

### Germany Refuses To Pay One Billion Reparation May 1

Final Reply Also Disputes Commission's Figures Showing Balance of 12 Billion Marks Due.

Paris, March 23.—(By The Associated Press.)—Germany in her reply today to the recent ultimatum of the allied reparations commission refuses to pay the 1,000,000,000 marks gold due on this date and it disputes the commission's figures showing a balance of 12,000,000,000 marks due May 1.

It is maintained in the German note that the 20,000,000,000 marks which the peace treaty provided should be handed over by May 1 has been more than paid. The note asks that a joint commission of experts fix the value of the German deliveries on reparations account, but it declares that in any event it would be impossible for Germany to pay 12,000,000,000 marks by the first of May.

The reparations committee met this morning to consider the German reply which was transmitted from Berlin last night. The German failure to pay is deemed a violation of the treaty of Versailles which the commission will report to the allied governments. The allies will then determine what measures shall be taken.

Experts Have Appeared. It is commented here that the German experts already have been heard by the commission which listened to their arguments before fixing the valuation of the German deliveries as payments against the 20,000,000,000 marks. This valuation, therefore, was considered final, since the treaty gives the commission sole jurisdiction in the matter.

The German reply does not answer directly the commission's demand for a first payment of 1,000,000,000 marks today. This point, however, is covered on the face of things by Germany's contention of over payment of the entire amount due by May 1.

There is nothing said in the note, nevertheless to show that it would be impossible for Germany to pay this 1,000,000,000 marks today. The reparations commission knows that Germany has available in gold, as well as in foreign securities, it is stated.

Stillman Tells Court His Wife Is Untrue (Continued From Page One) tion of Mr. Stillman's income, which finally was admitted by one of his lawyers to have been \$536,000 in 1920. Counsel for the defendant had claimed it amounted to \$800,000 or \$1,000,000.

### Ex-Chorus Girl Named In Stillman Divorce



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The mother stood for the paternity of the child, while the father attacked it. "Isn't that the big point in the question of compensation?" he asked, adding that sufficient counsel fees, in consideration of the attack made on the child, should be allowed.

Will Prove Falsity. Abraham Levy of attorneys for Mrs. Stillman, then stated: "She fights not only for the life of herself, but for the life of her child. This case has not yet been tried. When it is tried, she will prove her denial of all the allegations as to her infidelity made by Mr. Stillman."

Justice Morschauer then said he would enter the final papers in the county clerk's office of Westchester county, but added that he would order the county clerk to transmit the papers to Putnam county, where the action originally started and where the papers were filed.

On the question where the papers should be filed, one of the attorneys remarked with a smile: "They might consult the convenience of the large number of newspaper reporters assigned to the suit."

Justice Morschauer at this juncture, reiterated that the entire proceedings was a public matter and that he intended to have everything connected with the case conducted "openly and above board."

### Army Corporal Murders Wife And Kills Self

Couple, Married Last November, Broken Up as Friends Are Told Divorce Suit Will Be Started.

Rockford, Ill., March 23.—Mrs. Leulah Howard was shot and killed in her room at the Edward hotel here today by her husband, Charles W. Howard, a corporal in the ordnance department of the 52d Infantry at Camp Grant.

As his wife fell dying at his feet, Howard fired a bullet into his own head. He died at a hospital two hours later. Jealousy is believed to have been the motive. Mrs. Howard had told acquaintances that she was starting proceedings for divorce. They were married November 13, 1920 in Indianapolis, Ind., and Mrs. Howard had lived at the hotel for a month.

The clerk making the connection at the office for a phone call to her room from outside the hotel thought he heard a shot. The door to Howard's room was found locked. A policeman breaking into the room found Mrs. Howard just breathing her last. Howard was stretched up on the bed unconscious with a bullet wound in his head.

Howard shot his wife according to the police in the back of the head as she was answering the phone call. Agreement Reached Ends Packer Dispute (Continued From Page One)

hours, wages, conditions and adjustments thereof excepting as hereinafter set out. The employers and employees shall, however, be permitted to put into operation plans whereby they may develop a method to handle between themselves, all matters of mutual interest so long as they do not interfere with the administration.

