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"Ukraine" means border land. The Ukrainians are known as little Russians in Russia and as Ruthenians in Austria and Hungary. There are about 34,000,000. They have asserted their right to independent existence for centuries. They claim that they own the land from the Carpathians to the Caucasus, extending well north into Russia, including part of Russia and Austria Galicia and part of Russian and Austrian Galicia and part of what is known as Russian Poland. When the Poles were conquered by the Russians, the Ukrainians became subject to Russia, but they have never lost their racial sense.

The bearing of the prince of Wales all through the war has won him the admiration, respect, and affection of the British peoples, here and overseas. We need not enlarge upon this, for every one knows what to say so is, no courtly form of words. The prince will go to the overseas countries of the empire when the time comes with the unique advantage of having seen with his own eyes the shining qualities—revealed during the ultimate test of character—of races that make up the empire. He will go, too, for his own instruction and enlightenment, as the king said frankly of him last year when he foreshadowed his visit.

A new company has been formed in Naples, under the name, "Transbalcanica Italiana," with the object of bringing about direct railway connection between Rome and Constantinople. The proposed route is Otranto, Valona, Monastir, Salonica, Serres, Drama, Zanth and Dimitio. Only the line, Valona-Monastir, is to be newly built; all the other lines are existing. Otranto will be connected with Valona, across the Straits of Otranto, some 50 miles by large ferry steamers. The line it hopes will strengthen Italy's influence in Albania and the Balkan states.

It is difficult to realize, but it is none the less true, that the Russian coast of Russia, which the allied troops recently occupied, is as far north as King William land, where Sir John Franklin and his men abandoned the Erebus and the Terror. But the gulf stream makes all the climatic difference. For that reason it is possible for Quebec to be much farther south than London, and Boston and New York to be on the parallels of latitude of Spain and yet have winters of great severity.

Physically, Poch is a little man, his inches are about those of Napoleon's, and he has Grant's fondness for the cigar. Like Joffre, a southerner, he has a commanding speech which his old admirer has never displayed. Unlike Pétain his words are rarely caustic and he has made friends among all his allies. An old man, close to 70, yet younger than Clemenceau, he was still handsome when the war began, but the strain has marked his face and only his eyes reveal an unshaken spirit.

Farming communities should organize "community spraying circles," the agriculture department recommends. A man with a team, under the management, makes the circle of all farms in the vicinity fighting destructive plant diseases. In one New York state community, the department reports, the average spraying cost per acre, for the entire season, under the plan was as low as 65 cents, while the cost of one application per acre averaged 18 cents.

Sergeants J. J. Delaney and M. J. McCabe, of Chicago, thought that through an open window they heard a man carrying on a conversation with a graphophone, consisting of Hoch der Kaiser, "Ho, Kaiser!" They investigated and found Leo Daninger teaching a pet parrot. Leo was placed in jail and the parrot was taught to sing "Three Cheers for the Red White and Blue" by Delaney.

A factory for the making of army uniforms, connected with the Schuyler-kill arsenal, Philadelphia, and recently opened, is modern in every way, containing lunch, rest and recreation rooms, welfare work and a hospital. Only women are employed and they can earn from \$12 to \$30 a week.

To demonstrate that knitting is not exclusively a girl's pastime, the fifth grade boys of the Brook school, Philadelphia, have made a large quilt of many colored knitted squares under the direction of their teacher, Miss Marion Huneviller, and presented it to the surgical ward of the naval hospital.

Opals have a tendency to work loose from their settings more than any other precious stone, and the explanation is that these stones are more susceptible to heat than any other. As the stone expands it forces open the prongs by which it is held.

The first New Yorkers to "cross the big pond" to Europe were two sons of an Indian chief, Bicus Aris, who sailed away to the Netherlands in 1611 by Adriaen Block, the Dutch navigator, who later became one of New Amsterdam's "first" citizens.

Before the war Argentina used her 30,000,000 head of cattle for meat, hides, bones and as draft oxen and imported her dairy products. Now Argentina not only supplies her own dairy demands, but also exports huge quantities of cheese.

It is announced that the Marconi Company will build the largest wireless station in the world near Buenos Aires. The power of the new station will be 11,000 kilowatts, and three towers will be erected, each the size of the Eiffel tower.

