Washington, Dec. 6—(WASHINGTON BUREAN OF THE JOURNAL.)—Presi-dent Harding's idea of a "conference of understanding," an "association of na-tions" that will

tions" that will somehow fall short of being an actual association, a dealing with world problems "without the neces-

The quotations as used above are not

to be taken as a reproduction of the president's language, but may be re-

garded as a faithful reflection of White House opinion as it filters through from

various sources of authority. Many will say, and do say, that these expressions

sound vague, and it may well be ob-served that they are as vague as they

The president is generally credited with a sincere desire to do something to

promote the peace of the world, beyond

the mere process of counting up ships and soldiers and weapons on a score-

board which may prove, after all is said,

to be nothing more than a means of pre-scrying relative strength. How to attain

something more without flying counter to his own declarations against leagues

To reach an understanding with other

nations "without the necessity of hard

and fast treaty obligations" may be pos-

he constitution makes the senate part

The minute that a real commitment is

attempted, it must take the form of a

mitment that will "entangle" the United

States in any form of common action with other countries. The merest hint

of an association of nations that associ-

from the senate, and he knows that situ-

ation. He has for some time talked rather gradiosely of "common under-standings of mutual good will," an "as-

sociation of nations without involve-

cept in the fact that it is made while

representatives of the great nations are in Washington, evidently with the hope

hat something may be worked out.

Seemingly the president's mind has traveled this far: An agreement for limi-

tation of naval armament at the present

conference; an invitation to other na-

tions to ratify this result and to attain

conference in some country to carry on

and promote adjustments; beyond that the nebulous idea of an "association."

concerning which the president will be excused by many from having any defi-

lite statement, in view of his past utterances and the attitude of a large part of

signal victory for those Japanese who

NATION'S STAND ON CHINA

By Fred S. Ferguson United News Staff Correspondent Washington, Dec. 6.—While the gener-

conference virtually marks time

waiting word from Pokic, Chinese and

Japanese delegates are now proceeding with their discussion of Shantung. Japanese announced Monday that they

rights held by the Germans in the prov-

ince under the treaty between Germany

and China of March, 1915. Such a con-

cession is only a minor point. Settle

ment of control of disputed railroad and

the major principles are yet to come.

Meanwhile the Japanese are taking

steps to get their statement of the case

before the public. Vice Minister Hani-

hara read a statement to correspondents

Monday, starting off with a highly Americanized "lead."

"The popular idea in America seems to be that Japanese overrun the Chinese provinces, control the railways, government and everything else," Hanihara de-

"If any of you here believe that is

the case you have had one put over on

The statement then explained that the only railway in dispute was a line 289 miles long and policed by 2700.

"Your papers pay us a great compli-

province with its forty million Chinese in subjection," Hanihara continued. "If we

were really so brave and so capable we

should not have to strive for a 70 per

cent or any other proportionate navy for

Explaining that the area of territory

of Klao Chou is less than one half of

1 per cent of the entire province, Hani-

hara pointed out that it was taken from

"Not only did we take nothing from

our colossal neighbor, but we have ac-

tually offered to restore the port to her

and give her half right in the former German railway," the Japanese delegate

for the cost that we paid in blood and

money we had a right to compensation,

but we planned that the compensation

should come from Germany only. What

we intended is that in those mining rights which the Germans held we

should have a half share; not all of the railways, but the 289 miles that run from the port to the provincial capital

The statement declares only the most

fort to come to an amicable understands

SAYS IT IS ALL BUNK

clared, and added:

"That is all bunk,

IAPANESE SPOKESMAN GIVES

TOKIO HAS ACCEPTED,

his party in the senate.

HARDING HELD SINCERE

and alliances is a problem.

"DEATH WATCH" WAITS

FATTY ARBUCKLE IS 'BROKE,' SAYS

By Chandler Sprague

Special Correspondent Universal Service.

San Francisco, Dec. 6.—How much did
oscos Arbuckle's-trial-cost him? Who ed the money?

