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Washington, Oct. 1.—(I. N. S.)—Evidence that large quantities of fats and other imports from the United States are being smuggled into Germany on a much larger scale than has been even intimated before, was brought to light here today. As a result it was stated authoritatively that the ban on exports to Holland and other northern neutrals would be drawn even tighter than in the past.

The attitude of the United States will be that she cannot afford to have her supplies find their way into Germany to bolster up the strength of the soldiers who shortly will be face to face with American troops on the western front. The plea of Holland and other neutrals that they cannot exist without American exports will be disregarded entirely unless ironclad assurances are given that Germany will not profit in any way thereby.

Serious Results Foreseen
It was admitted here that the situation is fraught with serious possibilities and may result in a marked change in the relations between this country and the Netherlands.

Holland maintains that she cannot exist without certain exports from Germany and that these exports cannot be gotten unless she gives in return a large percentage of the fats raised in her own country, making it vitally necessary that the deficit be supplied by imports from the United States.

Not only is it extremely unlikely that further supplies of foodstuffs and fats will be allowed to reach Holland, but the ban will not be lifted on food and cattle feed. By this latter step, Holland will be forced to slaughter a large percentage of her herds and her supplies of fats to Germany necessarily will fall off.

To Increase Bread Rations
Aside from knowledge of the agreement existing between Holland and Germany for the exchange of goods, this government has recently received information that Germany shortly intends to increase her bread rations.

This can only be done through smuggling of supplies from other countries or opening up of the stores in Russia and Roumania. It is not believed the grain that can be gotten from these latter countries would justify increasing the rations if the smuggling of supplies from neutrals were cut off. And this is what the United States aims to do.

Significant of the seriousness with which the situation is regarded here is an official announcement from the food administration here calling for conservation of dairy products and calling attention to the enormous exports to neutrals since the war started.

Exports Reveal Case
"Before the outbreak of the war, the United States exported virtually no dairy products to Europe," the statement reads. "Since the war began the aggregate of the exports, although comparatively small in itself, has led to startling percentage increases be-

cause it represents a reversal of our position from an importer of dairy products to an exporter of them."

"Exports of condensed milk, which for the three pre-war years averaged 17,729,578 pounds and had a value of \$1,475,255, have increased to 22,102,232 pounds, with a value of \$25,129,983 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1917."

"Exports of dairy products to the neutral countries showed an enormous percentage growth. A large proportion of these exports unquestionably reach Germany. In condensed milk the pre-war average to the European neutrals was about 2663 pounds, while in 1917 this had increased to 15,134,084 pounds, an increase of 494.93 per cent. The pre-war average export of cheese to the European neutrals was but 1909 pounds, which in 1917 increased to 145,281 pounds or 85.58 per cent."

Holland Gets Bulk
It is worthy of particular note that of the increase of 15,137,147 pounds of condensed milk exported to the European neutrals, Holland, a dairy country, took 12,850,724 pounds or 84.9 per cent. Exports of butter to the European neutrals increased 1214 per cent, but totalled only 22,332 pounds."

"The dairy problem confronting the United States will not cease with the coming of peace. The dairy cattle of Europe are rapidly diminishing, for Europe is driven to kill cattle to supply the immediate necessities for beef. The herds of England, France and Germany are being deliberately sacrificed to the demand of war."

Liberal Cabinet in Sweden Forecast
The embargo is keeping fodder from Holland, a dairy country, to a degree that will probably lead to considerable sacrifice of the herds. The world decrease in cattle since the beginning of the war already totals 28,000,000 head. It therefore becomes essential for the future welfare of our country that our own dairy cattle be increased."

King Gustav Confers With Branting, Socialist, and Eden, Liberal—Recent Election Showed Socialist Gains.

Stockholm, Oct. 1.—(U. P.)—Halmer Branting, leader of the Socialists, and Professor Eden, Liberal chieftain, were summoned by King Gustav to the palace Saturday to state their opinions on the political situation.

The summoning of the Socialist and Liberal leaders is taken as an indication that the Conservatives will be excluded from the next cabinet and that Saturday to state their opinions on the people as expressed in the recent elections, in which the Socialists gained a total of 58 seats and the Conservatives lost more than a dozen.

It is unlikely, however, that Branting will consent to accept any portfolio in the cabinet, as the practice of the Swedish Socialists hitherto has been, like that of the French, against allowing any of their leaders to enter ministries without urgent need and permission of the party executives. It is known that Branting prefers to retain his liberty of action in parliament.

Monmouth Citizens Guests of Normal
Monmouth, Or., Oct. 1.—The president and faculty of the Oregon Normal school gave a reception to the citizens of Monmouth and the normal students Saturday night in the training school building.

A number of residents in the rural districts around Monmouth and Independence were also invited. The affair was given in honor of the citizens of Monmouth in appreciation of their support to the school.

William Strong Dies
Monmouth, Or., Oct. 1.—William Strong, a Monmouth boy, last week committed suicide by shooting himself in the head, died there Friday night. Over a year ago he sustained an injury on the head. Funeral services were held in the Evangelical church Sunday afternoon. Besides a father and mother, a number of brothers and sisters survive.

