# SUMMARY OF THE NEWS STATE, NATION AND GENERAL

## A DRAGNET FOR WORLD NEWS

**Flotsam and Jetsam of Live Interest Caught From the Wires and Boiled Down.**

### LATE DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE

**Important Happenings in the Forty-eight States of the Union—Occurrences at the Capital—Latest Cable Condensations.**

### WASHINGTON

A census of all liquor in possession of wholesale druggists in all parts of the country has been ordered by Prohibition Commissioner Kramer to determine how long the present ban against withdrawals shall remain in force.

A campaign for appointment of William J. Byran, as prohibition commissioner, to succeed John F. Kramer, was launched in Washington.

The next step in the campaign of Prohibition Commissioner John F. Kramer to make the country dry will be to stop international bootlegging.

Rodman Wanamaker's proposal that the body of an unidentified soldier be buried in Central Park, New York, was overridden by the House Military Affairs Committee. By unanimous vote the committee agreed that the burial should be made in the National Cemetery at Arlington.

The senate rejected cloture rule for consideration of the emergency tariff bill.

Doors of distilleries and bonded warehouses in every state in the Union, Hawaii and Porto Rico were ordered indefiintely closed against liquor withdrawals by Prohibition Commissioner Kramer.

President Wilson, accompanied by Mrs. Wilson, went to the theater for the first time since he was taken ill more than a year and a half ago.

### NATION'S BUSINESS

Denying that American silk manufacturers need protection, witnesses before the house ways and means committee urged that duties be kept at such a level as will encourage imports from France, thus helping that country to pay its debt to the United States.

The activities of one of America's greatest wartime achievements, Hog Island Shipyard, Philadelphia, officially came to an end.

Exports from Vancouver to this country amounted to $53,000,000.

With the American silk industry running on a half time basis and further threatened by steadily increased Japanese imports, Horace B. Cheney of New York city, representing the Silk Association of America, asked the House Ways and Means Committee to impose much higher duties on manufactured silk articles.

A decline of 300,000 tons in pig iron production in January, compared with December, is reported.

Further reduction in the price of Corning crude oil was announced at Pittsburgh. The new price is $3 a barrel, a cut of 50 cents.

A reduction of one cent a gallon in the price of gasoline was announced by Northrup Clarey, assistant to A. C. Bedford, president of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey.

### GENERAL

The State Bank at Largo, Fla., was robbed of $30,000.

Fire slightly damaged the historic north building, the oldest at Georgetown University at Washington.

Charles M. Schwab, president of the Bethlehem Steel Company, said before sailing on the Aquitania for Europe that he would study German reparations and other foreign financial questions.

Standard Oil Company of New Jersey announced a further reduction of 1 cent in the price of gasoline in New Jersey, making the price 26½ cents a gallon.

President Wilson issued a proclamation for a special session of the Senate on March 4 at 12 o'clock to confirm nominations by President Harding.

Railroads operating in Ohio, on orders from the Interstate Commerce Commission and over protests of Ohio officials, increased passenger fares from 3 to 3.6 cents a mile.

More than 5,000 articles are waiting for their owners in the lost and found room of the Pennsylvania station in New York. These are mostly personal belongings, overcoats, suitcases, books, gloves, keys and parcels, which are turned in at the rate of 100 a day.

Texas Company reduced the price of Gulf coast crude oil 50 cents a barrel to $1.50.

Residents of Oxford county, Me., report grasshoppers are being caught in the fields.

At the end of each month the old Russian Embassy in Washington in which the Kerensky officials are quartered, puts its bank draft on the Government for its expenses. This draft has never been refused, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Kelly testified before the Senate Judiciary Committee.

Bankers representing the Latin-American group confirmed reports that a loan of approximately $25,000,000 to Chile will be consummated soon.

Calvin Coolidge's overcoat was stolen while he was inspecting the Atlanta Y. M. C. A. building.

Senate Foreign Relations Committee favorably reported Senator Johnson's resolutions to investigate American activities in Siberia, Haiti and Santo Domingo.

Unless progress can be made toward ending world wars, we have reached a point where civilization may destroy itself, Gen. Pershing told the House Naval Affairs Committee at the disarmament hearing in Washington.

New York City is soon to have the prohibition lid clamped down tighter than at any time since national prohibition went into effect and indictments may be sought, according to a report in Washington.

