

BOLT FATAL FOR 3 SOLDIERS

U.S. ENTRANCE IN REPARATION SAID UNLIKELY

Baldwin's Suggestion That Nation Participate in Settlement Abroad Not Made to Diplomats

WASHINGTON WAITING RATIFICATION PAPERS

Final Deposits Are Yet Necessary to Put Agreements Into Force

WASHINGTON, July 11.—(By the Associated Press.)—If Premier Baldwin has decided to suggest American participation in a reparations settlement, as hinted in some dispatches from abroad, neither American officials nor diplomatic circles here have been advised of the decision.

Heretofore, it was pointed out tonight, the allied states have not cared to risk the chance of American refusal of an invitation to take part in a conference on the subject in view of the attitude of the administration. It had been expected here all along that the United States would merely be informed completely as to whatever the British project may be, with the door to American participation left open in case this government itself desires to take the initiative.

American Attitude Unchanged—So far as revealed here the American attitude remains just what it was when Secretary Hughes, in a speech at Newhaven some months ago, made the suggestion that a conference of economic authorities be organized to determine Germany's capacity to pay and the best methods of payment. Mr. Hughes made no comment on the part of the United States government's official participation in such a procedure, but he hinted that private American enterprise might find it possible to help.

Rigid Silence Observed—At the state department rigid silence has been maintained by officials with respect to all the recent developments which led to Premier Baldwin's determination to set out an independent policy for his government in dealing with the German reparations situation. In the absence from London of Ambassador Harvey there is little ground to assume that the Washington government has received any detailed advice as to the cabinet discussions there during the past few weeks.

FRENCH RATIFY TREATIES—WASHINGTON, July 11.—The French senate's ratification today of the Washington naval treaty and the four power pacts completes the steps necessary to put the agreements into force except for the deposits of ratifications by all the signatories in Washington.

How long it will take for the French formal notice of ratification to reach Washington is not known, nor is it certain how much time will be required for all of the other powers to send here all the papers necessary for the final act of putting the Washington conference agreements into effect.

Method is Given—The method of deposit and announcement of the effective date of the treaties is provided for in the documents themselves. Article XXIV of the naval treaty says: "The present treaty shall be ratified by the contracting powers in accordance with their respective constitutional methods and shall take effect on the date of deposit of all the ratifications, which shall take place."

WILL PAINT BRIDGE—SILVERTON, Or., July 12.—(Special to The Statesman.)—The Silverton city council held its regular meeting Monday night at the city hall. Little but routine business was taken up. The contract for the painting of the bridge crossing Silver creek on Main street was let to J. F. Peterson for \$175.

WINDY WEATHER—Generally cloudy Thursday.

WILLARD AND FIRPO IN BATTLE TONIGHT; VICTOR MEETS JACK

Interest in Heavyweight Fight is Intense and Sale of Seats Nears \$350,000 Mark—General Admission Go on Sale Today—Kansas Giant Expected to Enter Ring Slight Favorite.

How Fighters Compare in Size

NEW YORK, July 11.—(By Associated Press.)—Jess Willard, the Kansas "man mountain" will have big advantages in height, weight and reach over Luis Angel Firpo when the pair meet at Boyle's Thirty Acres tomorrow night. Measurements taken today show the former champion has a margin of 27 pounds on the scales, five inches in reach and nearly five inches in height. Firpo is 14 years younger.

The comparisons follow:

Table comparing Willard and Firpo: Willard—Age 26, Reach 79 inches, Height 6 feet 7 inches, Wrist 8 3/4 inches, Biceps 14 1/2 inches, Neck 17 inches, Chest (normal) 44 inches, Chest (expanded) 48 1/2 inches, Waist 36 1/2 inches, Thigh 23 3/4 inches, Calf 15 inches, Ankle 9 1/2 inches. Firpo—Age 12, Reach 79 inches, Height 6 feet 2 1/2 inches, Wrist 8 1/4 inches, Biceps 14 1/2 inches, Neck 17 inches, Chest (normal) 44 inches, Chest (expanded) 48 1/2 inches, Waist 36 1/2 inches, Thigh 23 3/4 inches, Calf 15 inches, Ankle 9 1/2 inches.

