

HUGHES PLAN ONLY WAY OUT, DECLARE GERMAN OFFICIALS

BERLIN, May 15.—(By the Associated Press.)—The allied replies to the reparations offer may have engendered in official and Reichstag circles a belief that the only path now open to Germany may be the dispatch of a brief formal note to the creditor powers suggesting that the Reich unreservedly consents to permit a commission of international economists to determine her obligations.

Such a solution of the diplomatic deadlock, it is argued, would afford the contents of the statement an opportunity to indicate their approval or opposition to a plan aiming at an ultimate settlement of the reparations question based on economic principles and on Germany's capacity to pay. Germany, as well as the commission, should be represented on such a commission, it is said. Although this suggestion was incorporated in the Reich's recent offer, it was buried in the body of the note.

CONVICT CAMP WHIP VOTE RECONSIDERED

TALLAHASSEE, Fla., May 15.—Legislative ban on the whip in Florida convict camps appeared uncertain here today. While the senate late yesterday passed its bill as amended by the house to abolish the whip, Senator H. Rowe changed his vote from the negative to the affirmative for the purpose of preparing himself to recall the bill for further consideration.

Funeral Notice.
The funeral service for Ira J. Kime passed away Sunday will be held at Conger's Funeral Chapel at 2:30 Friday instead of Wednesday as previously announced, the change being made in order that a brother may reach here from Idaho.

Lads Tease, Boy Suicides.
GREENEVILLE, N. Y., May 15.—Ten year old Raymond Baker lies at his home here today a suicide because his school mates "teased" him. He shot himself.

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TALE
OF A HORSE
WITH MORE
THAN
HORSE
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TOM MIX'S
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CLAIRE ADAMS
FRANK CHAPMAN

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FARNUM

in "BRASS
COMMANDMENTS"

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JURY SELECTED IN KLAMATH TRIAL

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., May 15.—Eleven jurors to try Mrs. Mabel Nichols for the murder of Robert Greer at Summit Station December 2 were in the box when court recessed at noon today, and attorneys expected to obtain the twelfth juror from the three remaining talesmen. One woman, Mrs. Gertrude Moore, a bank teller, is among the eleven jurors.

Mrs. Nichols was reported to have confessed killing Greer after he had attempted to force her into a life of shame after she had fled with him from her home at Ellensburg, Wash.

WHIPPERS SURRENDER TO FLORIDA COURTS

TALLAHASSEE, Fla., May 15.—(By the Associated Press.)—Walter Higginbotham and William Fisher today surrendered to a United States deputy marshal who held federal warrants against them charging conspiracy in connection with the alleged ill treatment of a negro at the Putnam Lumber company of Clara, Fla. They were released on bail of \$2,000 each.

Higginbotham was whipping boss of the Putnam company and Fisher is now superintendent of the company. The negro, it is charged, died as a result of his treatment at the camp.

Higginbotham is scheduled to go on trial at Cross City Friday on the charge of first degree murder. He was indicted a month ago in connection with the death of Martin Tabert or North Dakota.

SMALL ROOMS REDUCE DEMAND FOR CARPETS

BERLIN.—As Germans moved into smaller living quarters, because of high rentals, the need for floor coverings declined proportionately. At the same time prices continued high on account of the heavy import duties on raw materials, and out of both these conditions there resulted a buyers' strike. People dispensed with new carpets, or got along with what they had before.

Now carpet prices have fallen from one-third to one-half, but even so a domestic covering nine by twelve feet costs the equivalent of \$100, and there are few buyers.

All household furnishings bring good prices today in Germany, and many former officials of the old government have sold their apartment leases and furnishings for enough money to pay their way to some distant part of the world where life is begun anew.

The Noted Dead

PARIS, May 15.—(By Associated Press.)—Former Premier DeFreycinet is dead. The former premier, who was 94 years old, had been in poor health for some time, and he and former Premier Clemenceau were old time friends, and it was recalled today that one of the first visits the Tiger paid on his return from the United States in January was to DeFreycinet, with whom he discussed his American trip and the reparations question. The aged DeFreycinet became somewhat excited and after the visit of Clemenceau, DeFreycinet's physician forbade other visitors. In February, however, M. DeFreycinet was so far improved that he was able to attend the meeting of the French academy and visit Premier Poincare.

A Correction.
The Japanese arrested last Thursday for having liquor in his possession was H. Yokota and not H. Tokoa as published in The Mail Tribune as published in The Mail Tribune. In justice to H. Tokoa this correction is made. The error was made in the original complaint, which was made out against H. Tokoa, the mistake being discovered when the case came up before Judge Gardner.



