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## WORLD FOOD DICTATOR MAY BE AMERICAN

**Herbert Hoover or Secretary of Labor Wilson May Get  
Post—Would Control Rations of Allied Powers  
—U. S. to Feed the Fighters.**

Washington, April 26.—That some one—American—possibly Herbert Hoover or Sec'y of Labor Wilson—within the next few months will become food dictator of the world was indicated by developments at the international war conference of the allies here today.

More and more the war council's proceedings are crystallizing into a

monumental campaign to feed the allies. Finance and shipping problems are coming to be considered comparatively collateral, though, of course, vital.

It was taken for granted today that it will be policy of the allies, after America has made her preliminary contributions to her fighting sister nations in men, money, food, shipping and other things, to entrust the



ally during the day until about an hour before husband's return—when there is business of eating cloves or onions or chewing gum — and the habits of questionable flats can have their alcoholic wants easily filled at the department store saloons.

There is comparative safety from being found out while buying booze at a department store counter.

The department stores, since the police are keeping a closer watch on liquor sales in the Wilson av. and Hyde Park districts, have gotten a greatly increased volume of women's liquor trade. Up on Broadway it used to be possible for a woman to slip over to the corner drug store and get a pint of 100-proof booze whenever she felt like having a "jolt" or had some callers for whom she wanted to mix up a nice toddy. But the police reminded the druggists that they were not running under saloon licenses, so most of this feminine booze trade has gone to the department stores, it is said.

A judicious use of advertising in afternoon newspapers has let the women of the town know that there are "family liquor departments" in State street stores. Every so often there is a "bargain" sale of booze.

Flaherty asks \$25,000 damages from Siegel, Cooper's or Keim, Keim, according to Att'y Blumenthal, holds the license for the saloon in the Siegel-Cooper store because a corporation cannot take out a saloon license.

Flaherty in his bill of complaint says that, for a period of three years preceding Aug. 1, 1916, this department store saloon provided his wife with intoxicating liquor, although warned not to sell her.

As a result of the drink she grew to neglect her home, says Flaherty, and finally came to be so that she was habitually intoxicated, in consequence of which she wasted and squandered her money and failed to

care for her family or household duties.

The three Flaherty children, Annie, Mary and Richard, Jr., join with their father in the suit against Siegel-Cooper's and Keim.

This is the first time a department store has been sued in Illinois under the dramshop act.

#### AMERICA TAKES FIRMER GRIP ON MACHINERY OF WAR

Washington, April 26.—America today made war plans with firmer hand than at any time since declaration against Germany.

World war conference between French, British and American commissions plunged into details of putting United States on firm war basis as soon as possible.

Every phase of day's developments tended to make this task easy. Congress' opposition to the conscription bill was gradually crumpling under onslaughts of the administration. Officials in a position to know expressed belief that the bill, only slightly changed will be before president for his signature by first of next week.

#### GERMAN EDITOR KNOCKS OWN GOVERNMENT'S PEACE PLANS

The Hague, April 26.—Dissatisfaction over Germany's failure frankly to announce her war aims is openly expressed in German newspaper editorials reaching here today.

"It is deplorable," the Tageblatt declares, "that all declarations of the German government regarding war aims are unintelligible, artificial, indistinct and of many meanings."

#### MYSTERIOUS MURDER

St. Paul, Minn., April 26. — Police puzzled over mysterious murder of Mrs. Frank Dunn, 29, young society woman, as she slept early today. Divorced husband taken to police station to be questioned. Was found asleep at his home two hours after murder occurred.