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REVEAL TREND OF CURRENTS

Travel of Bottles Dropped into the Ocean Convey Information to the Navy Departments.

The hydrographic bureau of the navy department is always interested in endeavors to ascertain, by means of bottle messages, information as to the movements of the oceans. These bottles contain papers that have been dropped overboard from vessels in many places, to drift at the mercy of the winds and waves. Many of them have been found and picked up either in the open sea or on shores where they have been stranded.

Knowing from their records where the bottles had been thrown overboard, the bureau has been able to trace, in a general way, the path they must have followed in order to reach the places where they were found. In one report alone there were published the adventures of over one hundred bottles.

Being partially filled with air and then securely corked, the bottles float on the surface of the water and go wherever the wind and the current of the sea carry them. Each bottle contains a record of the place and the date of its starting. Some of those found have floated for many months, and sometimes years, and have traveled thousands of miles.

It has been found that bottles dropped overboard between the shores of the United States and England or France usually travel toward the northeast, following the course of that great river in the Atlantic ocean, the gulf stream. Bottles started off the coasts of Spain and Africa travel, as a rule, westward until they arrive among the West India islands. Along the European side of the ocean the bottle takes a southerly course and along the American side a northerly course.

Forming Habits.

We believe in the greatest freedom for the youth; we believe in a happy environment that will create noble characters; we believe the spirit of the boy should be held sacred and directed toward the achievement of higher things in life than social gossip and amusement, and we believe that the encouragement of pool playing as an adjunct of the public schools, it makes no difference how many boards of education, committees, public meetings, may favor it, is a mistake. The idea that we must resort to games to hold the boys to their school work carries with it the impression that our school methods are wrong, and there can be no other justification of pool playing in school-rooms than that impression. Education should be given world-wide room. It should be as free as the air on the prairies. It should never be contracted to a habit-forming amusement in response to the exactions of this materialistic age.—Columbus (O.) Journal.

That Made Them Pay.

A small tradesman once put up the following sign in his shop: "Please don't ask for credit, as a refusal often offends." Finding that this had little effect and that his credit book was attaining great proportions, he resolved on trying another plan, and immediately fixed up another notice in place of the former one: "The names and addresses of all those who buy goods at this shop, and don't pay for them, can be seen in the credit book on payment of a fee of ten cents." The result was miraculous. Not only did the curious pay their ten cents by the dozen, but those owing accounts speedily settled them until the credit book was a thing of the past.

When Nails Loosen.

Deafness sends this hint: As soon as a picture nail driven in a wall gets loose and the plaster begins to break around it, it can be made solid and firm by the following process. Saturate a bit of wadding with thick glue, wrap as much as possible around the nail and reinsert the latter in the hole, pressing it home as strongly as possible. The nail will thus be firmly fastened in its place.

She Gave Him the Limit.

Willie Woo—"If you will marry me I will go to the end of the earth for you." The Widow Grass—"Yes, and leave me there. Not much. If I become your wife you stay where you are and hustle."—St. Louis Globe Democrat.

What Interested Him.

"Did Mr. Chuggins keep a notebook on his travels?" "Yes. But all he wrote in it was the number of blow-outs he had and the amounts of the fines he paid."—Washington Star.

FRENCH LINE AT VERDUN HOLDS

GERMANS' ATTEMPT TO FOLLOW UP DOUAMONT SUCCESSES ARE REPULSED.

Heavy Fighting Continues With Germans the Aggressors, But No New Changes in Position Have Taken Place.

London.—Heavy fighting in the region of Verdun continues, with the Germans still the aggressors, but, according to the latest French official communication, no new changes in position have taken place.

Following up their recapture of Fort Douaumont, northeast of Verdun, the Germans have striven, but ineffectually, to drive out the French from the approaches, to the fort, where they drew lines when forced to vacate the fort itself.

The attack was a strong one, but Paris reports that it was repulsed, the Germans suffering heavy casualties. This was the only infantry attack in all the Verdun region, says Paris, but the artillery of both sides has been extremely active on all sectors and especially in the region of Avocourt and Hill 304.

