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SINCERELY APPRECIATE YOUR PROTECTION

WAR-TIME PROHIBITION IS HELD TO BE LEGAL BY U. S. SUPREME COURT

Constitutional Amendment Is Binding On States as Well as Federal Government, It Is Declared.

NO RULING IS MADE AS TO LEGALITY OF VOLSTEAD DRY ENFORCEMENT LAW

Decision Quashes Restraining Order and Proceedings to Allow Removal of Whisky From Bond-Verdict in Beer Cases Expected to Be Rendered at Session Next Monday.

War-time prohibition was held constitutional today by the Supreme Court in a unanimous decision. Thus vanished the hopes

Supreme Court in a unanimous decision. Thus vanished the hopes of many for a "wet" holiday time.

No decision was rendered on the cases involving the constitutionality of the Volstead law, the prohibition enforcement act, framed to carry out the intent of the prohibition amendment to the Constitution.

In passing, however, Associate Justice Brandeis did hold that the prohibition amendment was binding on the states as well as the federal government.

REVERSES "WETS" CONTENTION.

Senosi under the Counties of the intent of Commission.

These are the propositions which the commission has had recommended to it and from which the commission is working in preparing a bill for Congress. Just how large a proportion of the ten basic recommendations will be incorporated into the report is not definitely known, but it is believed that most of the recommendations will be accepted.

Example of Coal Decision.

The court entirely reversed the contention of the "wets" that war-time prohibition was outside the war-time powers of Congress

ject to applicable constitutional limitations; but the fifth amendment imposes in this respect no greater lim-itation upon the national power than does the fourteenth amendment upon state power. If the nature and conditions of a restriction upon the use or disposit a restriction upon the use of disposition of property is such that a state could, under the police power, impose it consistently with the four-teenth amendment without making compensation, then the United States for a permitted purpose impos a like restriction consistently with the fifth amendment without making compensation; for prohibition of the liquor traffic is conceded to be an appropriate means of increasing our war

There was no appropriation of the liquor for public purposes. The war-time prohibition act fixed a period of seven months and nine days from its passage during which liquors could be disposed of free from any restriction imposed by the federal government. ssage during which liquors could be Thereafter, until the end of the war and the termination of mobilization, it permits an unrestricted sale for export, and, within the United States, sales for other than beverage purposes. The uncompensated restriction upon the disposition of liquors imposed by this act is of a nature far less severe than the restrictions upon the use of prop-erty acquired before the enactment of prohibitory measure which were to be permissible in cases arising under the fourteenth amendment.

Time to Dispose of Stocks.

"The question whether an absolute prohibition of sale could be applied by a state to liquor acquired before the enactment of the prohibitory law has been raised by this court but not answered, because unnecessary to a decision. But no reason appears why a state statute, which postpones its effective date long enough to enable those engaged in the business to dis-pose of stocks on hand at the date of its enactment, should be obnoxious to e fourteenth amendment; or why uch a federal law should be obnoxious fifth amendment We cannot say that seven months! and nine days was not a reasonable

time within which to dispose of all liquors in bonded warehouses on November 21, 1918. The amount then in storage was materially less than was usually carried; because no such liquor could be lawfully made in America under the Lever food and fuel control act after September 9, 1917. And if as is suggested, the liquors remaining in bond November 21, 1918. were not yet sufficiently ripened or seed to permit them to be advantage-ously disposed of within the limited period of seven months, and some of them antedating the enactment of the statute here in question. tute here in question. • • • • But we have also the fact that since these statements were made and these acts were done Congress, on October 28, 1919, passed over the Pres-jdent's veto the national prohibition which, in making further pro vision for the administration of the war-time prohibition act, treats the war-time prohibition act, treats the war as continuing and demobilization as incomplete; that the Senate, on November 19, 1919, refused to ratify the treaty of peace with Germany; that, under the provisions of the L ver act, the President resumed, on O tober 30, 1919, the control of the fuel supply which he had relinquished partly on January 31, 1919, and partly on February 20, 1919; that he is still operating the railroads, of which control had been taken as a vision for the administration of still operating the railroads, o

mar measure; and that, on Novem-

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10 POSSIBLE BASIC PRINCIPLES IN U. S. PAY ARE REVIEWED

Reclassifiers Consider List in Preparing Measure for Congress.

Ten basic principles for the reclassification of the 110,000 employes of the federal government here today lie before the joint congressional

commission on reclassification of salaries in the District. All of them are being considered in the preparation of the bill which the commission is drawing up for presentation to Congress. The ten basic principles are:

1. An 80 per cent increase for all federal employes.

2. A \$1,320 minimum wage

3. Enlargement of the Civil Service Commission.

- ice Commission.