"Fifth—Any questions relating to hours or wages submitted to the administrator during the continuance of the agreement shall be submitted on written briefs unless otherwise requested by the administrator."

Messrs. Condon and Meyer made the following statement: "We have agreed with Secretary Davis to a definite termination of the wartime labor agreement. This will enable the packers to complete themselves and their employees, all matters of mutual interest."

Officers Elected By York Traveling Men York, Neb., March 23.—(Special.)—Post L. Travelers Protective association, elected the following officers: J. F. Stewart, president; C. J. Humphrey, vice president; D. D. Jackson, secretary-treasurer.

### Trade Relations With Russia May Be Resumed

United States toward the importation of gold, supposedly of Russian origin, was indicated. There is on the way to this country much gold shipped from Stockholm and said to bear the mint mark of the Swedish government. It was explained that the United States would not concern itself as to the origin of the metal and that the parties to whom it has been consigned would receive it at their own risk.

It also became known that there has been some slight relaxation of the strict regulations governing the issuance of visas and passports, although it was explained that even now and only in extreme cases would there be any modification. Recognition Necessary.

In some official circles the opinion was expressed that satisfactory trade relations with Russia cannot be resumed unless the soviet government is recognized by this country. Since all Russian trading is in the hands of the soviet government, it was explained, shipments of goods to this country would be liable to attachment by creditors of the imperial Russian government.

Government economic experts expressed the opinion that Russia was attempting to obtain commodities under the guise of trade negotiations, as there was in reality, little Russia has to offer this country. Secretary Hoover, in a statement Monday, declared except for some gold and platinum and a little flax, Russia was without any considerable amount of commodities which would have a market in this country.

Two Tickets Nominated At Red Cloud Caucus Red Cloud, Neb., March 23.—(Special Telegram.)—Caucuses were held here by the farmers and independent parties and two tickets placed in the field for city and school district offices. The citizens nominated Dr. W. H. McBride, mayor; D. C. Teel, clerk; Joe Hewitt, treasurer; A. D. Ducker and C. A. Herreck, councilmen and B. F. Perry, Dr. R. P. Hoxsey and Mrs. A. McCall, members of the school board.

The independents selected Miss Mary Peterson, a young business woman, mayor; O. C. Teel, clerk; S. R. Florence, treasurer; B. W. Stewart, police judge; George Overing, engineer; R. E. Mitchell and Mrs. George Hummel, councilmen; B. F. Perry, R. P. Wesner and C. J. Pope for members of school board.

Student Dies of Injury Suffered in Gymnasium Des Moines, March 23.—Verner Ewing of Des Moines fell in the gymnasium of the Iowa state college yesterday and died, as a result of a fractured skull, according to work received here.

Scottsbluff Pastor Resigns Scottsbluff, Neb., March 23.—(Special Telegram.)—Rev. B. A. Fye, pastor of the Presbyterian church of Scottsbluff for two years, and a man active in community affairs during that time, has resigned to accept the pastorate of the First Presbyterian church at Broken Bow.

Reversion Section Man Is Killed at Red Cloud Red Cloud, Neb., March 23.—(Special Telegram.)—Fred Schmidt, reversion section man, who was helping clear up Sunday's wreck here, was injured Tuesday by a part of a wrecked car falling on him. His skull was penetrated by a piece of iron. He was given medical care here and taken to his home where he died during the night.

### Bankers Are Told Of Difficulties In North Dakota

Secretary of State Association Declares Diversion of Funds and Heavy Decline of Grain Caused Trouble.

St. Louis, March 23.—Financial conditions throughout the middle west were outlined here today by delegates at the closing session of the tenth annual conference of presidents, vice presidents and secretaries of the central states bankers' associations.

Numerous bank suspensions recently occurring in North Dakota were caused, in part, by the diverting of public funds, according to W. C. McFadden of Fargo, N. D., secretary of the North Dakota Bankers' association. The heavy decline in the price of grain was another factor, he said.

Mr. McFadden explained that the law which created the Bank of North Dakota designated it as the repository of all public funds. Approximately \$3,000,000 of the public funds was diverted to investment in mortgage loans, and \$1,000,000 for a mill and elevator, he continued, adding "this upset the financial and business structure of the state."

