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SENATE IS TANGLED **OVER "DRY" FIGHT**

Food-Control Bill Blocked by Confusion Caused by **Prohibition** Addition

ALL FACTIONS IN MUSS

What Penrose Thinks About "Dictatorships"

SENATOR PENROSE fears that Congress may go too far in at-tempting to lower food prices; that "frail human beings" may receive power to make or break great indus-tries; that crooks may become wealthy through dictatorship. He said in part:

"We are making a great mistake in creating all these commissions and dictatorships. We are giving a tremendous power into the hands of a few people. I think there is a lot of fake and buncombe about it. There is danger in it, too. Why, if wanted to make money and didn't care how I would resign my seat in the Senate any day to accept one of these dictatorships. Just think what an opportunity for a crook in fixing prices!"

Besides, he argued, causes of high prices are largely beyond the con-trol of dictators-inadequate transportation facilities, for instance.

WASHINGTON, June 26.

The Senate Agriculture Subcommittee today voted to broaden the House food control bill to include regulation of coal, steel, oil, petroleum products, farm implements and other necessaries. The committee amended the bill to exclude from control of the food administrator food consumption-what the people shall serve on their table. It was further agreed to release the farmer from all regulations under the bill. covering power to requisition products.

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the Senate, today endangered the whole The Senate, today endangered the whole legislative program. The Lever food-control bill is blocked by the tremendous confusion resulting from injection of the sweeping dry addition by the House. Threats and counter-threats from opposing factions have brought about a situation perhaps unpreca-dented in the upper branch. As a result reaction today set in in force against the drastic dry measure as an adjunct to the drastic dry measure as an adjunct to the food bill

"Let prohibition go through on its own Let prohibition so through on its own merits, and not under the food-control measure," urged one dry member today. Letters and telegrams poured in from all sections and from all factions, the radical prohibitionists halling the situation as pro-plifous to put across a nation-wide dry bill and the more conservative urging against and the more conservative urging against hitching prohibition to the food measure. Meantime the Senate Finance Committee

members are mulling over arguments of ex-perts dealing with loss of revenue if the carries hibition amendment

prohibition amendment carries. Some emphasize that \$750,000,000 in taxes to the Federal Government and \$3,000,-000,000 or more to individual States and elites in licenses, taxes and the like will be tost through the prohibition amendment. To which proponents reply. "Yes, but this tax money, and the billions involved in the annual business of the breweries, distilleries and allogas will thereby by diverted to

and saloons, will thereby he diverted to other business channels which can be drawn on for taxes

And again, those opposed point out that under the House amendment even house-hold dainties and children's delights are threatened because vanilla, lemon and orange extracts could not be manufactured even for flavoring, cooking, ice cream, soda, candles and cake

In addition to the prohibition fight, the food bill was threatened from another angle

to do what we can to hold prices down within the reach of the average family. But when we investigate we find that in a large measure the high prices are due to natural causes, which no dictator could change. For instance, inadequate transportation facilities play a consid-erable part in these war prices gives we erable part in these war prices, since we have not the proper means of distribution. A food distator cannot increase railroad

During the recent hearings on the rev enue bill I learned something on this ques-tion which rather surprised ms. It seems that the railroadu require a billion dollars a year for betterments, in order to keep pace with the demand made upon them and he able to furnish the transporta-tion the country needs. For several years past the railroads have been unable to expend more than \$600,000,000 a year in betterments, which accounts for the fac that they have not kept up with the progress made by the industries, and ex-plains why in this crisis they are unable to meet the demands upon them.

This is a condition which no food dirim-tor, no matter how broad may be his powers, can cure. And there are other features that are just as striking. I can-not rid myself of the fear that Congress is likely to go too far in its seal for ameliorating the conditions that have arisen. arisen.

FRANCE BARS LIQUORS **EXCEPT AT MEAL HOURS**

PARIS, June 26. M. Malvy, Minister of the Interior, as the result of a Cahinet meeting has addressed to the prefects of all the departments in France instructions to forbid the sale at retail of spiritous liquors testing more than 18 per cent of alcohol in cafes and saloons except during the hours when the principal meals are served.

Adult males can procure liquors during these hours, but women and minors under eighteen years will be inable to get them at any hour. Bottled goods may be not only in two liter (two quarts) quantities. M. Malvy seeks to exclude those desiring to purchase small bottles.

