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## FRENCH OFFER DEBT PROGRAM

Proposal for Settlement of Four Billion Dollar War Debt Is Made

## DETAILS ARE GUARDED

Will Submit New Plan Today; Senate Refuses to Reconsider Approval of the Italian Program

WASHINGTON, April 23.—(By Associated Press.)—France came forward today with a new offer to settle her four billion dollar debt and shortly afterwards the senate decisively refused to reconsider its approval of the two billion dollar Italian debt settlement.

The French proposal, details of which were closely guarded, was submitted formally to the American debt commission by Ambassador Berenger, who has full power to act for his government; and it will be considered by Americans at a session tomorrow.

The new offer was received in a general atmosphere of optimism with official expressions of hopefulness from the White House and elsewhere that a settlement can be arranged and that it would mean a long step in the direction of stabilizing world finances.

The senate action on the Italian debt completed the last legislative step in the two countries to bring the agreement into force.

Senator Reed, democrat, Missouri, moved for reconsideration of the agreement by which Italy, upon demand, would furnish bonds to the American government in the amount of the principal and interest. This motion was voted down, however, by almost as decisive a majority as that on Wednesday to approve the agreement. The vote today was 43 to 24, and on Wednesday it was 54 to 33.

While the new French offer was not made public, there were definite indications that it went further toward meeting America's demands than the proposal of the

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## 3000 STUDENTS LISTED

REGISTRATION AT OREGON BREAKS ALL RECORDS

EUGENE, Or., April 23.—(By Associated Press.)—When Constance Cole, Portland, filed her registration card at the University of Oregon, today, the dream of the late president, Prince L. Campbell, to have a student body of 3,000 on the campus, was realized.

Miss Cole's registration number is 3000. This is exclusive of the medical school or summer class enrollments and breaks all records of the university.

## DAR HEAD IS ELECTED

MRS. ALFRED BOSSEAU IS NAMED NEW PRESIDENT

WASHINGTON, April 23.—(By Associated Press.)—Elected without opposition, Mrs. Alfred J. Bosseau, Detroit, Mich., and Greenway, Conn., will take office tomorrow as president-general of the Daughters of the American Revolution. She will succeed Mrs. Anthony Wayne Cook, of Pennsylvania, who has held the post for three years.

## Friday in Washington

President Coolidge agreed to attend the Williamsburg, Va., sesqui-centennial May 15.

Favorable action on the Boulder Canyon bill was recommended by the senate irrigation committee.

The senate ordered Federal Judge English of Illinois before its bar May 3 to answer impeachment charges.

Two years stay of the equalization clause of the Haugen tariff bill was voted by the house committee.

Senator Bratton, democrat, New Mexico, was unanimously upheld in his election contest fight by the senate elections committee.

Senate refused to consider its Italian debt vote; French government submitted a new settlement offer to the American debt commission.

## Dispels Popular Belief About Antarctic Region

Steffansson Declares no Animal Life Exists in South Polar Territory; "Lost Continent" Belief Is Also Attacked; Ethics Are Discussed

NEW YORK, April 23.—(By Associated Press.)—Belief, even in governmental and scientific quarters, that polar bears inhabit the south polar regions was exploded tonight by Vilhjalmur Stefansson, the explorer in an address before the annual dinner of the New York Alumni association of western conference universities.

"The most striking thing about the Antarctic continent, which is bigger than Australia," said Mr. Stefansson, is that no land animals exist there, despite the apparently general belief that it is inhabited by polar bears such as live in the Arctic areas. Not even a mouse can be found on the Antarctic continent.

The explorer stressed this point in discussing the difficulty of spreading the truth about the polar regions. He told how the former kaiser expressed incredulity when told by Sir Ernest Shackleton, the British explorer that there were no polar bears in the Antarctic; how the French government, claiming a sector of the Antarctic region, issued a proclamation against shooting polar bears there; and, lastly, how the publication, Science, organ of the American association for the advancement of Science, in a recent issue told of this proclamation without comment on the futility of it.

"Another factor in the spread of this misinformation," said Mr. Stefansson, "is the ethics among explorers which prevent one explorer from pointing out the errors made or alleged to be made by another."

He told how it was announced last summer, when Donald MacMillan left on an exploration trip to Greenland, that one of MacMillan's purposes was to ascertain whether there were ruins of European origin on the west coast of Greenland, when as a matter of fact it had been known in the civilized world for 900 years that such ruins existed.

