

CONTESTED ROLE OF WITNESS; ALSO ATTORNEY

Lee Roy E. Keeley, plaintiff in the \$165,000 libel suit against The Journal, continued his dual role of witness and attorney in his own behalf in Judge Tucker's department of the circuit court this morning, resuming the stand at 9:30.

Keeley, in his testimony, said that The Journal did not print any notice of the fact that he had filed suit against it, so far as he had been able to discover from a careful perusal of papers following the date he had filed the suit. If such notice had been printed, he testified, he had failed to find it by a diligent search.

DIBBERN CASE RECALLED

He went further into the history of the Edna B. Dibbern case, showing that he had secured a bench warrant for Mrs. Dibbern to force her to appear in court and give testimony in the case which he had filed against her. He also testified that no reporter from The Journal ever had interviewed him either before or after the publication of any of the articles or editorials of which he is now complaining. He said that he had called at The Journal office to request that other facts than those published be printed and that publication had not been made. He also said that during all of the time The Journal was aware of his office address but had made no effort to ask him regarding the facts upon which the alleged libelous matter was based.

Keeley continued that he had never attempted to deceive Mrs. Dibbern in regard to the terms or effect of the 40 per cent contingent fee contract which she had signed at his request prior to his effort to secure a settlement from the Grant Smith-Porter shipbuilding company on account of the death of her husband.

CONTRACT EXPLAINED

He said that, on the other hand, he had attempted to inform her fully as to what the contract meant.

Continuing in his testimony, Keeley said that he had never asked the industrial accident commission to honor the 40 per cent contract or to pay to him the money which was due to or was given to Mrs. Dibbern in settlement of the case.

He had never seen any of the commissioners, he said, after he had entered into the contract with Mrs. Dibbern, and said he did not have the contract at the time he did interview the commission. He had advised Mrs. Dibbern, he testified, that he had doubt of her being able to secure a \$4000 lump sum award from the commission.

Keeley testified that prior to the Dibbern case he had never handled a personal injury case, and contended that he had not been an "unbalance-chasing lawyer."

AFIDAVIT SUBMITTED

The witness contended that he had never tried to get any of the \$4000 lump sum award given to Mrs. Dibbern by the industrial accident commission in settlement of her claim growing out of her husband's death, following which testimony he introduced an affidavit of attachment contained in the record of his suit against Mrs. Dibbern in which he attached the \$4000, alleging that there was due and owing to him from Mrs. Dibbern on account of services rendered as fees and costs the sum of \$1225.10. He also introduced a letter written to the governor, in which he discussed the attachment, saying that by his course he had made it his duty to take action to secure his fee, and telling the governor that it was "up to him" to take such action as would recover the \$4000 for the accident fund. He testified that he had also asked both the attorney general and the governor to take action to recover the sum, but that no such action had been taken.

RATE MARKS NEW ERA IN VANCOUVER, WASH.

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had that a metropolitan of Washington were to be built up in the southern part of the state, lying in commercial, industrial and social importance with the cities on Puget sound, which owe much of their growth to the artificial advantage they have enjoyed in rate parity over the mountains—an advantage these cities have enjoyed at the expense of Vancouver's as well as Portland's growth.

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"This victory in the Columbia basin case will mean," said W. J. Kinney, one of the leaders in the campaign for Vancouver, "that a number of Seattle men will find it to their advantage to locate in Vancouver and build up business enterprises here. I expect under the auspices of the decision and the consequent enjoyment of all natural advantages that the near future will see in Vancouver elevators, mills, ocean docks and ocean-going vessels, enlarged terminal yards and interests in every form of business, trade and industry."

"Such a growth will mean as we have long hoped for, and in Vancouver's joint victory with Portland, we are not forgetful of the unvarying friendship which The Journal has had for this city and for its leadership in the struggle for the establishment of our rights."

MUST HASTEN WORK

"Vancouver should become a link between the sea and the interior as far inland as Idaho and Montana and a great proportion of the business, including the grain, livestock, fruit and other forms of traffic, should flow through this terminal."

