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GERMAN STATES BACK DEFIANCE

VARIOUS PREMIERS BACK DR. SIMONS AGAINST INDEMNITY TO BE EXACTED.

PONDER OVER U. S. VIEWS

Germany is Warned Against Expecting Too Much of Harding—Press Pretends to Fear Polish Attack if Germany Disarms.

London.—Dr. Simons, the German foreign minister, has declared that he would resign rather than recede an inch from the decision that the Paris terms are unacceptable, says a Berlin dispatch.

Berlin.—The premiers of the several federated states of the German nation were in session with the Berlin cabinet over the reparations question, the meeting being followed with the announcement that complete unanimity prevailed among all the participants in the conference.

The invitation extended by the entente for Germany to send representatives on March 1 to the London conference on reparations is construed here as indicating that the allies expect Germany to submit counter proposals and that the negotiations at Brussels by the experts on financial and economic affairs are therefore superfluous for the time being.

Leaders of German industry, shipping and finance have been arriving in Berlin for consultations with the government's staff of economic experts.

Much of the press comment in regard to the situation warns the government against pinning its faith on the possibility that the attitude of the new Washington government will supply Germany with moral backing. These commentators urge the government to present Germany's case strictly on its own merits.

Commenting on the conference of the premiers with the cabinet, the Tageblatt says the participants left it with confidence that their interests would be safeguarded at the London meeting of the allies. The Lokal-Anzeiger, dealing with the disarmament question, says Bavaria will submit to the disarmament requirements, but the various newspaper commentators agree that reservations were made as to disarmament in East Prussia. General von Seeck, the chief of staff, is quoted as declaring that the Polish demobilization is only a pretense and that the Poles would be able in one day's march to penetrate the frontiers.

MEXICAN SOLONS MEET.

Petroleum and Agrarian Questions to Be Considered.

Mexico City.—The special session of Congress called by President Obregon will be confronted with the task of solving several problems, the successful disposition of which means a long step in the reconstruction programme sponsored by the president. It is expected that President Obregon will appear in person before the Congress and deliver a message urging the immediate passage of certain projects.

Canada Crop Heavy.

Ottawa.—The total production of wheat in Canada during 1920 was nearly 70,000,000 bushels more than during 1919, figures made public by the Dominion bureau of statistics disclosed.

Army to Get Planes.

Washington.—Forty observation air planes, 20 modified Martin bombers and two Bunting bombers building for the army cannot be completed by the end of the fiscal year, Secretary Baker said in a letter to Speaker Gillette asking for an amendment to the fortifications appropriations bill making available for this work an unexpended balance of \$683,277 until June 30, 1922.

25 Killed in Wreck.

Vienna.—Twenty-five persons were killed and 40 seriously injured when a freight train drawn by three engines collided with the Tarnis-Vienna express train near Feldorf. The accident was due to a heavy fall of wet snow, which for 36 hours has dislocated traffic.

Used Diamonds to Save Life.

Philadelphia.—Throwing a tray of diamonds in the face of two bandits who entered his store and then using the heavy metal tray as a shield against their bullets, saved William S. Sturmy, a West Philadelphia jeweler, his gems if not his life.

H. M. Brockway Dies.

Los Angeles.—Horatio N. Brockway, who was graduated from Yale University 55 years ago in a class of three, of which the other members were Chauncey M. Depew and Cyrus Northrup, formerly president of the University of Minnesota, died here.

Waits Too Long to Shoot.

Charleston, Mo.—Price Moore, constable, killed Lawrence Hainley as the latter was pointing his gun at Moore, according to information received here from Anneton, Mo.

PROMISES SOLDIER BONUS

Says Tax Burden To Be Increased if Necessary—Interviewed by American Legion Delegation.

Washington.—An American Legion delegation was told by Senator Penrose of Pennsylvania, senate finance committee chairman, that he would favor increases in federal taxation if necessary to provide for the provision of cash bonus for ex-soldiers. He doubted, however, whether the legislation could be put through during the present congress.

Senator Penrose and Senator McCumber, Republican, North Dakota, who has charge of the bonus bill, were interviewed by the American Legion representatives, including F. W. Galbraith of Cincinnati, national commander, and Gilbert W. Bettman of Cincinnati, chairman of the legion's legislative committee.

"I further told the committee," said Senator Penrose, "that the country was in a very bad financial situation and hardly able to meet its requirements, and that revenue would fall off to a very marked degree in the next fiscal year.

