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winds.

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U. S. REFUSES
TO MEDIATE
REPARATIONS

Request of German Govern-
ment That Harding Fix
Indemnity Sum Declined
By Americans.

TEUTONS WILLING TO
COMPLY WITH DECISION

Secretary Hughes Makes
Offer of Aid in Resum-
ing Negotiations

WASHINGTON, April 21.—The
American government refused to-
day an urgent request of the Ger-
man government that President
Harding mediate the question of
reparations between Germany and
allies and fix the sum Germany is
to pay.

The United States agreed, how-
ever, that if the German govern-
ment would formulate promptly
such proposals regarding repara-
tions "as would present a proper
basis for discussion," it would
consider bringing the matter to
the attention of the allied govern-
ments in a manner acceptable to
them in order that negotiations
may speedily be resumed."

Germany's appeal signed by
Chancellor Fehrenbach and For-
eign Minister Simons was directed
to President Harding. It was
answered by Secretary Hughes
after a conference with the presi-
dent.

Seriousness Recognized.
The texts of the appeal and the
reply were made public tonight.
The communication from Berlin
said the German government was
"ready and willing" to agree
without qualification or reserva-
tion "to pay such sum as the pres-
ident might 'find just and right' and
"to fulfill in letter and spirit all
the provisions of any award
that may be made by him."

In reply Secretary Hughes
said:
"This government could not
agree to mediate the question of
reparations with a view to acting
as umpire in its settlement. Im-
pressed however, with the serious-
ness of the issues involved as they
affect the world, the United States
feels itself deeply concerned with
the question of obtaining an early
and just solution. This govern-
ment strongly desires that there
should be an immediate resump-
tion of negotiations, and reiter-
ates its earnest hope that the
German government will formu-
late such proposals as would pre-
sent a proper basis for discussion.
Should the German government
take this course this government
will consider bringing the matter
to the attention of the allied gov-
ernments in a manner acceptable
to them in order that negotiations
may speedily be resumed."

Appeal Is Unusual.

Germany's appeal was regarded
here as remarkable. It was point-
ed out that it was directed to the
head of a nation with which Ger-
many still is technically at war,
and which has troops on its soil.
Reference to the state of war was
made in the German communica-
tion, the chancellor and foreign
minister declaring that notwith-
standing this they petitioned the
president "in the name of the
German government and German
people" with the hope that the
appeal would be granted.

This was the second reparations
communication addressed to the
United States by Germany and ap-
parently it was not unexpected by
administration officials as the re-
ply went forward a few hours after
it had been received.
Germany has until May 1 to
meet the allies' demands that the
first installment in cash on the
reparations bill be paid. Premiers
Lloyd George of Great Britain and
Bryan of France are to meet Sun-
day in England to discuss meas-
ures to be taken if Germany fails
to meet the demands. It has been
reported France would insist on
the occupation of additional terri-
tory and other penalties in the
event that the Berlin government
refused to pay.

"Expert Opinion" Asked.

What steps Germany has taken
to meet the demands or to what
extent new reparations proposals
have been prepared are not known.
From the urgent nature of the
German appeal it is the belief
of some officials and diplo-
mats that the Berlin government
found itself in an extreme posi-
tion.
In its first memorandum to the
United States on reparations which
was drawn on last March 24, Ger-
many said she was ready to meet
any proposals which appeared
feasible "for the solution of the
economic and financial problems
of Europe" and that she invited
the examination by unbiased ex-
perts of her ability to pay. It was
added that it was clear to both the
people and the government that
Germany would have to pay to the
limit of her ability.

In reply, Secretary Hughes
said that the United States stood
with the allies in holding Ger-
many responsible for the war.
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MOTOR CARS
ARE BARRED
IN BERMUDA

Mrs. Vincent Astor Deter-
mined to Keep Buzz Wagons
Out of Little Island

HAMILTON, Bermuda, April
21.—Renewed efforts to enact a
law permitting the use of auto-
mobiles in Bermuda have been
made this spring by members of
the Bermuda assembly.

