HARDING REPLIES TO WILSON QUERY

French 'Spokesmen' Are Sent, Senator Says.

WHOLLY INFORMAL

International Proprieties Held Not Violated.

PERSONAL RAP ANSWERED

President's Reference to "Private Citizen" Brings Retort From Republican Nominee.

MARION, O., Oct. 18 .- In reply to an inquiry from President Wilson. Senator Hardlag wrote the White Mouse tonight that although France had sent her "spokesmen" to him informally asking America to lead the way for an association of nations. the incident had not involved the French government in any violation

The senator declared that in his reference to the subject in a speech at Greencastle, Ind., recently, he only had sought to convey the thought that there had come to him "those who spoke a sentiment which they represented to be very manifest among the French people." He added his words "could not be con strued to say that the French governhas sent anybody to me.

Referring to Mr. Wilson's suggestion of impropriety in a foreign nation approaching "a private citizen" on such a subject, Senator Harding pointed out that he is a member of the senate foreign relations committee as well as a nomine for the presidency, and suggested PICKFORD CASE GOES OVER that "an informal expression to m rather more than that to a private

The president's letter had not purported to use the exact words of the Greencastle speech, but had repeated paraphrase in which "a representative" was used in place of the plural "her spokesman." The singular had

had occasion to revert to the stenorletter raised the point. He then as certained, he said, that notes and the transcript prepared on the train did not agree and that, although he had quash the action brought by the atsaid "her spokesman," the published torney-general to have the divorce reports of the speech had been in exact in using the words "her spokes

Quotation Not Exact.

The text of Senator Harding's let ter, sent in reply to one from Presi dent Wilson asking whether the sen ator had been correctly quoted in his Greencastle speech, follows:

Dear Mr. President: am not in receipt of the original bling. copy. 1 am glad to make a prompt

"It is very gratifying that you hesiassurance that I am correctly quoted. The quotation as reported in letter is not exact. The notes of the been received that they are again stenographer reporting my remarks being used. note me as saying: 'France has sent her spokesmen to me, informally ask the situation to lead the way for a association of nations,"

France's Faith Undoubted

am sure that my words could be construed to say that the Prench government has sent anybody The thought I was trying to me those who spoke a sentiment which they represented to be very manifest among the French people, nothing could suggest the French government having violated the pro of international relations. Official France would never seek is go over your high office as our chief executive to appeal to the American

people or any portion thereof. can see no impropriety in private citizens of France, or in Americans deeply friendly to France, ex- \$36.051 Embezzled; Wilson Conpressing to me their understanding of contiment in that friendly republic.

"It is not important enough to discuss, perhaps, but I very respectfully Wilson has confirmed the sentence of me is rather more than to a private imprisonment at hard labor imposed United States senate, which is charged field artillery, with certain constitutional authority n dealing with foreign relations, and party for president of our republic.

All Proprieties Observed.

positions, it ought not to be unseemly Bolsheviki Report Poles to Have new and better relationship among nations, no matter whence they came, should wish to advise me relating to own republic in attaining that high sued today, the Poles have abandoned, purpose. Let me assure you again of the observance of all the proprie- sure, orever, are retiring to new ties and again assert that the French posit of in the Slutsk-Polesia re-(Concluded on Page 3, Column 1.)

10-CENT COFFEE HELD

RESTAURANTS ACCUSED OF

Boston District Attorney Declares Ham Sandwiches Bring 399 Per Cent Returns.

BOSTON, Oct. 18 .- Restaurant keep-States Attorney Daniel J. Gallagher at an open hearing today to "explain PEACE ORGANIZATION TARGET an open hearing today to "explain mind of the public that you are gouging them in the prices charged for food," said they could not reduce prices at this time. As a consequence the federal attorney announced that he intended "to find some way to give persons charging excessive prices a chance to satisfy a court and jury on their charges."

