

## TRADE BAN LIFTED BY ALLIES ON RHINE

### Steps Made To Render Assistance To The Starving.

Paris, Aug. 13.—The lifting of the economic barrier of the Rhineland on September 15, provided Germany pays up the amounts she undertook to pay under the ultimatum and agrees to remove the boycott against French goods, was decided upon at the final session of the allied Supreme Council today. It was decided, however, to maintain the occupation of Ruhrort, Duisburg and Duesseldorf, until the next meeting of the council, which it is understood will be previous to the Washington disarmament conference. At that time Premier Briand consented that the question of the occupation of the right bank of the Rhine should be reconsidered.

With the question of the disposition of Upper Silesia out of its hands, the council went to work today on the other matters which it had to take under advisement. The decisions were reached after M. Briand, as president of the council, replied to attacks made by Lord Curzon, the British foreign secretary, and Sir Robert Stevenson-Hohne, chancellor of the British exchequer, against what was termed the present extensive system of administering the treaty, especially as concerned occupation of the Ruhr region.

"This," Lord Curzon said, "is very costly and also irritating to German national sentiment and pride."

The chancellor of the British exchequer argued that continuance of the present system impoverished everyone of the interested powers and that means ought to be examined for reducing the cost as the high expense meant less reparations.

It was agreed to create an inter-allied commission of financial experts on which the United States would be represented, to study ways and means whereby a reduction in occupation costs might be devised.

The French premier, in a long speech, indulged in some sarcastic utterances regarding Lord Curzon's reference to German national sentiment. He opposed strongly discontinuance of occupation of the three Ruhr cities.

"The French government," declared M. Briand, "has no intention whatsoever of hurting Germany's national sentiment or maintaining occupation of the Ruhr cities indefinitely. But there also is the national agreement of France to be taken into account."

Occupation of Duisburg, Ruhrort and Duesseldorf was decided jointly by France, England, Italy and Belgium because of the repeated failures of the German government to fulfill its obligations under the Versailles treaty."

He was convinced that the Wirth government now was making all efforts to live up to the undertakings entered upon after the London ultimatum, but added:

"The Wirth government may fall; another with more reactionary tendencies may be formed, and another crisis reached between France and Germany."

The matter, however, was not so pressing, Mr. Briand concluded, that it might not be postponed until the next meeting of the council. All the delegations agreed to this suggestion. Marshal Foch's military committee, after it had been decided to maintain military control in Germany, was entrusted with the task of deciding how such control was to be exercised—whether by commissions on the spot, as now is the case, or otherwise.

Ambassador Harvey took a more active part in the three hours' meeting of the council this morning than at any session since the deliberations were started, being asked for his opinion or taking part in the discussion of practically every question brought up, as America was directly interested, especially in the Russian and Austrian situations.

At this session the council decided upon the make-up of the International Famine Relief Commission which will deal with the famine situation in Russia. This commission will not be merely inter-allied, but Sweden, Denmark, Norway and other neutral countries will be asked to join.

Concerning the diplomatic situation created by the undertaking to feed famine-stricken Russia, it was agreed the commission will have absolutely an unofficial character, and that such conversations as are engaged in with the Soviets must be limited strictly to humanitarian questions. The manner in which contact with the Soviet government is to be made was not decided.

**POLICE MAY USE TEAR GAS.**  
As a means of repelling a mob and of combating criminals, tear gas was

recently given a tryout by the Philadelphia police. About 200 policemen, representing a "mob" were driven back, weeping, three times by five other patrolmen hurling the light grenades. Altho persons who inhale the fumes are helpless for about 30 minutes, the gas has no injurious effects. It is merely tear-producing, choking and nauseating.

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### ENGAND TO BE FREE FROM BOOZE IN 5 YEARS

London, Aug. 13.—Simultaneous with the announcement that drunkenness is again on the increase in England comes the news that the Wesleyan churches are about to launch a five years' crusade to make the country "dry."

Official figures show that there were 95,763 convictions for drunkenness in England and Wales last year, an increase of 65 per cent over the preceding year. If this rate of increase continues the number of convictions will soon be back at the high mark registered in 1913—188,877. There was a great falling off during the war, due to restrictions on the sale of liquor and to the fact that a large part of the male population was fighting in foreign countries or in training camps.

The Wesleyan churches announce that their drive is to be purely educational and without any sensational features.

