

BOOM IN U.S. RETARDED BY SLOW EUROPE

Fundamental Conditions on Steady, Slow Rise.

GAINS ARE NOTED

WASHINGTON, May 1.—An immediate business boom in the United States is unlikely because of Europe's tardy economic reconstruction, but fundamental conditions are much better and there is every reason to believe that they will continue to improve steadily, though slowly.

This was the opinion expressed today by officials of the Department of Commerce, basing their predictions on reports of increased production, more stable prices, and larger export trade.

Improvements in the United States are noted by the Department of Commerce as follows:

1. Textiles—Imports of unmanufactured wool in March showed a steady increase over recent months, the total of 43,071,000 pounds being the largest since the emergency tariff went into effect in April, 1917.

2. Iron and Steel—Total exports in March were the largest since March of last year and there was also a big increase in imports.

3. Nonferrous Metals—With a total of \$8,553,000 pounds, copper exports showed a marked gain over recent months and registered the highest total for any month in nearly two years. Tin and zinc exports were also larger.

4. Automobiles—The production in March was the largest of any month in the year.

5. Fuels—Petroleum industry setting new high records in all directions, stocks amounting to 220,223,000 barrels which is in excess of anything heretofore recorded.

6. Nonmetal—Output larger with prices relatively steady and exports showing a marked increase.

7. Building Material—Production and shipments of lumber, brick and cement, and other materials increased in response to greater volume of construction.

8. Foodstuffs—Remarkable increase in exports of flour, corn, oats, and cold storage products.

9. Coal—Prices, it was stated, seem to be stabilized at an average of about 60 per cent above the pre-war level, the slight increases have been noted. Retail prices, on the other hand, continue to decline. The greatest drop has been in the cost of food, although other items decreased slightly.

WOULD CLOSE SUNDAY SHOWS

Ministers Pass Resolution to Prohibit.

A resolution to appeal to the prosecuting attorney of Marion County to prohibit all Sunday shows, was passed at the regular meeting of the Ministers' Association, C. H. Winders, secretary of the church federation, announced today.

The resolution reads: "Whereas: we, the undersigned voters of Indianapolis and vicinity, believing Sabbath desecration and law violation detrimental to the spiritual and moral development of your sons and daughters."

"Whereas, a close survey of the Sunday movies shows the attendance to be largely persons of junior and intermediate ages, therefore be it

"Resolved, That we appeal to the prosecuting attorney of Marion County to prohibit all Sunday shows."

The resolution was introduced by Mrs. Alice Free, of the Methodist citizenship committee of the W. C. T. U.

Mr. Winders said "that a vote was also passed by the Ministers' Association to make the resolution apply to all commercial shows, which will include the various vaudeville theaters which operate on Sunday and the Oma B. Talbot concern."

Marriage Licenses

Joel D. Thompson, 905 Massachusetts, 27; Atha L. Van Laningham, Oaklawn, 23; Franklyn Smith, 1011 Hillman ave., 28; C. C. Thompson, 1920 E. Pratt, 22; Harry C. Hedges, 16 E. Michigan st., 22; William T. Summitt, Bedford, 36; Ruth A. Cummings, 545 N. Senate ave., 24; Jesus B. Tyree, Beech Grove, 21; Nora Beasley, Beech Grove, 19.

Births

John and Dorothy Jaynes, 3729 Northwester, girl.

David and Lynn Hamilton, 903 Torbet, girl.

Alton and Elsie Jones, 60 Summit, boy.

Harry and Mamie Johnson, 1032½ West New York, girl.

Joseph and Sallie Thurman, 1030 West Walnut, boy.

John and Dessa Mulford, 4453 Winthrop, girl.

Charles and Fannie Tamler, Long Hospital, girl.

John and Little Klotzbier, 1103 Centennial, boy.

Virgil and Mary Valentine, 239 Indiana, boy.

Albert and Elizabeth Macey, Methodist Hospital, girl.

