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TO BUILD UP FOREIGN TRADE SECRETARY MCAODOO URGES GOVERNMENT AID IN BANKS AND SHIPS.

Secretary McAdoo has transmitted to President Wilson his report of the proceedings and conclusions of the Pan-American financial conference held in Washington last May with representative bankers, business men and statesmen of the United States and 18 Latin-American republics in attendance. He summarized his suggestions for carrying on the work of the conference and improving the financial and commercial relations between the participating nations as follows:

"First. That 12 federal reserve banks establish promptly joint agencies in the leading cities of all the countries of Central and South America for the purpose of providing enlarged credit facilities, as outlined in the first part of the report.

"Second. That the government of the United States provide promptly the necessary steamship facilities by subscribing the capital stock of a corporation organized for the purpose of owning and operating the necessary steamship lines.

"Third. That the international high commission on uniformity of laws be granted an appropriation of \$25,000 to enable it to carry on the important work it has undertaken and represent the United States in the meeting of the international high commission of all the Latin-American republics.

"Fourth. That a Pan-American financial conference be held annually in the city of Washington and that the congress authorize the president to extend invitations to the republics of Latin-America to attend a financial conference in the city of Washington during the year 1916, and that an appropriation of \$50,000 be made for said conference."

In support of his suggestion for the establishment of joint agencies of federal reserve banks in neighboring republics, Secretary McAdoo says that extension of the credit facilities of this nation in those countries will inure to "their and our advantage." He declares that the plan advanced during the conference here for the amendment of the national bank act so that national banks could become stockholders in an independent bank which would do a foreign business, is inferior to that he now proposes for joint agencies of the reserve banks.

"The federal reserve banks," he argues, "comprise in their membership every national bank in the United States as well as a number of leading state banks and trust companies. They constitute a financial organization of unequalled strength, and their operations in foreign countries will be for the common benefit of all banks composing the system. These agencies in foreign countries could, in addition to their banking business, render a great service to American business men and bankers by furnishing credit, reports and general information about trade and finance in the various countries in which they operate."

The federal reserve act, Secretary McAdoo points out, authorizes the establishment of such agencies with the consent of the federal reserve board, and, while the banks cannot be compelled to take action along these lines, encouragement by the board may prompt them to it. Entrance into this field by the federal reserve banks, he says, will not prevent member banks from carrying on and enlarging the business they are now doing in foreign countries, but the capital and resources of the reserve banks utilized for the extension and promotion of commerce "would give them unrivaled financial power."

"The question of adequate steamship facilities," says the secretary, "is fundamental and underlies every other question concerning our trade and future relationships with the Latin-American republics. The quick and effective solution of this problem is for the government of the United States to put itself behind a shipping enterprise, so that the necessary financial support to make it successful will be assured. We cannot expect private capital in this country to engage in this essential undertaking. It is too big at the outset for private capital."

Secretary McAdoo supports his contention by saying that steamships of the sort he proposes could be used as naval auxiliaries in time of war. He says the navy department has informed him that, in order to bring the United States navy to its maximum usefulness and efficiency in war time, there is need of 400 merchant vessels of approximately 1,172,000 gross tons, and, in addition, about 224 vessels of 150 tons each, to be used for mine-sweeping in case the coasts are invested or visited by an enemy. Only a small portion of the larger vessels needed in such contingency, he says, are to be found under American registry. The wise

course, he concludes, is for the government to create the necessary naval auxiliary fleet and use it in time of peace in the South American and other foreign trade.

The task of the United States high commission on uniformity of laws, he says, is both great and difficult, and an appropriation of \$25,000 he thinks modestly sufficient. The subject of direct cable communication between North and South and Central America, considered of great importance by the conference, the secretary declares, could be studied by the high commission if the appropriation is granted. The first conference, Secretary McAdoo says, gave convincing proof of the advantages of such meetings, and the recommendation for a \$50,000 appropriation for a second next year is made with the idea that they may become annual affairs. The secretary says that it is the purpose to work in harmony with the Pan-American Union.

RUIN OF WAR NOT LIMITED TO GUNSHOT RANGE.