The British and Germans have confined their recent fighting mainly to bombardments and sapping operations. There have been several minor infantry attacks and bomb throwing expeditions by both sides, but in these no material advantage accrued to either.

Eighteen persons have been killed and a score injured in an Austrian air raid on Bari, on the Italian Adriatic coast. The victims were largely women and children, the dispatch adds.

WORKING FOR LASTING PEACE.

Former President Taft Outlines Objects of Peace League.

Washington.—The League to Enforce Peace, formed a year ago in Independence hall at Philadelphia, with the aim of securing a lasting world peace at the close of the European war, held its first annual meeting here Friday and heard its president, William H. Taft, and other men prominent in the country's affairs, state the purposes of the organization and outline what it hopes to accomplish.

Slight reference was made to ending the present war.

The league's determination to confine its efforts to establishing a permanent peace for the future was described by Mr. Taft as developing from a belief that a definite purpose, with limitations, was more likely to be realized than if the league essayed too much.

VILLISTA CHIEF KILLED.

Outlaw Attacks Army Engineers and is Shot Down.

Columbus, N. M.—Candelario Cervantes, the Villista bandit leader, was killed by American troops south of Cruces on Friday.

Cervantes' end came after he had made a surprise attack south of Cruces on a detachment of engineers repairing the motor truck road. He was beaten back and pursued into the hills by the engineers, who had been reinforced by a detachment of the Seventeenth infantry.

One other Mexican, Jose Bencorne, and one of the Americans were killed. Two Americans were wounded.

Police Battle With Desperado.

San Francisco.—Barricaded in a boathouse on the edge of San Francisco bay, a lone desperado fought a half-hour gun and revolver battle Friday with fifty policemen, who surrounded his lair after he had killed Police Sergeant John Moriarity. The defender was found dead on the floor when the police finally captured the boat house after shooting the lock off the door.

An Oregon Tragedy.

Salem, Ore.—William L. Paterson, a cigar store owner, shot and killed his wife and baby daughter and then turned a revolver upon himself. He died soon afterward. Neighbors said Paterson had become mentally unbalanced over worrying about his wife, who had been ill.

Speculator Need Not Pay Notes.

Chicago.—United States circuit court of appeals has upheld the lower court holding that Joseph Leiter could not be compelled to pay notes for \$257,399 because they were under the statutes, gambling debts.

Hilles on the Job.

Chicago.—Charles D. Hilles, chairman of the Republican national committee, arrived in Chicago Friday and will remain until after the national convention of the party June 7.

Killed by Electric Shock.

Sag Harbor, L. I.—Lieutenant Clarence Alvin Richards, commander of the United States destroyer Fanning, was killed by an electric shock in the station of the Sag Harbor Light & Power company.

Million for War Relief.

New York.—The Rockefeller foundation announced Friday that it had appropriated \$1,000,000 for war relief in Poland, Serbia, Montenegro and Albania, to be expended at the discretion of the executive committee.

IN THE GEM STATE

The Morning Chronicle, a daily paper published at Pocatello, has suspended publication.

Charles Busco, who was taken into custody at Pocatello, charged with having intoxicating liquor on his person, was fined \$100.

There is widespread sentiment at Middleton favoring the holding of a community Fourth of July celebration in Middleton again this year.

Becoming tangled up in a rope attached to a calf, C. H. Hall, aged 72, of Nampa, was thrown to the ground and his hip, arm and thumb were broken.

Five members of the Boise Military Rifle club have qualified as expert marksmen as the result of scores made in the qualification shoot started three weeks ago.

Matches in the hands of youngsters of the neighborhood are believed to have started a blaze which destroyed the two-story barn belonging to C. W. Crouse at Caldwell.

Lieutenant V. R. Hall, in charge of the recruiting stations in the intermountain district, reports that the recruiting is progressing satisfactorily in Idaho Falls and Pocatello.

The administration of Jeremiah W. Robinson, mayor of Boise, will be sustained or he will be recalled on June 1 when the first recall election in the history of Boise will take place.