Roger and Myrtle Schaub, Methodist Hospital, girl.

George and Atha Elliott, 830 North Keystone, girl.

Herbert and Evelyn Linn, 730 Cottage, girl.

Moses and Elsie Gandy, 1114 Canal, boy.

Deaths

Infant Ralley, 6 hours, Provident Hospital, premature birth.

James Sheekels, 75, 1922 College, chronic myocardiitis.

Marion A. Waller, 58, 2527 North Wheeler, carcinoma.

Elizabeth P. Speer, 63, 237 North Holmes, apoplexy.

Wade Taylor, 70, City Hospital, cerebral hemorrhage.

Sallie Taylor, 50, 530 Myrtle, chronic bronchitis.

Infant Wilson, 1 hour, No. 2 Madison

High, premature birth.

Myrtle Smith, 32, 411 Toledo, acute myocarditis.

Gretchen Myers, 5 months, 1637 Ashland, bronchitis.

Louisa Bodenmiller, 54, 333 Broadway, arterio sclerosis.

William Schmidt, 54, city hospital, fracture of skull.

Catherine Hogan, 92, 620 East Vermont, chronic myocardiitis.

Kathryn O'Connell, 44, 906 Stillwell, pulmonary.

W. C. Dale Horner, 10 days, 1317 Gillette, catarrhal pneumonia.

Herbert G. Spellman, 33, 2333 North Pennsylvania, apoplexy.

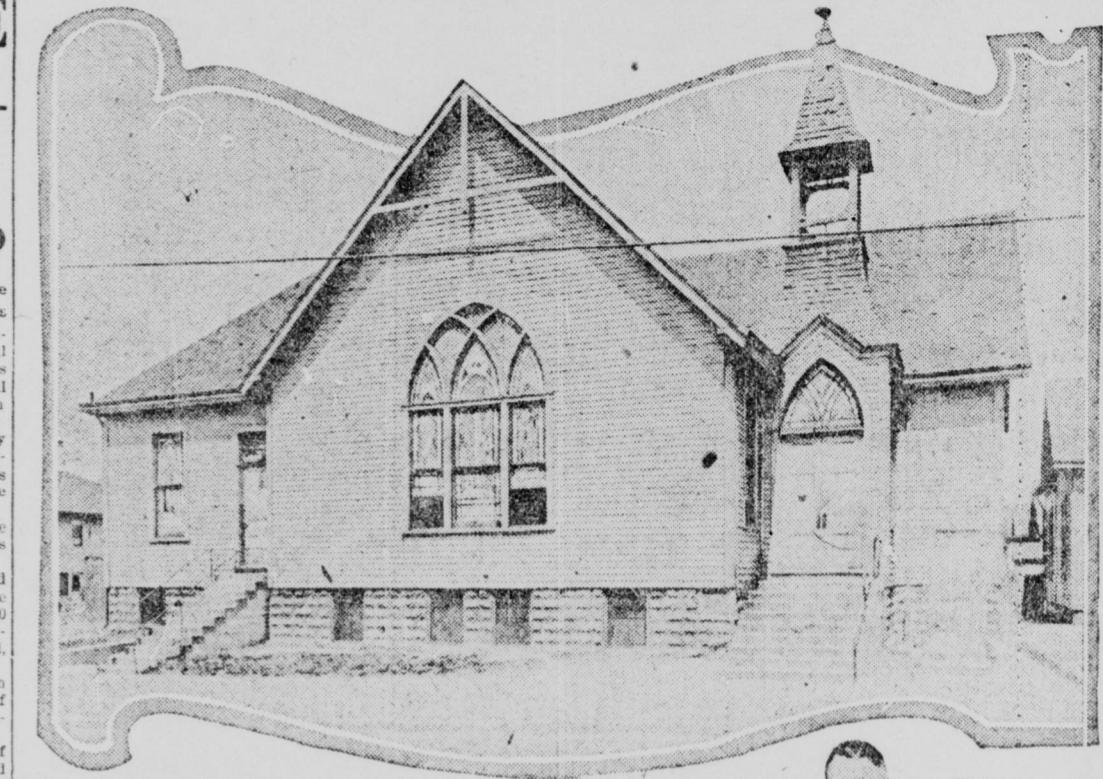
John J. O'Daniel, 71, 230 West Twelfth, cerebral apoplexy.