Ham sandwiches that cost 6.29 cents and sold for 30 cents, a profit of 399 SENATE PROBE RESUMED per cent; rolls which showed a profit of 300 per cent, and pie, costing 46 to 18 cents, which sold for \$1.40, figured in the items which the attorney made Confidential Letters of Enforce

the subject of questions. Other items which he thought required an explanation included alleged profits running to 1900 per cent or vegetables, sale of corn at 40 cents an ear, coffee at 10 cents a cup and pie at 20 cents a cut.

NEW YORK, Oct. 18 .- A flat 50 per cent reduction in the prices of printed the League to Enforce Peace, of which percales to the cutting and jobbing William Howard Taft is president, trades was announced by selling were introduced into the records of agents of a well-known line today.

CHICAGO, Ill., Oct. 18.-Retail dealers throughout the country will day. Names of a number of promi sell clothes at cost this fall, Andreas nent bankers were mentioned. Burkhardt of Cincinnati, president of the National Association of Retail

prices." said Mr. Burkhardt. "Conse- January 36, 1899, which prohibits Mongol cowboys and some of the quently the dealers have determined American citizens carrying on negoti- specimens brought back alive to the to forget all about profits and sell ations with foreign governments or New York zoological park," said the ommodity at cost. "Dealers are not taking this action

flation and unsettlement and we feel years, that the good will of the people must be retained."

Action to Dissolve Divorce of Ac tress Again Postponed.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 18 .- Prelim! ary argument in the case of the state known otherwise as Gladys M. Fair- he thought had a bearing on the sociates. The party will have its banks or Mary Pickford, motion-pic- campaign expenditures investigation, headquarters in Pekin. ture actress, and her ex-husband. used in the transcript of the ef- Owen Moore, motion-picture actor, to

rapher's notes until the president's set over from Saturday, October 5. senatorial and congressional com- tremely early type of pre-human, apparently arranged the "hodup" in ers in the proposed reorganization government of Alaska to impose a Thomas H. Sheldon during these

Argument will be on a motion to invalidated.

PUNCH BOARDS MUST GO

Spokane Chief of Police Orders

Confiscation of Devices. SPOKANE, Wash., Oct. 18 .- The confiscation of all punchboards was ordered today by Chief of Police Wier "I have before me a press copy of as a step in the campaign recently your letter to me of this date, though launched in this city against gam-

The punchboards, upon which are numbers that are punched with the possibility of winning merfate to draw inferences without my chandise, were ordered put away some time ago, according to Chief Weir, but numerous complaints have

ng America in its new realization of FILLING STATION ROBBED Unmasked Man Reported to Have

Obtained \$60 in Cash. A. E. Moon, clerk in charge of the Standard Oil filling station at Sixth and Caruthers streets, was held up convey was that there had come to last night by an unmasked man and robbed of about \$60 cash and some gasoline scrip. The robber entered the station as Moon was closing up

for the night. Moon described the robber as about 25 years old, 5 feet 10 inches tall and weighing about 150 pounds. He word a dark brown suit and a light brown cap and carried an automatic pistol.

DESERTER GETS 15 YEARS

firms Dismissal From Army.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 18 .- President that an informal expression to dismissal from service and 15 years' tizen. I hold a place as a member of by courtmartial upon John C. Gottenbe foreign relations committee of the kiene, second lieutenant, of the 5th

He was convicted of deserting his am necessarily conscious that I June, 1919, after embezzling \$36,001 of

REDS RECAPTURE MINSK

Abandoned City.

LONDON, Oct. 18 .- The bolsheviki have reoccupied Minak, which, accordpirations to co-operate with our ing to their official communique is-The bolshevik troops, under presin the Slutsk-Polesia re-

1900 PER CENT PROFIT LAW VIOLATION LAID FIVE-YEAR SEARCH ON TO TAFT LEAGUERS

Civilian Canvass of Foreign Nations Charged.