Mrs. Thomas Logan Elwyn, captain of the Philadelphia motor messengers, has been appointed a member of the national board of the Red Cross transportation bureau since the messengers joined the latter organization.

More accidents occur in New York city on Saturday than any other day of the week. This is attributed by the police to the fact that there being no school on Saturday, so many children play in the streets.

There are 30 varieties of hawbees. Some of these trees grow two feet in 24 hours, shooting up at this rate for 150 feet.

A fortune of jewels is buried with the sacred white elephants of Siam when they die and a very elaborate funeral is given them.

A fireplace grate made of tubing through which water can be circulated to distribute heat about a room, has been patented.

The Norwegian mile is the longest—12,182 yards. The shortest is the Chinese—some 650 yards.

The production of copper in the United States has increased more than 25 fold since 1880.

LANGUAGE QUESTION IS BOTHERSOME ONE

Nebraska State Council of Defense Hears of Abuses of Its Orders on Matter.

Lincoln, Neb., Sept. 20.—The hearing before the Americanization commission now in session at the state house for the purpose of threshing out the foreign language question in the state is productive of sensations. Professor Brommer, of Hampton, president of the German Lutheran Synod of Missouri in Nebraska, declared that mob law in the name of the president of the United States had been used to prevent the preaching of sermons in the German language, that schools and churches had been broken into and meetings disturbed, that county councils of defense had forbidden the use of German in the churches in several counties, preachers threatened by mob law if they did not comply with the request of the state council of defense, that German Lutherans have been branded as disloyal by one person in authority.

Chairman W. V. Allen of the commission, announced that as judge of the district court he will punish to the full extent of the law any one guilty of inciting a mob.

Professor Brommer said that many old people in the churches had not and could not learn English, but they have been good citizens and have given their money and their sons to the war. These feel that they have been mistreated. With tears in their eyes they have told of being deprived of the consolation of religious instruction in their mother tongue.

"Preachers are commanded by the law of God to preach, and what are we to do?" he asked.

"Preach," said Rev. John Williams, venerable pastor of an Episcopalian church of Omaha for many years, and a member of the commission.

"We don't want to disobey the law of God or any law of the state," said the professor.

"There is no such state law," said Chris Grunther, another member of the commission.

"I know," answered the professor. "It is a request, but we are told public sentiment is against foreign languages. We have been threatened with mob if we do use it. You have no idea how we are treated. It is because we are Lutherans and because we are German that Walther, a home guard, appointed as a committeeman, came to the church and in the name of the president of the United States demanded that the preacher quit his sermon in German. We were pointed out last year by person as disloyal and every Tom, Dick and Harry feels at liberty to throw stones at us."

"The Americanization commission has no desire to require the use of English for those people who do not understand it," said Chris Grunther. "Some county councils of defense have made that mistake. We do not intend to try to prevent people from hearing the word of God or receiving religious instruction in any language except the one best understood. We do not think the state council of defense has any such desire. We want to unify the people and give everybody a square deal." Mr. Grunther is a native German.

Professor Sara Hrbkova, teacher of foreign languages in the University of Nebraska, said that as a war measure discrimination should be made against enemy country languages. Professor Hrbkova is a Bohemian.

PRIEST AT CREIGHTON FORFEITS HIS BOND

Norfolk, Neb., Sept. 20.—Rev. Father W. D. Windholm, of Creighton, Neb., charged with seditious remarks by the government and indicted recently by the grand jury at Omaha, arrived at Norfolk today on his bondsman's surety. He appeared in federal court here to face the charges filed against him. Rev. Father Windholm's bonds were formally forfeited shortly after court opened, and his friends who had gathered in court to hear the testimony were all adrift.

When the criminal docket was called and Rev. Father Windholm failed to respond to his name the district attorney moved that the bonds be forfeited. The United States marshal was ordered to start forfeiture proceedings and he called for Rev. Father Windholm, after which he publicly called upon the bondsman to bring in the body of the defendant.

Friends of Rev. Father Windholm announced that the defendant had been told by his attorneys that he would not be necessary for him to appear on the first day of court. A telephone message to him announcing that his bonds had been forfeited started him hurrying to Norfolk. It was indicated that the court would be asked to waive the forfeiture of the bonds because of the misunderstanding between client and counsel.

