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## OUTLOOK PROMISING

According to estimates made in quarters which are usually conservative, there is no reason to fear and decided recession in the general prosperity of the nation during the fall and winter, according to the National Republic, which says:

One significant feature in the present situation is the fact that our export trade is once more showing large gains. For the seven months ending with July the trade balance for the year was in our favor to the extent of \$270,000,000. For the same period in 1926 the balance of trade was against this country to the extent of a little more than \$65,000,000. Our exports have grown considerably during the current year while our imports show a slight decrease. There was an increase in our sales to every grand division of the world showing that our foreign trade is in a healthy state, to say the least.

According to the National Bank of Commerce in New York, autumn trade always reflects fall crops and crop prices and the indications now are for a steady business during the balance of the year.

The bank's survey of the situation indicates a satisfactory condition in most of the agricultural regions of the country. It continues:

"High prices for cattle and lambs and good prices for the last wool clip assure satisfactory fall trade in the range states. California and most other regions dependent on special crops have enjoyed at least a normally good season and fair prices.

"The forecast for spring wheat is 100,000,000 bushels larger than the 1926 crop. Even though prices are somewhat lower than a year ago, prosperity is thus assured for most areas where it is a major crop, especially the wheat-growing sections of the Dakotas and Montana. In Idaho, Washington and Oregon, where spring and winter wheat are about equally important, the crop is excellent."

In some of the corn states the crop condition is not satisfactory, the best crops being in Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas and Nebraska.

Wages are good and employment is satisfactory in the industrial portions of the country the survey adds and it sums up the situation as follows:

"Their demand for goods, together with that from the farming region should assure a level of business activity during the fall and winter months as good as or better than that of last year, with some consequent increase in industrial employment."

This is a good time to sit steady in the boat and not try to sell Uncle Sam "short."

## OUR MERCHANT MARINE

Is America going to yield its place as a commerce carrier on the high seas to Germany? This is a question which Americans may have to answer in the near future, declares the National Republic, unless all prophecies made by shipping experts in this country and Europe go astray. The fact is that the new German merchant marine is up and coming and that of the United States is standing still, so far as the construction of new merchant ships is concerned, at least.

The American merchant marine, true enough, is now about twice as large as that of Germany, but it is to be remembered that nearly half of the German ships have been built during the past five years, while our ships are older and therefore less efficient. Prominent shipping men in this country believe that the American marine cannot long compete with the newer German shipping unless we decide upon a definite program for the maintenance and improvement of our merchant marine. Within a comparatively short time the German marine will have reached pre-war strength, but it will have the big advantage over other marines in that it will be newer, faster and fitted with all the latest equipment.

Shipping experts say that a merchant marine to remain efficient must have a replacement of seven per cent yearly. The records show that while the German marine is growing steadily, America is turning out few if any ocean going vessels of its own.

Of course we have been somewhat handicapped by the lack of a definite policy. Fortunately this handicap bids fair soon to be done away with. The question of the merchant marine should be kept before the country until Congress convenes again and then we must have a definite program of maintenance and improvement of our merchant marine.

## North Shore News

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Foresman, accompanied by their daughter, Patty, left Monday for New York, to sail on Wednesday for Paris on the Berengia. Patty will remain abroad during the winter months and attend a Parisian school, while Mr. and Mrs. Foresman will return home for the Christmas holidays. During their absence, Mr. and Mrs. Richmond Kenyon, (former Emily Foresman), who are awaiting the completion of their apartment, will occupy the Foresman home on Essex road, Kenilworth.

Maj. and Mrs. Raymond W. Hardenberg, U. S. A., have announced the engagement of their daughter, Helen Stewart, to First Lieutenant John Bartlett Sherman, U. S. A., son of Mrs. Charles Moulton Stewart of New York City. The wedding date is indefinite.

Miss Hardenbergh is a granddaughter of Mrs. Lorenzo Johnson of Winnetka and a niece of Mrs. Ayres Boal and of Mrs. George Massey, also of Winnetka. She made many friends in Winnetka while attending North Shore Country Day school about four years ago. She later went to Miss Abbott's school in Massachusetts, and still later spent a winter in Cairo, Egypt, with Mrs. Johnson. She made her debut last winter in Chicago and was presented at the English court last May. Miss Hardenbergh visited in Winnetka this summer and may be here for the Christmas holidays.