There is one blockade now in force in Europe, the blame for which belongs to none of the belligerents in particular, but must be shared by all. Reference is here made to the blockade of Switzerland to the tourist trade. And it is no small matter to the Swiss; on the contrary, the business of ministering to foreign visitors was one of the greatest and most productive of Swiss industries. There are about 4,000 tourist hotels in Switzerland, employing 43,000 persons, with a yearly wage list of \$5,600,000 and \$227,000,000 capital invested. More than 1,100,000,000 was spent by tourists in Switzerland in 1913; and all but \$5,500,000, which went for postage, telegrams, telephone calls and railroad charges, constituted gross revenue for the shops and hoteliers—the latter taking about 80 per cent. of the total. The business in 1914 was only 40 per cent. of the normal, while this year it amounted to practically nothing. The ruin of war is not limited to gunshot range.

Ground Limestone and Marl.

The commissioner of agriculture is now ready to ship ground limestone and marl to the farmers of the state at the lowest possible cost. Orders and inquiries are coming in daily and the indications are that there will be an enormous demand for this material this fall and winter.

The prices have been greatly reduced. Marl that sold for \$3 a ton less than a year ago now sells for \$1.50 a ton; and ground limestone that sold for \$1.60 a ton now sells for \$1.15. And even these low prices may be reduced still lower as the demand increases.

A wise use of ground limestone will be found productive of greatly increased crop yields, and will enable the farmer to get along without so much expensive potash, the price of which has recently been put out of reach of the average farmer by the interference with trans-Atlantic shipping due to the European war. We have enormous amounts of potash in our own soils, especially those found in the Piedmont and mountain sections of the state, and a liberal use of ground limestone will tend to unlock this potash and render it available for crops. Farmers should be careful to use their lime either under clover, etc., or on land well supplied with vegetable matter.

Ground limestone or marl at from \$2 to \$3 a ton laid down at the station is an excellent investment in soil fertility. From 500 to 2,000 pounds to the acre is a normal application on most soils of the state. On acid soils a larger application is necessary.

Tried to Break in Penitentiary.

Robert L. Walls, a white man of Watauga county, Monday applied for entrance to the state prison to serve a term of three and a half years for manslaughter. He was refused admission because he was not accompanied by a sheriff or deputy, though Walls had the proper commitment papers. Walls, who is a farmer, and who paid his own way to Raleigh, telegraphed to Boone for the sheriff to come and get him in prison. Walls served in the United States volunteer army in the Philippines and was honorably discharged.

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ANOTHER ANCIENT CUSTOM OF NAVY ABOLISHED.

Washington, Sept. 7.—American warships no longer will lay up at home yards three months of the year for overhauling, with free shore liberty for officers and men. Secretary Daniels announced today that the recommendation of Admiral Fletcher, commander-in-chief of the Atlantic fleet, the navy's ancient custom had been abolished, and that while hereafter the ships would be docked twice a year for repairing and minor repairs, general overhauling would be given only upon recommendation by the board of inspection and survey.

"When a ship was sent to its home yard annually for overhaul," said Mr. Daniels, "officers and crew were given extensive leave and, of necessity, all drills and exercises had to be either wholly suspended, or imperfectly carried out. The consequence was that upon completion of the repairs it would be found that the ship and crew instead of resuming active service in a state of trained efficiency comparable to what it possessed on entering the overhaul period, would have suffered in discipline, in morale and ship spirit, and required several subsequent months of active drills and exercises before they could be restored to their former state of readiness for war.

"A routine, of course, will be adopted which will allow ample leave to both officers and men, always having in view, when at all possible, leave for Christmas."

War Orders Maybe.

A talkative young woman was once taken in to dinner by a rich and tactful manufacturer, whom she was anxious to propitiate. Her attempts at conversation, however, met with little response. Having exhausted nearly every conceivable subject, she broached that of music.

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When Americans Become Aliens.

American citizens who join European armies and take oath of allegiance to a foreign power automatically lose their citizenship here under the law of March 2, 1907. This is the interpretation placed upon the law by the bureau of naturalization of the department of labor. This bureau has been investigating the subject, which was presented at the outbreak of the European war. It is held that American citizens who enlist in a foreign army expatriate themselves, and that, if they return to this country after the war, they must apply for naturalization.

The law specifically states that a person entering the military service of a foreign government and taking the oath of allegiance thereto expatriates himself. It is said this expatriation applies not only to native-born Americans, but to native-born as well. The shouldering of a musket for a foreign ruler, therefore, means the loss of citizenship in this country.

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