

WHERE IT ORIGINATED

"AMERICAN BOY" A CINCINNATI LAD'S BRIGHT IDEA

William F. Rankin Good Suggested the Project—Los Angeles Will Try to Have the Name Changed

The building of a battleship to replace the Maine to be called the American Boy, funds to be raised by contributions from the school children of the United States, was a Cincinnati boy's bright idea.

On the 18th of February the Maine was destroyed and on the 19th William Rankin Good, a pupil in the Hughes high school of that city, conceived the idea of raising a fund in the manner stated. The next day the Cincinnati Enquirer published the suggestion and the matter has grown into national importance. A committee has been appointed to work up the plan, composed of the following named high school boys: William Rankin Good, Edward A. Bolding, Harry I. Price and Louis B. Dunkman.

Circulars have been sent to superintendents of schools throughout the country, asking their co-operation in securing voluntary contributions from school children and all citizens, "who wish to see a floating monument placed on the bosom of old ocean to commemorate the brave sailors of the ill-fated Maine."

"It is particularly impressed upon each boy and girl who contributes," says the circular, that they shall induce two others to do the same, each new contributor to carry out the same process with two others and so on until every American boy and girl has learned of the project and been given an opportunity to aid it. A list of references is given of responsible citizens of Cincinnati and the Merchants' National bank will be the custodian of the fund.

The committee has received endorsements of the movement from Consul-General Lee, Secretary Alger, Senator Foraker, Governor Bushnell of Ohio, a number of congressmen from that state and the chamber of commerce of the city. No salaries are allowed in carrying on the work, the expense being limited to clerical labor and incidentals.

There is no question that the appeal will meet with ready response from every child in the public schools of the country, and the girls will give as much money as boys and will contribute with just as much patriotic fervor. To name the battleship the American Boy appears on its face to be a manifest injustice to the girls. To exclude girls from participation in patriotic projects, or to deprive them of their full share of credit is a mistake, for in the last analysis the country must depend on the mothers for its patriots and in the event of war "daughters give up more than sons," as Mrs. Browning aptly puts it.

The superintendent and pupils of the Los Angeles schools feel that the name selected does not fully represent all the children and steps will be taken to induce the projectors to change it to one that includes both sexes, "Young America."

That the pupils of Los Angeles are deeply interested in the matter is shown by instances of self-sacrifice that come to the knowledge of the superintendent. Afternoon the father of a little girl in the city gave her 25 cents to attend the Orpheum, but she decided to stay at home and give her money to help replace the Maine. A small boy wanted to assist in the good cause and he took a long lingering look at his bank that contained all the wealth he possessed. "Well, its mine," he said resolutely, and poured out twenty-five precious copper pennies and carried them to school to swell the fund.

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A RIOT OF COLOR

Old Glory Thrown to the Breeze by City Officials

Throughout the city hall color runs riot; through the hall every office is lined with the folds of Old Glory and right within their patriotic ardor have the city fathers bedecked the municipal building in the glorious Stars and Stripes. Over the stairway at the main entrance is draped a magnificent flag and everywhere the visitor turns the red, white and blue meets the eye.

An informal discussion was held among the councilmen Wednesday afternoon as a result of which the finance committee held a meeting and resolved that it would be money well invested to lay in a stock of flags for the permanent decoration of the city hall. The largest that could be procured in the city was draped over the main stairway, while another is festooned in the council chamber back of the president's chair. A third decorates the wall in Mayor Snyder's office, while every department in the building has been remembered. Street Superintendent Drain has gone to some expense personally in decorating his quarters. Over the doorway are festooned two silk flags surrounding the legend: "Remember the Maine," while a picture of the ill-fated battleship adorns the glass panel of the door. In the public and private offices silk flags are tastefully arranged making a fine showing.

President Silver was agreeably surprised by being presented with two large silk flags "with the compliments of the councilmen and your colleagues in the new city hall." He was at lunch when the flags were placed on his desk and was visibly affected when he returned and saw the gifts.

The fire department boasts of a beautiful banner of large size, the finest in the city, it is claimed, of the purest silk, which was given to the boys a year or so ago. The flag is now festooned over Chief Moore's desk. Altogether, if a display of the national emblem is indicative of patriotism, certainly a lot of true-blue Americans in the city hall.

THE PUBLIC PULSE

(The Herald under this heading prints communications, but does not assume responsibility for the sentiments expressed. Correspondents are requested to cultivate brevity as far as is consistent with the proper expression of their views.)

