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HARDING WILL NOT MEDIATE FOR GERMANY

AMERICA ASKS THAT GERMANY AND ALLIES RESUME NEGOTIATIONS

OCCUPATION BY FRANCE CERTAIN

Paris and London Reports Indicate That Demand Modifications Will Not Be Considered

Washington, Apr. 22.—(A. P.)—The United States "strongly desires" that there be a resumption of negotiations between Germany and the allies regarding reparations, Secretary Hughes said in a note sent yesterday to Berlin refusing the German request that President Harding mediate in the controversy and fix the amount Germany must pay. He offered, however, to bring to the attention of the allies any proposals Germany might present as a proper basis for the discussion. Faced by almost certain occupation of more territory by the French May 1st, Germany will lose no time in accepting America's offer, think representatives of neutral and allied governments here. Reports from Paris and London failed to indicate that any modification of the demands will be considered.

150 LONGSHOREMEN STRIKE AT ASTORIA

Astoria, Apr. 22.—(A. P.)—One hundred and fifty longshoremen struck here today as a result of a disagreement over a rule effective today that board, lodging and transportation shall not be paid when men are sent to outside points. Employers announced that they would operate with non-union help.

Fire Truck Tries Again—

The auto pump of the Grants Pass fire department made another trip to the auto camp ground today to drain the well there, and this time the crew was successful in priming the pipe line. The well was pumped dry in five minutes.

County Commissioners Meet—

The county commissioners are meeting this afternoon with Judge Pollock and a committee from the Chamber of Commerce to consider the placing of the question of a new bond issue for county roads upon the ballot for the next election.

The Glendale News reports that H. L. Wilson and family of Grants Pass, were in Glendale over the last of the week.

SCULPTURE HIS HOBBY

William Willoughby, twelve-year-old sculptor of Washington, had an interesting display of models at the "hobby show" in the Y. M. C. A., a yearly event when boys of all ages bring their particular hobbies to display.

NEW YORKERS FAIL TO IDENTIFY LIGI

Not Certain Whether Prisoner Drove Death Wagon of Wall Street Explosion Last September

Scranton, Penn., Apr. 22.—(A. P.)—The three New Yorkers who came here at the behest of the department of justice, failed today to identify Tito Ligi, under arest here as the driver of the "death wagon" that figured in the Wall street explosion last September. When Ligi's picture was shown in New York they had expressed the belief that he was the driver whom they said they had seen.

POLAND LAYS CLAIM TO OLDEST LIVING SPINSTER

Warsaw, Apr. 22.—(A. P.)—Poland claims the oldest spinster in Central Europe. She is Miss Anna Dobek, living in Chocholow, who recently celebrated her 123d birthday. Miss Dobek is till quite active, physically and mentally. She also has a sense of humor and attributes her longevity to the fact that she has never been bothered by having a man about the house.

HOUSE PASSES IMMIGRATION BILL

Washington, Apr. 22.—(A. P.)—The immigration restriction bill passed the house, which, however, rejected the amendment under which political refugees from foreign countries would be permitted to enter.

LOCAL BIDS RECEIVED BY HIGHWAY COM.

HAMPSHIRE, SCHELL AND SHASKA & SMITH TRY FOR ROAD CONTRACTS

TO WIDEN 3.76 MILES IN CO.

Jobs Are Opened for 75 Miles of Road Work Involving Sum of $1,250,000

Portland, Apr. 22.—(A. P.)—The highway commission today opened bids for 75 miles of roads work involving $1,250,000.

Portland, Apr. 22.—(A. P.)—Seven bids were received for widening 3.76 miles of the Pacific highway between Grants Pass and the Jackson county line. The bidders were John Hampshire, S. S. Schell, and Shaska and Smith, all of Grants Pass; W. B. Tull, of Portland; Joplin & Eldon, of Merlin; Grieve and Seymour, of Medford, and Addison D. Helms, of Jacksonville.

Move to Grants Pass—

Mrs. R. C. Powers, of Muskegee, Okla., and Mrs. R. B. Powers, of Lakehurst, N. J., who arrived in Grants Pass last night are to make their home here. R. C. Powers and R. B. Powers are motoring to Grants Pass from Kansas City. The household furniture has already been shipped and the party will live in the Tokay Heights section.

$235,000 GEMS REMOVED FROM CHICAGO SHOP

OWNER SAYS ROBBERS FORCED HIM INTO OFFICE AND ESCAPED WITH JEWELS

EXPLANATION MAY BE FALSE

Later Police Arrest Brother of the Proprietor But Refuse to Discuss Case

Chicago, Apr. 22.—J. J. Reingold, proprietor of a jewelery store on the 15th flor of a downtown guilding, today reported to the police that two bandits robbed him and LeRoy Present, of Rochester, N. Y., a salesman, of jewels valued at $235,000. Shortly after the report the police arrested Leo Reingold, brother of the proprietor but refused to discuss his connection with the case.

