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TO ENLARGE WORKING FORCE

Secretary Expects to Recall Foreign Trade Commissioners in Order to Utilize Their Information.

Washington.—Cotton manufacturers throughout the South will be interested in the fact that Secretary Hoover will be given about all the money he requested for his department to carry out an elaborate program for the extension of foreign trade.

The total was \$618,728.34 and the new work to be undertaken calls for the addition of 175 or more regular employees in the department. The amount is to be carried in the general deficiency bill completed by the house appropriations committee.

Mr. Hoover is to get what he desired in the way of supplemental estimates.

Wage Cut Accepted by Carmen. New Orleans.—Accepting a cut in wages from 4 to 13 cents an hour, more than 4,000 members of the street car men's union agreed with J. D. O'Keefe, federal receiver of the New Orleans Railway and Lighting company, that the time was not ripe for any more street car strikes.

Success of Federal Reserve. Washington.—Ten billion dollars in potential credit for financing the legitimate demands of business—a tower of financial strength—so huge that its dimensions stir the imagination to bewilderment—has been built up through thrift, economy and sound policy by the banks of the federal reserve system during the last twelve months.

Has Ordered No Walkout. Charlotte, N. C.—No walkout of cotton mill operatives in the South has been ordered and will not be, at least until I have visited several other North Carolina textile centers and have conferred with President John Golden," said Frank T. McMahon, vice-president of the International Textile Workers' union.

No Hope for Public Buildings. Washington.—Efforts to write a public building bill this session has been dropped at the request of President Harding. He does not think it would be appropriate for the republican party now, having just come into power on a plea of economy, to vote millions for pork.

Hit by Aurora Borealis. New York.—Telegraph service was seriously affected by a recurrence of the aurora borealis, or "northern lights," as it is generally called. News agencies, using thousands of miles of telegraph lines, were the hardest hit.

Lips to Match Color of Dress. London.—A rosebud mouth is no longer the fashion. Lip-salve to match the general color scheme of the dress—mauve, green or brick-red—is the newest idea. It made its initial appearance at a Broad street dress show.

Guards Ordered to Kentucky. Frankfort, Ky.—Two companies of Kentucky national guardsmen were ordered to McCarr, Ky., in Pike county, where a state of virtual war has been on for the last two days.

Collapse of Polish Revolt. Berlin.—Collapse of the Polish revolt in Upper Silesia is expected in authoritative quarters there, according to a special dispatch received here from Breslau.



MRS. G. B. CHRISTIAN, JR. A new photograph of Mrs. George B. Christian, Jr., wife of the secretary to the President.

UNCOMMON WEST AND NORTH

Within the Last Few Weeks Southern Liquor Has Been Flowing Very Freely in City of Washington.

Washington.—John F. Kramer, prohibition enforcement officer, thinks that moonshining is on the wane in the South. He admits that \$10 a quart for corn fresh from the worm is mighty tempting, but his men are spreading fear around.

Mr. Kramer says not have been through the house and senate office building lately, for it is stated on reliable authority, those who buy it, that good North Carolina moonshine can be had for \$7 a quart. Within the last few weeks southern liquor has commenced to flow rather freely here.

Hill Wants Berlin Embassy. Washington.—Mr. David Jayne Hill, of New York, is understood to have definitely declined to be considered for ambassador to Japan, and it is believed he is foremost among those now under consideration for ambassador to Germany when diplomatic relations are resumed.

Hun Workmen Strike is Off. Berlin.—The general strike begun by the German workmen at Oppeln, Upper Silesia, in protest against the attitude of the Inter-Allied Commission toward the Polish insurrection, has been called off.

Plan an Adamless Eden. London.—What is described as an "Adamless Eden" is about to be opened here in the form of a small park where London working girls may rest and meditate undisturbed by young men.

Dempsey and Corbett Present. Atlantic City, N. J.—Jack Dempsey and Jim Corbett, present and former heavyweight champions of the world, were the guests of the Atlantic City Rotary club.

No Protocol for Mexico. Mexico City.—Mexico cannot and will not sign a formal protocol as a condition to recognition by the United States, President Obregon told the newspaper men.

Convicts Mutiny and Escape. Huntsville, Tenn.—More than a score of state convicts, many of them armed, mutinied, stormed the arsenal, shot two guards and fled.

Deficit of \$9,202,437. St. Louis.—Officials of the International Fur Exchange announced a deficit of \$9,202,437 in the finances of the system. A circular containing this information is being mailed to all stockholders.

POISON GASES ARE TO BE TESTED OUT

BOMBING EXPERIMENTS TO BE CONDUCTED OFF ATLANTIC COAST ON JUNE 21.

TO FURNISH OBJECT LESSON

Attempt is to be Made to Show That Navy Must Immediately Build Up Defense Against Asphyxiation.

Washington.—The use of poisonous gases against naval vessels under simulated battle conditions will be tested for the first time during bombing experiments to be conducted off the Atlantic coast beginning June 21.

Under present plans, the ship to be gassed will have a crew aboard. Nine explosive bombs filled with "tear gas" will be dropped and every man on board the vessel will be required to keep within the protected areas and wear a gas mask.