"With red-hot enthusiasm," announces the Rev. J. Alfred Sharpe, president of the Wesleyan conference, "we can make the very forces of the devil tremble, even in these days."

The decision to open the campaign was not reached by unanimous vote. The Rev. Sayer Ellis said that, loving liberty, he could not support prohibition.

"We have no right," he cried, "to deny to thousands of decent people the right to drink what they want."

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## The Story of Our States

By JONATHAN BRACE

XXII.—ALABAMA

THE discovery of Alabama is credited to De Soto in 1540. The English also laid claim to this territory and included it in the grant to North Carolina. But it was the French who first settled here erecting in 1702 Fort St. Louis on Mobile Bay and founding the town of Mobile nine years later. Mobile was for many years the capital of Louisiana. France in 1763 ceded the territory east of the Mississippi to England and the northern part of the present State of Alabama was joined to the Illinois territory. The southern portion was known as West Florida. Serious conflict with the Indians was kept up for many years. In fact, even as late as 1812, there was an uprising of the Creeks which resulted in terrible atrocities and massacres.

During the Revolution West Florida remained loyal to England, but was seized by Spain only to be turned over to the United States in 1813. This Mobile section was then added to the northern district and the State of Alabama was formed and became the twenty-second state of the Union in 1819. The meaning of the name Alabama is variously interpreted. It was the name of an Indian tribe which inhabited this territory at the time of De Soto's first visit. After this tribe the river was named and the state was called Alabama after the river. The Indian word was supposed to mean "Here we rest," and these words are used on the state's coat of arms, but this interpretation is doubtful and its real meaning is uncertain. Alabama is sometimes called the Plantation State. Its area is 51,908 square miles.

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### FARM NOISES FOR SHELL SHOCK CURE

Winnipeg, Man., Aug. 1.—The sympathy of droning mowers cultivators and threshers in a specific cure for shell-shock. Of the thousands of war veterans who turned to agriculture at the conclusion of hostilities virtually all have recovered from the effects of shell-shock. A recent survey on the other hand, does not indicate that this is true of the returned soldiers who settled in the cities.

Besides regaining health at a far more rapid pace than their city brethren, the farmer soldiers generally have experienced more pronounced prosperity. For their crops last year they received approximately \$14,000,000. The return this year, on the fact of preliminary estimates, should be twenty-five per cent greater.

Many of the 25,000 soldiers who have taken farms under the Soldiers' Re-establishment act were not in good health when they turned farmers. Today the average soldier-farmer is in ruddy health and sound finances.

In aiding the men the government has made loans aggregating more \$110,000,000. The soldier settlement board, under direction of Major John Barnett, purchased over 150,000 horses, mules, cows, oxen, sheep and swine; 200,000 chickens and thousands of dollars' worth of farm machinery.

Nearly 5,000,000 acres of land have been cultivated, and last year 500,000 acres of virgin soil were broken. The men produced 10,000,000 bushels of grain, besides great quantities of hay, green feed, butter, milk, eggs, fruit and vegetables.

Signal success attained by the former soldiers has resulted in a flood of applications from other war veterans who now recognize the opportunities of Western Canada.

### WOMAN SWALLOWED SEVEN-INCH HAT PIN

Chicago, Aug. 13.—The medical world is watching with interest and amazement the case of Mrs. Morris Levy, 4835 Calumet Avenue, who is on the road to recovery after three punctures had been made in her stomach by a seven-inch hat pin which she swallowed last May. In continuing to function three months after the swallowing of the pin, which subsequently made the three punctures, physicians say all the rules of medical science have been contradicted. Ordinarily death would have resulted within 24 hours.

Mrs. Levy swallowed the pin in May when she was dressing to go shopping. Her son, Morris, Jr., 7 years old, playing in the room, slipped and fell. The mother gasped and swallowed the pin. For three months her husband couldn't believe that she had swallowed the pin. She complained so frequently of pains, however, that he took her to a hospital. An X-ray photograph revealed the pin. An incision was made and the pin removed with a pair of tweezers.

