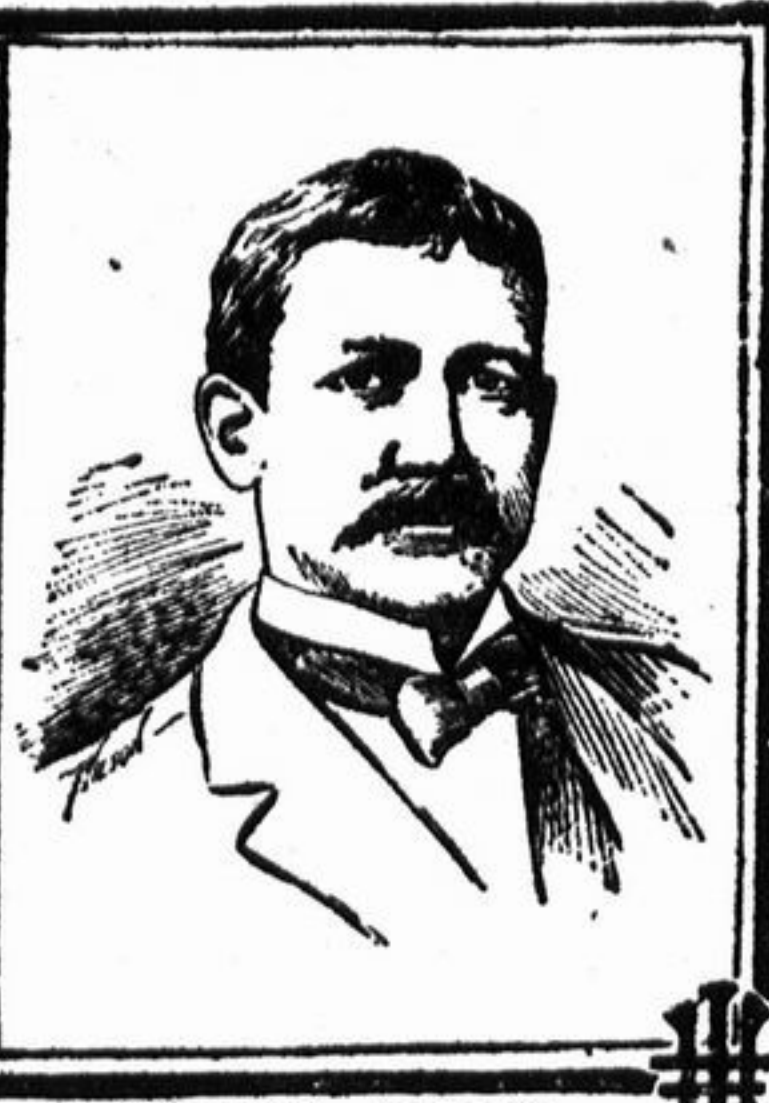


**SECRETARY ROOT TO LEAVE OFFICE;
GOV. TAFT HIS PROBABLE SUCCESSOR**



GOV. WILLIAM H. TAFT



ELIHU ROOT

It is officially announced that Elihu Root will resign as Secretary of War. The resignation to take effect about the first of next January, and that he will be succeeded, unless present plans miscarry, by Judge William H. Taft, now governor of the Philippines. For a long time, as Washington gossip has it, Secretary Root has desisted for pressing private reasons, to retire from the cabinet. When Mr. Roosevelt became President Secretary Root indicated his wish to leave the cabinet within a year, but his friendship for the president and his inter-

est in pending questions before the war department caused him to remain for a longer period than he had intended. Even now he has not indicated to the President just when he may leave the cabinet, but he and the president have discussed the subject many times and have a mutual understanding regarding it. It is not expected that the Secretary will present his resignation to the president before he leaves for England to take up the work of the Alaskan boundary committee. He has not presented his resignation yet, and

has not informed the president when he will present it.

It has been a struggle between Mrs. Root and the president, and Mrs. Root has won. She has been desirous for a year and a half that her husband should return to the practice of law, as he made a considerable sacrifice when he succeeded Secretary Alger in 1899, for he practically abandoned his law practice. Mrs. Root never was fond of Washington society and she felt that her husband should follow his profession for a few years before retiring.

That Gov. Taft will be Mr. Root's successor as secretary of war there can be little or no doubt. He is familiar with many of the problems which the secretary of war will have to meet and solve; he is a warm, personal friend of the president, who has an abiding confidence in his ability and patriotism, and it is understood that he would welcome the change involved.

