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WANTS GOVERNMENT TO BUY UP LIQUOR

60,000,000 GALLONS WHISKEY ARE STILL IN GOVERNMENT BONDED WAREHOUSES

IT WOULD AVOID TEMPTATION

After Purchase, the Stuff Should be at Once Converted into Denatured Alcohol to Supply Demand.

Westerville, Ohio.—Purchase by the federal government of all liquor stocks in bond is urged by the Anti-Saloon league in a statement issued here at the league's national headquarters by Ernest H. Cherrington, secretary of the league's executive committee. The statement says:

"Now that prohibition has gone into effect everything which the government can do to make it easy to enforce the law should be done.

"With over 60,000,000 gallons of whiskey in bonded warehouses there is a constant temptation to devise ways and means of utilizing that liquor in spite of the law.

"The government of the United States should purchase that whiskey at a price to be fixed by a federal commission, which price should represent the actual cost of producing it. Upon purchasing the whiskey, the government should convert promptly into denatured alcohol for which there is an ever increasing demand.

"By such an arrangement the distillers will get all they actually have invested in the whiskey. The great temptation to break the prohibitory law will be removed. The incentive to spend vast sums of money to secure repeal of prohibition or a serious modification of the law will be eliminated.

FORMER SENATOR WHITE WILL APPLY FOR SENATE VACANCY

Senator Frank S. White of Illinois has formally announced his candidacy as successor to the late Senator John H. Bankhead.

TAX OF FIVE DOLLARS ON CANARY BIRDS IS PROPOSED

Washington.—A resolution proposing to place a tax of \$5 on each canary bird imported into the United States was presented to the house by Representative Clarence MacGregor, of Buffalo.

H. ROBERT HOOVER REITERATES THAT HE IS NO CANDIDATE

San Francisco.—Herbert Hoover will not permit his name to be used in the California presidential primary as he is not a candidate for the office, according to a telegram from him read here by Gavin McNab, at the democratic state committee meeting.

OUR COURTMARTIAL SYSTEM IS ATROCIOUSLY OBSCIOUS

Washington.—Further efforts to amend existing courtmartial regulations will be made when the house takes up the army reorganization bill, Representative Johnson said.

"The existing courtmartial system is atrocious to the Prussian degree," Johnson said. "It subjects every man in the army to the whim, caprice or ill will of any officer."

INVESTIGATION TO BE MADE OF COTTON MILL PROFITS

Atlanta.—Declaring that one cotton mill in Georgia cleared \$1,000,000 during the last year of the war above hundreds of thousands of dollars spent for improvements and that another had paid 100 per cent dividends in the last two years, John A. Mangot, fair price commissioner for Georgia, announced appointment of a committee of cotton mill men to aid him in determining a "fair margin of profit" on the output of Georgia cotton mills.

ROPER RESIGNATION MUCH REGRETTED BY PRESIDENT

Washington.—In accepting with "great regret" the resignation of Daniel C. Roper as commissioner of internal revenue, President Wilson told Roper in a letter that he appreciated his services to the government for many years in different positions and always with distinction.

GREAT REPUBLICAN CONVENTION MEETS

ORGANIZATION COMPLETED IN SHORT ORDER BY MOREHEAD, BUTLER AND DUNCAN.

"BIG FOUR" INCLUDES LINNEY

Convention Sends Telegram to Lodge Commending Republican Cause in Matter of Treaty and League.

Greensboro.—John Morehead, Marston Butler and H. Carl Duncan completed the organization of the republican party of North Carolina. The formalities were gone through with at the state convention of the party and some two thousand delegates endorsed the new organization by cheering vociferously while the three shook hands on the stage of the Municipal theater here.

Frank Linney, unable to attend the convention on account of sickness, was included with Morehead, Butler and Duncan in the "Big Four," who will attend the National convention at Chicago as delegates at large. Morehead was re-elected as national committeeman without opposition and Frank Linney succeeds himself as state chairman.

John J. Parker of Monroe was nominated for governor, and A. A. White, of Hickory, for United States senator. Judge Fritchard was endorsed as a candidate for President.

The convention sent a telegram to Chairman Lodge, of the senate foreign relations committee, commending him and his colleagues "who have prevented the confirmation of the league of nations unamended as attempted to be forced on the American people" by President Wilson.

Lenoir.—Town commissioners at Blowing Rock have called an election for March 30 to vote on the question of issuing \$15,000 street improvement bonds.

Winston-Salem.—On account of influenza in the town and country districts, the March term of Tadmor superior court, which convened at Tadmor, N. C., adjourned soon after the clerk had called over the docket.