The trial has cost Arbuckle about \$30. ood and the money came from the private pocket of Joseph Schenck, husband of Norma Talmada. of Norms Talmadge, Those are the facts, as closely as they can be approximated. There have been many rumors in San Francisco that for his attorneys

slove Arbuckle was paying \$100,000. I am assured this is not the truth.

Gavin McNab's fee may be estimated at about \$20,000. The other expenses of the trial will run to \$5000 and additional attorneys' fees will bring the total to about \$20,000. The best authority available has assured me that McNab is rene receiving a smaller fee from Arbuckie than he received from Jack Dempsey, and it is common knowledge that Dempsey paid him \$25,000. It is also less than he is receiving from Mary Pickford for fighting the Nevada courts.

EXPECTS MONEY BACK This money has been or will be ad-vanced by Schenck, close friend, em-ployer and financial adviser of Arbuckle. He expects to be repaid by Arbuckle soon as the latter starts work and gets on his feet financially. Right now Arbuckle is "broke." He has no ready noney and his sole assets are repre-ented by his house and automobile in

From a man very close to Arbuckle came the following account of the film star's financial status.

Roscoe was receiving a salary of \$2000 per week up to the time his trouble came upon him. His salary was stopped after the first week of the trouble and will not be resumed until he goes back to work. He has no present

"Even at that time his affairs were in bad shape. He had spent his income as he went along, but fortunately for im several weeks before the Labo day party Schenck had insisted that a part of his salary be put in a trust fund a Los Angeles bank. There was bout \$7500 in that fund when the storm sroke. It was used to pay the expenses the preliminary trial. REPORT CONFIRMED

"He had no money left and there were outstanding bills amounting to \$23,000 at the time Mr. McNab was engaged, Mr. Schenck in the first place loaned the money to pay those bills and hus relieve the attachments which had been placed on his house. The other incidental to preparation of his case were met by Schenck as they ap-peared, out of his own personal funds. expects to be repaid. No motion picture company or organization has contributed a single cent to Arbuckle's

defense."
I carried these figures to Schenck.
who arrived in San Francisco this morning with Miss Talmadge, and he con firmed them, point by point. I carried them to Mr. McNab, with the exception of the matter of his fee. But he brough that up himself.

While I do not care to go into actual figures," he said, "I can tell you that I and my fee is decidedly smaller ship or initiation fees. han many persons might suppose."

Clary and Savage Guard Winners in

William R. Clary, First company, Coast Artiflery corps, Ashland, and Private Harold G. Savage, Second company, Coast Artillery corps. Marshfield, will be recommended as the two principals from the Oregon National Guard for en-trance to West Point, according to anouncement by Governor Olcott this

Corporal Fay M. Bragg, separate company A, infantry, Medford, and Pri-vate James V. Van Winkle, Fifth company, Coast Artillery corps, Albany, will be named as the two alternates.

The recommendations are based upon the result of an examination recently conducted in Salem, in which 10 members of the Oregon Guard participated.

Three Men Accused Of Stealing 3000

Theft of 3000 cigars from an intertate shipment to Mason. Ehrman & Co.. wholesale grocers, is charged against J. T. Storm, 28; Harry R. Hills, 34, and Edward Hanlen, 43, in a complaint is-sued today by United States Commissioner Frazer upon the request of As-United States Attorney Jahn Veatch. The trio was arrested Monday by Patrolman Meiners in the Albina. yards, after the policeman found the alstolen property in their possession. This is said to have been the first theft in the Albina yards since the murder of Special Agent Phillips there last June. The cigars had been shipped here from Tampa, Fla. The men will have a hearing before the commissioner in a few days and will then await

Army Appropriation Measure Is Waiting MAZAMA HIKER'IS On Disarmament

Washington, Dec. 6 .- (I. N. S.)-The house appropriations committee decided today not to frame the 1923 army appropriation bill until the conference on the limitation of armament had reached a final agreement upon the reduction of land forces. This action was taken in congressional circles to indicate a belief that an understanding looking to de-creases in military and naval expenditures would be effected by the conference. An agreement has already been reached by the committee not to take up the navy appropriation bill until the armament conference closes.

