# THE NEEDS OF THE U. S. NAV

REPORTS OF A COMMISSION SUB-MITTED TO CONGRESS BY THE PRESIDENT.

#### ADVISORY BOARD ADVOCATED

Secretary of Navy Should Have Clear Understanding and Firm Grasp of Leading Military Considerations.

Washington, D. C.—The president on Thursday submitted to congress a message transmitting two preliminary reports of the commission he appointed to consider the needs of the navy. The commission recommends an visory body for the secretary, declar-ing that what the secretary needs, above all, is a clear understanding and firm grasp of leading military considerations. This advisory body, the commission says, should be selected from the class upon whom will fall in war the responsibility for the results of the

navies they recommend.

As regards individual responsibility for advice, it is suggested that the secretary of the navy nominate to the president the officer whom he deems best fitted to command the great fleet hese rited to command the great need in case of war arising and that this of-ficer, irrespective of his seniority, should be head of the advisory body. He alone should be the responsible advisor of the secretary and would pro-vide him with the weightiest and most instructed counsel. An essential principle in the constitution of such an advisory body is that the majority should be on the active list and should go afloat at not infrequent intervals; and, specifically, the head of the body, the prospective commander-in-chief, should during the summer months take command of the concentrated battleship force, for maneuvers, target firing and practice.

There should be no check or change of method in expanding from a state of peace to a state of war, concludes the commission. This is not militarism; it is a simple business principle based upon the fact that success in war is the only return the people and the nation can get from the invest-ment of many millions in the building and maintenance of a great navy.

#### OHIO RIVER ON A RAMPAGE

People Living in Ohio and Kentucky Suffer from Rising Water.

river here will reach a stage of 60 feet on the present rise was the prediction made Thursday by the local weather forecaster. If this stage is reached it will inundate considerable property on the river front. Already Water and Front streets in Cincinnati are flooded and 300 residences in low lying lands in Covington, Newport and Bellevue, Ky., are submerged.

Gallipolis, O.—All railroads connecting with northern points were cut off here Thursday when the trestle on the Hocking Valley railroad at Minertown was washed out. The Kanawha and Michigan railroad is washed out at Rutland. The iron bridge at Bulaville is wrecked and many families at Adamsville had to flee for their lives when the water

came rushing down Raccoon Creek. Frankfort, Ky.—Four feet of water standing in the city school and the entire lower part of the city flooded gives an idea of the damage which has been done here by the most disastrous flood in the Kentucky river Hundreds of families have been rendered homeless.

#### GALE DOES DAMAGE IN GOTHAM

One Man Killed and Several Persons Injured-Land and Water Traffic Suffered.

New York City.-A northwest gale swept down with nuer violence upon New York which pected York Thursday claimed a heavy toll from land and water traffic, while the havoc which it wrought throughout the city resulted in the death of one person and the injury of perhaps a dozen

Early in its course the gale overturned the ten-foot bronze statue of the Angel Gabriel on the roof of the Chancel of the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, and an hour later blew down a 40-foot flag pole from the roof of the six-story building used by the Dime Savings bank at Broadway and Tnirty-fourth street. The pole fell head foremost into mid-Broadway, narrowly missing two crowded surface cars and a score or more of . In various parts of the city several heavy plate glass windows were blown out of their position and number of persons were injured by

### Indiana Counties Vote "Dry."

Indianapolis, Ind.—In elections held Thursday three more counties were added to the list of local option counties in this state. The counties voting "dry" Thursday were Hendricks, Fountain and Fayette.

#### Ordered to Target Practice.

Mare Island Navy Yard, Cal.-The torpedo boat destrayers Perry and Paul Jones, which have just been overhauled, left Thursday under orders to proceed to San Pedro preliminary to target practice.

"BILLY" SUNDAY, THE EVANGEL-IST, HORSEWHIPPED.

He and His Assailant Roll and Tum ble in Church Isle-Police Finally Arrest the Fanatic.

