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CARDINAL RATTI IS ELECTED POPE

Archbishop of Milan Becomes
261st Pope and Assumes
Name of Pius XI.

Rome. — Cardinal Ratti, recently
archbishop at Milan, where he was
born in 1857, was elected pope on the
seventh ballot of the sacred college.
He will assume the name of Pope
Pius XI.

The smoke signal from the vatican
Monday morning was white and short-
ly afterwards it was announced that
Achilleo Cardinal Ratti, an Italian, had
been elected to succeed Benedict XV.

He was successively prefect of the
Ambrosian library and of the Vatican
library in 1914. Ratti was created
bishop of Lepanto in 1919. He was
consecrated at Warsaw. On April 1,
1921, he was made bishop to Adam
and on June 13, 1921, he was created
a cardinal by Pope Benedict XV.

Ratti was one of the newest of the
cardinals. He is understood, favors
reconciliation between the Vatican
and the state.

Cardinal Ratti, by his election, be-
comes the 261st pope since the time
of St. Peter. As Pope Pius XI he is
expected to continue the policy of re-
conciliation with the Italian govern-
ment, for he was a member of the
Gasparri party which stood for a rap-
prochement between the quinal and
the Vatican.

Cardinal Ratti is in his sixty-fifth
year. Although he is an Italian, he is
better known in Poland.

\$2,500,000,000 IS ESTIMATE OF BONUS

Washington, D. C.—The soldiers'
bonus would cost the federal govern-
ment approximately \$2,500,000,000 on
the basis of estimates prepared for the
house ways and means committee by
fiscal officers of the army, navy and
marine corps.

President Harding informed a group
of republican leaders of the senate
and house that the soldiers' bonus bill
must include a provision for the rais-
ing of necessary revenue and that it
must not impose too heavy a burden
upon the public.

The conference was attended by
many republican members of the sen-
ate finance committee and the house
ways and means committee.

The president indicated his inten-
tion to offer no objections to bonus
legislation, provided a revenue pro-
vision is coupled with the compensa-
tion features. He did not attempt to
dictate the manner in which the
money should be raised, but said he
would leave that to the members of
the two committees.

NO GOVERNMENT DEFICIT

Prospect of a Surplus by June An-
nounced by the President.

Washington, D. C.—President Hard-
ing, presiding at the second business
meeting of the government, announced
that instead of the deficit in govern-
ment finances forecast in December
there now were prospects of a surplus
of receipts over expenditures at the
end of next June.

The president further announced it
had been possible to reduce the gov-
ernment's expenditures from a scale
based on \$4,500,000,000 a year to the
scale of \$3,974,000,000 and declared
"that even in its formative period the
budget system has justified our most
confident expectations."

Asks Farm Loan of \$100,000,000

Washington, D. C.—Extension to the
nation's farmers of a loan of \$100,000-
000 by the government and revival of
the United States Grain corporation were
recommended as agricultural relief
measures by Benjamin C. Marsh,
managing director of the Farmers'
National Council, testifying before the
senate agricultural committee.

Iowa Courthouse Burns.

West Union, Ia.—Fire of undeter-
mined origin destroyed the Fayette
county courthouse here, causing a loss
estimated at \$40,000.

Extension.

The man who stole 900 pairs of
stockings will, of course, try to gain
sympathy in court by pleading that
stocking darning is a lost or an aban-
doned art and that laundries do more
harm than good. Added to these rea-
sons why many pairs are necessary he
may plead reluctance to wearing one
pair until, as they say in mining
circles, they become rights and lefts.
—Sun and New York Herald.

Valuable Cow.

Some years ago the last remaining
farmer in a prosperous New York sub-
urb bequeathed to his son his only
property, 16 acres of land, a ram-
shackle barn and one cow. The young
recipient had no money to develop the
land, and was at a loss to know what
to do with his cow, whose habits he
did not understand. He finally de-
cided to keep her as a remembrance
of his father, and she grazed away
contentedly.