Number Go to University
Monmouth, Or., Oct. 1.—More young people from Monmouth are attending the University of Oregon at Eugene than ever before. They are: P. Burton Arant, W. Jay Mulkey Jr., Donald Portwood, Elias E. Starr, Tom L. C. C. Starr, who are at work around Monmouth plan to go back later.

Still Whooping 'Er Up
Monmouth, Or., Oct. 1.—Scattering cases of whooping cough now exist among the school children of Monmouth. The health officer urges that all cases be reported immediately, so that the lawful quarantine of four weeks may be enforced.

Lewis County May Employ a Nurse
Centralia, Wash., Oct. 1.—This afternoon representatives of Lewis county's commercial organizations are interviewing the county commissioners relative to including in the county's 1918 budget an appropriation for the employment of a nurse, whose duties will be to regularly visit tubercular patients of the county. Figures received here Saturday from the State Anti-Tuberculosis league show that there were 1228 deaths from tuberculosis in Washington in 1916. Skagit, King, Pierce, Snohomish and Walla Walla counties already employ visiting nurses, who have under their supervision approximately 400 cases.

Hurricane Does Big Damage at Dauphne
New Orleans, La., Oct. 1.—(U. P.)—Thirty-two houses were destroyed on Dauphne Island, where Fort Gaines, Alabama, is located, scores of boats are ashore, bottom up, two dozen small craft were sunk off the Alabama coast as much damage done to government property at Fort Morgan, the result of Friday's hurricane sweeping the gulf coast, according to first direct information reaching here today from Fort Morgan. No lives were reported lost.

Burglars Take Safe From Filling Station
Peoria, Ill., Oct. 1.—(I. N. S.)—Burglars entered the Standard Oil filling station at Monroe and Fulton streets early today, loaded the office safe on an automobile and carted it away. It contained \$700.

Forest Grove Safe Cracked Last Night

Forest Grove, Or., Oct. 1.—The safe in the store of Harry Giltner, a well-

known merchant of this city, was robbed Sunday night, the plunder amounting to \$170, mostly in cash. The thieves removed the safe to a back room and effected an entrance by smashing off the lock. Night watchman James says the streets were unusually quiet last night and he saw no suspicious loiterers.

Washington State Buys Lewis Bonds

Centralia, Wash., Oct. 1.—The Lewis county treasurer Saturday afternoon

opened bids for the purchase of \$15,000 worth of bonds recently authorized for the erection of a new schoolhouse on the Edison grounds in this city. The state, which bid par and 5 per cent interest, was the successful bidder. Eight other bids were submitted, including Morris Bros., C. E. Miller & Co. and Keeler Bros. of Portland, and

J. H. Tilden & Co. and J. E. Price & Co. of Seattle. Bids for the construction of the school will be opened next Saturday, and construction will begin about October 15.

Stomach Yields Auto Bolt
Lewistown, Mont., Oct. 1.—(U. P.)—William Trice, 4, son of H. B. Trice of Twodot, is recovering here today after an operation in which a three-eighths inch automobile bolt was extracted from his stomach.

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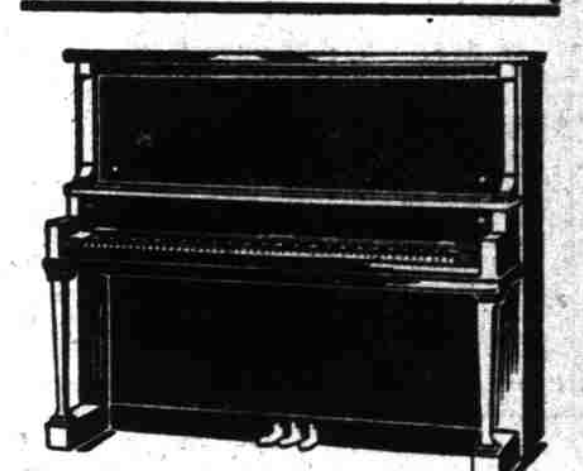
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"Knabe" Large Grand (used), formerly \$1000, **Now \$698**
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"Jesse French" Grand (new), formerly \$950, **Now \$632.50**
"Starr" Grand (used), formerly \$950, **Now \$437**

A "Kohler-Campbell" Upright (used) Piano, formerly \$325, **Now \$98**
New Upright Piano, was \$275, **Now \$167**
New Upright Piano, was \$325, **Now \$210**
New Upright Piano, was \$450, **Now \$317**
New Upright Piano, was \$600, **Now \$392**
"Stultz" (used) Upright, formerly \$375, **Now \$208**
"Continental" Used UPRIGHT, Formerly \$450, **Now \$249**

A "Wellington" Upright (used) Piano, formerly \$325, **Now \$153**
New Upright Piano, was \$300, **Now \$189**
New Upright Piano, was \$375, **Now \$257**
New Upright Piano, was \$500, **Now \$348**
New Upright Piano, was \$650, **Now \$418**
"Willard" (used) Upright, formerly \$350, **Now \$195**
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