

Edison will Help Navy

Washington, July 13.—Announcement by Thomas A. Edison of his acceptance of Secretary Daniel's offer to head an advisory board of civilian inventors for the proposed bureau of invention and development in the navy department was received with gratification today by naval officials. Secretary Daniels, who appealed to Mr. Edison to undertake the task on patriotic grounds, went ahead today with the perfection of his new plans. It is planned to have men prominent in special lines of invention and research work associated with the bureau, several names already being under consideration.

One of the big problems to be laid before the bureau will be that of improving the navy's submarines and airships. Referring in his letter to Mr. Edison to submarine warfare, Mr. Daniels said that he felt sure with Mr. Edison's wonderful brain to help them the officers of the navy would be able "to meet this new danger with new devices that will assure peace to our country by their effectiveness."

Another important task of the bureau will be to make a careful study with a view to their possible adoption of all the numerous suggestions and inventions which are received almost daily by the navy department from naval officers and civilians.

M. R. S. Hutchinson, personal representative of Mr. Edison, called on Secretary Daniels today and informed him of Mr. Edison's acceptance of the invitation.

"Mr. Hutchinson told me," said Secretary Daniels, "that Mr. Edison regarded my invitation as a call to duty, and that he would be glad to render any possible service to his country. Mr. Hutchinson further stated that Mr. Edison would be very glad to send in a few days his reply to my letter of invitation."

Secretary Daniels conferred with Rear Admirals Griffin, Taylor and Struss, the naval officers who handle the problems of ordnance, construction, engineering and electricity, as to the best way to get the advance of citizen inventors. As to the other advisory members, Secretary Daniels said he was not ready to make any announcement, but he felt sure that other men would respond to the call of duty. He expects to make announcement concerning them in a few days.

"What we want to do in this matter," said the secretary, "is to appeal to the American inventive genius to work for the navy and to study what we ought to do. We want them to give us the best they can. Already since the war began much has been done with our own resources."

What has been done in the last three months has not yet appeared and work that is going on under supervision of our own experts and engineers will continue. But the idea of the advisory board will be to extend into realm of the unknown in naval construction and the possibilities of naval warfare. We desire the advice of genius as to new tell what such advice may bring forth. We can not tell today what kind of battleship we should have three years from now.

"For the first time in twenty years we have had an opportunity to test the kind of ships and ammunition that we have in actual naval warfare. Already we are putting guns on submarines and Admiral Taylor is at work on the subject of protection against submarines. I believe there will be as much revolution in naval construction in the future as there has been since the monitor. The proposed board is one of those things that must grow and work out its own development."

New Mexico at San Diego

San Diego, July 5, 1915.

Following is a brief summary of the daily reports for the week ending Saturday, July 3, 1915.

The high-water mark in attendance was reached this week. 14,655 people entered the building during that period. 2,000 of these registered on the books. 114 New Mexicans visited the state building during the six days.

This increase in attendance for the week shows that the summer rush has commenced in earnest. The local hotels, and a majority of the apartment houses and rooms are filled up. The leading hotels are now booked solid through July and August.

7,000 members of the Christian Endeavor Society attended their

state convention. A majority of these visited the building. On Friday night every room in town was taken and on Saturday, 5,700 people visited this building. The information bureau down town estimated that there were 40,000 strangers in San Diego, on July 3rd. To enumerate all of the important persons who visited us, is impossible in this brief report. The daily papers and my daily reports have covered this portion in detail.

Mr. Burton Holmes, the world-famous traveler and lecturer, was here Thursday. Mr. Holmes took many photographs of the building, and says this display is wonderful, and will do New Mexico a world of good. He hopes that the building may be reproduced in Santa Fe.

The national editors came Saturday. They were still discussing their burro ride in the ancient city, and their visit to Santa Fe made them want to see the state building. We entertained them all with the Taos and Tesuque Indian reels, for that was what they wanted. They said all New Mexicans were good Indians, and particularly those in Santa Fe.

We distributed immense amounts of literature, and now have over a thousand cards to sort, classify and multigraph. We are now using our last supply of literature. 22,000 pounds of books and pamphlets were delivered at the building on Wednesday. This supply will last two months. Requests for literature and further information now average forty a day. Six weeks ago we were pleased to get that many in a week.

A splendid week closed Saturday, at six o'clock.

