

## Germany at Work On New Proposal For Reparations

Reconstruction of Devastated Regions and Assumption of Allied Debts Fundamentals of Counter Proposal.

BY HENRY WALES.

Chicago Tribune—(By Wireless).—Paris, April 16.—(By Wireless).—Germany is preparing new proposals for reparations which Dr. Walter Simons, the foreign minister, favors transmitting to the allies through either the Swiss or American governments. The plan being drafted by Wilhelmstrasse embraces two primary points:

1. Reconstruction of the devastated regions by utilizing German labor and material, but offering extra compensation to France for not employing French workmen nor using French material.

2. Assumption of the allies war debts in lieu of payment of reparations by effecting a great international loan.

Dr. Simons, who has just returned to Berlin from Switzerland, is anxious to obtain the consent of President Harding to mediate with the allies to prevent the French from beginning military operations against Germany on May 1.

Dr. Simons wants an intermediary to urge the French to delay the extension of occupation until Germany's new proposals are submitted, but he points out that the details of the new offer cannot be completed until the disposition of upper Silesia is settled.

Assured of Loan.

Germany reports that it has already been assured of the success of an international loan through the medium and guarantee of the reparations commission.

The Dutch, Scandinavian, Swiss, Spanish and certain South American governments are said to be willing to participate in a large share of the loan, but the bigger American banking groups in the United States are expected to subscribe the bulk of the necessary funds. Representatives of four great American banking groups are reported to have already pledged their support. It is reported in Paris that the United States has unofficially invited Germany to send a diplomatic delegate to Washington to represent Germany when the senate acts on the separate peace resolution.

Wilhelmstrasse is reported to have selected Count Montgelas as its representative at Washington. He will interpret the German viewpoint and will be empowered to speak on behalf of the reichstag in discussing the projected separate peace.

French Officials Confer.

A government conference was held at the Elysee palace this morning, when the highest officials of the French republic discussed what operations would be undertaken if no agreement was reached with Germany on reparations. By May 1, President Millerand, Premier Briand, Mr. Barthou, minister of war; M. Doumer, minister of finance; M. Loucheur, minister of the liberated regions; Marshals Foch and Pétain, and Generals Buat, Degoutte and Wignand were present.

It is rumored the military chiefs submitted plans for occupation of the Ruhr basin and Frankfurt and an alternative plan of seizing a line along the main river and establishing contact with Czechoslovakia, thereby cutting Bavaria away from Germany.

The operations contemplate the utilization of 200,000 troops. Naval co-operation and controlling the ports of Hamburg and Bremen are also understood to have been mentioned.

Packing House Workers

In Argentina on Strike

Buenos Aires, April 16.—A general strike has been declared against the American packing house at La Blanca, following the discharge of several persons whose work had not been satisfactory. When the strike was called the beef workers finished the work they had begun before quitting, but the sheep dressers abandoned several hundred carcasses as they were. There are 2,000 steers in the yards awaiting disposal. They must be fed and watered and it will probably be necessary to enlist the office staff to do this work.

Woman Killed by Small Son

Playing With Revolver

Three Rivers, Quebec, April 16.—The 8-year-old son of Mrs. Aimee Bibeau picked up a revolver he saw in a store where he went shopping with his mother. Unaware that it was loaded, he pointed it at her and pulled the trigger. She was instantly killed.

High Pressure Salesman

Found Guilty of Forgery

Omaha, Ia., April 16.—George P. (Alfalfa) Johnson, high pressure stock salesman and promoter of the defunct \$4,000,000 Alfalfa & Cereal Milling company of Sioux City, was found guilty of the charge of forgery in connection with the affairs of the concern.

Police Drive to Make  
New York City "Dry"

Floods Court Dockets

New York, April 16.—The police campaign to wean New York away from spirituous libations, as prescribed in the state's new bone-dry law, began to assume far-reaching ramifications.

Regardless of the fact that approximately 630 arrests have been made within the last week and that grand juries have returned only 70 indictments, resulting in clogging the dockets and crowding jails, the police continued to bring in alleged violators of the liquor laws rounded up in raids on bar shops, grocery stores, private homes and other places, which aroused official suspicion by means other than swinging doors.