The senate at Little Rock, Ark., passed unanimously a bill providing capital punishment for bank robbery. The bill puts bank robbery on a parity with murder and it gives juries the right to fix either life imprisonment or electrocution as a punishment.

An increase of 649 final divorce decrees in Philadelphia last year over the number granted in 1919 is shown in figures given out by Louis Trefz, chief clerk in the Prothonotary's Office covering all cases last year.

The Standard Oil Company is to cut wages of all employees in all parts of the United States in which it operates 10 per cent, according to information which reached workers at the Bayonne and Bay Way (Elizabeth) plants.

### SPORTING

United States Lawn Tennis Association announced the British Isles and Australasia, mailed challenges for the Davis Cup.

Leslie M. O'Connor, of Chicago, an attorney and baseball fan for 25 years, was picked by Judge Landis as his secretary.

Talbot Hunter, a professional hockey, lacrosse and soccer coach and player, will coach army athletes in these branches of athletics. Hunter joins the coterie of professional handlers and coaches which West Point is marshalling in its policy of development of all branches of sport for the cadets.

Jess Willard, former heavyweight boxing champion, has agreed to meet Jack Dempsey, holder of the title, on Labor Day, Tex Rickard, boxing promoter, announced in New York. Rickard made public a telegram he received from Willard, who is on his ranch at Lawrence, Kan.

Regents of the University of Michigan have decided to place control of all athletics and physical exercises at the university under control of one man, it was announced by James O. Murfin, a regent.

Representative Felty introduced a resolution directing the House Judiciary Committee to pass on Judge Landis' right to serve in the dual capacity of federal judge and official arbitrator of organized baseball.

That the world's heavyweight championship bout between Jack Dempsey and Georges Carpentier, on July 2, will be held in New York, was intimated by Tex Rickard, who has assumed sole responsibility for conducting the match.

The selection of Tommy Murray, a former local boxer, as trainer for the Boston American League team was announced by Manager Hugh Duffy.

Bill Southworth and Walter Barbare, who figured in the trade which brought Rabbit Maranville to the Pirates are satisfied with their new berths on the Boston National League club.

### FOREIGN

Unemployed estimated at 48,000 marched from the City Hall square in Copenhagen to the Parliament buildings and the king's palace demanding work.

A mutiny of interned Wrangel troops at Chataldja was suppressed by French guards after the mutineers had killed several of their officers.

President Pilsudski of Poland arrived at Paris to consult Marshal Foch on means of meeting the expected Bolsheviki offensive this spring.

Several bays on the northern Newfoundland coast are frozen over. The coldest weather of the year is reported.

It is reported the Allied Governments will withdraw their respective military missions from Vienna within a month.

According to reports from Teheran, a British outpost in northwest Persia, repulsed a Bolshevik attack, inflicting heavy losses.

The French government has fixed a new maximum price of $9 a ton for all American coal, free on board, at French Atlantic ports. This is the lowest level American coal has reached since it began declining last October, when the figure was $32 per ton.

The promotion of Sarah Bernhardt to Officer of the Legion of Honor will be announced shortly. The promotion will be in recognition of the famous actress' work in encouraging French art abroad.

Twenty thousand workmen are idle in Barcelona, Spain, as a result of the labor crisis. Several plants have closed down entirely, and some textile factories are working only three days a week.

William G. McAdoo and Mrs. McAdoo arrived at Mexico City by invitation of President Obregon. They are guests of the government.

## EXPERTS DISCUSS AIRCRAFT FUTURE

**War Chiefs Differ on Whether Planes Will Render Battleships Powerless.**

### TO ASK WORLD TO DISARM

**Three Admirals at Hearing Recommend Building Airplane-Carrying Ships—Would Speed Program. Could Cut Navies in Half.**

Washington.—With the close of a round table discussion between the great minds of the navy, including half a dozen rear admirals, members of the General Board of the navy and members of the House Committee on Naval Affairs, the Congressional conferences on disarmament were practically ended. Before the gathering was adjourned Chairman Butler announced the United States would call an international conference to discuss reduction in armaments.

Mr. Butler said later that he quoted no authority in making the announcement. He added that he has talked with President-elect Harding and "others conversant with the attitudes of Great Britain and the other nations" and that he "is confident that a conference will be called in the near future."

