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THE WASHINGTON CONFERENCE
November 12—Hughes submits as the first American proposal that there be a ten-year annual holiday that...

November 15—Speakers of Great Britain, Japan, Italy and France announce their governments' ready acquiescence in the American proposal...

November 17—A French statement is issued declaring in general that it is up to extra territorial privileges and...

November 18—An informal statement of British attitude, similar in general to the French expression as to China, is issued.

November 19—Japan is declared to be in agreement in general with the principles of the Chinese ten points...

THE STORY OF THE BRIAND-SCHANZER TILT

It is difficult to understand the mental processes of persons who started the story that Mr. Briand and Senator Schanzer had had a verbal tilt in the course of the armament conference...

Was it a mere sensation-monger who did it, or was it the work of some sinister force that hopes to see the object of the disarmament conference lost? After all, it must be remembered that international peace is not universally desired...

Krupp as an international scandal has well-nigh disappeared; but it has plenty of successors and imitators. The Franco-Italian incident may well have been contrived by one of them.

On the other hand, if it was merely some reckless newspaper man, intent on gaining some advantage over his more honest competitors, who framed up the story, his guilt is no less appalling. He has committed a treason so gigantic that it fairly staggers the imagination.

A NOVEMBER PROPHECY
H. G. Wells, in this country on a reportorial expedition for the New York World and the Chicago Tribune, is writing another outline of history.

The immediate cause of decline and fall going on under our eyes "swifter and more extensive than the decline and fall of the Roman empire," is the destruction of the monetary system

under the burden of war expenditures and war debts. And all remediable; except, perhaps, that Russia has gone. It is unlikely that the feeble spark of the life of civilization there can be fanned into flames.

Before presenting Mr. Wells' suggestions of remedy, he recorded that the vice-president of the German economic council prophesied that next spring will see Germany's final industrial collapse.

Inasmuch as few things seem less likely than that the leading nations of the world will take the steps suggested, inasmuch as there appear no hopes for a "prompt and vigorous" world conference to forgive all debtor nations, the prophetic outline of history is bleak.

Nevertheless, conference there will be, and in conference there is always hope. Today's hearing before the state highway commission will at least test the situation. There are allegations of bad faith, and a complete airing of the whole business will either establish or destroy these allegations.

THE COST OF HIGH LIVING
When you take a \$1,500 motor truck, driven by a chauffeur who is paid anything from \$5 a day up, and use the outfit, consuming a dime's worth of gasoline and a quarter's worth of wear and tear on tires and machinery, to deliver 15 cents' worth of prunes, there is an economic waste involved—a waste that somebody has to make good.

Goods are not, and cannot ever be, delivered free. Somebody has to pay for that service, and if the merchant is already trimming down his profits as closely as he can, to pay for that service out of his own pocket would bankrupt him.

calls over the telephone for a can of green peas she usually says simply "a can of green peas." Then if the merchant has on his shelves one brand at 17 cents a can and another at 20 cents, is there any doubt as to which he is going to send? Indeed, would he not be more, or less, than human, if he failed to send the can in which there is the greatest profit to him?

Let us investigate the high cost of living, by all means; but let us investigate it honestly. If part of it is due to the false shame and laziness of the public, let us emphasize that fact as strongly as we do the possible shortcomings of the retail merchant.

AN APPRECIATION
The executive committee of the Greensboro N. C. Chapter American Red Cross at a recent meeting unanimously expressed grateful appreciation of the assistance rendered by the Greensboro Daily News on the occasion of the visit of the Clean-Up Squad, October 17, 18, 19.

ROADS FOR THE PEOPLE VS. "ROADS FOR THROUGH TRAVEL"
One of the strongest beliefs of the people of North Carolina has always been for long and good roads against centralization of power in the hands of a few, and many of us have in our humble way been working for the good roads for North Carolina on the principle that the roads should be built in such locations as would give the most people the greatest service, and at the same time carry forward a road on general lines to go from community to community through the state just as the present Central highway is now located.

THE SPARTA TO MT. AIRY ROAD
A delegation of 25 prominent Mt. Airy and Surry county citizens was given an audience Tuesday afternoon by Gov. R. A. Doughton, member of the state highway commission, to hear a discussion in regard to the feasibility of building a surface highway from Sparta to Mt. Airy, a distance of approximately 10 miles.

SEARCH AND SEIZURE: THE NEW ACT
The constitution of the United States, in its fifth article, says: "The right of the people to be secure in their persons, houses, papers and effects against unreasonable searches and seizures shall not be violated, and no warrants shall issue, but upon probable cause, supported by oath or affirmation, and particularly describing the place to be searched and the persons or things to be seized."

IT MAY NOT STOP HIS FIGHTING BUT HE CERTAINLY CAN'T DO AS MUCH DAMAGE



Mr. Doughton pointed out that under a recent resolution passed by the state highway commission, each commissioner was privileged to add three per cent of the total mileage of his district for needed extensions, but voided his inability to do more than this at the present time.

However, upon information from members of the delegation of a desire to present the matter to the highway commission, Mr. Doughton said a search warrant to search a private dwelling, seems to be the heart of the new law, but no officer ever could search or seize when he acted unreasonably or without probable cause.

Speaking of cafeterias: As to the solution for high prices, they must get a search warrant to search a private dwelling, seems to be the heart of the new law, but no officer ever could search or seize when he acted unreasonably or without probable cause.

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Concord, N. C., Nov. 27, 1921.
G. E. EDGEMASTER
Editor of the Daily News

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