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THOUGH GERMANS PLEAD FOR MODIFICATIONS THEY DO NOT SAY THEY WILL NOT SIGN UP

Text of Note Covering Counter Proposals Was Made Public By State Department Last Night.

RHINE REPUBLIC HAS BEEN PROCLAIMED

Provisional Government Has Been Installed At Wiesbaden—Paderewski Asks Probe of Poland Jews.

Paris, Havas, June 1.—The Rhine republic was proclaimed today in various Rhine cities, headed by Dr. Borden. Wiesbaden. The population hopes it will end uncertainty prevailing in the Rhine provinces regarding the allied nations and Germany.

Washington, June 1.—Execution of the peace treaty as framed by the Versailles conference is declared to be "more than the German people can bear," by Count Von Brockdorff-Rantzau, head of the German peace delegation, in a note to the associated governments, outlining the German counter-proposals.

The text of the note made public tonight by the state department also says "The more deeply we penetrate into the spirit of this treaty the more convinced we become of the impossibility of carrying it out."

Brockdorff-Rantzau's note says that Germany realizes she must make sacrifices to obtain peace in summing up what he says is the attitude of the German nation in holding the terms unbearable. The note addressed to Premier Clemenceau of France as president of the peace conference was delivered last Thursday and made public by the state department.

The German delegation nowhere in its note says it will refuse to sign the peace treaty but declares that "even in her need, justice for her is too sacred a thing to allow her to stoop to achieve conditions which she cannot undertake to carry out."

Exclusion of Germany from the league of nations the note asserts, means that in signing the peace treaty Germany would be executing the "decree for its own prescription, nay its own death sentence." The German people, the note says, have been disappointed in their "hope for a peace of justice which had been promised." And stand "aghast" at the demands made on them by the "victorious violence of our enemies."

Outlining its counter proposals German delegation agrees to reduction of the German Army and Navy on conditions that Germany immediately be admitted to the league of nations, agrees to renounce Germany's sovereign rights to Alsace Lorraine and Posen, but asks the principle of self determination for all other territories which she is called on to give up, agrees to subject all German colonies to administration of the league of nations but under German mandatory, agrees to make indemnity payments as required but in amounts that will burden German tax payer no more heavily than the tax payer of the most heavily burdened state among those represented on reparations commissions.

The note declares Germany is willing to pool her entire merchant marine with that of the associated powers, neutral participation in an inquiry as to responsibility for the war is asked.

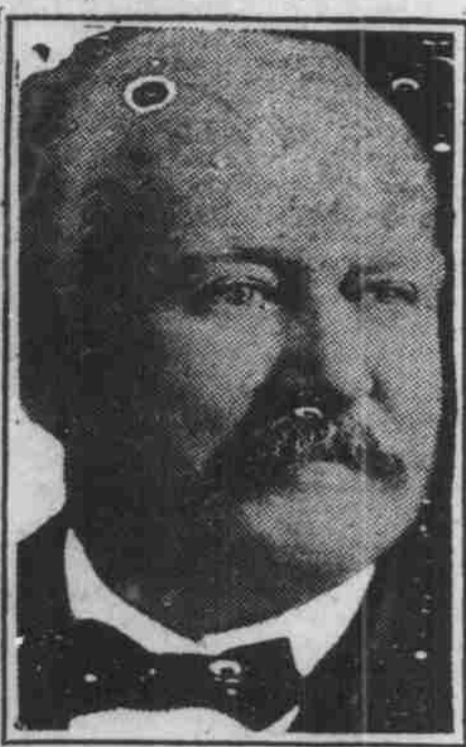
Premier Paderewski, of Poland made it known today that he had decided to ask President Wilson to appoint a commission of Americans to go to Poland to investigate charges regarding the treatment of Jews.

Paderewski made the announcement in a letter to Herbert Hoover. He said "Mistatements" made in New York meeting about the threatening of Jews in Poland affected him profoundly and if the commission finds "any case of transgression of the law where justice had not been done the Polish government will undertake to administer it rigorously." He said reports from Poland were colored by enemy propaganda and while much misery and suffering exists there, that the Jews have every consideration the gentiles have.

COLS. HUGHES AND BENNETT GO BACK TO PRE-WAR BASIS

Col. John L. Hughes, in command at Fort Barrancas, and Col. Lewis S. Bennett, also at Fort Barrancas for the present, have received their war department orders demoting them to the rank of major, as had been anticipated for some days past.

