

# PRICES DECLINING SLOWLY BUT SURELY, SAYS U.S. CHAMBER

WASHINGTON, Sept. 1.—Business and industrial conditions during the remainder of the calendar year will be marked by a "definite trend to a somewhat lower level of prices," according to a semi-annual report upon crops and business given out here by the United States Chamber of Commerce.

The committee which prepared the report added that the general financial opinion in the country was that the readjustment would be accomplished without "financial disorder or any sudden financial calamity."

"Tight money, unrest of labor, the loosened bonds in some phases of social life, the Russian-Poland war and the high cost of necessities are enumerated as disturbing business factors, but, in the opinion of the committee, there is no need for the country to become panicky over any of these matters."

"Amid all the cross-currents and eddies of the industrial situation a definite trend seems to be slowly developing toward a gradually increasing gain of supply upon demand and a somewhat lower level of prices," the committee reported. "Here and there mills have shut down. Here and there they are running at reduced time. It is a scattered and local matter rather than a general proposition."

"The automobile industry seems to be headed toward somewhat lessened output. Also the jewelry business in New England is slowing down. Contrarywise, paper mills are busy and full of orders. Equally is this true of the metal lines."

**Mines Are at Variance.**  
"Whether mining is busy and prosperous or the reverse, depends upon the nature of the metal. Gold mining still suffers from high cost of production and the stationary price of gold. Silver mining feels the effect of the decline in the price of silver. The price of zinc is low and the demand not equal to the possibilities of supply. Lead is higher because of increased demand. Copper is dull because of a supply not yet disposed of. Iron mining is good. Phosphate mines in the South are doing well after many lean years."

"Contraction in financial credits has put 'wild catting' in the oil regions out of business, which makes business there dull because supplies for drilling oil wells are no longer called for."

"Construction and building have slowed down because of high prices and scarcity of both labor and material."

"Coal mining as usual has its flock of troubles—strikes and lack of cars being the principal ones."

**Big Crops Promised.**

"The promise now, and it is almost fulfilled, is for 3,000,000,000 bushels of corn 800,000,000 bushels of wheat, winter and spring, and for a cotton yield of about 12,500,000 bales. Cotton, however, is not a safe reckoning as yet. There will be more oats than last year, and more tobacco which is everywhere good—more potatoes—more rice about the largest crop on record. More sugar, both cane and beet, and especially a crop of such proportions as should have a marked effect in reducing the cost of livestock, and of dairy and poultry products."

"From every state and every section comes the complaint of the lack of cars as the greatest of all handicaps to the transaction of business and one of the moving causes of the continuance of high prices."

## Suburban

WEBSTER, Ind.—Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Plankenhorn, with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Weber, of Richmond, motored to New Castle, and other points, Sunday. Mr. Marvin Hunt, Mr. Russell Plankenhorn, Mr. Ralph Austerman, Mr. Paul Austerman, attended the Greenville fair, Wednesday. Those shopping in Richmond, Saturday were: Mr. and Mrs. Al. Irvin, Miss Minnie Irvin, Lorain Bond, Mr. Joe Parrish, Mrs. Steve Parrish, daughter, Helen Harper, Mr. and Mrs. Cleo Culbertson and family, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Baldwin, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Baeson, so Norman, and daughter, Mary Elma, attended Chautauqua Thursday evening, and heard "Strick" Gillilan. Mr. Walter Culbertson spent Friday at Richmond. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Palmer of Fountain City, visited Mr. and Mrs. Nate Willis recently. Mr. and Mrs. "Bud" Demaree and son, Carl, attended the closing-out sale of all the property of the late Henry Daugherty of near Sugar Grove, Wednesday. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Hollingsworth, Mrs. Edna Plankenhorn and son, Russell, of near Fountain City, called on Mrs. Charles Hollingsworth, Thursday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Archilles Mason attended the Mason reunion, held at Muncie, last Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Nowlin Brumfield, Mr. and Mrs. Marion Brumfield, attended the Brumfield reunion, held at Muncie, last Sunday. Miss Ida Plankenhorn spent Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Nina Tice. Mr. Jake Markle is visiting relatives in Davis county. Mr. and Mrs. "Bud" Demaree and son, Carl, and Mrs. Turman, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Turman, of near Centerville. Mr. and Mrs. Cleo Culbertson entertained at Sunday dinner for Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Mundell and daughter, Mary; Mr. and Mrs. Dickson and son, John Allison, from Indianapolis; Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Hiatt, of Economy; Miss Mabel Gibson, of Connersville. Afternoon callers were: Mr. and Mrs. Jake Robbins and son, Robert, of Richmond. Several from this vicinity attended the Chautauqua, Sunday.

ABINGTON, Ind.—Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Higgins and daughter, Effie, are visiting relatives in Shelby county. Miss Mildred Smoker is visiting relatives at Muncie. Mr. and Mrs. William Smoker are visiting relatives in New York. Mr. and Mrs. Willard Cook visited Thursday evening with Mr. and Mrs. James Jarrett and family. A werner roast was enjoyed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Weiss Thursday evening. After supper cards and dancing were enjoyed until a late hour. Those present were: Miss Eleanor Westendorf of Jewish hospital, Cincinnati, O.; Miss Julia Huber, of St. Elizabeth hospital, Indianapolis; Miss Marie Weiss, Miss Carrie Huber, Miss Jeanette Merkamp, Miss Hilda Weiss, Miss Mary Huber, Miss Helen Swegman, Miss Brusher, Miss Marcel Westendorf, Miss Matilda Weiss,

# IS OFFICER FAY'S HUSBAND, FIANCE, OR JUST FRIEND?



Fay Bainter.