"At the same time I confided that it was the duty of the government to provide the revenue for this patriotic purpose and were it necessary that an added tax be levied I would favor these taxes at this short session, but it is obvious that this is impossible."

CHINA'S HOUR OF DEATH.

15,000,000 May Starve, State Department is Told.

Washington.—The famine situation in China has reached such a crisis that 15,000,000 people may die unless immediate help is given, according to information received by the State Department.

Another famine equally severe may arise next fall unless food is made available to the Chinese farmers who are physically unable to undertake the spring plowing, a statement issued by the department said.

The Chinese are doing all in their power to relieve the situation, the statement added, and it is estimated that \$5,000,000 will be obtained for relief by surcharges imposed on the railway, telegraphic and postal services. Red Cross funds amounting to \$1,000,000 will help 55,000 persons for 200 days, it was stated.

HER LEGS ARE STRAIGHT.

Ruth Gordon Rewarded for Having Them Broken.

Chicago.—When the plaster casts were removed from the erstwhile bowlegs of Ruth Gordon, an actress, who had them broken in two places so they could be straightened, Dr. Edwin Ryerson pronounced them "perfectly straight."

It will be a few weeks more before Miss Gordon can leave her wheel chair, Dr. Ryerson said, but the patient only smiled happily at the doctor's verdict.

SOLIDLY FOR CHURCHES.

Only Two Men in South Carolina Town Are Outsiders.

McColl, S. C.—This town "population 2,129," the guide books aver, claims a world's record. A church survey, announced disclosed only two men and a boy who are not church members, taking 12 years as a minimum age. The women folk were unanimous.

Kills Negro With Shaft.

Thomasville, Ga.—After his throat had been slashed by a negro, W. J. Harrell, young white man, picked up a broken buggy shaft and killed the negro with a blow that crushed his head. The negro was identified as Lee B. Battle, 45. A coroner's jury exonerated Harrell. The wounded man will recover.

Battle On Jap Ship.

Philadelphia.—One Chinese was shot to death, another is believed to have been drowned and two private detectives were beaten in a battle on the deck of a Japanese steamer here, as 33 Chinese sailors attempted to free ashore. One sailor managed to get away, but he was captured after a long chase.

Albert Back Home.

Brussels.—King Albert and Queen Elizabeth have arrived in Brussels from their visit to Spain.

Will Guard Liquor.

Washington.—An item for \$200,000 in the sundry civil appropriation bill to pay the cost of guarding liquor, automobiles and other property seized by the government in enforcing prohibition was adopted by the senate.

Moors Are Bellicose.

Madrid.—Moorish forces attacked outlying Spanish positions at Shehuan, Morocco, killing a corporal and four soldiers, says a report from the high commissioner of Spanish Morocco, received here.

Daylight Saving.

Mexico City.—Daylight saving will be inaugurated here for the first time in the history of the city. It was decided to turn all clocks ahead one hour to conserve electricity, the city already being rationed in the use of lights and water.

Storm Moves House 100 Yards.

Haleyville, Ala.—In a tornado which struck this town recently the residence of E. J. McNab was lifted and carried 100 yards without injury to any member of the sleeping family.

WILSON STAYS OUT OF LABOR DRAMA

SAYS PRESENT LAWS COVER SITUATION—DECLINES TO SUBMIT IT TO CONGRESS.

SAYS HE WILL NOT INTERVENE

Interstate Commerce Commission and Railway Labor Board Empowered to Deal With Present Situation—Full Sway

Washington.—President Wilson has refused the request of railroad labor union representatives that he investigate railroad executives' claims before the railroad labor board that the carriers must adjust wages or face bankruptcy. He also declined to submit the matter to Congress.

The president set forth his position on the appeals made to him in a telegram addressed jointly to two of the railway labor unions and to the Association of Railway Executives, who also had sent a communication to the White House.

Confidence was expressed by the president that all questions dealing with railroad labor and management might be left safely to the two bodies entrusted under the transportation act with such matters—the railroad labor board and the Interstate Commerce Commission. He accordingly informed the labor and carrier representatives that he was submitting copies of telegrams received from them to these two bodies as "the only action deemed necessary."

SHOULD STIMULATE BUYING

Cautious Against Idle Waiting—Accept Reasonable Profits, Says Banker Alexander.