Ten years later there came an op-
portunity to dispose of the land at
\$1,000 a lot, or \$192,000 for the whole.
Based on this valuation, the taxes
during the ten years would have
amounted to something like \$15,000,
whereas, because of the cow, the prop-
erty had been given a farm classifi-
cation, and had been taxed during
the period only \$1,900.—Wall Street
Journal.

DIRECTOR DAWES



Charles G. Dawes, director of the
budget, it is said may resign, having
successfully put the system into oper-
ation.

LEGION WILL ASSIST TO ADMINISTER BONUS

Washington, D. C.—In the event the
bonus bill passes, the American Leg-
ion has volunteered to co-operate
with the government in administering
the law and, through its organization,
to effect a saving amounting to mil-
lions of dollars in the cost of distrib-
uting adjusted compensation.

The 11,000 legion posts in almost
every city and township in the nation
will be placed at the disposal of the
government, Hanford MacNider, the
commander of the legion, has pledged.
The whole legion organization will
assist in the gigantic task of getting
up machinery to carry out the terms
of the law in the payment of com-
pensation to the several millions en-
titled to benefits.

LEGION OPPOSES JAPANESE

Strong Campaign to Be Conducted in
Central Oregon.

Redmond, Or.—Five American Leg-
ion posts in central Oregon took ac-
tion emphatically to oppose the coloni-
zation of Japanese on irrigated farm
lands in the Deschutes valley. Op-
position is to be exerted through a
central organization, consisting of two
representatives from each local or-
ganization.

The decision was reached here at a
conference of legionnaires represent-
ing the posts at Madras, Prineville,
Bend, Sisters and Redmond. An im-
mediate necessity for action was de-
clared because of efforts of specula-
tors who are said to be endeavoring to
settle Japanese on Ochoco project
lands near Prineville. All local posts
will be asked to name council mem-
bers, so that the first meeting of this
central organization may be held at
Redmond within a few days.

Would Reduce Army Officers to 12,000.

Washington, D. C.—A bill to reduce
the number of army officers to 12,000
as compared with 17,000 now author-
ized, was transmitted to congress by
General Pershing, as chief of staff,
and introduced by chairman Wad-
sworth of the senate military com-
mittee.

President Halts Work on Warcraft.

Washington, D. C.—President Hard-
ing has directed the navy department
to stop all construction of ships which
would be scrapped under the naval
treaty, it was learned at the White
House.

General Dewet is Dead.

Blomfontein, Union of South Africa.
—General Christian Dewet, command-
er-in-chief of the Boer forces in the
war of 1899, died in Dewetsdorp.

THE MARKETS

Portland
Wheat—Hard white, \$1.17; soft
white and hard club, \$1.14; hard win-
ter, \$1.16; northern spring, \$1.13; red
walla walla, \$1.10.

Oats—No. 2 white feed, \$28.
Corn—Whole, \$32; cracked, \$35.
Hay—Alfalfa, \$14 per ton; valley
timothy, \$16; eastern Oregon timothy,
\$17@18.

Butter Fat—\$2@35c.
Eggs—Ranch, 23@25c.
Cattle—Choice steers, \$7@7.75;
medium to good, \$6.25@7.

Sheep—East of mountain lambs,
\$9.75@10.50; best valley lambs, \$8.25
@9.25.

Hogs—Prime light, \$10.25@10.50;
smooth heavy, \$9.25@10.

Seattle

Wheat—Hard white, soft white and
white club, \$1.16; hard red winter
\$1.18; northern spring, \$1.17; eastern
red walla, \$1.12; Big Bend bluestem,
\$1.20.

Hay—Alfalfa, \$18; timothy, \$24;
straw, \$15.

Butter Fat—\$6@38c.
Eggs—Ranch, 23@30c.
Cattle—Prime steers, \$7.25@7.75;
medium to choice, \$6.50@7.

