

**WHO IS FOREIGNER?  
DEPENDS ON WHERE**

EVERYONE IS SO ABROAD

Attitude Largely Responsible  
For Use of Term; Friend-  
ship Needed to Aid  
Understanding

A Washington woman, who recently returned from Constantinople, was asked the other day how she liked Turkey. "It's all right," she said, "but there are too many foreigners over there."

Her attitude, according to Dr. Charles V. Vickrey of the Near East Relief, is typical of many people who visit Turkey and the Bible Lands. They consider every person who does not speak English a foreigner.

Everyone, then, is a foreigner abroad. The attitude is not confined to Americans. Every nation in the near east considers its immediate neighbors foreign and unfriendly. Bulgarians always speak of the Greeks as "rascals" and the Greek refer to the Bulgarians as "bandits."

**First Influence**  
American educational and relief work has been the first influence which has been able effectively to break down this barrier, says Dr. Vickrey. In his annual report to congress, he declares that this has been the greatest and most important international service which has been attempted in eastern Europe in modern times. He explains sagely:

"If there is to be an end to racial hatreds and suspicions which have been in ferment on the earth since first two men felt desire for the same cave, it will come not through the gestures of statesmen and the marvels of diplomacy, but through the work of agencies of practical friendship between one people and another. There are many indications that universal peace can never be insured by the efforts of governments, because of the necessarily narrow limits in which governments must operate. The problem of relieving the world of its numerous boils of racial distrust is one of peoples, not of governments. Probably there has been no greater exemplification of this fact than the remarkable friendship of the people of Armenia toward America."

**SCIENTISTS OUTLOOK  
IS SOMEWHAT GLOOMY**

But Why Worry About What  
Will Happen In Year 2,000?  
Anyhow, Who Knows?

Scientists at Chicago university, according to press dispatches, are somewhat worried over what is going to become of the United States in the year 2000. One of them is quoted as saying that we will then have 325 millions of people in the country, packed in like sardines. Water power is not being properly utilized, it is declared, soil is being wasted and sewage dumped into river, forests destroyed and rivers of oil waster.

All of which, of course, makes a pretty gloomy picture. Maybe our country will have that many people in 2000 and maybe it won't. A lot of things can happen in seventy-four years, and beside that, there are still a lot of wide and open spaces in America. An the situation is not perhaps as serious as it looks. Necessity is generally the mother of invention, and it is likely that our scientists, including those at Chicago university, will solve the problems set

out above, as rapidly as they become acute.

But at any rate the scientist above quoted brings the first word of real cheer to the farmer. When the country gets a population of over 300 million he is going to have to produce some real food to feed the hungry masses. Prices will go up and maybe land in the middle west will sell at \$300 an acre again. There seems to be hope in the future, therefore, for the poor farmer. He can console himself with the knowledge that the next 74 year are going to be the hardest.

**WM. LYON PHELPS SAYS  
NEW AGE IS INFORMAL**

Not Wicked and Godless as So  
Often Declared, Argues  
Noted Publicist

William Lyon Phelps has a new name for this age.

"In 1927," he writes in the March Scribner's Magazine, "men are not yet able to wear doublet and hose, and while the newest dinner-jackets show some startling variations, the evening dress of gentlemen is fairly uniform. But the golf-stockings that I am wearing at this blessed moment would have been hooted at in the streets in 1890; the gorgeous sweaters worn by both men and women make them look like birds of paradise and the extremes in skirts—or rather kilts—certainly do attract attention, whatever the motive of their wearers may be. Women arrange their hair and their features in public; if a man of the nineties could suddenly wake up and find himself in a modern theatre, the audience would afford a more arresting spectacle than the play. The age of anticonspicuousness is past."

"I think many seriously minded people, who are shocked by the customs and conversation of the present day, and hence regard this as a particularly wicked and godless age, would find a better and less depressing explanation in the word Informality."

"There is nothing immoral in all this; but it is certainly informal. This universal informality makes the manners and clothes of 1890 seem as remote as the thirteenth century."

The school pupils use a lot of slang but they will have to express themselves in the English language when they go out to look for a job.

**LEAVE MOVIES ALONE,  
SAYS WM. C. DeMILLE**

Famous Director Declares This  
Industry Must Have Lib-  
erty, or It Dies

"The best way to help the movie is to let it alone," asserts William C. deMille, producer, in a spirited attack on censorship in the March Scribner's Magazine.

"At present it is in the position of a child with too many nurses," his article, which is entitled, "Prudes and Pictures," continues. "Every one seems to know what should be done to the pictures, but no one seems able to tell us what should be done to the public."