Don't worry
about prohibition
anymore. Drink
Snider's beverages
at soda fountains and
soft drink parlors.

GRANTS PASS ANNOUNCES OPENING OREGON CAVES FOR 1923 SEASON

GRANTS PASS, Ore., May 15.—The Oregon caves will be opened to the public today for the 1923 tourist season although the buildings have not yet been completed for the housing and feeding of visitors. Guide service, however, is offered and will be maintained throughout the summer. Numerous parties already have visited the resort. Auto stages have been established to make daily trips

Monthly Report of Thrift Shop

The month of April has seen the usual activities going on in the Thrift Shop, with a little less help than formerly on account of outside work opening up for its coterie of helpers.

On April 2nd the manager met with the Women's Association of the Presbyterian church and gave an explanatory talk about the Thrift Shop, showing garments which had been made over there while the ladies tied off two quilts and sewed for the shop. They have also agreed to sew for the shop at some future date.

The manager also went to Phoenix on April 19th and gave a talk to the Presbyterian Ladies' Aid there and showed some of the attractive articles which had been made in the shop. The ladies evinced much interest and agreed to do some sewing for the shop and also give a comforter to help supply the demands made upon the shop during the next winter. It is hoped that each church will undertake to supply at least one article of bedding for the same purpose.

During the month new shelves were built in one room, which added much to the neatness of the room, and the ease with which the stock was handled.

Quite a number of people have come into the shop during the month in answer to the newspaper articles and the various talks made, just to see what could be used in the shop and went away convinced that a great work was being done there and that everything which they could send would serve a useful purpose.

On April 11th we had a big sale of shoes at 25c per pair and many came and bought shoes for friends in the country on that day.

On April 12th the manager went to Gold Hill with the secretary to see about a case there.

During the month Phoenix had a drive for discarded garments and Mrs. Corning kindly very kindly brought them to Medford.

During the month two ladies from distant points in the county came into the shop and discussed with the manager the advisability of bringing a varied assortment of Thrift Shop stock to some central location in these remote districts on a special day set apart for that district and sell the goods there to these people who so seldom can get to town.

On April 28th we had a counter sale of goods.

Donations to the shop during April were from Mesdames Welch on Mistletree street, Louis Salade, Sr., H. James, Biddle, Ed Gore, J. C. Mann, Thomas, Carl, Willis, W. B. Smith, Central Point, Ralph Penoyer, Bishop, Swigart, Neidermeyer, Carlless of Phoenix, Carpenter of Veritas orchards, Brown, Price and Lawrence; also Dr. Holt, Miss Clacy, M. M. Dept. Store, Golden Rule, Miss Snedeker, Miss Haines, Miss James and three bundles from people who did not give their names. Thanks is hereby extended to all the above.

There has been less call for garments to be donated this month; only 27 garments being donated to 15 persons. Cash sales have shown a little improvement during April.

Cash sales for April \$99.17
Goods donated 10.85
Paid for in work 86.25

Total \$196.27
Expenses: Rent \$25.00
Salary 50.00
Refund 1.50
Sewing supplies .65
Miscellaneous .43

Total \$77.58
Total cleared in cash \$21.59
Total cleared in service 118.69
C. F. CARD, Manager.

Norborne Berkeley, Pendleton, and Wilbur Godlove, Medford, have been appointed sub chairmen of two junior week end committees. Berkeley will handle part of the publicity work for the annual spring festival, scheduled for May 18 and 19. Godlove heads the floor committee of the Junior Prom, a place made vacant by Lyle Palmer, Baker, who was moved from the prom committee to take charge of the water carnival.—Portland Telegram.

TOPEKA, May 15.—Three members of a family were burned to death in a fire which destroyed their home near Meriden. The dead: T. A. Hurley, 33, his son, Ernest 28 and Daughter, Genevieve, 31.

CHERRYVALE, Kas., May 15.—Five men were killed in the wreck of a St. Louis and San Francisco train which went into the ditch near here today.

WASHINGTON, May 15.—President Harding has decided definitely to make his contemplated trip through the west and to Alaska, leaving Washington about June 20 and being absent from the capital about sixty days, it was announced today at the white house.

AUTO SALESMAN GETS FIVE YEARS

YAKIMA, Wash., May 15.—E. H. Lewis, former manager of the Yakima branch of the Sunset Motor company, was today sentenced to from one to five years at the state penitentiary, following his plea of guilty to the charge of forgery. Lewis admitted signing names of fictitious persons to automobile sales contracts totaling over \$7,000 and then obtaining cash advances on the contracts from Yakima and Spokane banks. Lewis asked for several days' liberty to visit his daughters in Spokane and will go without guard to prison. Decision in the matter of granting the requests was left to the sheriff.