Springfield, Ill.—Rev. William Sunday, better known as "Billy" Sunday, a former baseball player Sunday, who is now an evangelist, horsewhipped last night by a religious fanatic at the Sunday tabernacle, where in the presence of 8,000 per-sons he was conducting the opening meeting of a religious revival meet

The evangelist, after making his opening remarks, was leaning against the pulpit on an elevated platform while a hymn was sung by Fischer and Butler, his choir leaders, and Miss Edith Anderson, a soprano of Springfield, when a powerful man, who later said his name was Sherman Potts, sprang forward with a buggy whip and struck Sunday several blows. Sunday leaped from the platform and dashed his assailant to the floor in the center aisle.

#### Rolls and Tumbles in Aisle.

The audience was on the verge of panic, with women weeping and children screaming, while Potts and Sun-day rolled and tumbled in the aisle. Mr. Fischer directed the choir and the audience to sing and in a few moments the entire audience was calmed, few leaving their seats. Several men soon seized Potts and they held him until policemen came and took him to jail. Sunday said he suffered several painful bruises from the buggy whip. The prisoner said that his home was near Lovington, Ill.

According to the horsewhipper's statements at the jail, he was once declared insane and committed to Jacksonville asylum, whence after a brief confinement he was released as He made the attack, he said, in defense of the virtue of women which he declared had been criticized by the evangelist. The police say that Potts is a religious fanatic.

#### THE WEEKLY TRADE BULLETIN

of Supply and Demand Will Prove Helpful to the Business Situation.

New York City.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade says:

Although the cuts in steel add some onfusion to the existing weakness in the iron and copper trades, and have brought about a sharp decline in the security market, yet the reassertion of the law of supply and demand, with its inevitable readjustments of prices, and perhaps of wages, must prove ul-Cincinnati, O. - That the Ohio timately helpful to the business situation, however disturbing the immediate effects. The lower prices stimulated inquiries and some orders for structural material were placed at

Pittsburg at revised prices.

Transactions in the local dry goods market are only for absolutely known requirements. Reports from the west, however, indicate a house trade that seems to be fully up to normal. Cotton goods prices remain stationary and the market is more or less un even, certain lines being sold ahead for months to come while others can be had for comparatively nearby delivery. Export trade is light.

#### TARS PARADE IN NORFOLK, VA.

Two Thousand Men from Atlantic Fleet March and Dine-City Thronged with People.

Norfolk, Va.-For the first time since their return from the 'roundthe-world cruise, the men of the Atlantic fleet were given shore leave to-day in acceptance of the invitation of the city of Norfolk. Two thousand bluejackets and 140 officers were landed from the fleet, and, being joined by several hundred regulars from the army post at Fortress Monroe, paraded the streets of the city. Rear Admiral Sperry himself was unable to be present because of a necessary visit to Washington.

Norfolk was thronged with people, many coming from Old Point Comfort and other near-by resorts. The streets and principal buildings were beautifully decorated and the sailor boys marched between solid walls of cheer ing humanity. Immediately after the parade a big dinner was served to all the officers and men, after which they were given an opportunity to amuse themselves as they saw fit until returning to their ships in the early

### Opium Congress Closes.

Shanghai, China.-The international im conference, which has been session here since February 1, held its final meeting yesterday afternoon. Reports from certain subcommittees were submitted and passed upon. The conference as a whole takes for granted that the opium habit is an evil that must be suppressed.

#### Five Men Crushed to Death.

Joplin, Mo.—Five men were killed and two others probably fatally injured in a cavein at the mine of the West Seventh Street Mining Co. The men were crushed under tons of rocks.

Woman and Children Cremated. Bakersfield, Cal. — Mrs. Minnie Beekman, widow of W. W. Beek-man, who was a prominent resident of Kern county, and her four children were burned to death in their home four miles south of Bakersfield.

## ASSAILED BY A FANATIC TEN MEN RULE TOBACCO

STARTLING FACTS ABOUT THE GROWTH OF BIG COMBINE.