Of course his appointment as Secretary of War would necessitate the appointment of a new president of the Philippine commission. In all probability Gen. Luke Wright would succeed to the presidency of the commission, his work as a member of that body having been eminently satisfactory to the administration. Some other changes also would be involved in the appointment of Gov. Taft as secretary of war, but nothing definite concerning them can be said at this time.

"SOCIETY" HAS NEW FAD.

"Munching" Now the Proper Thing at Swell Dinners.
One of the popular fads at Newport at present is "munching," which means merely eating very slowly. Munching is one of the numerous preventative of growing corpulence, and as it has the recognition of King Edward it is naturally regarded with much favor in Newport. The theory is that every particle of food must be chewed slowly and carefully until no solid material remains to be swallowed. Slow eating is merely carried to an extreme by the new treatment. All London society threatened with too much flesh is said to be chewing very long and very thoroughly and American converts to the system are already numerous. Its effect is said to be noticeable at dinners, which have come to be known as munching parties and are much less vivacious than they were when eating and drinking went on rapidly. Persons who eat slowly also eat much less than those who eat rapidly.

Began as a Laborer.
Alfred Smith, now general manager of the New York Central and Hudson river railroad, began his successful career twenty-five years ago as a railroad man in the office of the Lake Shore in Cleveland. Then he joined a gang of laborers and received \$1.50 a day.

Would Make War Impossible.

On the day before his death, which occurred recently in Moscow, Prof. Phillipoff addressed a letter to a paper of that city stating that for years he had been experimenting with a view to evolving a death-dealing instrument of such power that war would become impossible, and had found a means for transmitting the effects of an explosion over a distance of thousands of miles. The professor announced that he would shortly impart his discovery to the St. Petersburg Academy of Science and it is now being questioned in scientific circles whether he has taken his secret to the grave. His death was due to poisoning from prussic acid.

Born, Lived, Died Together.

Mr. and Mrs. John L. Wayne of Albany, N. Y., born the same day sixty-eight years ago, died Aug. 10 within a few hours of each other and were buried Aug. 12. The aged couple were devoted to each other during a long married life. The husband died first of apoplexy. When she realized that he was gone, Mrs. Wayne took to her bed and shortly after died.

Explained.

The way the mosquitoes are avoiding all efforts to crush them suggests that possibly they have incorporated under the laws of New Jersey.—Sioux City Journal.

CELEBRATE TAKING OF MANILA

Veterans of Army of the Philippines Have Parade and Banquet.

Eight hundred veterans of the army of the Philippines celebrated at Manila Aug. 4 the anniversary of the occupation of Manila by the joint land and naval forces of the United States, which occurred on Aug. 13, 1898, one day after the signing of the peace protocol at Washington.

The obsolete uniforms were resurrected and there was a parade in the streets in which the delegates from the southern islands, clad in blue shirts and khaki, participated. This was followed by a banquet.

Commissioner Smith, orator of the day, reviewed the history of the insurrection and development of the present government. He said two-thirds of the veterans now are enrolled in the civil service.

The Philippines commission will appropriate \$573,000 for permanent improvements, including \$312,000 for the completion of the coast guard cutters in course of construction at Shanghai and improvement of the insular navy yard at Manila.

CANADIAN PATROL IN RIGHT.

No Action Will Be Taken as Result of Firing on American Fisher.

The contemplated case of Capt. Christopher S. Chan against the Canadian government for the action of the patrol boat Petrel in firing upon the fish tug Silver Spray, when the vessel was alleged to have been in Canadian waters, will be dropped. Skipper Chan was advised by Collector of the Port Brown of Erie, Pa., to ascertain his exact location at the time of the trouble before taking the matter to the United States authorities. He has done so, and states that he was over the line. The statement is also made by one of the captains of the fishing fleet that nearly all of the tugs were over the boundary and that the Silver Spray was at least two miles beyond the American waters.