**PLUMBER ACTS AS SURGEON**  
A London engineer was taken to a hospital, his body pierced by an iron rod half an inch thick which extended from his left shoulder to his right knee. Fortunately though the bar passed across the man's body under the skin, none of the vital organs was injured. The surgeons realized that they had no instruments strong enough to be used in such an unusual operation as removing the iron so they called the house plumber to their assistance. They put the patient under an anesthetic, sterilized the plumber's hands and tools, rigged him out in the white garb of a surgeon and told him to go to work. While surgeons, nurses and students looked on he screwed a thread cutting die, held in a stock, onto the bar and then pulled the latter from the patient's body. The whole operation required only five minutes, not counting the time spent by the plumber in going back for his tools. The patient is reported as doing fine.

### WHALE WITH HIND LEGS IS CAUGHT

A female whale, 50 feet in length, which was captured and taken into port at Victoria, B. C., some time ago was found to have a pair of hind legs. This is said to be the first specimen ever found there with such appendages. The legs which grew out from the body near the tail projected outward about four feet. They were about six inches broad, the bones being covered thickly with blubber.

### PREPARE TO FIGHT CHARLES

Dispatches from Belgrade report an agreement among three nations to declare war on Hungary in the event former Emperor Charles is restored to the throne. The action followed the open threats made by Charles and his friends to return to Hungary, one or two dates being actually set for

the departure from Switzerland. There is a large element in Hungary in favor of the restoration of the former emperor, and Admiral Horthy, now head of the government, bears the significant title of regent. Switzerland is very tired of Charles but has been unable to get rid of him. The king of Spain, who is a relative, has taken steps to provide an asylum for him provided other nations offer no objections.

### AMERICAN FLYER TO PHOTOGRAPH MEXICO

Los Angeles, Aug. 13.—According to information received here "Bob" Connell, son of Capt. C. T. Connell, federal labor conciliator, has obtained a contract from President Obregon, of Mexico, to photograph important points in Mexico from the sky.

An American pilot will likely be used on the flights, it is reported, but a Mexican army observer is expected to be in the machine at all times.

The contract will include the photographing of railroad lines, harbors, highways and unexplored timber and railroad lines. One of the features Connell expects to photograph will be the crater of Mount Popocatepetl, long believed to be an extinct volcano, but which the young photographer says, is "enjoying a smoke."

### NEWSPAPER CLIPPINGS

The fire was put out before any considerable damage could be done by the volunteer fire department.—Portland Journal.

Guss Garner is nursing a lacerated hand. He was fishing on Yocum creek and while baiting his hook a big catfish jumped out of the water and caught his bait, hand and all.—North Arkansas Star.

We are having more weather up here this year than we've had for the last 19 years.—Baxter Bulletin.

FOR SALE—A pure blooded Jersey cow giving two gallons of milk, two tons of hay, a lot of chickens and several stoves.—Sterling Bulletin.

### LINCOLN'S PEN STOLEN

Chicago, Aug. 13.—The quill pen used by President Lincoln in signing his first inaugural address has been stolen from the exhibit of the Chicago Historical Society at the Pageant of Progress, it was announced today.

The pen was made from the feather of an American eagle with the feather killed by an admirer of Lincoln just before the latter's election. The heretofore unpublished letter which accompanied the gift said that the quill was from an eagle which had died rather than sacrifice its liberty.

"And I am sure that you would die rather than sacrifice the liberties of the nation which have been entrusted to your care," the letter added.

### SAILOR IN HOSPITAL NINE YEARS AS TYPHOID CARRIER

San Francisco, Aug. 13.—After numerous operations, Harry Olsen, orderly at the United States Marine Hospital, where he has been confined for nine years, owing to the fact that he is a "typhoid carrier," still retains his faculty of spreading the deadly germs, physicians claim. Olsen is said to have been the unwitting cause of four deaths from typhoid, and it is declared that fully thirty other cases have been traced to him.

### HARDING'S DOUBLE

Savannah, Ga., Aug. 13.—A replica of the President of the United States in personal appearance is Capt. A. F. Johnson, commanding the ocean steamship City of St. Louis, plying between Savannah and Boston. In citizen's attire Captain Johnson resembles more closely President Harding than when the skipper is wearing the steamship uniform. Captain Johnson is about the age of the President and is a Republican.

