

U. S. GOVERNMENT NOT WELL HANDLED

Paul Winthrop Brown Tells Knife and Fork Club Business Methods Should Prevail.

NATION'S MONEY SQUANDERED

"It is the duty of every citizen to take an active interest in the affairs of the government and so inform himself that he may co-operate with his fellows toward bringing about a reformation of the business methods of the government," declared Paul Winthrop Brown, editor of the St. Louis Republic in an address on "How Uncle Sam Regulates His Business," following a banquet of the Knife and Fork club at the Rome last evening.

Mr. Brown showed various instances how through gross mismanagement "the powers that be" have been and are spending the nation's money in a manner that the average business man would consider either insane or criminal.

"Congress is the 'board of directors' of this corporation. Does congress provide for the appointment of a chief accounting officer of the general government and then give him supervision of all accounts of all departments, subject only to certain general directions as to what the accounts must show and what documents must be preserved as evidence of certain transactions?"

"No, it has never occurred to congress that 'business is business,' even when a government does it. Congress attempts to make all the accounting rules itself, its general rule is 'no two alike.'"

Cost of Living in London Keeps on Going Still Higher

(Correspondence of the Associated Press.)

LONDON, April 29.—The cost of living continues to advance slowly in London. Prices of meat during the last week of March reached a point higher than at any time in twenty-five years. The wholesale price of all grades of beef, mutton, pork and veal showed on the quotation board a range of 1 to 15 per cent above the high-water mark of all records since 1900. "Not a butcher in London is making a profit today," declares one of the trade journals.

In other lines the increases have generally been more moderate. Glassware of all kinds has gone up 15 per cent. Window glass, which was made almost exclusively in Belgium, has advanced 100 per cent. Linen sheeting is 16 per cent dearer and silks are about 15 per cent more expensive. Butter and cheese show a rise of 4 cents a pound; bread, 3, and poultry, 20 per cent.

Gas and electricity have gone up about 10 per cent, and all the London laundries add 10 per cent to the total amount of each customer's bill. This is necessary, they assert, because of increased prices of coal (100 percent), soap (60 per cent) and labor (80 per cent).

Famous Warship Is Queen Lizzie

(Correspondence of the Associated Press.)

LONDON, April 29.—Through the spectacular fighting it has been engaged in at the Dardanelles the British superdreadnought Queen Elizabeth has suddenly found fame that in London music halls all the comedians call it "Queen Lizzie."

An interesting rumor of German espionage centers about the building of the battleship at the Portsmouth navy yard last fall. The story, which lacks verification, of course, but is credited in many quarters, is that while the workmen were ashore one day, the Queen Elizabeth was seen to be lying slightly. An immediate inspection was made and it was discovered that several coxks had been left open and the ship was rapidly filling with water.

All gates to the navy yard were closed. The men who had just left the ship were called before an investigating board. One is reported to have broken down under the grilling and admitted he had made an attempt to destroy the ship. Various rumors have since been in circulation as to the punishment meted out to the traitor, whose work would have resulted in great damage if it had not been discovered promptly.

Business Fair in Leipsic a Success

(Correspondence of the Associated Press.)

LEIPZIG, April 28.—The famous Leipzig market business fair has been held at its accustomed time, notwithstanding the war, and has been pronounced a success. Two thousand five hundred German firms exhibited, not only showing their old lines, but many new manufactures to take the place of articles made in countries now at war with Germany. The number of exhibitors in past years has averaged about 4,000, very many of them French, English and Russian firms, which were absent this year. The attendance also dropped from 14,800 to 5,500, of whom 80 were foreigners, but business was reported about as brisk as usual and few of the carnival features were lacking.

The booths where substitutes for foreign-made articles were shown were often made of luxury, household

Crowell Refuses to Accept "Springer" Sent By Friend

Two men, determined looking men stood around a package, about 3 by 3 by 10 inches in size, in Superintendent of Mails Mettlen's room in the postoffice.

The package didn't look extraordinary. But it certainly smelled extraordinary. Lamburger cheese would have been "parfum de violette," compared to it.

Ever and anon one of the men would weakly lift a handkerchief to his nose and stagger to an open window, assisted by friends not yet overcome.

"Something must be done with it," said Assistant Postmaster Woodard.

Of course, everybody knew that. But what?

"We ought to have some of them helms like the allies have got to fight the poisonous gases," said a clerk.

Volunteers were called for. Three brave men stepped forward. The strongest of these was selected.