NEW YORK, July 11.—(By Associated Press.)—Fit and ready for their 12-round battle tomorrow night in the big pine bowl at Boyle's Thirty Acres in Jersey City, Jess Willard, former champion of the world, and Luis Angel Firpo, the pride of the Argentine, will be the principals in what is expected to be one of the greatest ring dramas in years.

Popular interest in the match, the star attraction of a five-bout heavy-weight card, has broken all records for a contest in which no championship is involved. But while no title hinges on the outcome, the fact that Firpo and Willard, two of the most striking personalities the fistic game has ever known, will fight for the right to meet Jack Dempsey in a championship struggle, has focused unusual attention on the bout.

STAGE DRIVERS LIKE THE GIRLS

And This Is the Cause of Many Accidents, Declares Traveling Man

What he calls the "niger in the woodpile" that is back of motor bus accidents in Oregon is seen by Vivian Michel, traveling salesman, in the alleged practice of stage drivers in placing pretty girls on the seats beside them. Michel complains in a letter to the public service commission, declaring this is the practice of stage drivers generally and particularly those driving between Portland and Eugene. The pretty girls, or "giddy" girls as he calls them, di-

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LOGANBERRIES SENT TO CHICAGO ARRIVED IN FINE SHAPE, SOLD WELL

"Instead of Taking Out Your Loganberries, You Will Be Planting More," Says the Manager of the Concern Handling the Marketing--Selling Loganberries in Chicago at \$2.50 a Crate, Making About Six Cents a Pound Here

(The following letter is self-explanatory.) "Mr. A. M. Chapman, manager Oregon Loganberry Growers Exchange, Salem, Oregon. "Gentlemen: Just received wire from Chicago that the last car loganberries arrived there in sound condition, and that they distributed them among five large distributors to sell at the best price obtainable, they working on basis of two-fifty to trade, this being only about fifty cents per crate below price of raspberries, this on account of Michigan crop on also.

"They seem to feel that as soon as the trade gets a good taste of the loganberry they will be able

to get better prices, and I am inclined to agree with them. I think we have proven one thing, and that is that we can deliver the loganberries into the eastern markets in good condition, and I am of the firm opinion that if you people had the raspberry crate with a fine label and some real effective advertising done, you would be able to market a good portion of your crop at very satisfactory prices, and instead of taking out your loganberries you would be planting more.

"I am also of the firm opinion that it will pay the growers to continue ship, and if they don't

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TRAIN WRECK ADMITTED BY BOY, AGED 11

Youth Confesses He Broke Switch-Lock; Derailed Train, Killing Four Men

BUTTE, Mont., July 11.—Eleven-year-old Archie McArthur has declared himself responsible for the wrecking of Burlington train No. 41, on the line of the Northern Pacific about 23 miles east of Butte Tuesday afternoon, when four men, including the engineer, were killed. Seated in a public parlor of the Palm hotel at Whitehall, the boy garbed in blue overalls, a solemn expression on his face, told a railroad detective and County Attorney Howard Johnson of Jefferson county in detail how he broke the lock of a switch on the Blackstone spur and opened it, thus permitting the train which came along soon after to rush to its doom.

He said that with him at the time were his two young nephews, William and Francis Linton, the former eight and the latter six years of age.

The Linton boys, who are children of McArthur's sister, were visiting with the boys parents. The McArthur boy's story was that he took the two children down to the Blackstone spur, about three miles from Whitehall, to show them how to open a lock when one didn't have the use of a key.

