



1—Pacoima dam at San Fernando, Calif., highest in the world, that has just been completed at a cost of \$2,500,000. 2—Dutch postal men taking the mail across the frozen Zuyder Zee during the extreme cold weather in Europe. 3—Huge Fairley-Napier monoplane that will attempt a nonstop flight from Cape Town, Africa, to northern Scotland, more than 6,000 miles.

## NEWS REVIEW OF CURRENT EVENTS

### Senate, Still Dry, Votes to Put Sharper Teeth in the Prohibition Law.

By EDWARD W. PICKARD

THAT the senate is still overwhelmingly "dry" was fully demonstrated last week when the Jones bill to put more teeth in the prohibition act came to a vote. The measure was passed by a vote of 85 to 13 while, in the senators' private gallery, the result was closely observed by Rev. Clarence T. Williams, general secretary of the Methodist board of temperance, prohibition and public morals, and Rev. Edwin C. Dinwiddie, secretary of the national conference of B. S. D. organizations. Every proposed amendment was voted down except one offered by Senator Jones of Washington, sponsor of the bill. This provides that "it is the intent of congress that the court, in imposing sentence hereunder, should discriminate between casual and slight violations and habitual sales of intoxicating liquor or attempts to commercialize violations of the law."

As passed, the bill increases the maximum penalties for illegal manufacture, sale, transportation of intoxicating liquor to imprisonment for five years or a fine of \$10,000 or both. An identical measure was pending in the house, having been favorably reported by the Judiciary committee.

Passage of the Jones bill was preceded by a debate that drew crowds to the senate chamber, for the leading speakers were Senators Reed of Missouri and Borah of Idaho, respectively against and for the bill. Reed's effort, that spread over two days, was probably his last important speech in the senate, for he retires on March 4, and it was well worth hearing or reading. With all the powers of caustic denunciation at his command—and that means a lot—he attacked the Eighteenth amendment and the Volstead act and scored with bitter phrases the dry senators and the leaders of dry organizations. There was nothing new in his arguments, but his sarcasm delighted even those against whom it was directed.

Senator Borah admitted that prohibition might be a mistake, but insisted its object is an exalted one. He said he was not committed to opposition to the modification or even the repeal of the amendment to the Constitution or the Volstead act; that he was only committed against the change, the repeal either of the amendment or the law so long as nothing better and more effective has been or can be presented. While the amendment is a part of the Constitution, he declared, congress and the people must support it, maintain it and, if possible, enforce it.

Senator Caraway of Arkansas satirically recalled that Reed was singing a different tune when he was a candidate for the Democratic nomination for President at Houston last summer. He dwelt on the statement Reed issued on the eve of the convention in which he made a bid for the support of the prohibitionists.

"On that occasion," said Caraway, "he was offering to lead the drys to victory. But the drys were not deceived and the wets were only disgusted."

WITHOUT a record vote the house passed the Johnson general deportation bill which has provision for the deportation of alien bootleggers, gunmen and bomb throwers. A similar bill had been adopted by the senate. It was considered likely the conferees would modify the prohibition part of it, authorizing deportation of aliens receiving a one-year sentence, or two sentences aggregating one year, for violations of laws relating to the sale and manufacture of intoxicating liquor. This is more severe treatment than is provided for those convicted of most other offenses.

AT the request of Senator Deneen of Illinois the senate foreign relations committee postponed until the next congress action on the treaty between the United States and Canada

authorizing an additional diversion of water for power purposes at Niagara falls. Mr. Deneen argued that action on the treaty should be deferred pending consideration of other questions at issue between the United States and Canada involving other diversions of water from the Great Lakes, notably the diversion at Chicago for sanitary and navigation purposes. The committee decided to hold hearings on the treaty during the recess of congress.

**PRESIDENT-ELECT HOOVER** and Mrs. Hoover arrived in Washington Tuesday and went at once to their home on S street, where Mr. Hoover is to remain in virtual seclusion until the day of his inauguration. He has not receded in the least from his announced determination not to make public his cabinet selections before March 4. The latest gossip in this connection was that Mr. Hoover would like to have Senator Borah as attorney general so that prohibition might be properly enforced, but that the senator would not accept the post. There was talk, too, of James W. Good of Chicago for the postmaster generalship, and of Charles Francis Adams, treasurer of Harvard, for the Navy portfolio. On Wednesday Mr. Hoover had an hour's chat with President Coolidge in the White House. He also conferred with Representative Tilson and Senator Watson concerning the date and program for the special session of congress to be held this spring. Next morning Senator Edge of New Jersey, leading wet, breakfasted with the President-Elect, and there was reason to believe they discussed the matter of naming a fact-finding commission to look into the causes of the breakdown in prohibition enforcement. There was a rumor that Mr. Coolidge might be asked to take the chairmanship of such a commission.