The orders are in accordance with the policies of the war department in re-establishing the army on a peacetime basis and for several weeks similar orders have been going out to officials in the service throughout the country. Nothing in the orders in any way reflect discredit upon the men to whom orders are being given.



JOSEPH W. FORDNEY

Fordney of Michigan, chairman of the ways and means committee, will have his name on the next tariff bill, it one is passed. He's a high protectionist.

ALLEGED BAD MEN HELD AT TALLAHASSEE

Ohioan's Who Worked At Electric Plant for Several Months Arrested on Burglary Charge.

Tallahassee, June 1.—Two men, known in Tallahassee as C. Davis and J.C. Harvey, and who for some months past have been respectively chief engineer and assistant engineer at the electric plant in this city, were today arrested by Chief of Police E. R. Isler. They are charged in two indictments in Greenville, Ohio, with burglary and larceny.

It is said that their real names are Clifton Denette and Tony Svite. A search among their effects disclosed a large grip in which was a complete outfit of burglars tools tightly wrapped in paper and covered with cloth in such a manner as to prevent any rattling. With these tools were also found two revolvers.

Chief Isler notified the sheriff of Greenville of the arrest and has received a reply stating that the sheriff will come with the necessary requisition papers to return the men for trial to Ohio. Two of the tools found are evidently of very recent make.

DRIVE TO GET BOOST TODAY AT MUSCOGEE

Odds and Ends of Home Service Campaign Are Being Rounded Up in Good Shape.

The big booster meeting today at Muscogee for the cause of the Salvation Army Home service fund drive, is expected, will conclude the actual local campaigning, though there are a number of counties in the West Florida zone from which final reports have not come and in which the organizations are still finishing up. It will be perhaps two or three days yet before the final results are in and tabulated.

Col. J. L. Hughes, with a band from Fort Barrancas, together with Zone Chairman B. S. Hancock, County Chairman C. B. Hervey and other workers, including members of the local Salvation Army corps, will go to Muscogee and a rousing good meeting is promised.

Odds and ends of the campaign in Pensacola are being rounded up in good shape and in the final count is confidently expected that it will be shown that Pensacola and West Florida are well over their quotas as is usual in such worthy causes.

REPUBLICANS NOT PLEASED WITH MONDELL

Greater Appropriations Permitted Not in Accordance With Leaders Party Promises.

"TIP" IS PASSED TO NEW HOUSE LEADER

"Republican Government of Efficiency and Economy" Promises May Have to Be Broken.

(BY GEORGE H. MANNING.)

Washington, D. C., June 1.—Considerable dissatisfaction with Mr. Mondell as floor leader of the republicans in the house has already begun to show itself among a number of the most prominent republicans in the house and senate.

Instead of sticking closely to the promise made by the republican leaders in congress that they would prune reckless government expenses Mr. Mondell is permitting the house republicans to make still greater appropriations for the federal departments, it is charged.

The "tip" has been sent to the new house leader by the dissatisfied republicans that he will be held responsible for all increased appropriations and that unless they are kept down a movement will be begun to obtain another leader who will see that the so-called "democratic extravagance" is checked.

The republican leaders in congress have already begun to fear that leader Mondell is going to seriously embarrass the republican party by failing to keep their promise to reduce governmental expenses as soon as they obtained control of congress, and thereby rob the party of all prospect of going to the polls in 1920 with a promise of relief from the heavy tax burdens imposed by the democrats, through the institution of republican efficiency and economy.

Although the session of the Sixty-sixth congress is not yet two weeks old the complaint against Mondell has already become quite bitter.

The republicans have been charging the democrats with recklessly squandering the people's money through the various federal departments and have promised that if put in control on Capitol Hill they would immediately trim down appropriations.

They have promised the people less burdensome and obnoxious taxes and had figured on being able to cancel some of the irritating tax schedules through reducing government expenses and thus making it unnecessary to raise so much revenue.

It had been confidently hoped by the Republican leaders in the senate and house that beginning right now they could reduce government expenses by slicing down the appropriation bills and go to the people in 1920 with examples of G. O. P. governmental efficiency and economy and promises of reduced taxation. Promises of reduced taxation is a powerful vote getter, they well know.

It was a great shock to these leaders therefore when on the opening day of the session Floor Leader Mondell introduced a bill to appropriate half a billion dollars to carry on the soldier farm settlement plan. They do not believe the soldier farm settlement bill as a political asset will offset the liability of levying half a billion dollars in additional taxes.

They had expected also that considerable reductions would be made by the house republicans in the totals of the seven big appropriation bills from which the democrats at the last session, but which failed to pass.