Rev. Titus Lowe Speaks At Scottsbluff Meeting Scottsbluff, Neb., March 23.—(Special Telegram.)—Over 900 Scottsbluff citizens attended a "Get Together" meeting and heard Rev. Titus Lowe of Omaha speak of the need of true civic spirit to make a city great. He referred to the coming spring election at Omaha, a fight of the former third ward politicians to regain the power in office they lost three years ago.

Fillmore County to Start Drive on Pocket Gophers Geneva, Neb., March 23.—(Special.)—The Fillmore County Farm Bureau has arranged to start a drive for the extermination of pocket gophers. A captain has been appointed in each township. In each road district a demonstration will be made to which farmers will be summoned by telephone. The poison bait to be used is furnished free by the office of the county agricultural agent.

Egg Prices Slump New York, March 23.—Eggs declined in price here today. Fancy white eggs were quoted at 35 cents wholesale, showing a drop of 6 cents. Western firsts, declined from 34 to 23 and 25 cents.

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### Grand Island Proves Jinxed Territory For Bootleggers

Grand Island, Neb., March 23.—(Special Telegram.)—Hall county is proving "jinxed" territory for moonshiners and bootleggers. Following the discovery of a still on an island in the Platte river by a boy scout

and the subsequent arrest of two Rapier brothers, Sheriff McCutchan and Deputy Larsen, while serving a summons, discovered a large barrel half full of corn mash and a gallon and a half of the finished product at the home of Mrs. Chidester in this city.

About the same hour State Agent Hyers and Deputies Spees and Smith noticed a suspicious looking car in front of a garage. They found four gallons of corn liquor concealed under a robe. Lee Tatum and Charlie

Cone were the names given by the two men in charge when they were arrested. The men had evidently driven from Kearney.

Sidney Lets Contract For New City Water Mains Sidney, Neb., March 23.—(Special.)—The Sidney city council let the contract for the laying of the new water mains. The amount of the contract is \$15,132. The estimated cost for this work one year ago was \$38,000.

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16968—Emmett's Favorite Yodel	.....Watson
86c Alpine Specialty Popular Yodel	.....Watson
17242—Silver Threads Among the Gold—Cello	.....Bourdon
86c Broken Melody	.....Bourdon
17385—Traumerli—Violin	.....Jacobson
86c Berceuse	.....Jacobson
17521—Dance of the Song Birds (bird effect)	.....Victor Orchestra
86c Crickets' Serenade	.....Victor Orchestra
17720—Love's Dream After the Ball	.....Venetian Trio
86c Dream Visions—Intermezzo	.....Florentine Quartet
17968—Memories	.....Wells
86c One Fleeting Hour	.....Baker
18019—Spring Song (Whistling)	.....Gorst
86c The Robins Return	.....Gorst
18501—Cohen Gets Married	.....Silver
86c Cohen on His Honeymoon	.....Silver
18498—Chin—Box Trot	.....Saxophone Sextette
86c Laverne—Waltz Caprice	.....Henton
18526—Till We Meet Again—Waltz	.....Orlando's Orchestra
86c Beautiful Ohio—Waltz	.....Orlando's Orchestra
18646—Carolina Sunshine—Waltz	.....Smith's Orchestra
86c Apple Blossoms—One Step	.....Smith's Orchestra
35352—Hungarian Rhapsody, No. 2 Part I	.....Vessella's Band
86c Hungarian Rhapsody, No. 2 Part II	.....Vessella's Band
45928—Narcissus	.....Herbert's Orchestra
86c Melody in F	.....Herbert's Orchestra
45180—Virginia Judge—Part I	.....Kelley
86c Virginia Judge—Part II	.....Kelley
64457—\$1.25—Barcarolle, Tales of Hoffman—Violin	.....Powell
64564—\$1.25—Use Gwine Back to Dixie—With Male Chorus	.....Powell
64774—\$1.25—Lohengrin, Prelude Act III—Boston Symphony Orch.	.....Alma Gluck
64708—\$1.25—Sweetest Story Ever Told	.....Sophie Braslau
64874—\$1.25—Drink to Me Only With Thine Eyes—Finlayson Quar	.....Alma Gluck



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