

U. S. Refuses to Join Probe on Germany

Invitation of Reparations Commission to Name Members of Committees on Technical Finances Rejected.

Washington, Dec. 1.—The American government is unwilling to participate in a restricted inquiry into German finances and has so informed James A. Logan, American observer with the reparations commission in Paris.

The communication outlining the government's position was sent to Colonel Logan after he had informed the State department that the reparations commission favored American membership on the two committees created by it to investigate and

report on the state of German finances as related to the ability of that government to pay reparations.

By Associated Press. Paris, Dec. 1.—An invitation to the United States to appoint members of each of the two committees which are to investigate German finances, has been forwarded to Washington by Col. James A. Logan on behalf of the reparations commission. According to information in reparations circles, the principal reason why the door was left open by the reparations commission for the American government to be represented on the committees was because the French, British and Italian governments were agreed that American money would be essential to any reasonable plan for restoration of the German financial system.

Premier Poincare, it is declared, did not expect Secretary of State Hughes to refuse so strictly the conditions insisted upon by France for the originally proposed inquiry into Germany's capacity to pay reparations. M. Poincare had thought, it is said, that a period of negotiations would take place in which France would be prepared to go much further in the direction of the American views, providing some concessions were made regarding its debts to England and the United States.

Holdup in Heart of K. C.

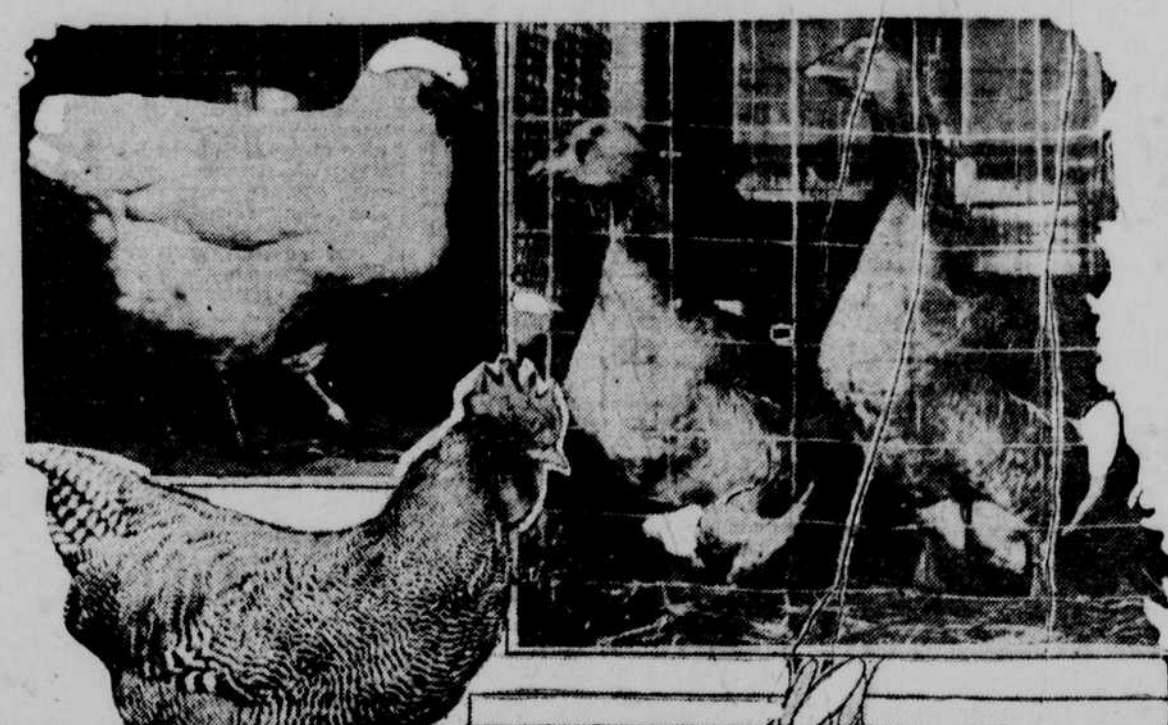
Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 1.—Crowds of shoppers in Peticot Lane, in the heart of the business district, were given a thrill Friday afternoon when three bandits robbed H. B. Lamb, assistant manager of the S. S. Kresge company, and a negro porter for the store of about \$5,000 in cash.

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Champion Fowls at Omaha Poultry Show



A white pullet, White Rock and a barred Plymouth Rock chicken were chosen to receive the 2,000 prize in the Omaha Poultry exhibition show at the City auditorium as the prize winners of the entire exhibition. Here is the grand champion of the show, the pullet owned by Henry H. Byers, 4920 Grand avenue. Her award was three silver loving cups, ribbons, and \$50 in cash. The prize male of the show was the barred Plymouth Rock owned by Cowan and Pattison of Waterloo, Ia. These two geese owned by Mrs. Esther Falkin of Wood River, Neb., won first prize in their class.