WOBBLES VOTE PROTEST STRIKE

Longshoremen Voice Disapproval of Sentences for 27 Alleged IWW

LOS ANGELES, July 11.—A five day general strike by members of the marine transport workers branch of the Industrial Workers of the World, as a protest against the conviction and sentencing of 27 alleged I. W. W. on charges of criminal syndicalism in the superior court here today was voted at a meeting of 1200 longshoremen in the harbor district tonight.

Some of the speakers predicted all loggers in the northwest would join a sympathetic strike and declared marine workers along the Atlantic coast were planning a similar protest.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., July 11.—Twenty seven alleged members of the Industrial Workers of the World were convicted of criminal syndicalism by a jury in the superior court here today and within an hour after the return of the verdict had been sentenced to serve from one to fourteen years each in San Quentin penitentiary.

Tonight arrangements were being made to transport them to the penitentiary in a special car tomorrow, together with seventeen other alleged I. W. W. previously convicted under the criminal syndicalism law. The plan to rush the convicted men north was in accordance with their own request, expressed after they had filed notice of appeal, that they be taken to San Quentin as quickly as possible.

ARKANSAS RIVER GOES ON RAMPAGE

Five-Foot Head of Water Is Reported By Railroad; None Worried

PUEBLO, Colo., July 12.—At 1:45 o'clock this morning railroad officials stated that a five-foot head of water was coming down the Arkansas river. The crest of the flood at that time was reported about 15 miles away and it was not thought the flood would reach here for another two hours. The police and railroad officials are not worried over the possible damage in Pueblo as the river is practically dry through here and can carry this flood with no difficulty.

ALL NOW SET FOR HOSPITAL FINAL DRIVE

Early Monday Morning Captains and Their Forces Start Out in Campaign to Raise \$35,000

ARGUMENTS PRESENTED AT MEET LAST NIGHT

Lack of Facilities to Care for Sick in Salem Deplored By Speakers

Final arrangements for starting the movement to raise the necessary \$35,000 to complete the Salem hospital were made at a meeting of captains and lieutenants held in the Chamber of Commerce rooms last night. Each lieutenant selected two or three names from a list of 150 workers to assist in the canvassing of both the residential and business districts. Captains for the drive are Thomas B. Kay and Fred Erixon.

Kay Tells of History

"The present hospital building was originally an orphan's home," explained Thomas Kay, in reviewing the history of the project. "Later this property was taken over by the Salem hospital and \$75,000 invested in the project. Through a clause in the deed it was provided that no lien could be placed against the property, doing away with the possibility of borrowing money to complete and equip the hospital. There have been no unnecessary overhead expenses connected with the hospital. When there was no work being done there were no salaries or wages paid out."

Salem Lacks Facilities

That Salem lacks hospital facilities of other cities of smaller population, was emphasized by the speaker, who pointed out that the sessions of the legislature, the state fair and numerous conventions brought a great many people into the community, and that there was not ample room to care for these in case of emergencies. Having already seen \$75,000 invested, it would be poor business to drop the enterprise when an additional \$35,000 would put it on a paying basis, Mr. Kay said.

Expense Not Heavy

"The new Salem hospital will be no more expensive than any other hospital," declared C. A. Park, secretary of the institution. "Wards in the new hospital will be available at prices corresponding to other hospitals. Individual rooms, of course, will be more expensive than the wards, but on a proportionate increase. Extra service will cost extra, the same as that in other hospitals. Though much new and up to date equipment will be available, bringing the hospital on a par with any other in the country, and better than a majority of them, the costs will probably be slightly less than those of the Portland hospitals, to which many Salem people have been taken in the past, owing to the lack of room in the other local institutions."

Drive Starts Monday

Early Monday morning and each of the following three mornings will see the lieutenants and their workers in action. The city has been divided into districts and everyone will be given an opportunity to subscribe to the cause. It is planned to raise the \$35,000 in a hard drive for four days' duration. Reports on the progress of the drive will be published daily during the campaign.