So that it was a vexing surprise when the republican majority of the Indian committee brought in the Indian appropriation bill calling for \$600,000 more than the democrats asked at the last session.

When the agriculture committee followed this up a few days later by bringing in an agricultural bill calling for \$3,264,000 more than asked for by the democrats, the lid threatened for a while to be blown off by the explosion of the republican steers.

Floor Leader Mondell is being held responsible by the leaders for failure so far as to keep the republican promises. It is claimed that the soldier farm settlement plan may be a very fine thing for Mr. Mondell if the government spends a lot of money and settles a lot of former soldiers on irrigated lands in the semi-arid regions of Wyoming, his home state, but that it will be very bad politics for the party to burden the people with \$500,000,000 more in taxes.

Floor Leader Mondell must either lead the way to economy in government expenses in the house where all appropriation bills originate, the disgruntled republicans say, or make way for someone who can lead in that direction.

LEGISLATURE BEGINS LAST LAP OF TERM IN DEADLOCK

Fireworks in Federal Aid Road Legislation Due to Be Set Off in House This Morning.

SENATE'S REQUEST TO RECEDE DENIED

Many Measures Were Either Passed Or Withdrawn in Senate Saturday and That Branch is Not So Far Behind.

Tallahassee, June 1.—The legislature will begin the last lap of the hard grind tomorrow morning at 10:30 with the measures to meet the federal road aid volplaning more than ever.

Speaker Wilder has declared to the correspondents that he will decline the senate message again asking the house to recede out of order. When he does, the match necessary to explode the house will be struck and elaborate indeed will be the fireworks. Mr. Wilder says there is no parliamentary precedent for one branch of a legislative body to make a request of the other to recede after the latter has appointed a conference committee.

"Upon the appointment of a conference committee the matter went out of the hands of the house," he declares. "Mr. Lewis' motion tied my hands."

Senator Singletary yesterday withdrew his resolution calling for a constitutional convention, but he states that if the house passes a similar resolution which has been on its calendar during most of the session, he will make a fight to pass it through the senate.

The house bill to punish any person who with intent to defraud obtains money on other thing of value on promise to perform labor was returned to the senate today and referred to judiciary B after the vote by which the senate had indefinitely postponed it had been reconsidered.

Mr. Butler withdrew his senate bill No. 103 relating to the pay of judges. On Senator Mac Williams motion, Senator Hulley's bill to regulate the conferring of degrees by colleges was tabled.

Senator Cash withdrew his bill relating to the marketing and branding of cattle.

The Watson house bill permitting Miami to tap one of the drainage canals to secure a purer water supply passed the senate.

Senator Mac Williams bill requiring the commissioner of agriculture to tabulate and publish the private tourist accommodations that are available in the state, passed.

Five of the drainage bills recently introduced by Senator Mac Williams to clarify the present laws, were passed and one was withdrawn by the author. By a vote of 16 to 9 the Russell bill appropriating for the eradication of a pest that is said to be threatening the Florida camphor industry was passed.

TRANS-ATLANTIC FLIGHT CREWS MEET IN LONDON

London, June 1.—The crews of the three American naval seaplanes which started on the memorable trans-Atlantic flight, completed so gallantly by the NC-4 by arrival at Plymouth yesterday, came to London this afternoon and received a typical American reception at Paddington station.

American sailors and soldiers paraded Lieut. Commander Read up and down the platform on their shoulders.

One of the first to shout congratulations was Harry G. Hawker, the daring Britisher who tried to fly across the Atlantic in a biplane. Royal air force officers and army aviators were on hand to greet the Americans and to see them off to the barracks where they were to be quartered.

BOLSHEVIK FLEET ENGAGES SEVEN BRITISH WAR MEN

Helsingfors, June 1.—A fifty minute fight took place this morning between a Bolshevik fleet comprising the battleship Petropavlovsk (2,300 tons) and three other warships which had been bombarding the coast west of Kronstadt (fifteen miles west of Kronstadt) and seven British warships. The Russians eventually fled to Kronstadt.

WALK OUT OF WIRE WORKERS IS SCHEDULED

No Adjustment of Differences Had Been Reached Late Last Night—3 p. m. is Time Limit.

BUT FEW LOCAL WORKERS AFFECTED

Burleson Asks Probe of Southern Bell Situation in Atlanta Whence Threats Come.

With the possibility of a nation-wide strike of telephone and telegraph operators being called at three o'clock today, local interest centers in the question as to whether the local telephone exchange and telegraph offices would be affected.

