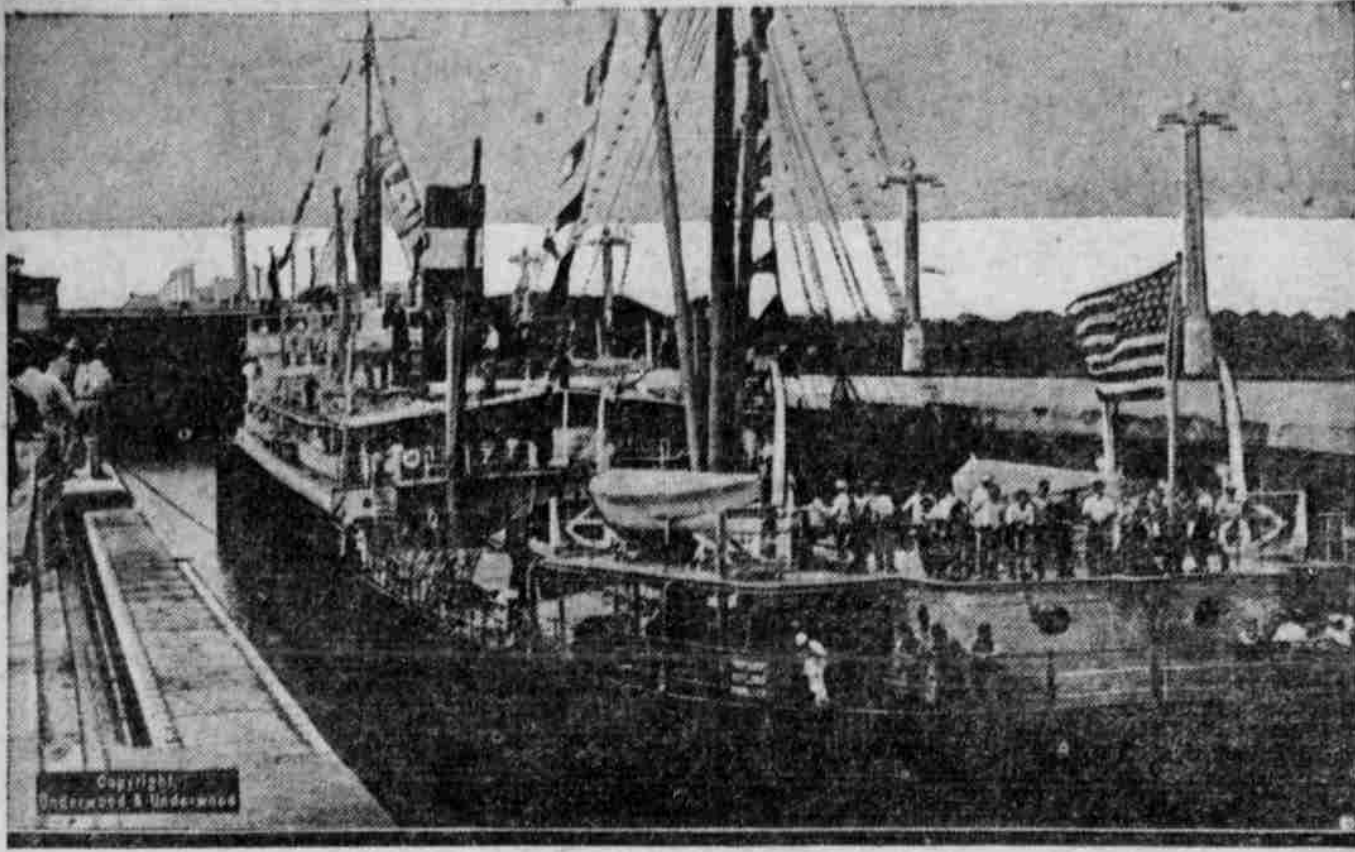


MAKING TEST TRIP THROUGH PANAMA CANAL



The steamship Cristobal, which had the honor of being the first commercial vessel to pass through the Panama canal in continuous course, as she appeared in the middle lock at Gatun on the test trip from ocean to ocean and return.

FARMERS AT FAULT

Food Problem Up to Them, Says Charles G. Dawes.

Chicago Banker in Address Says Underproduction and Not Conspiracy is the Real Cause of the Exorbitant Prices of Commodities.

Chicago.—Defending Chicago packers, farmers, grocers and business men against charges of conspiracy to increase the cost of living, Charles G. Dawes, president of the Central Trust company, pleaded here for increased production and consequent prosperity as the most effective means of lowering the price of foodstuffs.