"I expect Vancouver to become an important point for the location of wholesale houses and all this increase in business should contribute to the stability of our shipyards."

George McCoy, chairman of the Port of Vancouver commission, said: "The rate victory means that we must lose no time in the building of our public dock. Its immediate value will be in connection with lumber shipments, but it will only be a short time until a large proportion of the Eastern Washington grain should be handled here for export."

RELIEVES CONGESTION

It will save a great deal of the congestion on the other side of the Columbia if we can handle directly here the business originating on the line of the S. P. & S. A. facilities both for rail and water transportation must be increased in Vancouver."

Will H. Hornbrook, publisher of Vancouver Columbian, said: "The decision automatically makes Portland and Vancouver the joint-commercial hub of the Pacific Northwest. Heretofore they have been entered in the race for trade under an unjust and impossible handicap."

"The removal of this obstacle is certain to be reflected in a tremendous increase in business, population and wealth. The people of Vancouver have a most kindly feeling for the part which The Journal has had in this great victory."

Recognition by the interstate commerce commission of the natural advantages enjoyed by Portland and Vancouver, we think, is a great step forward. We have always contended that this was right, because of our position. But rate structures have always been arbitrary. Recognition of the rights we think constitute a great victory for the two cities."

The foregoing statements also represent the views of William C. Bates, representing the city of Vancouver, and Judge A. L. Miller, representing the court of Vancouver, and Joseph E. Hall, representing Clarke county in the complaint brief.

E. N. Livermore, former secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, said: "We believe that this finding by the interstate commerce commission will work to the advantage of Vancouver and Portland and we feel that it will be of so great importance that Vancouver will be forced to prepare for a great traffic movement through this port."

The Chamber of Commerce of Vancouver expects to work out plans for a suitable development to care for this traffic. Vancouver is highly pleased with this victory. Vancouver, of course, must prepare to handle much traffic which would otherwise congest the port of Portland."

BIG ADVANTAGE

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TO CELEBRATE

Clement Scott, who as president of the Vancouver Commercial club, participated in the inauguration of Vancouver's campaign for the recognition of the Columbia water grade, said, "Vancouver has just two things to do in connection with this victory. One of them would be to stand around and let things take their course and permit outsiders to capitalize the advantage won by the decision. The other, which I favor, is for every interest at resource of this city to be devoted to the upbuilding of Vancouver and its trade relation with the interior."

"We all recognize the part which The Journal had in this splendid achievement for Vancouver's progress. On Wednesday the rate victory will be the subject of a celebration luncheon of the Vancouver Franchises and I expect an early meeting of the Vancouver Commercial club to be devoted to the same subject."

Mayor John P. Kiggins of Vancouver feels that the rate decision is the distinctive feature of his administration, one that will mark the turning of Vancouver to progress and growth. "Yet," said he, "we have won only justice, too long deferred."

"This decision of the rate case justifies," said Floyd Swan, member of the Vancouver port commission, "every word we made for the building of Vancouver, of an ocean terminal, and every enterprise we have set on foot for the industrial upbuilding of this city in its relation to Eastern Washington."