Irvington Club to Purchase Location

Reorganization of the Irvington club ahead in spite of the warning. About and purchase of the club property at 11:30 a. m. he received a report of the East Twenty-first and Thompson streets accident, and there being no telephone took this case after considering it for has been undertaken by members of the present organization. The clubhouse a messenger on foot for a doctor and property is valued at \$20,000 and is a messenger on foot for a doctor and property is valued at \$20,000 and is owned by the Irvmeda company. The have arrived at that period of life and plan of reorganization would provide for participation of all members now in good the cases that appeal to me. This one standing, without payment of members and doctor would be unnecessary, so

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West Point Test OFYANK HANGI

Washington, Dec. 6 .- (I. N. S.) -Offiers of the American Legion and "interests favorable to the war department" are intimidating witnesses by whom Senator Watson (D., Ga.) expects to prove the wholesale hanging of American soldiess in France without trial, according to charges made today by Senator Watson.

The special senate committee hearing Watson's charges is to begin Thursday. "Some of my witnesses, who are dis-abled soldiers, have informed me they fear a loss of compensation if they tes-tify and others tell me of having received veiled threats that they will lose their jobs or that their business will be made to suffer if they tell what they

Cigars From Car know before the committee," continued the Georgia senator.
"Nevertheless, I am going ahead, when I am through I think I will not only have proved every charge I have made, but I will have shown that there was a deliberate falsification of the records of executions sent to the war department from France.

"Secretary Weeks reports that only nine men were executed in the American armies in France. But I have among these papers the letter of George H. Taylor, who says, and he is willing to swear that he himself saw, 12 men hanged at Is-sur-Tille."

Senator Watson pointed to a great sitle as to certain general principles, but the president cannot go very far in that sheaf of letters and affidavits.

"Then there is the letter of William A. Small of Little Rock, Ark., who writes that he refused extra pay to direction without raising a storm over abuse of the presidential office, because serve as a gallows guard and that he saw 15 men 'hanged by a halter.' of the treaty making power. Foreign nations received a large education in the "Another man writes me that he American form of government in the controversy over the League of Nations.

negro and two whites hanged at St.

treaty, and a treaty must be ratified by two-thirds of the senate. In the senate are the irreconcilables, still pledged to fight to the end against any real comates will be pounced upon by these "de-fenders of American independence of action." The president only recently graduated

about a mile above the camp grounds. R. B. Cunningham, 545 East Broadway, R. B. Cunningham, 545 East Broadway, ment," but no one has been able to ob-who was with a party of nine Mazamas tain a closer definition. There is nothing last Sunday, slid 20 feet, hit a rock new in the presidential suggestion exwhich knocked him unconscious, fell into the creek and drifted 150 feet before he was rescued from the swirling

This is the story Forest Ranger Albert Wisendanger brought with him from Eagle creek today on his first trip to Portland since the storm. Where Home Stands Wiesendanger said the trail is in a dangerous condition and he had it chained off, but the Masamas went

he asked the man to head off the phy-sician while he continued to the scene

the accident. J. M. Roberts from Vancouver, Wash. was in the rear, assisting three girls when Cunningham slipped. He saw him fall and when Cu. ngham falled to get up but drifted along in the water, he hurried down and succeeded in pulling him out. S. D. Vail, 195 Sixth atreet, also assisted. When Wissendanger-reached the scene, Cunningham was sitting up near the fire and other members of the party had started on. Wiesen-danger took the man to the ranger station, gave him a change of clothing and something hot to drink. Beyond a bad cut under his left eye, a sprained wrist and bad bruises, he was uninjured.