CHURCH EXTENSION

Universalist Meetings in the Friday Morning Club Rooms

The Universalist church extension meetings opened yesterday afternoon in the rooms of the Friday Morning Club. After devotional exercises Mrs. H. B. Manford, president of the Woman's Universalist association, spoke briefly of the objects of that organization. Rev. L. H. Shinn of Boston, general missionary of the denomination, who arrived in the morning from Pensacola, Fla., preached from Luke, 11-9, "Fear not, for behold I bring you good tidings of great joy."

The speaker said in part: "The meaning of the word gospel is good news—a message of love from the Father for all his children. This message has never been rejected, and never will be when it is understood. Those who believe that God has agencies sufficient to carry the glad message to all and interpret it to all are Universalists. If we profess to believe this, then we must be heroic messengers; prove ourselves true believers by living the faith, by teaching and defending the faith. The only Universalists worthy the name are those who are whole-hearted witnesses, willing to give, work, sacrifice and stand for their interpretation like strong, brave men and women."

Dr. E. L. Conger and Dr. Hanson followed in brief addresses on similar lines of thought.

The evening Rev. W. M. Jones preached on the subject of "Christian Discipleship," which he defined as consisting not in belief, nor in observing outward rites, nor in excess of emotion, but in the proper balance of all these. Emphasis was given to the fatherly nature of God and in brotherly moral relationship. Living a Christ-like life in Christian discipleship.

Rev. L. M. Andrews of Santa Paula will preach this afternoon at 2 o'clock, and Dr. Conger in the evening at 7:30.

HARES AND HOUNDS

Drawing for Sunday's Coursing at Agricultural Park

The drawing of dogs for Sunday's coursing at Agricultural park took place last evening at No. 143 South Broadway (in rear) before a large crowd of interested spectators. The resignation of Judge Ladd was officially announced, and under the offer of Manager De Camp, the dog owners who had entries for Sunday's coursing proceeded to select a judge. Tono Brennan was first selected but on that gentleman declining the place, A. C. Braubury was chosen in his stead. The proceedings passed off very harmoniously throughout, and everyone seemed satisfied.

Following are the entries and the order of the drawing for Sunday's coursing: Van Trautman, Viola, Prince of Wales, Lady Walpole, Move (for Lucky Jack), Oriental-Juliet, B.B. & B-Queen, J. Van Brulle-Snyder, Doncaster-Romeo, Little Brown Jug-Kitty Scott, A. B. C. Beau Brummel, Alisa-Daisy C., Big Bill-Sir Jasper, Blue Diamond-Frisco, Sport, McAllister-Orpheum Lass, Here We Are-Reliance, Corbett-Lea Tosca, Stella-Sam.

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LOS ANGELES MEN ESCAPED

E. D. Pratt Writes of the Chilcot Pass Avalanche

A letter from E. D. Pratt a few hours after the snowstorm of Chilcot Pass says: "I and the Los Angeles boys, so far as I know, are safe. Have just returned from the scene of the disaster. Hundreds of men went immediately to the scene and are now digging for the buried victims. Thirteen were taken out dead and others more or less mangled when I was there. Have no more time to write now. Will give particulars later."

Perrin's Comet

If the trouble with Spain results in war, an old superstition will again be verified. Perrin's comet is now on hand and may be clearly seen in the early morning hours. Dr. Milton Uppgraff, professor of astronomy in Missouri university, said, when questioned about the comet: "Do not quote me as saying that I place any faith in the superstitious belief that a comet is a sure sign of war or dire calamity. The comet is a celestial body, but it is interesting to observe how often the appearance of a comet is followed by disaster or conflict. The comet of 1870 came during the Franco-Prussian war. The comet of 1858 preceded the Italian war of 1859. The comet of 1811 came shortly before the war of 1812. Two comets in 1811 accompanied the outbreak of the civil war. One of these was remarkably bright and the earth passed through its tail."

"The great comet of 1811 appeared shortly before President Garfield was assassinated. There was a comet at the time of the birth of Napoleon and another at the time of his greatest successes. It is said to have attained its greatest brightness over the latitude of Paris and to have vanished at the latitude of Corsica. A monster comet was blazing in the sky during the reign of Nero."

"Contrary to the superstition, however, I remember when seven comets were visible at one time and no disaster or trouble whatever followed."—Chicago Times-Herald.

Back From the North

John W. Mitchell returned yesterday morning from San Francisco, where he, with J. Marion Brooks and Martin Marsh, had been in attendance at the meeting of the state central Democratic committee. Mr. Mitchell succeeded in causing the committee to take such action as to allow all of the cities of the state time to make proffers for the next state convention of that party and also had committees appointed to confer with the Populists and Silver Republicans with a view to holding a joint convention and nominating a fusion ticket.

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