The navy chiefs all urged that in the event this country enters upon such an international agreement the present building program be completed before armament construction is suspended.

Admiral William S. Sims, commander in chief of American naval operations overseas during the war, who was the first witness to testify, told the committee that he believed Great Britain and France would be quick to respond to an invitation from this government to discuss disarmament.

"The people on the other side,' said Admiral Sims, "feel an impelling necessity to decrease the expenses to which they heretofore have been put in the matter of armament.

"I was in intimate contact with officials of foreign governments during my stay in Europe, and conferred with Lloyd George and other prime ministers, with ministers of marine and naval chiefs and officers.

"These things were continually discussed. The common remark was that 'when we get through the war we will all be pretty stupid if we do not find some method of getting along without great expenditures for armaments.'

"Everybody knows how much money the British have spent on their navy, and they don't want to go into building again if they can avoid it."

With Admiral Sims before the committee were Rear Admiral R. E. Coontz, chief of naval operations; Rear Admiral Bradley A. Fiske, retired, and Rear Admirals Henry T. Mayo, W. L. Rodgers, R. H. Jackson, A. T. Long, Charles J. Badger, chairman of the executive committee of the navy General Board; Major General John A. Lejeune, commandant of the Marine Corps, and General Mitchell, chief of the Army Air Service. Of these, formal statements were made by Admirals Sims, Badger and Fiske and General Mitchell.

In their testimony the three admirals were unanimous in advocating an international conference, but they were dubious as to complete success. They proposed, along slightly varying lines, that a compromise agreement for equalization of armament programs might be reached.

After several hours' discussion of the possibility of universal disarmament the conference branched off to discussion of the relative merits of the airplane and battleship. Opinion among the navy experts was divided. Admirals Sims and Fiske contended that the development of the airplane has now reached a point which threatens to some extent the value of the battleship, while Admiral Badger reiterated the claims for the capital ship made a few days ago by Secretary Daniels and the General Board.

The supporters of the battleship as the basic fighting unit made a concession to their opponents in that they joined in urging that the one greatest need of the navy is airplane-carrying ships.

### LEAGUE COUNCIL MEETS FEB. 21

**Twelfth Gathering of Body Called at Geneva.**

Geneva.—The twelfth meeting of the Council of the League of Nations will be held here beginning February 21, with Dr. Gaston da Chunha, Brazilian Ambassador to France and president of the council, presiding.

The program includes the nomination of maudates, economic and blockade commissions and a commission to study proposed amendments to the League Covenant.

### SLAY HERO AMERICA DECORATED

**Lieut. Craven Braved Reefs to Take Soldiers From Transport**

Dublin.—District Inspector Francis Worthington Craven was one of those killed in the ambuscade at Ballinalee.

He served in the navy during the war and received the American distinguished service order. While commanding the British destroyer Meursey, he saved 600 American soldiers from the American transport Otranto when that vessel was wrecked.

### MISS VIOLET SELFRIDGE

**To Marry the Scion of an Old French Family.**



The engagement of Miss Violette Gordon Selfridge of Chicago and London to Viscomte de Sibour, a member of an old French family, has been announced in London, where the bride-elect's father, H. Gordon Selfridge, is proprietor of the Selfridge department store.

## LIQUOR INVENTORY OF NATION CALLED

**Size of Wholesalers' Stocks to Determine Length of Withdrawal Ban.**

Washington.—An inventory of all stocks of whisky in the hands of wholesale dealers is being made by the prohibition officers to determine how long the ban against withdrawals from bonded warehouses and distilleries shall remain in effect.

Instructions have been sent out to all prohibtion directors to inventory or estimate all stocks held by dealers with wholesale permits. This includes wholesale whisky dealers who have stocks, as well as wholesale druggists who were permitted to withdraw up to 250 cases of whisky at one time.

Until these so-called floor stocks are used up no further withdrawals of distilled spirits will be permitted. The inventory, it is expected, will develop disposal of stocks that have been withdrawn. There are indications that much of the withdrawals have vanished into the illicit whisky trade.

While warehouses of the country are closed against withdrawals, distillation of whisky and other spirits is going ahead and these can be put in the warehouses under bond.

Issuance of the orders closing the nation's warehouses was hailed with delight by the dry forces here who are urging additional legislation for dry enforcement and appropriation of larger sums. They declare the closing orders will break the illicit whisky traffic and make the country dry.