To alleviate this congestion and to grease the wheels of enforcement machinery, Assistant District Attorney Unger announced his intention of asking for the appointment of two additional grand juries to devote their undivided attention to liquor cases.

## They Paste 'Em On Now



"Say, girls, are my eyelashes on straight?" This question will, according to well informed stylists, shortly become as commonplace as "is there any powder on my nose?" In many cases, the ultra-fashionable girls say, Mother Nature failed to provide eyelashes long enough to furnish that mystic, alluring setting which milady covets for her big blue eyes. And so many beauty parlors are manufacturing eyelashes to make up for her deficiency. With a tiny speck of glue they can be affixed to the eyelid so that the long, velvety "lashes" of pin feathers interweave with those provided by Mother Nature. In the photograph a young lady is shown pasting on her "eyelashes."

## Western Union Cable Fight in Supreme Court

Attorneys Deny Landing of Line Upon U. S. Territory Constituted "Physical Encroachment."

Washington, April 16.—The government contention that a cable connection constituted a "physical encroachment" upon the territory of the United States was ridiculed by counsel for the Western Union Telegraph company, in opposing before the supreme court, the appeal from lower court decisions refusing to enjoin the company from landing the Miami end of the Barbados-Brazil cable.

"The government's argument is that there may be an effectual invasion by an alien invader over the wires of the domestic company," Rush Taggart, attorney for the company, said. "There is no physical connection save by messages over the wire, which are commerce. It is only through imagination, the approach of a peaceful, unarmed cable ship presents the wrinkled front of war."

Interference by President Wilson and his cabinet with the cable landing was declared to have been utterly without legal sanction.

Solicitor General Frierson, concluding the government's case, said cable landing permits in 50 years had almost without exception, contained a proviso against monopolistic concessions such as was alleged to be contemplated by the Western Union's connection with the British-Brazilian lines. Should cabinet officers be prevented from enforcing such a requirement, he said, "the government would be powerless to prevent that company from accomplishing its purpose except by cutting the existing cables."

Neola Man Killed in Air

Accident at Washington

Atlantic, Ia., April 16.—(Special Telegram).—Lieut. James Langin, son of J. C. Langin and wife of Neola, was killed in an airplane accident at Washington. The body will arrive here Sunday for burial. Lieut. Langin was 24 years of age and was raised in Neola. He was a graduate of the Neola High school and entered the aviation service during the war. His parents are pioneers of the Neola community and lived on a farm near there for many years.

Lad Who Led Officer on

Merry Chase Held by Judge

Walter Moore, 11, 2506 Decatur street, led D. W. Miller, juvenile court officer, a merry chase through Riverview park and the bottoms Friday before he was caught and lodged in Riverview home.

Yesterday Judge Sears put Walter and his pal, Gale Elledge, 13, 913 1/2 North Thirteenth street, where they couldn't run away again—in the Kearney Industrial home.

The boys stole bicycles in Council Bluffs and rode them to Omaha. Walter ran away from the Riverview home last October, too, when committed there for his first offense.

Six Negroes Are Arrested

On Counterfeiting Charge

Washington, April 16.—Six negroes, the eldest 21 years old and the youngest 14, are held here in connection with an unusual counterfeiting scheme. They are said to have obtained several hundred dollars on spurious notes originally of \$1 denomination which were raised by pasting on them the corners of \$20 and \$10 condemned notes turned into the treasury to be destroyed. Secret service agents are seeking a man said to be the author of the scheme.

Steamships

Arrivals.

New York, April 16.—France, Havre, Napaaki, April 21—Royal Arrow, San Francisco.

April 12—Cross Keys, Seattle, Hong Kong, April 18—Dumais, San Francisco.

Yokohama, April 15.—West Jessup, Seattle.