Chicago, Apr. 22.—(A. P.)—An earlier report stated that two bandits held up the owner and a salesman of the J J Reingold jewelery concern on the 15th floor of a downtown office building after forcing them into the office, escaping with $200,000 in cash and jewels.

Seniors Picnic—

Thirty-five members of the senior class of the high school left in cars at 8 o'clock this morning for Table Rock, where they will hold their senior picnic. In the evening they will drive to Medford and Ashland, and will attend a theater performance in one of the cities.

COLLEEN AT OUR GATE

Here is Miss Sadie O'Connell, one of 545 Irish immigrants, the first to arrive in the United States since 1914. They landed in Boston from the S. S. Vedic.

SAY TAKE MEMBER TROUTDALE GANG

Archie McCoy Found Sick in Barn Not Far From Scene of Attempted Robbery

Portland, Apr 22.—(A. P.)—Officers today announced that they have had under arrest since Wednesday Archie McCoy, suspected to be a member of the gang which blew the vault door of the Troutdale state bank. He was found sick in a barn not far from the scene of the robbery. A warrant was issued against him charging robbery.

Grand H. P. on Official Business—

Grand High Priest Settlemier, of the Royal Arch Masons of Oregon, will be present at a special meeting of Reames Chapter tonight. There will be a banquet in honor of Mr. Settlemier at 6:30 given by the local order.

W. H. McNair and F. H. Simpson of Ashland are spending the day in Grants Pass on business. Mrs. McNair and Mrs. Simpson are also in the party.

ETHERIDGE GRANTED NEW JERSEY PARDON

Portland, Apr. 22—(A. P.)—John L. Etheridge was granted a pardon in New Jersey last week for offenses in that state in 1905 and 1907 for which he served prison terms, his attorney announced today.

SEEK HAYWOOD AMONGI.W.W. IN THIS COUNTRY

FEDERAL OFFICIALS ORDER INVESTIGATION OF RADICAL HEADQUARTERS

LOOSE $15,000 BONDS MONDAY

Meanwhile Council Tries to Reach Fugitive by Wire to Russian City of Moscow

Chicago, Apr. 22.—(A. P.)—Federal officials today ordered an investigation of radical headquarters throughout the country in the belief that "Big Bill" Haywood, who was reported yesterday to have fled to Russia, was being concealed in this country in connection with alleged plans for a May Day demonstration. Meanwhile Haywood's counsel is trying to reach him personally in Russia by cable. Haywood must surrender himself Monday or $15,000 bonds will be forfeited.

JOE GORMAN WINS TEN ROUND DECISION

Portland, Apr. 22.—(A. P.)—Joe Gorman was awarded a 10-round decision over Young Sam Langford at Milwaukie last night.

PREMIER MEETS MINE OWNERS AND STRIKERS

London, Apr. 22.—(A. P.)—By invitation of the premier, British mine owners and strike leaders met with him this afternoon. The conference adjourned about 6 o'clock, but it was stated that sufficient progress had been made to justify a further meeting, probably on Monday.

PORTLAND MARKETS

Portland, Apr. 22.—(A. P.)—Cattle, steady; hogs, 25c lower, prime light, $10 to $10.75; sheep steady; eggs, unsettled; butter, steady.

CHITA GOVERNMENT TO OPEN FOREIGN TRADE

Tokio, Apr. 22.—(A. P.)—A dispatch from Vladivostok to the Asahi says that M. Kojemicoff, vice-foreign minister of the Chita government, arrived in Vladivostok from Chita armed with instructions from his government to enter into formal negotiations with repesentatives of foreign governments regarding the opening of trade.

HIGH LIGHTS IN THE TOUR WITH THE NATIONAL EDITORIAL ASSOCIATION

By A. E. VOORHIES

After breakfast the crowd entrained and another stop was soon made, this time at Chipley, the prospective oil city, the natural home of the pecan, good drinking water and great agricultural possibilities; a small town but big hearted people who believe that Chipley is the best place to live. They distributed pecans and small bottles of cane syrup. Their literature states that one cane crop on 27 acres produced in 1919 syrup to the value of $10,000. In the 20-minute train stop the editors were given a ride to the oil drill. There were not sufficient automobiles to take the entire party and the Grants Pass delegation was favored by being piloted through the business street by a most winsome little southern girl, a teacher born in Chipley but educated in Massachusetts. It was from this young lady that we learned the old southern idea of a "Yank." In conversation she spoke of the yankees, and I immediately asked "What is a Yankee?" "You know," was the reply. "Yes, but what do you think of them?" "I like them," was the reply. "No, no, when you were a little girl what was your idea of a Yankee?" "Well," she replied," "I will tell you. I was 12 or 14 years old before I knew that 'Damyank' was other than one word!" This story was told at Lakeland a few days later and here I was told the story of a boy who until quite a lad, believed all republicans were black.

At Chipley the party learned that the editorial special was on a schedule for about 50 of those who went on the automobile ride got left and had to take the regular train and catch the special at Marianna.

