

Tuesday, fair and continued cold; killing frost in the morning; moderate northwesterly winds.

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EXCHANGE ON REPARATIONS MADE PUBLIC

U. S. Holds Germany "Morally Bound to Pay"; Hopes Renewed Negotiations Successful.

INTERNATIONAL LOAN SUGGESTED TO ALLIES

Rehabilitation of Devastated Regions Proposed by Teutons

WASHINGTON, April 4.—Paraphrases of the informal exchanges between the German and American governments on reparations, in which the United States holds Germany "morally bound to pay," were made public today.

Describing the German communication as an "unequivocal expression" of the recognition of that obligation, the American reply expresses the hope that renewed negotiations which Germany says it plans to initiate "may lead to a prompt settlement which will satisfy the just claims of the allies and permit Germany hopefully to renew its productive activities."

The German communication suggests that the only solution of the reparations problem is in an international loan, in favor of which the allied and associated powers would waive the general mortgage on German assets created by the treaty of Versailles.

Germany says she stands ready to meet any proposal which appears feasible.

The American reply makes no reference either to the proposed consolidation of allied debts as a German obligation or the suggestion for the determination by unbiased experts of the ability of Germany to pay.

Another consideration on reparations presented by Germany is rehabilitation of devastated regions. The German government says it stands ready to offer to France good offices and resources. It asserts that for the immediate rehabilitation it has "repeatedly proffered labor, technical advice and material assistance," but that these offers have not been accepted.

Germany declares there exists in France only a "limited number of centers for the rehabilitation of the devastated regions, because advance indemnities have been given former occupants who have settled in other parts of France, and the work of clearing the war areas "has been undertaken by influential groups of promoters who are making no effort to expedite their contracts."

The German communication is in the form of a memorandum of Dr. Walter Simons, minister for foreign affairs, dated March 23. The American reply is officially termed a "statement" sent to Commissioner Dresel for communication to Dr. Simons. It is dated March 29.

Separate Peace Not Hurried

Although the resolution declaring a separate peace with Germany is to be re-introduced at the special session of congress, plans of republican leaders as they shape up after many conferences, do not include hurrying the measure to a roll call.

Quarters close to the administration, it was believed tonight that the peace declaration, vetoed by President Wilson, might rest on the calendar of deferred business for 90 days or more while President Harding tries out his preliminary ideas for establishment of an association of nations.

How far the president may have concurred in such a program was not revealed, but it was pointed out that with the resolution hanging in congress the administration might be able to exert an enlarged influence in securing acceptance of its peace plans by other nations. Technically this government still would be at war with Germany, exercising full arrangements of a final peace, and today a republican and still actually associated with the allies.

NEW MACHINE IS ADDED AT PAPER MILL

Fine Quality of Lightweight Turned Out and Fifteen Additional Men Employed

Machine No. 2. That is what they call the new paper making machine at Salem's big paper mill. It went to work yesterday morning, after a tryout on Saturday, and it works like it had been going since the woods were burned.

The Oregon Pulp & Paper company, when its main machinery building was erected, provided in the third story at the west end for this machine that is at last going. It sets north and south, and it has a paper trim of 110 inches wide.

The new machine makes lightweight papers, such as fruit wrappers and tissue specialties. It turns out seven tons a day. Differing from machine No. 1, it is a cylinder machine, in which the sheet gets its formation on a revolving cylinder instead of on flat wires.

There is a good market for the kinds of paper the new machine is turning out.

RUSSELL FINDS BROCCOLI SEED

President of New Local Association Buys Enough For 150 Acres

C. C. Russell, president of the newly organized Salem Broccoli association, phoned last night to U. J. Lehman, its secretary, that he had secured 15 pounds of first class broccoli seed for members of the association.

Mr. Russell was commissioned at the meeting of the association Saturday night to proceed to Portland, or elsewhere, to secure sufficient seed, if possible.

He was very fortunate in his quest, for good broccoli seed is scarce in this country and growing scarce.

J. D. Hartwell came to the office of The Statesman early yesterday morning to enroll his name as a member of the new association. He wants to put out two acres. His address is Gervais.

Frank C. Strong, Hubbard, route 1, wrote to The Statesman, wishing to enroll himself as a member, to plant an acre of broccoli.

These men will be enrolled with their three additional acres.

There is a neighborhood in which are farmers considering the planting of 20 more acres, and this will be reported upon in the next day or two.

No doubt a number of others will be heard from.

The 19 pounds of seed should be sufficient for about 150 acres of broccoli. There will likely be more than 150 acres in the Salem district, counting the independence neighborhood. Probably a good deal more than 200 acres in all, from present appearances.