Mrs. Mason Warner of 154 Church road, Winnetka, gave a tea on Friday, Oct. 28, in honor of her house guest, Mrs. Stanley Twist of Niagara Falls, Ontario, formerly of Winnetka. The guests were Mesdames Philip Sheridan Smith, Richard Dean, Mildred Hughes, M. M. Warner, Charles Fuller, W. E. Schrader, Samuel Rice, Leigh Jarrard, Benjamin Wood, Wil-

lard Lochridge, Mildred Merston, E. M. Brady, Thomas McClaren, Percy N. Newitt, and Miss Dorothy Warner.

Miss Betty Pain, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Pain of 1417 Tower road, Winnetka, made her debut last Saturday at the home of her sister, Mrs. Arthur C. Sullivan, also of Winnetka. About forty young people attended the dinner dance which followed the tea hours from 4 until 7.

Assisting at the debut were Miss Virginia Wallace and Miss Margot Atkin, both Winnetka debutantes of this year, and Miss Mary Carman, Miss Margaret Sinclair, Miss Josephine Monroe, Miss Rosemary Morrison, Miss Muriel Veigler, and Miss Ruth Farnum.

Mr. and Mrs. Laird Bell of Hubbard Woods will entertain at a dinner at the Drake this evening in honor of two debutantes, Miss Louis Brewer and Miss Elizabeth Linn. After dinner they will take their guests to the ball to be given for the Vocational Society for Shut-Ins.

The marriage of Miss Hazel Behrens, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Behrens of 667 Bluff street, Glencoe, to Robert Dwight Smith of Columbus, Ohio, was solemnized on November 2, at 4:30 o'clock. The Rev. Douglas H. Cornell of the Glencoe Union church read the service before a small number of guests. The ceremony was followed by a dinner and reception. After November 15, Mr. and Mrs. Smith will be at home at 7001 Merrill avenue, Chicago.

Miss Elizabeth Lamson, who will make her debut on November 17, at a tea to be given by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Lamson, at their home, 940 Sheridan road, Winnetka, has completed the list of girls who

will assist at her tea. The list now includes Miss Marjorie Janney, Miss Margot Atkin, Miss Virginia Wallace, Miss Marcelle Vennema, Miss Betty Pain, Miss Marjorie Miller, Miss Mary Carman, Miss Mary Louise Fenton, and Miss Helen Shimin.

Mrs. James Prindiville of 717 Rosewood avenue, Winnetka, entertained at a luncheon at her home Thursday in honor of Miss Margot Atkin, Miss Betty Pain, and Miss Ethel Harmon. Mrs. William Jennings Sinclair of Chicago gave a luncheon Friday for Miss Atkin, Miss Jessie Hosmer, and Miss Mary Barnes. Mrs. Billings McArthur, who was Miss Jane Naugle before her wedding in September, will honor Miss Atkin with a luncheon to be given later this month.

Mr. and Mrs. William C. Jones, 185 Franklin road, Winnetka, returned last week from an interesting motor trip through the east. They were gone four weeks, spending some time in the Allegheny mountains. They visited Baltimore, Washington, and went to Mt. Arlington, Mt. Vernon and Alexander. They saw the Gettysburg battlefield, and then went on to Niagara Falls. While at Windsor, Canada, they made a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Lynch, and later stopped off at Ann Arbor, Mich., with Mr. and Mrs. James L. Chapman.

Among the affairs being given for Miss Jeannette Cherry of 422 Abbottsford road, Kenilworth, who is to be one of the autumn brides, was the tea given Friday, Oct. 28, by Mrs. Charles Howe of Kenilworth, and the reception given Thursday by Mrs. Arthur Adair and Mrs. John Marshall Roberts at the Adair home in Kenilworth.

Mr. and Mrs. Godfrey H. Atkin are giving a tea for their daughter, Miss Margot, on Thanksgiving afternoon, from 5 until 7 o'clock, at the Indian Hill club. Assisting at the debut will be: Miss Elinor Dennehy, Miss Elizabeth Lamson, Miss Betty Pain, and Miss Virginia Wallace, all Winnetka debutantes; Miss Elizabeth Holland, Miss Jessie Hosmer, Miss Barbara Neff, and Miss Margaret Sinclair.