Envoy Is Declared Busy Now, Seeking German Entry.

ment Unit Are Introduced at Campaign Hearing.

confidential letters from the files of L Bernheimer. the senate committee investigating campaign expenditures here late to-

Dom H. Hunt, attorney for the com mittee that investigated the activities more control in their kicking apof the league, reported that "in my "Rightfully or wrongfully, the public is determined to get lower have violated the Logan act, passed down in motor cars, lassed by estimation" officials of the league and long-haired tigers "can be run their agents regarding disputes or statement announcing the expedition

> Agent Sent to New York The senate committee sent Hunt to New York several days ago to investigate the activities of the League to

Enforce Peace. "Hunt conducted an inquiry for five days in the league's offices there; read all the correspondence in its files and examined employes and officers of the organization.

"His report, a voluminous document meracing copies of all letters which

ficial stenographer as made public dissolve the divorce obtained by Mrs. day to complete its investigation of trai Java, discovered part of a skull, man. Policemen, notified by Miss on the senator's train in Indiana, the Fairbanks in Minden has been post- the pre-convention campaign in Miss- two molar teeth and a thigh bone Procter, searched Carter's room, reon the senator's train in Indiana, the copy given to newspaper corresponding and thereby "unearthed one of the ents reading "France has sent her spokesman to me."

Club owners at the meeting said thereby "unearthed one of the covered jewels identified as her proposition campaign in all sent and adjourned to meet again and thereby "unearthed one of the covered jewels identified as her proposition control of the covered jewels identified as her proposition control of the covered jewels identified as her proposition campaign in all sent and adjourned to meet again most perplexing conundrums in the study of human ancestry," said the study of human ancestry," said the study of human ancestry," said the big room-mate, J. C. Roberts, on the pre-convention campaign in all sent and adjourned to meet again and thereby "unearthed one of the covered jewels identified as her proposition control of the cove ed to the chairmen of the reurday, November 6, after having been publican and democratic national, No new date has been set yet, it was mittees, directing them to file com- man-like animals? If so, this ape-man advance and were dividing the pro-

EMPLOYMENT DOWN FOR MISSING LINK AS WAGES INCREASE

SCIENTIFIC BODIES HUNT FOR COMPARISON MADE IN

Collection of Animals Even if Object It Not Attained.

NEW YORK, Oct. 18 .- Organized search for the well-advertised but undiscovered "missing link"-the remains of the near man that scientists, ince the day of Darwin, have longed o examine-is to be carried on in Asia for a five-year period, beginning next February.

An expedition, financed by a \$250,-900 fund, will penetrate remote regions and even if it fails to uncover remnants of man's rude prenatural history collection the world has ever seen."

The American museum of natural listory, which is sponsoring the explorations, announced tonight its as- payroll as in volume of employment. oclates are the American Asiatic ociety and the Asia magazine. These three will finance the expedition, with the help of private contributions by Mrs. Willard Straight, J. P. Morgan, George F. Baker, Childs Frick, W. A. ST. LOUIS, Mo., Oct. 18 .- Scores of Harriman and Mr. and Mrs. Charles

Huntsmen and cowboys, as well as erudite professors and scientists, will be included in the party, for it is planned to trail some of the wildest wild animals in the world in the Gobi desert and bring them back to New York alive.

paratus and wild camels, wild asses "On the Tibetan steppes are enor

from fear of panic or necessity for of the United States. The act carries mous yak, snow leopards, glant quick turnover in money. It is sim- a penalty, upon conviction, of fines of pandas and beautiful golden monkeys ply because the country is passing not more than \$5000 and imprison- with blue, upturned noses," the statethrough a temporary period of de- ment of from six months to three ment continued. "In China is the takin, a creature with a veritable golden fleece,' a strange ex-like animal that roams the highest mountain valleys and actually represents an intermediate stage between the anteope and the goat." It is the hope of finding the bone

of a pre-historic ancestor of man however, that is held highest by Roy Chapman Andrews, associate curato of mammals in the American museum of natural history, who will be in charge of the expedition and his as-In 1891 a Dutch army surgeon

was presented today.