Representatives of distillery and warehouse interests are, it is understood, considering a legal attack on the ruling.

### WORLD NEWS IN CONDENSED FORM

**COPENHAGEN.**—A procession of the unemployed, estimated to number 48,000, carrying flags, left the City Hall square here, marching toward the parliament buildings and the king's palace, demanding work.

**HOUSTON, TEX.**—A suit was filed here by six negroes asking the court to issue an injunction to restrain the holding of a "white man's primary" election.

**NEW YORK.**—Evidence involving 38 customs inspectors at the port of New York in charges of graft will be presented to the federal grand jury at an early date.

**LONDON.**—Reports of new cases of sleeping sickness have been made by physicians in this city and throughout the country, quite an alarming spread of the disease being shown. There are now more than 100 cases of the disease in London and 321 in England and Wales.

**PITTSBURGH.**—Co-operation of all members in arousing public sentiment against traffic in the sale of "poisonous substitute whisky and the sale of immature whisky" was asked in a resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of the Pittsburgh Chamber of Commerce.

**TOPEKA, Kan.**—Wild flowers are in bloom and wheat is as green as in spring, with almost unprecedented atmospheric conditions for February.

**MEXICO CITY.**—William G. McAdoo, former Secretary of the United States Treasury, and Mrs. McAdoo arrived here on invitation of President Obregon as the guests of the government. It is rumored Mr. McAdoo will be asked to take charge of the Mexican railroads.

**GENEVA.**—The Vatican has requested the League of Nations to intervene for the protection of the Christian population of Cilicia, Asia Minor.

## BAN ON LIQUOR IS EXTENDED

**Federal Prohibition Order Affects All States, Hawaii and Porto Rico.**

### WHOLESALE DEALERS HIT

**Denied Participation in Sale of Intoxicants by Attorney General's Ruling — Commissioner Kramer Notifies All Concerned.**

Washington.—Doors of distilleries and bonded warehouses in every state in the Union, Hawii and Porto Rico were ordered indefinitely closed against liquorwithdrawals by Prohibition Commissioner Kramer. At the same time wholesale liquor dealers were ruled out of further participation in the sale of intoxicating beverages by Attorney General Palmer.

Commissioner Kramer's drastic order stopping the flow of liquor from storage and the attorney general's interpretation of the Volstead act, prohibition officials said, mean the elimination of the wholesale liquor dealers and make possible the prevention of "bootlegging" through forged permits and illegal disposal of intoxicating liquor.

Stoppage of liquor withdrawals all over the country and in two of the territories was in extension of the order issued last week putting a ban on removals in New York, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Island and New Jersey. The order does not apply to withdrawals of industrial alcohol or reasonable quantities of sacramental wine and makes an exception in the case of retail druggists who are permitted to make withdrawals up to five cases of liquor at a time.

Warning against attempts to obtain whisky despite the nation-wide ban was sent out by Commissioner Kramer, who directed all owners of distilleries and warehouses not to honor permits for whisky withdrawals "purporting to be issued by any state director, irrespective of the date such permit is issued or approved by the director." No such applications are being approved, he said, adding that failure to comply with the notice would deprive owners of their license to hold their stock still in storage.

Palmer's opinion was made public by Internal Revenue Commissioner Williams and was said by Revenue Bureau officials to constitute the authority upon which the sweeping closing orders were issued.

Wholesale liquor dealers, the attorney general held, are entitled to dispose of their warehouse receipts for liquor stored in bonded warehouses to manufacturers and wholesale druggists, "but the right to withdraw said liquors from bonded warehouses is granted to manufacturers and wholesale druggists only." On the question of the authority of the prohibition commissioner to issue permits to sell liquor in wholesale quantities the attorney general held that power was limited to manufacturers and wholesale druggists.

With respect to industrial alcohol, Palmer held the authority to issue permits for its disposal in wholesale quantities was limited to manufacturers and wholesale druggists, if the alcohol were fit for beverage purposes, but not if it were denatured.

"It is obvious," the attorney general declared, "that the conduct of the liquor business in the hands of a few people is well calculated to render more simple and effective the restraining of the business within proper and legal channels."

