

FORD AND EDISON WOULD KEEP CASH FROM WAR LORDS

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Washington, W. Va., Aug. 2.—Keep the nations of the world from obtaining money to prepare for "the next war."
If this is done—and America has the power to do it—President Harding will succeed in the conference he has called for limitation of armament.

In that manner the situation was summed up today by Thomas A. Edison, Henry Ford and H. S. Firestone, as they sat on the shady bank of a rippling West Virginia mountain brook, munching sandwiches, frizzled bacon and talked about disarmament, prosperity and golf.

They issued a warning that President Harding "must look out for the cars." "ENEMIES ALREADY BUSY" The enemies of disarmament, they said, already are busy.

The conclusion was that the success of the conference depends upon the insight, courage and determination of the president.

Six cars and two trucks of America's most famous camping party were stretched down a country lane. At the improvised kitchen Fisher, the cook, was putting a permanent wave in another batch of bacon and the aromatic smoke of the campfire drifted over the heads of the party as they talked.

Edison leaned against the side of his car. Firestone sat upon the running board. Ford, his coat and hat off, his mop of fine white hair thrown back from his well tanned forehead, moved restlessly about, sometimes reclining upon the ground, sometimes picking at the grass, if stirred by the talk, springing to his feet, making his point and then dropping to the ground again.

FORD AND EDISON TALKING IT OVER IN CAMP



Two famous Americans sitting at the Ford-Edison-Firestone camp in the Blue Ridge mountains, near Pecktonville. Mr. Ford is at the left. President Harding was their guest recently over the week-end.

will back him up on that," injected Ford swiftly. "They are sick and tired of spending money on old wars and new ones. They are tired of the clap-trap talk of 'the next war.' Why, I have received as many as 2500 letters in a single day about it. Letters from everywhere.

OTHER REASONS FOR MONEY
"People rarely object to taxes if they feel they are getting something back for their money. But they know now that military expenditures means waste. The estimated military expenditures of the United States, I am told, is over a billion dollars. If I could have one-half of the expenditure of the United States government for a single year in preparation for war to come, alone, I'd be able to put a power plant on every water power site in the country and provide the nation with enough electric power to move the trains, light the homes, public buildings and the schools."

Firestone hadn't joined in the talk until now.

"It's America's great opportunity," he said. "It all depends upon the quality of American leadership. There's all the difference in the world between the man who says 'Come on, boys, follow me,' and the man who says 'I'm with you, where shall we go?'"

COURAGE WILL WIN
"I believe that Harding has the courage to map a program and say 'Come on, boys.' If he does he'll win. If he doesn't he'll lose. He's going to have subtle opposition. It won't come out in the open. But they will be right on their toes to wreck the conference if they see the slightest indication of indecision."

"The motives of men," said Edison slowly, "are unfathomable."

"Thump," responded Ford, "you said it."

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"Brains" of Robber Band Placed Under Bonds of \$50,000

Chicago, Aug. 2.—John Worthington, alleged "brains" of a band of postal robbers, was placed under \$50,000 bonds Tuesday by Judge Landis.

Two suit cases bulging with \$200,000 worth of securities were seized in his office when he was arrested yesterday. Some of the securities were identified today as loot taken in recent mail robberies.

Worthington and his partner, Owen E. Evans, who was arrested at the same time, both protested their innocence today.

While Worthington was in jail here federal agents in New York invaded the eastern headquarters of the alleged robbers' ring and arrested several aids and seized some incriminating evidence.

Among those arrested in New York was Arthur M. Goldsmith, head of the President institute, a private commercial school. He was held on \$10,000 bond.

Among the loot which was recovered was some of the Sinclair oil stock said to have been stolen in a bold raid on Wall street in New York some time ago.

A direct connection between "Tim" Murphy, now under indictment for the Dearborn station mail robbery here, and Worthington is believed by government officials to have been established.

Some of the correspondence found in Worthington's office leads the federal men to believe that the Murphy gang worked directly with Worthington.

Man Who Arrested Bryan Discharged

Waukegan, Ill., Aug. 2.—L. D. Condon, village marshal of Antioch, who arrested William Jennings Bryan last week for speeding, has been discharged. Bryan was making a dash in an automobile to deliver an address when Condon stopped him. Condon claimed he never had heard of Bryan and never had heard of grape juice. He was discharged today by Frank King, village president, after motorists had complained Condon was a "highwayman in a marshal's garb."

Boy Stumbles, Gun Goes Off, Man Hurt

Healdsburg, Cal., Aug. 1.—(I. N. S.)—George Shelford, 45, prominent northern Sonoma county orchardist, is the first victim of the deer hunting season which opened Monday. Shelford was brought to a local hospital Tuesday following his accidental shooting north of here. A rifle in the hands of a 12-year-old boy named Warner exploded when the lad stumbled, the bullet passing through Shelford's body. His condition is serious. Shelford's home is in Alexander valley.

Portland Men Licensed

Chehalis, Wash., Aug. 1.—Marriage licenses were issued to the following here Tuesday: Harrison Averill, Portland, Or., and Vera Ford, Raymond; Alexander H. W. Borowsky, Portland, Or., and Mrs. Irma Borowsky, Seattle.

