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TELEGRAPHIC SERVICE

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U. S. DEBT IS CUT FIVE MILLION MONTHLY

(By Associated Press.)
Philadelphia, Pa., Aug. 23.—To reduce the three hundred and fifty million dollar debt melted during the year and sold to England as billion, the government is coining two hundred and fifty million silver dollars daily, thus cutting the interest bearing debt of the United States five million monthly.

HENRY FORD'S MUSCLE SHOALS OFFER

(By U. S. Press)
Washington, Aug. 23.—An engineers analysis of Henry Ford's offer for the Muscle Shoals property held (unofficially) by the Government indicates that the completion of the Wilson dam and other projects would set Uncle Sam back about \$60,000,000 of new money, for which Mr. Ford offers to pay for the property, \$28,000,000.

The further offer of Mr. Ford to pay the Government \$5,000,000 for various properties covers expenditures of over \$50,000,000 already made by the Government.

It is claimed that the only benefit which the Government secures for taking these losses and transferring these properties to Mr. Ford in the agreement that the latter will maintain the nitrate plant at Muscle Shoals for furnishing explosives in time of war. Muscle Shoals is apparently a wastage of war.

General Crop Summary

(By U. S. Press)
Crop conditions for the week ending August 13, are covered in reports received by the Bureau of Markets and Crop Estimates.

Corn. The early corn crop shows considerable deterioration and some permanent injury by continued dry weather and heat. The crop in maturing rapidly in the Central States. The condition in the Western States is generally good.

Wheat. Thrashing of winter wheat is nearing completion in the Southern and Central States. Yields are generally reported light and below average in quality. Harvesting of spring wheat is nearing completion in the Northern and Central States and is beginning in the far Western States. The crop is reported to be uneven both in yield and quality.

Oats. Thrashing is in progress generally and yield and quality are reported below the average.

Cotton. The crop is generally improving and some good yields are indicated.

Potatoes. The field of early Irish potatoes was considerably reduced by drought, and in some sections the crop was almost a failure. The late crop has been benefited by recent rains and cooler weather and some good yields are indicated although the total crop will be far below the average.

Mr. J. E. Lewis left this morning for Richmond, Va., on business.

Mr. Herbert Butts and wife of Dawson were in Scotland Neck this morning shopping.

SUES HIS WIFE FOR SUPPORT AND ALIMONY

(By Associated Press.)
Minneapolis, Minn., Aug. 23.—Benjamin Liss has filed suit against his wife, Minner, for support and alimony, and the question whether gaining the vote makes women liable to pay alimony is under the consideration of the court.

MARINES PUT MUTINOUS CREW IN IRONS

(By Associated Press.)
New York, Aug. 23.—Fearing for the safety of the women and children passengers, the Captain of the steamship Alliance, from Cristobal, asked the aid of the battleship Connecticut and twenty marines were transferred to the steamship at sea, as the result of a rebellion among the firemen. The vessel docked with the mutinous crew in irons.

MOROCCO OVERRUN WITH FANATIC TRIBES

THE STRENGTH OF SPANISH FORCES SUBJECT OF CRITICISM BEFORE ATTACK CAME

Melilla, Morocco, Aug. 23.—Ten thousand square kilometers of the Spanish zone remained to be captured when the Spanish troops in this section suffered their reverses at the hands of the Moors late in July. The entire region was overrun by fanatic tribesmen ready to fight to the last for their inhospitable land.

The strength of the Spanish forces with their native auxiliaries engaged in this formidable task before the Spanish disaster had been the subject of criticism even among the soldiers participating in the effort to pacify the Moors and the correspondent of The Associated Press heard on many occasions cutting remarks as to the peril of leaving small garrisons to defend newly acquired positions. It was pointed out that the tribesmen were able to assemble in considerable force at any given point with remarkable rapidity and a lonely garrison was liable to be cut off and overwhelmed before help could be secured from another point.