BROTHER TESTIFIES AGAINST ANOTHER

Fremont, Neb., Sept. 20.—The trial of Fred Langwisch and Fred Borcharding, Winslow business men, on charges of sedition, is on in district court. Martin Borcharding, brother of one of the defendants, came from Port Omaha, Nebraska, to attend the trial and to testify against the two defendants. Private Borcharding reported the case when he came to Fremont to enlist six weeks ago. Another brother, August Borcharding, Winslow, is one of the principal witnesses. The defendants are charged with saying "this is a rich man's war" and that "the United States has no right to send her ships across the ocean after Germany had told her to keep off."

HIGH SCHOOLERS IN BAD AUTO WRECK

Auburn, Neb., Sept. 20.—George Stuff, a high school boy of this city, was killed and Paul Elliot and Gladys Sellers are expected to die, while a young girl, whose name was not given, was injured in an automobile accident. The car was a Buick and was driven by a man named Julian about 9:30 Sunday night.

All of the parties involved in the accident are residents of Auburn and are high school students here.

RESTRICT BUILDING WORK IN NEBRASKA

Lincoln, Neb., Sept. 20.—Acting in accordance with orders from the war industries board of the national council of defense, the state council has put a further check on non-essential industries in Nebraska during the period of the war. Five classes of construction projects are permitted to be carried out without a license. They include building work undertaken directly or under contract with the war and navy departments, but which requires not to exceed \$2,500, and certain classes of road work.

FEDERAL COURT IN SESSION AT NORFOLK

Spring View, Neb., Man Enters Plea of Guilty to Making Seditious Talk.

Lincoln, Neb., Sept. 19.—Federal court opened here yesterday with Judge Woodrough presiding. A number of criminal cases were diminished, but several important cases are set for trial. When arraigned B. N. Carr, of Springview, Neb., pleaded guilty of seditious talk. His case was taken under advisement.

Mack Donny, charged with a similar crime, was given 30 days in the county jail.

John Donner, said to have threatened the life of the president, was discharged after a jury had been drawn for his case. It was uncertain if he had made the alleged statement after the espionage law was passed. H. Zick, charged with mailing obscene matter to W. H. Needham, at Bloomfield, Neb., was given a fine of \$50. Harry Johnson was given a six months' jail sentence for a second offense of selling liquor to Indians.

COUNCIL OF DEFENSE MEMBERS HAVE GRIEF

Lincoln, Neb., Sept. 19.—The Platte county council of defense has a row on its hands and charges have been made against the chairman and the secretary of the council by P. F. Luchsinger and the row has been brought to the attention of Governor Neville. The governor has taken no action following the hearing of the versions of the parties involved, and now the matter is to be threshed out at a mass meeting at Columbus Wednesday evening. C. J. Garlow is the chairman and Mark Burke, sheriff of Platte county, is the secretary. Recently a suit was filed against Garlow and Burke by Luchsinger asking for \$20,000 damages. Luchsinger, who is a native of Switzerland, alleges that when he was called to the office of the council of defense concerning the use of the German language in the churches and during the conversations some hot words were passed and during the row Burke struck him a number of blows and he was not allowed to leave the room until Luchsinger arrived. Garlow says that Luchsinger made an insulting remark to Burke. Garlow and Burke state that the visitor was free to leave the office at any time. Now the Platte county council of defense, through its chairman, C. J. Garlow, and Harry Johnson, a member of the council, are meeting at Columbus to consider the charges made by Mr. Luchsinger and for the approval or the disapproval of the actions of the council and other war promotion committees in Platte county.

ELEVATOR MAN AND FARMERS IN COURT

Lincoln, Neb., Sept. 19.—The curtain is expected soon to fall on the village of defense which was played for so many years in Ulysses, a thriving place in Butler county, with George Dobson in the title role of star actor. Litigation in which a group of farmers are seeking to recover \$80,000 from Dobson on the ground that they lost a lot of money on grain stored in an elevator owned by him at Ulysses, has reached the Nebraska supreme court, and it has already been argued and submitted. The farmers won in the lower court and Dobson appealed. For years the latter was the big man of the village with his money in everything almost which promised dividends. Dobson denied that he owned the elevator when the farmers dropped their money, alleging that he had no interest in it because these losses occurred. The plaintiffs sought to show to the court that the transfer was not bonafide. Dobson is now a resident of Lincoln.