"Then when MacMillan came back and said he had seen the ruins," said Mr. Stefansson, "it

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## TWO MAY DIE AS RESULT OF DYNAMITE EXPLOSION

CASE OF DETONATING CAPS IS FIRED BY SPARK

Sight Lost and Serious Injuries Result in Coats Company Accident

TILLAMOOK, Ore., April 23.—(A.P.)—A piece of fuse, a case of detonating caps and a box of dynamite contributed to an accidental explosion today at the camp of the Coats Driving and Boom company, seven miles south of here that injured four men, two possibly fatally. The injured men are:

Lee Hodgson, 33, loss of sight of both eyes, loss of leg probable, and abdominal injuries; recovery doubtful.

H. T. Sellows, 24, loss of sight

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## DEBATERS' CHEST FILLED

TOTAL OF \$1619 RAISED TO PAY EXPENSES EAST

Salem high school's debate team, to be used in sending the fund to Massachusetts for that end of the cross-continent debate with the high school of Salem, Mass., now amounts to \$1619.65, according to Homer Richards, one of the debaters going east.

Because the school will not participate in the state debate contest, the entire amount of money left in the regular debate portion of the student body fund has been turned over to the fund for the eastern trip. The amount is \$92.

From the show staged recently at the Hellig \$52.65 was realized for the fund. Students have pledged \$62.50, which will be collected before next Wednesday, when the team will board train for their journey.

Although the present sum is sufficient to make certain that the trip will now be made, it is held that about \$150 more is needed to meet all expenses.

## TWO FATALITIES LISTED

718 ACCIDENTS REPORTED TO COMMISSION

There were two fatalities in the state of Oregon due to industrial accidents during the week ending April 22, according to a report prepared here Friday by the state industrial accident commission.

The victims were Burton Bly, Dallas logger, and Mrs. Paul Ogilvie, Portland, drapery sewer.

Of the 718 accidents reported to the commission, during the week 580 were subject to the provisions of the compensation law, 133 were from firms and corporations that have rejected the act and five were from public utility corporations not subject to state protection.

## URGE HOUSE NUMBERING

ENTIRE EXPENSE WILL BE MET BY SANBURN COMPANY

With the distinct understanding that the new insurance map proposed for Salem will not cost the city taxpayers one cent, sentiment Friday was growing in favor of the renumbering of houses in the few spots in the city where present numbers are incorrect.

Such was the opinion of business men as expressed Friday, while the drafting of the new map will cost many thousands, this sum will be paid by the insurance company itself.

## EL PASO CALLS PASTOR

REV. U. S. CROWDER TO TAKE TEXAS APPOINTMENT

Rev. U. S. Crowder who has been located in Salem for the past two years, has accepted a call as pastor of the Oak Park Methodist Episcopal church at El Paso, Texas. He will leave for Texas later this week.

Rev. Mr. Crowder owns considerable property in Salem and has been active in both civic and political circles.

## TWISTER HITS SOUTH; 3 DIE

Four Others Seriously Hurt When Tornado Strikes Oklahoma Towns

## DEATH LIST MAY MOUNT

All Communication Systems Out; Houses Picked Up and Carried 200 Yards By Wind Storm

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla., April 23.—(By Associated Press.)—Three persons were known to be dead in a tornado which swept through Johnston and Atoka counties in southeastern Oklahoma late today. Four others were seriously injured and a score or more received minor injuries.

The death list may mount when telephone and telegraph communication has been restored in the stricken area. It has been impossible to obtain definite information from several towns adjacent to the storm area.

The tornado's path was about

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## HARRY HILL LOSES FIGHT

DEATH COMES FOLLOWING ATTACK OF POISONING

Harry Hill, well known and respected throughout the valley, passed away at 11 o'clock Friday night, following a protracted illness brought about by a slight injury to his nose on April 8, resulting in erysipelas, which later passed into blood poisoning.

From 1901 until 1920 when he entered the service of the state printing office, he was connected with The Oregon Statesman as operator. Bending over his machine two weeks ago last Thursday, he struck his nose against a portion of the frame. The skin was not broken, but an abscess resulted.

He is survived by his wife, Delta; his father, C. W. Hill, 83 years old; a son Robert, 13 years old; a daughter, Helen, 13 years old; a sister, Mrs. Charles F. Moody, of Bismarck, N. D.; and a brother, Budd G. F. Hill, of Berkeley, Cal. Mr. Hill would have been 52 years old on May 1, had he lived.

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## GLEE FESTIVAL OPENS

600 HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS MEET AT FOREST GROVE

FOREST GROVE, Ore., April 23.—(By Associated Press.)—More than six hundred students are gathered here from nearly every part of the state to participate in the state high school glee tournament which opened at Pacific university today.

Representatives were sent from Franklin high, Portland, Eugene, Hood river, McMinnville, Salem, St. Helens, Carlton, Gaston, Park Rose, The Dalles, Independence, Sheridan, Lebanon, Camas, Molalla, Turner and Beaverton.