Ethel Henke, 20, city hospital, pulmonary tuberculosis.

Henry McCool, 76, 1415 Spann, lobar pneumonia.

Hettie Vorhe Bennett, 62, 19½ Butler, acute dilation of heart.

Warns Parents Not to Give Boy Bad Name; Heart to Heart Talk by Dr. Robertson



CHARACTERS IN BIBLE PROVE DIVINE SOURCE

Major Hites Tells Tabernacle Audience Others Lack Inspiration.

One of the greatest proofs of the divinity of the Bible is the fact that it always tells the truth about the characters which march across its pages, declared Major E. P. Hites at Café Tabernacle.

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"There is only one spotless, sinless life recorded on its pages, and the world by common consent admits that He was more Divine than human. All the rest of the characters in the Bible are speckled, victims of human frailty and guilt of many wrongs," said Major Hites.

At the evening services Major Hites declared real estate would not be worth 20 cents on a dollar if it were not for the churches in a city. "Many of them are leaders, others are doing a great good, good work for God and neither life nor property would be safe without them."

Sermons and singing of the Gipsy Smith choir at the tabernacle are being broadcasted by wireless. Messages of appreciation are coming from all parts of the country.

PROPHESIES WORLD RULE BY GOD'S WILL

At a time when police, militia and laws of man will no longer be needed and the world will be ruled by the will of God expressed in the hearts of mankind was prophesied last night in a sermon "Christian Anarchy" by the Rev. G. H. Gebhardt, pastor of the Central Avenue Methodist.

"Statutory laws are futile in bringing about the end of crime. The devil laughs at the laws on our statute books," avared the Rev. Mr. Gebhardt. "Many times we laugh with him. Laws which ought to be sacred and inviolate to us are broken every day. The human race will go on through the whole category of sin until the heart of stone in the human body is changed to that of God's love."

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DR. TAYLOR SPEAKS ABOUT "REDEMPTION"

There were some persons who did not believe Christ would come the first time. He came on earth and there are some who ask if He will come again, said Dr. Frederick E. Taylor, pastor of the First Baptist Church, in a sermon "Redemption" last night.

Dr. Taylor expressed belief that Christ would come again.

AMERICA NEEDS SIMPLER STANDARDS

That America needs to learn that happiness and security rest upon purity of thought and simplicity of life instead of over extravagance and sensual indulgence, was the assertion of Dr. Matthew J. Hites, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, in his sermon "Simplicity versus Splendor," delivered Sunday.

Dr. Hites said that in our educational, our amusements, in all phases of life, a return to simpler standards of life was necessary.

"Let him know that the real riches of life are the riches of a Christ like character, where all but the chosen few ever come to the poor and the professed ever to be the same. There is but one church that lays claim to an infallible authority which must be heard and obeyed. There is but one church, search where you will, that calls all mankind as Christ did, rich and poor, old and young, black and white, to repent, to turn at her feet and learn from her and not from private opinion. That church is the Catholic Church. That church in all times and in all ages has

God. The church is the place where the knowledge is put into practice because the church is a place of worship.

"The Sunday School which does not urge church attendance and does not add to the number of worshippers is positively harmful to the cause of Christ. Sixty per cent of Sunday School scholars are not held to the church. A child reared to go to Sunday School and to stay away to church is not held to the values of the church and the kingdom of Christ when he reaches mature years than the child reared to go to church although they should be one church, but that each one is to believe as suits him best, and the more suits the better for Christianity.

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Dr. Hites declared that one of the greatest lessons that a child has to learn is to have confidence in his parents.

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