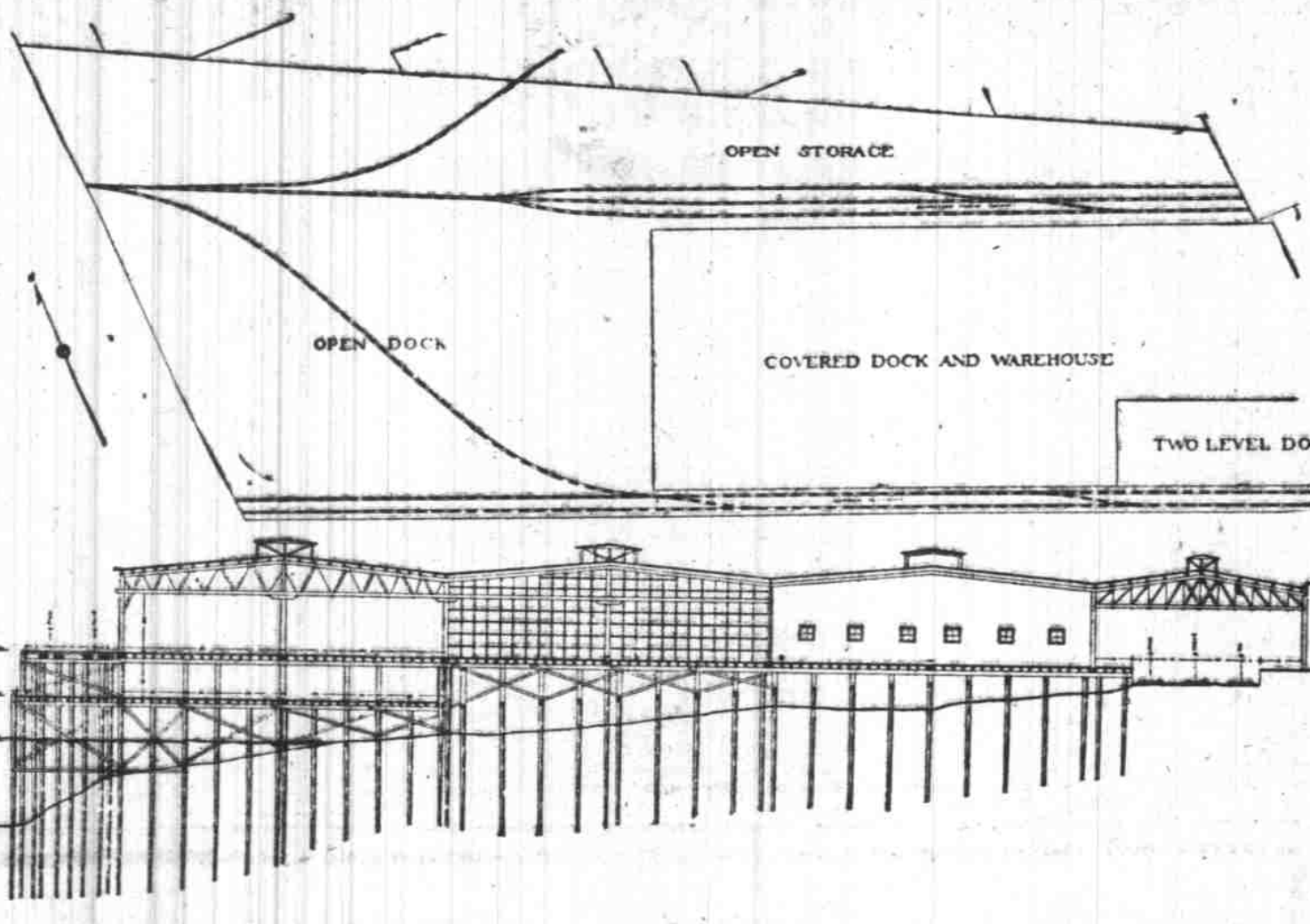
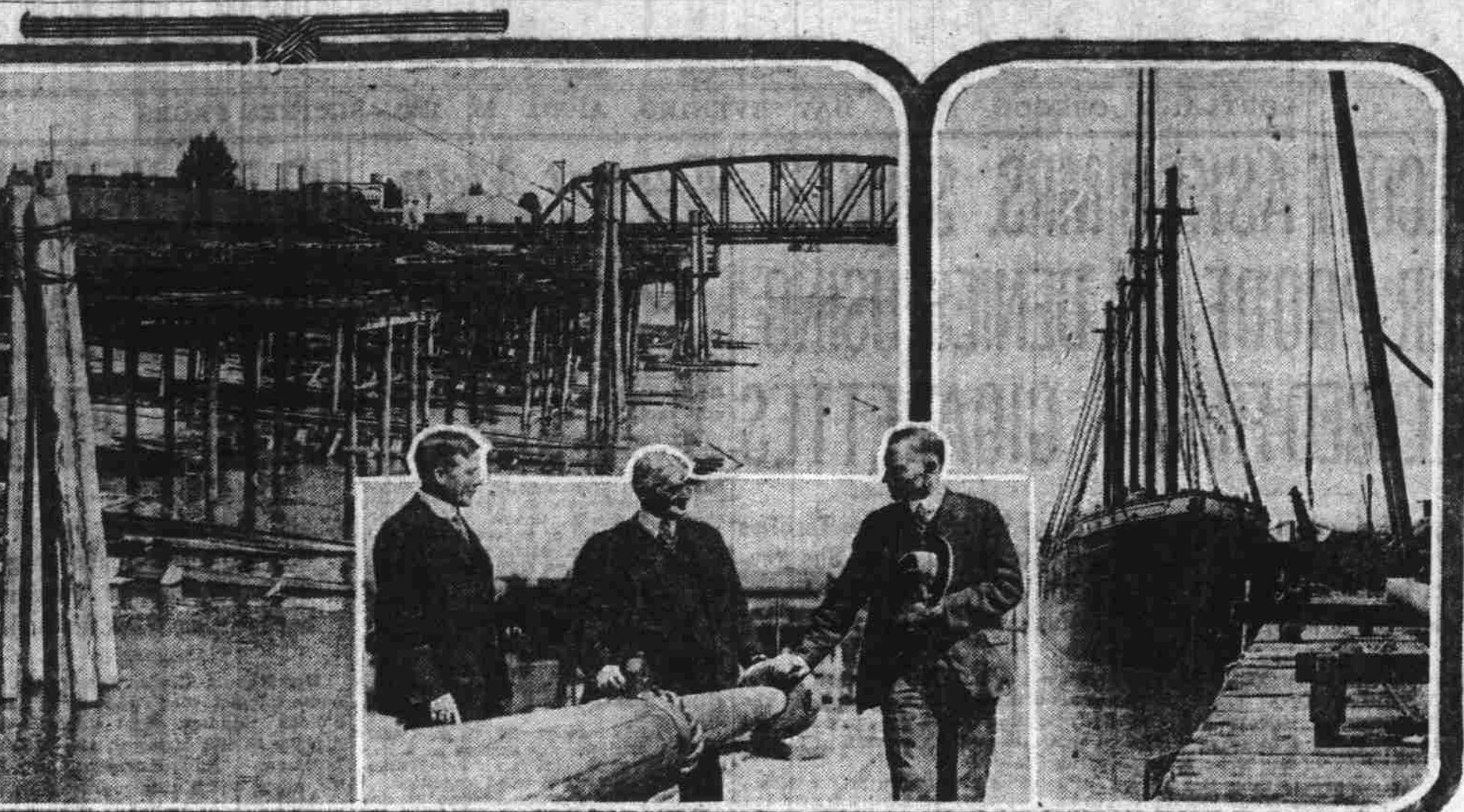
What The Journal has so often predicted would lie within the power of Vancouver if we were only permitted to enjoy the benefits of our natural location will, I am sure, come to pass in greater and greater measure as the years go by. We are beginning a new era in Vancouver."