 Establishment of a permanent wage board and tribunal.

 Lump-sum appropriations for the government.

 A system of merit promotions.
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 The principle of equal pay for equal work.

 Establishment of a training school under the Civil Service Commission.

Example of Coal Decision. Action of the government in the case of the coal miners has heartened those in the government who are anxious for the 80 per cent increase. It is pointed out that former Fuel Administrator Garfield, in recommending a 14 per cent increase for the miners, took into account the other increases which the miners had in pay since 1913, and that these increases amounted to about 66

war-time prohibition act was read by Associate Justice Brandels.

In deciding the question the Supreme Court also dissolved injunctions restraining revenue officials from interfering with the removal from bond of about 70,000,000 gallons of whisky valued at approximately \$75,000,000 gallons of whisky valued at approx

but upon some actual emergency or necessity arising out of the war or incident to it, still as was said in Stewart versus Kahn: The power is not limited to victories in the field and the disposition of the (insurgent)

the manufacturers less than mand. three days' supply of paper for the newspapers of the country.

forces. It carries with it inherently

(Continued on Ninth Page.)

Newspaper Print Shortage.

HERE is today in the hands

The American Newspaper Publishers'

Association has notified every news-

paper publisher of America that unless the newspapers throughout

the United States reduce the aver-

age consumption of newsprint pa-ner by at least 10 per cent many

newspapers will soon be compelled

dustries Board for conservation of

newsprint paper and that every economy in the use of paper be ob-

n order to accomplish fully the nec-

essary and desired results every ad-

vertiser using display space in the newspapers printed in this district

is requested to reduce his advertis-

is essential that every advertiser comply with this request in order that the present danger of exhaus-tion may be averted and that all

newspapers in the country may con-

tion on the part of all advertisers

as chairman of this district. I am

sending this appeal to every news-paper publisher in Maryland, Vir-

Columbia, asking that this public announcement be printed promi-nently on the first page of his news-

Chairman Newsprint Service Commit-tee, Maryland, Virginia, Delaware and District of Columbia, American

The Evening Star Newspaper Com-

Newspaper Publishers' Association.

pany heartily approves this plan of conservation affecting both news-

papers and advertisers as proposed by the Chairman of the Newsprint

The Star will continue its existing rigorous economies in the use of print paper and will strictly observe the War Industries Board's regula-

tions in both its daily and Sunda;

FRANK B. NOYES.

Delaware and the District of

FLEMING NEWBOLD.

The existing crisis can only be met by sincere and voluntary co-opera-

mas by 10 per cent.

and newspapers.

paper immediately.

Service Committee.

tinue regular publication.

partly or wholly to suspend publi-

The association has asked

The Newsprint Service Bureau of New York, representing the paper manufacturers, has notified the American Newspaper Publishers' at Secret Consistory in Rome Association that an immediate cut of 10 per cent in consumption is

ROME, December 15.—Seven new cardinals were nominated today during the secret consistory, at which Pope Benedict delivered an allocution. The cardinals created by the Pope were as follows:

**ROME, December 15.—Seven new cardinals were nominated today during the sacret consistory, at which Pope Benedict delivered an allocution. The cardinals created by the Pope in his young manhood through an Mexicans are said to have been consistent to the property of the p were as follows: Monsignor Valfre di Bouzo, former

nuncio at Vienna; Monsignor Camassei, former patriarch of Jerusalem; Monall newspapers to comply strictly signor Dalbor, archbishop of Posen.

with the regulations of the War In-Monsignor Bertram, archbishop of Breslau, reserved in petto in the consistory of 1916, also was announced. In addition the Pope announced the appointment of bishops and archbishops nominated by brief since the last consistory.

ANOTHER BALTIC PARLEY.

Esthonia Calls Conference-Six States to Be Represented.

REVAL, Esthonia. December 14.—
Another conference of representatives of the Baltic states will be held at Dorpat before Christmas to discuss serious questions affecting all the Baltic governments which have arisen during the peace discussions between Esthonia and the bolshevik delegation it was stated today. tion, it was stated today. At the last Baltic conference the question of calling a new conference was left to Esthonia, and it now dewas left to Esthonia, and it now develops that she has decided to issue the call. Besides Esthonian, Letvian and Lithuanian delegates there will be representatives from Finland, Poland and the Ukraine at the confer-

Gale Halts Ship-Rescue Work. VINEYARD HAVEN, Mass., December 15.—A northwest gale today hampered efforts to float three coalladen steamers which were tossed ashore by the storm in Vineyard sound yesterday. It was thought none was seriously damaged. The ships the Fairfield, the Lake Crystal and the Northwind—were bound from Norfolk

Welland Canal Navigation Closes. HAMILTON, Ont., December 14.— Navigation on the Welland canal Navigation on the Welland canal closed at 6 o'clock Saturday night for

tor Boston.