Such, however, was the situation and the high commissioner with the generals under his command were compelled to make the best of things while trying to satisfy Spanish ambitions with the report of an occasional victory.

Meanwhile, it is charged, the tribesmen are able to maintain their supplies of food and arms either from French Morocco or through the international zone at Tangier. By this means they are enabled to offer a resistance to the Spaniards in their effort to take and hold the country lying between Melilla and Ceuta, a distance of 250 miles in a direct line, every inch of which must be fought for.

Much help cannot be expected from the small Spanish war vessels patrolling the coast, to which approach is very difficult and dangerous, while bombardments from the warships would probably prove ineffective, because of the impossibility of seeing the object aimed at owing to the roughness of the ground.

WEATHER REPORT
For North Carolina: Partly cloudy tonight and Wednesday. Little change in temperature. Moderate northeast and east winds.

Meeting Monday of Chautauqua Signers

MR. ASHBY DUNN ELETED PRESIDENT, AND ALL ARRANGEMENTS MADE FOR A SUCCESSFUL HANDLING OF THIS YEAR'S ENTERTAINMENT, WHICH WILL BE HERE SEPT. 2-7

A representative number of signers of the Chautauqua contract met yesterday afternoon in the director's room of the Scotland Neck Bank. Mr. Ashby Dunn was elected president and other committees appointed.

Mr. C. S. Alexander was appointed a committee of one to call upon all signers and ask them to put up the amount of their guarantee, which is \$15.00. If the necessary number of tickets are sold this money will be returned, or whatever part of it is not needed to carry out the contract.

The ticket committee met and mapped out the town and appointed canvassers for each district, as follows: East of Railroad—T. J. Williford. Between Roanoke St. and Railroad

BEG SWINDLERS RETURN A LITTLE MONEY TO HIM

(By Associated Press.)
Chicago, Ill., Aug. 23.—Zeb Davis, former millionaire president of the Winton Automobile Company, in a letter to the head of an alleged band of swindlers, beg a return of part, at least a little of the millions, to be exact, two million five hundred thousand, of which he is said to have been swindled in the last two years.

Federal agents declared that a raid on the headquarters of the band netted a million securities. The authorities declared that the men in custody are believed to be the leaders of the band.

The Tobacco Industry

Washington, Aug. 23.—According to a Census bulletin there were 1,894,400 acres planted in tobacco in 1920, while the production from that crop amounted to 1,508,064,000 pounds. There were imported during the year leaf tobacco and tobacco products to the value of \$98,562,000, while the exports of leaf tobacco were valued at approximately \$245,000,000, and of tobacco products at \$43,000,000. The combined production of cigars in registered factories and in bonded manufacturing warehouses number 8,720,754,000 and of chewing and smoking tobacco and snuff, 413,891,000 pounds. There were 15,834,000,000 cigarettes for consumption in the United States. Revenue collected during the year amounted to \$294,000,000. Of this total, North Carolina contributed \$108,447,000; New York, \$46,663,300; Virginia, \$20,721,000; Pennsylvania, \$20,195,000; New Jersey, \$18,742,000; Ohio, \$15,154,000; and Missouri, \$12,319,000.

HALIFAX DISABLED VETERANS TO HAVE OPPORTUNITY TO PRESENT CLAIMS

CLEAN-UP SQUAD TO BE IN WELDON NOV. 17-20.

Atlanta, Ga., Aug. 23.—Government agencies, the Red Cross and the American Legion will begin work in North Carolina on September 1 in their Clean-Up Campaign to cut the red tape that has prevented thousands of disabled veterans from receiving the aid that the government is glad to give, and has retarded the adjustment of hundreds of claims of others who were in the service during the World War.

The Clean Up Squad, composed of experts from the Bureau of War Risk

THE U. S. WILL NOT PERMIT HOSTILITIES

(By Associated Press.)
Washington, Aug. 23.—The State Department's note to Panama emphatically stated that the United States would not permit any hostilities growing out of the occupation of the Coto region by Costa Rico.

