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According to a law passed by the Government of the United States all that Canada has to do in order to put food stuffs on the free list is to pass a similar enactment for this country. The following is what A. K. Maclean, of Halifax, had to say recently in Parliament about the advisability of such a course:—

With the best possible motives and in all sincerity I do suggest to the Government the desirability of considering the question of placing upon the free list many of the food supplies of the country. It may be that our own production will meet our own consumption and the extraordinary demand which will be made upon our food supply, but nevertheless I can see no reason why the question of even the temporary elimination of duties upon the foodstuffs of this country should not be seriously taken into consideration by

the Government. I am not suggesting this today as a matter of permanent policy for the Government if their economic views be different, and if it would not be in harmony with their views as to what would be the true fiscal policy of the Government. I am now suggesting it merely as a wise temporary policy and one calculated to meet the unfortunate conditions now prevailing and which may prevail in a more pronounced way during the coming months of this year.

There is another thing to be said in connection with the tariff upon foodstuffs and it is that if in the judgment of the Government it would be deemed unwise to place a considerable quantity of them upon the free list there might very well be a very considerable diminution in the rate of duty. It might afford some relief to the people of the country and still

give the treasury an additional revenue because I think I am quite correct in stating that it would be possible to secure a greater revenue under a very moderate tariff upon foodstuffs than with the tariff rates now existing upon such commodities. There is this further to be said in connection with the suggestion, that if our own foodstuffs are sufficient, the absence of tariff duties upon imports of foodstuffs might enable some exporters in this country to engage in the export trade by reason of the fact that the elimination of duties had brought into Canada a quantity of foodstuffs in excess of our own consumption for export.

## PANAMA CANAL MAY CAUSE WORLD WIDE SPREAD OF DISEASE

Washington, D.C., Aug. 31.—Fear that the opening of the Panama Canal may be followed by a world wide redistribution of yellow fever and cholera which will threaten very great commercial loss, was expressed by Richard P. Strong, head of the Harvard Medical School of Tropical Medicine. Dr. Strong was formerly at the head of the government biological laboratory in the Philippines and later became prominent through his work in combating the bubonic plague in Manchuria. He had just returned from an expedition to Peru, where an extensive study of tropical disease was made.

