

AUSTRALIAN MERCHANT SCORES OUR ATTITUDE

Says Business Men Here Pursue Short-Sighted and Discouraging Attitude

"One man out of every 15 of the population of Australia volunteered and went into active service for the war," said Herman Pfaff, of Melbourne, Australia, a general importer, who is visiting Philadelphia with a view to establishing commercial relations with merchants and manufacturers in this city.

"Australia," he said, "has a population of 5,000,000 and over 300,000 have voluntarily enlisted for the war. The feeling of loyalty for the mother country," he continued, "is far more intense and the feeling of bitterness against Germany is greater than in Great Britain; in fact, the Australians are more English than the English themselves. And they are more compact in their loyalty—that is, there is little or no difference of opinion on the subject."

"Business in Australia has been seriously affected by the war. Our exports are keeping up remarkably, but we are hampered by the scarcity of ships to transport our wool, fruit and meat, which are our three principal exports. Our wool export alone amounts to over \$250,000,000 each year."

"My personal opinion," said Mr. Pfaff, "is that Australia will recover more quickly after the war is over than any other country, because we are a producing country rather than a manufacturing one; that is, we produce the raw materials. We have no large steel industries like England and the United States; we finish half-manufactured products quite extensively. Woollens, boots and shoes are our largest manufactures."

Mr. Pfaff is here to replace the lines he formerly imported from Germany, especially dry goods, hardware and pianos. "My experience for so far," he said, "shows me that American merchants and manufacturers are too busy and too prosperous to give much attention to export trade. I think they are adopting a short-sighted policy, and they will find if they do not go after this business now when it is seeking them, some one else will have captured it when they will be looking for it after the war, when the wheels begin to slow down and they will want a market for their surplus. It is not encouraging to have a manufacturer say 'write and give me particulars when you get back home again' when you have come 14,000 miles to bring the particulars to him personally."

Police Court Chronicles

As long as Mike McCroary has his pockets filled with potatoes and matches he is happy. Mike figures as long as he can keep a supply of spuds he can live without consulting the morgue or the poorhouse. But even to keep supplied with potatoes requires energy or money. Mike finds it difficult to obtain the latter for the reason that the wave of prosperity has not carried a job in his direction up to the present time. His failure in this connection is due largely to the fact that most employers fight shy of Mike. His appearance is not calculated to inspire hope or enthusiasm and he is always run down because of his love of liquor.

Therefore, to obtain his favorite dish it was necessary to find the potatoes when the owner wasn't looking. Mike's plan was to take a bag of spuds in this fashion from a huckster wagon and carrying them to the side of a railroad track sorted them out in various sizes. McCroary was well stocked up for a while but found that he had run out of matches. Nearly a locomotive was puffing vigorously. He asked the engineer if he could roast the potatoes in the engine's hot coals. The engineer reminded him that he wasn't running a hotel, but Mike became obstinate. He squatted on the tracks and refused to budge. While he and the engineer were arguing, Policeman Fenn arrived. He ended the trouble by taking Mike before Magistrate Wrigley at the Belgrade and Clearfield streets station. Incidentally the potatoes were found near the side of the railroad track. Mike said if he had something on his mind to pass the time away he would be able to keep out of mischief. "They need industrious men like you at the House of Correction," said the Judge.

So without solicitation on his part Mike obtained a job there which will last for the next 30 days.

New Egypt Wants Trolley Line

NEW EGYPT, N. J., April 19.—An effort is being made to finance a trolley line between New Egypt and Bordentown. Business men of both places are interested. The line would connect with the Public Service Company at Bordentown, which would give through service to New York and Philadelphia.

EASTERN Train Service to Atlantic City

From Chestnut St. Ferry FRI. & SAT. EASTER MONDAY Apr. 21, 22, Apr. 23, Apr. 24.

From Atlantic City EASTER SUNDAY MONDAY Apr. 23, Apr. 24.

Apr. 23, Apr. 24. 7:10 A. M., 7:10 A. M., 10:00, 7:00, 2:30 P. M., 7:45, 4:30, 9:00, 8:15, 11:00, 6:00, 2:30 P. M., 8:00, 4:00, 9:00, 6:00, 10:30, 8:00.

Local train. \$1.00 Excursion from Mississippi Avenue.

Excursions to All Resorts EASTER SUNDAY From Chestnut St. South St. Ferries 7:30 A. M.

A CARTRIDGE CANE



W. Dayton Wegfarth, of this city, has received this gift from a British aviator in France. It is made of cartridge shells neatly worked together by a Belgian soldier.

TRADE BOARD URGES PENNSY TO BECOME BELT LINE ROAD

Would Vastly Increase Manufacturing Inducements, Is Belief

The linking of the Pennsylvania Railroad into the system operated by the Philadelphia Belt Line Railroad will result in building up the Delaware River front with new business enterprises to a greater extent than almost any other plan yet devised, according to William R. Tucker, secretary of the Board of Trade.