Word comes from Monida, Mont., that C. H. Anderson, formerly of Idaho Falls, has been severely injured in a runaway accident. Two ribs were fractured and he was otherwise bruised.

Nampa's new \$58,000 high school building will provide floor space ample for the needs of several years, even though the city continues to grow at its present rate of increase.

Kalman, Matteson & Wood of St. Paul, Minn., became the purchasers last week of the Ada county good road bond issue of \$200,000, their bid being the best of the fifteen bids submitted to the county commissioners.

The Seventh Day Adventist conference at Boise re-elected Elder T. G. Bunch as president for the coming year. Elder Bunch will remain a citizen of Boise, and the office of the conference will also remain in that city.

The public utilities commission has granted permission to the village of McCammon to construct, own and operate a waterworks system for the purpose of furnishing a domestic supply of water for the inhabitants of the village.

The Brigham Young college easily defeated the Idaho Technical institute track team at Pocatello in a dual meet, 89 to 27. The visitors took firsts in every event except the broad jump, the 120-yard hurdles and the discus throw.

The entire amount of the warrants raised by W. F. Horne during the eight years he was auditor of Blaine county has been paid to the county, together with interest at 7 per cent, by the bonding companies which were sureties for Horne.

National guardsmen from two states, Idaho and Montana, will be encamped in Boise for a fortnight beginning July 1 if tentative plans now being worked on by the governor and Adjutant General P. H. Crow can be successfully carried out.

The moving picture men of Pocatello are threatening to bring an injunction against the city, to prevent it from granting a free permit to a carnival company to use the streets of the city for six days during the Eagles' convention in June.

Left alone for a short time by an older child with whom she was playing, Ruby, two-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. Farer, residing two miles south of Twin Falls, toddled from a foot bridge spanning an irrigation ditch and was drowned.

At a meeting of representatives of all the water users of Snake River valley held at Boise, John Empey was chosen as water master for the upper Snake river district. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss ways and means of handling the storage water from Jackson's lake reservoir.

In attempting to turn out for a passing automobile while going at a high rate of speed near Twin Falls, four men, E. Mel Crockett, Roy M. Mercer, Herbert Shaw and Robert Blair, were seriously injured, two of them dangerously, when their automobile turned completely over three times.

State Engineer Smith has decided that the Big Lost River Land & Water company, predecessor in interest of the Utah Construction company, had completed its canals to the extent necessary for the diversion of the full amount of water claimed by it, and thereby perfected its rights.

The state Democratic convention completed its work at Pocatello by selecting delegates to the national convention at St. Louis and re-electing Robert H. Elder national committee man. Nineteen delegates, headed by Governor Moses Alexander, were named, one of them being Miss Teresa Graham.

The report for the year ending April 30 of the Carnegie library at Boise shows an increase in circulation, over last year of 14,559, the largest increase in one year in the history of the library. The total circulation for the year was 73,972, and the average daily attendance was 242.

When contemplated improvements on Lincoln park at Pocatello are completed, the amusement park will boast an up-to-date roller skating rink, a merry-go-round and a number of well equipped bath houses, in addition to the special concession features.

RENEWS PROTEST TO GREAT BRITAIN

PRESIDENT DECLARES INTERFERENCE WITH MAILS MUST CEASE AT ONCE.

Takes Position That Practices Complain of in First Note Have Been Continued and Insists That They Cease.

Washington.—President Wilson has completed a note vigorously renewing the protest of the United States to Great Britain against interference with American mails.

Secretary Lansing and legal experts at the state department made the original draft of the note and the president revised its phraseology.

It is made up largely of legal arguments to meet the contentions of Great Britain in the memorandum, concurred in by France, presented to the state department several weeks ago. The United States takes the position that practices complained of in its first note on the subject have been continued and that the American government must now insist more emphatically that they cease.

State department officials consider that the chief weakness in the position of Great Britain is her policy of taking neutral mail vessels into British jurisdiction and submitting them to local censorship regulations. It is understood that it is on this point that the renewed protest is chiefly based. The British memorandum avoided this phase of the question. Rapid transmission was promised to "true correspondence," but the right to seize contraband sent in the mails was maintained.