But some growers have their seed, or have arranged for it, so that it may be that the 19 pounds secured by Mr. Russell will be enough.

But if prospective new growers continue to come forward as they have done in the past week, it will behoove the men who are helping to get the industry started in a large commercial way to secure still more seed, if possible.

COAL MINERS DISPUTE MAY BE SERIOUS

Rumors Say England May Decide on Military Steps To Press Action—Emergency Regulations Strict.

RAILWAY MEN STRONGLY IN FAVOR OF STRIKE

Lloyd-George Accused By Press of Attempting to Maneuver Labor Party

LONDON, April 4.—Signs tonight point to the dispute between the coal miners and the government drifting toward the most serious industrial crisis in recent years.

They are rumors that the government has decided on certain military steps which are likely to inflame the miners still more while further emergency regulations will be issued giving governmental headquarters almost unlimited powers to take possession of lands, buildings, works, gas, electric and water supplies, horses, food and forage and to requisition transport, close ports, control shipping and cargoes, fix prices of coal and prohibit or regulate sale and supply of motor spirit.

Much may depend on the attitude of the government as revealed by the debate in the house of commons tomorrow, and Wednesday will be the critical day, deciding whether other sections of the triple alliance, the railwaymen and transport workers, will strike in support of the miners.

Changed Time Limit Asked

Railway men strongly favor a strike.

Moderate opinion is concentrated in favor of the suggestion offered by Alfred Bigland, coalition unionist, that the so-called decontrol bill should be rescinded and the time limit for control fixed for May 30, instead of March 31, giving time for discussions and the education of the miners to the real industrial position.

It is believed the government will refuse to accept this suggestion and that the premier will base his opinion on the proposition that it is impossible for the country because of its finances to bear any further burden in the shape of a subsidy to the miners.

The anti-governmental press accuses Premier Lloyd-George of trying to maneuver the labor party into a false position, whereby he could appeal to the country against the labor policy of "direct action and bolshevism."

The balance of opinion tonight is that the triple alliance will refrain from the declaration of a general strike until it is certain attempts at a peaceful settlement are hopeless. It is announced that the admiralty has cancelled all leaves.

Soldiers' Bonus Bill Passes in Michigan

DETROIT, Mich., April 4.—Passage by three to one of a constitutional amendment providing for a bond issue of \$20,000,000 for a state soldiers' bonus was indicated by returns late tonight from the statewide election today.

Sixteen More Farmers Modernize Homes on Glad Tidings Road By Adding Electrical Illumination

Sixteen farmers living on Glad Tidings road, running east from Monitor recently, had electric light and power service installed in their residences and barns. The power is being supplied by the Portland Railway Light & Power company, which installed the two miles of line required to supply the farmers under the company's regular line extension agreement.

The farmers ordered the extension made last December but considerable delay was experienced in receiving the wire, which is of a special kind known as steel reinforced aluminum wire. This wire is particularly adapted to extension of farmer lines, as it has a steel wire in the center of the cable to give it strength, and

OREGON GETS NEW RECORD JERSEY BULL

Birth of Calf at Independence Completes Qualification of Rinda Lad of S. B.

Up to yesterday morning there had been produced in all the world 11 gold medal Jersey bulls. Oregon had produced five of the 11.

A calf was born at Independence yesterday morning that elected another gold medal Jersey bull, and this brought to Oregon the honor of having produced half the gold medal Jersey bulls in the world. Twelve in all have been produced. Oregon has produced six of them. Rinda Lad of S. B. is the name of the newly qualified gold medal bull.

A bull in order to qualify for a gold medal, according to the rules of the American Jersey Cattle club, must have sired three daughters that have officially produced not less than 700 pounds of butterfat in one year and carried a living calf not less than 135 days during the test.

The calf born yesterday on the farm of S. J. McKee, of Independence, completes the qualifications for Rinda Lad of S. B.

FEDERATION OF MEN COMPLETED

G. Ed. Ross Elected Leader of Brotherhood Organizations of City

Representatives of the men's brotherhoods of the churches of the city having such bodies met last night and effected a permanent organization.

Officers elected were: President, G. Ed. Ross of the Baptist Brotherhood and secretary, C. D. Ross of the Central Congregational church.

The organization will be known as "The Federation of Men's Brotherhoods of Salem." The next regular meeting of the federation will be at the Central Congregational church on April 12.

Provision is made for representation in the federation by new brotherhoods as soon as organization in the local churches has been accomplished, and if desired, the federation will assist in such organization.

Federations of this kind have been very successfully operated in other cities and it is believed there will be found a large range of activities for this one in Salem.