Ricaut and Peraldi entered Muzqui after the Villistas evacuated."

REPLY TO ALLIES

PARIS. December 15 (by the Asso-

fore the commission at 9:30 o'clock tomorrow morning to présent their
claims for increased salaries. It is expected that lively debate will ensue
as to the wisdom of the class specifications as drawn up by the commission for the positions in the fire
department.

The question at issue is whether it
is better to have but two classes of
privates or four classes. It is understood that some of the newer fire
companies have but two classes of
privates, and that all the men are
supposed to be able to handle all the
classes of work in a fire station or
at a fire.

hereditary affection of the optic nerve and the family income stopped ab-ruptly. Steps to put this brave father former patriarch of Jerusalem; Monsignor Sili, vice chamberlain of the church; Monsignor Soldevila y Romeo, archbishop of Saragossa; Monsignor Kakowski, archbishop of Warsaw; Monsignor Dalbor, archbishop of Posen and, as a major course, poultry raising. His wife is studying with him so she can be a real partner to direct him and keep his books when he gets into business. The expenses of into business. The expenses of the family for living and education must be met until the blind father has his naturally optimistic outlook on life fully restored. Meantime the man's church is aiding and relatives are

> ability.
> In addition, \$80 a month is needed. or \$960 for the year. Opportunity No. 2—Influenza Took
> Away the Brendwinner.

assisting according to their

of the Associated Charities last summer. Now, at the age of seven months, his happy smile shows that he is on the road to health and is a tribute to the road to health and is a tribute to the care of the mother, who is trying to maintain the home. Eleven-year-old Elsie, and Gertrude, three years younger, are becoming fine little helpers in the housework and in caring for Baby Billy. Relatives, whose means are limited, are helping as far as they are able.

The forecast given by the Germany's press of the contents of Germany's reply to the entente note was substantially correct, according to today's Paris newspapers. Although appearing to yield to the allied demands, as they are able.

LEGION OFFICERS BY VILLISTAS HERE TO AID MEN'S

(500D OLD

local officials of the order. The final feature on the program here will be a grand legion rally at Liberty Hut Wednesday evening.

Mr. Glass Discusses Task.

"We want you to see for yourselves sonfething of the tremendous task that has been undertaken through the bu-"Two American citizens, Frederick Hugo, manager of the hacienda Las Rucias, near Muzquiz, in Coahuila, and a man named Phillips, understood to be also an employe of that hacienda, are reported to be held by Villistas for ransom, according to dispatches received by the Department of State. Hugo is said to be held for ransom of 10,000 pesos. The Department of State has taken steps with a view to action by the Mexican federal authorities for the release of the prisoners. supposed to be able to classes of work in a fire station or classes of work in a fire station or at a fire.

Specifications as drawn up call for four classes of privates, being more detailed, and culling specifically for some detailed duty. The question is whether or not a man who steers a big electric truck should be classed for that specific duty, or given a more indefinite classification, which might and lift a burden of worry from the mand.

of call upon him to shovel coal upon demand.

CARDINALS CREATED.

The money contributed to find the world to sixty-one children, being indefinite classification, which might and lift a burden of worry from the mand.

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CARDINALS CREATED.

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The opportunities follow:

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To raise.

The pepartment of state has taken steps with a view to State has taken steps with a task undertaken has not, perhaps, m "We want you here for your inti-mate observation, with the hope that suggestions may occur to you and that you may frankly give us your opinions and your judgment of what has been done, of what is being done "Mexican federal forces under Gens. and of what you think may be done We especially would be obliged to you for any suggestions as to necessary legislation to perfect the system we now have in operation."

officers to express their judgment of the bureau as emphatically as they chose.
In taking charge of the conference Commander D'Olier said it was par-ticularly fitting that the first large

meeting under the new administration of the legion should be held in Washclated Press).—The German peace ington for the purpose of improving delegation this morning handed Germany's reply to the entente note to rendered all ex-service men, especial-Away the Breadwinner.

Influenza last winter caused the death of the breadwinner of this family, leaving a mother and four children. Billy was born several months after the death of the father, and was very ill at the baby hospital camp of the Associated Charities last summer. Now, at the age of seven months, his happy smile shows that he is on the road to health and is a tribute.

