

CHINA OFFERS REDRESS FOR SLAYING OF YANKEE

CHARLES COLTMAN KILLED BY CHINESE SOLDIERS

As Result of Prolonged Parleys It Has Been Agreed That Apologies Will Be Made

WASHINGTON, April 28. — China has agreed to make restitution for the killing by Chinese soldiers last December of Charles Coltmán, an American, an incident which has greatly strained good relations between the Washington and Peking governments.

As a result of prolonged negotiations between the American minister (Schurman) and Peking officials, it has been agreed that suitable apologies will be made, that the military authorities in command of the offending troops will be removed from office, and that the heirs of Coltmán will be paid an indemnity to be fixed by the American government.

Hughes Awaits Notice Although official notification of the agreement had not been received today at the state department, it is known to have reached the hands of diplomatic representatives here and is expected to be delivered to Secretary Hughes next week.

It is understood that Secretary Hughes will insist that Minister Schurman continue his representation with the Peking government on at least two more points which have grown out of the Coltmán case and on which Secretary Hughes is anxious that a satisfac-

tory agreement be reached. These relate to guarantees sought by Minister Schurman to permit Americans in the pursuit of legitimate business in China to carry on that business independently of embargoes or local restrictions. The guarantee involves a discussion of the question of the stability of the Chinese government and the enforcement of decrees throughout the provinces.

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paper cannot escape conviction of insincerity, if, while professing high moral purpose it supplies incentive to base conduct, such as are to be found in details of crime and vice, publication of which is not demonstrably for the general good. Lacking authority to enforce its canons, the journalists here represented can but express the hope that deliberate pandering to vicious instincts will encounter effective public disapproval or yield to the influence of a preponderant professional condemnation.

SENATE MAY MAKE CHANGES LODGE HINTS COURT PLAN NOT READY FOR ACCEPTANCE

WASHINGTON, April 28. — A suggestion that the senate may propose some reservations of its own before it assents to joining a court elected by the council and assembly of the league of nations was advanced tonight by Senator Lodge, of Massachusetts, chairman of the foreign relations committee.

and senate floor leader of his party.

The reservations put forward by the administration as a condition of President Harding's plan for membership in the world court are highly important, the senator said, but he added that it would remain for the senate itself to decide its attitude toward "participation in the league court."

RAINFALL CAUSED LAKES DELUGE OCCURRED IN LONG AGO, SAYS DEAN

(Correspondence of the Associated Press) RENO, Nev., April 28. — About 400 years before the birth of Christ, northwestern America experienced a period of heavy rainfall and thus the western Nevada lakes were formed, according to Dr. J. Claude Jones, dean of the geology department of the University of Nevada here.

Dr. Jones believes that many of the lakes in this region are the residue of the ancient body of water known as Lake Lahontan, and he discounts the theories of other geologists that Lake Lahontan was formed by an arm of the sea that extended into Nevada from Oregon.

At its present height, he believes, Lake Lahontan covered an area of 8,500 square miles and had a drainage basin of 45,000 square miles in northwestern Nevada, or over half the area of the present state. The lake also extended slightly into California and Oregon.

Dr. Jones bases his estimate of the age of the lake on the time required for the Truckee river to make the salt deposits which appear at Pyramid lake. The belief that Tufa grew only in saline waters and the presence of large deposits of tufa at Pyramid, because of the presence of earlier geologists had for believing that Lake Lahontan was originally part of the ocean, according to Dr. Jones.

SWEDES INVADE GARDNER MASSACHUSETTS COLONY IS GREATLY AUGMENTED

(Correspondence of the Associated Press) GARDNER, Mass., April 28. — This city is experiencing a repetition of the influx of families from Sweden which 30 years ago laid the foundation for a large Scandinavian population here. In one week during March 27 immigrants from that country reached Gardner. Most of them are skilled young men, mechanics and farmers, many of whom have brought their families.

The immigrants say that times are bad in Sweden, industrial concerns being especially hard hit by German competition. They plan to establish permanent homes here. The city now has about 2,000 Swedish, Norwegian, Danish and Finnish residents, who have shown themselves quick to adopt American customs and are active in community life. Most of them have acquired citizenship.

Cold, Too! May — During what period did old King Tut-Ankh-Amen die? Ray Judging from the amount of stuff they buried with him, I'd say it was the stor-age. — Topics of the Day Films.

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