TREATY WITH GERMANY LIKELY TO BE SIGNED

(By Associated Press.)
Berlin, Aug. 23.—Germany, within the next few days, is likely to sign the treaty of peace with the United States, final instructions have been received from Secretary of State Hughes by American Commissioner Drexel.

New Store To Open Next Saturday

A new Cash and Carry Store will open in the old Ray Boyette store next to Boyette-Shields Company next Friday or Saturday, with Mr. John A. Tillery, familiarly known as "Johnny Q" in charge as manager, in association with Lewis and Company. The entrance has been newly painted and the interior is being renovated and should prove very attractive.

Turks Hold The British Air- men

(By Associated Press.)
Constantinople, Aug. 23.—The British airmen, brought down within Turkish lines, are held prisoner, on the assumption that they were aiding the Greeks. British warships have been ordered to the Black Sea and reprisals are expected.

FREE DISTRIBUTION OF PICRIC ACID

(By U. S. Press)
Washington, Aug. 23.—The United States Department of Agriculture, through the Bureau of Public Roads, has about 12,500,000 pounds of salvaged picric acid to distribute free among landowners to stimulate land clearing operations. The only charges made by the Government will be for packing and transportation.

"Picric acid," says the department's announcement, "is a comparatively safe high explosive. It is more insensitive to shock or impact and to friction than are the commercial explosives, but it is slightly more sensitive to hook than Tnt. It is difficult to ignite but will burn at least in small quantities, without exploding." The distribution has been allotted to the States according to areas of cut-over lands therein. An agency will be designated in each State to co-operate with the department in the distribution in that State and the agricultural college in each State has been asked to act in that capacity. Full information may be had by addressing the Bureau of Public Roads, Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.

DAILY PASSENGER AND FREIGHT AIR SERVICE

(By Associated Press.)
New York, Aug. 23.—Planes have been perfected for daily passenger and freight air service between New York and Washington. Each plane will carry six passengers and one thousand pounds of freight.

TARIFF AND EXPENSES

(By U. S. Press)
Washington, Aug. 20.—The Washington Herald is known as "Hoover's paper." The following editorial comment, therefore, attains additional interest. The Herald says:

"The latest grapevine report from the Hill is that the tariff bill will probably go over to the regular session and then not reach the Senate floor until after January 1. The whirligig of time brings strange developments. It was the general feeling only some four months ago that tariff revision was of equal importance with tax revision and, on the whole, an easier job. It is probably just as well that it was given first place by the pull of the straw.

"This gave time for the development of the campaign to reduce governmental expenses; to give this a tone of seriousness and to cinch it by the matter-of-fact, plain-spoken, non-political statement of the Secretary of the Treasury as to the financial situation. Just how to save \$600,000,000 may not yet be settled, but it is settled, but it is that it must be saved. What has gone before through the efforts of General Dawes, has also demonstrated that about \$100,000,000 is the limit of all that can be expected from administrative economies that would not in fact be extravagances."

THE STRAIN IN BUSINESS RELATIONS

(By J. E. Jones)
Washington, Aug. 19.—One authority's comments regarding the business depression that "the improvement in the last three months indicates that the heaviest part of the unpleasant task of killing off the concerns too weak to survive has been done; but these figures do not tell the whole story, for the number and importance of the failures would have been greater if a new method had not been developed for taking care of many strained business situations." Leading business men and bankers are agreed that the country has been going through every stage of a panic, less the actual panic, because of the Federal Reserve Banking system, which has been able to produce elastic currency—literally chasing money around to places where it has been most needed. The strain on business has been terrific; but this is "reconstruction," or "readjustment," and there are pretty good evidences that the worst is over. Hundreds of industries are already showing new life, because the shelves of the country are like the family pantry that has to be replenished when it has been empty a long time. Statements of bank clearings show the greatest depression to have been in the farming communities west of the Mississippi River, in the South, and in New England.

COTTON MARKET	
October	13.75
December	14.17
January	14.20
March	14.33
May	14.40