Raleigh.—The North Carolina Medical society will hold its annual convention in this city April 20-25, according to the plans for the meeting. While the North Carolina Hospital association will meet on the day before this convention opens, April 19.

Goldensboro.—After making a raid near Goldensboro, in which they destroyed a large messagerie still, revenues of \$2000 were taken over to Duplin county, where they were successful in locating and destroying a steam outfit still of 500 gallons capacity.

Rutherfordton.—Spindale, a suburb of Rutherfordton, is on a great boom and has many new enterprises among which are a new roller mill, saw and deer factory, garage and shoe shop. Other enterprises will be promoted at an early date.

Greensboro.—The organization meeting of the Co-operative Dairy Producers company was held here, officers being elected and plans made for the conduct of the business.

Pinehurst.—Three hundred and sixteen golfers, comprising the greatest field that has ever taken part in a single day of tournament play since the game was invented, started out on the first session of the qualifying rounds in the annual spring tournament.

Lenoir.—Clerk Oscar Coffey, of the Waukegan county superior court, has sent in his resignation to Judge T. B. Finley, according to news received here by friends of Mr. Coffey. The office does not pay a sufficient amount in the reason given for Mr. Coffey's resignation.

Wilson Public Utilities

Wilson.—Wilson town is getting in a state of preparation to carry to a certain extent, coal strikes and at the same time have thousands of dollars in operating her public utilities by harnessing Centerville creek, three miles away. Contracts have been let which require the expenditure of \$100,000 for the construction of a dam, line and building. The dam and building will cost \$75,000; two generators \$15,000; substations and transmission lines \$10,000; fuel and provisions \$10,000.

SOLDIER-PATIENTS CRUELLY TREATED

REPRESENTATIVES OF LEGION SENT TO OTEEN HOSPITAL FILE THEIR REPORT.

MICE AND ROACHES SERVED

Uncalled-for Inhumanity Towards Inmates Is Charged by Committee Making the Investigation.

Washington.—John Beasley and Walter Clark, representing the American Legion, were here to demand the dismissal or transfer of army officers in charge at the hospital at Oteen. They charge poor management, bad food and mistreatment of men. They desire a public investigation, and that at least three of the officers in charge be turned out.

It is a military prison," said Mr. Clark.

The Oteen hospital is supposed to have about 1,300 tubercular patients. Affidavits that cockroaches were often scurried in the eggs and lived in multitudes over the bread, through the halls and dining rooms at Oteen tubercular hospital for service men; that on one occasion a mouse was served in the beef stew and numerous instances of insufficient and poorly prepared food, in addition to instances of treatment of tubercular patients in a manner both inhuman and inhumane, are included in the report of Walter Clark, Jr.

ITALIAN GOVERNMENT TO BUY NO MORE TOBACCO FROM US

London.—The Italian government has decided to buy no more tobacco from the United States, Egypt or the Philippines, says a Rome dispatch to the Central News.

POPULATION OF PHILIPPINES

Washington.—The population of the Philippines is placed at 10,350,640, according to figures compiled in the 1918 census, cabled to the insular bureau.

CANADIAN PREMIER VISITING CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA

Charleston, S. C.—Sir Robert Borden, accompanied by Secretary J. W. Piggley of the Canadian department of railroads are visitors here for a fortnight.

\$12,000,000 IN SECURITIES WERE STOLEN LAST YEAR

New York.—Approximately \$12,000,000 worth of securities, including Liberty bonds, were stolen from six hundred brokerage houses in New York and other cities last year.

WOMEN WANT TO ASSIST IN FRAMING PARTY PLATFORMS

Cleveland, O.—The National League of Women Voters will attempt to help formulate the platform at the national political convention at Chicago and San Francisco, Mrs. A. B. Fyke, delegate to the democratic convention declared.

GOVERNOR OF NEW JERSEY IS HAILED AS NEXT PRESIDENT

New York.—Governor Edwards of New Jersey, who has declared war on the federal prohibition amendment, was acclaimed as the next "President of the United States" by members of the Tammany Oceanic Club, whom he addressed on the "Liquor Question."

JAPANESE TO ABANDON THEIR EXPEDITION INTO SIBERIA

Honolulu.—The Japanese government has decided to abandon the Siberian expedition in line with the American policy, according to a cable from Tokyo received by Shimpu, a Japanese language newspaper here.

LOW PRICED BANK CHECKS ARE FORBIDDEN TO MARRY

Chicago.—A book of rules for employees of the federal reserve bank of Chicago, circulated, says "No bank employee receiving less than \$125 a month salary will be permitted to marry while in the service of this bank, without first taking the matter up with the chief clerk."