Former Omaha Man Describes German Monetary Tragi-Comedy

Computing Money Values as Much a Problem for Simple Folk as Getting Enough Money to Live—"Million-Billion-Fimmel" Current Nightmare.

C. H. Bankes, a former resident of Omaha, who has been in business in Germany for 25 years, writes of the condition of the country from personal contact with the situation and the people. Mr. Bankes is the son of the proprietor of the old Omaha Post and Telegraph company. Berlin.—The manager of a German savings bank committed suicide because he found he was not capable of managing the untangling of the Gordian billion knots in the currency problem. This is no exception to the mental suffering caused by the daily drop in the value of the mark. A poor working woman of Germany does not know how to make both ends meet and cover the expenses of a week with the pitifully gigantic amount of 150,000,000,000 marks. All conception of comparative value has disappeared.

Money Valueless.

Conditions here have rapidly been drifting into chaos and as sorrowful as they are proving still tend to develop into a sort of comical degeneration. For instance, just try to fix the fact in your mind that a solitary insignificant dollar has the ambition to represent the value of 58,000,000,000 marks today. You will have to strain your faculties to a more than reasonable extent to realize that the conception of real value is rapidly drifting into a novel sort of idiosyncrasy of figures. You then can also form a quick apprehension that this new infection must, even under ordinary circumstances, prove fatal to those simple minds that never in their life dreamt of such sums. Chance happened to give them occasion to see them printed. But they are not able to analyze them and shake their heads in utter despair of something incomprehensible.

Buyers Bewildered.

To these people a millionaire was the ideal of something to envy, like a prince in a fairy tale, and above this definition, their conception went wide. No one is not at all surprised, to observe a kind of unearthly glare in the eyes of simple people when in the stores they are asked to pay 10,000,000,000 for a loaf of bread or 30,000,000,000 marks for a pound of butter. Especially the old ones that depend on charity. If they can pay the price, they pay it. But they can form absolutely no idea of the nature of the sum itself, or how it accumulates, and if many of these people are infected with a "million-billion-fimmel," as they term it here, one need not wonder. The daily food is making women more or less nervous. They are burdened with bundles of paper money, and as the prices even vary from hour to hour, they are compelled to keep on calculating these figures under changing conditions, so that the strain soon takes hold of them.

Impossible to Save.

Naturally these conditions tend to keep all progress down, and everybody battles along, with the utmost effort to snare around the circle of chance, because everybody is also convinced that the depreciation of the mark will allow no saving, but only a vanishing profit for the means of existence.

The whole affair, with the French in the Ruhr district, is turning into an inextricable conglomerate. Firms try, although contrary to law, to refuse to sell their goods for a worthless piece of paper, providing for a sum of imaginative value, and if this tension turns out in a repudiation of the paper mark altogether, then certainly we shall have the strike and bloodshed, in form of civil war. Riots and local insurrections are now already a daily occurrence. But there are still hopes that the government will master the situation with a new currency, based on the guarantee of all property. Here the fear is again dominant that they cannot manage to maintain the value, and if this should be the case, everything will go the same course as before.

Government Blamed.

This precarious situation is not a result alone of the depression caused by the international conflict, but mostly a result of inadequate government and parliamentary incapability. These disagreeable circumstances have also been causing the middle and constitutional class of people considerable trouble. This class, the saving part of the nation, had all their savings invested in mortgages, and as there was no law in force to protect these investments on gold

Lloyd George to Write in U. S.

Br on to Give Impressions of America Gained on Visit.

New York, Dec. 1.—Lloyd George's impressions of the United States and Canada, gained in his recent American tour, will form the subjects of the first two articles in the new newspaper series which the former British prime minister has contracted to write, beginning in December, for The Omaha Sunday Bee. Lloyd George had planned to begin writing this news series for publication this week, but has just flashed a message under the sea from London that he is finding the present British election campaign so arduous that it will be impossible to get down to his journalistic job until after the votes are counted.

Fire Destroys Buildings of Still College in Iowa

Des Moines, Ia., Dec. 1.—Defective wiring is believed to have caused a fire here early today that destroyed the main class rooms, laboratories and most of the equipment of Still College of Osteopathy. The school occupied a downtown office building.

27.5 Beer Bill to Be Introduced

Washington, Dec. 1.—Amendment of the Volstead act to legalize manufacture of beverages having an alcoholic content not to exceed 2.75 per cent by weight or 3.46 per cent by volume is proposed in a bill drafted by Representative Dyer of Missouri, a republican member of the house judiciary committee. The Missouri representative said today there was abundant proof that beverages with the alcoholic content he proposes are nonintoxicating. He predicted 16 per cent of those who now drink bottles liquor would be satisfied by the beers and wines manufactured under his bill and would be placed in the mood to join in a demand for more rigid enforcement of the prohibition laws.