USERS OF FOREIGN LANGUAGES BEING HEARD

Lincoln, Neb., Sept. 19.—Trains from all parts of Nebraska are bringing in persons interested in the foreign language question before the Americanization committee of the Nebraska state council of defense which is now in session at the state capitol. The hearing is open and it has been announced that any one who has a grievance over the way that the council has handled the question will be given a chance to be heard.

The committee comprises the Rev. John Williams, Omaha; C. H. Gustafson, Lincoln; John E. Miller, Lincoln; W. V. Allen, Madison; F. W. C. Jesse, Seward; Father Theobald Kalamala; Omaha; Chris Grunther, Columbus; Ed H. Coufal, David City.

TENNESSEE GOVERNOR TO VISIT NEBRASKA

Lincoln, Neb., Sept. 19.—Gov. Tom C. Rye, of Tennessee, and a part of his staff will visit Omaha September 30.

The governor's private secretary has written the governor of Nebraska that he would be pleased to meet him or any member of his staff who might be in Omaha, but insisted that the visit be not public, but strictly of a personal and business nature.

NUMEROUS METHODIST PREACHERS ARE CHAPLAINS

Lincoln, Neb., Sept. 19.—The Nebraska Methodist conference, which closed its fifth annual session Monday for the first time in its history, carried a special war service roll. Three preachers are enlisted in the service and 18 are with the army and navy as chaplains. Therefore the number of "pulpits" are a bit more numerous this year.

BEATRICE—Ruth E. Ayers, of this city, has filed suit in the district court against Leonard V. Purdy for damages sustained in an automobile collision which occurred recently in Beatrice. The plaintiff claims \$300 for medical expenses, \$200 for damages to her car, and \$10,000 for other damages. Purdy, a former Nebraska state university football star, is now engaged in the garage business here and collided with a car driven by Miss Ayers some weeks ago.

SCOTTSBLUFF—George Langford, a ranchman, 15 miles northeast of Scottsbluff, bought 112 head of southern steers, 3 years old, at \$65 a head, July 3, 1917. He sold them at an average weight of 1,322 pounds at \$105 or \$10 average of \$238.35 per head. His profit is figured at \$41 per head or a total of \$5,782. Feed was grass and oil cake.

SOMEWHERE IN THE UNITED STATES there is a dangerous German, escaped from a Canadian internment camp, and again from a Minnesota insane asylum. Caught in a net at the Minneapolis fair, he feigned insanity so successfully that he was sent to the asylum.

REPORT POLITICIANS CATERING TO GERMANS

Both Republicans and Democrats of Nebraska Said to Be Counting Favor.

Lincoln, Neb., Sept. 18.—Notwithstanding that the war is supposed to have stamped out the poisonous virus of Pro-Germanism, evidences are still shown that politicians are not averse to working the German voters of Nebraska. A Lincoln German who travels much over the state and particularly in German farming communities, reports to Chairman Beach of the republican state central committee that he has found traces of democratic missionary work among the Teutons of Dodge and adjacent counties.

He claims that this propaganda is being done in an effort to square Governor Neville. The Germans are told that the governor is not responsible for the actions of the state council of defense which has made it exceedingly hot for them. These missionaries are alleged to have attempted to make Richard L. Metcalfe the goat because of his verile Americanism and his uncompromising attitude against all kinds of disloyalty. The German Tribune, a republican daily which supported Neville two years ago, and which is published and edited by Val Peters, has recently indicated that it will support him again.

Members of the Nonpartisan league claim to have been approached by friends of Governor Neville asking if there is not some way by which the row between the governor and the league can be patched up. The league has been "sore" on Neville for some time because they charge that he did not afford them proper protection at his meetings and showed no interest in helping them push their cooperative measures through the legislature.

The democrats say that the republicans have no reason to talk about wooing the German voters because their actions have shown that they want their support badly. It is pointed out that McKelvie and his friends have let it be known that if the former is elected governor he will name a board of defense which will be governed by vital Americanism will show more diplomacy and a more delicate consideration for the German residents of the state. McKelvie is accused of flirting with the Nonpartisan league by promising the organization that he will protect its meetings from the mob if they are along loyal lines.