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## Recommendations Are Adopted by Women Voters

Question of Election Laws and Primary Methods Only One to Be Passed Upon,

Cleveland, April 15.—Delegates to the second annual convention of the National League of Women Voters practically wound up the business of the week's meeting here Friday by the adoption of the recommendations of the seven standing committees—American citizenship, child welfare, election laws and methods, food supply and demand, social hygiene, uniform laws concerning women and women in industry.

The convention adopted a resolution thanking former President Wilson for his "timely assistance in securing the special session in Tennessee" at which suffrage was finally ratified.

A resolution by Mrs. Catt urging congress to make August 26, the day women were given enfranchisement, a federal holiday was unanimously adopted.

The Towns-House bill, providing federal standardization of schools and a section of the American citizenship committee report was debated at some length. The principles of the bill were adopted but the convention voted to refer the bill to the national board of directors for final action.

Section three of the American citizenship report provides that English shall be made the national language by making it compulsory in all public and private schools where courses in general education are conducted. An amendment providing that only a course of English be compulsory was defeated.

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As new rules must now be formulated, however, it is pointed out that it is not a settled fact that all of the \$300,000,000 can be saved, as was predicted when the executives asked that they be relieved from the conditions imposed by the agreements. The new rights to be agreed upon, however, will not be national in application. This was the principal objection to the existing agreement under which the railroads contended great waste resulted because the standardized rules were not applicable to particular conditions on different roads.

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## Railway Situation Is Key To Revival of Business

President Harding and Cabinet Members Discuss Measures to Get Industry Back to Normal Basis—Executives Say Abrogation of National Agreements Is Big Victory.

Washington, April 16.—President Harding and the cabinet discussed measures to get business of the country going again and came to the conclusion that the key to business revival is the railroad situation.

Every phase of business depression was considered and agreement was unanimous that the railroad problem was at the bottom of business ills. How the government can help was the text of the cabinet discussion, but no announcement concerning remedies was made.

To get business traffic moving at normal again, it was agreed, would result in a general resumption of business. To do this will be the government's aim, but how to help has not been definitely outlined.

In administration quarters the decision of the United States railroad labor board abrogating national agreements covering working conditions and hours of service of railroad employees was regarded as certain to have an important bearing on a solution of railroad troubles.

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## 'Red the Rough' Making Love at Time of Rum Deal

Courting Here When Canadian Swindle Negotiated—Bart Williams' Alibi in U. S. Court.

Details of a romance in Omaha last fall were narrated in federal court yesterday in defense of one of the four men for whose extradition on forgery and robbery charges the Canadian government is fighting.

Bart Williams, alias "Red the Rough," is one of the four men held on Canadian warrants.

The warrants charge him with implication in the alleged robbery of 65 cases of liquor and the alleged forgery of \$60,000 worth of checks, with three companions, in Canada on November 22.

Williams, according to testimony of Edward Humple, living two miles south of the Douglas-Sarpy county line, was in the throes of a romance with Miss Bessie Wade last fall.

Miss Wade, a pretty divorcee, formerly Mrs. Arthur West, made her home with the Humple family at that time, he testified.

On her birthday, November 21, the night before the alleged crimes with which Williams is charged were committed in Canada, Williams was at the Humple home and gave Miss Wade a cameo pin as a present, the Sarpy man testified.

The pin, according to testimony of clerks in the Frenzer jewelry store in Omaha, was purchased by Williams November 12, nine days before the birthday anniversary.

Wiley Compton, alias L. Pearson and Jack Howard, alias J. B. Shelton, are the three men held with Williams on the Canadian warrants.

She Shows Marriage Papers, Not Common Law Wife

Mrs. Jennie Schuler, 1911 Cumming street, flashed a new marriage certificate before the eyes of Judge Sears in juvenile court yesterday in answer to her divorced husband's charge she was Edward Campbell's common law wife.

"We were married early this morning by Judge Holmes," she said.

"We intended to marry May 1, anyway."

Her former husband, Herman Schuler, stepladder, living at 1715 Chicago street, brought charges that the woman's home was not the proper place for their four children, whose custody she was granted over a year ago.

Judge Sears postponed decision with reference to the children.

