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POPE BENEDICT SHOWS REAL HUMOROUS VEIN

Rome, Nov. 10.—(By mail)—Probably the world does not look for humor in Benedict XIV. But a story, now going the local rounds, reveals this vein in him.

trait of the pope from a photograph. Proudly he took his masterpiece to the Vatican, beseeching a signature and a biblical reference from His Holiness.

Without a moment's hesitation the Holy Father wrote, "It is I! Have no fear!" Then he signed his name with a flourish beneath it.

MARRIES NEW JERSEY GIRL

Berlin, Dec. 10.—The marriage here today of Count Christian Gunther von Bernstorff, son of the former ambassador to the United States, and Mrs. Marguerite Vivian Burton (Thomasson) of Burlington, N. J., is reported by the Berlin newspapers.

FUTURE DEPENDS ON AIR SUPREMACY

Englishman Predicts Race Between Nations in Airplane Construction if This War Does Not End War

London, Nov. 20.—(By mail)—"The growth of the imperial air service cannot stop until we have the same preponderance over all other nations in the air that we have on the sea. Such preponderance is the British empire's only hope of survival in the future."

The opinion by C. G. Grey, editor of "The Aeroplane," should interest the country that is planning to build 40,000 machines between now and spring. If this war does not settle the question of war itself, it is apparent in Grey's view that the future will see a race between the nations in aeroplane construction.

He described the mobilization of the naval air service at Spithead just before the war began. They managed to raise on that occasion, he said, about 20 naval machines, one flying boat and about 20 shore-going aeroplanes.

The admiralty regarded the whole thing as rather an interesting hobby for a few enthusiasts backed by Winston Churchill.

As for the army, a month before the war a concentration at Salisbury Plain of all the squadrons brought together about 40 machines, Grey said.

The R. N. A. S. is now a full-sized navy itself and R. F. C.'s full-sized army. The former has stations all around the coast and navy's aeroplanes and the latter can launch as many machines as the whole service could at that opening of the war.

While the R. F. C., as Grey put it, "now fights its own battles in the air and takes a hand in everybody else's battles as well, whether at home or abroad."

"Everyone anywhere in England, except in the mountain country, knows it is nearly as hard to get miles away from an aerodrome as it is to get miles away from a railway station. People who still drive motor cars tell me that in the country on any reasonably fine day they meet more aeroplanes than motor cars."

Every aerodrome employs dozens of officers and hundreds of men. The squadrons run into hundreds, the officers in thousands and the men into hundreds of thousands and still the corps keeps growing. New aeroplanes are constantly ordered and one begins to wonder where we are going to grow our 1918 potatoes.

INCREASE OF PAY FOR POSTAL EMPLOYEES LIKELY

Senator M'Lean's Bill Provides Increase From 15 To 30 Per Cent

By GEORGE H. MANNING. Washington, Dec. 10.—It is more than likely that congress will pass a bill at this session granting increases of salary to all the postal employees. There is a strong sentiment for such a measure to be passed either as a separate bill or as a part of the post-office appropriation bill, on the part of the members of both the senate and house, who realize that the range of salaries paid five or ten years ago are not sufficient to meet the present high cost of living.

Bills to provide the increase were introduced in both the senate and house on the opening day of the session and their passage will be urged by a number of members whose aid has been solicited by the employees all over the country.

Congressman Clyde Kelly, of Pennsylvania, introduced a bill to grant all employees of the post-office service a straight 25 per cent salary increase.

Senator McLean, of Connecticut, introduced a bill to grant to all postal employees now receiving salaries of \$1,200 or less per year an increase of 30 per cent; those receiving between \$1,200 and \$1,800, 25 per cent increase; those receiving between \$1,800 and \$3,000 increases of 20 per cent, and those receiving more than \$3,000 an increase of 15 per cent.

Appraisals for the passage of such legislation have become most insistent during the past three years from postal employees everywhere.

BRITISH DUDES SEND OUT S. O. S.; SAVE OUR STYLES

London, Nov. 10.—(By mail)—The British government is working on plans to standardize the clothes of the stay-at-home to save wool.

Up on Saville row the habit of the dudes—the British for them is "nuts"—there is fear and trembling. If the dread decree goes into effect how in one to be distinguished from one's valet.

Already the government has a scheme completed to produce a standard price, the same as potatoes, wheat or sugar.

And the nuts are sending out the S. O. S. call—save our style.

Frequently to make a mark in their community, men leave their foot-prints going out.—Ex.

The old toppers are finding it difficult to keep up during the war exigencies.—Charlotte News.

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Build Moonshades. Mountain campers who scorn tent and sleep "in the open," have devised "moonshades" to shield their eyes a night, so that their slumbers may not be disturbed by the brilliant reflector light from the earth's satellite. The shade consists of a square of canvas stretched between the upper ends of two pointed stakes, which are driven into the ground in any desired position.

You Can't Beat the delicious wheat and barley flavor of Grape-Nuts FOOD

Advertisement for Western Union Money Transfers. Includes illustration of a woman and a man, and text: "It's Easy to Send Money by Western Union. Thousands of soldier-boys abroad and in cantonments. Thousands of loyal women at home wondering how to send them money with the greatest safety. Let Western Union Money Transfers help you."

Advertisement for Castoria. Text: "CASTORIA For Infants and Children In Use For Over 30 Years. Always bears the Signature of J. C. Ayer & Co."

Advertisement for S. O. S. (Save Our Styles). Text: "BRITISH DUDES SEND OUT S. O. S.; SAVE OUR STYLES. London, Nov. 10.—(By mail)—The British government is working on plans to standardize the clothes of the stay-at-home to save wool."

Advertisement for Soldiers Scrupulously Clean, but Went Hungry. Text: "SOLDIERS SCRUPULOUSLY CLEAN, BUT WENT HUNGRY. Camp Funston, Kan., Dec. 10.—There was a quiet storm at Camp Funston the other day while some 30,000 men of the national army were drilling."

Advertisement for Sergeant Jack Has An Engagement in Norfolk. Text: "SERGEANT JACK HAS AN ENGAGEMENT IN NORFOLK. With the American Expeditionary Army in France, Dec. 8.—Sergeant Jack looks forward to a trip to Norfolk, Va., if he comes back from the war."

Advertisement for Wasting Time. Text: "Wasting Time. If time be of all things the most precious, wasting time must be, as Poor Richard says, the greatest prodigality; since, as he elsewhere tells us, lost time is never found again; and what we call time enough, always proves little enough."

Red Cross Khaki Christmas

Large advertisement for Red Cross Khaki Christmas. Includes illustrations of people wrapping gifts, a Red Cross Christmas tree, and various gift items. Text: "CHRISTMAS, 1917! A million men gone from American homes—some to camp, some to France, some to the high seas. Every mother's son of them ready and eager to answer the call of Christmas—and nearly all of them far from the kind of Christmas that the years have always brought them."