NEBRASKA METHODISTS AGAINST FEDERATION

Lincoln, Neb., Sept. 18.—The Nebraska Methodist conference frowned on the federated church movement when it adopted the recommendation of a special committee to discontinue a standing committee on the question of church federation. The committee in its report declared that the Methodist church is not benefited by federation in a community. Bishop Platt Hughes, presiding officer of the conference said:

"The federated church in a community is not a success. You will find that where the federated church exists Methodism is lost and is laid on the shelf."

A resolution was passed favoring the building of another wing to the Methodist hospital at Omaha to cost approximately \$25,000. The conference will meet at University Place, Lincoln, this is the second year that it has convened here. Today the appointments for the year will be made by Bishop Hughes and the conference will close, Tuesday, Sept. 20, and other reasons any changes are anticipated.

TWO FATAL AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENTS AT OMAHA

Omaha, Neb., Sept. 18.—Three weeks ago Frank Disando was killed instantly in front of the Gear shop on the south side when an automobile driven by Floyd Hunt got beyond his control and ran into the crowd in front of the theater.

Little girls, Ethel and Elaine Wilder, aged 13 years old, sustained serious injuries at the same time. They are daughters of William Wilder, Twenty-eighth and I streets.

In an automobile crash near the corner of Twenty-eighth and Q streets, south side, Patrick Broderick, 35 years old, 374 I street, and a 19-year-old Tully, 23 years old, Thirty-first and V streets, were killed when their car struck a trolley pole. The engine exploded, scattering portions of the car in all directions. Tully was killed instantly, his head being pushed to a pulp. Broderick suffered a broken neck, but lived about half an hour.

WOMAN ORDERED TO EXPLAIN REMARKS

West Point, Neb., Sept. 18.—The county defense council has had before it the case of Mrs. John Stempel, a resident of the village of Bancroft, who had been cited to appear before the council on the charge of having made some disloyal utterances. Her saying is testified to by many reputable witnesses, indicated that she held very strong opinions against this government and had not been at all backward in expressing them. She was examined by County Attorney Elliott and made a complete and absolute denial of all the charges. The council spent some time in deliberation and decided, unanimously, that the matter should be presented to the court.

FOOD PROFITEERS TO BE GIVEN NO QUARTER

Lincoln, Neb., Sept. 18.—Attorney General Reed will continue to chase alleged food profiteers. Prior to the primary election Mr. Reed started anti-profiteering suits against the truck gardeners and produce brokers of Omaha, but Judge Day, of the Douglas county district court, dismissed them on the ground that there was no merit in them. The attorney general says that he has been encouraged to appeal and consequently he has gone to the Nebraska supreme court. One of the charges made against the food men was that they encouraged consumers to buy more than they needed and thereby enhanced the price of vegetables and other produce to the public.

GERMAN LANGUAGE IS TO BE USED LESS

Wakefield, Neb., Sept. 18.—A patriotic demonstration against the use of foreign languages was held at the auditorium here. Considerable notice had been experienced here lately with the use of foreign languages since a recent order of the council of defense that its use must be discontinued on the streets of this city. The meeting was the beginning of a crusade to bring the form of a home guard rally and 34 new members, most of them local business men, were recruited into the guards.

German Counter Assaults Beaten Off by Americans Smashing on Toward Metz

BY JOHN DE GANDT, United Press Staff Correspondent.

Paris, Sept. 18 (3:25 p. m.)—The advanced defense of Metz have entered the action against the Americans, according to L'Heure.

American forces are continuing their progress along the left bank of the Moselle. The Germans are slowly withdrawing toward their prepared line.

By Associated Press.

With the American Army in Lorraine, Sept. 18 (2:30 p. m.)—German infantry attempted to attack the American lines west of the Moselle Tuesday evening, but the enemy troops were driven back by the fire of the American artillery.

When observers reported that a light line of German infantry was approaching the American big guns threw a terrific barrage into that area. There were no further movements by the enemy.

Observers reported this morning there were no living Germans in the region where they were sighted last night. Quite a number of dead, however, were seen.

Paris, Sept. 18.—American forces striking northeastward along the valley of the Rupt de Mad in the direction of Gorz and Chambley, have captured a series of important fortified positions. La Liberté announced today.

(Gorz, is seven miles southwest of Metz and a mile within the German frontier. Chambley is five miles from Gorz.)

At the same time the French, operating in the Woivre advanced two to three kilometers (a mile and a quarter to a mile and three quarters).

They reached a line east of Watronville, Hautecourt, Dieppe and Moranville, it was reported.