So far as could be ascertained last night it appears that few of the telephone operators here are members of the union and for that reason it is not likely that telephone service here in case of a strike will be impaired.

Neither of the local telegraph offices are organized to any appreciable extent, but it is likely that the volume of incoming business will decrease almost to the vanishing point if the nation-wide strike is called.

Washington, June 1.—Investigation of the differences between the Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph company and its employees in Atlanta which led to threats of a nation-wide strike of telegraph and telephone operators at three o'clock Monday afternoon, was ordered tonight by Postmaster General Burleson, who said information reaching him on the subject was conflicting.

He said that while union representatives had said nothing to him on the subject he understood they claimed that a number of employees had been discharged for joining the union, while the company said positively the only discharges had been for inefficiency.

Burleson said, "It seems that discrepancy as to fact is the only difficult point in the situation." Union leaders, however, continued to go forward with preparations for a walk-out tomorrow.

President Konecnam, of the Commercial Telegraphers Union of America, wired a mass meeting here "We are being forced into a nation-wide strike because of the suffering of commercial operators for the last thirty-six years."

FIRST BAPTIST MEETING HAVE FINE BEGINNING

The opening services yesterday and last night for the series of protracted meetings to be held at the First Baptist church were attended by large congregations. At last night's services the large auditorium was crowded to exceeding its capacity, and those of the church who have their earnest interest in the religious effort expressed themselves as highly pleased with the beginning.

At the morning service Mr. and Mrs. Charles Butler, noted vocalists, who are here to conduct the music for the meetings, assisted by Miss Ruth Miller, pianist, held the interest of the congregation for about three quarters of an hour in a manner that completely won them over. Then it was not wondered that the house was crowded last night. Following the music, Rev. J. A. Ansley, pastor of the church, who is to do the preaching for the series of meetings, delivered a most able sermon from the text of the "Parable of the Lost Coin"—Luke 15: 8-9-10.

All Vocalists Invited. All musicians of the city, especially all vocalists, regardless of creed or church affiliation, are urgently invited by Mr. Butler to attend the services and to take part in the music. Within a few days he expects to complete organization of one of the best choirs ever heard in this city.

Throughout the week there will be services every evening at 8 o'clock, with an especially good program of music. Today at the noon hour Mr. Butler expects to meet and entertain the men at the L. & N. shops. Tomorrow he will meet with the Rotarians on the occasion of their regular weekly get-together and Wednesday at the noon hour he will be at the plant of the Pensacola Shipbuilding company for the purpose of entertaining the men with music and a lecture. Other shop and industrial plant meetings will probably be arranged from time to time during the progress of the meetings.

VOTERS OF CITY WILL DECIDE ON PROPOSITION OF DIVERTING \$90,000 BONDS TODAY AT POLLS



CHAS. A. KENNEDY

Kennedy of Iowa, may be the author of the next rivers and harbors bill, often "pork barrel" legislation. He was leading republican member of last congress' committee.

THOMPSON IS COMMANDER OF LEGION HERE

Every Branch of Service is Represented On Board of Officers of American Legion.

Harry W. Thompson, county solicitor, and formerly a captain in the Army Flying Corps, was elected post commander of the Pensacola branch of the American Legion at a meeting held in the Army-Navy club yesterday morning. More than 70 exservice men attended the meeting. Every branch of the service was represented and given place on the board of officers.

Dr. Mauley Kennedy was elected vice-commander; J. M. Coe, adjutant; Edwin V. Booth, captain; George W. Owens, Jr., financial officer; Peter Knowles, sergeant at arms; and Harold E. McCune, Historian.

Dr. Kennedy was a captain in the Army Medical Corps, Mr. Coe was a sergeant-major in the Army, Mr. Booth was a marine, and Messrs. Owens, McCune and Knowles were sailors.

The commander was authorized to issue credentials to all members of the post who are able to attend the sessions of the state organization at Jacksonville, June 10 and 11, and about six men signified their intentions to go.

The Army-Navy club was adopted as official headquarters and a meeting will be held there June 15 to receive reports from the meeting at Jacksonville.

STATE COLLEGE COMMENCEMENT IS BIG EVENT

Tallahassee, June 1.—Over a thousand people were gathered today in the auditorium of the State College for Women to hear the baccalaureate sermon delivered to the graduating class by Dr. L. E. McNair, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Jacksonville.

From remarks heard on all sides it seems the consensus of opinion that Dr. McNair made one of the strongest and most practical addresses ever delivered here upon a similar occasion.

