether certain effects in certain pictures are errors in printing or drawing, or whether they are placed in the pictures advisedly. These leading questions can not be answered. It can only be stated again that there are no catches or sly subterfuges in the pictures.

The pictures may represent the titles of plays, stories, poems, etc., provided that these have appeared in book form.

CRUTCHFIELD IS TO BE CHIEF EXAMINER

George Cruchfield, chief special examiner of the naturalization bureau in Chicago, has been ordered to take charge of this division of the bureau, according to unofficial advices received here yesterday. It was rumored a short time ago that P. W. Blaiser, who has heretofore been handling the work in this division alone, was to be transferred to Chicago on July 1, but he received a telegram yesterday from Washington advising him not to expect to be removed to the east before the first of October in any event.

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INFANT MORTALITY is something frightful. We can hardly realize that of all the children born in civilized countries, twentytwo per cent., or nearly one-quarter, die before they reach one year; thirtyseven per cent., or more than one-third, before they are five, and one-half before they are fifteen!

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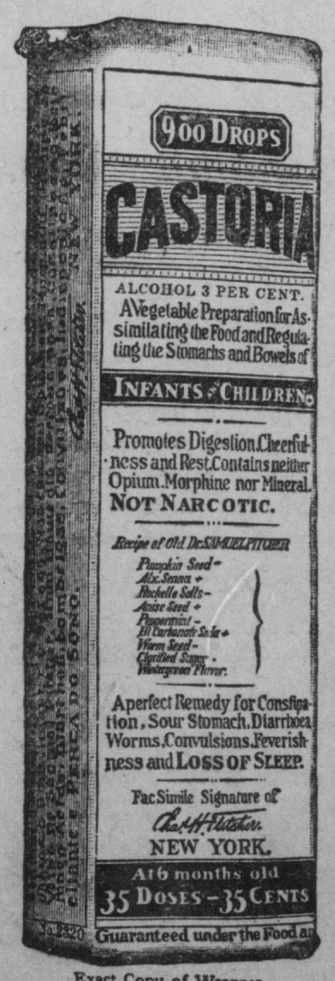

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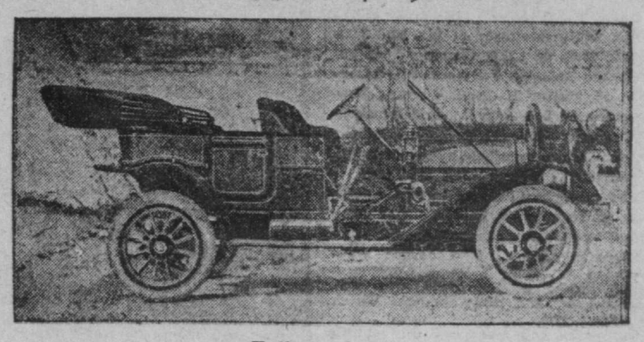

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