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PUBLIC BATHS FOR DOGS IS THE LATEST

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Paris, Dec. 14—Public baths for dogs are a feature of the municipal arrangements at Strassburg, which are described in articles published here praising the sanitary improvements introduced in the city while Alsace was under the German regime.

The dogs' bath forms a special department of the excellent public baths which are used by one thousand to two thousand persons daily and are of first class construction and efficiency. There are heated cages for drying the dogs after bathing. Many dogs call unattended at the baths at regular hours every week, scratch at the door and have their bath.

Another damli: Once upon a time a man who held a political job died of overwork.

Once in a while a wife lets her husband have the last word—when it comes in the form of an abject apology.

AMERICAN BANKERS DISCUSS TARIFF ISSUE

They Favor Protection, But Regard a Barrier as Futile at the Present Stage—The International Trade Situation is Commanding General Interest—Veiwpoint of the Exporter.

New York Dec. 13—Two statements which, because of the authorities uttering them and because of their bearing on the present international trade situation which is the foremost subject before American business today, have awakened wide discussion in banking and exporting quarters during the last twenty-four hours.

The first of these was the declaration of representatives Nicholas Longworth before the Association of Life Insurance Presidents here, that there should be no hasty changing of the tariff laws. The second was the plea of French Ambassador Jusserand before the Academy of Political Science for a more favorable rate of exchange for the French franc that it might achieve more nearly its normal purchasing power.

Both incidents developed Thursday during discussions of foreign trade by international authorities and to both there was an immediate reaction in financial quarters.

There is a growing conviction among authorities here that there will be little alteration of the tariff for some months at least, even under the present and continuing Republican domination of Congress. And, it is the belief of a majority of these experts that such a course is the proper one.

Barrier Futile Just Now.

On this subject, a symposium of bankers views, everyone with whom I talked favoring a protective tariff, might be summarized as follows. "A protective tariff should be established eventually both as a means of revenue and as a protection to American institutions, but it is futile to raise this barrier at this particular moment when, by so doing, the purpose for which it is intended will be defeated. There is no need for a protective tariff against a non-productive world. We have the power to set production going abroad which is required for their benefit as well as for ours. After that it will be time enough to attempt equalization through the medium of a protective tariff. As for remedying the exchange rate with France in particular and other European nations in general, there are differences of opinion and no moves are in prospect."

which could be described as organized efforts by the banks to remedy the situation. Exporters, however, are inclined to believe that remedies should be prescribed for this immediately.

While not committing himself definitely, General Swope, President of the International General Electric Co., discussed the point in an interview with me "as one of the factors which seriously affect our foreign business."

"On account of the abnormal conditions as a result of the war," he said, "the monies of the different people who are in need of our products and who would like to trade with us, are so demoralized, that it is difficult, if not impossible, for them to pay for the merchandise that we send them and of which they are greatly in need. This raises a barrier of exchange, and this takes place at the same time that we have a stock of commodities over and above the needs of our people and at the same time that our factories are slowing down in their production because of the falling off in the demand for its products at home."

Exporters Viewpoint.

Henry S. Kimball speaking for the great exporting house of Gaston Williams and Wigmore, went further in his discussion of the exchange situation.

"When it is realized," he said, "that exchange conditions are more nearly equalized among all nations outside of the United States and, for this reason, business is being transacted freely among them as far as differences in exchange are concerned; and also that these other nations are recovering their trade positions rapidly or at least taking full advantage of their opportunities within the limits of their opportunities within the limits of their resources; and further that the United States is rapidly losing export business and suffering severe financial handicaps, to a great extent due to the unfavorable exchange relation between it and every other country, the necessity for some quick relief is most apparent."

