

DAWES SHOWS BIG POSTAL DEFICIT

Reveals "Submerged" Balance Sheet Indicating Loss of \$16,198,000 in Three Months

ATTACK ON BUREAUCRATS

Chicago, Dec. 22.—General Charles G. Dawes, former director general of the national budget, today made public what he termed the "submerged" balance sheet of the postoffice. It showed a deficit of \$16,198,000 for the first three months' operation of the postal service this year.

The Chicago Tribune printed what it said was a reproduction of the balance sheet, accompanied by a letter from J. C. Knapp, vice president of the Otis Elevator Company, who assisted in making out the report.

Liabilities of the Postoffice, according to the reproduced report, were \$140,816,500 for the first three months of the year and assets were \$124,618,500.

"I have endeavored to produce a true picture of the Postoffice operations by taking the regular Postoffice accounts alone (which alone do not give the true picture) and adding to them what they lack," Mr. Knapp's reproduced letter read.

"I believe that each Government department can be successfully placed on this basis. When accomplished a consolidation of them will produce a balance sheet and operating statement of the United States," it concluded.

"Bureaucrats" were charged with attempting to throttle the Government in a statement made last night by General Dawes regarding the Postoffice balance sheet.

Although the balance sheet had been approved by Will Hays, former Postmaster General, General Dawes said he had heard nothing of the Postoffice balance sheet and declared the Government's accounting today to be "a disgraceful and archaic system."

He said the disappearance of the balance sheet could not be dismissed as a "great fuss about nothing."

DAVIS SENDS YULE GREETING TO ALIENS

Natives of Other Lands Told They Have Great Cause for Rejoicing

DOOR TO PROGRESS OPEN

Pittsburgh, Dec. 22.—Declaring that America opens the door of advancement to those who approach it with an earnest determination to labor for progress, Secretary of Labor James J. Davis today gave a holiday greeting to the eight million aliens who are under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Naturalization in his department. Mr. Davis was on his way to Sharon, Pa., to spend Christmas with his aged parents.

"Those who come to America from other lands," said Mr. Davis, "seeking the opportunities for life, liberty and happiness, which are offered under our free governmental institutions, have a noble cause for rejoicing at this Christmas season. They face a great future. America opens wide the door of advancement to those who approach it with an earnest determination to labor for progress. He owes America the duty of supporting her free institutions. He must shun the propagandist who would preach the downfall of the republic."

"If he looks about him, he will find thousands of the successful men of America, who came here aliens like himself. They have forged the front in every walk of life, in science, in commerce, in industry and in politics. The alien who comes to America, faces conditions vastly improved over those under which these leaders began their fight for recognition in this new country. The way is open before him.

"The spirit that should be in every alien who comes to us, is the deep-seated conviction, 'I want to be an American.' Unless he has that spirit, he will fail to get that profound satisfaction which comes to those, who having sought progress in America, are able to say, with heartfelt gratitude: 'Thank God we are here.'

CAPTAIN STRICKEN ON DUTY

Steamboat Crashes Into Wharf at Wilmington

PHILADELPHIA GIRL LOST IN FIRE

Wilmington, Del., Dec. 22.—As Captain Alexander McNamee, of the Ericsson Line steamboat Ericsson was piloting his boat to a wharf at Delaware City yesterday, he was stricken with a peculiar illness. As a result the boat crashed into the wharf, but no serious damage was done.

The captain was found in the pilot house helpless. He was taken to his home at Northeast, Md., where it is thought he will recover. The Ericsson, which was on the way from Philadelphia to Baltimore, proceeded with another skipper.

Philadelphia Girl Lost in Fire
Miss Laura Anne Holding, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Holding, of St. David's, was one of the Philadelphia girls whose possessions were destroyed by a fire in one of the dormitories at Mount Holyoke College, December 20. Miss Holding is a member of the freshman class.

YULETIDE SCHOOL-CLOSING TO EASE UP COAL SCARCITY

New Jersey Institutions Badly in Need of Fuel

Black Hand Plot Believed to Be Cause of Murder

Cleveland, Dec. 22.—(By A. P.)—The bullet-riddled body of Anthony J. Joffe, twenty-six, of Willoughby, was found this morning not far from his home in Willoughby. Fifteen miles east of here, Marshal James Maloney, summoned by a man who discovered the body, declared the slaying was the outcome of a Black Hand plot. Maloney found fourteen bullet holes in the body. There were no signs of a scuffle near the spot where the body was found, and there was no indication of robbery, Marshal Maloney said.

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Uncle Sam Mixes In the Turkish Broil

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If Richard Washburn Child was only an "unofficial observer" at the Lausanne Conference it would be difficult to deny that he was the "observed of all observers." An "unofficial observer" on such occasions as these is generally supposed to be seen and not heard, but Ambassador Child has been heard—and listened to attentively—at Lausanne. Europe heard this representative of a nation officially committed to non-interference in European affairs arise day after day to state definitely and forcefully the policy of the United States on points of controversy between the Western Powers and the new Turkey which has replaced the "Sick Man of Europe."

Press correspondents at Lausanne have called attention to the leading part played in the deliberations by our observers. What does this mean, our editors have been wondering, as they read the dispatches from the Swiss city. Are we really intervening? "Isn't Mr. Child wading into the Lausanne Conference rather more deeply than is permitted to a mere observer?" queries the Dallas News (Dem.). The United States, remarks the Utica Press (Ind.), "would appear to be in a position of playing an important if not a decisive role." Others wonder what will come next.

The leading article in THE LITERARY DIGEST this week (Dec. 23) takes up the story of American participation at Lausanne as sketched from day to day by correspondents and interpreted by contemporaneous editorial comment. Other timely news-articles in this number are:

- What the Fascisti Triumph Means to Italy**
As Interpreted by Italian Writers in the United States and Canada
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