SUMMARY OF THE NEWS STATE, NATION AND GENERAL

LATEST NEWS IN ABRIDGED FORM

Events That Concern the Two Hemispheres Recorded So as to Be Read at a Glance.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS EPITOMIZED

Paragraphs Which Picture Executive and Legislative Activities at the National and State Capitals.

WASHINGTON

A tax of 10 per cent on the gross amount of contracts for future deliveries of grain made on boards of trade, where such deliveries are not to be made within 30 days, is provided in a bill to be introduced in the house of representatives by Representative Dickinson of Iowa. The purpose of the tax is to discourage speculative trading in wheat, corn and other grains.

With immigrants awaiting transportation from Europe to the United States literally by the millions, the House Immigration Committee completed a bill barring them all from the United States for the next two years.

It was announced at the White House that President Wilson will be glad to see President-elect Harding when he arrives in Washington from his vacation trip.

The United States cannot recognize the Vanderlip concessions in Siberia because it does not recognize the government that granted them.

Senator Watson declared that at this session of Congress he intends to make an effort to have the tax laws changed. He said that the business interests are in need of immediate relief.

President Wilson accepted the invitation of the League of Nations to serve as mediator between the Turkish Nationalists and the Armenians. In his reply to an invitation from Paul Hymans, president of the Council of the League of Nations, Mr. Wilson asserts that he is without authority to employ American military forces in any project for the relief of Armenia, but offers his "personal mediation."

NATION'S BUSINESS

Despite the protests of Secretary of the Treasury Houston and W. P. G. Harding, governor of the Federal Reserve Board, who appeared before a meeting of the Senate and House Committees on Agriculture, senators who have been advocating emergency legislation dealing with the farm credit situation declared their intention of going ahead with their plans.

Signs of betterment in business and sentiment, if slow to appear, are rather more distinct in certain quarters, says Dun's Review. The retail movement, although lacking the desired breadth, is accelerated as the holidays draw nearer, and some primary markets are recovering a little from their lethargy. Yet the whole situation is uneven and uncertain.

Hogs on the hoof have returned to what practically is their 1913 pre-war price, judging from figures obtained in Chicago from one of the "Big Five" packers. Pork and products at wholesale are on their way toward that same level, the monthly report of the Institute of American Meat Packers indicates, and have reached the scale prevailing in April, 1917, when the United States entered the war.

Pittsburgh Steel Company, Pittsburgh, announced a reduction in price of 50 cents a hundred pounds on unfilled orders for steel wire and nails.

Textile Masters' Federation of Britain has recommended spinners of American cotton to curtail production by 50 per cent, says a cable from Manchester to the Textile World Journal. A ballot is being taken and the result will be known by the end of the week. It is expected that a necessary majority will be obtained.

GENERAL

The United States will probably accept the invitation received to send a delegate to the League of Nations Commission on Armament, it was learned in Washington.

At the first public meeting of the clinical congress of the American College of Surgeons at Buffalo, efforts of anti-vaccinationists to prevent experiments on animals by qualified surgeons were denounced.

Postoffice Department announced all records for flying between New York and Chicago were broken by air mail service—making the 742-mile trip in 5 hrs. 31 minutes actual flying time.

Bill submitted to the House Immigration Committee plans suspension of immigration into the United States for two years.

U. S. Treasury Department announces increase of $112,646,571 in the public debt during the month of November.

Traffic on the Great Northern, Pacific and St. Paul lines in Montana is suspended. A policy of retrenchment has been adopted by the Great Northern closing its shop and confining forces to 50 per cent.

It was announced at the United States Bureau of Internal Revenue flavoring of home-made Christmas plum puddings, mincem eat with liquor and that brandied cherries and peaches are violations of the prohibition law and liable to seizure. They are liable also to be eaten.

Franz von Rintelen, German agent pardoned by President Wilson after three years of his term at Atlanta Penitentiary, called at the Federal building, New York, and had a short talk with Marshal McCarthy. He must leave.

It was announced at Washington by the state department that the mediator to be chosen by President Wilson to settle differences between Armenians and Turkish nationals will act for the President of the United States and not Woodrow Wilson personally.

Near East Relief, of which Cleveland H. Dodge of New York is treasurer, announced contributions of $149,900 for the week ended November 27.