These islands have held out
thus far against what is consid-
ered a "dangerous innovation,"
but there is a strong party for
rapid transit.

The chief opponents of auto-
mobiles are American winter resi-
dents and tourists. Mrs. Vincent
Astor of New York, who has been
occupying a residence on Hamil-
ton harbor for the past two sea-
sons, sent a letter to the local
newspaper objecting to their in-
troduction on the island.

As this colony has only a little
more than 19 square miles of area
visitors do not regard motor
transport as a necessity. Since
the island of Nantucket admitted
automobiles, this is about the
only civilized place from which
they are barred.

DEBATE IS WON
BY WILLAMETTE

Women Teams Take Four
Out of Six Points In
Arguments

Willamette was winner in the
debate between College of Puget
Sound women's teams and the
Willamette women last night, tak-
ing four of the six possible points
in the debate. The decision at
Tacoma was all for the Willamette
women while the northern
women won the debate by a
2 to 1 decision.

The Willamette women who
stayed at home approached the
subject, that of restriction of Ja-
panese immigration, except stud-
ents and diplomatic circles, with
a comprehensive study of the
question. Their argument was
well assembled and their delivery
good. The Puget Sound women
who dealt almost entirely with
the situation in California, were
polished speakers. The content
was close throughout, the decision
resting largely on the brilliant re-
buttal of Helen Murdoch, the first
speaker of the negative.

The Willamette teams were
composed of Loriel Blanchard,
Lucile Tucker, affirmative; Myr-
le Mason, Ruby Rosenkranz, neg-
ative.

Helen Murdoch and Helen
Brace represented the College of
Puget Sound here.

The judges here were Judge T.
A. McBride, Judge G. G. Bingham
and Joseph Albert. Professor
and Dr. Matthews was chairman.
Miss Gertrude Aldrich sang a solo,
accompanied by Miss Holmes.

MOTHER OF 3
LIFTS TRINKETS

Former Cowgirl Touches
Merchants Heart With
Story and is Freed

An instance in which mother
love got the better of discretion
was brought to the attention of
the police yesterday.

Ila Hickman, mother of three
small children, was taken in cus-
tody for shoplifting in the Wool-
worth store. R. P. Jacobs, man-
ager of the store, called the police
to take the woman in charge and
she was brought to the police sta-
tion. In a shopping bag hanging
from her arm, it was found she
had secreted stockings, dolls, wrist
watches, soap, baby lockets and
chains, combs and small scissors,
and in each instance had limited
the quantity to three each, one for
each child, the youngest of whom
is about 3 years old.

Upon inquiry it was found the
woman had been raised in the
eastern part of the state among
the hills. She presented a rather
pitiable appearance, so much so,
that it was a relief to Chief of
Police Moffitt when the chief of
Mr. Jacobs was touched and he re-
fused to prosecute, provided she
return the goods when he observ-
ed that she had taken nothing for
herself, only for her children.

Mrs. Hickman said she lived
now at Blodgett with her people,
that her husband had left her. She
said she had been a cowgirl and
could ride anything they brought
to her.

Frank L. Heath, Native
Oregon Artist, Dies
SANTA CRUZ, Cal., April 21.—
Frank L. Heath, widely known
artist of the Pacific coast, died
here today. Heath was 63 years
old and a native of Oregon.

FLAX FARMERS
ARE SUMMONED
BY EXECUTIVE

Arrangements Are Made To
Tide Over Difficulty Made
By Slump in Commodity
Market.

GROWERS MAY AWAIT
FOR FULL PAYMENTS

Salem Bankers Assure the
Authorities That They
Will Help

Governor Olcott has issued a
call to the 35 flax farmers who have
contracted with the state to grow
flax this year asking them to at-
tend a meeting to be held at the
state capitol at 1:30 o'clock p.
m. today to discuss the prospect
for the coming season from a fi-
nancial point of view.

