

Names Noted

The New Commandant at West Point. The Special Chief of the Commissioner, T. Shao Yi, and Prince Tsai Fu.



MAJOR FREDERICK W. SIBLEY, who has just been appointed commandant of the United States Military Academy at West Point, relieves Colonel Robert L. Howe, who is detailed as lieutenant colonel of the Porto Rico regiment of Infantry. He is one of the best disciplinarians in the regular army and is considered an authority in matters respecting military training generally. The head of the academy is the superintendent, but the post of commandant is one of much responsibility, and it is considered especially important at an institution of this kind that it be held by an officer of discretion.

Tang Shao Yi, high commissioner of the Chinese empire to the United States, who was recently received by President Roosevelt, is a Chinaman who is pretty well Americanized. It was because of his familiarity with American institutions that he was charged by the Chinese government with bearing to the head of the United States government the message of gratitude from China at the remission of the sum which the oriental power had expected to pay by way of indemnity for injuries to American interests in the course of the Boxer insurrection of 1900. In the suit of the high commissioner are several interesting personages, among them Prince Tsai Fu and Chung Mun Yew. Commissioner Tang Shao Yi is at present director general of railways of the Chinese empire, high commissioner of customs and a member of the grand council, the body which really governs the great nation known as the Chinese people. He was educated chiefly in the United States, having been sent to this country by his government in 1874 as a boy of twelve. He attended school in Hartford, Conn., and later studied at Columbia university, where he was in attendance when recalled by his government. He has served as ambassador to Tibet, minister to England and mandarin of a Manchurian province.

Man Yew was once a member of the Yale class of '83 and coxswain of its crew. The Yale Alumni Weekly says he was a very competent coxswain. The graduate coach of the crew, it seems, had a theory that for oarsmen, as for mules, forcible exhortation was indispensable. "Munny," he said, "you'll have to swear at those men." The Alumni Weekly tells the rest: Now Chung Mun Yew shined profanely. After further commands from the coach, however, he did get out a formula like this: "One, give way—tam! Two, head up, pull—tam!" No crew could hear that and not roll over



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board with laughter, so "Munny" was left to his own way, because he was otherwise the most promising coxswain that ever had held the ropes for Yale. And his own way was a revelation. He made a scientific study of steering a shell, and it was said that he could demonstrate mathematically the effect of every extra pound pull on either larboard or starboard side of the boat.

In the News

Two Eminent Divines Who Figured Conspicuously in the Council of the Churches of Christ in America.

The observance of a recent Sunday as a day in the interest of Christian unity by the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, in session in Philadelphia, directs attention to the progress made toward unity, or at least friendly co-operation, between the churches. Co-operation and combination and substantial unity in the work of uplifting humanity are gradually taking the place of the old time rivalry between the denominations. The executive committee of the Federal council issued a call to the several Christian bodies affiliated in the movement in behalf of the observance of the day in the interest of unity among Christians, and the appeal was widely heeded. One of the features of the observance of the day in Philadelphia was an interdenominational meeting in the interest of labor and the church, which indicated a marked increase in the sympathy between the church and the workman.

There are thirty-two religious bodies in affiliation with the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, all of national extent. Together they represent nearly 18,000,000 adherents. The council results from the inter-



REV. DR. WILLIAM H. ROBERTS AND REV. DR. O. W. WHITAKER.

church conference held in New York in 1905. In the three years which have elapsed since then thirty-two religious bodies have formally ratified and adopted the plan of federation devised by the conference and appointed delegates to the council. The president of the council during these important years at the beginning of the movement has been the Rev. William H. Roberts, D. D., LL. D., of the Presbyterian church. He presided at the opening sessions of the council. Dr. Roberts was formerly moderator of the general assembly of the Presbyterian church. Prominent in the proceedings at Philadelphia was the venerable bishop of the Episcopal diocese of Pennsylvania, the Right Rev. O. W. Whitaker, D. D., LL. D.

Union between Christian denominations has not usually been attended with a great deal of success except in the foreign mission fields. There union is more easily accomplished because denominational differences, so far as the native churches are concerned, are neither old nor deep. In China, Japan, India and Korea practical unions have been accomplished between churches of similar fundamental faiths. In the establishment of educational and other institutions on the foreign fields many denominations have joined, one university in China, for example, being supported by Baptist, Methodist, Congregational, Quaker and Anglican missions.