"When food supplies are endangered," said Mr. Dawes, "high prices



Charles G. Dawes.

encourage economy and discourage waste at home. When men and women are starving in distant countries, the incentive to those on this side of the ocean to increase the food supply to ship to them is high prices.

"In a great emergency like this, when we confront a world-wide scarcity of food, it goes without saying that extortion is criminal and that there are times when the strong hand of authority—even military authority—may seek properly to interfere with the law of supply and demand.

"But it is well to remember that in this country, at this time, there exists no real grievance against those who suddenly find their food products in hand of greater value.

"When we really face monopolistic extortion in food supplies, then we may be sure that a remedy for it will be found; but at present it seems to me that our sympathies should rather be with those wise women who, the other day, suggested economy in the use and selection of food than with those who seek to turn us against our packers, farmers, grocers and other business men as responsible for our present range of prices, which are beyond their control and determined by world-wide, and not simply by local, conditions.

"Instead of at present demanding that individuals be held criminally and personally responsible for the existence of the law of supply and demand let us turn our efforts toward lowering prices by increasing production and prepare to make the most of a great prosperity which should soon be upon us as a nation.

"Before prosperity will dawn the disturbed conditions of international credit and shipping must be corrected; but this will occur inevitably and early under the pressure of overwhelming necessity. That the United States faces an era of prosperity, I firmly believe, for the following reasons:

"1. Prior to the outbreak of the European war the United States, during the year 1913, passed through one of the most drastic liquidations of credit in its history. A reaction to prosperity being naturally due, the effect of

the European war, in my judgment, will be to accelerate it.

"2. This great liquidation of credits in 1913 has been accompanied by retrenchment in the expenses of carrying on business. Our solvent business institutions were never in better condition to take on new business, and never more alert to get it.

"3. By the new federal reserve bank system, the credit facilities of the country, which for the moment are restricted, will be greatly increased, as compared with the past.

"4. We have a great crop, which has never been needed more by the world. We need not fear that it will be long delayed in reaching market.

"5. When our competitors in manufacturing turn their energies into fighting instead of forging and producing, the field of South America and the Orient is open for the first time to the American business man on an advantageous basis. American international banking may own its practical foundation to this war.

"6. The stoppage of the supply of specialized articles from European markets will stimulate the creation of new industries here."

GIRLS FLEE FROM SHARKS

Big Fish, Frightened by Warships' Guns, Invade Bathing Beach at Bayside, Long Island.

New York.—Either through the fact that several battleships and cruisers are raising the mischief outside or that the usual portion of refuse from transatlantic vessels is missing since the war forced vessels to desert the usual track, a drove of sharks made their way into the Little Neck bay at Bayside, Long Island.

It was the first time that sharks were ever found in these waters, and more than 100 bathers, mostly girls, women and children, made a hasty retreat to the shore. None of the sharks was more than eight feet in length, but Arthur King, sixteen years old, who was seated on the piling some distance from shore when the first shark was sighted, had a different yarn to tell.

He had gone out to the piling in his bathing suit for a sunning when the master of the school swished his tail and made a circle of the place he occupied. Later when young King was rescued, with teeth chattering, he said the sharks were at least 100 feet long.

As a result of the invasion there will be ample room for bathing at that point for the next few days.

SOCIAL LEADER AT CAPITAL

Mrs. Martin E. Trench One of Leading Hostesses in Army and Navy Circles at Washington.

Washington.—Mrs. Martha E. Trench, wife of Commander Trench, United



Mrs. Martin E. Trench.

States navy, is one of the leaders in Washington and is well-known for her hospitalities.

TABOO LIQUOR HABIT

Foreign Drinks Not Likely to Affect the Chinese.

Will Not Take Place of Prohibited Opium—More Danger in China From Cheap Drug Substitutes Than Liquor.

Shanghai, China.—In these days of opium suppression in China a good deal of capital is made by interested parties out of a fear that the Chinese will turn to spirits when the drug cannot be obtained. The white man may be responsible for introducing spirits to the natives of Africa and other continents, but he certainly cannot be called to account for their use in China. In short, China taught the white man the use of spirits; the natives of this country have manufactured spirits from time immemorial.

Recent reports in home newspapers show that a large number of people in Great Britain and America are much exercised in mind over an alleged conspiracy to inflict on China, which is making such strenuous efforts to get rid of the curse of opium, the debasing vice of excess in the use of alcohol.