Excluded from the scope of the propi regulations are beer, wines, cider, imitation wines and liquors and all other aromatic wines not posseening more than 18 per cent of alcohol, and liquors prepared from fresh fruits not possessing more than 23 per cent

WAR PRICES ON CANNED GOODS ARE CONDEMNED

The great prohibition fight, pending in Retailers Are Making Nearly 100 Per Cent Profit, Says Federal

Trade Commission

WASHINGTON, June 26. Attempts of grocers to charge war prices on canned goods now and next winter were xposed today by an announcement of the Federal Trade Commission showing costs to the dealers and what the public should be able to purchase for. Retailers now are making profits of nearly 190 per cent on manned goods, the commission declares.

The announcement says that an investigaon has shown that retailers are paying etween seven and a half and sine and : half cents a can for corn and peas and sell ing them at fifteen and twenty cents per can. Retailers are paying about ten and a half cents per can for large sizes of toma-

toes and charging twenty cents per can for them. The commission further states that a large proportion of the canned goods now being sold is of last reason's pack and was purchased by the dealers at much lower ustenale rates.

The announcement says that in order to forestail speculative prices on canned goods next fall and winter the commission has received reports from 2000 canning fac-tories from Maine to Alaska showing prices at which canners are contracting to sell goodh to dealers this year. The announcement says that in order to

Shoot Down One and Probably

Destroy Two Others in Battle

Over Roulers

LONDON, June 26. Three British naval planes fought ten ermans in an aerial battle over Roulers, hooting one down in flames and probably

destroying two others, an Admiralty state

The British machines were patrolling the

air. The Germans apparently were starting out for a raid. Notwithstanding the ene-my's superior numbers the British flyers

entered into an immediate engagement. The

fight continued sixteen minutes. Thick clouds prevented verification of the energy's losses except the one plane which was known to have been set afire.

All the British machines were unharmed

LITHOGRAPHERS AT SHORE

Employers' National Association Ten-

ders Services to President

ATLANTIC CITY, June 26 .- Philadelphia

well represented in the annual conven-on of the National Association of Em-oying Lithegraphers, which opened here day with a tender of services to the

The convention probably will ask for a

Federal investigation of the causes for the steadily mounting cost of higher grades of print paper. The proposed increase in post card postage will be condemned.

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WHAT AN ARTIST SEES AT NIGHT SCHOOL OF ALIENS

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CHILE CLARA BARNOWITZ AUSTRIA RUSSIA

"AMEREE-CA IS OUR COUN-T-RRREE," PRECEPT TAUGHT IN ALIENS' SCHOOL

Nightly They Con Lessons of Patriotism and Civics-Of Diverse Temperaments and Ambitions, but All Animated by Ideal of Good Citizenship

A stray breeze that had managed to find " It is Jose from Spain who has produced Its way into Philadelphia's foreign quar-ter stirred the curtains of a room in the night school at Sixth and Fairmount ave-

One gas jet flickered fitfully and threw m light across the deaks where the class in citizenship and civil law bent its collect. ive head above their books and chanted "Amerce-ca is our coun-t-rrrry."

"Now, Marie." the American teacher's risp voice interrupted, "will you read the ntire page?"

noftly:

Marle who is Polleh, with a wistful kind f beauty and a shy voice, began: "Washington is the capital of America, the President lives in Washington." "What else is in Washington." asks the teacher

Jakey, who is now a Russian, but hopes oon to be an American, betrayed himself true son of Abraham as he raised his hand and announced cagerly: "There iss the Treasury, where iss the

money?" "Yes," smiles the teacher encouragingly, but something even more important, John?" "The house where they make the law." ventures John from Austria. "That is right." And then the teacher ex-plains very carefully who makes the laws and how the people have a hand in the making, too. And Marie, and Jakey, and John and a dozen other "allens" listen very John and a dozen other "allens" listen very intently, and are one step further on the road to being good citizens themselves

AGES OF PUPILS

The most pathetic and yet the most sig-ificant fact about these night schools is

For Marie is married, and Sophle gave For Marie is married, and Sophle gave her haby a good "wash around" and "put her safe in her crib" before the came. John works in an ammunition plant "Three days and three nights steady this week," he ex-plained safly. "and so I do not set the implained sadly, "and so I do not get the les son on the State.'

at which canners are contracting to sell states will not crase. He demands books, and more books. "By your great men," he can be charge exorbitant prices and blame them on increased conts the Government will be able to show just what the difference be-

Mr. dear Carmen: It seems now along time since I see you, last night Will you not gladden my true heart with a letter? You are a good girl and I think you will not treat me

for and the other year with not treat we be a constraint of the opera house to hear Caruss. It will be joy to be together. I await impatiently your letter. Truly with love, JOSE.