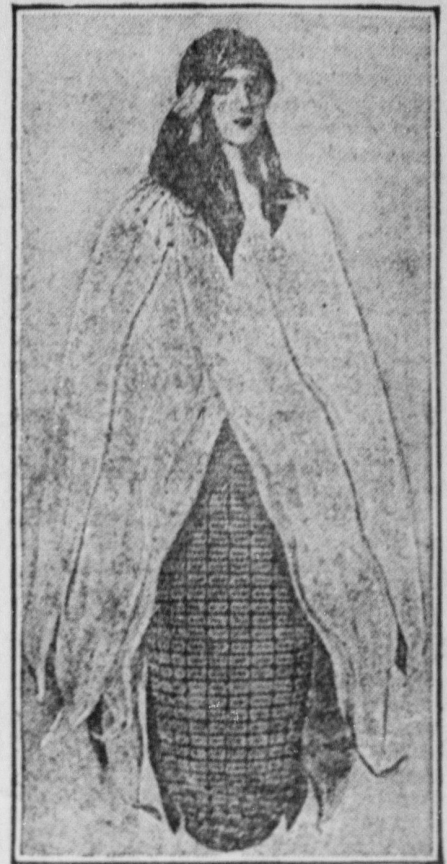
Most of the movements which begin with organic union of denominations as their object end in the establishment of federations, of which the Federal council is the largest in the world. Federation organizations are advisory only, whereas a body resulting from organic union would have legislative functions.

In Canada a union between Presbyterians, Methodists and Congregationalists seemed likely for a time to be effected, but leaders now believe that federation alone can be accomplished. In this Canadian Baptist and Episcopalian will probably join. A similar movement in Australia promises a similar result. The proposed union in this country between Congregationalists, United Brethren and Methodist Protestants has been found to be impossible of accomplishment, and a new movement whereby Methodists, Methodist Protestants and United Brethren seek union is under consideration.

THE CORN EXPOSITION.

The King of All Grains and His Reign at Omaha.

The success of the second annual corn exposition at Omaha from Dec. 9 to 19 proves once again that corn is still king. The monarch of the grains, holding sway in the Omaha Auditorium and annex, seems to have had no difficulty in maintaining supremacy



EMBLEM OF THE EXPOSITION.

despite the number and variety of exhibits from all parts of the United States and from many distant corners of the world.

One of the most interesting exhibits showed visitors, both experts and laymen, just what is being done to save the great corn crops of the south from the ravages of the infamous weevil. A corn hospital was established where "sick" kernels, showing traces of the attacks of their boring enemy, were treated with hydrocyanic gas, which destroys both bug and larvae. Much to the satisfaction of all concerned, exhibitors in the extreme south state that the weevil is under nearly absolute control and is on the verge of total eradication.

That there has been as great advance in methods of cultivating and producing Uncle Sam's star crop as in many others of his great industries was forcefully illustrated at Omaha in the "manufacturers' section" of the exposition. Side by side were placed the old time implements and the most modern and almost human farm machinery and equipment. Of the latest types the new "corn planter" held forth with the guarantee to plant three kernels to a hill ninety-nine times out of a hundred or pay a considerable forfeit. Then there is a new husker, a machine that shoots the corn into a wagon and blows the husks and blades directly into the barn. An up to date gang plow claims to do as much work with three horses as is usually accomplished with four.

A great boon to the corn raiser and a triumph of the science of cultivation

and breeding the grain is the germination and testing process whereby it has been found by testing six kernels from each individual ear that an insurance policy could be taken out upon the "stand."

It has recently been stated that at the great Chicago stockyards even the formerly discarded squeal of the innocent pig is now being made use of, but the latest triumph in farm science bids fair to hold its own with the progress of the porkmakers. An entirely new paradise of economy is opened up to the tiller of the soil by the process of manufacturing low grade corn and other waste products into denatured alcohol, which product may be used in many sorts of engines necessary to the modern farm.

Recovered.
"I understand you are a lawyer."
"I was once."
"Not practicing now?"
"No; just trying to live it down."
Liked His Company.
"Now, don't be a fool."
"Why not?"
"Why should you?"
"Because I am fond of you."

A Wonderful Bowman.
The Romans were very skillful bowmen, although they discarded the weapon in warfare, trusting to the charge and to hand to hand fighting. Many of the Roman emperors were famous archers. It is said that Domitian would place boys in the circus at a considerable distance from him and as they held up their hands with the fingers outstretched he would send the arrows between them with such nicety and accuracy of aim that he never inflicted a wound.

The wicked emperor Commodus boasted that he never missed his aim or failed to kill the wild beast that he shot with a single arrow. He would set a shaft in his bow as some wild beast was set free in the circus to devour a living criminal condemned to die. Just when the furious animal was springing on his prey the emperor would strike it dead at the man's feet. Sometimes 100 lions were let loose at once in order that he, with 100 arrows, might kill them. With arrows the heads of which were semicircular he would sever the necks of ostriches in full flight.

Working Too Hard.
The owner of the farm had been enjoying himself at the county fair, while his hardworking wife stayed at home to see that the farm suffered no loss in his absence.

"Well, Sarah," said the owner upon his return, "I'm about all tired out. Is the cows in the barn?"

"Yes; long since," replied his wife, barely looking up from the task then in hand.

"Is the hosses unharnessed an' fed?"

"Yes."
"Chickens locked up?"

"Yes."
"Wood chopped for mornin'?"

"Yes."
"Wagon heel mended an' ready t' start in th' mornin'?"

"Yes."
"Well, then," concluded the exhausted owner, with a sigh of relief, "let me have my supper. I'm goin' t' turn in. Farm'n's beginnin' t' tell on me."—New York Herald.

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