**GOOD** news comes up from South America. After 45 years of quarrelling and fighting, Chile and Peru have settled their Tacna-Arica boundary dispute by peaceful means. Tacna goes to Peru and Arica to Chile, and the new boundary is so fixed that the railway, which is Bolivia's sole outlet to the coast, remains in Chilean territory until it crosses the Bolivian frontier. The railroad from Tacna to Arica will be in Peruvian control, and a spur at Arica to connect the two lines will be controlled by Chile. The agreement is the result of diplomatic negotiations undertaken four months ago, after resumption of diplomatic relations between Chile and Peru at the invitation of the United States Secretary of State Frank B. Kellogg last July.

**COMMANDER BYRD** has just made a huge addition to the territorial possessions of the United States. In flights over the Antarctic region he discovered a vast area of land and claimed it for his country, naming it Marie Byrd Land for his wife. The Rockefeller mountain range, in the British Ross dependency, was mapped by aero camera, and another and loftier range, in the newly discovered land, was found. Its peaks seemed to rise to eight or ten thousand feet.

**RUMORS** that the Spanish dictatorship was weakening and that Primo de Rivera was soon to hand in his resignation seem disproved by events of last week. By a government decree signed by King Alfonso the artillery corps of the Spanish army, in which originated much of the recent disorders, is dissolved. All the officers of the corps are dismissed without salary and become private citizens, and the classes of the Royal Artillery academy at Segovia are dismissed. Command of the artillery posts was taken over by officers of other branches of the service. Some of the artillery officers, who took part in the revolt of a week or two ago, were ordered deported, but probably the others will be reintegrated after taking a new oath to defend the present regime.

**SIR ESME HOWARD'S** statement to the press in Washington, in which the British ambassador predicted that another effort would now be made to bring about an agreement among the principal naval powers to restrict navy building, caused a lot of excitement in England and caused Sir Austen Chamberlain, secretary for foreign affairs, to be heckled in parliament. The Laborites

and Liberals questioned him persistently, and at first his reply was to the effect that the British government had no intention of issuing an invitation for a conference on this subject; that all questions concerning relations with the United States were under consideration and the time had not come to make any statement of result. Later he admitted the government was considering a new line of approach to the United States on the question of naval disarmament.

**TROUBLE** for the Chinese Nationalists was developing rapidly last week in Shantung, where large numbers of bandits and former northern soldiers were reported to be concentrating. A revolt that started at Lungkow was spreading to other towns, and it was said that Chang Chung-chang, former war lord of the province, was on his way there, accompanied by some Russian generals. Gen. Feng Yu-hsiang some time ago concentrated 30,000 Nationalist troops in western Shantung in readiness for just such a situation as has arisen. The American cruiser Trenton was sent from Manila to Chefoo to look after American interests.

**THE** extreme cold that has brought so much distress to Europe has had one good effect in England. The coal mining business has been given such a boost that most of the collieries are working full time and many thousands of miners are at work after long months of unemployment.

Traffic and communications in the state of Sao Paulo, Brazil, were demoralized by floods following terrific rainstorms. The coffee crop was seriously damaged. The port of Santos was completely isolated except by sea.

**FULFILLING** predictions, President Coolidge last week took the first step toward reopening the question of America's entrance to the World Court. By his direction Secretary of State Kellogg delivered to the Washington representatives of all the World Court nations identical notes inviting the interested governments to reconsider their rejection of the senate's reservations to American adherence and to take steps making it possible for the United States to become a member of the court.

**ONE** of the interesting tragedies of the week was the murder in Los Angeles of E. L. Doheny, Jr., son of the oil magnate, by his secretary and companion, Hugh Plunkett, who then committed suicide. It was apparent that Plunkett had suddenly become insane after a year of nervous trouble for which he had been under treatment. The younger Doheny was thirty-six years old and was a partner in his father's oil corporation. The father was prostrated by his son's death.

**PHILLIP C. HANNA**, a retired veteran of the American diplomatic service, died in San Diego, Calif., at the age of seventy-two years. Mr. Hanna entered the consular service in 1891 and served in various Latin American countries as a consul general, being noted for his unswerving protection of American interests in times of revolution and disorder.