Whether Carman is his ideal or the real ady of his heart, the teacher does not know. But in any case the letter remains a truly remarkable combination of Latin abandon and lately acquired Angle-Saxon

Perhaps Jose is there to learn only to write love letters to Carmen, but most of the others have more important motives. Sophie needs English to get a better ob, and Jake talks of opening a shop and being able to keep his own accounts. Friz waits to take out citizenship papers very moon, and Isaac has a dream of returning to his own country to teach, now that Rus-

sha, too, is a republic. Almost all of them want, above all, to be good Americans. "All of them must be good Americans." said their teacher: "the country needs them now as never before to be loyal and intelligent citizens, That the night school's excuse for existing.

teach them just that." The class took up their books again. Above them on the dingy walls the face of William Penn, immigrant of another day, smiled benignantly down on the Philadel-

phians of tomorrow. Forvently they repeated "Ameree-ca is our coun-t-rrry." They are learning their lesson well.

PHILADELPHIAN PRESIDES OVER ENGINEERS' SESSION

Twentieth Annual Convention of American Society for Testing Materials Opens at Shore

ATLANTIC CITY, June 26 - A. A. Stevenson, of Philadelphia, is presiding over the twentieth annual convention of the American Society for Testing Materials which opened here today with 400 engineer-



U. S. Exports Council Will Determine Needs of Countries and Curb Shipments

BIG BLOW AT GERMANY

WASHINGTON, June 26. Neutrals hereafter will be on shorter rations than they have been for recent months. The exports council, designated by President Wilson, will apportion supplies for them, subject to the President's ap-

It will determine what the neutral needs are, scientifically, as based on important figures covering a period of years.

These things were made clear today by one of the members of the new council. Of the new scheme of things President

The whole object will be to direct exports in such a way that they will go first and by preference where they are most immediately needed and temporarily to withhold them, if necessary, where

to it that the peoples associated with us in the war get as generous a proportion as possible of our surplus, but it will also be our wish and purpose to supply the neutral nations whose peoples depend upon us for such supplies as nearly in proportion to their need as the amount

to be divided permits. The free play of trade will be "intelli-gently and systematically directed." he ia.id.

The following exports to European neurals, Netherlands, Sweden, Norway, Den mark. Spain and Switzerland, for the first ten months of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1917, were announced today by Herbert Hoover

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Oats and oatmeal, 4,912,000 bunhels; value, \$2,957,000, an average of sixty cents er bushel. Barley, 4.014.000 bushels; valus, \$5,220 -00, an average of \$1.06 per bushel.

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promise to the court that the company was seeking a settlement with its creditors. If, however, the company cannot carry out its program the money will be refunded and then the court will consider the offer of the

Girls Take Red Cross Fares SPRINGFIELD, Mo., June 26 .- Girls wearing Red Cross uniforms took the place

of conductors on the cars of the Spring-field Traction Company, collecting and re-taining all the fares for the Red Cross,

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BEDFORD SPRINGS, Pa., June 26.

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MUST FIGHT FOR RIGHT

With several hundred members of the bar and judiciary from many parts of the State attendance, the twenty-third annual meeting of the Pennsylvania Bar Associa-

tion was convened here at 2 c'clock this afternoon. In opening the meeting, Cyrus G. Derr, of Reading, president of the association.

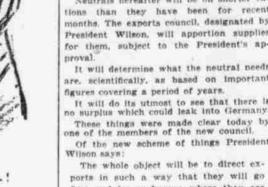
spoke on "The Philosophy of Law-Making." He enumerated the three stages of lawmaking, the unconscious and conscious stages and the stage which was begun with the genuine government of the people by

the people for the people. "The people of Pennsylvania have been

in the latter stage for generations," he said. They have elected their own gover-nors, have provided for and regulated management of local affairs without aid or interferences in any way from king, dictator or any one over them. In the fundamental and other laws passed during this period may be traced development of a truly free people." "A people unwilling to fight for the right