Dr. Louis A. Dreyfuss, president of the Staten Island Civic League, dropped dead in the speakers' stand at the opening of the municipal trolley lines at St. George, S. I.

Close to half a million dollars in Liberty bonds were gathered in by four automobile bandits in Brooklyn, who, in plain view of a number of passersby and shoppers, held up two messengers from a Wall street firm and relieved them of their valuable packages. Only $46,000 worth of the bonds were insured.

SPORTING

Joe Tinker, former shortstop of the Chicago Cubs, former manager of the Cincinnati Reds and president of the Columbus (O.) Baseball Club, signed a contract to manage the Orlando Club of the Florida State League for the 1921 season.

Athletic authorities at Notre Dame, South Bend., Ind., received a request for a 1921 game with Georgia Tech, to be played at Atlanta, Ga.

J. H. Rhoades, a New York banker and a Harvard graduate, has taken up the cudgels in favor of numerals for football players. He questions the broadness of the Harvard coaches in opposing them and makes the suggestion that if the public have no rights they should be barred from attending the games.

"What Yale football needs is the family doctor," says the Yale Alumni Weekly in a general review of the football season in the university.

The football plum that the leading gridiron outfits battle for below the Mason and Dixon line has found safe keeping in the hands of the Georgia Tech eleven.

Harvard will play West Point in football next fall providing the Army is willing to appear at Cambridge and not demand a return game at the Plains, Major Charles Daly, coach at West Point, was so informed after a conference with Fred W. Moore, graduate manager of the Harvard Athletic Association.

G. W. McWhorter, former member of the West Virginia Wesleyan College team, has been signed to twirl for the Chicago American League Club. McWhorter was a member of the Richmond team of the Virginia League last season.

John J. Carney of Boston, Mass., coach for the last ten years of the Phillips Exeter team, has been named coach of the 1921 Cornell varsity nine.

When told at Lawrence, Kan., that a dispatch from New York stated he had signed a contract to meet the winner of the Dempsey-Brennan bout, Jess Willard, former world's heavyweight champion, declared his signature had been in the hands of Tex Rickard, promoter, for some time.

The popularity of boxing at the naval academy, Annapolis, was indicated by a squad of over three hundred which reported to Spike Webb this week. Webb will shortly reduce this squad to seventy.

FOREIGN

The Allied Supreme Council publicly announced it would withdraw financial support from Greece should former King Constantine be returned in the plebiscite. The council also considered territorial repricals should he be enthroned.

Large arrivals of American coal at French ports are causing much comment, especially among English coal merchants.

The Social Democrats, better known as the Majority Socialists, numerically the strongest party in the Reichstag, proposes to place the German government between the alternatives of recognition of the Russian Soviet government by immediately taking up diplomatic relations, or resign.

Unexpected subscriptions to the new French loan raised the amount to the unofficial figure of 30,000,000,000 francs.

Every man attached to the American forces in Germany has contributed to the Red Cross.

Co-operative dairy interests in Denmark are planning to ship 50,000,000 pounds of butter annually to the United States.

According to report from Moscow, Krassin, Bolshevik Minister of Trade and Commerce, has received the British signed trade agreement.

Directors of Peruvian steamship companies are protesting to the Peruvian customs authorities against the strike of dock workers which has held up port traffic at Lima.

D'Annunzio has sent an ultimatum to Italy from Fiume, declaring a state of war.

ART. X BINDS NO MEMBER

IT GIVES NO GUARANTEES.

League Does Not Assure Territorial Integrity, Only Condemns External Aggression.

Assembly at Geneva Decides to Defer Amendments Until Its Next Session—Will Not Change the Covenant or Peace Treaty.

Geneva, Switzerland. — Two blows were struck at Article X of the League of Nations covenant which tend to sweep away the foundation of American objections to the covenant. Regarding the proposed league army, Denmark declare that she would be unable to send a contingent without first obtaining the sanction of her parliament. The sub-committee of the Commission of Five later definitely laid down the ruling that Article X in no wise implies the guaranty of a state's territorial integrity.

The territorial guaranty question arose in the Commission of Five over the admission of Austria, when delegates inquired if Austria's entry into the league assured her perpetual possession of Vorariberg. It was decided by the assembly that such a reading could not be upheld. Article X, it was declared, was merely applied in the case of a violation of territory and the matter should be taken before the council, which would advise upon the question.

