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CAUSE FOR OPTIMISM

An item here and there, statistics
 from this source and that, this leg-
 islation and that, all tend to create a
 spirit of optimism and are an assur-
 ance of better times ahead.

Figures have just been released
 showing the amount of United States
 trade with Germany last year. The
 total exports of raw materials from
 the United States to Germany for the
 last fiscal year exceeded in value
 those of the pre-war high record year,
 1914. Raw cotton was the biggest
 single item; in fact, the quantity of
 cotton sent to Germany in the biscal
 year just ended is greater than to
 any other contry in the world except to
 the United Kingdom.

The consumption of American cot-
 ton last year was around ten million,
 two hundred thousand bales, which
 was the smallest year offered.

Reports show that Japan is now
 taking practically a normal supply of
 American cotton and England is
 rapidly reaching that goal. With a
 crop of eight million two hundred
 thousand bales predicted it and with
 the great havoc now being wrought
 by the boll weevil, the outlook for
 cotton is encouraging.

Another factor which should be
 considered is the bill now pending in
 the Senate which would provide funds
 for cotton credits at home, as well as
 for financing exports, and which also
 provides two hundred million dollars
 for loans to farmers through the Fed-
 eral Land Banks.

With all of these factors taken in-
 to consideration, together with the
 small cost of producing this year's
 crop, it looks as if a real handsome
 profit would be realized from this
 cotton crop. This should serve to
 ease conditions considerably, and if
 people throughout this section and
 the South will only continue to op-
 erate on the same basis they are now
 on, will work hard, practice economy,
 and attend strictly to business, the
 recovery from the period of depres-
 sion should be much more rapid than
 has generally been expected. We see
 great hope of the future. The worst
 is undoubtedly past and the time
 for optimism has undoubtedly arrived.

**STEAMER GROUNDS
ON SAN PABLO REEF**

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 9.—The
 steamer San Jose, with 33 passengers
 and 66 members of the crew aboard,
 grounded this morning on San Pablo
 Reef.

Wireless calls sent out said the
 ship was listing, but was holding out
 until assistance reached her.

A steamer was sent out from here
 at full speed to rescue the San Jose.

**ARMY GIVES CHAMPION
EATER HIS DISCHARGE**

SUNBURY, Pa., Aug. 9.—The
 army's champion eater has returned
 to Sunbury with an honorable dis-
 charge, having eaten himself out of
 a job. Samuel Ding, of Hartleton, is
 the champion. He came back under
 escort of a corporal, who had orders
 to be sure and get him home safely.

"Why, he ate the potatoes, skins
 and all," said the corporal. "Two
 loaves of bread and a half-dozen
 helpings of meat were his single meal
 capacity and he cried all night when
 he couldn't have a meal at taps. That
 settled it. Sam got his discharge."

**\$50,000 GIFT TO QUAKERS
FOR POLISH RELIEF WORK**

NEW YORK, Aug. 9.—The largest
 individual donation ever given to the
 Quakers has just been received by the
 American Friends Service Committee
 in Philadelphia. It is a check for \$50,-
 000, sent by a Maine man now in
 California, to be used in relief work
 in Poland. A singular condition is
 attached by the donor, who wishes
 his name withheld: the money must
 not be spent in former battlefields.
 Announcement of the gift is made by
 the East Galician Relief committee
 which has just started a campaign to
 raise funds for relief in Eastern
 Galicia.

**CENTRAL FIGURE IN POISON
PLOT CASE IS NEAR DEATH**

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Aug. 9.—Mrs.
 Ruth Crawford, central figure in the
 sensational poison plot case which
 stirred the country until the grand
 jury's inquiry cleared her attend-
 ants, is near death today at the home
 of her nephew, following a stroke of
 paralysis.

Her latest illness was unexpected,
 for she had been improving rapidly,
 according to relatives, and Dr. Sing-
 erland had hopes she would recover
 from her long illness which kept her
 in bed for three years. Just before
 her recent stroke she was able to
 walk about the house.

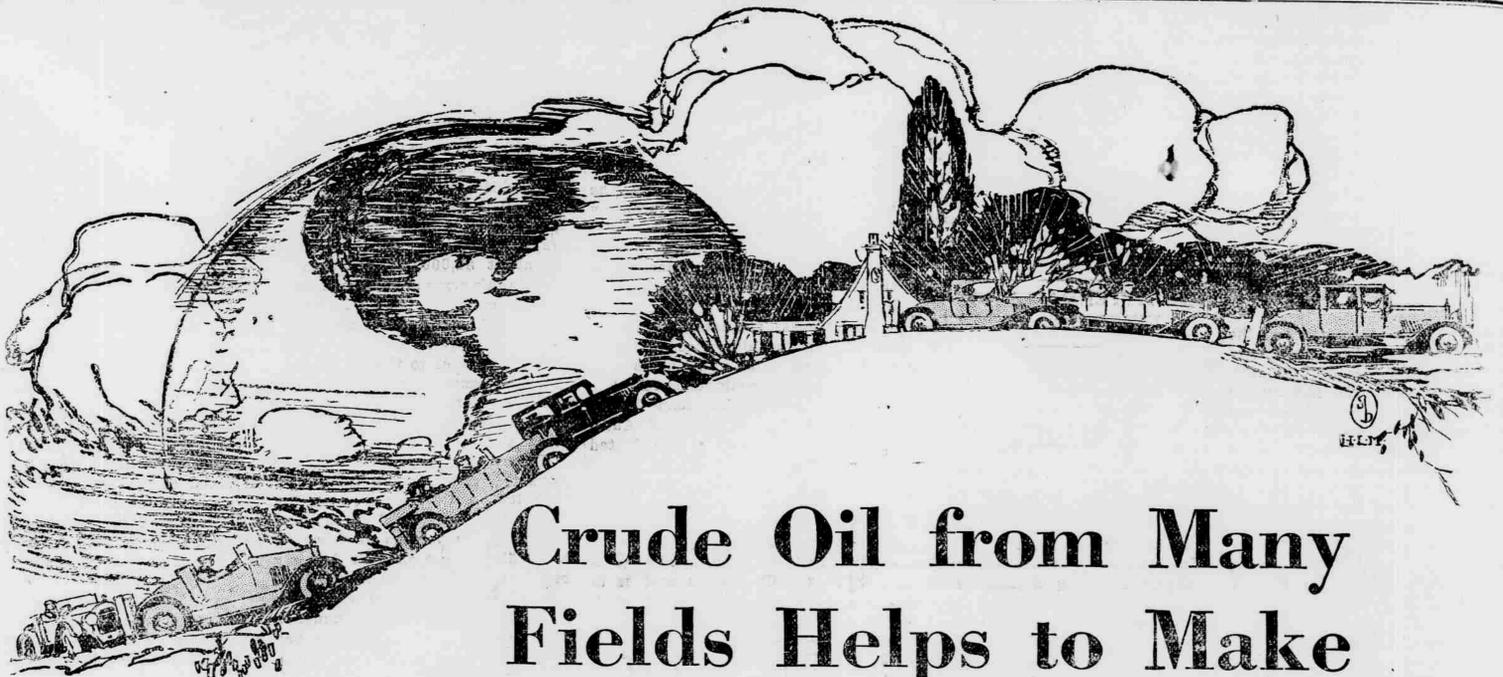
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