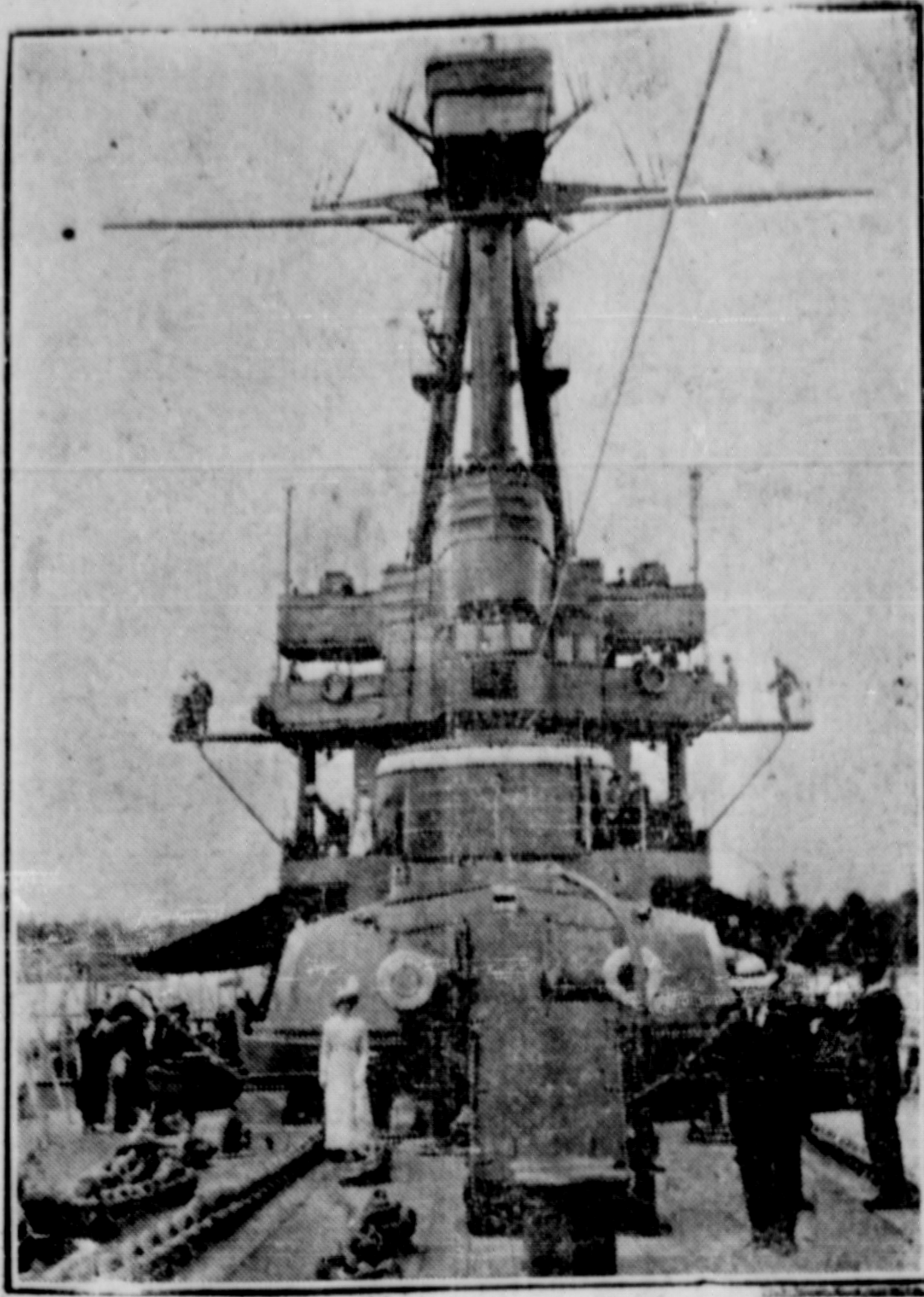
"The troubles to be feared from the spread of tropical diseases by traffic through the Panama Canal are rather heavy financial losses through disturbance of trade between any great great loss of life. Modern medicine has so far mastered the ways of checking infectious diseases that in many civilized countries no great mortality is to be feared from these diseases. To the United States and Western Europe the greatest peril is to trade, because medical control of the spread of tropical diseases rests first of all on the stoppage of traffic.

"One of the most interesting and not improbable changes in the distribution of tropical diseases is that the west coast of South America, particularly Guayaquil, may send yellow fever to India and receive Asiatic cholera by way of exchange."

## SHIPPING IS HELD UP

Port Said, Sept. 1.—There is an unprecedented state of affairs here through the traffic in the Suez Canal having practically ceased. The port is crammed with ships of all nations. Captains are afraid to proceed. Besides there is a colossal fleet of German merchantmen under seizure. They have been deprived of the wireless installations. The whole of Germany's commerce with Australia, Asia and East Africa, is absolutely paralyzed and the only vessels passing through the canal are those flying the Italian flag. These are besieged by hordes of foreigners anxious to get away from Egypt, among them many German and Austrian officers who have been arrested by the British authorities while attempting under disguise to get away.

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## BELGIAN GUNNERS ARE STONE DEAF

London, September 1.—A medical correspondent of The Times, who has just returned from Belgium, says it is morally certain that all the artillerymen of the forts at Liege are now stone deaf. "The nerves of hearing must fail under the strain of dwelling upwards of a fortnight in a world of mighty explosions," he says. "For these men the guns thunder now only in a silence that may never be broken."

That the teaching of sex hygiene in schools was dangerous and should not be tolerated was the finding of the National Education Association in session at St. Paul.



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