Marianna is a county seat town with the principal street torn up by paving operations, indicating city pride and progress. In the courthouse yard beautiful southern ladies who dropped their "r's" presided over long tables loaded down with fried chicken, candied yams and all the rest of the good things of the south, while two bands alternately furnished jazz. Marianna's courthouse is a stately structure, not large but large enough, in front of it, the confederate monument erected in memory of their soldier dead. In the corridor on the ground floor of the courthouse was an indication of the occupation of the politcians, for I counted 16 big black cuspidores, each one in active service. It was nearby that the battle of Marietta was fought, and in the old churchyard were the graves of those who had fallen in the fray. Being rusty on history and desirous of securing local history, I appealed for information, three people were asked. One decided that the battle was fought during the Indian wars, another that it was a Civil war fight and still another that 1812 had something to do with the history.

Near the city is located the Florida Industrial school for boys, a penal school where the penal system is forgotten and school work, manual training and military drill, are making useful citizens of the boys who have stepped over the line at home. There are several hundred boys, about 50 per cent of them colored, who have their own quarters. There are 30 buildings and six more under construction. Everybody is on his honor. He goes to school one day and works the next. The instruction includes academic courses and all the trades. Here many of the boys receive their first taste of real home life.

Marianna, Florida, is the county seat of Jackson county, and is situated on Louiseville and Nashville railroad and Marianna & Bloustown railway. Its population is 4,000, senior high and grade schools, and churches of all denominations. Elevation, 140 feet above sea level, and a climate all the year around that is comfortable and genial. Summers are pleasant and winters are mild. The hunting and fishing around Marianna offers inducement to the relaxation of mind and body. Vegetables can be grown in the open every month in the year. The famous Georgia peaches ripen three weeks before the earliest Georgia season. The business life in Marianna is ample with its warehouses, elevators, banks, manufacturing industries, retail and wholesale stores to care for all wants.

GRADES ABOVE AVERAGE GIVEN STUDENTS FROM GRANTS PASS

University of Oregon, Eugene, Apr. 22.—(A. P.)—Of the 14 students attending the university from Grants Pass, Miss Dora Birchard made the highest average for last term. Miss Birchard's average of 1.81 places her among the 73 students at the university standing highest in scholarship. These students received a 2 or better in all of their studies, this grade being held exceptionally high, in view of the raising of standards during the past year. Numbers are given for grades, 0 corresponding to 100 and 6 a failure. Other Grants Pass students also made grades worthy of mention.

Wilford Allen, a major in journalism made very nearly a 2 average, making 2 in 13 hours and 3 in two hours. His average was 2.13. Miss Lucile Garber, a sophomore majoring in fine arts, received 1 in art epochs and life class, 2 in oil painting, second year designing, modeling and violin, 2 in book and poster, English outlines and physical education. Miss Ruth Giesler received 2 in first year Spanish and 3 in trigonometry, practical ethics and personal hygiene. Miss Giesler is a major in mathematics.

Miss Nell Williams, of Dryden, a freshman majoring in physical education, made 2 in physical education, English outlines and economic history; 3 in general zoology and practical ethics. Miss Lynetta Quinlan received 2 in physical education and folk dancing, 3 in English composition. Miss Vernetta Quinlan received 2 in physical education and folk dancing, 3 in first year French and English composition.

Don Kearns, a freshman in zoology, received 3 in general chemistry and English composition. Miss Dora Herman was forced to withdraw from school shortly before examinations, on account of ill health. She has returned this term, however.

IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY RECORDS DESCRIBE AMBUSHING OF ENGLISH

London, Apr. 22.—(A. P.)—Inside stories of the ambushes laid by the Irish republican army to trap and kill squads of British constables in Ireland are disclosed in the reports from Irish brigade commanders which have just been given out at the headquarters of the volunteers in Dublin. Most of these attacks have been reported by the British, but the Irish accounts are now given for the first time.

They give the details of desperate fights in which, sometimes, the little British commands have been decimated and at other times the Irish have been driven off with severe losses, for the Irish Volunteers occasionally run into a counter trap and find themselves exposed to the withering blast of a machine gun.

These reports show the methods employed to carry on the guerilla fighting, the hurried calls to assemble the Irish attackers, efforts to surprise the British constables in some isolated spot and tell of the use of mines to block the passage of motor cars so that the attack can be delivered with greater execution.

A typical mbush is described in a report of the commander of the East County Clare brigade. Thirty-five men, five acting as scouts, attacked a police lorry containing a district inspector and nine constables at Glenwood Belvoir, killing all but four who escaped. Twenty of the attackers, it is stated, were armed with rifles and ten with double-barrelled shotguns.

"As in a previous ambush," the commander reports, "the main body was divided into three parties." They waited, it appears, until 4 o'clock in the afternoon before the lorry came in sight. "When the car came into the center position," the report continues, "it was raked with the fire of the 24 guns, most of the police were shot off and the car came to a dead stop. Some of the police when they got on the road made an attempt to put up a fight but the second volley, which included all the rifles, wiped them out."