Liquor now in commercial warehouses, however, prohibition officials explained, is exempt from the attorney general's ruling and Commissioner Kramer's ban, since such liquor is considered to be in the possession of the owner.

"Since under the law," Commissioner Williams said, "permits to do a wholesale liquor business as distinguished from a wholesale druggist cannot legally be issued it will be necessary to redraft the regulations of the bureau, which work is now being done."

### MORMON ANTI-TOBACCO BILL

**Utah Legislator Fights to Prevent Cigarette Ban.**

Salt Lake City.—The anti-tobacco bill, which passed the Utah Senate 14 to 3, went to the Committee on Manufactures and Commerce after the proponents of the measure made a hard fight to get it before the Committee on Education.

It is predicted that the bill will be amended to allow the sale of cigarettes, even if the other objectionable features are retained.

### NEW ZEALAND HITS MOVIES

**Bars Thieving, Robbery, Murder or Suicide in Films.**

Wellington, New Zealand.—The New Zealand government in a proclamation has ordered that no motion picture depicting thieving, robbery, murder or suicide shall be permitted to be shown in the Dominion of New Zealand after May 1 next.

The importers of films have been thrown into consternation by the order.

It is expected the innovation will benefit juveniles.

### CHARLES P. GRANT

**Caring for 10,000 Orphans at Karakliss, Armenia.**



Charles F. Grant of New York city is the only American worker of the Near East Relief remaining in the city of Karakliss, Armenia. Ten thousand orphans who have been cared for by the relief organization are entirely under his charge.

## CRISIS OVER, SAYS W. P. G. HARDING

**Federal Reserve Head Sees No Longer Any Peril Facing Business.**

Chicago.—All danger of a financial panic or business collapse has passed, according to W. P. G. Harding, governor of the Federal Reserve Board, who is in Chicago. The readjustment process through which the country has been going, he stated, was not local to this country, but was of general world significance, and America has passed through it well, with no failure of any consequence.

"The trying stage has been passed," he said, in his concise manner. "The reserve banks are in a greatly improved condition. The general average reserve of the banks is 49 per cent, against 44½ per cent a year ago. The Chicago reserve today is 50 per cent. The Chicago bank has met all conditions with marked ability. It has been a financial Rock of Gibraltar for this district through all the readjustment process.

"Business generally is rapidly adjusting itself to new levels. A year ago we were on the eve of reaction and readjustment and there was a great deal of apprehension.

"The slowing down of industry was inevitable. We have seen many industries closed down or running on part time, with consequent unemployment, but that is only temporary. Already the closed plants are reopening in various lines of industry all over the country and a general revival of sound business and industry is to be expected."

### LATEST EVENTS AT WASHINGTON

A resolution authorizing the President to invite nations of the world to send delegates to a conference "to provide for disarmament" was reported favorably by the House Foreign Relations Committee.

Chairman Kahn of the Military Committee of the house demanded an inquiry into the escape of Grover C. Bergdoll, wealthy convicted American draft dodger, who is now in Germany.

House Agricultural Committee ordered a favorable report on a substitute plan for the senate bill for federal regulation of the meat industry.

The proposal to honor the unknown American dead of the world war by bringing back the body of one of this number for burial with high honors was approved by the House Military Committee.

President Wilson, acting on the recently communicated request of President-Elect Harding, issued a proclamation calling a special session of the senate to convene March 4 at 12 o'clock to confirm nominations by President Harding.

The house voted to make an appropriation for maintenance after July 1 of a reegular army of 150,000 men.

Half a billion dollars will be required to complete the great naval building program embarked upon in 1916.

House Appropriations Committee reported out the naval bill carrying $395,504,444.23 for 1921. Of this sum $90,0000,000 is for continuing construction next year.

Declaring he was not in politics and was not going in, Charles G. Dawes of Chicago, former chief of supply procurement for the American army in France, bitterly attacked what he charged were political attempts to discredit the achievemnts of those who won the war.


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**The Supreme Test.**

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It wailed the whole night through and next morning Ward's father said indignantly: "Ward, you get rid of that pup. It howled all night and I did not get a bit of sleep."

With eyes full of indignation the little boy replied: "Well, papa, you got as much sleep as the pup did."


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**Giving Up.**

She—A woman has to give up a great deal after she gets married.

He—A man does nothing else but give up after he gets married.—Boston Transcript.

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