Disarm Meeting Opens With World **Powers Gathered**

Limitation of Armaments and Far Eastern Question the Main Issues for Settlement.

Washington, Nov. 12 .- (By The Associated Press.)-Fresh with the memories of the soldier dead, the conference on the limitation of armanents met in its first session today

to seek "the rule under which reason and righteousness shall prevail."

In the memorial hall of the Daughters of the American Revolution the powers and the representatives of four more, gathered about the table to organize the way through which to organize the way through which because we were lately participants. If the united States of America. It is hard facts of excessive cost and the eloquence of economics would urge to remove causes which statesmen, and diplomats of five great equence remove the economic burden and waste the world suffers in

Although the opening hour of the first session was set for 10:30 o'clock, the notables began arriving soon after 10 to hear the opening address of ermanent organization, with Secreary Hughes as president of the conference. The galleries allotted to the tepresentatives of official and diplomatic life the wide world over contained many notable figures of present day history.

Shaped as Square U.

In the center of the big room was the conference table, shaped as a square U, its top covered with bright reen baize. A gray desk blotter with a tray of pens and an ink well before the chairman's place for

The American delegation had chairs across the west end with the French on their right and the British on their left. To the right of the Japanese, while the Italians at a corresponding position direct-

At the foot of the table and at simaller ones were the portuguese, Belgians, Dutch and Chinese. Advisers had chairs of gold and velour directly back of their delegations. Behind the American section were draped the flags of the nine nations. Senator Lodge was the first of the American delegation to arrive.

He walked about the room meetvisory committee much as he talks with colleagues in the senate cham-There was a scattering of gold lace in the galleries.

Something of Jam.

As the French delegates reached the main entrance there was some-

box to the right rear of the Ameri-

place with the advisory committee and was quickly surrounded by some of the army representatives with whom he had been associated.

World today is intringing their enjoyment by arming to defend or deny, when simple sanity calls for their recognition through common understanding.

Premier Briand and M. Viviani "Out of the cataclysm of the stood together chatting behind their world war came new fellowships,

Hughes in Center.

Secretary Hughes sat in the center of the tables and with a white slab marble and a small gravel in front of him. At his right, in order were Senator Lodge, Elihu Root and Senator Underwood; on the secretary's left was Mr. Balfour, head of the British. Ten thirty, the official hour of opening the conference, passed with some of the delegations still absent. Mr. Hughes watched the clock and the confusion around the doorway.
The audience rose and cheered as

Mrs. Harding took her place at the front of the box, where the vice president sat. The president came in at 10:33 o'clock and immediately ceretary Hughes called the confer-

Prayer was offered by the president's pastor, the Rev. W. S. Aberacthy of Calvary Baptist church.

Immediately at the conclusion of the prayer President Harding rose and began delivery of his address.

Intense Silence.

There was an outburst of applause and then intense silence as the president began speaking.

Mr. Harding read his speech slow-

and deliberately from small print-d pages which he held in the holw of his left hand. With his right he punctuated his statements with driving gestures. The first applause came when the president declared hat the conference must have a 'signal influence" on the fortunes of

Conference on Arms Will Affect All Human Progress, Says Harding

t Is No Unseemly Boast to Declare That This Body Will Have a Signal Influence on Fortunes of World," Declares President in Opening Speech.

opening of the conference on limita-tion of armaments follows:

"Mr. Secretary and Members of the Conference, Ladies and Gentle-

because we were lately participants in a common cause, in which shared sacrifices and sorrows and triumphs in a common cause, in which shared concept of a better order does not sacrifices and sorrows and triumphs appeal, then let us ponder the burbrought our nations more closely together, but it is gratifying to address you as the spokesmen for nations whose convictions and attending actions have so much to do with the weal and woe of all mankind. "It is not possible to over-appraise

It is no unseemly boast, no disparagement of other nations, which, though not represented, are held in highest respect, to declare that the conclusions of this body will have a signal influence on all human progress—on the fortunes of the world.

A Coming Together.

"Here is a meeting, I can well be lieve, which is an earnest of the awakened conscience of 20th century civilization. It is not a convention of remorse, nor a session of sorrow. It is not the conference of victors to define terms of settlement. Nor is it a council of nations seeking to remake humankind. It is rather a coming together, from all parts of the earth, to apply the better attributes of mankind to minimize the faults in our international relationships.