This commercial organization, in view of its participation in the Philadelphia movement, is negotiating with the Pennsylvania to enter the Belt Line system. The Philadelphia and Reading Railway and the Baltimore and Ohio already are associated. With all three railroads included in the Belt Line system outside manufacturers would be induced to locate along its line, Mr. Tucker declared, because of the fact that all roads would be equally at their disposal. This, he pointed out, was a big factor where a manufacturer shipped all over the country.

Another benefit, one that would affect local shipments, he brought out, would be the elimination of switching charges at times when it was necessary to deliver freight to the piers over two different roads. Under the present arrangement if a shipment of goods is to go from the Reading to a pier on the lines of the Pennsylvania, or vice versa, the consignment must be taken to Belmont Junction over one road and transhipped over the other line. In this operation the shipper is subjected to a double charge. With all roads working in conjunction with the Belt Line, this shipment would pass directly over the Belt Line at an insignificant freight rate.

Northampton Company Raises Wages

EASTON, Pa., April 19.—The Northampton Traction Company has announced an increase of a cent an hour in the pay of motormen and conductors, to become effective at once. The company operates lines between Easton and Bangor, Nazareth, Portland and Washington. The employes will receive from 23 cents an hour for one-year men to 30 cents an hour for ten-year men.

'FAMOUS FIRST' HOLDS ANNUAL FETE TODAY

Noted Regiment, N. G. P., Will Parade and Give Dinner at Union League

The "Famous First" will celebrate the 55th anniversary of its organization today with the customary parade and dinner. The "Famous First" is the 1st Infantry Regiment, National Guard of Pennsylvania, founded at the outbreak of the Civil War in 1861. The parade will be held this afternoon, leaving the armory at Broad and Callowhill streets at 4:30. Accompanied by its Veteran Corps, business and professional men who once served in the regiment, the body of troops will march down Broad street to Locust, to 15th street. Turning, they will march back on the same route to the armory. Major General Charles W. Clement will review the column from the Union League.

The regiment probably will be commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Charles P. Hunt. The men will wear their full-dress uniforms, while the bandsmen will also wear their distinctive full dress. The veteran corps, accompanied by its own band, will wear full dress and will be headed by Brigadier General R. Dale Benson.

Many prominent men will attend the annual dinner of the Veteran Corps in the Union League tonight. General Dale will preside and will be assisted by Lieutenant Colonel J. Campbell Gilmore, his adjutant, and Francis B. Irwin. The following will speak: The Rev. W. Warren Giles, pastor of the First Reformed Church, East Orange, N. J., on "Preparedness"; Mayor Thomas B. Smith, on "The City of Philadelphia"; John Grubel, on "The Union League"; Russell Duane, on "Preparedness"; Major General Charles M. Clement and Adjutant General Thomas J. Stewart on "The National Guard of Pennsylvania"; and Captain Charles C. Allen, U. S. A., on "The 1st Regiment."

TOLL ROADS UNDER SCRUTINY

Old York Road, Section Especially Interests Volunteer Workers for Better Maintenance

Toll roads in the vicinity of Philadelphia, and especially along the Old York road section, are being thoroughly investigated by volunteer workers. The interest of the Chamber of Commerce, the Motor Speedway Association and the committee of residents of the Old York road section has been enlisted.

A meeting to consider the Old York road toll proposition will be held at Jenkintown, April 27. Members of the Speedway Association have placed at the service of this committee definite information concerning the condition of this roadway for months past. It is the contention that toll roads, if the toll is gathered as regularly as it is, should be kept at all times in the best of condition. A special report on the subject will be presented at the meeting by the Chamber of Commerce Committee, which consists of A. E. Maltby, J. Fred Zimmerman, William M. Whitlire, E. J. Dunne, W. M. E. Pringle, and the president, Howard B. French.

FIND MAN'S BODY IN WOODS

Mystery in Death of Civil War Veteran—Companion Missing

MILLVILLE, N. J., April 19.—While fighting a forest fire near Port Elizabeth late yesterday, the body of a man, believed to be a Civil War veteran, was found by a fire warden in a clump of bushes. The man was last seen alive a week ago in company with a young stranger, who is missing.

The authorities think the old man was attacked and robbed.

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C. W. BRYAN DEFEATED BY LIQUOR DEMOCRATS

Commoner's Brother Loses Nomination—Republican With Like Platform Wins

OMAHA, Neb., April 19.—Nebraska Republicans at the Statewide primary yesterday probably nominated A. L. Sutton, running on a Prohibition platform, to be the gubernatorial candidate. The Democrats appear to have defeated Mayor C. W. Bryan, of Lincoln, brother of William J. Bryan, who championed the anti-liquor issue, and to have chosen Keith Neville to head their ticket.