New York.—Confidence that business will soon settle down on sound fundamentals was expressed by leading financiers and practical economists at a dinner of the Association of Stock Exchange Firms.

James S. Alexander, president of the National Bank of Commerce, in New York, cautioned against idle waiting for the public to resume active buying, urging business men to stimulate purchasing by reduced prices, based on keener efficiency in production, and the acceptance of "reasonable margins of profits."

"In this connection," he added, "the growing tendency of labor to become more efficient and its willingness to accept some liquidation of inflated wages is encouraging. The readjustment is favorable to the individual worker.

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FARMERS SELLING MEAT.

Wheat Growers Learn Something From Present Prices.

Norfolk, Neb.—Farmers of this vicinity in effort to even up for losses during grain and live stock price declines have gone into the retail meat business, coming to town in automobiles loaded with dressed beef which they sell direct to city consumers.

Some of the farmers report good sales of both dressed pork and beef.

Robber Is Responsible.

Baltimore, Md.—A "modest holdup man" recently held up a bank cashier and then proceeded to Laurel, 20 miles away, where he robbed another, demanding and receiving \$25 from the first and \$30 from the second. Later, Winfield S. Hyles, 30, was arrested, as he stepped from a train at the Camden station, and confessed, police say, to the thefts.

"Military Ring" Held.

Mexico City.—More than 50 members of an alleged "military ring" have been arrested in this city as a result of the discovery of forgeries and the alteration of important documents in the war department. At least 10,000 documentary accounts have been falsified, says the Excelsior.

Banker Kills Himself.

San Angelo, Texas.—J. B. Reilly, 68, for 14 years president of the First State Bank at Bronte, Coke county, 35 miles north of San Antonio, was found shot to death. The body was in the rear of the bank. Reilly, who had been in ill health, left a note asking that relatives be notified of his death.

Premier Will Resign.

Athens.—Premier Rallis has determined to resign. It was announced, owing to differences with regard to whom shall head the Greek delegation that will participate in the forthcoming conference on near eastern questions to be held in London.

Gov. Harding in South.

Spartanburg, S. C.—W. P. Harding, governor of the federal reserve board, will deliver an address at the annual meeting of the Spartanburg Chamber of Commerce, it has been announced.

CONSUMERS BUYING FREELY

Peak of Depression Passed, Says E. Pillsbury—Consumer is Again Buying.

New Orleans, La.—The peak of the business depression in the south has been passed and the consumer is again buying, in the opinion of Edward Pillsbury, secretary and credit manager of the B. Rosenberg & Sons, Inc., large shoe manufacturers and jobbers here.

Pillsbury sums up the situation in the following statement:

"The price slashing sales of December and January have started the consumer buying. The completion of January inventories, although showing stocks on hand to be below normal, has brought about a general readjustment of prices to present level. The low price level of merchandise has undoubtedly been reached and the placing of orders for spring goods has indicated a general revival of business."

WOMAN ADOPTS 11 CHILDREN

Amazing Story of Mother Love Told by Atlanta Woman—Husband Calls It Lie.

Atlanta, Ga.—One of the most amazing stories of mother love came to light here when Mrs. F. E. A. South, aged 52, is said to have confessed that triplets supposedly born to her on New Year's Eve were not her own, and that she has reared altogether 11 children whom even her husband believed born to her. The children were all adopted secretly from a maternity home because of her great love for babies, according to her alleged statements.

At the same time Mr. South, aged 60, a clerk in a grocery store, characterized the alleged statements as "an infernal lie." "My wife and I have been married 39 years and she never told me a lie," he asserted. "I know they are all my own children. They called me when the triplets came and I got there just 30 minutes afterwards."

The "birth" of the triplets was first announced shortly after New Year's, when their pictures were published in local newspapers.

WOULD ISSUE BIG BONDS.

Pennsylvania Wants to Put Out \$120,000,000 Worth.

Washington.—The Pennsylvania Railroad company asked the interstate commerce commission for authority to issue \$120,000,000 worth of gold bonds. Half of the amount, bearing interest at 6 1/2 per cent, would be sold, and the other half, bearing interest at 6 per cent, would be pledged as security for the bonds placed on the market.

BRINDELL IN TOMBS.

Five Other Extortion Indictments Against Convicted Labor Leader.

New York.—Five additional indictments are pending against Robert P. Brindell, head of the Building Trades Council, who is in the Tombs prison awaiting sentence for conviction on a charge of extortion. Each of the remaining true bills against the labor leader charges extortion, on conviction of which the maximum sentence is 15 years imprisonment.