W. F. Hughes of Halifax is at the Barker House.

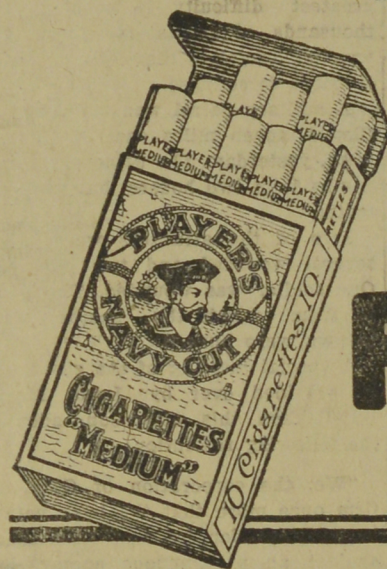
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PLAN TO HELP THE FARMERS OF AMERICA

(Journal of Commerce.)

The members of the Farm Mortgage Bankers' Association of America are being asked to co-operate in urging legislation to strengthen the foreign market for American farm products. The immediate action by congress to bring the War Finance Corporation into temporary operation and to encourage organization of private companies for permanently financing and developing foreign trade is recommended.

The mortgage bankers of the United States like the mortgage institutions of Canada are interested in seeing the farmer get the highest possible price for his products. They appreciate, however that it is not possible to force high prices on the foreign consumer by holding up shipments. They propose the more practical method of giving credit to the foreign consumer so that purchases of American foodstuffs can be successfully financed.

In the opinion of the Farm Mortgage Bankers' Association the most pressing needs include:

Methods of financing foreign purchases of United States farm products To meet this need you are urged to endorse the formation of corporations

under the provisions of the Edge Bill already endorsed by the American Bankers' Association. As an emergency measure we advocate the revival of the War Finance Corporation, with the important reservation that it should cease to function as soon as private agencies are in operation.

Of financing the marketing of accumulated stocks, farm products, to distribute the pressure on the market over the entire marketing year, month by month.

Of relieving breeders of the necessity of liquidating breeding herds and animals not yet ready for market. To meet this need we endorse the measures now being put in effect by a committee of bankers of reserve cities to create a fund of \$25,000,000 or more, available for the relief of stock breeders and holders of breeders' paper where such relief is necessary to prevent the disastrous results of killing off breeding herds and slaughtering immature stock.

There's a fool born every minute, but one should be thankful that a superman doesn't come into the world that often.

The prosperity that most people can't stand is the prosperity of other people.

THE PLACE OF THE FATHER IN THE HOME

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(By Lydia Kingsmill Commander) London, Dec. 14—"The Place of the Father in the Home—if Any" is the startling subject of a lecture by Mrs. Shaw McLaren, sister of Dr. Elsie Inglis, who was in service in the Balkans during the war.

"The father's present place" says the lecturer, "is one of supremacy, for the law gives him full power over the wife and children. Some people think that the father should be put out of the home altogether—after the first five years of married life. It is admitted that for the first five years he is a biological necessity. Usually after that he is unnecessary and in fact superfluous. He should then support the home, but not interfere in it."

"Their arguments are that he is bad for the children, and that home is bad for him. He abuses his supremacy, and the sense of supremacy is not good for his character. If he is a creative genius, he is lost to the world, for he settles down. He is bad for the children, because they require more delicate handling than he generally gives them. I consider myself, that it is very bad for anybody to be in a position of such complete power as a father is in a home."