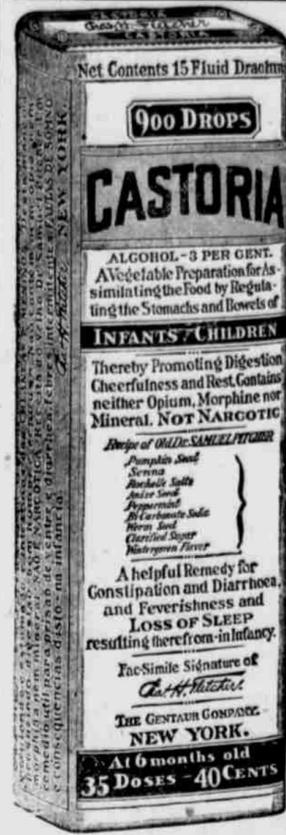
### SHIP BUILDERS SCORE POINT

The striking ship builders of Kobe are to be granted a voice in the operation of the plants which will be under the direction of a workmen's committee. In addition, as announced by the president of the company, workers will be granted an eight-hour day and pensions. Other companies also affected by strikes are expected to take the same course. The government program of ship-building was practically stopped by the strike for more than two weeks.

### BE LOYAL SAYS RICCI

In an address at a mass meeting of Italians at Pittsburg, Pa., Vittorio Ricci, Italian ambassador to the United States, advised his audience to be loyal to America. "She is the land of your adoption," he said, "and you should uphold her ideals and traditions."

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### CHILD'S RECOVERY FROM LOCKJAW IS PUZZLE

Columbus, O., Aug. 13.—Given up to die, a victim of the horrible and deadly tetanus, or lockjaw, Nina Helen, 5-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry J. Arnold, of this city, has completely recovered, and her recovery is exciting comment in medical and faith healing circles. Friends of Dr. G. R. Robbins, pastor of Memorial Baptist Church, who claims to have many remarkable cures by faith to his credit, assert the child recovered thru his prayers at her bedside.

Her physician, while not willing to indorse the broad claims, admits he is surprised at her recovery. He had once given up her case as hopeless, but continued in attendance, and his prescribed treatment was carefully followed.

For several days the child suffered convulsions at intervals of about fifteen minutes. She could not lie down, but had to sit propped up in a chair to avoid stiffening out of her body. After twelve days of paroxysms the child relaxed and her jaws unlocked. Boils, due to the infection of her blood, followed, but she has now completely recovered.

The physicians frankly says that he is unable to explain her recovery. "Whether it was the treatment of prayer, I am unable to say," he declared. "I am greatly astonished." A committee of the medical association is making an investigation of the case with a view to a report to the general body.

### OCEAN IS IMMUNE FROM LIGHTENING

An experimenter, working with electric sparks of high electromotive force in an effort to volatilize water, found that the sparks persistently refused to strike the surface of the water he was using; instead they invariably struck the edge of the containing vessel. Sparks were passed from one stream to another only with the greatest difficulty. As the sparks were long and powerful, resembling lightning as nearly as possible, he concluded that lightning never

strikes the surface of the ocean, also that electric discharges probably never take place thru regions of heavy rainfall in the air.

### NEW ULE MADE ON LAW FOR BOOTLEGGERS OF SEA

New York, Aug. 13.—Seafaring bootleggers soon will have to take a course in admiralty law if they are to keep up with the latest contention of revenue officers—that the three-mile limit does not hold where liquor-muggers are involved.

This was the stand taken by United States Attorney Hayward today when the government filed three libels against the schooner Henry L. Marshall, and her 1,400 cases of whisky after she had been sized outside the three-mile limit off Atlantic City with the British flag at her mast-head.

### WAR HERO HAS OPEN PASSAGE THRU HEAD

Boston specialists are puzzled over the strange case of Harry Shanley, American war veteran, who has an open passage in his head extending from ear to ear. The former soldier can pass as many as fifteen buttons thru one ear and out the other. He was in France with the Canadian army when a German shell exploded over his head, deafening him. Altho his vocal cords remain, physicians have told Shanley he will eventually lose his voice. Shanley can put a wad of paper in his mouth and remove the same from either ear. He is being treated at the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary.

### HOT WEATHER SPOOLS MONEY

The excessively hot weather in Hungary—133 in the shade—resulted in near bankruptcy of some Hungarian capitalists. It was found that the heat spoiled the money as well as fresh vegetables. Of course this applies only to paper money which is about the only kind in use. The ink of the badly printed bills melted and ran so that a 10 could not be distinguished from a 1000. Some of the careful capitalist began to keep their money in refrigerators.