Edward J. King of Galesburg, Ill., who had represented the Fifteenth Illinois district in congress for seven consecutive terms and was re-elected for the eighth, died at his home in Washington after long suffering from heart disease.

Newspaper men mourned the death in New York of Melville E. Stone, one of the organizers of the Associated Press and until 1921 its general manager. Mr. Stone founded the Chicago Daily News in 1875.

**THOMAS STERLING**, special counsel for the senate's public lands committee, has virtually absolved the Midwest Refining company, a Standard Oil company (Indiana) subsidiary, of fraud in connection with its Salt Creek (Wyoming) leases. In a formal report of his six months' investigation of all the leases covering the Salt Creek field, Mr. Sterling, former Republican senator from South Dakota, declared he found no evidence of fraud on the part of the Midwest company or other operators in the field and no evidence that any of the leases are invalid. As a result of the report it is considered certain that the committee will abandon a proposed inquiry.

## Community Building

### Benefits in Community Foresight Are Outlined

It pays a city, just as it pays an individual, to look ahead and plan its future. Most of the larger cities of America have accepted the idea. Some have been applying it with good results; others have been inclined to lag. In the latter class Kansas City must be included.

A few days ago a promising move for regional planning in this metropolitan area was started. In the city proper, planning is a familiar topic. Yet Kansas City remains without a comprehensive program for development through a period of years, with definite projects listed for attention in the order of their urgency, as nearly as can be determined in advance, says the Kansas City Times.

That it is practicable to frame such a plan has been shown by other cities, notably Chicago and more recently Detroit. In the latter a ten-year program has been devised, with improvements listed and their approximate cost and the necessary tax rate determined. Another example, of a somewhat different type, is furnished by Philadelphia. It is announced that construction there, much of it private, will involve an expenditure of \$400,000,000 in the next five years. Through co-operative effort, the aim will be so to distribute the work through the years that employment and other conditions affected may be reasonably stabilized.

The program is only in the stage of serious consideration, but it invites attention through its obvious possibility and benefits. It is said that unemployment in the city is only about 5 per cent. Thus to provide work for all who might desire it would be neither difficult nor burdensome. On the contrary, it would be sound business procedure.

It suggests the feasibility of the Hoover proposal for stabilizing employment by orderly planning years ahead, with a reserve of construction projects and funds. In its public and private undertakings, the country will have to come around to this better way of doing business. The cities, especially, are in position to exercise foresight and lay their plans for orderly, businesslike development.

### Painting Brick Needs Correct Color Choice

Chief among the reasons why brick is often painted is that paint brings color variety to this material. Of course there are a number of technical and practical reasons why many people prefer to have their brick homes protected with paint, but it is safe to warrant that color advantages play a strong and prominent part in influencing their decision.

"Can brick be painted, though, and just what effects may be obtained?" many people ask.

To the first part of the question the answer is, of course, "Yes," while the second half requires elaboration.

The fundamental principle underlying successful painting is to adapt the type of finish to the material used. So, although brick may be painted nearly any color of the spectrum, it is wiser and in better taste to paint brick as brick and not try to make it look like something else. It is conceivable that under certain conditions a brick house might be painted white or cream with green trim, but since that color scheme is irrevocably associated with colonial houses with clapboard siding, it is not in the best of taste to advise this color scheme unreservedly.

### Ornamental Shade Trees Are Most Desirable

Indianapolis used to be one of the most beautifully shaded towns in the country. Perhaps it still ranks high in this particular. But it is fast losing this distinction—and it was a real distinction. Perhaps private and voluntary effort can do something, says the Indianapolis News. Certainly property owners could, in many cases, plant trees in front of their homes. But we are not now thinking of ways and means, but only of the desirability of the end to be reached. Cleveland used to be known as the Forest city, and it was a proud name. There ought to be many forest cities in this country, and Indianapolis should be one of them.