The Hague convention of 1907, the United States contends, guarantees the inviolability of postal correspondence and the new note again points to the inconvenience and actual money loss resulting from the continuance of the British policy of taking neutral mail vessels into British ports and there examining and detaining the mails. A mass of evidence has been collected showing the effects on American business of the British policy.

MAJORITY FAVORS BRANDIES.

Committee Divides on Party Lines, Republicans Opposing Confirmation.

Washington.—The senate judiciary committee voted ten to eight on Wednesday to report favorably to the senate the nomination of Louis D. Brandeis to be associate justice of the supreme court. It was a strict party vote.

Senators voting for confirmation were Culberson, Overman, Chilton, O'Gorman, Fletcher, Reed, Ashurst, Shields, Walsh and Smith of Georgia. Senators voting against confirmation were Clark of Wyoming, Nelson, Dillingham, Sutherland, Brandegee, Borah, Cummins and Works.

INCREASED NAVAL EXPENDITURE

Bill Reported to House Carries Increase of Over \$91,000,000.

Washington.—The naval appropriation bill carrying a total of \$241,000,000 was reported to the house Wednesday by Chairman Padgett of the naval committee. The committee's report says that the \$91,787,287 increase over last year's appropriation was found necessary "to place the navy in a better state of preparedness." It states that a total of \$98,859,378 is provided for new ships, including five battle cruisers, and to continue ships now building.

FOUR DIE IN MINE FIRE.

Heavy Damage Done by Fire in Nevada Mine.

Reno, Nev.—Four are dead and heavy damage has been done to the old Belcher workings of the Yellow-jacket mine at Gold Hill, adjoining Virginia City, by a fire that broke out at the compressor station on the 1,400-foot level. The dead are Thomas McDonald, Felice Casale, D. O'Into and E. Battaglia, all of Gold Hill. The fire started through a fuse blowing out and the flames reached the timbering in a flash.

Government Controls Meat Supply.

Berlin.—The appropriation of all supplies of meat in Germany is foreshadowed by the issuance of an ordinance placing all meat supplies on hand May 25 at the disposal of the imperial meat bureau, which has just been created. This bureau will authorize the sale or further disposal of meat at "reasonable prices."

Dr. Holder Resigns Office.

Washington.—Dr. Charles A. Holder, foreign trade advisor of the state department, has resigned, effective June 5, to go into the New York banking and exporting house of Amstnk & Co.

Sioux City Bank Robbed.

Sioux City.—A masked robber entered the Farmers & Merchants' bank here at noon Tuesday, forced the cashier at the point of a gun to turn over from \$800 to \$1,000 and then made his escape.

Porto Ricans Profit by War.

San Juan, Porto Rico.—Porto Rican sugar producers are making unexpectedly large profits, owing to the condition of the crops and the prices obtained in consequence of the European war.



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Small Girl Felt That Price Had Been Set, and She Intended to Get It.

"Now, be daddy's girlie," coaxed papa, "and take the nice medicine."
"Tain't nice," protested daddy's own, as she biffed the dose of castor oil all over the counterpane of her little cot.

Wearied with his endeavors, the harassed man brought a shining dime into the matter, and the oil was gulped down with a few tears.

Next day there was more insubordination, but this time it was the piano. Mother's darling firmly refused to do her practice.

"What a naughty little girl it is!" chided the mother.

"Don't care," grumbled the youngster, as she gave the piano a kick.

"Now, treasure, you shall have a whole penny if you'll do your exercise nicely," urged mamma.

"Sha'n't," retorted treasure, getting off the piano stool. "I can make more than that taking castor oil."

Seventeen Sons in the Army.

Surely there would never have been any need to introduce compulsory military service if every British mother had followed the example of Mrs. Davies of Church Stretton, Salop, England.

This good lady, the widow of a soldier, has given no fewer than 17 sons to the army, of whom 14 were actually on active service with the colors on September 15, 1914, six weeks only after the outbreak of the war.