When Fay Bainter, the popular actress, returned from Europe a few days ago, Lieut. Com. Venable, U. S. N., turned the U. S. destroyer Ingraham into an unofficial escort to her as the Olympic, on which the actress was a passenger, steamed up New York harbor. He further broke the rules by boarding the Olympic before it docked without permission from the officer of the port. "They are married," said friends of the couple. "We are engaged," said Venable. "We are only good friends," said Miss Bainter.

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CAMPBELLSTOWN, O.—Born to John McGill and wife, nee Marie Gartland, on Saturday a baby boy, who has been named John Francis. Mrs. Sarah Gard entertained the following at dinner Sunday: Will Riley and



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wife, J. S. McDivitt and family, Celia Gard and family and Mrs. Sallie Gard. J. S. McDivitt and family moved to their new home at Coldwater, Mercer county, Tuesday. Quite a number from this place attended Pama Grange at Greenbush, Saturday. Heber O'Hara accompanied by the following boys attended the ball game at Cincinnati, Sunday: Nathan Sorrel, of Dixon township; Stanley Meeks, of near Eaton; Charles Bunch; Charles Erman; Edmund Arnold and Emerson Ross. Harry Frith and wife and Miss Mary House and Roy are delegates to the Miami Conference now in session.

GREENSBURG, Ind.—Mr. and Mrs. Russell Grubbs returned Sunday to their home after a two weeks' visit near Traverse City, Mich. with their friends, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Shugart. Jesse Bird and mother spent Sunday at Glenwood. Miss Iva Nicholson is seriously ill with acute indigestion and appendicitis. Mr. and Mrs. Albert Cranor spent Sunday at Cambridge City. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ulery and children, of Connersville, are visiting relatives here. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sanders returned to their home here Saturday evening after spending several months with Seth Sanders. Eugene Davis returned today from Chicago, where he visited his brother for several weeks. Mrs. Reece, mother of Mrs. Everette Tip-ton, returned to her home at Burlington, Monday. Donald Gause is quite ill. Miss Edith Smith spent Monday here. Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Bonn and daughter, of Fountain City, spent Monday afternoon here.

WINCHESTER, Ind.—Suit for damages has been filed by Hoad Rex vs. the Union City Wheel Company. Suit for change of name in the matter of D. G. McFadden Grain company, petitioners. The fifth annual reunion of the Mosier-Brooks families will be held in the Elmer Franklin grove, on Monday, Sept. 6. The McIntire family reunion will be held at Mills Lake, on Tuesday, Sept. 7. The 27th annual reunion of Company A, 84th Indiana Volunteer Infantry, will be held at Mills Lake, on Friday, Sept. 3.

Real Estate Transfers.—Roy M. Lindsey to Francis E. Denton, 36 acres, Monro township, W. D., \$6,300. Clarence Muckenfus to Jerry Skull, lot 11, Evans addition, Saratoga, W. D., \$1,150. Harvey Harris to Theodore Cox, 57 acres, White River township, W. D., \$1.

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# WOMAN IS PALMER'S NEWEST ASSISTANT



Miss Ethel Donahue.

Miss Ethel Donahue, of Hartford, Conn., is the latest woman appointee to a responsible government position. She has been made special assistant to Attorney General Palmer in charge of admiralty matters. Her appointment followed closely that of Mrs. Annette A. Adams as assistant attorney general.

Fountain City, Ind., Saturday. Miss Christian Morgan is spending this week with Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Coblenz and other relatives of New Paris. Mr. Omer Coppock and family spent Friday night with Mr. and Mrs. Noah Richards. Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Thompson and Mr. Jesse Thomas and family of Indianapolis were week-end guests of Mr. Charles Thomas and family. Mr. and Mrs. Mood Welch and daughter, Wilma, Misses Ida Platt, and Mary Morgan were Richmond visitors Sunday.

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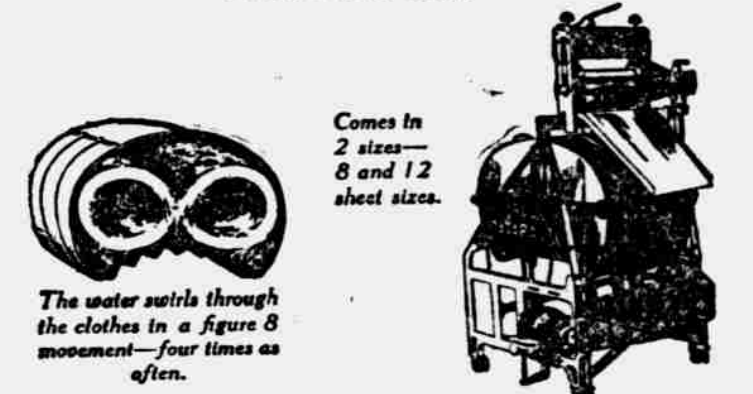
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