A slump in the flax market af-
fecting the crop on hand, together
with an emergency condition at
the state penitentiary, which
caused the closing down of the
state flax plant for four months
will make it impossible for the
state to have sufficient money to
meet payments due the farmers
with whom the contracts were
made when the crops are harvest-
ed the coming summer. However,
through the co-operation of Salem
bankers, arrangements have been
made which it is believed will be
satisfactory to the farmers when
they are apprised of the condi-
tions today, although their money
will not be available in full
until the latter part of next year.

High Price Is Basis
"The flax market has been hit
by the same slump which has
forced the price of all agricultural
products to bedrock," said the
governor, in explaining the rea-
son for calling the meeting. "The
valuation was based on the then
prevailing market price of the
finished products. Acting on this
information we entered into con-
tracts with farmers to plant 731
acres for the 1921 season, which,
with a fair yield, it is estimated
will cost the state approximately
\$61,000 in buying the flax from
the farmers."

"Had the flax market main-
tained anything like the value it
showed at the time these con-
tracts were entered into, and had
it been possible to keep the flax
in operation during the past
four months no difficulty would
have been experienced in finan-
cing the 1921 flax crop. But the
old flume at the prison which has
been in a dangerous condition for
a long time became so weak that
it threatened to wreck the in-
stitution and a new flume be-
came an absolute necessity. All
operations at the flax plant came
to a dead stop and have been for
four months while a new flume
has been completed and the plant
opened early this month.

Similar In 1916
"In the meantime, flax, along
with prunes, wheat, livestock and
other agricultural products de-
clined in price so that the value
of the unworked stock on hand
 dwindled to approximately \$22-
000 at prevailing market prices.
Because of the delay in the in-
stitution, the flax crop of 1916
probably will be the first of the
year before these products can be
put on the market in finished
shape. Late in July and early in
August the 1921 crop will be har-
vested and delivered to the pris-
on, but because of the condition
of the institution will be unable
to meet the payments due to the
farmers. A similar condition
arose in 1916 when it became nec-
essary for arrangements to be
made with local bankers to re-
finance the crop, loans so made
eventually were repaid by the leg-
islature, the general fund later be-
ing completely reimbursed from
the flax fund to recover the au-
thorization made.

"At conferences with all the
members of the board of control
present, as well as the War Com-
mission, Dr. R. E. L. Steiner of
the state hospital, Robert C. Crawford, superintendent
of the flax plant, R. J. Hendricks,
one of the pioneer exponents of
the flax industry, P. E. Thompson,
one of the principal flax man-
agers, and the representatives of all the
flax farmers, the situation was gone
into thoroughly with the decision
reached to call in all the growers
present the facts to them and ad-
vise them that if they wished to
go ahead they must do so with
the understanding that the money
for the flax will not be avail-
able in full probably until the
latter part of next year.

Bankers Interested
"The bankers, as did all the
others present, expressed a keen
interest in advancing the mat-
ter, and the industry and gave as-
surance they would assist all they
could, but that it would be nec-
essary for the individual growers
to make their financial arrange-
ments separately.

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SEPARATION
OF 31 YEARS
TERMINATED

Mother and Daughter Are Re-
united at The Dalles,
Oregon

THE DALLES, Or., April 21.—
A search of 31 years for her child
was today ended when Mrs. R. H.
Ohlgeschlager of this city clasped
in her arms Mrs. Joan Long of
Denver, Colo., the daughter whom
she had last seen in baby dresses.

In Denver, 31 years ago, Mrs.
Ohlgeschlager was Mrs. J. Math-
wig. She left her husband taking
with her two children and in-
fant and the daughter. One day
when she came home from work
the children were gone. She
traced them to a boys and girls
aid society where the father had
left them for adoption. The baby
boy being very young, was re-
turned to the mother for care, but
the officials of the institution
would not divulge the name of
the family that had adopted her
daughter.

Her husband dying, Mrs. Math-
wig married R. H. Ohlgeschlager.
Her son grew to manhood and
while in Denver recently decided
to try and find his sister. Inquiry
revealed that the adopted girl
had grown to womanhood, mar-
ried and was living there. Soon
brother and sister were united,
followed by the visit to The Dalles
which today resulted in the com-
plete reunion.