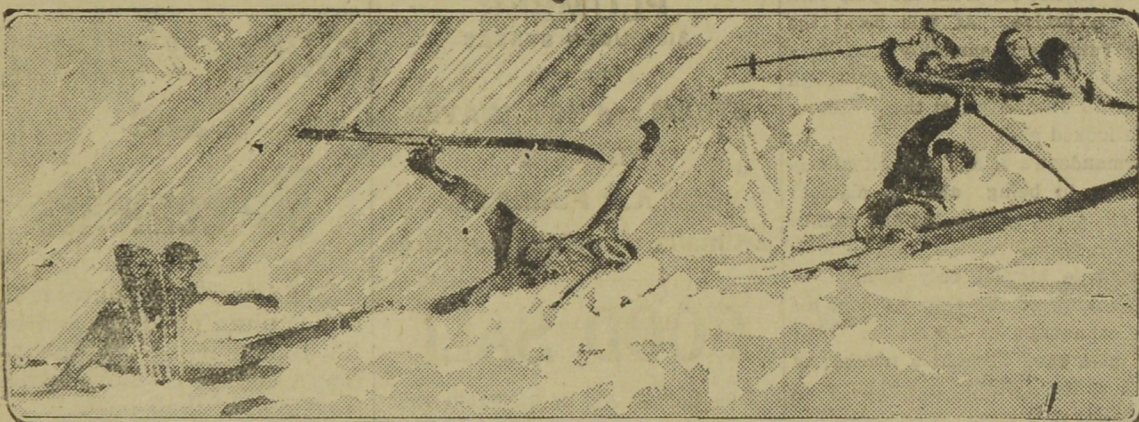
"Under a father children do not get sufficient freedom. Mothers realize that children should have freedom to develop and under the present conditions it is not to be wondered at that they often deceive the fathers for the sake of he children. The root of the matter is that home was not instituted for the man but for the child and 'Hands off the child's life!' should be the woman's cry."

"It has been suggested to me by a young man who is all in favor of the idea of eliminating the father's influence after five years, that the father should then be 'hoofed out.' He thought that not only was the domination of a father bad for the children, but the distraction of children as housemates was bad for the father, especially if he were trying to do any creative work."

No man likes to be reminded of his prophecies unless they come true. And if they do happen to come true nobody ever mentions them.

In a small town it is a cardinal of fence to spend money; but in a city it is a cardinal oecence to save it.

A PARADISE FOR SKI-MEN



Preparations are already being made for the annual carnival to be held at Banff amidst the glories of the Canadian Pacific Rockies. Banff is ideally situated for winter sports and this season the dates have been fixed from January 29th to February 5th inclusive. The Secretary writes that the programme is to be considerably extended. He says:

"Our Ski Hill has now been completed in accordance with the suggestions made by the world's champion, Anders Haugen of Brooten, Minn., and we are confident that a new world's record will be established on our Hill this Carnival. We have decided to offer a substantial cash prize to the man who can beat the present world's record and to supplement this cash prize with a further prize of \$10.00 for every foot or portion of a foot by which the record is broken on our hill. We will also follow the same principle in connection with the amateur championship only in that case the inducement or reward will be in the shape of an especially attractive prize. We have at the present time four different jumps so that we will be in a position to stage competitions in all classes of this very spectacular and hair-raising sport."

"We expect that ladies hockey will be a very important factor in our sports this season. We have already been advised that the ladies of Vancouver under the leadership of Mr. Frank Patrick, of professional hockey fame, expect to compete. The Regents, the Champions of Western Canada, of Calgary, the Patricias also of Calgary, a team from Edmonton, a team from Vulcan, Alberta, and perhaps teams from Winnipeg and



1. Where falls are good fun. 2. Ski-ing in the Canadian Rockies.

Ottawa are all expected to be on hand and compete with Vancouver and Ottawa for the Championship of Canada. A very elaborate trophy together with ten very attractive and costly prizes will in all probability be announced a little later in connection with this event.

"An ice palace will be constructed on a basis far more extensive than anything heretofore attempted and the resident engineer of the Dominion Government is now at work preparing the plans for same. We expect this palace when illuminated will be a view that will long live in the memories of those who will be fortunate enough to visit us and see it. The palace will be stormed at different times during the Carnival by representatives of all the different sports indulged in, and it is expected that the fire works display

on these occasions will be most interesting.

"Special attention will again be given to art and fancy skating and competition in these items on our programme promise to be very interesting. The Connaught Skating Club of Vancouver with a membership of almost three hundred, has written saying that the Club will be well represented and if we could be assured of some entries from Eastern Canada and the States together with the assured entries we will have from Winnipeg, Calgary, Edmonton and Saskatoon this feature of our programme would be one of the biggest events ever attempted in Canada. Application will be made to the Amateur Athletic Union of Canada to have all these contests representative of the Canadian Championships."

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