The occasion was the second event on the program of the annual college commencement. Last evening at 9 o'clock the program was opened with the Junior and Senior oratorical contests for board of control medals. The contestants and subjects were as follows:

Announcement of the award of medals will be made Wednesday morning at the graduation ceremonies when the conferring of degrees will also take place.

CASUAL COMPANY TRAIN PLUNGES DOWN BANK

Omaha, Neb., June 2.—Twenty-five out of 275 casuals including five officers and a Y. M. C. A. secretary, all members of the 557th Hoboken casual company, were slightly injured today when five coaches of the train bearing them to San Francisco plunged down a thirty-foot embankment into Salt Creek near here. The men were taken to Fort Omaha.

Numerous Expressions Favorable and Unfavorable to Proposition Indicate Fair Vote.

HINRICHS WILL BE FORMALLY ELECTED

Approximately 3,700 Voters Are Qualified for Participating in Balloting Polls Open From 8-6.

Considerable interest has been expressed during the last few days in today's general city election, due especially to the fact that the proposition of diverting \$90,000 in bonds, voted last August for street and water works extension in the vicinity of the ship yard, to other street improvement or public works, as may be determined by the city commissioners, is to be decided at the polls today.

The reason why this money was not expended for the specific purposes for which the bond issue was voted is generally known. The government, through the emergency fleet corporation, had determined on erecting several hundred houses in the vicinity of the ship yard, but before the work was actually started it was decided this would not be absolutely necessary, therefore the money that would have been available to the city from the bond issue was not used for that purpose.

By legislative enactment, subject to the approval of the voters of the city today, this money will be turned into the hands of the city commissioners to spend on streets, sewer, waterworks or other improvements as they may from time to time see fit. The proposition to delegate this authority to the city commissioners without the designation of specific purposes for which the money is to be expended has given rise to numerous expressions of opposition and it is indicated that this will be responsible for an unusually large vote for a general election in which this is usually only of minimum interest.

The only other proposition to be voted on is the re-election of Commissioner George H. Hinrichs, who was duly nominated at the democratic primary on April 15 and whose election today is expected to be only a formal affair, of course.

Registration Officer J. A. Kilpatrick stated last night that there are about 3,700 electors who are qualified to participate in the voting at the polls today, about 250 of whom are negroes. It is estimated that the vote will be 1,200 to 1,500.

Polls Open at 8.

The polls will open at the 12 voting precincts in the city at 8 o'clock this morning and close at 6 o'clock this afternoon. The returns will be canvassed at the city hall tonight by the commissioners, it is expected.

Following is the location of the polling places and also a list of the clerks and inspectors for each:

- District No. 12.—Corner Alcaniz and Intendencia streets.
- District No. 13.—Court house annex.
- District No. 14.—Corner Romana and Baylen streets.
- District No. 15.—Corner Romana and DeVilliers streets.
- District No. 26.—Gregory street and Tenth avenue.
- District No. 27.—Strong street and Ninth avenue.
- District No. 28.—Gonzalez and Alcaniz streets.
- District No. 29.—Gadsden and Hayne streets.
- District No. 30.—State Board of Health building, North Palafox street.
- District No. 31.—DeVillier and Gadsden streets.
- District No. 32.—Garden and B streets.
- District No. 34.—DeVillier and Wright streets.

Clerks and Inspectors.

- District No. 12.—E. C. Stout, clerk; Jno. Klumker, W. A. Blummer and John T. Lind, inspectors.
- District No. 13.—Tom Hannah, clerk; J. M. Stuckey, Phil Hannah and R. E. Crabbe, inspectors.
- District No. 14.—O. M. McVoy, clerk; Chas. Chandler, Jno. Rupert and I. W. Surles, inspectors.
- District No. 15.—Gus Soderlind, clerk; Jas. Farines, Joe Bergas and Allie Payne, inspectors.
- District No. 26.—J. W. Coons, clerk; R. B. Little, W. H. P. Thars and Sim Kelly, inspectors.
- District No. 27.—C. J. Herbert, clerk; Cecil Smith, Chas. Stuart and W. W. Brooks, inspectors.
- District No. 28.—D. D. Douglas, clerk; Geo. Gingles, Ed Anderson and C. M. Wilson, inspectors.
- District No. 29.—Sam Radcliffe, clerk; A. M. LeFrancols, Jack Bergin and O. Z. McReynolds, inspectors.
- District No. 30.—J. H. Cross, clerk; A. L. White, Chas. W. Dickerson and J. C. Green, inspectors.
- District No. 31.—Louis Freidman.

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