CAN YOU WRITE
A GOOD AD?

If you think you know
how to write a good classi-
fied advertisement, here's
your chance to win one of
the three cash awards the
Statesman will give each
week for the best story en-
titled "How to Write a
Classified Ad."
The first awards will be
announced in Tuesday's is-
sue of each week, the first
announcement Tuesday,
April 26. Contestants must
send their "stories" to the
Statesman office before Monday
morning of each week in order to
be considered.

The awards will be as fol-
lows: first award, \$25.00;
second award, \$15.00; third
award \$10.00.
The Statesman wants your
ideas as to how these awards
should be written to get the
best results. Tell us what
you would say in your ad
and why you would say it.
Don't forget the why. For
example, do you think it
should contain price of the
article offered for sale, or
the price you are willing to
pay for an article you want
to buy? If you think the ad
should contain the price, tell
us why. If you think it be-
lieves to leave the price out of
the ad, tell us why.

Should it contain descrip-
tion? Why?
Should it contain location?
Why?

Should it describe quality?
Why?
Tell us about ads. for
"help wanted" and "work
wanted", etc., etc. Also
about any and all other
kinds of classified ads.

Write your stories plain-
ly on one side of paper only
and mail to Classified Ad
Manager, Oregon Statesman,
Salem, Oregon.

This Week's Award.
A number of very inter-
esting "stories" about the
value of Statesman classified
ads were received last week.
The judges have decided up-
on the following as winners:
1st award, \$25.00, Elva
Landwirth, Scotts Mills, Or.
2nd award, Gertrude
Dally, Salem.
3rd award, Rose Hus-
ton, Newport, Or.

The story giving first
prize, a commentary mentioned
is published in full below;
the others will be published
in future issues of the
Statesman. Watch for them.

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

Mary, running in from school—
O mother! mother! where are
you?

Mother, from upstairs—Here I
am; what do you want?

Mary—Oh mother, I have lost
my ruby ring; the one Uncle Fred
gave me. What shall I do?

Mother—Do you have any idea
where you lost it?

Mary—No mother, unless it
was on my way from school; you
know the ring was loose on my
finger.

Mother—Oh I know, we will go
to our old standby the Statesman.
We will put an ad in it. It won't
cost much and will be worth a lot
to us.

Mary, a few days later, after re-
solving her ring—Oh, I am so glad
we put that ad in the Statesman.
We got such quick results. And
the ad was printed just as we
wrote it. There weren't any mis-
takes. I am so glad we told
where it was lost and where to
bring it too. It helps so much to
have a good paper.

I shall always praise and honor
the Statesman.
—ETHEL JONES,
Salem, Oregon, R. F. D. No. 9.

UNITED STATES
WILL RECEIVE
LINE TO YAP

Japan and France Accept
American Principles of
Distribution of German
Cables.

EARLY AGREEMENT
IS ANTICIPATED

Proceedings Will be Deferred
While Island's Status
Cleared

WASHINGTON, April 21.—Jap-
an and France are understood
to have accepted the American
principles of distribution of the
former German Atlantic and Pa-
cific cables at a session of the
international communications con-
ference held today at the state
department. While details of the
operation of the cables to be al-
located are to be worked out, the
acceptance by Japan and France
of the American view is expected
to make possible an early agree-
ment on such questions.

Actual working out of the dis-
tribution of the Pacific cables by
which it is understood, the
United States will receive the line
from Guam to Yap, and Japan
that part of the line from Yap,
extending formerly to Shanghai,
it was indicated tonight will be
deferred pending clearing up of
the status of Yap.

REDRAFT CALLS
FOR 166,000 MEN

Army Appropriation Raises
Numbers and Lowers
Appropriation

WASHINGTON, April 21.—Pro-
vision for a regular army of
166,000 as against the 156,000
agreed on by the last congress, is
contained in the re-draft of the
army appropriation bill completed
today by the house sub-commit-
tee. The measure carries approx-
imately \$330,000,000, nearly
\$15,000,000 less than the total in
the bill pocket-voted by Presi-
dent Wilson.

