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observations, for a result of the failure of the Conference on the Limitation of Armaments to restrict aircraft building is the likelihood of just such activity as the Mayor of Boston pointed out. In many parts of the country this possibility either has been overlooked or has not been considered worthy of much attention.

Miller Deeds and Hylan Words. Governor MILLER's address to the National Republican Club was a fine, frank expression of the high statesmanship which does its work without reference to politics and then leaves it to the public to decide on the final record.

Some Tariff Sense in Congress. If the Senate can be moved, as many of its members seem to think it can be, to reject the McCumber duties on hides and leather Congress may come to its senses regarding other indefensible schedules of the new tariff.

Nothing could better illustrate the hasty, inconsiderate and disturbing way Congress plunged into much of its tariff folly than the Senate Finance Committee duties, first on hides and leather and then on shoes.

But American farmers in the great mass are not in the business of selling hides. They are not even in the business of selling live stock. Even the farmers that sell several head of cattle a year pay no attention to the hides on their animals, because they do not sell the animals separate and apart from their skins; they sell them on the hoof, in their skins. It is the buyer of the stock, the drover or the packer, that gets the benefit of the hides when he buys the cattle on the hoof.

Furthermore, nine American farmers out of every ten have a great deal more at stake in the prices they pay for their shoes and the shoes of their family, their harness and the various leather equipment and articles required on the farm, than they ever could have in the prices they get for a few hides, even if they were making a business of selling hides.

Yet the Senate Finance Committee went off on the wild theory that there must be duties on hides, leather and shoes for the benefit of the farmers, although the duties would put a heavy tax burden on every farm and on every family in the country.

Airport for Massachusetts. Through the action of Governor Cox of Massachusetts in signing the bill providing for an airport in East Boston that Commonwealth becomes the first State in the Union to join with the Federal Government in establishing an airplane landing in conformity with the recommendation of the President.

Last March Mayor CURLEY of Boston wrote to Governor Cox asking his help in obtaining the enactment of the bill, adding that of the \$35,000 needed for the purpose Boston would have to pay about 40 per cent., and that the city was prepared to assume that obligation. Then he made two statements which showed that he was thoroughly aware of the future importance of aircraft. One was that if the Federal Government adopted the ship subsidy it would "inevitably tend to the development of a great merchant marine, which merchant marine, in the event of war, can best be protected through the service of aircraft." He also pointed out that one inevitable result of the signing of the four Power treaty would be an "intense activity of the leading Powers of the world in aircraft development."

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