But, if it be true that the Chinese are buying spirits from foreign countries in larger quantities, which is open to question, it must be remembered that they possess an immense variety of intoxicating liquors. Any Chinese may set up a distillery and sell its products without let or hindrance. So plentiful and cheap is the native article that the equivalent of two cents will buy enough "samshu" at a street corner to bowl over a navy. It is claimed by foreigners who ought to know that to this day the distillery apparatus in a highland "bothy" is the exact counterpart of that in use in a Chinese "chiufang."

China's millions are too poor to become a nation of drunkards, especially on imported liquors. The natives of this country have their own wines and spirits. Those who can afford to drink wine take it at meals, and even the poor find it cheaper than their favorite fat pork. No feast is complete without wine; at marriages and funerals it flows freely. Yet one seldom sees a drunken Chinese, and court records have little acquaintance with the "drunk and disorderly."

It may be objected that even foreign spirits would be cheaper than opium at its present price. The reply is that the poor man does not use the original drug; he gets cheap scrapings from pipes and what is called dross, but even that in very small quantities.

At feasts and other celebrations the Chinese indulge in a game in which one hand is kept behind the back and the other closed. The closed fist is brought smartly forward and one, two or more fingers exposed. If A shows two fingers and B is calling for two then B suffers a penalty; if A is wrong he has to pay a forfeit. Among rich Chinese I have seen the loser suffer the penalty of drinking a "peg" of whisky neat. But this custom prevailed centuries ago, excepting that samshu was then universally used. It must not be forgotten in this connection that the players usually withdraw when they have suffered the penalty once or twice.

There is no reason to suppose that the Chinese will become a nation of drunkards. In a decade in this country I have not seen ten drunken men in the streets. In China, even at feasts, when men begin to get "red in the face" they withdraw. The real danger in China at the moment is that drug fiends are hunting for a substitute for opium. Hence the attempt to regulate the traffic in morphia and so-called opium "cures." The Hongkong government is doing a noble work in this direction and China herself has realized the danger that threatens her. The class of man who seeks oblivion in opium will not turn from a sensual dreamland to that which will upset his stomach and give him a violent headache for days.

VALLEY OF THE RHINE

Dreamy Legends of Quaint Show Places Therein.

Dusseldorf, Mainz, Cologne, Bonn, Andernach, Bingen, and Coblenz Visited by American Tourists—Bonn Laziest City.

London.—The Rhine valley is one of the most beautiful in all the world. Its high banks are covered with flourishing vineyards with the top surmounted by old castles that have many stories and legends clinging to them. The valley between Dusseldorf and Mainz is the part that is most patronized by tourists, and steamers run between these two points, making many stops.

The trip is delightful either in summer or in winter. In summer it is ideal to sit lazily on the deck and watch the hills and castles and towns floating by, says Mary Ethel McAuley in Pittsburgh Dispatch. The warm sun makes one sleepy and dreamy, and when the Lorelei rock is reached



Bacharach and Bridge at Bonn.

you can see, for sure, the maiden seated on the top of the rock combing her long golden hair.

But in winter time the trip is equally delightful. All the sides of the boat are inclosed in glass and the heat from the engines makes it seem like summer. Then the steamers are deserted and one has room to move around. In summer time the steamers are so crowded that if you once are fortunate enough to get a seat you must hang on to it for dear life, for there is always some one standing by ready to grab it.

Last winter when we made the trip there were only six passengers besides ourselves. It was one of the most beautiful days I have ever spent. It was clear, a rare thing in the Rhine valley, and we could see all over the hills without the aid of glasses. The dinner was just as good as they serve in summer, but not quite so stylish. In summer the Rhine steamers have great competes on their tables. They are marvelous silver arrangements of many stories. On the top are raisins, next nuts, next cake and last fruit. They are so heavy and high that no one but a German steward could manipulate them successfully.

All the time the steamer keeps stopping to take on and discharge passengers. If one has only a few days to spend on the Rhine it is hard to decide where to stop, there are so many delightful places to visit—Dusseldorf, Cologne, Bonn, Andernach, Bingen, Mainz and Coblenz. Most of the tourists start at Cologne, for every one who visits Germany must see the cathedral there, and it deserves all the admiration that is bestowed upon it. For there it stands with its two great towers soaring into the air, majestic, solemn and perfect. Its dark interior is dimly lighted by wonderful stained glass windows whose diffused yellow, red and blue light serves only to add to the mysterious darkness of its corners.

Near the cathedral is the little restaurant made famous by Jessie Fothergill's book "The First Violin." It is the place where Eugene, the hero, is supposed to have taken Mae, the English girl, for dinner, when they first met in Cologne.