The senate committee met here to- while excavating for fossils in cen-

"Were the remains those of an ex-

PRINCIPAL INDUSTRIES

Expedition Will Bring Back Great Volume of Work Shows Steady Decline Is Present When Ranked With 1919.

> WASHINGTON, Oct. 18 .- (Special) -Ten of the 14 principal industries in the United States showed a de crease in employment during the month of September as compared with August, according to statistics made public today by the labor de partment. Nine of the 14 showed a decrease last September as compared with September, 1919.

While the volume of employment in these industries has been steadily decreasing the amount of payroll in historic forebear, it is planned to decreasing the amount of payroll in bring back to New York "the greatest 10 of the 14 shows an increase during last September over the same month last year. During September of this year as compared with August, the same number showed a decrease in

The industries chosen for the comparison are iron and steel, automo-biles, car building and repairing, cotton manufacturing, cotton finish ing, hosiery and underwear, woolen, silk, men's clothing, leather, boots and shoes, paper making, cigars and bituminous coal mining.

Decrease in volume of employment during September was shown in automobile, 4.5 per cent; car building and repairing, 4.3 per cent; cotton agreement between professional manufacturing, .9 per cent; cotton finishing, 6.4 per cent; hosiery and underwear, .7 per cent; silk, 6.9 per cent; men's clothing, 6.8 per cent; sion abolished and a civilian tribunal leather, 7.6 per cent; boots and shoes, hour, wild horses with less speed but leather, 1.6 per cent; paper making, 1.1 per

On the increase in volume of employment, woolen with 37.9 per cent is the heaviest. The amount of increase of payroll in the woolen industry during September was 32.6

In comparative statistics for September, 1920 over 1919, our building and repairing is shown as increasing the volume of employment but 29.1 per cent, but the increase in amoun of payroll was 62.2 per cent; paper making showed at increase of em ployment of \$.7 per cent, but increase in payroll of 37 per cent, and coal mining a decrease of 6.1 per cent in employment with an increase in payroll of 30.4 per cent.

HOLDUP FAKE, SAYS GIRL

'Robbery" Held Rigged; Escort Arrested; Gems Recovered. LOS ANGELES, Cal., Oct. 18 .- H. F.

Carter took Miss Florence Procter were held up and robbed by a masked

FROM CASH LIKELY WOODLAWN AND IRVINGTON

11 Major Clubs in Heroic Move to Save Game.

Ban Johnson's Absence Con-

NEW LEAGUE THREAT OUT

sidered Snub by Delegates.

Lasker Plan Advocates Deliver Ulti matum, With November 1 as Limit Date.

CHICAGO, Oct. 18 .- Representaives of every National league basecall club and three American league clubs tonight went on record as favoring abrogation of the national leagues. Resolutions adopted proposed a complete reorganization of baseball with the national commisof three men not financially interested in the game in complete con-

The action came after a conference lasting more than nine hours. The resolutions will be considered at another meeting November 8 and presented to the meeting of minor league officials at Kansas City November 5 for their approval. All professional eagues will be invited to join with the 11 clubs acting today in the pro ed reorganization.

Ultimatum Given Absentees.

A statement issued after the meetng notified the clubs not represented hat they have until November 1 to signify their willingness to join in he reorganization. If they have not come in by that time, the statement says, a 12-club league will be formed without them. The 11 clubs represented would be included in the league and the 12th member would be chosen from some other city. President Johnson was not in the city tonight. The three American league clubs which joined in the reorganization proposal are Chicago New York and Boston. They are the Johnson last winter in the basebal

out Mr. Johnson." Johnson was not fishing waters within its confines present today, and the Cleveland, was denied by the United States cir-Detroit, Washington, St. Louis and cuit court of appeals today. Philadelphia American league clubs were not represented.