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CONGRESS TO SEE FIGHT ON HARDING RAILROAD PROJECT

(By United News)
Washington, Aug. 2.—Opposition is developing in congress as to the administration's project for extending financial relief to the railroads.

It is not yet clear whether this opposition will have sufficient strength to defeat or materially alter the legislation the administration has asked. But a determined fight is certain when the question comes up for consideration at some date yet to be determined.

Much of the hostility, inquiry shows, centers in the agrarian group of senators, who contend that high freight rates are having a ruinous effect on agriculture. Leaders of this group will demand that there be some assurance of lower rates before they will vote for the extension of further financial aid.

Senator La Follette, of Wisconsin, for instance, characterized the administration plan as an attempt to "loot the treasury," and announced that he will fight it "inch by inch." La Follette said he would show that the railroads are greatly over-capitalized.

LA FOLLETTE WILL FIGHT

He declared that he proposed to have it demonstrated whether the president and a majority of congress are working for the public or special interests.

An index of the possible minority attitude is furnished by the opinion of Senator Smith, of North Carolina, ranking Democrat on the interstate commerce committee, who also believes there should be some indication as to what will happen to freight rates if the administration's scheme goes through.

Other senators want some guarantee that money to be obtained from the government will be expended in improve-

ments which will directly and immediately benefit the public. There is fear in some quarters that the funds might be utilized in a way which would be of little assistance in rehabilitating the roads, unless specific safeguards were set up.

There is no disposition in either house to hasten passage of the legislation asked, although committee meetings will be held at an early date.

ROAD CLAIMS WOULD GET O. K.

The plan of the administration is to pay to the railroads those claims for under-maintenance about which there is no dispute, and at the same time fund over a period of years the indebtedness of the railroads to the government for permanent improvements made with public money during federal control. This would be accomplished through the war finance corporation.

The railroads would give the government 6 per cent notes for the amounts they owe. These notes would be purchased from the president by the finance corporation and sold by it to the investing public. In this way, an appropriation from congress would be avoided.

The money which would be paid to the railroads in settlement of their claims.

The administration view, as set forth by the president, is that all business would be benefited if the purchasing power of the roads were revived. Payment would be made only on claims which the government admits it owes, which are not more than half of what the railroads claim is due them. The disputed items would be left for settlement in the courts.

500 Pellagra Cases Found in Oklahoma

Oklahoma City, Okla., Aug. 2.—(I. N. S.)—Five hundred pellagra cases exist in Oklahoma, according to the estimate of State Health Commissioner A. R. Lewis today. About 400 cases have been reported and several counties are yet to be heard from. Improper diet, especially in the poorer farming communities, is given as the cause.

Girl Bride Sold for \$20; Places Poison In Husband's Coffee

Clinton, Ind., Aug. 2.—(I. N. S.)—Twenty dollars was the price George Clem paid for his 14-year-old bride, according to the story told by the girl wife when she appeared in court to answer a charge of attempting to poison Clem by putting Paris green in his coffee.

Julia Clem was sold in marriage to Clem at Patrick, Ark., by her father, today.

Joe Stufflebean, for a consideration of \$20, according to her own story. The transaction took place May 15, this year, she said. Clem is more than twice her age.

"Clem beat me and called me bad names," she testified as she recited how primitive instincts had moved her to try to "get him out of the way."

But, she laughed when she said it. "The poison only made him sick for a little bit."

FIRE FOLLOWS LIGHTNING STROKE
Martinsville, Ill., Aug. 2.—(I. N. S.)—Damage done by fire when lightning struck tanks of the Ohio Oil company here Monday, was estimated at \$25,000 today.

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THE FIRST MASKED BATTERY

BY "INDIAN" MILLER

Much of the history of early days in our Far West has not been written. We recall the days when the picturesque prairie schooner crept across the landscape of the west; and uneasy Indians watched the encroachments of civilization. They saw in those long trains of vagrant schooners of the paleface a menace to their peace and their happiness. They moved their squaws and their papooses back from the traveled trails into secure strongholds, in preparation for the wars they knew could not be averted. They knew the paleface's firestick very well now; and they had obtained a few. They might capture more ammunition for their empty firesticks, and even more firesticks. They waited for the palefaces to open hostilities; watching them warily from a distance, just out of range of firesticks. They had never heard of fire-wagons (artillery).

One day the palefaces came, with many prairie schooners, drawn by cattle. Some of the schooners were different from any they had ever seen before; and the Indians were puzzled. The white men were anxious to try these firewagons; and so they demanded that the Indians bring them supplies of corn and meat, giving the Indians too short a time in which to comply. Indian scouts surrounded the wagon train at a distance to watch it.

And then the surprise! Noise like thunder. Noise twenty times as big as that of a firestick; and smoke like that of a hundred fires enveloped the camped palefaces. They began to shoot with wagons! The first shot hit between two Indian scouts who were reconnoitering. It was indeed a great surprise.

Even today the paleface likes to spring a surprise. The noise and din created by The Spreckels "Savage" Tire Company with their D type fabric tire had hardly cleared before the announcement of their new Cord tire told of a still greater achievement.

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