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REPARATIONS SETTLED

The World war came to an end yesterday when the harassing question of reparations was finally settled after a series of more than forty conferences spread over a period of thirteen years.

Symbolic of this attitude was the spontaneous action of Premier Eduard Herriot, of France, when he burst forth from the great conference, smiling exuberantly, seized two young women reporters, one German and the other French, and hugged and kissed them both while spectators enthusiastically applauded.

But in recent months the German people have suffered intensely from economic depression which has thrown millions out of work. This condition has led them to take the attitude, "we will not pay," and to strongly resent the war guilt clause in the Versailles treaty, upon which the reparations bill was based.

On the other hand, France and her allies are owing nearly ten billions of war debts to the United States, and they insist that they must have the reparations from Germany before they can pay these debts, which the United States has steadfastly refused to reduce.

In the agreement reached yesterday at Lausanne Germany dropped her demand that the war guilt clause be stricken from the Versailles treaty and flat refusal to pay; and France consented to accept a sum of about \$750,000,000 instead of \$1,000,000,000 upon which she had been insisting previously.

Then came announcement from the United States of her willingness to entertain appeals from the European nations for reduction in their war debts. These appeals will be considered individually, on the basis of ability to pay, and it is generally supposed that European budgets for armaments will be an important factor in Uncle Sam's final decisions.

The prospects are that all the powers will soon arrange an economic conference, which would now have some chance of succeeding, since the reparations question is settled. Not for many months have the international skies appeared brighter than they do today.

CLOTHING EDICTS

Governments the world over seem to be taking a lively interest in what their people wear. Italy's dictator is also her arbiter of fashion, even to the number of yards of cloth in a dress and the length of the skirt.

Dispatches do not state whether there are hygienic reasons for this law, as in the South, where hookworm attacks the soles of the feet, or as in South Africa, where the deadly jigger makes its onslaughts under the toenails.

Strategy should easily overcome objection. Broken glass and sharp-pointed tacks, judiciously scattered through the streets, ought to prove a strong argument for obedience to law.

If such a law were placed on American statute books, there immediately would become widespread a suspicion that the shoe industry or a combine of old-clothes dealers had put in some effective lobbying in Washington.

Other Papers Say:

"OFF WITH HIS HEAD!"

"Tallest thou me of 'is?' 'Thou art a traitor! Off with his head!' So much for Hal Hoss when he dares to live up to the law and the constitution instead of the ukase of Governor Meier in the matter of collecting auto license fees in an illegal manner.

The governor had ordered the secretary of state, over whom he has no legal jurisdiction, to issue automobile licenses on a quarterly installment payment basis. The law reads that "the annual license fees prescribed in the act for such licenses shall be paid to the secretary of state at the time the application is made."

In reply to the savage attack made upon him by Mr. Meier, Mr. Hoss temporarily sets forth the law and quotes the constitution which he, as well as the governor is sworn to uphold, which reads "the operation of the laws shall never be suspended except by authority of the legislative assembly."

The executive by mandate attempts to set aside the law requiring the secretary of state to collect auto license fees and orders the state treasurer, who is without legal authority to collect them on a quarterly or any other basis, to do the collecting, decrees a special audit of the secretary's office asserting it overmanned, declares that because Mr. Hoss as a newspaper man (his training was in the business end of a newspaper) knows nothing of business and pays other sundry compliments.

All that the governor has done besides making a spectacle of himself in his four flush gallery plays is to demoralize license collections and thereby cripple highway finances dependent upon them, and his further acts only make confusion worse confounded, a necessary consequence of the refusal of officials to impartially enforce the law.

The executive in his frequent spasms of rage and spite reprisals forgets that "he that is slow to anger is better than the mighty, and he that rules his spirit than he that takes a city."

TIME FOR A SHOWDOWN The district attorney of Multnomah county will fall of doing his duty if he does not focus the law enforcement agencies of his county on the unravelling of the mysterious alleged theft of the university-college physical merger petitions.

The public is entitled to know the real agencies that lie behind the merger movement. The few men in the foreground have refused to divulge the names of the real sponsors because "the revelation might prove embarrassing."

The university and the college belong to the people of Oregon. Both plants have come into being, have flourished and grown because the people have supported them. Now when a movement is started to initiate a law which affects materially the status of both institutions, the people have a right to know all about it.

Is the movement started in the spirit of sincere desire to benefit Oregon and its young people? The people are entitled to know. Is the movement started as a sectional measure to promote sectional advantages and disadvantages? The public is entitled to know.

As far as this newspaper is concerned, it is slow to understand why the sponsors of any movement designed to benefit the public should remain in hiding.

For the welfare of Oregon, her higher educational institutions and for the young people whom they serve, the time has come for a showdown.

In Washington

By Herbert Plummer CHICAGO — If the Democrats elect their candidates this coming November, then the vice president, charged with the duty of presiding over the senate, should keep Senator Walsh of Montana at his right hand all the time.

For that shaggy-browed, gray-haired gentleman from Montana is about as adept at presiding and maintaining order as anyone can imagine.

Perhaps the secret of Walsh's power over the convention was the fact that he seemed to realize that it was the delegates' show. It was a jubilant and noisy bunch all the time. They came to Chicago prepared to whomp it up, and nothing could have stopped them.

Walsh knew that and made no effort to keep them from restraining themselves when the lid blew off. But at the same time, he made it plain to every delegate that there was work to be done by the convention, and that it would be done.