Week Awards Statesman Classified Ad Contest

Each week the Statesman will give three cash rewards for the best "stories" about Statesman Classified Ads.

The awards will be announced each Tuesday morning; 1st reward, \$25.00; 2nd reward, \$15.00; 3rd reward, \$10.00.

Contestants must see that their "stories" reach the Statesman office before Monday morning of each week in order to be considered.

Last Week's Awards. A number of very interesting "stories" were received last week, and the judges have decided upon the following as the winners:

1st reward, Evelyn White, box 412, Newport, Or.
2nd reward, Miss Esther T. Thompson, route 8, box 67, Salem, Or.
3rd reward, Miss Blanche Rowley, 1507 Chemselta street, Salem.

Several very good stories were received and will be mentioned in future issues of The Statesman. The story winning first reward is published in full below; the others will be published in future issues of The Statesman. Watch for them.

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

How a Classified Ad Helped a Man Who Lived Out of Town. "What is the use of taking The Statesman now that we don't live in Salem?" asked Mary. "We will finish this subscription and then stop," said Jim.

VIVIANI TOLD THIS COUNTRY WILL END WAR

Former Premier Also Informed That Program Does Not Contemplate Entrance into League.

FRENCH ENVOY SAID TO BE RECONCILED

Senators Pledge That No Action Will Be Taken "Helpful" to Enemy

WASHINGTON, April 4.—The Harding administration intends to terminate the war between the United States and Germany by congressional resolution, M. Viviani, French envoy extraordinary, understood to have been informed tonight at a dinner at the home of Senator McCormick of Illinois.

The former premier was also informed, it was said by senators present, that the program of the administration does not contemplate entrance of the United States into the league of nations.

Prominent Men Present.

Those at the dinner stated: M. Viviani had been told frankly that it was useless to discuss the possibility of American membership in the league of nations. Most of the republican members of the senate foreign relations committee and Colonel George Harvey, prospective ambassador at the court of St. James were among those present.

The French envoy, who was accompanied by Ambassador Jusserand, was said to have been informed that sentiment of republican leaders was virtually unanimous for adoption of the Knox separate peace resolution, subject only to possible amendment from its original form, early in the special session of congress.

M. Viviani was described as appearing "reconciled" to the situation.

At the same time the senators made it clear that the United States would take no action which could be in any way considered as "helpful" to Germany, especially in the matter of reparations and fulfilling other obligations involved in the peace settlement.

In discussing the proposed separate peace resolution the senators, it is understood, asserted their intention to introduce it immediately upon the convening of congress and urge its prompt adoption. However, they added, that if President Harding should request a delay in the matter of a vote, this undoubtedly would be arranged.

BONDS SOLD BY ILLAHEE CLUB

Committee of Members Disposes of \$20,000 Market Road Securities

A committee representing the Illahee Country club has succeeded in selling \$20,000 of the Salem district's \$50,000 quota of market road bonds, T. B. Kay of the market road committee reported in an address to the members of the Salem Commercial club at the noon luncheon yesterday.

Salem banks have promised that if \$20,000 of the quota is taken by the public they will guarantee the disposal of the remaining \$30,000. Every other district in the county has taken its quota, while in Salem not a voluntary purchase has been made. Yesterday was the date for the second opening of bids, but there were no bids to open and now it is proposed to advertise the third time.

The market road bond question will be discussed at the April open forum meeting of the Commercial club which will be a week from tomorrow night.

Power Company Will Discuss Wage Scale

PORTLAND, Ore., April 4.—The wage scale and working conditions of the car men employed by the Portland Railway, Light and Power company, will be considered April 30, according to notice issued by the company. The wage agreement in force the last two years will expire then and 30 days notice of changes desired has been given. Neither officials of the company nor of the car men's union will discuss what changes, if any, in wage scales are contemplated. A year ago an increase in street railway fares was obtained which eliminated the necessity of the company seeking to reduce the pay of the carmen.

GENERAL PEYTON C. MARCH, who will retire as chief of staff and whose successor will soon be announced by Secretary of War Weeks. The term of General March has less than a year to run, but he has actually gone out of office automatically with former Secretary Baker.



STATE'S DEAF TO MEET HERE

Three-Day Convention Will Be Held at Local School Early in July

A convention of the adult deaf population of Oregon will be held early this summer at the Oregon school for the deaf here.

BOARD GIVES AUTHORITY

Association For Social and Economic Welfare Will Be Organized

The purpose of the gatherings will be the benefit socially and economically of the state's deaf population. Committee will be appointed to work in their various interests, an ad hoc committee will be for the purpose of assisting deaf persons in their economic, social and removing the objections that frequently are made to the employment of deaf persons.