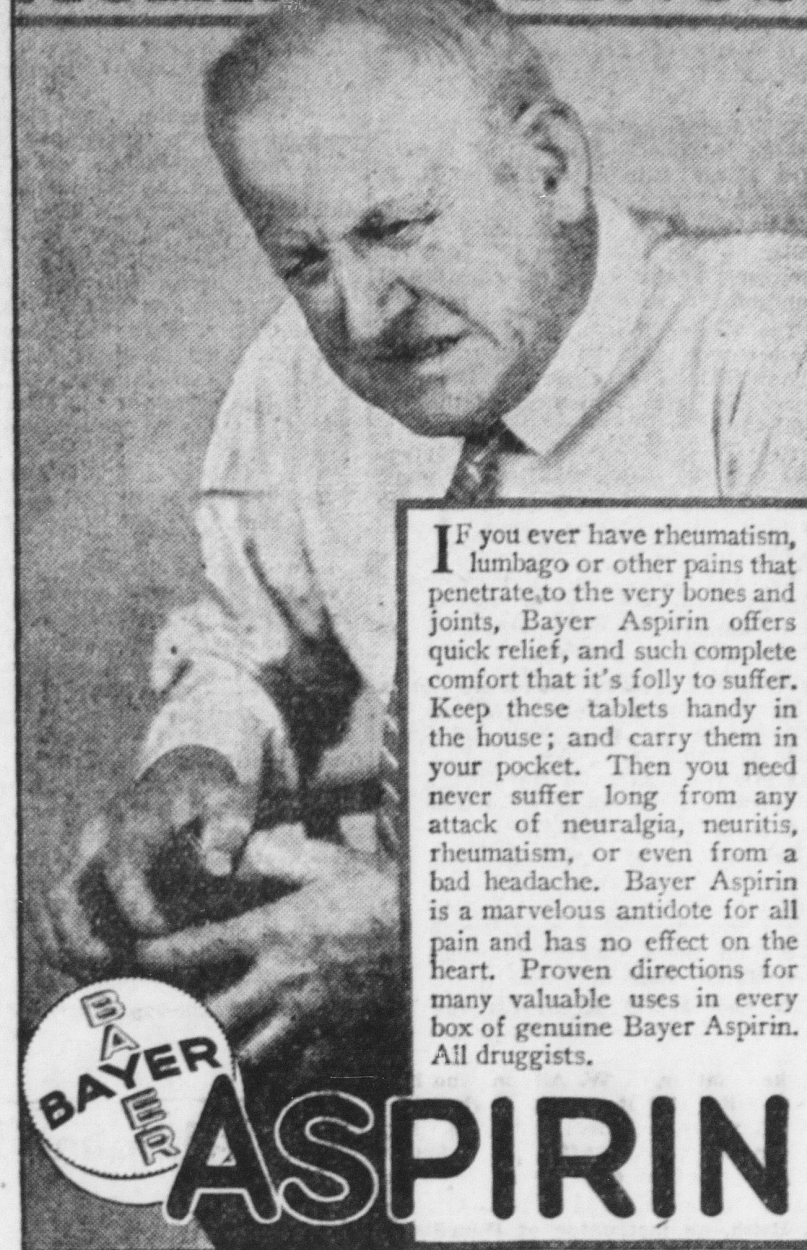
### Home Entrance Important.

The entrance should be hospitable and so placed as to help the harmony of the building—not necessarily in the exact center of the front wall, but in harmony with the other features of the house. One too frequently seen fault of modern houses is that the doorways are small. The fine, big doorways of some old-fashioned houses frequently reach well up to the sill of the second-story windows, and seem to extend a hospitable air of welcome to the incoming guest.

### Growing City's Needs.

Clean and well-paved streets, handsomely kept parks and boulevards, well-ordered private property, clean skies and pure air will contribute greatly to the growth of the city, and what is at least as important, to the health, comfort, and pride of the citizen.

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### Quart of Water Cleans Kidneys

Take a Little Salts If Your Back Hurts, or Bladder is Troubling You

No man or woman can make a mistake by flushing the kidneys occasionally, says a well-known authority. Eating too much rich food creates acids, which excite the kidneys. They become overworked from the strain, get sluggish and fail to filter the waste and poisons from the blood. Then we get sick. Rheumatism, headaches, liver trouble, nervousness, dizziness, sleeplessness and urinary disorders often come from sluggish kidneys.

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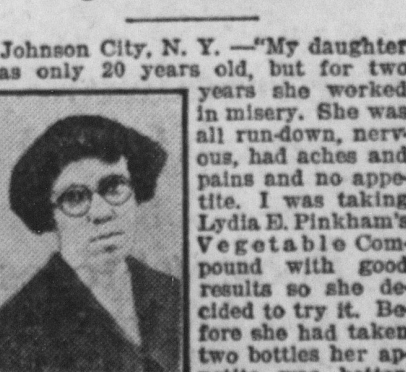
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