Heaving the offers of comrades to bid his farewell and last words to his family, the intrepid youth made a quick dash and seized the package, which he bore to the window with one hand, while with the other he grimly gripped his proboscis in a manly effort to paralyze the olfactory nerves.

He deposited the awful object outside the window and then received the congratulations of his comrades, refusing

From Our Near Neighbors

Bennington.

Herman Fenske is building a new house on his farm.

Hans Wisse celebrated his birthday last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Baekhus motored to Elkhorst in their new car last Sunday.

The school term in District 62 will close May 15 with an entertainment and box social.

Preschool E. E. Odel and Miss Milda Johnson, intermediate teacher, have been re-elected for the coming year.

Morion Linn, teacher at the Ponca school, near Florence, spent the week-end visiting friends in this vicinity.

A party of young people motored to Waterloo last Saturday evening to attend the senior class play.

Camp No. 5, Woodmen of the World, held a special meeting last Saturday evening and initiated six candidates. Refreshments were served after the business session.

Elmer White, accompanied by Bennie Peterson, left Thursday for Pine Bluffs, Wyo. in G. Logeman's car. Elmer will make his home there with his sister, Mrs. Logeman.

Tekamah.

Mr. G. B. Warren of Auburn was the guest of Mrs. Robert Coomes at the home of a new baby boy born last Saturday.

Madison Stanley captured ten young ravens on Thursday. The mother of the bunch got away.

Mrs. Kate Wheeler of Kansas City is here for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Workman.

The funeral of Will Stewart of Emerson took place in Tekamah Thursday from the Methodist church.

Mrs. B. H. Tappin and daughter, Hortense, arrived from Denver Friday for a few days' visit at the J. W. Tappin home.

Mrs. W. W. Latta and granddaughter, Edith, arrived home this week from a three months' stay in southern California.

Miss Mildred Whitaker celebrated her ninth birthday anniversary on Friday evening by entertaining a large number of little friends.

Mr. Harry Deaver and Miss Florence Holiday went to Omaha Tuesday and were united in marriage. They will live on a farm southeast of Tekamah.

The body of Mrs. William Wilson, at one time a resident here, was called for at Orling, Wash., will be brought here next week for interment in Tekamah cemetery. Mrs. Wilson died Wednesday.

Miss Henrietta Bowers was hostess to a number of young women at her home on Wednesday evening. The party being given in honor of the graduating class.

Clayton Velder, Ruth Cornelius and Mildred Taylor in charge of Miss Etzel Van Dyke of the domestic science department of Tekamah schools were at Lincoln this week attending the agricultural short course given by the state school.

Bellevue.

The following Bellevue women attended the Women's Presbytery held in South Omaha this week: Mrs. W. N. Paxton, Mrs. Mary O'Brien, Mrs. A. Fred, Miss Edna Findley, Mrs. A. A. Tyler, Mrs. W. E. Shafer, Mrs. C. T. Phelps, Mrs. W. E. Webb, Mrs. Flora Braden.

John A. Freeman, the retiring mayor of Bellevue, had an automobile accident last Sunday morning. As he was driving along on highway he was struck by the corner of his car turned turtle, pinning him and his companion under it. The other man lifted the car so that they could crawl out. The total damage was \$5.

Springfield.

Mrs. Toole of Murdock is visiting the Deack family.

Frank Ellingwood Joy is to hold a week's meeting here commencing May 3.

Miss Koch of Millard has been employed to teach the grammar grades next year.

The saloons in Springfield closed Friday and there will be no license granted this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Barber of Omaha have been visiting Mrs. Roy Whitney this week.

Ivan Noble has been in an Omaha hospital the last week. He is reported much better.

A birthday party was given Henry Mundt last Sunday by his relatives and friends.

Mrs. Len Blackman, who lived here several years, was here this week calling on old friends.

John Laming, Jr., who formerly lived

Middies Will Make Trip Through Canal

WASHINGTON, April 29.—The Panama-Pacific exposition at San Francisco will be the objective point of a 10,000-mile cruise of the Annapolis midshipmen this year. They leave Annapolis June 4 and return August 3, under command of Rear Admiral Pullen on the battleships Missouri, Ohio and Wisconsin. The squadron will reach Colon June 16. It leaves Panama June 20, putting into Magdalena Bay June 26. After a day's stay the vessels will resume their cruise, reaching San Diego July 3 and San Francisco July 5. Returning, the ships will leave San Francisco July 22, visit Los Angeles from July 24 to 28, arrive at Panama August 1, and Annapolis August 29.