Hogs—Prime light, \$10@10.50.
smooth heavy, \$9@10.

ARMS CONFERENCE COMPLETES ITS WORK

Great Gathering Passes Into
History Exactly 12 Weeks
After Opening.

Washington, D. C.—The work of the
Washington conference on limitation of
armament and far eastern problems is
ended.

Approving several far-reaching treat-
ies and resolutions in rapid-fire order,
the conference completed its work in a
four-hour plenary session here Satur-
day—exactly 12 weeks after its open-
ing.

The great international gathering
passed definitely into history on Mon-
day when the treaties growing out of
the conference were signed in the Con-
tinental hall and President Harding
disbanded the party with a farewell
address.

With its work characterized by Mr.
Harding as "the first deliberate and
effective expression of great powers,
in the consciousness of peace, of war's
utter futility," the great conference
went to its niche of history to await
the judgments and developments of
the future.

In the great assembly hall of the
Daughters of the American Revolution,
where all its open sessions have
been held, the delegates of the nine
nations assembled marched in turn to
a space at the great green balsa table
and affixed their signatures to the
treaties and agreements which are all
parts of the structure built to lift
from a war-worn world the burden of
excessive naval armaments; to pro-
mote the peace of the Pacific; to give
a new bill of rights to China, and to
remove from the far east, particularly,
the clouds of war.

And as each delegation affixed sig-
natures as plenipotentiaries pledging
the honor of their respective nations
to the good faith of the settlements
agreed upon, the great audience ex-
pressed the hopes of the world in its
loud and prolonged applause.

At the conclusion of the ceremony
of signing President Harding delivered
his address, formally closing the con-
ference.

WHAT THE ARMS PARLEY HAS DONE

Following are the treaties approved
by the Washington armament confer-
ence during the twelve weeks it has
been in session:

Five-power naval limitation pact,
providing for scrapping of many cap-
ital ships, establishing naval holiday,
and fixing tonnage ratio for five great
naval powers.

Five-power chemical and submarine
treaty, placing ban on gas as a weapon
of war and safeguarding merchant
vessels from attack by undersea craft.

Four-power Pacific treaty, designed
to maintain peace in the Pacific.

Two nine-power Chinese treaties,
one reaffirming policy for open door
in China and one dealing with customs
duties.

Settlement of Shantung issue be-
tween Japan and China, and agree-
ment for return of Kiao Chow and
Shantung railway to China.

Settlement of Yap controversy be-
tween Japan and America, and settle-
ment of division of Pacific cables.

Formal announcement of a declara-
tion of Japan's famous twenty-one de-
mands on China and formal announce-
ment of Japan's abandonment of the
much attacked "gun five."

Agreement of Japanese to withdraw
from Siberia.

Return by Great Britain of Wei Hai
Wei to China.

PENSION INCREASE VOTED

Bill Granting \$20 a Month for Depend-
ents Passed By House.

Washington, D. C.—Pensions of wid-
ows and dependent children of men
who served in the army or navy dur-
ing the war with Spain, the Philippine
islands or the China relief expedition
of 1900 would be increased from \$12
to \$20 a month under a bill passed by
the house and sent to the senate.

The bill also increases the number
eligible for pension by providing that
the 90-day service requirement does
not mean 90 days' duty outside the
continental United States. Enforced
furloughs, the bill provides, are to be
included as part of a soldier's service.

Victory Notes Acceptable For Tax.

Washington, D. C.—Secretary Mel-
lon has issued instructions to internal
revenue collectors, it was announced,
to accept victory notes in payment of
income and profits taxes due March
15.

Poulsbo, Wash. Bank Robbed.

Seattle, Wash.—The First National
bank of Poulsbo, Wash., was entered
Monday night by bandits who blew
the vault, destroyed thirty safe deposit
boxes and escaped with cash, securities
and jewelry to an amount estimated
at \$30,000, according to informa-
tion received here.