(Dieppe is six miles northeast of Verdun. Hautecourt is three miles southeast of Dieppe. Moranville is a mile south of Hautecourt. Watronville is three miles south of Moranville.)

By Associated Press.

London, Sept. 19.—(4:45 p. m.)—Bulgarian resistance on the Macedonian front is weakening and the allied troops have advanced an average of 10 miles, received from Saloniki. Fifty guns captured from Saloniki. Fifty guns have been captured.

TURKEY MAY BE CUT OFF

All indications now point to sustained operations on Big Scale—Bulgars Are Driven From Hills.

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Berlin, Sept. 19.—(via London.)—German troops are aiding the Bulgarians in their defense against allied attacks in Macedonia, according to an official statement from the war office today. The Bulgarians are fighting against the French, Serbians and Greeks.

Washington, Sept. 19.—It has been hinted in military circles for some months that this autumn would see a major operation on the Macedonian front and from the news of the past few days it appears that operation has begun. While it is not possible for military reasons to give the number of men intended to participate in this movement its object is clear to cut off Turkey from the other central powers to crush Bulgaria and to free Serbia, Rumania and the Jugo-Slavs of southern Austria.

Paris, Sept. 19.—Allied forces on the Macedonian front have penetrated to a depth of nearly four and a half miles on a front of fifteen and a half miles and have captured 4,000 prisoners, according to an official statement issued today by the war office.

The text of the statement reads:

"Operations on the Macedonian front continue very successfully. The front through Sokol, Dobropole and Vetchnik has been widened to 25 kilometers and the allied forces have penetrated to a depth of seven kilometers.

"Prisoners to the number of 4,000, including a staff colonel, have been captured. Thirty guns, numerous mine throwers and machine guns and considerable booty have been taken.

"The Serbian forces are veiling with the French in courage and spirit."

By Associated Press.

As the Allied offensive in Macedonia continues the impression is growing that an operation of major proportions may have been begun there. The front where the fighting is going on is almost shut off from the world and except for official reports there are few details to move as to the progress of the entente forces. It appears, however, that the attack which was launched on Sunday is gaining important ground east of Monastir.

Sofia admits the allies have been successful at some points and says that the Bulgarian troops have been withdrawn to positions further north. This may be taken as confirmation of the reports from allied sources telling of the successful advance of the entente forces which the Teutonic powers have held for the past 18 months or more.

Last reports indicate that the rather restricted front over which the first assault was launched is now being lengthened especially to the east. Maps of the region where the battle is being fought show it is impossible that the allies have passed through the zone where the hardest resistance might be expected.

500 REFUGEES REACH STOCKHOLM IN SAFETY

By the Associated Press.

Stockholm, Sept. 19.—Another party of refugees from Russia, numbering 500 persons and including 60 American and British citizens, arrived here yesterday at Haparanda. In the party were 400 Italian soldiers and officers.

FARMERS UNABLE TO GET CARS FOR GRAIN

Omaha, Neb., Sept. 19.—Farmers who hold their wheat until they are offered a fair price by local buyers or until they can get their cars to move the grain to the grain corporation will not be considered unpatriotic, according to a statement issued by Governor W. Walter federal food administrator for Nebraska. The heavy movements of wheat have made it difficult at times for farmers to get cars. The shipments this year have been greater than ever before. Between July 1 and August 23 the movement of wheat to primary markets aggregated 108,560,000 bushels, nearly four times as much as during the same period last year. In addition, heavy shipments of corn and oats have interrupted the car shortage.

AUSTRIAN SOLDIERS ROIT WITH GERMANS

Amsterdam, Sept. 19.—Several "bloody collisions" have occurred in Belgium between Austrian and German soldiers, according to the Belgische Dagblad. The trouble arose from the fact that the Austrians are being used only for garrison duty, while the Germans are being sent to the front. It is estimated that more than 20,000 Austrian soldiers are on garrison duty in Belgium.

SAVE THE STRAW HATS; THEY WILL BE SCARCE

Washington, D. C., Sept. 13.—If you haven't yet found custom concerning the utilization of your straw hat about this time of year, wait!

Lernard M. French, chairman of the war industries board, today announced the action of the government to curtail hat straw hat production to the point where it will meet only the essential needs of the civilian population. And the crowns will be lower with a minimum of trim.