Russians Favor Slav Prisoners

WASHINGTON, April 29.—The German embassy today issued a statement charging that its advisers showed there was discrimination in treatment of war prisoners held by the Russians. The statement follows:

"According to advices received at the German embassy, the czar of Russia has issued an order to treat the prisoners of war of each or other Slav origin kindly, but the prisoners of German or Magyar race very severely. The officials in Serbia are inciting the population against the prisoners of war by saying that Russian prisoners of war in Germany are badly treated."

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LONDON, April 16.—The abolition of all Sunday work in munition factories is strongly urged by the General Federation of Trades Unions in a resolution, copies of which are being sent to government officials and to all employees of labor.

The management committee of the federation, says the resolution, "has evidence of serious physical and mental overstrain and increasing sickness rates, and it believes that the aggregate output of munitions of war would be increased if labor and facilities were properly organized and proper rest periods provided."

"The committee has evidence that cases of breakdown, due to overwork, have occurred in some of the factories in the north. Among such workers, who have been required to work at high pressure, fainting fits have been common."

"In one case, where it was alleged that 110 employees of a munitions factory did not turn up to work on Monday, we have discovered that a large number of them were teetotalists and workers in the temperance movement, and they had simply stayed at home to catch up on their necessary sleep."

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HAYLEN BROS.

In Omaha, where the groom has a position with the street railway company.

William and Ed Beck were called to Kansas City Thursday by the death of their sister, Mrs. Lucy Lambert.

Miss Elsie Seefers and Miss Frieda Gregerson went to Scottia Friday, where Miss Elsie will keep house for her brother Philip.

Irrigation.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Freeman Monday.

Mrs. Heckman and Mrs. Lee were Omaha visitors Friday.

Mrs. Powell and daughter Marie were Omaha visitors Saturday.

Mrs. Hendrickson and Mrs. Roy Magee were Omaha visitors Friday.

Alfred Williams and Wilson Lenhart were Omaha visitors Saturday.

Mrs. Howard Ostrom and daughter spent Friday and Saturday in Omaha.

Mr. and Mrs. Stalnaker of Omaha visited at the John Anderson home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Paulsen of Council Bluffs visited at the Dehn home Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee of Sheldon, who have been visiting at the Mackman home, returned home Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Rabbit of Keystone Park and Mrs. Carl Hubbard of South Omaha visited at the S. B. Brewster home Sunday.

Miss Fannie Anderson and Rev. Thomas Erms were united in marriage Sunday morning. They will make their home in the parsonage.

Valley.

Mrs. A. E. Hubbard went to Fremont Thursday.

Dr. Gilmore of South Omaha was in Valley Wednesday.

Henry Wallstrom, who came home from Omaha very ill last week, is able to be out again.

Mrs. Annie Robinson, who spent the winter in New York, Washington, D. C., and Florida, returned to Valley for a

visit with her sister, Mrs. Hubbard, Monday.

Mrs. Charles Collin and Miss Gertrude Saunders spent Tuesday in Omaha.

W. S. Eddy returned Tuesday from Omaha, having served his time on the grand jury.

Miss Helen McKee and Mrs. Orpha Gaines entertained the Kensington Monday evening.

Miss Orpha Gaines was the week-end guest of Mrs. Helen McKee of South Omaha last week.

Mrs. John Lentall and Mrs. Henry Freeman went to Omaha Tuesday to see Billie Burke in "Jerry."

The Second Baptist and the Presbyterian churches have each been given fresh coats of white paint this week.

Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Ferros, Mrs. Charles Pierce, J. A. Sullivan and Mrs. A. Murrain motored to Omaha Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Whitmore left the first of the week for Escalator Springs for the benefit of Mr. Whitmore's health.

N. W. Galnes gave an address in the Methodist Episcopal church Sunday morning and Dr. Parson spoke of his work in the foreign field in the evening.

Mrs. W. E. Weekly, Mrs. Fred Williams, Mrs. Nels Johnson, Mrs. R. M. Erway, Mrs. F. C. Kennedy and Mrs. Steele attended the district meeting of women's clubs at Benson Thursday.

The regular meeting of the Valley Women's club was held Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. W. G. Whitmore. Miss Waukena Cook gave a paper on Helen Hunt Jackson and some of her works.

Artist Dies.

NUTTLEY, N. J., April 29.—Arthur Hoebler, artist and art critic, died of heart disease today while cranking his automobile. Mr. Hoebler was a member of the National Academy of Design. He was 61 years old.

Kritcheil to Richmond.

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