The decision of the sub-committee of the Commission of Five reads as follows:

"We cannot recommend the adoption of the proposal put forth by Dr. Giuseppi Motta of Switzerland. We are, indeed, of the opinion that the entry of Austria into the league will in no way affect the question so raised. We cannot help adding that the suggestion that admission to the league should have any such affect arises from a misconstruction of Article X. It cannot be too emphatically stated that Article X does not guarantee the territorial integrity of any member of the league. All it does is to condemn external aggression of the territorial integrity and political independence of any member of the league and calls upon the council to consider what can be done to resist such aggression."

Denmark's action also clearly establishes a precedent for the members of the assembly that league decisions are not binding on an individual member unless ratified by the home government. Denmark's action not only strikes a blow at the principles underlying Article X, but dispels all idea that the league can compel any action without the specific agreement of the state involved. Canada takes a similar view of the league's disability to enforce decisions.

Representatives of Switzerland and other countries that were neutral during the war are raising more and more opposition to the idea that dominates the sessions of the League of Nations Assembly, viz., that the league's first duty is to carry out the Treaty of Versailles.

President Motta of the Swiss Confederation and honorary president of the league and several delegates from Latin-American countries criticised the fact that the covenant and the treaty are so inextricably bound together. Whenever improvements in the league covenant are suggested these delegates always vote against them because their adoption would also involve amending the treaty. Representatives of these one-time neutrals argue that there is no reason why they should pay this respect to a document which they had no hand in framing. This point of view was expressed before the assembly session by President Motta, who said:

"Permit me to say here with absolute frankness that there is one argument which we cannot submit. This argument is based on the fact that this covenant and the treaty are closely bound up together. The Treaty of Versailles is a contract between certain parties and it is for them alone to decide what modifications they desire.

"But the covenant of the League of Nations should be a universal humanitarian work. I should be lacking in my duty toward my country and the ideals which I have always upheld if I did not make my position clear on the subject of the amendments."

President Motta said that Switzerland was insistent that the court of international justice should be set up as soon as possible, with compulsory jurisdiction. The statement brought immense applause from the delegates. All the small countries and most of the large ones are clearly in favor of a strong international court.

BEEF CHAMP SELLS FOR LESS.

Prize Steer in Chicago Show Brings Only $1.75 Per Pound.

Chicago.—Black Ruler, 1,360 pounds, champion steer of the annual live stock show, was sold at $1.75 a pound to make a Christmas dinner. He brought $2,312. The king was bred and fed by Purdue University students. Last year's champion steer brought $2.62 a pound. The champion carload sold for $30 per hundred pounds, as compared to last year's price of $45.

MRS. W. PALMER FULLER

American Woman Who Went Through the Warsaw Siege.



Mrs. W. Palmer Fuller, who was inspector for the American Relief administration in the Warsaw district, put the climax to her eighteen months of service by remaining on duty during the siege of that city by the Reds. She has now returned to America with her husband, who was Hoover's chief agent in Poland.

INSURANCE COMBINE TO END AUTO THEFTS

Annual Loss Is $27,000,000 in New York City Alone, Says Estimates—75 Cars Stolen Daily.

New York.—In an effort to end automobile thefts in New York City, which have reached such proportions as to entail a property loss estimated at more than $27,000,000 a year, insurance companies the Automobile Underwriters Detective Bureau. The bureau, which will cost the insurance companies $250,000 annually, will cover the entire East, but its principal work will be in New York.

Records of the Police Department, made public for the first time, show to what a tremendous extent the business of stealing automoviles has progressed in New York. These records, taken day by day for the month of November, show that an average of seventy to seventy-five cars a day are driven from their stands at the street curb by some one other than their owners. The same records show that of these daily thefts only twenty to twenty-five of the cars are recovered by the police.

Automobile thieves have become so bold that they no longer take trouble to disguise stolen cars, an insurance adjuster said. They slap on a new number, drive to Philadelphia or Boston and sell to the first bidder for $200 or $300. The buyer gets a bill of sale, takes out a new license and one more car is added to the "missing" list.