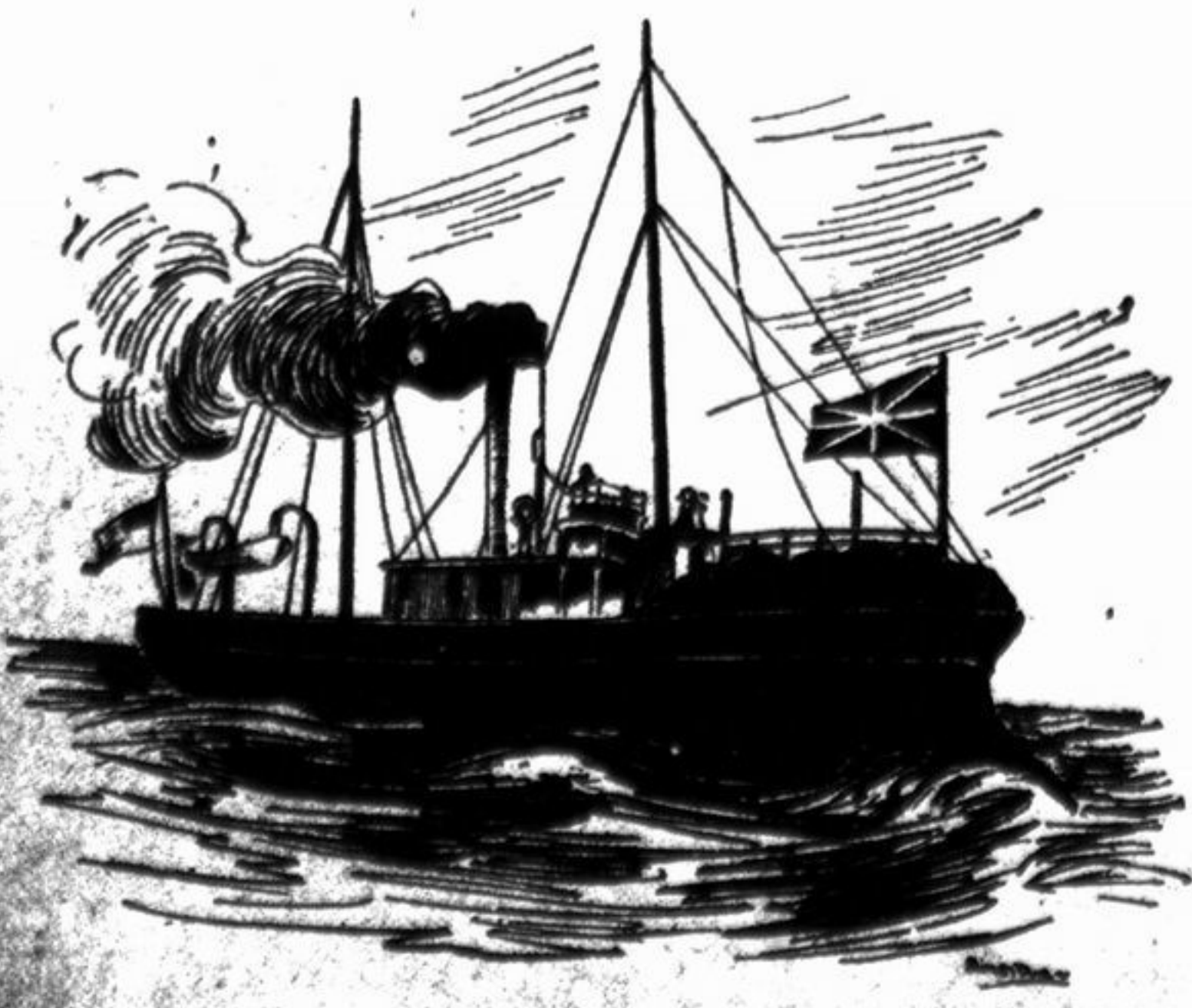
Wyndham's Characteristics.

George Wyndham, chief secretary for Ireland, who now figures prominently in the public eye in connection with the Irish land bill, is sometimes spoken of as "the knight errant of English politics," because of his instinctive love for fornic causes. Mr. Wyndham has written some pretty verses and rumor credits him with being the author of a clever novel.

Want to Leave Newport.

Many estates are for sale. The fine estates of Mrs. Frederick W. Vanderbilt, of Benjamin Thaw, who objected to the marriage of his sister to the earl of Yarmouth, and of Mrs. Hermann Oelrichs are in the market. The Bell and Malbone estates and Crossways, owned by Mrs. Stuyvesant Fish, wife of the president of the Illinois Central railroad, are for sale.

FIRE ON AMERICAN VESSEL



This is the Petrel, the Canadian revenue cutter which fired twenty shots with deck gun and small arms, into the American fishing tug Silver Spray on Lake Erie in an attempt to seize

the tug for an alleged violation of the fishing laws. The Silver Spray is full of holes as a result of the chase, and one of its crew is in a hospital with a wounded leg.

TROUBLES OF THE ANGELS.

A Boer Expression for the Tenderfoot Bait Caster to Remember.

The trouble with the tenderfoot bait caster is that he is too strong and the boat is not a rock above water. He puts enough muscle into the rod to send the light bait 300 yards; then the boat tips and he grabs at the gunwale with one hand to save himself and wonders why his reel overran and the line snarled. If this mishap does not happen, some other accident occurs, and he catches fewer fish than his more experienced companions.