In agreeing to a force of 166-
000 regulars the sub-committee
compromised with Senators
Weeks who urged provision for
183,000 men. The present
strength of the army is approxi-
mately 235,000.

LONGSHOREMEN'S
STRIKE TODAY

Unions Allege Violation Of
Agreement With
Employers

ASTORIA, Ore., April 21.—
Union longshoremen of the Lower
Columbia river district will strike
today, according to an announce-
ment made tonight by Joseph
Taylor of Seattle, president of the
Pacific coast district of the inter-
national longshoremen's union.
Portland is not involved.

The unions allege that the work-
ing agreement between the long-
shoremen and their employers
has been violated by an order of
the waterfront employers' union,
effective tomorrow, whereby trav-
el pay and allowance for board
and lodging for longshoremen
sent to points between here and
St. Helena, Ore., to work cargo on
vessels is abolished.

Taylor said that a letter had
been sent the employers protest-
ing the proposed change and
suggesting negotiations on the
subject, and that the proposals
had been rejected. The strike call
was then issued, he said.

Two Are Held on
Swindling Charge

SEATTLE, Wash., April 21.—
Paul D. Porter, salesman, and W.
V. Moran, manager, said by local
authorities to be connected with
a San Francisco concern known
as the Wall Street Securities com-
pany, were held in bonds of \$1000
each tonight, under charges of
grand larceny, in connection with
what prosecuting Attorney Mal-
colm Douglas declared was part
of an alleged coast-wide swindling
scheme by which scores of per-
sons are believed by the prosecu-
tor to have been defrauded of
thousands of dollars.

MISS NANCY GIBBS, popular English actress, who
is now playing in this country in "Monsieur Beau-
caire." While playing in Washington, D. C., she attract-
ed the attention of the British embassy, which gave an
entertainment in her honor.

STATE AGENTS
CAPTURE STILL

Frank Hock and Joseph
Showers in County Jail
Following Arrest

BIG OUTFIT DISCOVERED
47 WERE OUT ON BONDS

Haul Made at Midnight —
Offenders May be Ar-
raigned Here Today

A large still was found Wed-
nesday midnight east of Gervais,
on the old Hock place, by state
agents who are rounding up vio-
lators of the prohibition laws.
Joseph H. Showers and Frank
Hock were placed under arrest
charged with having the still in
their possession. They were
brought to Salem yesterday and
lodged in the county jail and will
undoubtedly be arraigned today
before Judge Unruh of the jus-
tice court.

Though the still was not in op-
eration yesterday the outfit was
one of the most complete yet
taken by the officers and gave
every evidence of a thorough pre-
paration for the making of liquor.
Several jars of mash totaling 110
gallons were found in the process
of fermentation. A large num-
ber of empty bottles also was
found.

The officers capturing the still
were led by F. W. Snyder. The
capacity of the still was about
10 gallons. The still was brought
to Salem and is in possession of
the justice court.

JAMES B. SHANK
PASSES AWAY

Husband of Salem Police
Matron Invalid For
Years

The death of James B. Shank,
husband of Myra L. Shank, city
police matron, occurred about 10
o'clock last night at their apart-
ment in the I. O. O. F. building.
For the past 12 years Mr. Shank
has been in failing health, five
years of which he has been an in-
valid. A week ago Saturday he
suddenly took worse and since
that time it was thought the end
was near. Yesterday morning
members of the family were sum-
moned to his bedside and were
with him when he passed away.

James B. Shank was born in
1855 in the state of Iowa. He
moved with his family to the west
in 1902 and located in this city
where he has since resided. He
leaves a wife, Mrs. Myra L.
Shank, who for the past five
years has served as police matron
of the city, three daughters, Mrs.
C. W. Fox of Chemeketa and Mrs.
C. W. Fox of Chemeketa and Mrs.
C. W. Fox of Chemeketa.