## VOLSTEAD ACT IS UNDER FIRE

Mayor Devers of Chicago Asks Some Measure of Relief From Statute

## "CONCESSIONS" SOUGHT

Both Sides of Controversy Must Get Together, Witness States; Andrews Takes Stand

WASHINGTON, April 23.—(By Associated Press.)—Congress was asked today by Mayor William E. Dever of Chicago, to provide some measure of relief from the present "desperate situation" under the Volstead act.

Appearing on his own volition before the senate prohibition committee the mayor declared that although he was elected on a reform and law observance platform, he had decided after mature consideration that "a world of harm" was resulting from the present state of affairs, particularly in the large cities.

"It's a grave matter for this committee to ponder," he said, "whether we are going to continue a system that has this effect on the great cities of the country. I am hoping that the day will come when we can be relieved of this situation."

Mr. Dever added that he himself had no remedy to propose, and did not believe "any other man in America is big enough to give the answer at this time." He counseled both wets and dries that the ultimate solution must be reached in a "patient, courageous, intelligent and tolerant" manner, and suggested that the two sides to the controversy get together on the basis of "concessions" by both.

He occupied the stand during most of today's single committee session but just before adjournment "General Andrews was recalled to begin a recapitulation of

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## LIGHT QUAKE RECORDED

WALLA WALLA TREMBLES IS OF 5 SECONDS DURATION

WALLA WALLA, Wash., April 23.—(By Associated Press.)—A light earthquake lasting about five seconds was felt here at 5:56 o'clock this morning. No damage was reported.

## CANADA MAKES INQUIRY

SENTENCING OF CAPTAIN PAMPHLET INVESTIGATED

VICTORIA, B. C., April 23.—(By Associated Press.)—The Victoria Times reported today that Canadian officials had started to investigate the action of United States courts in sentencing Capt. Robert Pamphlet, Vancouver, B. C., to two years imprisonment and a \$5,000 fine. Pamphlet and his crew were captured on the schooner Pescauba by the United States coast guard cutter Algonquin in 1925 and were tried in Portland, Or. Jacob Wolff, San Francisco, was sentenced in the same case to two years imprisonment and a \$10,000 fine.

"The British Columbia government may take the matter up with dominion authorities with a view to obtaining executive clemency for Captain Pamphlet," stated the Times.

## MODIFICATION IS FLAYED

BAPTIST WOMEN CONDEMN PROPOSED RELAXATION

SPOKANE, April 23.—(By Associated Press.)—Proposed modification of the Volstead act to permit light wines and beer was condemned unanimously in a resolution passed this afternoon by the Columbia River district convention of Baptist women. Disregard for law was scored in another resolution.

The following board of trustees was elected at the final sessions this afternoon: Mrs. T. J. Villers, Portland; Mrs. A. M. Bailey, Seaside; Mrs. S. L. Barnett, Portland; Mrs. O. P. Jaycox, Walla Walla; Mrs. Grant Dyer, Spokane; Mrs. George Noll, Great Falls, Mont.; Mrs. C. A. Loucks, Portland; and Mrs. O. C. Wright, Portland.

## REED MAN WINS \$1000

STUDENT, WORKING WAY, WINS NATIONAL CONTEST

PORTLAND, April 23.—(By Associated Press.)—George MacDonald Hocking, Reed college sophomore, was awarded first prize of \$1,000 in the national intercollegiate essay contest of the Chemical Foundation, Inc., with a paper on "The Relation of Chemistry to National Defense."

Word of the award was received here today. Hocking is working his way through college by washing dishes in a local restaurant. He said tonight he would use the prize to pay his way through medical college.

## TROOPS GUARDING TOWN

SOLDIERS CALLED IN DURING TRIAL OF NEGROES

MADISONVILLE, Ky., April 23.—(By Associated Press.)—Madisonville slept tonight to the measured tread of Kentucky national guardsmen. The troops, 500 strong, were sent here to preserve order at the grand jury hearing of three negroes held on charges of attacking a young white woman. The negroes, Bunyan Fleming, Nathan Bard and Columbus Hollis, were indicted by the grand jury today and the trial of Fleming set for April 27.

Brigadier General Elmer Carter in charge of the troops, announced tonight the troops would remain on guard at the jail here until after the trial.

## CLEMENTS BLOOM WINS

TAKES AWARD FOR BEST SEEDLING DUTCH

Dr. H. C. Clements, of Salem, with a seedling Dutch iris, won first award for that classification at the American Iris society show, taking place in the Woman's club building, Portland.

Prizes were offered for the best single bloom, the tallest bloom, the best Alcazar, the best intermediate, the best Princess Beatrice, and the best yellow.