MCADOO SAYS TAX BURDEN TOO HEAVY

IMMEDIATE BILLION DOLLARS REDUCTION IN TAXATION IS THE SUGGESTION.

IS INJURIOUS TO BUSINESS

By Discontinuing Purchases of Liberty Bonds for Retirement Treasury Would be Greatly Relieved.

Washington.—An immediate billion dollar reduction in federal taxes was suggested in a statement issued here by William G. McAdoo, former secretary of the treasury.

The present tax burden is too great, he said, and is "having an injurious effect on business."

Mr. McAdoo proposed that collection of a tax to establish a sinking fund for retirement of the war debt, which was recommended by former secretary Glass to begin with the fiscal year 1920, be postponed for two years, and that the deferred payments of European interest be funded until Europe is in position to pay its interest charges.

"By discontinuing purchases of liberty bonds for retirement under provisions of existing law the treasury would be relieved of a large burden now reflected in the floating debt and which otherwise will have to be made up by taxation," said Mr. McAdoo.

AMERICAN AVIATORS RECEIVE ORDERS TO LEAVE MEXICO

El Paso, Tex.—Instructions have been transmitted to Lieutenants E. M. Wolf and M. E. Usher, American aviators who have been in Sonora, Mexico, since February 2, to return to the United States immediately.

HIGHEST PRICE ON RECORD PAID FOR REFINERY STOCK

Record for the sale of one share of stock in the history of the New York stock exchange was paid when ten shares of Atlantic Refining Company common sold for \$1,350 a share.

GERMANY TO BE ALLOWED TO LAUNCH INTERNATIONAL LOAN

London.—The Evening Standard states that the allied supreme council has decided to allow Germany to launch an international loan, because it is recognized that Germany ruined would mean a weak and dangerous spot in Europe.

ADHESION OF NORWAY TO THE LEAGUE BEING CONSIDERED

Christiania.—The Storting began debate over the question of Norway's admission to the league of nations. The consensus of opinion is that not more than 2 votes will be cast against the proposition.

JENKINS CASE IS STILL AN ANNOYING THORN IN FLESH

Mexico City.—W. S. Jenkins, former United States consular agent at Puebla, whose permission to set in that capacity was recently revoked, is to be expelled from Mexico in consequence of his alleged dealings with rebels, according to insistent reports here.

PREFERENTIAL ENTRY RIGHTS ARE URGED FOR EX-SOLDIERS

Washington.—Extension of preferential rights of entry on all public lands to former service men was urged before the house ways and means committee by J. W. Ross, of Berkeley, Calif., former engineer in the United States reclamation service. He approved the South land bill providing for a bond issue of \$20,000,000 to be sold in ten years for the reclamation of public lands. The bonds would bear 4 1/2 per cent and would be tax free.

200,000,000 DRINKS WERE EXPORTED DURING JANUARY

New York.—Sworn rum, John Harbison and other alcoholic concoctions in sufficient quantities to make more than 200,000,000 average "drinks" were exported from New York during the January.

LONG AUTO DRIVE TAKEN BY WILSON

PRESIDENT GOES ABROAD FOR FIRST OUTING IN SEVERAL LONG AND WEARY MONTHS.

RETURNS GREETINGS OF MANY

"Delighted and Greatly Benefited by the Exercise" Was Remarked by Doctor Grayson on Return.

Washington.—Lured by balmy spring weather, the first of the season, President Wilson went on a motor jaunt about the city.

It was the first time he had left the White House grounds since he was put to bed "a very sick man" five months ago on his return from his interrupted western speaking tour. For more than an hour the President drove along the speedway and through the city streets and the capital grounds where he waved a friendly greeting to Senator Borah, of Idaho, one of the chief opponents to the peace treaty.

The President was recognized by many persons and returned their greetings as the White House limousine rolled along at an easy gait, escorted by another machine carrying the secret service men.

"Delighted and much benefited by his trip," was the way Dr. Grayson characterized the President's attitude when he returned to the White House.

STRIKE OF SOUTH AFRICAN NINE WORKERS IS SETTLED

Johannesburg, Union of South Africa.—The strike among the native workers in the crown gold mines in the Rand, which has been in progress for some time, has been settled.

REPRESENTATIVES GATHER TO DISCUSS PEACE WITH SOVIET

Warsaw.—Representatives of Finland, Latvia, and Rumania have arrived here to discuss peace conditions to be submitted to the bolshevik government of Russia.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS COUNCIL TO MEET AGAIN ON MARCH 12

Paris.—The league of nations council will hold its next meeting in Paris, March 12. Organization of the commission, which is to investigate conditions in Russia, will be taken up, it is understood.