At a rate of fifty cars a day in New York that are not recovered the total stolen for the year will be 18,250. Fixing the average value at $1,500 the total value will be $27,375,000. About 9,000 cars were stolen in 1919.

On behalf of the police it may be said that the month of November shows the greatest number of arrests and convictions of automobile thieves on record. The department evidently is awake to the alarming increase and the automobile squad has been enlarged. There are now eighteen detectives under Lieutenant John Fitzpatrick whose entire time is devoted to motor car thefts.

WORLD NEWS IN CONDENSED FORM

SAN FRANCISCO.—Investigation by customs authorities of a shipment of whisky billed at approximately $54,000 from this city to Shanghai revealed the fact that the barrels were filled with colored water.

LONDON. — The Allied Supreme Council publicly announced it would withdraw financial support from Greece should former King Constantine be returned in the plebiscite. The council also considered territorial reprisals should he be enthroned. The note caused consternation in Athens. It came as a complete surprise to the Greek cabinet.

LONDON.—The allied premiers in conference agreed to send a note to the Greek government declaring that restoration of Constantine to the throne of Greece would be regarded as ratification by that country of Constantine's hostile acts and would create a new and unfavorable situation in the relations between Greece and the allies.

MOSCOW.—About 420 Russian children, repatriated by the American Red Cross, are in Petrograd living in the imperial sanatorium awaiting their families.

WILSON TO SEEK ARMENIAN PEACE

President Accepts League of Nations Invitation and Will Name Proxy to Act for Him.

ASKS FOR MORAL SUPPORT.

Use of Armed Force in Solving Problems "Not Forecast"—Act Through Aide—Sentiment in America, President Says, Spurs Decision.

Washington.—President Wilson proffered his "personal mediation through a representative" to end hostilities in Armenia.

The offer was in reply to an invitation from Paul Hymans, president of the Council of the League of Nations, transmitting a resolution adopted in behalf of Armenia by the Assembly of the League at Geneva, November 22.

It requested that "the horrors of the Armenian tragedy" be brought to the attention of the powers with a view to entrusting some power with the task of taking the necessary measures to stop the hostilities in Armenia.

Adoption of the resolution was preceded by some discussion of the feasibility of organizing an international force to intervene in Armenia, assailed alternately by Turkish nationalists, the Bolsheviki and other trans-Caucasian elements.

In his reply, however, Mr. Wilson said he was without authorization to offer or employ the military forces of the United States in any project for the relief of Armenia or any material contributions requiring the consent of Congress "which is not now in session and whose action I could not forecast."

The President declared, however, that he was willing, upon assurances of the moral and diplomatic support of the principal powers, to endeavor to bring about peace between the contending parties in Armenia through arbitration. He asked suggestions as to the avenues through which the proffer should be conveyed and the parties to whom it should be addressed. The text of his letter follows:

"I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your cabled message setting forth the resolution adopted by the Assembly of the League of Nations, requesting the Council of the League to arrive at an understanding with the governments, with a view to entrusting a power with the task of taking the necessary measures to stop the hostilities in Armenia.

"You offered to the United States the opportunity of undertaking the humanitarian task of using its good offices to end the present tragedy being enacted in Armenia, and you assure me that your proposal involves no repetition of the invitation to accept a mandate for Armenia.

"While the invitation to accept the mandate for Armenia has been rejected by the Senate of the United States, this country has repeatedly declared its solicitude for the fate and welfare of the Armenian people in a manner and to an extent that justifies you in saying that the fate of Armenia has always been of special interest to the American people.

"I am without authorization to offer or employ the military forces of the United States in any project for the relief of Armenia, and any material contribution would require the authorization of the Congress which is not now in session and whose action I could not forecast.

"I am willing, however, upon assurances of the moral and diplomatic support of the principal powers and in a spirit of sympathetic response to the request of the Council of the League of Nations, to use my good offices and to proffer my personal mediation through a representative whom I may designate to end the hostilities that are now being waged against the Armenian people and to bring peace and accord to the contending parties, relying upon the Council of the League of Nations to suggest to me the avenues through which my proffer should be conveyed and the parties to whom it should be addressed.

"(Signed) WOODROW WILSON."

The President already has before him much data bearing on Armenia in connection with the task intrusted to him of fixing Armenian boundaries.