Report of Commissioner of Corpora tions Reveals Trust's Grasp on the Industry.

Washington, D. C .- Methods by which a comparatively few capitalists, known as the tobacco combination, have gained control of the manufacture of tobacco, except cigars, are revealed by Herbert Knox Smith, com-missioner of corporations, in parts of his report on the tobacco industry, made public to-day.

The combination represents a total net capitalization of \$316,000,000, and 60 per cent of the outstanding voting stock of the American Tobacco Co. which controls the entire combination, is held by a group of ten men.

A List of Subsidiary Companies. A list of the subsidiary companies controlled, "including over 20 hitherto secretly controlled, so-called 'bogus in-dependent concerns,'" is given in the report. It is shown also that the com-bination is practically the only important exporter of tobacco manufactures from this country. Astonishing figures are given in respect to the development of the combination. In 1891 it controlled 89 per cent of the business of cigarette manufacture, and this proportion practically is maintained to-day. In cigars its output increased from 4 per cent of the business in 1897 to 147-10 per cent in 1906, while in manufactured tobacco (chewing, smoking, fine cut and snuff) the combination's output increased from 7 per cent of the total in 1891 to 77 per cent in 1906.

#### Growth of the Combine.

"An idea of the absorption of competing plants," says Commissioner Smith, "and of the changes through combination within the last decade may be had from the fact that in 1897 the combination had ten plants, each producing over 50,000 pounds of manufactured tobacco or snuff per year, while there were 243 independent plants of the same class. In 1906. on the other hand, the combination had 45 plants of this class and independent manufacturers 140."

#### REBATERS ARE FINED \$16,000

Railroad and a Glass Making Concern Pay Heavy Penalty to a Federal Court.

Springfield, Ill.-Entering pleas of guilty in the federal court yester-day to charges of rebating and failure to post rates and schedule, the Illinois Central Terminal association, operating a road between Alton and Edwardsville, was fined \$4,000 and costs and the Illinois Glass Co., owned by the Terminal Co., fined \$12,000 and costs. Both companies paid.

Saved \$20 a Car on Freight. According to the interstate commerce commission it was a scheme which enabled the glass company, with the help of the Terminal company, to

ship glassware through from Alton to California at a rate of \$20 less on the car than other companies could do it. When an order came from the fa west for a carload of glassware, the order was hurried to Gas City, Ind., where a large amount of glass is made. The car was loaded with glassware, but not entirely filled. It was then billed to Alton. When the car reached Alton it was opened, several hundred pounds more of glass from the factory in Alton put in and the car re-shipped to the west, just as though it had been

### TEN PERSONS WERE KILLED

billed through from Gas City in the first place. By rebilling the car and

putting in the extra glassware they were able to save \$15 to \$20 on the

Slipping of a Gangway Brought Death and Injury to a Number of People at Hamburg

Hamburg, Germany.-Ten persons were killed and 17 injured last night through the slipping of a gangway bethe wharf and the Kaiserin Auguste Victoria, which was being loaded preparatory to sailing for New York on Saturday. No passen-

gers were among the victims. Those on the gangway when the ac-cident occurred included members of the crew, steveodores and stew-ardesses. They were dashed into the water, which was covered with thick drift ice. The majority of them sustained broken bones, and several were badly crushed. Only 17 of them were rescued.

#### Congress.

Washington.-On the 24th the house rejected a number of senate amendments of the legislative appropriation bill which provided for creases for the highest officers of the government. The senate spent the day in debate of the agricultural appropriation bill.

#### Cattle King Is Sent to Prison.

Des Moines, Ia.-James Starlin, worth \$100,000 and known as cattle king,' was yesterday sentenced in the district court at Atlantic to serve four years at hard labor in the penitentiary for stealing cattle from Cass county farms.