WEST VIRGINIA SUFFRAGISTS HAVE SUPPORT OF PRESIDENT

Charleston, W. Va.—Backed by the telegraphed support of President Wilson, advocates of suffrage in the state were prepared to bring ratification of the suffrage constitutional amendment up for a final vote.

SOCIALIST WOMAN ELECTED MEMBER DUTCH PARLIAMENT

The Hague.—Mrs. Pothuis Smit, a socialist, will be the first woman of the upper house of the Dutch parliament, having been elected to that office by the North Holland provincial legislature at Haarlem.

PLEBISCITE IS RECOMMENDED TO PEOPLE OF SWITZERLAND

Berne.—Adherence to the league of nations by Switzerland was approved by the Swiss national council by a vote of 114 to 55. This decision does not bind this country to enter the league, but recommends a plebiscite.

TWENTY-THREE CULPRITS ARE LET OFF IN NEWBERY CASE

Grand Rapids, Mich.—By dismissing the charges against 23 men the government narrowed the field in the Newberry election conspiracy case to six hundred defendants.

HOME FURNISHINGS OF MRS. TOM THOMAS GO TO MUSEUM

Plymouth, Mass.—The home furnishings of Mrs. Lavinia W. Magri (Miss Tom Thumby), who died recently, will be placed in museums by the terms of her will. Her collection is said to include the smallest practical furniture in use. Two miniature sewing machines and a clock are among pieces mentioned. The remainder of her property is to be divided among her husband, Oscar Magri, also a judge, and two nephews.

RESERVATIONS BY LODGE NULLIFIERS

THE PRESIDENT IS STRONGLY OPOSED TO CHANGE IN COVENANT OF LEAGUE.

VERY HEART IS THREATENED

No Escaping the Moral Obligations Which Are Expressed in Positive Terms in Article Ten.

Washington.—President Wilson restated for democratic senators his opposition to any peace treaty reservations which would weaken the full force of article 10 or otherwise materially impair the provisions of the league covenant.

Without saying specifically what qualification he would or would not accept, he wrote a letter to Senator Hitchcock, the administration leader, that almost all of the reservations he had heard suggested were "in effect virtual nullifications" of the treaty articles to which they applied.

"I fear of reservationists and mild reservationists," the letter added, but I cannot understand the difference between a nullifier and a mild nullifier."

Discussing article 10 particularly, the President wrote that there was "no escaping the moral obligations which are expressed in positive terms in this article," though there could be no objection to explaining in an interpretation of the constitutional methods by which such an obligation would have to be fulfilled. The "very heart" of the covenant, he reiterated, would be imperilled by weakening article 10.

QUICK HEADS WINDING UP RED CROSS COMMISSION

Washington.—Herbert Quick of West Virginia, former member of the Farm Loan Board, was named to head the commission of winding up Red Cross activities in Siberia.

RUSSIAN SOVIET GOVERNMENT MUST NOT BOLSHEV IN JAPAN

Tokio.—The peace offer of the Russian soviet government to Japan is reported to include as one of its terms a stipulation to forego bolshevik propaganda in the Japanese empire.

ADHERENCE TO LEAGUE IS CONFIRMED BY THE DUTCH

The Hague.—The first chamber of the Dutch parliament voted, 31 to 2, for the adherence of Holland to the League of Nations. The second chamber cast an affirmative vote on February 13.

NEWSPAPER PUBLISHERS ARE ASKED TO REDUCE PAPER USE

Washington.—Chairman Stearnes of the house postoffice committee has written newspaper publishers calling attention to the committee's request that they reduce consumption of news print paper ten per cent because of the acute paper shortage.

"BONUS" QUESTION NIGHTLY WORRIES HEADS OF LEON

Louisville, Ky.—Franklin D. Olen national commander of the American legion, announced here that a conference of legionnaires of all states would be held in Washington March 21 for reconsideration of the so-called "bonus" question.

DIVIDENDS ON STOCK MAY NOT BE TAXED AS INCOME

Washington.—Stock dividends may not be taxed as income, the supreme court held in declaring unconstitutional the provisions of the 1918 income tax act taxing as income such dividends declared by corporations out of earnings and profits accruing after March 1, 1913.

MAN DEVELOPING SISTER FEMINISM HAS CARDINAL

Boston.—Greater usefulness to the part of the men of the country is developing a sister feminism, Cardinal O'Connell told a gathering of men at the cathedral of the Holy Cross. He is the head of the house, he said, and should assert his proper authority in the home.