NEW RATE VICTORY IS CELEBRATED BY FORUM Delight over the final results obtained in the Columbia basin rate case were expressed by business leaders assembled at the members' forum meeting of the chamber of commerce at noon today. The spirit of jubilation was in the talk given by Charles F. Berg, chairman of the meeting, who called for expressions from individuals.

"So far as the territory south of the Snake river is concerned," said J. H. Lothrop, secretary of the Portland Traffic and Transportation association, "Portland has permanently added a new trade territory which cannot be taken from this port."

Walter F. LaRoche, attorney, who fought the rate case for the city, echoed the expression made by Lothrop and predicted a great future for trade done by this port.

SITE OF VANCOUVER'S NEW MUNICIPAL TERMINAL



Above—The Vancouver waterfront from a recent photograph showing a schooner loading at the public levee and three members of the terminal campaign committee—Allison Burdham, John Elwell and W. H. Hornbrook. Below is a diagram of the new dock to be built at once, and a cross section of the covered dock.

Guest Is Killed in Fight at Wedding; Bridal Couple Held

New York, April 25.—(I. N. S.)—Married last night, Frederick Black, 32, and his bride, 17, were today being held by the police on a charge of homicide. Seventeen others who were guests at a wedding celebration at Black's Brooklyn apartment, also were being held while the police continued their investigation of the murder of an unidentified man whose body, with a bullet hole in his temple, was found in the dining room of Black's apartment when the police arrived after being summoned by neighbors. Another man, Dominick Pendasene, was found unconscious, having been badly beaten.

Neighbors told the police a free-for-all fight had broken out while the wedding party was holding its celebration. Two shots were fired, and chairs, batons and bottles were hurled. The cause of the trouble could not be learned.

Standing Army of 14,000 Officers and 168,000 Men, Plan

Washington, April 25.—(I. N. S.)—A standing army of 14,000 officers and 168,000 men is provided for in the army appropriations bill reported to the house today by a sub-committee on appropriations.

Drastric cuts were made in the financial provisions of the bill. As recommended it calls for \$31,072,169.30 for the support of the army during the current year. This sum is \$15,637,747 less than the same bill last session, which failed of passage, and is \$685,202,343.15 less than the war budget alone will be.

The bill increases in some respects the amount of sustenance and pay for enlisted men. Reductions were effected in the ordnance, engineer, quartermaster and other staff corps.

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SEATTLE TO SEEK OTHER LOWER RATES

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before the United States supreme court, but no such action has been considered as yet.

DISTURBS PARITIES

"In favoring Portland with a rate differential of 10 per cent on grain products shipped from points south of the Snake river, which territory involves several large grain-producing districts in Southeastern Washington, the interstate commerce commission has disturbed rate parities which have long existed. It means that grain rates from the territory south of the Snake river will be reduced 5 per cent to Portland and increased 5 per cent to the Puget Sound and Astoria territory, thus spreading a 10 per cent rate differential in favor of Portland and Vancouver. Wash., on the one hand, and Puget Sound and Astoria on the other."

"Now that these rate parities have been disturbed, giving Portland a lower rate from this southern territory, it is certain that Puget Sound will now demand the commerce commission to give this district the same consideration—that of giving Seattle and other Puget Sound cities a rate differential over Portland in grain shipments from the northern section of this state."

TARIFF HELD UP

"If Portland is allowed an advantage in rates in one section, Seattle should also be accorded advantage in other sections nearer to this city, in the theory on which Puget Sound and Astoria interests are now expected to proceed in face of the Columbia basin decision."

"Pending the decision of the commission on the reopening of the case, railroads have been instructed not to put the new rates in effect. Now that the commission has decided the new rates must stand, local railways expect to receive instructions from the commission to publish the new tariffs and put them in effect in a few days."

High School Play Pleases

Heppner, April 25.—The local high school presented the comedy, "What Happened to Jones?" here Thursday to a delighted audience in the high school auditorium. Miss Chulnard directed the rehearsals.

South Dakota has one automobile for every six inhabitants.

To be assistant secretary of the interior, Francis M. Goodwin, Spokane, Wash.

Capper Bill Repeals Railroad Guarantee

Washington, April 25.—(U. P.)—Repeal of the guaranteed return to the railroads under the transportation act is provided for in a bill introduced today by Senator Capper, Kansas. The bill also prevents the interstate commerce commission interfering in making of intra-state rates.

