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HIKES 800 MILES TO SEE FATHER

15-Year-Old Lad Makes 27-Day Trip from Indiana to New York—Fails to Find Family.

(N. Y. Times.)
Because he was lonesome for "home folks," Charles Blum, 15 years old, a blue-eyed, blond-haired farmer boy, left the home of Mrs. Myrtle Ford in Geneva, Ind., where he has lived for ten years, and hiked the greater part of 800 miles across three States to New York in twenty-seven days to find his father, who lives at 86 Blackford Avenue, Port Richmond.

Late Saturday afternoon the young traveler was found in Wall street, near Williams, by Policeman John Wells of the Old Slip Station, taken to the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children and put to bed between the first sheets he had slept in since he left Geneva.

Yesterday Charles spent the day at the Children's Society, waiting for his father. Self-contained and modest, he doesn't "see what all the fuss is about."

"I haven't seen my father and my two older sisters for a long time," he said, "and so one afternoon, on Saturday, Sept. 3, I decided to come to New York. I had a letter from my sister Ada, who lives with my father, and which came Thursday. It had the address of their home, so I came along. That's about all there is to tell."

When he was 5 years old and lived on a ranch in North Dakota, his mother was taken sick and had to go to a sanatorium. The home was broken up and the family separated. Charles Blum, Sr. took his two daughters and the boy to Geneva, Ind., where he had friends. There he found a home for Charles with Mrs. Ford and came on to New York, to work in the shipyards, bringing the two girls with him.

The boy was lonely, but Mrs. Ford was kind, and he had a good home. He went to school, and in his spare time worked on the farm. Letters came from time to time telling of New York, the great ships and the new home on Staten Island—but no letters from the father, who writes only in Swedish.

Charles saw no chance of his father coming out to Geneva, and thought that if he was to come to New York he had better start before cold weather.

From Geneva he hiked to Ohio City, stopping at farmhouses the way and generally getting food and a place in a hayrack to sleep. He never stopped in towns. People in towns were not so friendly as the farmers, who almost always gave him something to eat, and sometimes a lift in their wagons to the next town.

From Ohio City the boy went to Lima, and from there to Akron, where two men in a runabout gave him a 125-mile ride to Youngstown.

SALVATION ARMY'S FAREWELL TO MISSIONARIES



A view of a procession of the headquarters of the Salvation Army in Queen Victoria street, London, England, when they sent off an army of overseas missionaries.

In Pennsylvania Charles found the friendliest people.
"They almost always gave me a regular meal," he said, "but by that time I had learned that I got the most food if I stopped at a house at meal time."

Between Sunbury and Harrisburg Charles lost his way for the first time, and zigzagged up and down the State for several days, because people didn't seem to know the shortest way by road to New York, but from Harrisburg he hiked straight to Lancaster, where a kindly truck driver picked him up and carried him to Philadelphia.

"In Philadelphia," Charles said, "I found a gasoline station where a truck was just starting for New York, and it brought me along. I spent most of Saturday riding around New York looking at things, and then the truck went back and left me, and I went down to watch the boats."

Last night Charles was still waiting for his father.

MODEL VILLAGE FOR VETERANS

Five Hundred British Families to be Settled on 30,000 Acres.

(Special Correspondence, Montreal Gazette.)

Vancouver, September 28.—At the low price of six dollars per acre, an option has been taken on 30,000 acres of good agricultural land in the Big Bar Lakelse region, Northern British Columbia, by a company which is planning a community on a large scale. It is the intention to establish 400 to 500 families on this tract, the first fifty families being scheduled to arrive next April, when they will be taken in hand by an experienced staff which will have attended to most of the essential preliminary work.

Before the nucleus of the colony arrives, a portable saw mill, tractors, truck, machinery, tools, provisions and

CYCLICAL PERIODS OF UNEMPLOYMENT

An Insoluble Problem was the Speaker's Verdict at Welfare Convention.