#### A Magnificent Gift.

New York City.—Mrs. William K. Vanderbilt, sr., has given more than \$1,000,000 for the erection of four model tenements for persons suffering

### WELL PLEASED WITH WESTERN CANADA.

GOOD CROPS, SPLENDID CLIMATE AND WELL ENFORCED LAWS.

Mr. George E. Hunter is a Maidstone, Saskatchewan (Central Canada), farmer, who writes to a Canadian Government Agent as follows:

"It was the first week in November, 1907, when we arrived here. There was very little snow or cold weather until after the holidays, then the snow and cold increased, but to no great extent. I think the coldest I heard of was 30 degrees below zero, but that degree of cold would not be felt here any more than 10 degrees below zero would be back home in Michigan, owing to the beautiful dry atmosphere of this country. There came a good thaw every month that settled the snow, the fields soon became bare, and on the 12th of April I commenced ploughing. The snow was then all gone and summer at hand. This last season was something more than an average year around here with fine crops gathered. around here, with fine crops gathered from a large acreage. In parts the crops were less than average, but generally speaking they were above it.
The price of wheat was quite good. Some fine yields sold at \$1.10 per bushel, while some were marketed at much

60 cents a bushel. "Oats started on the market at 35 cents a bushel, barley about 50 cents, and flax from 90 cents to \$1.00 a

less, but hardly any went below about

bushel.

"As this was my first year in this country, it was a hard year for my horses, owing to their being eastern horses, and not used to the western climate, but they will soon get climatized.

"The soil on my farm is a black loam, about one foot in thickness, below that we find about six feet of clay, and below that again gravel and sand, with an abundance of excellent water. This was the condition of the ground as I found it when I dug a well. I can say that the water is as sweet and as free from alkali and impurities as I ever saw.

"My opinion is that the man who comes here with a little means can do no better than invest \$500 or \$1,000 in cattle, after locating a homestead ad-joining or near some hilly part of the country where it will not be taken up as soon. There is plenty of grass and hay to be found in the hilly country and small lakes and sloughs will afford sufficient water for any amount of cat tle. The bluffs with a few hay or straw sheds will make sufficient shelter for them. There is no need to worry about the market for cattle, as there is already a great call for stock of all kinds to satisfy the continued demands of the large packing house at Edmonton, established by Swift and Company.

"The dairy business should by no means be forgotten. It is one of the paying enterprises of this great west The price of butter seldom goes below 25 cents and reaches as high as 40 cents a pound. Also the new creameries that are fast being erected along the lines of railroad are calling on the farmers for their cream.
"These creameries are greatly wel-

comed in all communities, because sell-ing cream is better than making butter, even at an average price of 25 cents a pound. For a new country the railroad transportation facilities are good; not yet, of course, what they are in older countries, but the new lines are swiftly gaining as the country gets more settled and supplies them with produce to ship. It is hard to say too much in favor of this coun-All one needs is a little money with grit and ambition. I have see homesteads that were filed on a little over three years ago that the owners have refused \$3,000 for.

"There is much more that can be said in favor of Western Canada, but I think my letter has been long enough."

THE VERY LAST.



"I'm so delighted to see you, major. I thought you had died.' "Died, madam? That's the last thing I'd do, madam."

#### GOVERNMENT LAND OPENING UNDER CAREY ACT

May 6, the State Land Commissioner of Wyoming will distribute 7,000 acres irrigated land at Cooper Lake, near Laramie and Denver, on main line of Union Pacific; 50 cents per acre. Oldest Reservoir and Direct Water Rights; \$5 an acre cash and \$3 an acre annually for ten years. Free trip and two town lots to all who apply before May 1. Write for application and circulars. Tallmadge-Buntin Land Co., Agents, 2nd floor, Railway Exchange, Chicago. Agents wanted.

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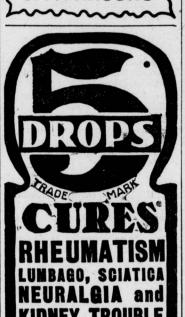
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