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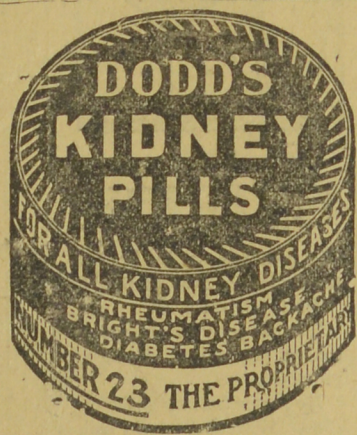
**BRAIN, NOT BODY, DENOTES MAN'S ABILITY**

Philadelphia, Feb. 4.—Statements of efficiency experts that a man's best years for achievement are prior to his thirty-fifth were denied by Dr. W. John Murray of New York, in a talk here. He mentioned President Wilson and Gen. Foch as examples of men past 55 who have shown they now are at the height of their ability.

"Efficiency experts, so called," Dr. Murray said, "will produce rows of figures to attest that a man's strength decreases after the thirty-fifth birthday. But this question arises: Is a man's ability measured by his muscles or his brain? It is measured by his brain. Therefore, if a man's life experiences have expanded his mental powers so that they are greater at 50 than at 25 he is a much better business asset."

**WHEN THIRTEEN WAS A DOZEN**

There was a time in early English history when a heavy penalty was inflicted by the authorities for short weight, and the fear of punishment was so great that, rather than run the risk of violating the law, bakers generally threw in an extra loaf, when customers asked for a dozen loaves. Thus a "baker's dozen" came to be not twelve pieces of a given article, but thirteen.

**GERMAN OFFICERS AFRAID TO APPEAR IN UNIFORM**

**Discipline of the Soldiers is Not What it Used to be—Since the Armistice was Signed Discontented Civilians Have Been Getting in Their Work—Trains Have Been Seized by the Military Factions.**

(Herbert Corey in Halifax Chronicle.)

One of the most interesting phases of the German problem was the relation which existed between the army and the revolutionary chiefs of the country. On the surface the co-operation was perfect. The revolutionists gave orders to the army chiefs. By direction of what remained of the former Imperial Government these orders were obeyed.

It was obvious that the interests of both were thus served. If the army were permitted to go to pot disorder must inevitably follow. That would mean starvation a little sooner than the official figures contemplate and counter-revolutions that would oust the present chiefs from their saddles, even if Bolshevism did not ensue. The revolutionary government obviously desired to retain enough of an army under the colors at present to keep the country quiet.

"The one hope of getting food from America is in the maintenance of order," the revolutionists told their people. They were proud of the orderly fashion in which this very time revolution had proceeded. "Secretary Lansing has told us that food will only be sent to Germany if we keep order," every conservative orator repeated to his audience.

Afraid of Bolshevism.

On the other hand it is evident that if Hindenburg keeps an army together there may come a time when he will be master of the situation. The revolutionists do not admit this, but it is apparently a thought well lodged in every reactionary cranium. The present need of order appeals quite as strongly to the army chiefs as to the revolutionists. Von Groener, who took Ludendorff's place, was in command in the Ukraine when the Bolsheviks spread their poison there. He is frankly afraid of Bolshevism—or says he is afraid.

"It spreads like a pestilence," said he to me. The German soldier is still disciplined, but not as he used to be. He salutes his officers only when on duty in many regiments. But when on duty he obeys.

"The officers have the technical knowledge that we lack," is the explanation. "If we did not obey them we would soon be in a hopeless snarl. But when we are not on duty Jack is as good as his master."

Discipline Maintained.

The statement is made by both sides that the revolutionary freedom of manners is at first confined to the regiments which have figured in the few scenes which have been reported, and which have been notably few, when it is considered that the old government has been replaced and overturned. The men who have been under the stern discipline of the front retain that discipline until they have reached the rear.

"There they come in contact with the discontented civilians and with the soldiers that have revolted," I was told. "In a few days they are like the others. They obey fairly well, but the contagion spreads."

This much was apparent even to the foreign observer. The men marching back from the front in obedience to the demobilization clauses of the armistice agreement were perfectly disciplined. The delegates of the Arbeiter-und-Soldaten-Rath gave orders to the army chiefs, but never interfered with the internal workings of the military machine. The huge movement of retreat proceeded in the most orderly fashion until points some distance in the interior—as measured from the recent fighting front—were reached. But when Cologne and Coblenz and Mainz were reached, the cumulative effect of a revolution and of the relaxed discipline following the end of the war began to be noticeable.

Soldiers Seized Trains.

"Many times the men have seized trains and gone on their way without orders," I was told.

I rode in a troop train from Trier to Coblenz. It was jammed to the very roof but I did not see a dozen officers on the train. The train-master told me that almost every night half a dozen or more soldiers were killed or injured by being scraped off the car roofs on passing through tunnels. From this

point on to Berlin officers became increasingly rare. The colonel of a regiment told me in Berlin that he did not dare wear his uniform on the streets.

"My own men are all right," he said, "but rebels from other regiments might shoot me. It would be suicide to appear on the streets in uniform today."