SALEM HELPED BY BIG MERGER

Jam and Jelly Plant Planned Here by Oregon-Washington Company

The Organization of the Oregon-Washington Canning & Preserving company, a merger of some of the big interests of the two states, will have a direct bearing upon that industry in Salem, and on the demand for and the prices of fruits of all kinds in the Salem district.

W. R. Scott, manager of the Paulhamus interests in Oregon, was in Salem yesterday from Albany, where the Puyallup & Sumner Fruit Growers Canning company has a cannery.

Mr. Scott says the merger is bound to be a success, with the Paulhamus interests active in its formation and that all the strength of that organization is now at work to take care of the coming fruit crop.

OREGON BERRIES GO BACK INTO NATION'S PIES, OFFICIALS DECLARE

Mr. Scott said the merger will speed a cannery and jam and jelly plant in Salem sooner or later—in order to be in the center of the great fruit district. The Paulhamus interests have been in the Salem market as buyers for a long time, as is well known.

A. C. Schmitt, President of the First National bank of Albany, has been appointed one of the Oregon directors of the Oregon-Washington Canning and Preserving company, the new \$100,000,000 corporation merger of the large canning interests of the two states. Under the articles of incorporation Oregon and Washington are entitled to eight directors each. All of the Washington directors have been named, but only Mr. Schmitt has thus far been appointed by the Oregon section. The other seven will be named soon.

Mr. Scott returned home Friday night from Portland, where he attended a three-day conference with those interested in the new organization. He is enthusiastic over the prospects of the merger, and predicts that it will be the salvation of the berry industry in the northwest. He cited the California situation to show what limited effort will do for the fruit growers. Before the organization of the California association, he said, conditions were much the same as they have been in Oregon and Washington, with insufficient marketing facilities and heavy overhead expenses which deprived both growers and canners of their just profit.

BUILDINGS OF CHINESE HELD TO BE MENACE

State Fire Marshal Advises City Council to Remove Shacks on South High And Other Streets.

CITY CAMPING PARK WILL BE EQUIPPED

Utter and Vandervort Clash When Former Criticizes City Officers

Active co-operation with Mayor George E. Halvorsen was pledged last night by the city council in lessening the fire hazards of Salem, and in making a general cleanup of the city. Under just what department of the city government the actual work properly belonged was a matter of considerable controversy.

A report of the state fire marshal, read before the councilmen last night, declared that it is very advisable to have some of the frame buildings occupied by Chinese on South High street removed and moss removed from the roofs of others.

Wiring Hazardous.

Many of the houses in this section of the city are found to have electrical wiring that is not standard. Improper wiring is said to cause a great percentage of serious fires. The report also called attention to shacks on the part of the business section of the city which it was pointed out were decidedly a fire menace, and should be removed.

Dr. F. L. Utter hotly attacked the business methods of the city officers, citing instances of reports which he claimed were improperly filled out and handed over to the council. The accusation met with resentment on the part of Alderman H. H. Vandervort and others as being unjust. In his remarks Mr. Vandervort said that he regarded the city treasurer and the recorder as very efficient. An itemized account was requested by the council current expense committee for the next meeting of the council, in order that an intelligent working basis may be maintained.

Roads Ordered to Pave.

The city attorney was instructed to notify the Southern Pacific Railroad company to pave South Ferry street, between Commercial and Trade, and also the Oregon Electric company to repair the pavement in front of the depot on State street.

The city recorder was requested to notify the park board that the council had officially taken over the automobile park. A caretaker will be hired and the park put in readiness to receive the summer tourists. An appropriation of \$1500 was allowed in the budget of 1921 for its maintenance.

Cement Walk Question Up.

Whether or not property owners outside the city limits can be compelled to put in cement sidewalks was the matter which came up before the council last night. The city attorney was asked to ascertain to what extent the council had power to act in such cases.

POLK OBSERVER DAMAGED BY FIRE

Publication of Paper Will Not Be Interrupted This Week

DALLAS, Or., April 4.—The building occupied by Polk County Observer, newspaper, was badly gutted by fire today. Loss on the printing plant, owned by E. A. Koen, was confined principally to water damage and will amount to several hundred dollars. The building is owned by J. C. Hayter, former publisher of the Observer. Both Mr. Koen and Mr. Hayter carried some insurance.

The fire started from a defective chimney.

According to word received last night the publication of the Observer will not be interrupted this week by the fire.

BURNS ARE FATAL

ASTORIA, Ore., April 4.—Mrs. W. C. Walters, 36, wife of a locomotive engineer on the logging road of the Saddle Mountain Logging company, was fatally burned Saturday when she attempted to start a fire in a stove with kerosene, according to word brought here today.

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