DIVORCES IN FRANCE DOUBLE SINCE 1913

PARIS.—Divorces have doubled in France since the war, according to figures made public recently. A general divorce law was first passed in France in 1884, and in the year there were 1657 divorces.

In 1913 the number of divorces was 15,372. In 1919, when the armies were being disbanded and people were free to put their houses in order, this number reached 19,465. In 1920 it reached 31,465, in 1921 the number was 30,498, and the past year 30,753.

The causes of this increase of divorces are not tabulated, due to the secrecy of court proceedings relating to family affairs.

However, the general causes are infidelity, desertion and the slow breaking up of the family tie during the war. With the greater freedom that has come to women who began to earn their living during the war. Both sexes, it is said, have lost in some measure their sense of moral responsibility. Another cause given is nervousness growing out of the war, making both sexes less able to bear the restraints and trials of married life. Yet another cause is the tolerance of the courts and the ease with which divorces may be obtained, one factor of which is the cheapness of the decree, obtained through lawyers, who, in recent years, have begun to advertise: "Divorce in three months on credit, and no payment unless decree obtained."

Hoover Assistant Named.
WASHINGTON, May 15.—J. Walter Drake of Detroit today was appointed assistant secretary of commerce, filling a place vacant for some months and temporarily filled by Stephen B. Davis, the departmental solicitor.

Montague Glass Better.
NEW YORK, May 15.—The condition of Montague Glass who was operated on for appendicitis Saturday, was regarded by his physicians today as satisfactory, but still serious.

Beaver Pitcher Sent Back.
NEW YORK, May 15.—George Walberg, southpaw pitcher, was sent back today by the New York Giants to the Portland club of the Pacific coast league.

TO RELIEVE PAIN AND BACKACHE

Women May Depend upon
Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound

Minneapolis, Minn.—"I had heard so much about Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound that when I realized I needed to take something to relieve my pains and backache, and to help build me up I began to take that. I had been sick off and on for years and barely weighed a hundred pounds, but now I have had such good results that I am recommending the Vegetable Compound to every one."—Mrs. J. J. BIERER, 3839 18th Ave. South, Minneapolis, Minn.

Finds a True Friend
"Every woman who values her health should be proud to have a true friend like the Vegetable Compound," says Mrs. W. E. Shaw, 3227 Walnut Street, Chicago, Illinois. "I had female weakness so badly that I could not stand on my feet. Half of my time was spent in bed and I had pains in my back which were unbearable. I tried everything I could think of to help myself and when a friend advised Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound I began taking it at once. I recommend it without hesitation."

LAST BAND OF IRISH REBELS ARE CAPTURED

DUBLIN, May 14.—(By the Associated Press.)—The last band of republicans operating in county Wicklow was captured today after a fierce engagement. The leader, named Plunket, was shot dead. Two machine guns were taken.

LONDON, May 15.—(By the Associated Press.)—As the result of the house of lords' decision in the case of Art O'Brien, the British government is requesting the Irish free state government to return to England all the prisoners deported to Ireland, Home Secretary Bridgman announced in the house of commons today.

HOT SPRINGS RUINED BY FIRE

near enough to the burning building to combat the flames.
"Panic followed the onrush of the waters and people living in the lower parts of the city abandoned their homes and fled to higher ground."
"Water stood from 5 to 8 feet deep in many of the stores."

HOT SPRINGS, May 15.—Reports received here from Benton, Ark., today stated grave fears were felt for the safety of farmers in the Saline river valley south of Benton. The Saline rose swiftly last night. Efforts were being made this afternoon to communicate with farmers in the river bottoms.

HOT SPRINGS, May 15.—The fact that there was no great loss of life was attributed to the residential sections being located on the hills surrounding the city. The business street of the town nestles between two mountains and formed the stream bed for the torrents.

WASHINGTON, May 15.—The commanding officer of the army and navy general hospital at Little Rock, Ark., and of the seventh corps area at Omaha, Neb., were directed by Acting Secretary of War Davis today to expedite reports on the flood situation at Hot Springs, Ark. The reports will determine whether flood relief work will be required of the army.

ST. LOUIS, May 15.—Considerable damage to property and crops and severe damage to telephone and telegraph wires was reported today from eastern Missouri and southern Illinois as a result of high winds and heavy rains sweeping the section last night. In St. Louis trees were uprooted, electric street lights were put out temporarily and plate glass windows were broken.

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