It takes the tenderfoot bait-caster a long time to learn that bait-casting is like golf, that is, the more you press the less you do. The Boers have an expression which they use to their omen when mixed with a heavy load in the middle of a long river. They say it almost caressingly:

It is "Sutjes, sutjes!" It means, "Softly does it!" and it fetches the omen every time, unless the mire runs clear down to the diamond deposit.

When the tenderfoot bait-caster learns to say "Sutjes, sutjes!" to himself he is more than half taught.—New York Sun.

A German Farmer's Case.

Rich Fountain, Mo., Aug. 17th.—Rev. Joseph Pope of this place is widely and favorably known as a clergyman who has done and is doing much for his people. He is very much beloved by everyone for the faithfulness of his pastoral work.

Rev. Mr. Pope has given for publication a statement made to him by a German farmer who is a member of his congregation. The man's name is George Hoellner, and he has given Rev. Mr. Pope this letter:

"Last winter I suffered very much with Rheumatism. I could neither walk nor ride on horseback nor do any farm work. I took medicine from different doctors but they did not do me any good. Then I tried Dodd's Kidney Pills procured for me by a good friend. After I had taken the first box I felt already a heap better; I was relieved of the pain and could walk and chop wood; and the contraction of my fingers began to resolve.

"Now since I have taken six more boxes of Dodd's Kidney Pills I feel well again and am able to do all the work on the farm."

He Had a New Job.

"The natural stolidity of the Scandinavian peoples has not been exaggerated a particle in the stories that have been told about them," said a Minnesota lumberman who was in town the other day. "During the last log-drive, a couple of my hands, Alric and Ole, Swedes, were working alone, piling out logs that had swirled into an inlet of the river and became jammed there. The noon grub call went, and Alric hiked along to the mess tent alone.

"Where's Ole," my foreman asked Alric.

"Ole," said Alric, 'he quit—Ay tank he got snudder yob.'

"Ole had slipped off the log upon which he was standing and had been drowned beneath the jam, and that was Alric's way of expressing it"—Washington Star.

DEAFNESS CANNOT BE CURED

by local applications as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed it has a tendency to close and hearing is impaired. It is entirely closed deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surface.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure, Sold by Druggists, Free.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists, 75c. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

Largest Boy in the World.

In a certain Paris establishment the largest boy in the world is exhibited. His name is Anton Mochty. He weighs 150 pounds and is ten years old. His breast measures 45 inches from armpit to armpit, and his head is 22 inches in diameter. Nature gave Anton six toes on each foot and six fingers on each hand. In his village they call him "the rubber ball," on account of the rotundity of his features.

An After-Dinner Train.

Beginning August 2nd, M., K. & T., train No. 3, will leave Kansas City Union Depot at 12:25 p. m., instead of 10:35 a. m. as heretofore. This makes an elegant After-Dinner Train for Texas, giving passengers from the North and West an opportunity to lay over in Kansas City for several hours, and then resume their journey to points reached by the "Katy" in Oklahoma, Indian Territory and Texas.

Storks as Scavengers.

Were it not for the multitude of storks that throng to Egypt every winter there would be no lying in some parts of the country, for, after every inundation, frogs appear in devastating numbers.

When Your Grocer Says

he does not have Deafness Starch, you may be sure he is afraid to keep it until his stock of 12 oz. packages are sold. Deafness Starch is not only better than any other Cold Water Starch, but contains 16 oz. to the package and sells for same money as 12 oz. brands.

From a Canadian View.

Two Boer generals have purchased 100,000 acres of land for colonization purposes in Mexico. It is evident that recognition in South Africa is not advancing rapidly.

Not Counting Shrinkage.

"That bathing suit is quite a creation, isn't it?" "Well, it's nearly a creation—made out of almost nothing."—Puck.

JEFFRIES WINS IN TENTH

Corbett Proves No Match for the Heavyweight Pugilistic Champion in Their Fight at San Francisco—Solar Plexus Blow Decides Battle.

James J. Jeffries is still champion heavyweight pugilist of the world. He retained his title by defeating James J. Corbett in the tenth round of a twenty round contest at Mechanics' pavilion, San Francisco, Aug. 14.