Choice Bedbugs Wanted; Price Is One-Cent Each

WASHINGTON, July 11.—Persons having on hand spare or undesirable bedbugs were offered an opportunity today to get rid of them at a profit.

The offer came from the department of agriculture, which went into the market for 1200 bed bugs for the use of its insecticide board at the experiment station at Vienna, Va. The department bid one cent each for good to choice specimens delivered in Vienna.

TRADE UNION RESOLUTIONS BRING DEBATE

Motion Carried After Tilt Between Two Delegates at Business Women's Meeting in Portland

SENATOR BORAH IS SPEAKER AT NIGHT

League and World Court Said to Bear On Ruhr and Russian Problem

PORTLAND, Or., July 11.—(By the Associated Press.)—The session of the convention of the National Federation of Business Women here today at which resolutions were adopted favoring conferences with the National Women's Trade Union league on questions involving betterment of the condition of working women, was marked by a tilt between Miss Mary Stewart of Washington, D. C., chairman of the executive committee, and Miss Merica Hoagland, of Indianapolis, a national vice president.

Arguing against adoption of the resolution which Miss Stewart had offered Miss Hoagland denounced the National Women's Trade Union league, and argued against the Business and Professional Women's federation having anything to do with the league, which she branded as "un-American and an ally of the soviet government of Russia."

Resolution Adopted

Miss Stewart replied saying that "to accuse any American of any disloyalty without a specific accusation, giving opportunity to prove whether he is right or wrong in a court of justice is a very serious thing, and it is time for all Americans who understand each other to be tolerant. I want a chance to tell the league of my friendship and loyalty, and maybe they want a chance to tell us of their sympathy. Instead of being a resolution upon the wall, this is a human attempt to do something and I move that we adopt this resolution." It was unanimously carried.

BORAH GIVES ADDRESS

PORTLAND, Or., July 11.—(By the Associated Press.)—That the league of nations and the world court are impotent in the presence of the Ruhr and the Russian problems, and that the United States should ask for an economic conference to deal with the reparations and take affirmative steps looking ultimately to recognition of the Russian government, it was declared by United States Senator William E. Borah of Idaho in an address tonight at the convention of the National Federation of Business and Professional Women. The senator said there could be no peace, no disarmament, no opening of the markets of Europe to the product of the American farm without adjustment of the reparations problem and the Russian problem.

STATESMAN OFFICE TO SHOUT RETURNS ON HEAVY-WEIGHTS

A round by round and blow by blow report on the Willard-Firpo fight at Boyle's Thirty Acres, New Jersey, will be received at the Statesman office this evening. The Statesman's megaphone man will announce the returns as they are received over the wires of the Associated Press, jab by jab and hook by punch.

The service furnished by The Statesman on July 4 for the Dempsey-Gibbons go at Shelby was far ahead of any other in Salem, and the same service will be furnished tonight for the Willard-Firpo bout.

Jess Willard and Luis Angel Firpo are both contenders for the world title held by Jack Dempsey, and the winner of the fight tonight will meet Dempsey later. Willard, who will fight at 241 pounds, is the biggest man who ever entered the boxing ring. Firpo himself is a young giant, weighing 214 in fighting attire. The first returns on the main event will be received about 6 o'clock.

ALIEN SPITS ON FLAG; IS MADE TO PAY

Jail Inmates Take Law Into Their Own Hands and Administer Severe Beating

FRESNO, Calif., July 11.—Inmates of the county jail this afternoon took the law into their own hands and administered a severe beating to Steve Montonas, alien, held for alleged desecration of the flag.

Jail attendants were forced to remove Montonas into a private cell when the angered crowd in the jail learned of the prisoner's offense and beat him unmercifully. Later he appeared in police court with blackened eyes and swollen cheeks.

In court the man admitted being an alien, said he hated this country, its laws and ways of living and made a bold assertion of how he had spat on the American flag as it passed during a boy scout parade late yesterday.