The first important town below Cologne is Bonn, famous as the birthplace of Beethoven. The house in which he was born is still standing and has been converted into a museum. It contains many relics of the composer, and the room where he was born remains unaltered. The University of Bonn is one of the oldest and most aristocratic in Germany, for here it is that the royal princes are educated.

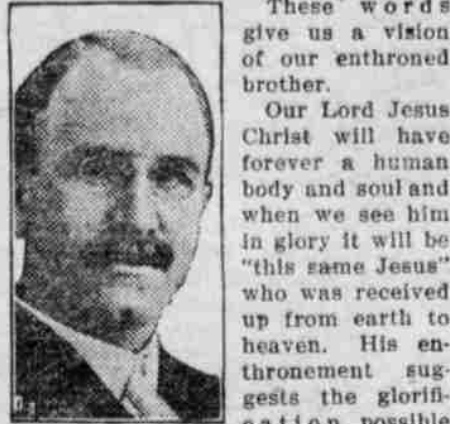
The parks of Bonn are wonderful. They are situated right in the heart of the city and are filled with beautiful flowers. The living here is very cheap. Our room at a moderate sized hotel only cost us 37 cents apiece for a night. It was well furnished, spotlessly clean, and contained running water, both hot and cold.

Bonn has long been considered the laziest city in the world. The story goes that three loafers went to sleep one day in a field. After seven years the first woke up and exclaimed, "Pretty day." Seven years passed, when the second yawned and said: "Yes." Seven more years passed when the third rolled over and murmured, "Why can't you let a fellow sleep?"

Christ at the Right Hand of God

By REV. L. W. GOSNELL, Assistant to Dean Moody Bible Institute, Chicago

TEXT—"He was received up into heaven, and sat on the right hand of God." Mark 16:19.



These words give us a vision of our enthroned brother.

Our Lord Jesus Christ will have forever a human body and soul and when we see him in glory it will be "this same Jesus" who was received up from earth to heaven. His enthronement suggests the glorification possible for humanity. Our bodies are now in humiliation and grow weary and ill; but they shall be made like unto the body of his glory—wondrous thought!

The vision assures us of Christ's sympathy. He is touched with a feeling of our infirmities, having been in all points tempted as we are, apart from sin.

Though now ascended up on high, He bends on earth a brother's eye; Partaker of the human name He knows the frailty of our frame.

Our entrance to heaven is secured. Joseph's rude brothers were out of place in the palace of Pharaoh, but because Joseph was on the throne they were soon set at ease. Christ is not ashamed to call us brethren and we shall be "at home" with the Lord.

Our Resting Savior. Christ "sat" on the right hand of God, for the work of atonement was done. Other men die feeling their work is incomplete, but he could cry "It is finished." Mr. J. Hudson Taylor, when a boy, picked up a tract in which he noted the words, "the finished work of Christ." He saw that he had nothing to do but accept the gift of salvation and praise God; and in a moment he was saved. Will you not do likewise?

Bishop Moule and a party of friends stood one night in the Coliseum and thought of the countless martyrs who there had died for Christ. By the light of the moon he read the closing words of Romans 8: "Who is he that condemneth? It is Christ that died, yea rather, that is risen again, who is even at the right hand of God, who also maketh intercession for us. Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? . . . Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us. For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord."

Our Mighty Helper. The verse following the text reads, "And they went forth, and preached everywhere, the Lord working with them, and confirming the word with signs following." Christ does not sit idly on his throne; but, as Stephen saw him "standing" on the right hand of God, he rises to help his people. The Gospels tell us what Jesus "began to do and teach," and he is still doing and teaching. If tempted to doubt whether the Lord is among us, let us recall how he shook Christendom by a miner's son, Martin Luther; and launched the modern missionary movement through a shoemaker, William Carey.

"But this man, after he had offered one sacrifice for sins forever, sat down on the right hand of God; from henceforth expecting till his enemies be made his footstool" (Hebrews 10:12, 13). He shall come to reign at last. In that day, the church will share his glories as his own bride. Israel will be restored and be a channel of blessing to all nations. Wars and oppression will cease and the streets of the city shall be full of boys and girls playing in the streets thereof. "The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid; and the calf and the young lion and the falling together; and a little child shall lead them. And the cow and the bear shall feed; their young ones shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. And the sucking child shall play on the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put his hand on the cockatrice's den. They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain; for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord, as the waters cover the seas" (Isaiah 11:6-9). "A blind girl said she loved the Book of Revelation the best, and especially the last three chapters, since the twentieth shows Satan bound, the twenty-first shows the Lamb married and the twenty-second shows Christ reigning.

And hear this wondrous word: "To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcome, and am set down with my father in his throne" (Rev. 3:21).

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