"Speaking as official sponsor for the invitation I think I may say the call is not of the United States of America alone, it is rather the spoken word of a war-wearied world, struggling for restoration, hunger-ing and thirsting for better relation-ship; of humanity crying for relief and craving assurances of lasting

"It is easy to understand this "It is easy to understand this world-wide aspiration. The glory of triumph, the rejoicing in achievement, the love of liberty, the devotion to country, the pangs of sorrow, the burdens of debt, the desolation of ruin—all these are appraised alike in all lands. Here in the United States we are but freshly turned from the burial of an unknown American soldier when a naknown America Military and naval attaches appeared in full dress uniform, making a show of plumes and spangles such as Washington has not seen since the war. Almost all the others were in the conventional dress of the diplomatic service.

Vice President Coolidge and Mrs. Coolidge and Speaker Gillett, of the house and Mrs. Gillett occupied a box to the right rear of the American turned from the burial of an unknown American soldier when a nation sorrowed while paying him tribute. Whether it was spoken or not, 100,000,000 of our people were summarizing the inexcusable cause, the incalculable cost, the unspeakable sacrifices, and there was the ever-impulsing question: How can humanity justify or God forgive?

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A. R. Human hate demands no state toll; ambition and greed must be denied it. If misunderstanding must take the blame, then let us banish take the blame, then let us banish take the blame, then let us banish take the blame. "Human hate demands no such it, and let understanding rule and make good will regnant everywhere Earl Beatty putting his glasses to his eyes searched for his own seat and found it in the first row of the British advisers.

Wears White Turban.

The delegates from India, SriniThe delegates from vasa Sastri, wearing a white silk tur-ban, added a touch of color to the inate in their attempted denial. The picture. General Pershing took his world today is infringing their en-

chairs, as Prince Tokugawa of the new convictions, new aspirations. It Japanese delegation came in and engaged in conversation with Sir Auckland Geddes, the British ambassador.

Mr. Balfour entered with former Premier Borden of Canada.

The first applause, hearty and gentlement of the destruction and the measureless cost of the destruction. Congress the measureless cost of the destruction. agencies of that destruction. Conserving by the entire American delegation took their seats at 10:25 o'clock.

A momentary hush fell upon the assemblage after the applause, greeting the entrance of the American delegation and then the storm of conversation broke loose again.

Hushas in Contact and gencies of that destruction. Contemplating the measureless cost of the same and the continuing burden of armament, all thoughtful peoples wish for real limitation of armament and would like war outlawed. In suberest reflection the world's hundred of millions who pay in peace and die in war wish their statesmen to turn the expenditures for destruction into means of construction, aimed at a higher state for those who live and follow after.

Grown Progressively Cruel.

"It is not alone that the world an not readjust itself and cast aside the excess burdens without relief from the leaders of men. War has grown progressively cruel and more destructive from the first recorded conflict to this pregnant day, and the reverse order would more be-come our boasted civilization.

we have no sordid ends to serve; we suspect no enemy; we contemplate or apprehend no conquest. Content blaze broke out in the forward comwith what we have, we seek nothing which is another's. We only wish to do with you that finer, nobler Los Angeles and was far below the thing which no nation can do alone.
"We wish to sit with you at the

table of international understanding and good will. In good conscience we The president had stood during are eager to meet you frankly and inthe prayer with bowed head between
Mr. Hughes and the pastor. At the
conclusion of the prayer Secretary
Hughes, stepping forward and lifting
his hand, had said:

"The president of the United without sacrifice; not by one of us,
but by all of us.

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or narrowed freedom, or denied aspirations or ignored national necessities. Our republic would no more ask for these than it would give. No pride need be humbled, no national-ity submerged, but I would have a mergence of minds committing all of us to less preparation for war and

more enjoyment of fortunate peace. "The higher hopes come of the Chinese members of the Hop Sing spirit of our coming together. It is Tong, were found guilty of murder the world.

There was more applause when Mr. Harding asked how civilization ever could justify the destruction of the last great war.

The arms were to the fortunes of but just to recognize varying needs and peculiar positions. Nothing can be accomplished in disregard of national apprehensions. Rather, we should act together to remove the largest ever convicted of first should act together to remove the largest ever convicted of first should act together to remove the largest ever convicted of first should act together to remove the largest ever convicted of first should act together to remove the largest ever convicted of first should act together to remove the largest ever convicted of first should act together to remove the largest ever convicted of first should act together to remove the largest ever convicted of first should act together to remove the largest ever convicted of first should act together to remove the largest ever convicted of first should act together to remove the largest ever convicted of first should act together to remove the largest ever convicted of first should act together to remove the largest ever convicted of first should act together to remove the largest ever convicted of first should act together to remove the largest ever convicted of first should act together to remove the largest ever convicted of first should act together to remove the largest ever convicted of first should act together to remove the largest ever convicted of first should be accomplished in the first degree here for the slave and provide the first degree here for the slave and provide the first degree here for the slave and provide the first degree here for the slave and provide the first degree here for the slave and provide the first degree here for the slave and provide the first degree here for the slave and provide the first degree here for the slave and provide the first degree here for the slave and provide the first degree here for the slave and provide the first degree here for the slave and provi The armament conference was causes of apprehensions, This is not history of the California courts. The