## Boy Scout News

Nov. 18, the date of the area-wide court of honor, to be held at the Glencoe school auditorium, is a red letter day on the calendar of all troops plan to attend in a body, bringing as many parents with them as possible. Every indication is that this will be one of the biggest nights of the year. The program begins at eight o'clock. The public is invited. Plans for winter camp.

The North Shore council is making arrangements for two groups of scouts being given the opportunity of a winter camp. Fort scouts will spend a four-day period at the "Cabin in the Woods" from December 27 to 30. This camp will probably be limited to first class scouts. Fire place, stove, cots and mattresses will insure comfort and safety.

Plans are being made for fifteen older scouts, largely senior patrol leaders and junior assistant scoutmasters to attend the winter camp of the Oak Park area council, at Wilderness, Mich. This hand picked group of fellows will spend six days at Camp Wilderness.

A new stove and a quantity of mattresses arrived at the "Cabin in the Woods" last week to help put the winter scout hiking headquarters in condition for use. The cabin is reserved for several weeks ahead for use of local troops.

## Culinary Hints

A variation from the usual method of cooking beef croquettes—which I have found makes this thoroughly tasty dish even more delicious—is: baked croquettes.

You doubtless think of croquettes as being fried in deep fat only; but in my estimation the oven baked croquettes are a great improvement over the other variety.

**Beef Croquettes—Baked**  
 3 tab. butter  
 4 tab. flour  
 1 cup milk, or stock, or left-over gravy  
 ¼ teas. salt  
 Little pepper  
 1 egg yolk  
 2 cups left-over beef, chopped fine  
 Cracker crumbs  
 1 egg diluted with 1 tab. milk  
 Melted butter or other fat  
 Make a sauce of butter, flour, milk, salt and pepper and add egg yolk un-beaten. Mix well with chopped meat and let stand at least one-half hour. Form into croquettes, roll in crumbs, then in egg diluted with milk, and again in crumbs. Place on a greased baking dish and with a teaspoon pour over each croquette just enough melted butter or other fat to moisten crumbs. Bake 30 minutes at 450, after oven has been heated 20 minutes at 450.

An excellent accompaniment to this dish is potatoes au gratin, which I will give you next week and which may be baked for the same length of time and at the same temperature.

## DRESSING AN IDEAL

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## NERVE STRAIN HAMPERS AUTOMOBILE DRIVING

Makes Ragged Tempers and Adds to Danger of Roads, Says Magazine Writer

The strain of driving in traffic these days makes for jumpy nerves and uncertain tempers, asserts Harlan C. Hines, psychologist of the University of Cincinnati in an article in the November Scribner's Magazine.

"Displays of unusual and unwarranted driving as a result of loss of temper are common," he says. "Even though he may not be conscious of it, the man who drives an automobile under the conditions of present-day traffic is under a nervous strain, and he may move along quite peacefully and composedly in all other activities, yet, when in the act of driving a car, may wear his nerves as a top-coat. The degree to which he becomes sensitive to his surroundings will depend upon what has happened or what does happen to him. If, upon arising in the morning, the furnace has failed to draw, the eggs have got cold, the coffee is too weak, a suit has not been returned from the cleaner's; if, upon trying to start the car, the battery refuses to function, a tire is down, or the supply of gasoline exhausted; if, once upon the highway, the car is splashed with mud, misses and backfires, or is forced into a collision with some driver in a like frame of mind, these, or any one of them, may explain why he is jeopardizing the lives of pedestrians and making life miserable for others hastening to work. Under the influence of distraught temper men become unnatural; even some of the mildest have been known to resort to oaths they have never before employed or to assume an unrecognizable impatience and pugnacity and, suiting the action to their moods, step on the gas or jam on the brakes in a wholly unexpected manner."

## MAY BUILD BRIDGE OVER OHIO RIVER

Initial steps looking toward the construction of a bridge over the Ohio river, between Illinois and Indiana, near Vincennes, Ind., is under consideration. Engineering departments of the two states will make a report on probable cost.

Governor Ed. Jackson of Indiana, accompanied by several state officials, conferred with Governor Small during the past week, and a second conference will be held after plans are more complete. The structure is being planned both as a connection between the two states and a memorial to George Rogers Clark, pioneer of the middle west.

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