Technically Montonas was charged with vagrancy and given a 180 day jail sentence by Police Judge Crichton, who censured him severely and told him to "respect America and her laws or get out."

REVOLUTIONISTS ARE DRIVEN BACK

Government Troops Defend Paraguay Town; 70 Killed, 100 Wounded

BUENOS AIRES, July 11.—(By the Associated Press.)—Revolutionists attacked Asuncion, Capa of Paraguay, about noon Monday. The fighting lasted until Tuesday afternoon, when the revolutionists were put to flight by government troops. Seventy were killed and 100 wounded in the battle, according to the official report.

Three of the revolutionary chiefs were wounded and captured. During the fighting the members of the government took refuge on a gunboat anchored in the Parana river. This information has been received in the first dispatches from Paraguay since early Monday. A wireless message received by the Argentine ministry of marine stated that the revolt which broke out at Asuncion had been suppressed.

SKAGWAY THRILLED BY HARDING PARTY

Most Excitement Occurs Since Days of Famous "Yukon Gold Rush"

SKAGWAY, Alaska, July 11.—(By the Associated Press.)—This now small but once world-known town lying at the head of Lynn canal with the visit of President Harding and the members of his party today got its greatest thrill

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FOURTEEN ARE ALSO INJURED DURING STORM

Lightning Strikes Group of Maryland National Guard While Attending Annual Summer Encampment

INQUEST IS DELAYED AT CARTRIDGE PLANT

Death Toll Reaches 12 at Alton; Eleven Others Seriously Injured

BALTIMORE, Md., July 11.—Three members of the Fifth regiment, Maryland national guard, in camp at Saunders Range, Anne Arundel county, were killed tonight when a bolt of lightning struck in a group of men. Fourteen soldiers were reported injured. The men were lounging about the camp at the time watching a severe thunderstorm that swept over that section of the county.

Some of the injured were given first aid treatment at the encampment while others were rushed to Baltimore hospitals where doctors said they were badly shocked but their condition not serious.

According to one of the injured a ball of fire descended at 7:45 o'clock and caused a panic among the soldiers and officers. Dr. Thomas H. Brayshaw of Glenburnie, Anne Arundel county, also was summoned and assisted the guard authorities.

Alton Probe Ordered—ALTON, Ill., July 11.—(By The Associated Press.)—With the number of dead in yesterday's explosion at the Western Cartridge company's plant at East Alton increased today to 12, physicians at St. Joseph's hospital in this city were making every effort to save the lives of the 11 seriously hurt who were brought here last night and several of whom were reported to be in a critical condition.

Deputy Coroner Strescher announced today that the inquest into the deaths of the 12 victims would be deferred several days owing to the serious condition of several women, who it is feared, may die. In the meantime, the investigation begun by officials of the company in an effort to determine the cause of the explosion was continued without any satisfactory results.

It has been established by eye witnesses that a flame shot from a machine used for de-capping army rifle bullets, the flame followed a sharp report, employees said, as though a bullet had been discharged. The actual cause will probably never be known said Vice President Olin of the company. The process of removing the powder from cartridges, Mr. Olin added, had always been regarded as of little danger. On the other hand, employees engaged in that kind of work asserted that cartridges frequently exploded while they were being run through the de-capping process. Mr. Olin was inclined to advance the theory that about 10 pounds of powder had become jammed in the pockets of the machine and were set off in some manner.

BRITISH BOBBIES BOARD LEVIATHAN

Though Armed With 22 Summons for Deserters, Only Three are Found

SOUTHAMPTON, July 11.—(By the Associated Press.)—Police officials boarded the American liner Leviathan today, armed with 22 summons and issued on the complaint of the Cunard line that deserters from Cunard ships were among the Leviathan's crew. After a three-hour search the police had found only three men named in the summons. These were instructed to appear before a magistrate tomorrow.