## "Whole Town's Talking," Sets All Town Talking

High School Seniors Keep Capacity House Laughing as Clever Cast Unrolls Three Act Plot Wherein Jealousy Follows Upon Jealousy

With every part excellently cast, the senior play of the Salem high school, "The Whole Town's Talking," was an excruciating comedy, uproariously enacted last night before a full house.

The complications revolved around Ethel Simmons (Rose Huston), the ravishing brunette daughter of Henry Simmons, of the paint firm, who failed to appreciate her suitor, Chester Binney (Ezra Webb), the partner of her father (Deryl Myers), till the opportune invention of Letty Lythe (Florence Power), the motion picture star, as the object of a past flirtation.

The general play of incident was as real and utilized as graphically as any property on the stage. Jealousy of Ethel's friends, Lila Wilson (Alma Farmer and Sally Otis (Fay Jo Wozl) of Ethel and her blossomed-out suitor is succeeded by jealousy between Roger Shields (Donald Deckebach) Chicago and Paris and Chet; and this in turn by numerous other jealousies, involving Letty Lythe and her brawny ex-pugilist fiancé, Donald Swift (Donald Taylor); and finally the ingenious senior member of the firm and his intuitive wife, when Sadie Bloom (Dorothy Lepley) enters.

Mildred Fugh, playing the part of Mrs. Hattie Simmons, fulfilled her role with dignity. Deryl Myers, as Mr. Simmons, got himself into innumerable difficulties, extricating himself judiciously as the amazing plot unfolded.

Ezra Webb, playing a difficult role in gullibility, exhibited the qualities of Binney in their most comical light.

The girls of the play—particularly Miss Huston, Miss Farmer, Miss Wozl, Miss Lepley and Miss Power, were charming in costumes chosen for the occasion. Power's chic stage gowns giving her the air of a queen of the cinema. Helen Krueger, as Annie, a maid, filled her part with poise and precision, while Bertram Miller as a taxi driver and Marguerite Bailey as Mrs. Jackson, the town wag, played accessory roles with ability. Miss Huston, as the feminine lead, captivated the house.

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## BUS HEARING ON MONDAY

CITIZENS ASKED TO VOICE VIEWS ON CARS' DOOM

A public hearing will be held Monday night by the ordinance committee of the city council to determine the sentiment of the people in the matter of doing away with street cars and substituting in their place street buses. The meeting will be held in the council chamber at 7:30 o'clock.

There is pending before the council an ordinance that would allow the Salem street railway company to remove the street cars from the Fairgrounds Road-South Commercial street run, and to establish buses on the line. As this line has the heaviest patronage success of buses on it will mean the eventual extinction of street cars in Salem.

T. L. Billingsley, manager of the company, has stated that it is the intention to establish buses on all the lines presently.

Citizens are invited to attend the hearing.

## REPORT OF SALEM-EUGENE SERVICE OUT, DENIED

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## WALKER HOLDS QUARRY OPTION

Warren Construction Company's Pit Proposed Site for City Refuse

## SOUTH SALEM PROTESTS

City Scavenger Co. Official Confirms Rumor That Property Will Be Used If Physicist Consents

Residents of Salem Heights, who arose in active protest at rumors that the new city dump was to be in their section of town, came in for another surprise Friday with the revelation that an option has been secured on the Warren Construction company's old quarry site with the object converting the site into the new city dump.

Henry Walker, head of City Scavenger company, Friday confirmed the rumor that an option is held on the five acres comprising the quarry, and declared that, city officials permitting, the new city dump will be placed there. He said that the city health officer has not yet inspected the site, but will do so, probably today.

An option was obtained by Walker on the old county quarry site some time ago from L. Gatliff. But when Gatliff learned to what purpose the property was to be put, he stoutly refused to sell, declaring that residents of Salem Heights would not stand for it.

Walker stated at the same time that the Gatliff site was not the one he had in mind, though he declined to disclose the site he was considering. The site on which he now holds an option is directly south of the Gatliff property.

Walker and B. S. Cummings,

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## BURY VICTIM SATURDAY

BURNED TO DEATH, FUNERAL TO BE HELD TODAY

John E. Dettweiler, burned to death Thursday when his home at Bryant Acres burned before he could escape, will be buried today in the Silverton cemetery, following services to be held at 2 o'clock.

The victim was the uncle of Mrs. William Graham, of Silverton. A neighbor first saw smoke coming from the home, kicked in a window but was unable to drag the unconscious man out.

He was born in Germany 76 years ago and came to the United States when 13 years old. He is survived by his wife, Louise Dettweiler, of Geary, Okla.; three sisters, Marie Jane Werts, of Silverton, Mrs. C. L. Toews and Mrs. Bertha Hess, of Los Angeles, Cal.; two brothers, Abe Dettweiler, of Halstead, Kan., and Henry Dettweiler of Geary, Okla.

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