"A people unwilling to fight for the right to make its own laws will sconer or later be compelled to fight for the maintenance of the conqueror's right to make its laws." Edwin M. Abbett, of Philadelphia, pre-sented the report of delegates to the con-ference of bar association delegate in Chi-cage August 25 last. The report recom-mended the adoption of an amendment to the constitution of the American Bar Ashe constitution of the American Bar As sociation so that there could be submitted from time to time by referendum to the in-dividual members questions affecting the substance of the administration of the law which in the opinion of the committee are of immediate practical importance to the whole country. Recommendations providing for a closer connection between national. State and county bar associations so as to promote unity on all legal questions af-fecting the country at large wer, also made. The following from Philadelphia were present: Judge W. H. Staake, John B. Col-ahan, Jr., George Wentworth Carr, George N. Henderson, Judge William H. Shoe-maker, T. Elliot Patterson, Edward P. Bailey, George J. Edwards, Jr., John C. Hinckley, M. Hampton Todd, Abraham M. Beitler, Frank R. Shattuck, Harold H. Beitler, William Morgan Montgomery, Hampton L. Carson. ing for a closer connection between national Hampton L. Carson.

Funeral of Mrs. Rebecca P. Harris The funeral of Mrs. Rebecca Porter Har-ris, widow of Captain Isaac Harris, took place today at 11 o'clock, from her he at 2208 Ritte e street. The Rev. Floyd Tomkins, of Holy Trinity Church, performed the service, after which the body was interred at Laurel Hill Cemetery. Mrs. Harris is survived by four children, Mrs. George N. Dallas Pelts, Jr., Mrs. James Hopkins, Miss Lily C. Harris and Ensign Percival Ran Roden Harris.



they can best be spared. Our primary duty in the matter of foodstuffs and like necessaries is to see



There is an effort on foot to overload measure so it cannot move. Senator Reed (Mo) and numerous others say that if food is controlled, steel, oil, clothing-everything from a sack of peanuts to farm implements — must also be controlled. Amendments designed to accomplish this

are in reserve. Already the bill is carrying some super-annusted measures, such as the Welsh oll-land leasing bill, which has been before the Senate five years, and the preferential rout-ing bill, passed by the Senate some time ago. With this tangled skein to unravel, the

With this tangled skein to unravel, the Senate Agriculture Subcommittee met early today to redraft the House bill. It was hoped this committee would be able to report out to the full committee tomorrow, and that the bill would be on the floor for a finish fight late Wednesday or Thursday. The House dry amendment will be re-written to clarify it, but will not be changed, according to present committee plans.

PENROSE FEARS CROOKS MAY GET DICTATORSHIPS

WASHINGTON June 26 .- Senator Pensting to lower food prices in passing I control bill. food control bill. As ranking Republican member of the

Finance Committee the Senator Senate Finance Committee the Senator discovered the possibility that some "frail human being" might be appointed to a dictatorship and expressed concern over the fate of big business concerns under such legislation. The Senator's position is indicative of the attitude of the Old Guard leaders on the eve of the fight on the Ad-ministration food control bill. Here is how the senior Pennsylvania Senator ex-pressed his views: A food control bill in some form will Senate

A food control bill in some form will be passed by Congress. Whether it will embody the prohibition provision adopted by the House remains to be seen. It is by the House remains to be seen. It is possible that a majority of the Scenate will stand by the amendment proposed by Senator Gore, and which will be voted into the war revenue bill. This amend-ment places a prohibitive tax upon grain used in the manufacture of distilled spir-used in the manufacture of distilled spirits, but does not affect beer and light wines further than to put a war tax upon

It may be that the Senate will vote to accept the House provision which for-bids the use of grain in the manufacture of spirituous and mait liquors. I have made no canvass of the situation and do know what strength the proposition command.

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he mentions New Jersey, the teacher will probably ask the class where New Jersey is, what is its capital, a few of its products and manufactories, winding up with some important dates in New Jersey's his-THREE BRITISH PLANES DEFEAT TEN GERMANS And by this simple, natural, almost cas-

al method wonderfully successful results re produced. In this same class they are learning to rite lettera

ing experts of all of the large trunk li and many American industries in attend-The executive committee reported that no sply thus far had been received to a tender of the services of the society to President

Wilson, in which it was pointed out that the experts might find an important field of usefulness to the Government through a plan of co-operation in relation to speci-fications for materials and in the inspection and trating of materials and testing of materials.

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