Broadcaster for Denver

Denver, Colo., Dec. 1.—Announcement was made yesterday by a committee of the Denver Civic and Commercial association that the General Electric company will erect and complete here by April 1, 1924, one of the most powerful radio broadcasting stations in the United States. The Denver station will bridge the gap between the company's Pacific coast station and the company's eastern broadcasting unit.

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Two Beer Guards Killed in Feud; Autoists Shot

Man and Wife Wounded by Stray Shots, Baby Cut, in Chicago Rum Battle.

Chicago, Dec. 1.—One beer guard was shot to death, a second mortally wounded and an autoist and his wife and 3-year-old baby caught in the fusillade of shots were wounded when Chicago's bitter war between beer runners flamed up again early today. Thomas Kujnie, died in St. Joseph hospital, Joliet, Ill., from his wounds. William Egan, the second guard, was mortally wounded. Erwin H. Triebull, sr., and his wife were wounded by stray bullets and their baby cut from flying glass. All are Chicagoans.

Last Officer in Navy Wreck Free

San Diego, Cal., Dec. 1.—Lieut. Commander Richard H. Booth, 11th and the last of the navy officers to face court-martial as the result of the wrecking of several destroyers on Point Honda the night of September 8, was today acquitted of charges of negligence. Of the 11 officers to face the court, three were found guilty in some degree and eight were acquitted. The degree of guilt affixed by the court will not be made public until approved by the Navy department in Washington.

100 Ave Drowned When Dyke Breaks

Naples, Dec. 1.—Several towns were destroyed and at least 100 persons drowned today when the Campania valley and Valledezzo were flooded by a break of a dyke near Brescia. Soldiers and civilians formed rescue parties and went to the aid of the homeless in the inundated regions. Many fled from their homes in the valley and the low hills to the mountain sides and are stranded there without food or shelter. Millions of cubic metres of water swept into the two valleys when the dyke broke.

Brick and Tile Works at York, Neb., Are Destroyed

York, Neb., Dec. 1.—The works of the York Brick and Tile company in North York burned today. The fire is believed to have started in the boiler room. Large storage and drying sheds were consumed. Only the residence of Frank Burnham, the manager, burns and garage were saved.

Sons of British Party Leaders Go on Stump Together

London, Dec. 1.—Oliver Baldwin and A. G. MacDonald, respectively, sons of Premier Baldwin and James Ramsey MacDonald, the labor leader in parliament, appeared on the same platform at an election meeting held in London last night to support the labor candidate for the Wellington district. The chairman of the meeting addressed Mr. Baldwin as "comrade" and Mr. MacDonald as "the son of the future prime minister." Mr. Baldwin, in his address, repeated his previous attack on the government and his father's heads, particularly with regard to what he termed its inaction. He asserted that he was not opposing his father, but was opposing principles which would lead nowhere. The government had fulfilled none of the promises made during the war and he had looked in vain in the manifesto of the Tory and liberal parties without finding in them any intention of dealing with the filthy conditions under which the poor were living in London. That was why he was supporting the labor party.

Robbers Outwit Police in Chase

Lincoln, Dec. 1.—A band of robbers who Friday night made an attempt to rob the Cornhusker garage here, escaped a squad of motorcycle police early Saturday morning by driving a high-powered automobile over country roads south of the city at a speed which at times exceeded 60 miles an hour, according to the police. The last few miles of the chase, the police said, were driven by the bandits without headlights.

The bandits, who had turned out their lights after a desperate race with the police for about six miles, eluded their pursuers at a branch road eight miles south of here, when, because of there being no light to guide them, and the dust from the fleeing car almost blinding them, the police could not see the fleeing automobile and were forced to abandon the chase. It is believed by the police that the gang is the same that later in the morning cracked the safe in the office of the Evans Laundry company here and escaped with cash and checks estimated at more than \$500.

Export Rate Meeting to Be Held in Omaha

Discussion of equitable arrangement of export rail rates from the middle west to various seaports, will be discussed at the third farmer-manufacturer trade conference to be held in Omaha at Hotel Fontenelle, December 17 and 18.

Clay County to Hold Poultry Show Dec. 5

Harvard, Neb., Dec. 1.—The Clay County Poultry association will hold their poultry show at Sutton, during December 5, 6, 7 and 8. It has been announced. Several of the local poultry raisers are interested in the exhibits, it is reported, and intend to show several specimens from the purebred flocks of the community.

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