"Whatever is wrong with the movies is not primarily the fault of those who make them; the picture-makers are doing their best to obey orders, orders issued by the general public, which knows pretty well what it wants and insists on having it. The minority may scream, but its cries are drowned by the rattle of half-dollars on the glass of the box-office window."

"For pictures must follow public taste if they are to lead it; they must agree basically with public ideals before they can successfully suggest new angles of thought."

"The service which the cinema is trying to give the public can be made truly valuable by freedom alone."

"The American movie reflects the spirit of its people; it must be given liberty—or death."

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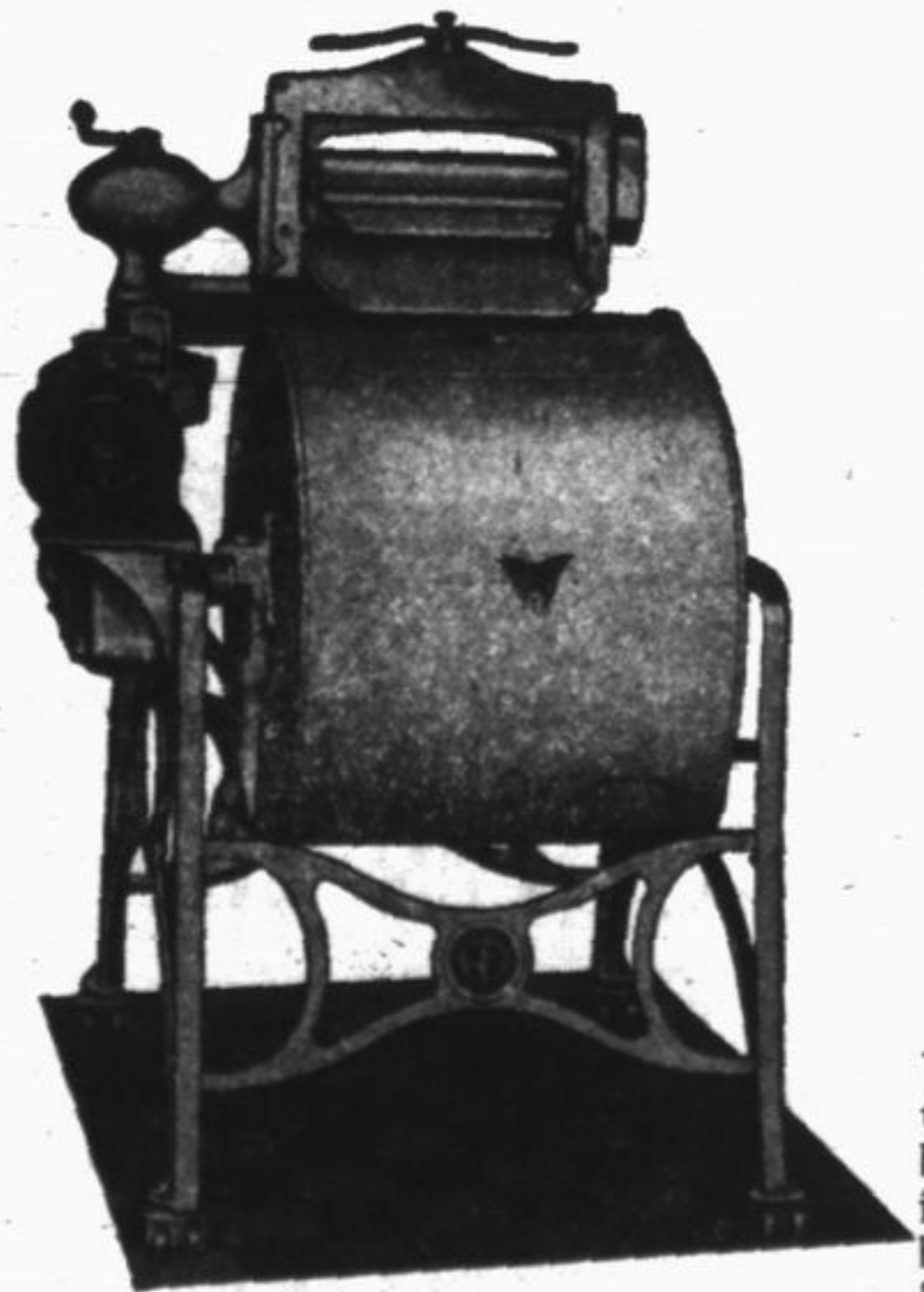
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