Johnson's Snub Felt. President Heygler of the Nationa league said the men present felt that

Johnson and the others absent had given them a "decided snub." The proposed plan of reorganization follows the outline made by A. D. Lasker, stockholder of the Chicago National league club. The chairman of the proposed tribunal would receive a salary of \$25,000 a year and the other members \$10,000. The tribunal would be supreme and there would be no appeal from its decisions The agreement would be in force for

The resolution as adopted by the joint meeting of eight National league clubs and the three American league clubs follows: Be it resolved:

1. That the existing national agreement be and the same is hereby abrogated and denounced; Supreme Trio Provided.

2. That the clubs of the Nationa league and such American league clubs and such clubs of the national association of professional basebal quiescence in or shall hereafter sign the agreement hereinafter provided for, hereby agree to enter a new agreement which shall provide for:

(a) A board of control, composed of three men of national repute (one of whom shall be chairman); they shall be men of such business and professional experience in nowise financially interested in baseball whose characters and reputations will be such as to convince the public that baseball of the future will be conducted in a clean and fair man-

(b) That this board of control and Its chairman shall be selected by a majority vote of the clubs of the Na tional league and the clubs of the American league who shall on or be fore November 1, 1920, have signified their acquiescence in the plan provided in these resolutions, at a meeting hereby called to be held in Chicago, Ill., November 8, 1920. In the selection of the members of such board of control the recommendations of the minor leagues shall be invited and considered.

That said board of contro shall be elected for terms ending, respectively, December 31, 1925, 1926 and 1927 and the person selected for the board, and appropriate provisions shall be inserted in said agreement for electing their successors

Chairman's Salary \$25,000. (d) That the salary of the chair of the board of control shall be (Concluded on Page 15, Column 3.)

BASEBALL DIVORCE 3 HURT, 20 SHAKEN AS CAR RUNS WILD

Air and Hand Brake Fail and Car rier Dashes Down Slope to Holladay Avenue.

Three persons were injured a :45 o'clock last night in a collision between a runaway Woodlawn street SUPREME TRIBUNAL WANTED car and an Irvington-Jefferson street car at Union and Holladay avenues CONFESSION MADE, REPORT score of passengers were shaken up and frightened badly.

The Woodlawn car, southbound or Union avenue, got beyond control as Patrolman Klopfenstein, who investigated, that he tried to stop the car with the hand brake after the air

failed to work.

The Irvington-Jefferson car, a one man affair in charge of Motorman Scouton, was westbound on Holladay evenue. The runaway Woodlawn ca hit the front end of the one-man car blg Woodlawn car careened across the pavement, went over the curb on the southwest corner of the street, and did not stop until the front trucks were buried in soft dirt and the rear trucks were against the curbing The injured were: John Girten, 321 Park street, chin cut, and J. E. Lynch

404 Clay street, head lacerated, and unidentified negress, who said her back was hurt. She went home in a taxicab. The two men were taken to St. Vincent's hospital. the Irvington car was broken and rest, which was made Saturday by both cars had many broken windows.

The Woodlawn car was still on the Portland yesterday. scene at a late hour. The Irvington Jefferson car was knocked off the service agents Sternbergh has admittrack, but stopped at ance.

LOGGER DIES UNDER TRAIN made by federal agents.

on Track to Supper.

Henry Michael, employe of the Al- Guy, a disabled seaman, on six monthgaard Lumber company on upper Gales creek, was instantly killed by cording to secret service gaents. a Gales creek and Wilson river logging train at 4:55 Saturday afternoon. He was walking on the track to the cookhouse for supper and, being deaf, body to Hillsboro and is endeavoring

ALASKA TAX LAW STANDS Ferritorial Levy on Fishermen Up-

held by Federal Court. SAN FRANCISCO., Cal., Oct. 18 .-

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TODAY'S Hain; southwesterly winds.

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Swan faland development project indersed a few miles from Rome, by head of U. 5. engineers corps. Page 4. They were repulsed by dy of one of missing autolats found in a short exchange of shots.