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NEW MINISTER
IS ATTACKED
BY DEMOCRATS

Appointment of Col. George
Harvey Declared to Be
"Crowning Affront" To
Retired President.

INSULTS HEAPED UPON
LONDON AMBASSADOR

Break Between Wilson and
New York Editor
Is Aired

WASHINGTON, April 21.—The
appointment of Colonel George
Harvey as ambassador to Great
Britain, confirmed by the senate
last week in executive session, was
attacked and defended for four
hours today in a remarkable and
unusual senate session.

Shortly after the senate had
convened at noon, Senator Har-
rison, democrat, Mississippi, arose,
said he had sought to consider
the Harvey nomination in open
session but had been blocked, and
then launched into an extremely
vehement attack on the new am-
bassador and his appointment.

He described Mr. Harvey "as a
creature of prejudice and a stirrer
of strife," and as a "vindictive,
self-anointed, intolerant politi-
cal accident," and charged that
the appointment would be re-
garded by "millions of patriotic
Americans regardless of party af-
filiation as a crowning affront to
the invalid who recently vacated
the White House."

Republican senators for a time
sat fairly aghast. Then followed
conferees, including several be-
tween Senator Lodge, republican
leader, and Senator Brandegee, of
Connecticut, close friend of Mr.
Harvey. Many republicans left
the chamber, while democrats, as
Senator Harrison proceeded, were
smiling and giving other evi-
dences of their approval.

Reed Opens for Republicans
"When Senator Harrison con-
cluded and while the galleries
cried for a reply to see if a reply
would come from the republicans,
Senator Reed, democrat, Missouri,
started a reply in which he accus-
ed his colleague of seeking to em-
barrass the new ambassador, if
he were President Harding was
within his rights in appointing
Mr. Harvey and asserting that
Harrison 'had burned the midnight
oil to light his taper at the fires
of venom.'"

Opposition of Colonel Harvey
to the issue of nations was pre-
sented by Senator Reed, who taunted
his colleagues with declarations
that the league issue had proved
their undoing in the last election.
Senator Lodge declared that never
did he have a man appointed
to office before he had declared
his nomination had been confirm-
ed and after he had become a
representative of the United
States. He deplored the attack
as "a sorry bit of political tactics,"
and praised Colonel Harvey as
"an American through and
through."

Subjects brought into the dis-
cussion by Senators Harrison,
Reed and Lodge ranged from
publication during the last political
campaign in "Harvey's Weekly,"
the "Immature Conception" of
cartoon, to the league and the
break of 1911 between Colonel
Harvey and Woodrow Wilson.

Senator Heflin, democrat, Ala-
bama, ended his speech with a
tribute to the league of nations
which brought the galleries hand-
clapping from the galleries and
a warning from Vice President
Coolidge that the galleries would
be cleared in event of another
demonstration.

Correspondence Is Read
The issue of a free discussion
ended with Senator Reed, dem-
ocrat, Arizona, reading the cor-
respondence between Mr. Wilson
and Colonel Harvey following their
break.

Senator Harrison described the
new ambassador as one whose
"whole life has been one of in-
consistency and vacillation," who
"never remained true to any pur-
pose, loyal to any friend or stead-
fast to any conviction, a writer
of the most cunning and danger-
ous species and a past master in
fomenting trouble and aggrava-
ting delicate situations."

He declared that for these reasons
alone Colonel Harvey was unfitted
for American representative at
London.

Then, turning to Colonel Har-
vey's attacks on President Wilson,
Senator Harrison declared that
"not content in heaping personal
abuse on the president in health,
he (Mr. Harvey) pursued him
with his scurrilous attacks to his
sick bed, trying to create the im-
pression that the president had
lost his mind." He added that
"through the application of his
pen he entered the sacred pre-
cincts of the home to misrepresent
the wife of the president."

Harvey a Great Intellect
Senator Reed praised Mr. Har-
vey as "one of the great intellects
of the country," and declared
President Harding, in view of his
team.

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