Another patriotic mother, Mrs. Jones of Kyverdale road, Stamford Hill, gave her three triplet sons and a fourth son to the army.

Then there is Mrs. Potter, a Portsmouth (England) widow, aged eighty-three, who has been awarded a prize locally for being the head of the family with the most members in the fighting service. Sixteen of her grandsons are in the army or the navy, and the husbands of four of her granddaughters are on active service, making 20 of her descendants altogether fighting for king and country. In addition, two other grandsons, now dead, were in the navy.

None Needed.

"She's her own chaperon."
"How's that?"
"You ought to see her face."—Gargoyles.

His Choice.

A prisoner was arraigned before the criminal court. Present in courtroom were Lawyers Smith, Brown and Robinson.

"Where is your lawyer?" inquired the judge.

"I have none," responded the prisoner; "haven't any money."

"Do you want a lawyer?" asked the judge.

"Yes, your honor."

"There is Mr. Smith, Mr. Brown and Mr. Robinson," said the judge, pointing to the young attorneys waiting briefless and breathless for something to turn up, "and Mr. Alexander is out in the corridor."

The prisoner eyed the budding attorneys, and after a critical survey said: "Well, I guess I'll take Mr. Alexander."

Eat Fruit.

The more fruit we add to our dietary the clearer brain and clearer skin we are likely to have.

Some people who think they know how to raise chickens don't even know how to raise children.

Many a woman firmly believes what is to be will be—and that it will be the fault of her husband.

Counting pilots and observers there are more than 50,000 men now in Europe in daily flights above the ground.

It has been said that some women marry for the purpose of obtaining a listener who can't get away.

If a man is a chronic grumbler it always makes him happy to find a button off his coat when his wife is busy.

Lost Their Opportunity.

"I was sitting in the smoking parlor next to two men who were discussing the advisability of buying themselves a drink. They then called the porter and asked if it was possible to purchase in that part of the country."
"Yes, sah," he replied, "you'll find it here in New Mexico, but not in Arizona."

So the two began to plan what would have. After a number of suggestions, they decided on a pair of highballs.

"Porter," ordered the one who first brought up the subject, "two highballs—with ginger."

"Can't have it," replied the porter.

"It's against the law, sah."

"Why, didn't you just tell me ago that you could?"

"Yes, I told you that, but you was makin' up yo' mind to cross the line into Arizona."

Pigeons as Photographers.

The pigeon of war, though the sin of the dove of peace, has an important factor in modern warfare.

In this war he has acquired a special value as a messenger and a spy. With a camera peculiarly adapted to his purpose, he can dodge the aeroplanes and penetrate the lines until their innermost secrets are recorded by his lens.

The tiny camera is fastened to the bird's body, where it will pedal flying. Its shutter works automatically.

The birds are trained as carrier pigeons—in fact they are used to some extent to carry messages—but it is as scouts that they have become indispensable to every army in Europe. French have made the most tests of the war pigeons, and their conclusions have resulted in the addition of many automobile houses to the general army equipment.

After the Honey.

Mrs. George Jay Gould was dining at a dinner in New York in the company of a man of a rather rather the nature.

"These romantic and poetic marriages are very fine," said the man.

"She shook her head pensively."

"Love," she said, "laughs at smiths, but later on the door does the same thing."

To Manufacture Optical Glass.

The manufacture of optical glass is about to be based on a commercial basis, a factory having been erected by the company of Rochester, N. Y., which will be equipped to make lenses from the tiny glass of the microscope to that of the light measuring several feet in diameter. The first effort in this was made about twenty years ago and the effort was a failure.

The latest effort in the manufacture of this glass was made experimentally by the company a few years ago, and when it broke out this had just secured its success, so that it would have come along in the order of things, but the war has forcedly demonstrated the necessity of optical glass, which is completely cut off from one or the other of the belligerent countries.

Few men can convince themselves they are having a good time when they are not.

It has been said that the only way to make long friends—but not able exceptions to this rule.

If a woman doesn't want to work it is because she is on talking.

No work is so well paid as which his satanic majesty's idle hands to do.

Don't slow down on the success and wait for the other get ahead.