

ARMY LIMITATION AND WORLD COURT HARDING'S CHOICE

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New York, Dec. 29.—Grist from the mill of conferences now going on at Marion between President-elect Harding and leaders, both Republican and Democratic, on questions of foreign policy, permits of a number of definite conclusions, according to authorities in touch with Harding's efforts.

It would seem certain, they say, that Harding's thought embraces these fundamentals on the subject of a future fraternity or association of nations, designed to keep world peace:

First, a pact, possibly by treaty, between the United States, Great Britain, France, Italy, Japan, Germany, and possibly others, limiting armament both on land and sea.

ANTIS ARE SATISFIED

Second, recognition of the world court established under the present League of Nations, with the assumption of effective moral obligations, together with other great powers, designed to insure recognition of the court's findings.

Third, recognition of an international forum of the present League of Nations, as an institution to bring together the nations of the world in regular session for the discussion of international problems.

As Republican leaders see it, these three fundamentals embrace what the irreconcilables either have advocated or accepted. They eliminate the objectionable feature of European "domination" as attributed to the present League of Nations' council, and would go far toward improving international understanding and world peace along the lines and with some of the machinery of the existing league.

"WAR IS OUTLAWED"

The assembly would permit of a continuation of the efforts already started through special committees. Through it also there could be made regular reports on armaments by the powers.

Through the armament "understandings" between the leading powers the possibility of war would be automatically decreased and their action would have the effect of a moral urge on smaller nations to limit war measures.

The world court would have as its basic principle that "war is outlawed" and with this idea a moral obligation that would be accepted by the United States in concert with other great powers, would tend to command a respect that The Hague tribunal never commanded.

MAKE NO PLEDGE

In the opinion of the authorities questioned on the subject, however, there will be nothing in the Harding policy that will commit the United States in advance to go to war under any circumstances. There will be no alliances pledging in advance American troops, sailors or marines for either action or moral effect.

The whole Harding idea, according to these authorities, is to have the United States a part of a world fraternity, the solemn pledge of which is to prevent war if possible.

Much has been written and discussed about the Bryan-Harvey plan of war referendum before war is declared.

It may be stated that few international leaders who have discussed this idea with Senator Harding have supported it. Importance is attached to the idea because of the fact that special attention was paid to it by Harding's publicity bureau in Marion at the time Harvey laid it before the president-elect. It now develops that this was done as a sort of feeler to the country and the reaction has been unfavorable to the project.

GERMAN PROGRAM

In all events, as authorities here see it, the referendum could not stand alone as a substitute for any association of nations. It might be worked in, however, as a part of a general plan, if nations were properly protected, otherwise against action by one power before the other power had completed its war vote. There also would have to be a provision for handling the situation were one power to vote for war and the other to vote against it.

In whatever form the world fraternity program is set forth by Harding, say my informants, it will be established that obligations contracted by Germany in signing the treaty of Versailles must be lived up to. According to these same informants, Harding will set up the machinery for establishing peace with Germany, and, after Germany has contracted to carry out obligations entered into with this country, will order American troops on the Rhine sent home.

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Trips undertaken for other than business purposes are listed as personal expenses and the meals and lodging upon

such journeys are "living expenses" and not subject to deduction in making income tax payments, Williams said.

The commissioner cited as an example that if an individual whose business requires him to travel, received a salary as full compensation for his services, his expenses for rail fare, meals and lodging in an amount in excess of the sum he would pay at home, is allowed to be deducted from gross income, in filing returns.

Youths Charged With Stealing
Eugene, Dec. 29.—Four Cottage Grove youths—J. L. Davis, Albert Jerson, Walter Sorenson and Bill Oliver—were temporarily consigned to jail on charges of

stealing from a store in Cottage Grove. The two former were bound over to the grand jury, while the latter two, on account of their youth, will be dealt with by the juvenile court.

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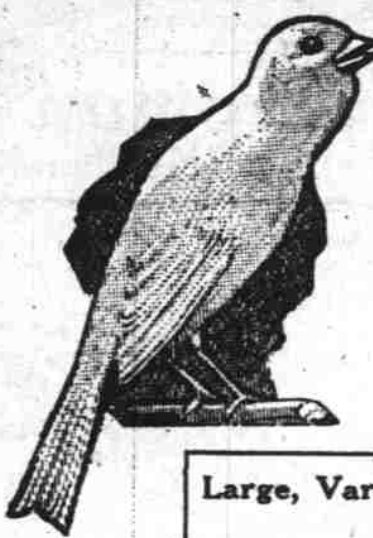
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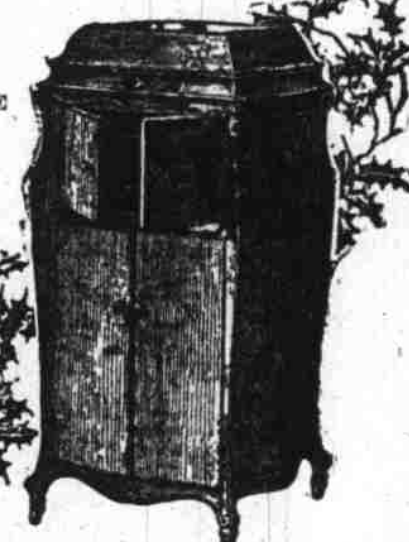
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