Dog Causes Wolf Scare.

Washington.—A "wolf scare" in Maryland near here ended when a German wolf hound, brought back by a war veteran, turned up at its home marked with buckshot. It has been spreading terror among flocks and herds and farmers who spotted and fired at the animal believed they had dealt with a wolf escaped from the national zoo in Washington.

WAR PAJAMAS SELLING.

France Resells Red Cross Garments to American Dealers.

Washington.—Pajamas, 40,000 suits of them, made by American women for the boys in France, but sold to the French government after the armistice, are being sold in this country through French and American speculators at \$2.45 a suit, L. E. Bicknell, assistant director of the Red Cross A. E. F., declared before a house war investigating committee. They were given to the army by the Red Cross and sold by the liquidation commission, he said, French speculators getting them from the French government later and selling them to Americans, who stripped them of the Red Cross insignia and marketed them here.

Law and Order League.

Waco, Texas.—A law and order league has been organized here with S. P. Brooks, president of Baylor University, as its president. The league went on record as favoring the enforcement of all laws and repeal of laws that cannot be enforced.

ADVISE PEACE WITH REDS.

England Wants Roumania to End Talk of War.

London.—Roumania has been advised by the British government to enter peace negotiations with soviet Russia, says a dispatch received here from Moscow. Great Britain, the dispatch adds, has offered its services as mediator.

Drinks Evidence and Gets Speechless.

Indianapolis, Ind.—William Thompson tried to drink the evidence when prohibition agents raided his home. The men forced an entrance just as Thompson had gurgled a half pint of whisky and threw another under a table. He couldn't talk for five minutes.

Union Uses Airplane to Picket Yards.

Philadelphia.—Aerial picketing was inaugurated when literature attacking the open shop was dropped over the Cramp Shipbuilding Yards, where 5,000 employes are on strike.

BANDITS ROB MAN OF MAIL POUCH

DARING HOLDUP IS COMMITTED AT ST. CHARLES—BAG SAID TO CONTAIN \$100,000.

WARNED HE WOULD BE KILLED

Highwaymen Force Agent to Hide in the Bottom of Car at Points of Pistols and Drive into St. Louis.

St. Louis.—Five bandits kidnaped Willis H. Thornhill, 56 years old, a United States mail messenger at the Missouri, Kansas and Texas station in St. Charles, and escaped in an automobile with a registered mail pouch said to contain approximately \$100,000.

The bandits, after securing the pouch and forcing the messenger to conceal himself in the bottom of the automobile, drove over the highway bridge at a terrific speed and arrived in St. Louis three-quarters of an hour later.

Thornhill was forced out of the automobile at Florissant and Calvary avenues, St. Louis. He was warned that he would be killed if he reported the matter to the police within an hour.

Thornhill immediately telephoned the home of Post Office Inspector M. B. Lunney, in St. Louis, and notified him of the robbery. Lunney communicated with the police and Patrolman John Cizek of the Mounted District station was sent to Calvary and Florissant, where Thornhill reported the robbery to him.

Thornhill told the police that he was seated in his wagon waiting for the St. Louis bound train when five men in a large touring car drove up alongside.

All five of the men, armed, got out of the machine, he said, and ordered him to throw up his hands. He complied and was ordered to get out of the wagon.

Two of the men got into the wagon and took out the registered mail sack and threw it into the automobile.

"Get into the back of the machine and lie down," one of the bandits commanded.

The five bandits then jumped into the machine. Two got into the front seat and the other three into the back seat.

Thornhill said that the three men kept their feet on him and also kept him covered with a blanket until after they had passed over the highway bridge across the Missouri River.

The automobile halted for a minute at the ticket office on the west approach of the bridge.

One of the men in the front seat said: "Five passengers," and the car continued east. The machine went over the St. Charles Rock road out of St. Charles and turned into the Natural Bridge road. Thornhill said.

As the machine left the Missouri, Kansas and Texas depot in St. Charles two of the men in the back seat held revolvers against Thornhill's head under the blanket and told him if he made a move they would kill him.

The railroad depot is just three blocks from the St. Charles postoffice and is at the foot of Tompkins street, on the bank of the Missouri River.

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F. D. BROWN.
Vidalia, La., Sep. 14th, 1919.

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R. P. SCHELE.
Vidalia, La., March 24, 1919.

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