(Montreal Gazette.)

Another contribution to the discussion on the ever present problem of unemployment was made last night when Francis Hankin gave an address on the subject before the Canadian Conference on Public Welfare, in the Windsor Hotel, over which A. J. McLeod, vice-president of the Kiwanis Club, presided.

For the cyclical depression which comes round every decade or so, causing unemployment, Mr. Hankin was inclined to think there was no solution; all they could do was to find palliatives or part remedies, and among these palliatives was the scheme for reserving from the prosperous days certain public works and undertakings of governments and public utilities. Even this scheme, although it had been very widely favored by those who had studied the question, was faintly and difficult to operate.

The causes of unemployment were carefully analyzed by Mr. Hankin, who began with the lesser, the first being the unwillingness or incapacity to work, as shown in the case of the tramp, the man who had never learned to work. Education and persuasion were necessary to correct this, these men being often the product of the blind alley occupation. A more difficult problem was that of the casual worker, who was the victim of seasonal work. This difficulty could to some extent be overcome by study of the question, and in support of this the speaker cited the case of a firm which was engaged in work that depend-

ed on the Christmas season. At one time it had all centred between September and December and for the rest of the year the employees were thrown out. By educating his clientele, the head of the business managed to spread the work over the year, with the result that the business now ran regularly all the twelve months.

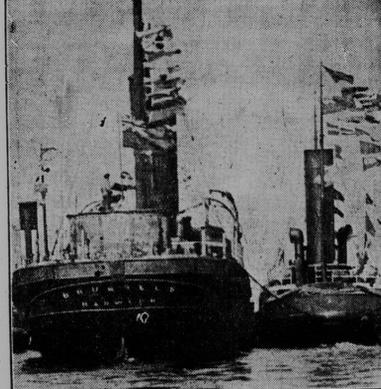
Cyclical Depression.
But the main problem, stated Mr. Hankin, was that of the widespread and long-continued unemployment which set in with the cyclical periods that came round every ten years or so. For this it was impossible to put forward any complete remedy, though some suggestions could be made as to palliatives. The causes of these recurring periods lay in such things as variation of the world's harvests, war, exchange variations and tariff changes. He had no doubt that if peace were assured now, with financial stability for all countries, that would do much to ease off unemployment.

As to practical suggestions, he did not approve of relief works. He believed that the most important channel in which some partial remedy might lie would be in the co-operation of public utilities, municipalities, provincial and federal governments, such bodies to co-operate in a scheme for creating a reserve of contracts which might be held over to periods of depression. This was the only policy that had been endorsed by numerous committees that had studied the problem before, after and since the war.

Estimates which had actually been worked out on this scheme allowed for a five per cent reserve for such periods. One difficulty was, however, that the future could not be guaranteed. There had been a reserve of public works held over during the war, but the value of that reserve had been more than spent owing to the cause that brought it about.

In the way of individual effort, Mr. Hankin suggested that citizens might support the housing proposals now being discussed; that they should do all in their power to promote peace, and that money should be spent on useful purposes rather than on luxuries.

THE "BRUSSELS" WON A CATTLE BOAT



Captain Fryatt's famous steamship Brussels, which has been converted into a cattle boat and sails between Dublin and Preston, England.

REV. G. OSBORNE TROOP OPENS A MISSION

(Montreal Gazette.)
Teaching Mission in St. Martin's Church on Sunday morning. Canon Troop was for many years rector of St. Martin's and is well known as a Bible student and as an earnest preacher of the fundamental truths of the Christian Faith. In this mission the emphasis will be on the basic principles of religion and their application to life.

In the Diocese of Montreal an effort is now being made, in continuation of the Forward Movement, to have a mission in every parish for the purpose of bringing these primary and essential things to the attention of the people. At the last meeting of the Synod it was directed that such Teaching Missions should be held, and to St. Martin's Church belongs the honor of being the first to put into effect the will of the Synod in this particular field.

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