Officers of the Chemical Warfare Service believe that by using a gas of intolerable concentration, that is, of sufficient strength to incapacitate but not to kill, the service can prove its contention that, in the next war, battleships must be made literally airtight to protect the crew.

Not to Occupy Ruhr Basin. Duesseldorf.—General DeGouette, commander of the Allied forces on the Rhine, arrived here from Mayence and immediately ordered the preparations for occupation of the Ruhr to cease.

Cereal Prospects Favorable. Rome.—Prospects of this year's cereal crops are fairly favorable and indicate as far as it is possible to foresee, a yield which will be satisfactory and sufficient to guarantee supplies for the world during the coming season.

Celebrates 103rd Birthday. Winston-Salem, N. C.—Mrs. Charity Hicks celebrated her 103rd birthday here at which time there was a family reunion. Mrs. Hick's five grandchildren, 17 grandchildren, 35 great grandchildren and eight great-great grandchildren were present.

Settlement With Clara Hamon. Los Angeles, Calif.—A settlement was effected by which Clara Smith Hamon relinquished all claim to the estate of Jake L. Hamon, of whose alleged murder she was recently acquitted by an Oklahoma jury, it was announced by her attorney.

Cotton Acreage Reduced. Mexico City.—Less than one-third of the acreage of the Laguna district in the state of Coahuila, where most of Mexico's cotton crop is grown, has been planted and the entire region is in dire straits financially, according to statements here quoting travelers.

Virginia Woman Decorated. Paris.—Miss Hamilton Shields, of Virginia, was decorated as a chevalier of the Legion of Honor at a military ceremony held in front of the Hotel Des Invalides. The honor was conferred for the work of Miss Shields as a nurse during the war.

Hawaiian Situation is Bad. Honolulu.—The great sugar, pineapple and coffee plantations of Hawaii are facing near extinction as the result of the most acute labor shortage in the territory's history.

Two Killed in Tail Spin. Lawton, Okla.—Sergeant Algotti Bloomist and C. E. McCullough, cotton broker of Oklahoma City, were killed, and Sergeant B. Grogan, Atlanta, Ga., 22, was probably fatally injured in an airplane accident.



CAPT. ROBERT ROSENBLUTH. Capt. Robert Rosenbluth, U. S. A., was held in \$25,000 bail on the charge of killing Major Alexander Cronkhite, U. S. A. Major Cronkhite met death by a bullet while practicing with his pistol.

DUTY ON SOUTHERN PRODUCTS

Wheat and Wheat Products, Flaxseed, Corn or Maize, Cotton and Tobacco, Heavily Protected Under Bill

Washington.—The senate has passed the emergency tariff and anti-dumping bill, retaining all amendments recommended by the finance committee, but rejected those individually proposed. The vote was 63 to 28.

The bill as passed by the senate provides the following commodity rates of duty on southern products: Wheat, 35 cents per bushel; wheat flour and semolina, 20 cents per bushel; corn or maize, 15 cents per bushel; long staple cotton (1 5-88 inches), 7 cents per pound; cotton manufacturing, 7 cents per pound; wrapper and filler tobacco, mixed, when the product of two or more countries, unstemmed, \$2.35 a pound; other kinds of filler tobacco, unstemmed, 50 cents a pound.

Rapid Extension Air Service. London.—Almost daily extension of passenger and mail service by air is rapidly making Europe a network of aerial transportation lines.

Disarmament or Burst? Washington.—W. G. McAdoo, former secretary of the treasury, espoused disarmament as a curative for the economic and social troubles of the world in an address before the national league of Masonic clubs.

Kosciuszko Squadron Disbands. Warsaw.—Americans who fought in the world war and then came to Poland to fight against the bolsheviks were honored by President Pilsudski and General Joseph Haller at ceremonies attending the demobilization of the famous Kosciuszko aerial squadron, composed of young aviators from the United States.

New Treasury Certificates. Washington.—Issuance of a new series of treasury certificates of indebtedness to the amount of about \$200,000,000 maturing in nine months and bearing interest of 5 1/2 per cent was announced by Secretary Mellon.

Wife Killed, Husband Unhurt. Birmingham, Ala.—Mrs. Alice Binyard was instantly killed by lightning as she slept in her home at Sayreton. William Binyard, the husband, sleeping by the side of his wife, was uninjured.

Harding Wires Old Confeds. Albany, Ga.—President Harding telegraphed greetings and best wishes to the United Confederate Veterans of Georgia, assembled here in their thirtieth annual reunion.

Agreement is Announced. Warsaw.—Premier Witos announced in the diet that an agreement which he thought would facilitate a solution of the Upper Silesia problem has been reached by the Inter-Allied Commission in Silesia and Adelbert Korfanty, leader of Polish insurgent forces.

House Passes Army Bill. Washington.—The army appropriation bill carrying approximately \$320,000,000 and providing for an army of 150,000 enlisted men, was passed by the house and senate after a bitter fight.

PROPERTY LOSS BY FIRE LAST MONTH

EXCLUSIVE OF FOREST FIRES MILLION AND A QUARTER WENT UP IN SMOKE.