Imany's reply to the entente note to Paul Dutasta, secretary of the peace of the morning and afternoon today was given over wholly to the discussion of pending legislation, particularly the Sweet bill and the Wasson bill. both of which have been officially indorsed by the legion. Several minor changes were suggested by view to keeping the negotiations of pendered all ex-service men, especially those who had been disabled. The morning and afternoon today was given over wholly to the discussion of pending legislation, particularly the Sweet bill and the Wasson bill. both of which have been officially indorsed by the legion. Several minor changes were suggested by view to keeping the negotiations of sufficient importance to various delegates, but none was deemed of sufficient importance to warrant any changes in the measures as they now stand. Sixteen disabled men from Walter Reed Hospital will meet with the delegates in the oak room of the Raleigh Motel this even-ing to discuss the war risk act as affecting their cases.

Paris newspapers. Although appears affecting their cases.

To support the mother in her ambitton to make a happy and wholesome home for her fatherless children \$20 a week is needed, or \$1,040 for the year.

Opportunity No. 3—Wife. Descried, Trying to Keep the Home Fires Burains.

This mother, descried, is trying to keep the home free burning for herist elfant two boys. Johnny, twelve, and David, who is nine. First the mother procured a position. Then she found that her two boys were running that her two boys were running that her two boys were running to the procured a position. Then she found that her two boys were running to the the procured a position. Then she found that her two boys were running to the procured a position. Then she found that her two boys were running to the fermion that her two boys were running to the fermion that her two boys were running to the fermion that her two boys were running to the fermion that her two boys were running to the fermion that her two boys were running to the fermion that her two boys were running to the fermion to the fermion to the fermion that her two boys were running to the fermion to fermion the fermion to fermion the fermion to fermion the fermion to fermion the fermion that fermion the fermion to fermion

TIRE DEALER AND WOUNDS DETECTIVE

Wallace W. Mulcare Is Dead, Comparison Made of Munici-J. E. Armstrong Is in Critical Condition.

John McHenry, nineteen years old, of St. Louis, robbed, shot and killed Wallace W. Mulcare, twenty-seven years old, proprietor of the Tire Shop, at 1222 14th street, last night. About an hour later, the youth probably fatally wounded Detective James E. Armstrong when the officer attempted to place him under arrest at Union station.

Today at Providence Hospital where Armstrong was taken, physicians said he had a "fighting chance for recovery." The detective is regarded by Maj. Raymond Pullman and Inspector Grant as being one of the ablest and most fearless members of

Immediately after McHenry shot Armstrong he was arrested by Police Driver Robey and taken to headquarters, where he made a complete confession to Maj. Pullman.

by lights in the Mulcare establishment. He told the police he reasoned he would be able to make a haul, and so he entered. William Lov-

The court derivative control of food and railroads still in the production and the country dry.

The decision added one of the final milestones to the long fight to make the country dry.

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How Detective Was Shot.

Robey learned that the detective and McHenry were only about five or

Robey dealt McHenry a blow on the or I might well wish, but I am quite head with his blackjack, rendering him unconscious. The wounded detective was rushed to Providence Hospital. McHenry, uncon-scious from the blow inflicted with the blackjack by Policeman Robey, was taken to Casualty Hospital He soon regained consciousness and was taken to police headquarters.

> Called Cold-Blooded Murder. "It was the coldest-blooded murder I ver heard of," Maj. Pullman remarked. "His hunger plea is all bosh. He had an expensive revolver in his pocket that could have been pledged for money enough to buy food for a month." McHenry is scarcely five feet in height and weighs hardly more than 100 pounds. He told the police he had been on a "tramp" through the United States, and had only arrived in Washington two

days ago from Charlottesville

Entherless Since He Was Six. He said he was fatherless at the age of six, and his mother died when he was fourteen. Since he was thirteen years Commander D'Olier Takes Chair.

Director Cholmeley-Jones cated the onference to order and latted the Director Cholmeley-Jones called the conference to order and later surrendered the gavel to Commander D'Olier. The director urged the legion came to the city yesterday morning came to the city and spent his time about the streets prior to going to Mulcare's store. Mulcare's business address written on a billhead of Anderson and Bennett, clothiers, Marquette, Mich., found in the prisoner's possession, suggested to the police that McHenry had visited

> Mulcare Went to School Here.
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> Mulcare had lived in Washington since he was three years old. He was a graduate of Technical High School. During the war he was taken as a civilian employe of the government to assist in the buying of automobile assist in the buying of automobile supplies for the military service. A year ago Mulcare started in business for himself, opening the automobile accessory shop on 14th street.
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> Mulcare is survived by ... mother and sister. The body is at the mother and sister. The body is at the home in the Olympia apartments, 14th and Euclid streets. The mother, Mrs. W. E. Mulcare, and sister, Rose, live at 1507 Rhode Island avenue. The mother is prostrated by the tragic death of her son.