Cranks Follow Same Trail

It is singular that the American crank who turns into an assassin always believes himself to be the avenger of some great wrong, and entitled to the reward of heroism for their bloody achievements. They are ready to pay the price of their nefarious action without murmur, and are doubtless sincere in their belief that history will chronicle those deeds as among the heroic.

In the assassination of Lincoln, Wilkes Booth thought he was performing an act of genuine patriotism. "Be it ever thus with tyrants," he shouted, as he sprang upon the stage after shooting the president. In his blind insanity he thought the world would accept him as a martyr and the blame be placed upon Lincoln.

When Guitau shot President Garfield he was laboring under the mental hallucination that he was a person of supreme importance, whose claims had unjustly been ignored by the president. He undertook to right his own fancied wrongs, and believed that history would justify his action. His insane egoism was just about on a par with that of Booth.

When Czolgosz shot President McKinley he believed he was discharging a great public duty. Inflamed by classic appeals, he was afflicted with the same insane egoism that characterized Booth and Guitau, and was confident history would award him a crown of glory. He was the instrument chosen for this work, just like every other crank is a divinely inspired assassin. They all ascribe the inspiration to God instead of to the devil.

And when Frank Holt attempted to assassinate J. P. Morgan in the presence of his family as a means of stopping the European war, it was the same blind egoism—the same form of insanity that inspired Booth, Guitau and Czolgosz. "I am a Christian gentleman," he asserted before he committed suicide, "and for what I did the inspiration came from God."

God never inspires any individual to kill, and when the assassin declares his inspiration comes from God it is but irrefutable evidence of his egotistical insanity.

It is the same with these people all the way down the corridors of time. The assassin in his insane egoism always claims a heaven-sent inspiration, and believes himself to be a Christian gentleman and a patriot of noble purpose.—El Paso Times.

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Annual Meeting of Colorado-to-Gulf Association

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Present indications point to a very heavy travel over this route during the coming summer and there will be much work for the association to do, so let us have a full attendance and get the work well organized.

Respectfully,
O. L. WILLIAMS, Pres.
A. W. READ, Sec.

Christ Will Edit The Eagle

J. H. Christ, the well known democratic attorney, has leased the printing and publishing plant of A. J. Loomis, for many years editor of the Santa Fe Eagle. Mr. Christ will conduct a democratic weekly, and will personally take editorial charge of the paper. Mr. Loomis is internal revenue agent, and was recently transferred to Denver, making it necessary for him to dispose of his newspaper and printing properties. The plant is being moved from the old cathedral block to the Hampel building on lower San Francisco street.—Santa Fe New Mexican.

Ask the Department

"My stock has worme. What can I do for them?" This question is often asked by farmers of the bureau of animal industry's zoological division, which investigates live stock diseases caused by worms and other parasites. The farmer does not always realize that there are many different parasites affecting animals and what might help them in one instance might not in another, and so the division can only write back to the farmer, "Send in specimens of the worms." The moral is that owners of livestock affected with a parasitic disease should, if possible, send in a sample when writing to the zoological division for assistance in getting rid of it. The symptoms of the disease should also be described in some detail.

There are thousands of specimens of parasites belonging to the animal kingdom already known to man, and new ones are continually being discovered. Some of them appear to be quite harmless; others are most injurious, and some produce conditions for which no cures have been discovered. The loss to the livestock industry in the United States from animal parasites amounts to hundreds of millions of dollars every year, and in addition to this damage certain of these parasites can be transmitted to man, either in meat or otherwise. It was for the purpose of investigating such parasitic organisms with the view of developing methods of prevention, control and treatment that the zoological division of the bureau of animal industry was established. The division now possesses one of the largest collections of specimens of parasites in the world, which is most useful for purposes of reference in identifying specimen parasites sent in by the farmers, and others.

In conducting its investigations, the zoological division endeavors to have in view direct practical objects, as the control and eradication of a certain parasite infesting a certain kind of animal. The comparative efficacy of stock dips as remedies for external parasites, as scab mites, lice, and ticks, have been determined, including the arsenical dip. This is an efficient means of destroying cattle ticks and has been an important factor in the progress made in tick eradication in our southern states.

Among other parasites which have been investigated with a view to eradicating them are gid parasites in sheep, roundworms of cattle, sheep and other ruminants, tapeworms of chickens, lice and mange of hogs, fringed tapeworm of sheep, a trypanosome of American cattle, sarcosporidia, tapeworm cysts in the muscles of sheep or sheep mangles, beef measles, trichinae, and roundworms of hogs.

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