OUT OUR WAY



By J. R. Williams

Clark Wood Says

It seems that Senator Norris is a loyal Republican except at or between elections.

"Cheap politics," however, is seldom inexpensive.

It was plain afforded evidence enough that the Democratic convention was anything but "cut and dried."

The sum of \$43.85 cash per capita is said to be in circulation, but some light-fisted chap must be hoarding ours.

Present-day blowhards get too little competition from the factory whistles.

The Kansas City Star has been sued for forty-two millions. Paying that much damages would dent even our bank-roll.

Supreme Court Gives Decision in Damage Suit

selling bridge bonds aggregating the amount of \$650,000, to be used in construction of a toll bridge over and across the Columbia river.

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IN BERLIN, GERMANY DURING THE FOOD SHORTAGE OF THE WORLD WAR DAYS, A ZOO ELEPHANT LOST 2000 POUNDS.



Louise of Prussia, WHILE ESCAPING FROM BERLIN AT THE APPROACH OF NAPOLEON'S ARMY, AMUSED HER CHILDREN BY MAKING CORNFLOWER CHAINS. IN LATER YEARS, WHEN ONE OF THESE CHILDREN BECAME WILHELM I, HE PROCLAIMED THE CORNFLOWER THE FLOWER OF GERMANY.

CHIMNEY SWIFTS ARE ABLE TO PERCH ON TWIGS AND WIRES, AS OTHER BIRDS DO.



CHIMNEY SWIFTS have feet of such peculiar construction that the birds are able to perch only on vertical surfaces, such as the inside walls of chimneys, where they build their nests.

JUDGE INSTRUCTS LOVE BALM JURY

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Sport Finals

The hold of the Pittsburgh Buccaneers on first place in the National league was made just a bit less secure this afternoon when the leaders of the second division, the Brooklyn Robins, snatched an easy victory 9 to 3.

The lowly Giants and Reds staged a snappy game today, Walker and Benton engaging in a pitcher's duel with the latter coming out victorious.

The Athletics stood still this afternoon, splitting a double bill with the Chicago White Sox.

The Yankees, by winning the first game of a doubleheader, extended their lead over the Athletics to seven games, pending the outcome of the second contest.

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WALLOWA WOMAN CALLED BEYOND

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daughters, Mrs. Reese Sutphin and Mrs. Earl Peffer, of Wallowa, and Mrs. C. B. Walker, of San Francisco, Cal., and one son, J. C. Steinwender, of Pittsburgh, Penn. Another son died about two years ago in the east. There are also nine grandchildren.

Mrs. Steinwender possessed a strong Christian character and was loved by all who knew her. She was a member of the Presbyterian church and the Order of the Eastern Star. Her funeral will be held at the Presbyterian church in Wallowa Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock with Rev. Weston F. Shields, of Enterprise, in charge of the services.

DAVIS FUNERAL FRIDAY Funeral services were held at Wallowa Friday morning at the K. of P. hall for Frank Davis, who was found dead in his garden on the morning of July 4.

BOYS' CAMP WILL BE HELD AT LAKE (Continued From Page One)

camp; Russell Nelson, cook; Charles Walnum, mess officer; Robert Reuter, head waiter; Carl Coleman, Robert Long, Carl Johnson and Arthur Steffen, camp counselors.

The total cost of the camp will be \$9 for the two weeks, including a registration fee of \$1 which must be paid to A. W. Nelson.

Activities of the camp will include tent pitching, instructions, swimming, hiking, canoeing, boating, camping, games, leathercraft, naturecraft, wood carving, campfires, council fires, stunts, surprises, fishing and other events.

The program for the camp, as outlined by Mr. Carter, starts each day at 6:30 when reveille will be sounded. Breakfast will be served at 7 o'clock, followed by tent and camp duties, inspection, instruction, handcraft, swimming and life-saving before dinner at noon.

Camp honor awards will be made again this year and in addition there will be a few medals for satisfactory participation in camp activities, and a felt "W" for outstanding leadership.

Safety precautions will be taken during the swimming period, and no boy will be allowed in the water at any other time unless special permission is obtained from the camp director.

Members of the senior and junior Red Cross life saving corps will be in charge of swimming.

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FLIERS TO REACH MOSCOW SUNDAY (Continued From Page One)

right if the soft ground hadn't caused the ship to turn over. As it is, the plane is not very seriously damaged and we think we can repair it."

"We spent all day yesterday disassembling and packing the motor and we are freighting the damaged parts to Moscow in the hope it can be repaired there so we won't have to abandon the ship. We are going back to Minsk this evening for our luggage and we will take the express train from there, arriving in Moscow tomorrow morning."

The fliers said they spent last night in the only hotel in Borisov. It is a very small structure, but they said they were very comfortable and added they were faring very well under the care of the soviet civil aviation society representatives who were sent from Moscow to assist them.

At this point the connection, wobbly to begin with, broke down entirely.

DISMANTLING SHIP BORISOV, U. S. S. R., July 9 (AP)—James Mattern, limping from a bruised knee, and Bennett Griffin, one eye blackened and adhesive tape covering scratches on his forehead, were busy dismantling their damaged airplane today when an Associated Press correspondent found them in the bog near Borisov where their projected round-the-world flight ended Thursday.

They were in good spirits, seemingly none the worse for their crackup except for their superficial injuries.

They explained that they had thought they could make the airport here but miscalculating the distance and veplaned into the post bog a few hundred yards away.

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