Corbett had mapped out his plan of battle to keep at a safe distance from the champion for the first ten rounds. By doing so he hoped Jeff would become so tired he could step in, hit him at will, stay the limit, and secure the decision on points. He expected Jeff to rush at him like a wild bull, and that his neatness of foot would easily carry him out of range of the

The fight demonstrated beyond all doubt that Jeffries stands alone in his class. He showed remarkable improvement in both speed and skill. He was never in better condition. He looked lighter than usual, and the way he moved about on his feet and the frequency with which he countered Corbett's leads astonished everybody.

Jeffries was not only stronger, faster and cleverer than ever before, but he used his head to better purpose, and, although Corbett would hit him hard enough to hurt an ordinary man, Jeffries would bore right in without noticing the blows, and would deliver



CHAMPION JEFFRIES

big fellow's blows. Jeff, however, did not fight as Corbett anticipated. He did not rush at him and swing wildly, but moved fast toward him, measured his distance carefully, and did not attempt to hit unless Corbett was within distance.

Neither did Corbett fight along the lines he had announced. He did not scamper around the ring as much as was expected, but instead kept as close to his opponent as possible, thinking by so doing he would get inside of the champion's long left. These tactics were undoubtedly framed by foxy Tommy Ryan and, it transpired, were undoubtedly the best methods Corbett could adopt. By staying in close he showed conclusively he was playing a waiting game and he could do this much better by staying close than by sprinting, as he first started to do. Jeff soon satisfied him that he was his equal, if not his superior, at this game. The big fellow's speed was a revelation. Corbett could do nothing with him for the first six rounds, when he tried to outbox him.

The end came shortly after the beginning of the tenth round, when Jeffries planted one of his terrific left



James J. Corbett.

swings on Corbett's stomach. The man who conquered John L. Sullivan dropped to the floor in agony, and the memorable scene at Carson City, when Bob Fitzsimmons landed his solar plexus blow, was almost duplicated.

This time, however, Corbett struggled to his feet and again faced his gigantic adversary. With hardly a moment's hesitation Jeffries swung his right and again landed on Corbett's stomach. Jim dropped to the floor, and then it was that Tommy Ryan, seeing that it was all over, motioned to Referee Graney to stop the punishment.

New Vocation.

Cecil Glynee Diddgim, a wealthy Welshman, has married a London manufacturer, who has shut up her shop and will devote her entire attention henceforth to paring and filing her new name.

Income From Travelers.

A single railroad company, the New York Central, received \$170,000 in fares during three summer months of 1902 on account of its Niagara business alone.

telling hits that materially helped in deciding the result of the fight.

At first Corbett was very cautious, and apparently was outpointed by Jeffries, but later in the fight he warmed up and showed some of his old-time cleverness. From the first, however, it was generally regarded as a hopeless case for Corbett. He made a gallant fight, but he never stood a show to win.

Referee Eddie Graney said after the fight that it was a great heavy-weight contest.

Corbett was very clever, but Jeffries was almost equally so, and showed marvelous improvement. He practically outboxed Corbett during the fight, with the exception of the eighth and ninth rounds. Every blow that he landed told, and his superior weight and strength were bound to win in the end.

During the fight Corbett talked continuously to Jeffries, and to the referee made a number of facetious remarks. He was game to the end, and whenever Jeffries landed a blow would make a jesting remark. In the sixth round, during a clinch, just after Jeffries had punished him severely, he remarked to the referee:

"Watch him, Eddie; he's trying to knock me out."

Jeffries only grinned and waded into his man all the harder. Corbett's system of training was undoubtedly beneficial to him from a physical point of view, but it apparently detracted from his speed. He did not keep away from Jeffries in the manner that was anticipated, but clinched at every opportunity. He also did some clever ducking, thereby avoiding deadly blows, but all his cleverness was of no avail. He fought his fight, and when the time came Jeffries delivered the necessary blows, and established himself more firmly than ever as champion heavy-weight pugilist of the world.

The largest crowd that ever saw a fight in San Francisco was present at the ring-side. It was estimated that the receipts were at least \$100,000. Of this the fighters get 75 per cent, which they split between them in the ratio of 75 per cent to the winner and 25 per cent to the loser. On the basis of the receipts amounting to the figure estimated Jeffries would receive as his share \$56,250 and Corbett \$18,750. This is the largest purse ever fought for by any two pugilists. The winner's end amounts to more than the entire purse of his last fight with Corbett and the loser's share is more than the ordinary winner's end.

Battle of Fontenoy.

The battle of Fontenoy is the only large battle ever fought in which the opposing sides were equal—each 70,000 men—and the losses of victors and vanquished equal also, both being 7,500 men.

"Play Square and Don't Talk."

There would be a whole lot less trouble in the world if folks could only realize that there is but one motto to hang on the wall, "Play Square and Don't Talk."