Long Distance Line Would Consolidate.

Washington, D. C.—The Northwest-
ern Long Distance Telephone com-
pany and the Pacific Telephone &
Telegraph company have applied to
the interstate commerce commission
for permission to consolidate their
lines in Oregon, Washington and
Idaho.

FRED M. DEARING



Fred Morris Dearing, assistant sec-
retary of state, who has been appoint-
ed American minister to Portugal.

DEBT REFUNDING BILL GOES TO PRESIDENT

Washington, D. C.—Congress finally
cleared the way for the opening of
negotiations looking to the refunding
of the \$11,000,000,000 foreign debt
when the house, by an overwhelming
majority, agreed to the senate amend-
ments to the refunding bill and the
measure was sent to the president.

Secretary Mellon of the treasury is to
head the commission of five author-
ized to conduct the negotiations with
the debtor nations.

Appointment of the other four com-
missioners by the executive is looked
for within a short time. It was made
known at the White House that Pres-
ident Harding planned to name two
members of the cabinet and a member
each of the senate and house. Among
those gossip connected with the ap-
pointments are Secretaries Hoover
and Weeks, Senator Watson of In-
diana and Representative Longworth,
Ohio.

BRIEF GENERAL NEWS

Deaths in England and Wales from
the epidemic of influenza have to-
taled 12,000.

Treasury savings certificates of an
aggregate value of \$11,120,000 were
sold to American investors in January.

George C. Huntington, bishop of the
Episcopal church in Nevada, and the
clergy under him, have issued notices
that seven days' notice must be given
before they will perform the mar-
riage ceremony.

Halford MacNider, national com-
mander of the American Legion, re-
fused to accept appointment to the
United States senate from Iowa to
succeed William S. Kenyon, who was
appointed a federal judge.

James Robertson of Minneapolis has
been appointed supreme keeper of
records and seals of the Knights of
Pythias, to succeed Fred E. Wheaton,
democratic national committeeman
from Minnesota, who died recently.

Faulty construction rather than the
heavy snow fall caused the Knicker-
bocker catastrophe in Washington, D.
C., in which nearly a hundred lives
were lost, according to statements
made in investigations.

Three hundred and thirty-four thou-
sand dwellings at \$5000 each, suffi-
cient to house 1,760,000 persons, could
be built with the money lost in fires
in the United States from 1915 to
1920, according to figures given out
by the National Board of Fire Under-
writers.

Sales Tax For Bonus Abandoned.

Washington, D. C.—Republican
house leaders are understood virtually
to have abandoned the idea of financ-
ing the soldiers' bonus by a general
sales tax. Opposition among majority
members, mostly from the middle and
far west, to a sales tax, is said to be
so strong as to threaten defeat of such
a programme. The alignment against it
is understood to be practically that
which forced acceptance of the 5 per
cent income surtax voted into the re-
venue bill by the senate.

Limiting Farm Crops Opposed.

Olympia, Wash.—The action of the
national agricultural conference in
Washington, D. C., in voting for a
limitation of farm crop acreage until
agricultural conditions improve was
disapproved in a statement issued by
Director E. L. French of the state de-
partment of agriculture.

Land of Beulah.

In the Pilgrim's Progress, the
greatest allegory in English literature,
written by John Bunyan from 1600 to
1670, Beulah is the name given to a
land of rest and quiet, represented as
lying on the hither side of the river
of Death in which the pilgrims tarry
till their summons comes to cross the
stream and enter the Celestial city.

More Newspaper Astronomy.

An English newspaper, quoted in
Popular Astronomy, undertakes to an-
swer the question "Why is the Moon
Not Always Round?" and enlightens
its readers in the following terms:
"It is the reason that changes in ap-
pearance is that the earth's shadow
is thrown upon it by the sun, and the
size of the shadow varies each night
when the moon is visible."

OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

Principal Events of the Week
Briefly Sketched for Infor-
mation of Our Readers.

The Gold Hill cement plant resumed
operations Monday with a crew of
more than 100 employees.

Dr. W. E. Hampstead has been ap-
pointed a member of the pension ex-
amining board at Oregon City.

Old-fashioned singing schools, re-
cently revived at Grants Pass, are
proving to be of much interest.

Stiles Adkins, prominent resident of
Mulino, was killed instantly near that
place while assisting in felling a large
tree.

The grand total of lumber ship-
ments by water from the Columbia
river during January amounted to 94-
650,038 feet.

On March 14 a special election will
be held in the Oak Grove-Jennings
Lodge district of Clackamas county for
the purpose of forming a joint water
district.

The second annual Oregon High
School Press association will be held
at the school of journalism at Eugene
in connection with Junior week-end,
on May 12, 13.

William P. Strandborg of Portland
has been appointed a member of the
Oregon land settlement commission to
succeed Emory Olmstead, also of
Portland, who resigned.

Archie Campbell, government hunter
and trapper, who shot and killed a
so-called wild man on Butter creek
last Sunday morning, was exonerated
by a corner's jury at Heppner.

Mrs. Irene E. Gilbert, wife of Rev.
E. E. Gilbert, superintendent of the
Salem district Oregon conference,
Methodist church, died at her home
in Salem after an illness of one week.

William S. Crowell, for a decade
prominent in the financial and polit-
ical affairs of Jackson county and
Medford, died at his home in Medford
of heart disease, at the age of 78 years.

A chinook reaching the proportions
of a gale swept the mid-Columbia Fri-
day and snow blankets on open wet
slopes entirely disappeared. The high-
wind hampered power and light serv-
ice.

The First Bank of Bay City has been
closed by order of Frank Bramwell,
state superintendent of banks. In-
ability to realize on loans was given
as the reason for closing the institu-
tion.

Lakeview people are developing a
quicksilver mine 25 miles south of
Lakeview, near Willow ranch, and
they report excellent prospects with
almost an inexhaustible supply of ore
bearing rock.

Clyde D. Moyer has been appointed
postmaster at Crow, Lane county;
Esther E. Forth at McKay, Lane coun-
ty; Norman G. Morris at Mapleton,
Lane county, and Jens P. Jacobsen at
Alvador, Lane county.

A campaign to "buy a tree" for the
Jackson county fair community
grounds is on in all parts of Jackson
county. There is to be a systematic
planting of trees under supervision of
a committee of tree experts.

Twelve of the ninety-one teachers in
the Eugene public schools are ill from
influenza and 125 of the 775 students
of the high school are out of classes
from the same cause, according to E.
B. Carleton, city superintendent.

Wool buyers at Lakeview are offer-
ing 26 cents for the 1922 clip, but few
sales are being made. An advance of
50 cents a head is offered at 6 and
7 per cent. Buyers are offering \$6
on contract for lambs for fall delivery.

Portland's population increased by
14,234 from October 1, 1920, to Octo-
ber 1, 1921, figuring the increase in
school pupils of the same period mul-
tiple by 6, as shown in a survey
just completed and published by the
City Club.

Receipts of the state from taxes on
gasoline and distillate for 1921 ag-
gregated \$1,004,019.67, as against \$463-
354.25 for 1920, according to a report
prepared by Sam A. Koser, secretary
of state. Receipts for 1919 totaled
\$343,384.14.

Nathan Halsey, a prominent pioneer
farmer who lived about six miles east
of Joseph, was killed instantly last
Wednesday morning when he slipped
off a load of poles onto his wagon
tongue. One of his horses kicked
him and mangled his head and chest.

Rural telephone users in Sams val-
ley were severely shocked, when a Gold
Hill truck driver backed into an elec-
tric wire, causing a connection on the
telephone line which charged the tele-
phones as