Washington, Nov. 12.—The text simple honesty and directness, among of President Harding's address to the men resolved to accomplish as be-

"It is not to be challenged that the Conference, Ladies and Gentlemen:

"It is a great and happy privilege to bid the delegates to this conference a cordial welcome to the capital of the United States of America. It is

"It is not to be denied that the world has swung along throughout the ages without heeding this call from the kindlier hearts of men. But "It is not possible to over-appraise the same world never before was so the importance of such a conference. tragically brought to realization of the utter futility of passion's sway when reason and conscience and fellowship point a nobler way.

I can speak officially only for our United States. Our hundred mil-

lions frankly want less of armament and none of war. Wholly free from guile, sure in our minds that we harbor no unworthy designs, we accredit the world with the same good intent. So I welcome you, not alone in good will and high pur-pose, but with high faith. "We are met for a service to

mankind. In all simplicity, in all honesty and all honor, there may be written here the avowals of a world conscience refined by the consuming fires of war, and made more sens tive by the anxious aftermath. I hope for that understanding which will emphasize the guarantees of peace and for commitments to less, burdens and a better order which will tranquilize the world.

"In such an accomplishment there will be added glory to your flags and ours and the rejoicing of mankind will make the transcending music of all succeeding time."

Gompers Says U.S. Expects Success At Arms Meeting

Labor Leader Tells New York Audience People Do Not Want Excuses-Resolutions Passed.

New York, Nov. 12 .- Representatives of labor, capital, the churches, the arts and the professions raised a mighty voice in favor of reducing armaments last night when more than 10,000 persons, called together by some 300 public-spirited organiza-tions, assembled at Madison Square Garden to show their approval of the purpose of the Washington conference for the limitation of armament. Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, the principal speaker, declared the people of the world expect success for the armament conference and they do not want an excuse or reason for failure. They are looking toward Washington with a mighty appeal, he added, and are not concerned about peace in the meaning of words. A resolution calling upon the conference "to remain in session until it accomplishes to the fullest degree, the purpose for which it was invited to convene," was adopted.

"With regret and astonishment" it said "we learn that our government spends approximately 95 cents on every dollar of revenue for past wars, present armament and preparation for possible future wars. We not only petition our American representa-tives to use their endeavor to win the world away from war and its terrible toll of life and wealth; we de-

mand that they succeed.
"We do not propose that America alone disarm. That would be folly and would endanger all democratic civilization. We demand international agreement, knowing that the peoples of all countries voice the con-victions here expressed."

Men Hurt in Fire on Board

Submarine Recovering Los Angeles, Nov. 12. - Seven men, one an officer, some of whom "Gentlemen of the conference, the United States welcomes you with unpartment batteries of the L-6 while she was traveling from San Diego to

America to Abolish War,

William McAdoo Declares White Plains, N. Y., Nov. 12.— The American people intend to abolish war in fulfillment of the main achievement of the world war victory, William G. McAdoo, former secretary of the treasury, told an Armistice day gathering of 30,000 persons from West Chester county.

"It is an ideal that will never be downed," he said, "we will gain it eventually, just as the sun will rise tomorrow."

Five Chinese Convicted Of Murder in Tong War

Marysville, Cal., Nov. 12. - Five Chinese members of the Hop Sing talled to order by Secretary Hughes to be done in intrigue. Greater assurance is found in the exchanges of The trial lasted three weeks.

Birth Control Urged

As Means to End Wars

New York, Nov. 12.—Birth control
as a factor in bringing about world
limitation of armaments and permanent peace was discussed yesterday by delegates to the First Ameri-

an Birth control conference. Resolutions addressed to congress and

In a letter to the conference, Luther - Burbank, horticulturist, stated that "the great fundamental principle of selection is the guide to all progress and in facing world ms of the human race, science ande not ignorance, maudlin senti-mentality and bigotry, must prevail."

Bee Want Ads Produce Results.

Winter Takes First Toll

Of Human Life in Chicago Chicago, Nov. 12 .- One death and one serious injury marked the first of snow, rain and sleet, came the announcement that colder weather ter, who rode into the city on the crest of a blinding blizzard. John Hart, gatekeeper for the Rock Island railway, was crushed by a train that one serious injury marked the first

sleet. Nicholas Jidakis, blinded by the snow, stumbled in front of a car and was badly injured.

Following the soaking downpour

Thompson, Belben & Ca.