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No Explanation Has Been Advanced by Department for Wide Prevalence of Fires During Month.

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Appraised on the basis of prices a year ago, the month's fire losses would have gone well beyond the two million mark, according to Insurance Commissioner Stacy W. Wade. Wilson and Rocky Mount both staged big warehouse fires that ran up the total from tobacco losses, with a combination garage and warehouse fire in Henderson that accounted for nearly \$200,000 more.

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Money for North Carolinians. Interest amounting to more than \$560,000 will be payable May 15 to holders of Liberty bonds of the second issue bought through North Carolina banks and trust companies. The total amount of bonds of this issue subscribed in this state was \$28,025,950, there being over 56,162 subscriptions.

Amount Due Reserve District. In this Federal reserve district the interest payable May 15 on the second Liberty loan will be in excess of \$4,000,000, and a Treasury Department statement suggests that as much of this money as practicable be reinvested in government savings securities.

Governor at Dress Parade. Governor Cameron Morrison reviewed the cadet corps of the North Carolina State College of Agriculture and Engineering at a dress parade given in his honor on the drill grounds at the college.

Address by Senator Stanley. Washington (Special).—Senator Stanley, of Kentucky, one of the leading orators of the senate, has accepted an invitation to address the North Carolina Bankers' association at Greensboro. He was invited by W. A. Hunt, president, and T. A. Uzzell, secretary.

Municipalities Plan Action. Municipalities of North Carolina will start at once through the courts in the hope of getting corrected the senate error invalidating the municipal finance act passed by the last general assembly.

Skeptical of Court Decision. There will be no further appeal to the governor to call an extra session of the legislature. One municipality in the association will pass an ordinance carrying a levy in excess of the provisions of the old act.

Opposition to Sales Tax. Washington.—Opposition to enactment of a general sales tax law developed at a hearing before the senate finance committee. At previous sessions only arguments in support of the plan had been given.

CAMPAIGN AGAINST PINK BOLL WORMS

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE TO MAKE ANOTHER EFFORT TO STAMP OUT PEST.

SUGGESTS NON-COTTON ZONES

Texas Delegation Excuses Failure to Co-operate by Declaring That the Question is a National One.

Washington.—A new campaign to stamp out the pink boll worm menace in the cotton growing states is to be launched by the Department of Agriculture. A special committee to recommend measures to be adopted was appointed after a conference between representatives of the cotton states and officials of the Department of Agriculture.

Chairman Marlatt, of the Federal Horticultural Board, told the conference that establishment of non-cotton zones in places of infestation was only means of getting rid of the pink boll worm. Charges that failures of Texas to provide adequate measures of control and failure to co-operate were met with declarations from its delegates that the question was a national one.

Tobacco Planters are Warned. Danville, Va.—The enormous over-production by the tobacco farmers in the Bright Belt is accentuated in the annual report on local market conditions made by W. Crews Wood, president of the Danville Tobacco association. Unless the 1921 crop is cut very materially, Mr. Wooding declares, the next season will be disastrous.

West Point Row Settled. Washington.—The appointment of General Pershing to be chief of staff settled a row in the army. Secretary Weeks had selected Major General Harbord to succeed General March. The West Point clique vigorously interposed objections. Harbord entered the service a private and fought his way up.

Sale of 3,200,000 Feet Lumber. Mobile, Ala.—One of the largest lumber deals concluded in many months was closed when the E. D. Flynn Export company sold 3,200,000 feet to Cuban interests.

Winter Wheat Acreage Retduced. Washington.—Winter wheat acreage for the 17 countries in the Northern hemisphere growing the crop was placed at 99,400,000 acres as compared with 103,200,000 last year.

Newberry Sees Harding. Washington.—Senator Newberry, republican, of Michigan, who recently resumed his official duties after reversal by the supreme court of his conviction for violation of the corrupt practices act, made his first call on President Harding.

Dial Bill is Delayed. Washington.—The Dial bill, to prevent Judge Landis, of Chicago, from holding his \$42,500 a year job as national baseball arbiter, came up in the senate momentarily, but was deferred.

\$23,000,000 to be Called For. Washington.—Uncle Sam has \$23,000,000 of some people's money waiting in the treasury for them to come and get it, according to the latest official figures of outstanding temporary liberty bonds.

Government Wins Contentment. Washington.—The government won in the supreme court its contention that increased value of any capital asset must be considered in a corporation's profits when taxes were computed.

Turk Says His Age is 147. Constantinople.—Zora, the human pack horse, who claims to be 147 years old and still can carry 200 pounds with ease, attributes his long life and health to hard work and proper diet.

For Army of 175,000. Washington.—An army of 175,000 men was decided on by the senate sub-committee considering the army appropriation bill. The measure as passed by the house provided for 150,000 men.

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Aviatrix Breaks World Record. Mineola, N. Y.—Miss Laura Bromwell, 23 year old aviatrix, broke the world's loop the loop record for her sex when her plane, starting at the height of 8,000 feet, performed 199 complete loops.

Plan for Marketing Cotton Crop. Washington.—A plan for marketing practically the entire cotton crop of the country through a national growers sales organization was adopted at a conference held at Oklahoma City.