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TWO ARE DEAD IN MURDER MYSTERY

Los Angeles, Cal., April 25.—(I. N. S.)—The police and officials of the sheriff's office instituted a search today for two mystery women they believe may be able to throw light on the slaying of Dr. Joseph P. Durand, a dentist, and Myron George McCauley, whose bullet riddled bodies were found shortly after midnight in a wrecked automobile in the southern part of the city.

Detectives learned that the two men rented the automobile to take two women for a ride. It was believed if the women were found a motive might be found that would explain the double crime.

The police believe McCauley shot Durand, and was himself slain by the dying dentist. The bullet wounds were marked by powder burns showing the shots were fired at close range. Persons living near where the bodies were found said they saw the car overturn, but observed no one run away from the scene. An automatic pistol was found in the wrecked automobile and a short distance away another pistol was picked up.

ALLIED DEBT NOT PART OF PROPOSAL

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spectators scattered around the dock. The premier's announcement that he would return here at the end of this week indicates that a decision has been reached to hold the supreme council meeting at London instead of Paris.

PREMIERS ADJOURN WITHOUT RECEIVING GERMAN OFFER

Hythe, England, April 25.—(I. N. S.)—The conference of Premier Lloyd George and Premier Briand broke up today without either of the allied statesmen learning the contents of Germany's new indemnity proposals.

A brief meeting was held during the morning at which procedure was discussed for the meeting of the inter-allied supreme council next Saturday.

Premier Lloyd George left for London by motor car at 11 o'clock. Premier Briand planned to sail for Folkestone at noon.

The eyes of the entente powers are turned anxiously upon Washington to see how President Harding accepts the latest German proposal. The view is taken that, if President Harding decides to transmit the proposals to the allies, the United States may be put in the position of supporting the German suggestions as equitable.

On the other hand, if President Harding and his advisors take the attitude that the German proposals do not form

the basis for future negotiations on indemnity, it is unlikely that they will be transmitted from Washington to London and Paris.

TEXT ADOPTED AFTER HARD FIGHT AGAINST VON SIMONS

By Frank E. Mason

Berlin, April 25.—(I. N. S.)—All Germany today anxiously awaited the reception which the United States will give the latest indemnity proposals which were handed to the American commissioner last night for transmission to Washington. A meeting of the party leaders was held during the morning when the contents of the reparations note was communicated to them for the first time. It was declared on good authority that the offer of Germany goes far towards meeting the allied demand for 226,000,000,000 gold marks, which was levied at the Paris conference.

The note containing the German reparations proposals was handed to Secretary Wilson of the American mission at 9 o'clock last night. The work of coding it was started immediately. An announcement was made that the note would be sent to Washington by Commissioner Ellis Loring Dresel in five sections.

The government issues an official statement containing only 11 words. It said:

"The cabinet has unanimously adopted the final text of the reply."

The original plan was to hand the note to the American mission on Saturday night, but the "industrialists," headed by Hugo Stinnes and his associates, objected so strenuously to some of the contents that there was a delay of 24 hours.

The so-called Stinnes group made no effort to hide their attempt to out Foreign Minister Simons, and the fight against the foreign minister was still simmering today.

Foreign Minister Simons and Chancellor Frehsenbach acted in accord and it was through their concerted efforts that the agreement was finally reached.

IF OFFER UNSATISFACTORY, BRITAIN WILL AID FRANCE

London, April 25.—(I. N. S.)—It is understood that Germany is preparing a new indemnity proposal, but if it is unsatisfactory Great Britain will support France in the occupation of the Westphalian coal fields. Premier Lloyd George announced in the house of commons this afternoon.

Anti-Vaccination Bill Is Opposed in Seattle

Seattle, Wash., April 25.—(U. P.)—Petitions for a referendum of senate bill No. 180, the anti-vaccination bill, were distributed in Seattle churches Sunday. Scores of pastors spoke in behalf of defeating the bill, which would eliminate health inspection in public schools.

Left Hand Amputated

Washouli, Wash., April 25.—Tom Roth, a Washouli woolen mill worker, caught his left hand in the carding machine Friday. Amputation was necessary, just below the elbow.

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