BOY ROBBER KILLS SHOWS D. C. TAXES **EQUAL TO LEVIES** IN OTHER CITIES

TWO CENTS.

palities Approximately of Same Size.

HALF-AND-HALF SYSTEM DEFENDED BY T. W. NOYES

Herbert J. Brown, at House Committee Hearing, Attacks the District Assessor's Methods.

Detailed evidence gained from a careful study of the official tax compilations made by the census bureau, Armstrong he was arrested by Police Driver Robey and taken to headquarters, where he made a complete confession to Maj. Pullman.

Hunger Given as Excuse.

"I did it because I was hungry," is the excuse said to have been offered by the boy.

McHenry told Maj. Pullman he had but 15 cents in his pocket when, about 6 o'clock last night, he was attracted by lights in the Mulcare establishauthoritative Noyes.

At the morning hearing on the Mapes bill to abolish the half-and-half system of financing the National Capital, Mr. Noyes resumed his statehaul, and so he entered. William Loving, colored, an overseas veteran, employed as messenger in the War Department in the daytime, and working at the Tire Shop at night, was the only witness to the tragedy in the store.

The alleged slayer was in the store but a few seconds, it was testified, and so quickly was the shooting done that Loving was unable to tell of the minor details. These, however, were supplied by the prisoner. He said Mulcare fired three shots at him before he used his weapon, but the merchant's revolver showed that only one shot had been fired from it.

Mulcare Shot and Killed.

Mulcare Shot and Killed.

driven to the station, did not witness the shooting, but was near enough to hear the reports of the three shots fired by the slayer, and Detectives Thompson and Embrey, in another part of the building, quickly reached the scene of the shooting.

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"A yardstick made up in part upor reliance on the guesses of relation of assessed to true value fluctuates in lowal control of the shooting. reau of war risk insurance for those who went across the sea and for those who marshaled themselves here at home," said Secretary Glass. "The task undertaken has not, perhaps.

uing property for taxation purposes its percentage rate to produce a cer-tain amount will be low. If it ha applied a low standard of assessment applied a low standard of assessment its rate to produce the same amount will be high. In the Ohio cities, for instance (as in Washington), the rate is low and the assessment high. In the Iowa cities the assessment is very low and the rate very high.

"As the result we find the widest diversity of tax rate figures among the cities of the country that it is possible to conceive, and this diversity is, as I have explained, of no conse is, as I have explained, of no consequence whatever. No one dreams of taking the tax rate alone as the measure of comparative tax burdens. The proposition would reduce to ab-surdity the moment it was practically applied. Depends on Officials.

"Whether the combination of the rate with the basis of assessment, the ratio either in accordance with the law or the practice, produces a reliable standard of comparison depends upon the closeness with which the assessor adheres to the legal ratio of the accuracy with which the city official guesses at and reports the actual cial guesses at and reports the actual extent or departure from the legal ratio. "Confessions, official and unofficial

"Confessions, official and unoment of assessing bodies census reports and comment, experience and knowl-edge of human nature, all combine in the demonstration that as a rule, with few exceptions, no reliance whatever is to be placed in claims of full valuation for taxation purposes, either in accordance with the lawful ratio or that reported in actual prac-tice.

the prisoner's possession, suggested to the police that McHenry had visited that vicinity earlier in the day and decided upon it as a place where he would attempt a hold-up. presumed to be law-abiding. from \$90 to \$20 in the different cities.

I nreliable Guesses. "Going a step further, can we rely upon the accuracy of the guesses con-cerning the extent of departure from the legal ratio made by those who have admitted some degree of de-

reports of the relation of assessed to reports of the relation of assessed to true value, except in the case of some cities in Minnesota, Wisconsin and Washington state, in respect to which the figures given were obtained from the state tax commission and repre-sented 'approximately the proportion that the assessed valuation bears to the selling value, the figures given having been determined by a critical investigation involving a comparison between the assessed valuation of property sold and the consideration received at such sales.'

"The District assessor adopted in 1915 this approved method of ascer-

taining the relations of assessed value to true value, and as a result of in-finite and exacting labor presented in maps and tables comparisons of sale prices with assessments in transac-tions numbering over 2,000, aggregations