Attractively Fashioned Wraps Reveal the Fall Mode

Expressing all that is new in fabrics, colorings and lines and lending to each distinctive wrap a vivid personality that will prove individually becoming to the wearer. Many have beautiful collars of luxurious fur, with large cuffs to match, while others are rich with self-trimmings.

Priced \$59.50 to \$139.50

Third Floor



Winter Millinery of Engaging Charm

Truly, winter has its compensations in the new mode Fashion presents to Milady.

Irreproachable style distinguishes these delightful models of metal cloth and rich brocades, fur brimmed and fur trimmed styles, and lovely lace hats for evening occasions.

You are invited to view a special showing of these Newest Winter Hats-

\$10 to \$35

The Newest Fabrics Offer Unusual Prices

A viewing of our new silks will reveal exceptional qualities for really low prices. They include all the desired colors in Canton Crepe, Crepe Satin, Charmeuse, Crepe de Chine and many others. The advantages are well worth considering.

Woolen Specials

Extend an opportunity to select warm all wool coating at less than the manufacturer's cost. 54-in. Coatings of all wool, from \$2.50 to \$5.95.

54-in. Skirtings of all wool for \$1.95 and \$2.95. Novelty fur fabrics that make smart trimmings are recent arrivals.

For Your Approval Stretton Underwear

Women always appreciate the way Stretton wears, appears and pleases the sense of touch and, too, Stretton's is guaranteed even to the trimmings. A new garment is offered in place of every one that fails to satisfy.

An extensive display of desirable styles in cotton, wool and silk mixed with wool. Priced with moderation-and guaranteed.

Underwear Section-Second Floor



HE richness of Autumn colors is an inspiration for Thanksgiving and we have caught something of its bounty here. assembled tastefully, thriftily and in profusion. & & &

The new low prices of this season offer splendid opportunities for choice selections.

Greeting Cards

That bespeak a pleasant thoughtfulness of others. There are holireeungs, such as Thanksgiving cards, personal greeting cards, calendars, mottoes and many others most attractively displayed.

Second Floor

The Baby's Shop Offers the warmest and coziest things to keen the little ones comfortable during the longest cold

- There are white or colored cotton blankets for the crib or small bed in single or double styles.
- From \$1.35 to \$2.25. Woolen blankets that are either plain or ribbon-bound in single or double styles. Priced from \$3.50 to \$9.
- ¶ Soft eiderdown carriage or sleeping bags from \$5 to \$9.
- ¶ All-wool knit knee leggings and booties are priced from 50c to ¶ Woolen face veils and
- heavy mittens are from 85c to \$1.50. ¶ White flannelette kimonos and knitted gowns are priced 85c

and \$1.50 respectively.

Turkish Bath Mats In attractive brocaded weaves of pink and

white or blue and white for \$2.75. Also dark blue mats in designs copied from real Persian rugs and others in Egyptian and Oriental designs. Priced \$3.

Corsets for Larger Women Stylish Stout corsets lend

to the larger woman all the comfort and grace she would like to experience, assuring that perfectly gowned appearance so dear to any feminine heart. Price \$9 a pair.

Second Floor

Linen Section

Trefousse Gloves Imported From France

Strap wrist gauntlets of French kid favor black, gray and brown, and are \$7 a pair.

A slip-on, six-button style comes in brown black, white and pastel, with contrasting embroidery, for \$5.50

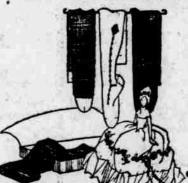
\$4.50 a pair.

The one and two-clasp pique sewn styles may be had in brown, black, gray, beaver and pastel, with contrasting embroidery, for \$3.75 and

Main Floor.

Lovely Silk Hosiery

May or may not rank as the most important of all the dress accessories, but we must admit that attractive hos-



iery goes a long way toward making a charming costume. One of the best styles is of pure thread silk from

top to toe, with

double garter tops

and soles. It is offered in blonde, silver, gold, African brown, cordovan, navy and black, and may be had for \$3.50.

Main Floor.

Laces Galore for Every Fancy

-Hand-made Venise lace for the daintiest of collars and cuffs.

-Real filet and handmade Irish are acquisitions of the most interesting sort.

-Vals and net top laces offer a wide variety of

-Flouncings in rich black, white and desirable col-

may realize.

-And camisole laces in all widths. -Priced lower than you

Toiletries

Mavis double vanity cases of rouge and powder. Tomorrow, 75c.

Mary Garden lipsticks for only 35c. Bocabelli Castile soap, four-pound bars for \$1.39.

Satin Soles

To fashion boudoir slippers on. All sizes in red, pink, blue and lavender for 25c a pair.

The Men's Shop offers everything new and desirable.