FORGERY CHARGES JOLT SMART SET

V. H. Sternbergh Is Held in San Francisco.

it ran down the slope towards Holla-Seaman's Name Signed to Six \$40 Checks, Say Police.

and was knocked from the track. The Marriage in June, 1919, One of Leading Events in Society of City for Year.

land girl in June, 1915, was one of the leading social events in cisco, charged with forging govern-The framework around the door of ment pay checks. News of the arsecret service agents, was received in

According to a report from secret ted the forgeries. Investigation of similar alleged forgeries by the former young army officer is now being

Sternbergh, who was stationed at Worker, Deaf, Hit While Walking Vancouver Barracks for several months while a lieutenant in the army intelligence bureau, has admit-HILLSBORO, Or., Oct. 18 .- (Special.) ted forging the name of Thomas Jesse ly pay checks received by Guy, ac-

Account Found Here, Report

Guy had his naval vocational altment forwarded each month to the did not hear the train. He was 50 office of Mr. Sternbergh at San Franyears old and had worked for the cisco. After six of these \$40 checks company 21/2 months. He is believed had accumulated, Sternbergh is said to have come from Everett, Wash., to have admitted forging Guy's name but nothing concerning his home or and sending the checks to a Portrelatives could be found in his be- land bank, where an account was longings. Coroner Limber brought the opened by him under the name of

Thomas Jesse Guy. Later, according to the confession, Sternbergh withdrew this forged ac count in the Portland bank and opened a new account in a Scattle ank under the name of J. M. Hodd. and from Seattle the account was again withdrawn and transferred back to San Francisco, where, it is alleged, Sternbergh finally had the They said Carter and Roberts had care to join with the other club own- upholding the right of the territorial That he assumed the second alias of the young man following his arrest at San Francisco.

> \$240 Admitted, Say Sleuths Although the amount of the con fessed forgeries reaches but \$240, it was admitted yesterday by secret service agents in Portland that additional alleged forgeries by the exrmy officer are now under investi-

Young Sternbergh is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert May Sternbergh of Page 1. Reading, Pa., and Washington, D. C. He is a grandson of James H. Sternbergh of New York, one of the pioneer founders of the steel and iron in-The family is said to be wealthy and prominent in New York and Washington society. Mr. Sternbergh became prominent-

v identified with the Portland sostationed at Vancouver Barracks His marriage on June 18, 1919, to Miss Margaret Porter, daughter of Mr. and cientific bodies organize five-year mearch Mrs. Andrew R. Porter of Irvington, for missing link. Page 1. | was one of the leading social events was one of the leading social events of the 1919 summer season.

Both Mr. Sternbergh and his bride were entertained at a round of dinner parties, suppers and dances for several weeks prior to their marriage, and the wedding at Wastminister Presbyterian church, was attended by many society persons.

Chile Plans Changed.

Following the wedding, Mr. and Mrs. Sternbergh left for a visit to his Irrigation projects bring prosperity to Red-mond district, mays Chamber of Com-merce official. Page 16. returned to San Francisco, where he has since been engaged in the engineering business. He had planned to go to Chile as the South American poration, but these plans later were

Mrs. Sternbergh returned to Portland for a visit with her parents several months ago and was widely entertained while here. They have one

News of the young man's alleged confession to the forgeries was a shock to those who knew him dur-French shipping hit by soaring costs, says | Because of his family connections he Captain Catron. Page 22. was eagerly accepted by Portland society, and even now, in face of the reported confession, his Portland W. L. Finley defends Malheur Lake bird frieuds are loath to believe the accusations. Sternbergh is now at liberty under \$1000 bonds.

ITALIAN REDS REPULSED

Clash Near Rome.

Forgery charge shocks Portland smart set. ROME, Oct. 18.—Anarchists today attacked the Aureliano fort, situated ROME, Oct. 18 .- Anarchists today They were repulsed by soldiers after

"PACK UP YOUR THINGS AND GET OUT!"