Notorious Crook Sought in Murder at Stuart Bank

Des Moines, Ia., April 16.—(Special Telegram).—Police here announced today that recent discoveries made in connection with the Stuart (Ia.) bank robbery and the murder of Marshal Myers had implicated Earl Lavallier, notorious yeggman and bank robber, for whom a nation-wide search has been started. The finding of a black bag in a station locker here with some of the Stuart loot is thought to have furnished the clue.

Footpads Listen to Plea After Taking Man's Money

Two men forced S. V. Strong of Chicago into an automobile on the Tenth street viaduct at the point of revolvers Friday night, he reported to the police, and drove with him to Seventh and Leavenworth streets where they robbed him of \$39.30.

The men were dissuaded from binding and gagging him and leaving him lie there, Strong said, through his earnest pleadings that they could have his money if they'd let him go.

Army Orders

Washington, April 15.—(Special Telegram).—By direction of the president, a court of inquiry, as hereinafter constituted, is appointed to meet at the headquarters, Ft. Crook, Neb., at such times as the senior member directs, to consider cases arising in connection with the classification of officers under the provisions of Section 449 of the national defense act as amended by act of congress, approved June 4, 1920.

Members of the court shall be: Col. Leroy S. Upton, general staff; Col. William Naylor, general staff; Lieut. Col. B. Myers, general staff; Lieut. Col. Claude S. Fries, general staff; recorder; Maj. Thomas J. Hayes, ordinance department.

Dr. M. J. Baslin has been appointed pension surgeon of Alliance, Neb., and Dr. C. H. Mitchell of Leon, Ia.

## Emergency Tariff Bill Is Passed by House, 269 to 112

Fifteen Democrats Join Republicans in Support of Emergency and Anti-Dumping Measure.

By The Associated Press.

Washington, April 16.—Republican leaders, supported by all except eight of their party and by 15 democrats, pushed the Young emergency tariff and anti-dumping bill through the house late Friday. The vote was 269 to 112, with two members voting present.

Passage of the measure came at the end of a stormy session, during which a handful of democrats aided by a few republicans, had harassed the leaders of the republican side persistently for more than four hours. Charges that the republicans had bowed to the "dictation of the senate" were hurled not only by Representative Garrett, Tennessee, acting democratic leader, but by Representative Newton of Tennessee and Representative Luce, Massachusetts, both republicans.

No Changes Acceptable.

Chairman Fordney of the ways and means committee, precipitated the charges of senate dictation when he declared the senate would accept no changes in the bill as it was passed last session, not so much as a crossing of a "t" or the dotting of an "i." "Those are instructions," he added.

Mr. Newton, who had the floor, retorted that he would not "surrender judgment and intelligence both" on a "question on which he felt he was right, senate orders notwithstanding."

"I don't propose to have the house accept the dictation of the other body," he exclaimed.

Opportunity is knocking—Read Bee Want Ads.

## Depositors of Defunct North Dakota Banks Will Be Reimbursed

Bismarck, N. D., April 16.—The state guaranty fund commission decided to reimburse depositors of banks which have been closed in North Dakota, due to depleted reserves, when funds are available.

The commission will pay according to the order of the closing of the banks, the first to benefit being the Tolley State bank. Deposits in that bank at the time of closing last fall, amounted to about \$350,000, which is approximately the sum available to the commission at present.

Forty-four state and national banks have been closed in the state since last fall. A number have reopened.

## Samuel Gompers to Wed New York City Woman

New York, April 16.—Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, authorized the announcement of his engagement to Mrs. Gertrude Gleaves Neuscheler of this city. The marriage will take place in the near future.

Mr. Gompers, who is 71, lost his first wife through death a year ago. He is the father of six children and has several grandchildren. Mrs. Neuscheler, who is 38, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas J. Gleaves of Zanesville, O.

## Woman's Case Amazes Omaha

A business man's wife suffered for two years with sore, watery eyes, which pained day and night. Finally she tried simple camphor, hyalastic, witchhazel, etc., as mixed in Lavoptik eye wash. This helped her AT ONCE. Another lady reports "it leaves eyes cool and fresh."

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