"Conditions are dangerous on the camp grounds and along the trail," said Wiesendanger, 'owing to snow that is more than 15 feet deep and trees that are only half blown over and hikers had agreed to renounce all preferential should not attempt to go up the trail

Wiesendanger said he is obliged to melt snow for water for household use. because of the water pipes being washed

International Head Of Lions Clubs to Visit Here Friday

international president of the Lions club, will be the guest of the Portland branch of the organization at a lunchon meeting Friday noon at the Benson hotel. The local Lions club was organ-ised last week with a membership of 50 business and professional men. The charter will remain open until after the meeting Friday, according to Dr. H. F. Leonard, chairman of the membership committee. Other members of the committee in charge of the organization work are. Walter Holman, A. L. Grutze of the Title & Trust company, Fred Gifford of the Northwestern Electric company and Secretary Adams of the Dray-

men's and Warehousemen's association. The International Order of Lions has a membership of 37,000, according to Arthur J. Copeland of Chicago, field di-rector of the organization, who is managing the establishment of the Portland branch. He is assisted by Thomas M. Golden of Philadelphia, traveling field representative. The purpose of the Lions club is to promote the principles of good government and good citizenship, Copeland stated. Luncheon meet-ings will be held each Friday noon at the Benson hotel.

(A) K. of C. to Be Host to Orphans Dec. 15 at Minstrel Matinee should be our compensation. Our way of thinking may be peculiar, but we generally doubt whether Englishmen or

"To The Auditorium, James."

Americans, placed as we are in the Far East, in absolute need of raw materials and folks' institutions and orphan asylums on the afternoon of December 15, would have made so generous an offer when they will be guests of the Knights of Columbus at a regular oldtime min-strel matinee. The knights have ar-ranged for automobiles to take them to and from the show.

friendly feeling for China and declares a "willingness to make a serious ef-Incidentally, the minstrel show will be presented, besides the special matines, on we evenings, December 15 and 16. A withdraw their 2700 troops and to hand back Kaio Chou if China will open it

ADMITTED TO PRACTICE

Driver of Car That Struck Hartzell Is Accused by Jurors Medford, Dec. 5.—Lloyd Elwood of Medford, who acknowledges having driven the car that struck and fatally Medford, who acknowledges having driven the car that struck and fatally Medford, who acknowledges having driven the car that struck and fatally Injured Pred R. Hartsell of Eugene, at a close of the high-time party. On the way the car to stop, but that it kept going. Elwood and his party. On the way the car to stop, but that it kept going accuss of trouble with the lighting system of the car and on walking around the machine was struck by Elwood's car. Elwood and his party. On the way the car to stop, but that it kept going. Cause of trouble with the lighting system of the machine was struck by Elwood's car. Elwood and these of the party with him admit having struck some object, but said they assumed it was a doc. but said they assumed it was a doc. but said they assumed it was a doc. Side Civic Improvement league will meet from the scene, they continued on their to town Hartsell's wife and two children reside to town Hartsell stopped at Eugene, where the funeral will be accuss of trouble with the lighting system of the user and on walking around the machine was struck by Elwood's car. Elwood and his party. On the way the car to stop, but that it kept going. Hartsell's wife and two children reside to town Hartsell stopped at Eugene, where the funeral will be accuss of trouble with the lighting system of the user of the party with the machine was struck by Elwood's car. Elwood and his party. On the way the car to stop be at Eugene, where the funeral will be accuss of trouble with the lighting system of the machine was struck by Elwood's car. Elwood and his party. On the way the struck are to stop be at Eugene, where the funeral will be accuss of trouble with the lighting system of the machine was struck by Elwood's car. Elwood and his party. On the way the struck of trouble with the lighting system of the machine was struck by Elwood's car. L







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for trade and commerce, the statement also pointed to the agreement in general conference on the policy of the open W. L. McFarling was admitted to door, "which we Japanese" have ractice in the federal court this morn-everywhere obtained nor enjoyed door, "which we Japanese have not

to China."