During the six days I spent in Berlin I did not see six uniformed officers in all. Often youngsters entered the Hotel Adlon, where I made my Headquarters, accompanied by young women of very evident aristocratic families. The men bore every outward mark of the Prussian officer, but they wore the dress of private soldiers. Few even wore their decorations. The few officers I saw were in motor cars and rode rapidly. The men turned to watch them on the pavement and often I heard threats shouted after them.

**NATION WIDE PROHIBITION HELD TO BE ILLEGAL BY PROVIDENCE JOURNAL**

Providence, R. I., Feb. 10.—The Providence Journal will print tomorrow a statement declaring that after consultation with some of the best known lawyers in the country, it believes the action of Acting Secretary Folk in proclaiming the prohibition amendment effective and adopted, was illegal. The proclamation was entirely void, for the reason that when it was made thirty-six states had not ratified the amendment.

"This list of states," the statement reads, "included a number of states, constitutions of which contained provisions for referendum of the acts and resolutions of their legislative assemblies. Among these states was Ohio and California."

"Undoubtedly the state of Ohio, for instance, has not ratified, and ratification cannot be said to have occurred in the state of Ohio until the referendum proceedings have been completed."

HAD THE BEST LEGAL ADVICE.

Washington, Feb. 16.—Acting Secretary of State Folk declined to comment tonight on the statement of the Providence Journal, questioning the legality of his act in proclaiming the prohibition amendment effective, further than to say that the proclamation had been issued on advice of the legal department of the government.

Next to your wife's party gown, what do you think is the oldest thing in the world? Cabmen's plug hats is our random guess.

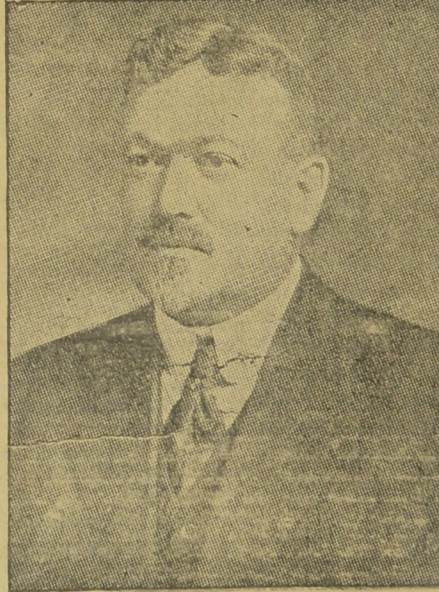
One of our judges seems to take the view that because he don't like the prohibition law he needn't convict violators of it.

**Transportation Matters**

**Mr. Melanson's Promotion.**  
SOMEbody wrote a letter to the Halifax newspapers recently stating that in the selection of officials for the new Canadian National Railways, old employees of the Intercolonial were being passed over for MacKenzie & Mann men. We do not know how much truth there is in this statement, but we do know that three of the best men of the old Government Railways have been given three of the biggest positions in the Canadian National, namely, C. A. Hayes, as Vice-President and Traffic Manager; F. P. Brady, General Superintendent, Eastern Division, and H. H. Melanson, as chief of the passenger business for the whole system.

The public probably know more of Mr. Hayes and Mr. Brady than they do of Mr. Melanson. Mr. Melanson's position as Passenger Traffic Manager of the I.C.R. was not one that officially brought him in contact with the Halifax and St. John Boards of Trade and other business organizations; for while his work had to do with a larger number of people than the work of the other two combined, the constituency he served—the great washed and unwashed public—were not an organized body, with a President, a Secretary, and a Board of Directors to advise public officials with regard to their various shortcomings. Mr. Melanson, therefore, was saved the ordeal of having to appear before public bodies to answer questions; for which fact, no doubt, he is sincerely thankful. Such conferences, however, have their compensations. They give a strong man an opportunity to show his strength and to develop

public confidence in him. Mr. Melanson, as we have said, did not have the opportunity to meet the public and impress them, but he did have an opportunity that for all practical personal purposes was quite as valuable to him. He had the chance to demonstrate to the directing heads of the Government Railways that he was a man of efficiency in his own department, and it is the fact that he did so demonstrate, and none other, to which he owes his appointment to his new position. Mr. Melanson is a Maritime Province man, born in Westmorland County, New Brunswick, and has been in the service of the Canadian Government Railway for a great many years; in fact he started with it as a boy since which time he has thoroughly learned every section of the passenger business from the ground up. The citizens of Moncton no doubt will regret his departure to Toronto, his headquarters in the future, but the Maritime Provinces as a whole will be the gainer thereby, because in Mr. Melanson it will have a warm advocate of Maritime attractions to visitors.

MR. H. H. MELANSON,  
Passenger Traffic Manager Canadian National Railways

Melanson in his larger field will have the opportunity to send a great many more people to visit the provinces than he ever could have reached while in his old position at Moncton. We therefore look to him for a very great help in this connection in the future, for what more natural expectation could we have from one who knows the provinces as he knows them, than that he would do everything possible to spread the news of their attractions for summer visitors in all parts of the land.—Maritime Merchant.

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**VISCOUNT GREY IS NOW BLIND**

London, Feb. 10.—The eye trouble with which Viscount Grey, former British Secretary for Foreign Affairs, has been afflicted for years, has now culminated in total blindness, says the Daily Mail today. Viscount Grey is learning to read by the Braille system of characters for the blind.

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