FIFTY MILLIONS IN BETS.

Greatest Sum for One Season Passed Through Maryland Mutuels.

Baltimore.—The stupendous sum of $50,000,000 or more passed through the betting machines of the four big Maryland racetracks during the season of 110 days just ended, according to figures obtained.

The new State Racing Commission has not yet made its report to the governor on the first six months of its operation, covering only the autumn meetings.

LIVE HOG PRICES SLUMP.

Pork Products Show Cut of 33 to 10 Per Cent in November.

Chicago.—Hogs on the hoof have returned to what is practically their 1913 prewar price, judging from figures obtained from one of the "Big Five" packers. Pork and pork products, at wholesale, are on their way toward that same level, the monthly report of the Institute of American Meat Packers indicates, and have reached the scale prevailing in April, 1917, when the U. S. entered the war.

EDWARD R. HARDY

Proficient Linguist Columbia's Youngest Freshman.



Edward R. Hardy, twelve years old, son of Prof. and Mrs. Edward R. Hardy, is the youngest freshman to enter Columbia in the history of the university. He speaks twelve languages and he intends studying Chinese next. He is a wholesome American boy, fond of baseball, gymnasium work and swimming.

SOCIALISTS TO SIT IN N. Y. LEGISLATURE

Governor-Elect Miller and Other Leaders Opposed to Any Move for Ouster.

Albany.—There will be no attempt to oust the Socialist members of the coming legislature. That is the decision of Governor-elect Nathan L. Miller, Assemblyman H. Edmund Machold, who is to be speaker of the assembly this year; State Chairman George A. Glynn and other Republican leaders who discussed the situation from all points of view at a recent conference.

The governor-elect is said to have told the conferees he expected to have enough work for the legislature to do without devoting any time to a trial of Socialists.

Richard W. Lawrence, Republican leader of The Bronx, New York City, where the Socialist situation has yearly been growing more acute, appeared before the conference with figures that convinced the leaders there has been a strong vote of protest in the last election against the Socialist ousters in the assembly this year.

The Socialists in the 1921 legislature are Emil Seidel of the Twenty-second Senate district in The Bronx, the first member of his party ever to be elected to the upper house; Samuel Orr of the Fourth district, The Bronx, and Charles Solomon, who were re-elected to the assembly.

It was stated that after the special election in September at which the ousted assemblymen were re-elected Judge Miller, who was then officially the Republican candidate for governor; Chairman Glynn and Speaker Thaddeus C. Sweet decided that no move should be made against them at the special session of the legislature. Much to the surprise of Judge Miller and Mr. Glynn when the special session convened Speaker Sweet did take up ouster proceedings. Mr. Sweet stated at the time, however, that he had been overruled by the up-state members of the assembly who were in the majority. At that time three of the five Socialists were ousted and the other two promptly resigned.

LATEST EVENTS AT WASHINGTON

Extension of the Volstead act to the Philippine Islands and to consular districts in China is to be proposed by Senator Jones, Republican, of Washington. His bill, he said, would clear away all doubt which had heretofore existed as to the application of the prohibition enforcement law to the Philippines.

Senator Calder of New York announced his intention of introducing a resolution for the revival of the War Finance Corporation. A number of southern and western senators, he said, had declared their intention of supporting it.

The new Shipping Board held its first conference with the executive heads of divisions.

Tax revenues collected by the Bureau of Internal Revenue for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1920, under the war revenue act of 1918 amounted to $5,407,580,251, an increase of 40.5 per cent over the year 1917.

Senator Lodge declared he would not like to see Senator New accept a position in President-elect Harding's cabinet, as "his opportunity for greatest usefulness to the country and new administration is in the senate."

Millions for a New Stomach

One of the greatest American millionaires said to his physician, "A million dollars, Doctor, spot cash and no grumbling, for a new stomach," and then the sick man groaned and turned away. All his wealth could not make him happy or contented, for happiness largely depends upon digestion. Without health where does happiness come in? After all the stomach plays a great part in everyday life. Without a healthy stomach and good digestion our blood is thin, watery and poor, our heart action is weak, our liver does not do its duty, and man is miserable and unhappy. Prevent disease by putting the house in order and strengthening the system against the germs of disease.

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