It is not determined who leads for the Republican preference for President, but returns so far on the Republican side reveal that Justice Hughes, for whom a campaign was made to have his name written in on the ballot, ran well up with

Senator Cummins, while in scattered places Ford is revealing surprising strength. Estabrook, who was championed as a favorite son, having long lived here, bids fair to be lost.

W. J. Bryan is likely to be chosen by the Democrats as delegate-at-large to the Democratic National Convention in spite of the fight made against him by United States Senator Hitchcock on behalf of a local candidate.

Senator Hitchcock has a decided lead over L. J. Dunn, the Bryan candidate, for Senatorial preference on the Democratic side, while John L. Kennedy of Omaha, ex-Congressman, is certain of the Republican nomination over ex-Governor C. H. Aldrich.

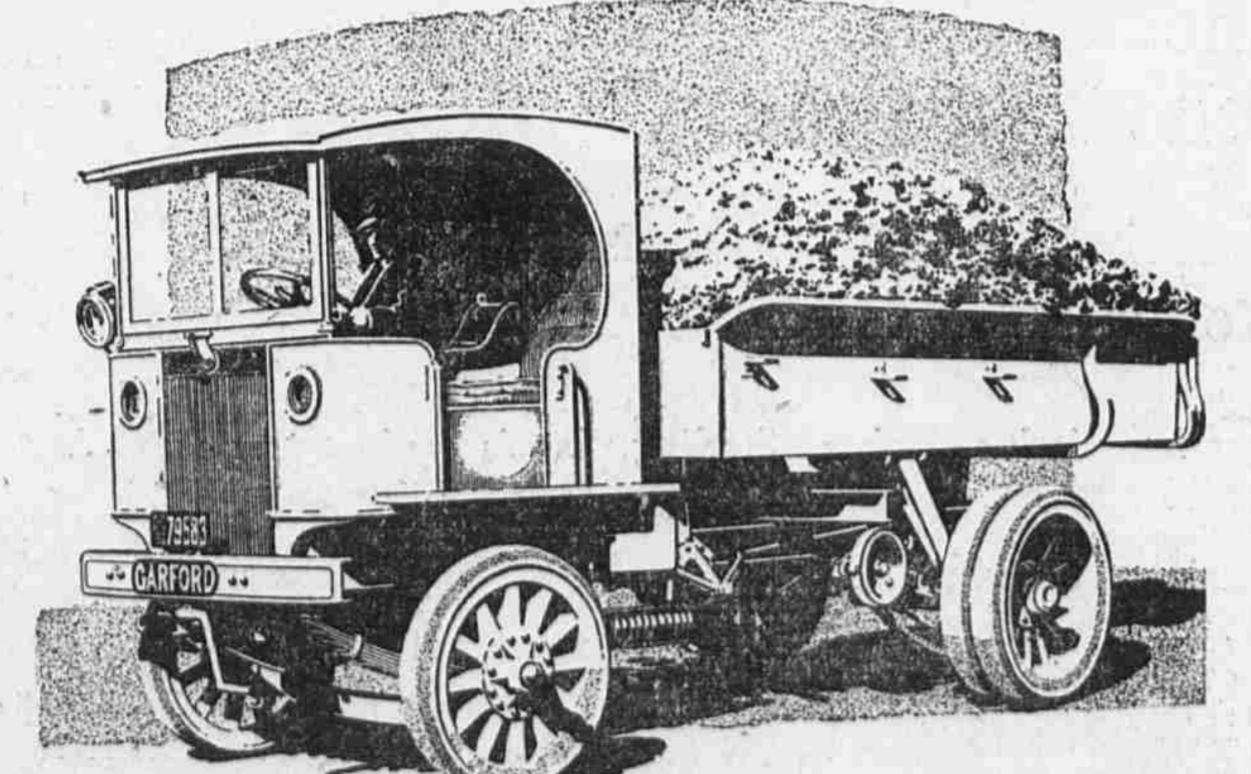
Federal Civil Service Tests

Three examinations were held by the United States Civil Service today. The positions open ranged from that of mechanical and electrical inspector at the Naval Proving Grounds, Indian Head, Md., at \$4,72 per day, to that of apprentice draftsman and photographer, at \$400 per year. The third examination was for a female domestic science teacher, for a position in the Indian service, at \$750.

Woman Dies in Hundred Year GETTYSBURG, Pa., April 19.—In her 100th year, Mrs. Mary Manthey, Gettysburg's oldest resident, is dead here. For 75 years she lived in the house in which she died. She related vividly incidents of the battle. With her husband she established the first pottery in this part of the country and, after his death, continued to conduct it for many years.

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