France Opposes Substantial Cut In Size of Army

Country Will Fight Reduction Until Bolshevik Menace Dissipated and Versailles Treaty Executed.

By HENRY WALES.

1 Washington, Nov. 15.—France will oppose substantial reduction in land armament—restriction of military forces-until a substantial and recognized form of government is established in Russia

The French delegation is ready to discuss limitation of the size of armies at the disarmament confer-

But no beginning on materially reducing the size of armies can be entered into by France until the bolshevik menace is dissipated and until Germany has entirely executed all military clauses in the Versailles

General Edmond Buat, chief of staff of the French army, who here with Premier Briand, has just completed the draft of a plan for limiting the size of armies, due consideration being taken for the geographical position of the various

Armies of World Today. Following is the size of the princi-

pal armies today, according to statistics which have been gathered: Russia, 5,000,000 men available, 550,-000 infantry troops now under arms, although many are poorly equipped; and 21 divisions of cavalry, averag-ing from 3,000 to 5,000 men to each division; the Russian artillery is very

France, 657,000 troops under arms, of which 85,000 are on the Rhine in conformity with the guarantee clauses of the Versailles treaty. Other important contingents are in Syria, Cilecia, Constantinople, Memel

and Upper Silesia. Japan about 400,000 troops, of which 1,600 are in Shantung, smaller detachments at Vladivostok, large orces in Sakhalien and Corea, and olding forces in Manchuria.

Germany Has Skeleton Force. Italy, 280,000 troops including sev-eral divisions in 1stria along the Jugo-Slavia frontier and other forces kept near the Austrian border.

Poland, 230,000 troops chiefly massed along the red frontier, with important groups in the Vilna region. Britain has nearly 700,000 men under arms including native troops in India, the large occupation army in Mesopotamia and the garrisons in

Egypt and Constantinople, Germany 100,000 troops in the regular army as provided by the Versailles treaty, and 150,000 police and gendarmes to maintain order. The 250,000 men under arms in Germany are highly trained men, thoroughly and effeciently officered, of which every enlisted man is a potential non-commissioned officer -"feldwebel"-or field officer. This body of 250,000 men could be used to form the skeleton for an army of 5,000,000 troops, it is estimated, especially for operations within the put forth the factors which lead it

next 10 years as the majority of the men mobilized would have seen serin the great war. increase is desired was not explain-loption of a plan for limitation ed tonight, but emphasis was laid vice in the great war. of land armaments, reduction of the size of armies, must be accompanied by agreement on a new code governing recognized rules of warfare, according to the French viewpoint.

Must Revise War Code. Any plan for limitation of land forces must comprise rules for warfare, restriction regarding use of gas which will prevent an unscrupulous enemy from dropping a deadly gas bomb on a community, loosing lethal fumes to wipe out the entire living

Regulations concerning aerial bombardments must also be devised, as in units, all enter into the Japanese with improvements in aircraft it may mind as indicating the wisdom of a be possible in future warfare for pilots to tly 1,000 miles from their base and drop bombs on unsuspect-ing cities. San Francisco might fall within radius of a night's flight from some Pacific island and St. Louis perts would understand their case might be reached from a hidden and that a ratio adjustment would base in Mexico.

Protection for hospitals, hospital acceptance of the American proposal ships, ambulances and red cross or-ganizations is a final problem that must be reconsidered and made more stringent in drafting the new war rules.

Italy, also, has brought a plan for reduction of land armament.

Telegraphic Briefs

Charges Comedy is Immoral.

New York, Nov. 15.—Chief Magistrate William McAdoo yesterday entered a format complaint against Al P. Woods, theatrical producer, alleging violations of penal code in presenting an "immoral and impure drama and show," Judge McAdoo's finding was the culmination of an investigation of the "Demi-Virgin," a comedy which opened a few weeks ago on Broadway.

omedy which speakers neturn.

Packer Strikers Return.

Chicago, Nov. 15.—Striking workers at the Western Packing company will return to work teday, union chiefs announced last night. The walkout, in which about 40% heg and cattle killers participated, occurred without sanction of the Amaiagamated Meat Cutters and Butcher Workers association, it was asserted. A dispute over the time to be allowed off on Armistics day led to the walkout.

Japan Must Aid U. S.
Tokto, Oct. 22.—(Correspondence of The Associated Press.)—Japan's last chance to escape bankruptcy as the result of her 'colossai naval aggrandizement scheme,' is for this nation to unite under the leadership of President Harding of the United States in an endeavor to the ulmost to make the Washington conference a brillant success, according to Yukio Ozaki, perhaps the foremost fighter for dissumment in Japan.

"Scrapped Ships Don't Count; Press of Germany It's Ships Afloat," Says Kato

Japanese Admiral, in Answering Countrymen's Questions, Declares It's Vessels Remaining in Commission That Will Maintain Fleet's Efficiency.

Washington, New. 15.—"It isn't the scrapped ships that count; it's the ships afloat," declared Admiral Baron Kato yesterday in answering questions put by Japanese correspondents conversing the American spondents concerning the American

under the Hughes proposition is rather disadvantageous to Japan. considering the present inferior naval position of our country? Arn't they asking too much from us?'

The admiral responded: "Why talk about scrapped ships You should know that what really counts is the number of fighting ships left affoat and not the num ber of those to be abandoned."

Silent on Counter Plan. The admiral declined to commit himself as to probable Japanese counter suggestions, but it is understood that although Japan is almost certain to favor the American pro-posals as a whole, it is probable they

will be the subject of a serious dis-"Naturally," said one Japanese naval expert, "we cannot swallow in one mouthful, this most momentous project which is destined to so vitalaffect the future of our empire. Therefore, we may have counter sug-

Ratio of Warship

Conditions In Need of

Adequate Defensive

Fleet.

By The Associated Press. Washington, Nov. 15 .- Japan feels

that its ratio of warships tonnage

is not high enough under the Ameri-

can proposals, it was said tonight by

members of the Japanese delegation. During Admiral Baron Kato's

speech at the armament conference,

his statement that Japan would sug-

gest some modifications in the tonnage basis for replacement caused

some speculation as to whether it re-

ferred to regulating the capacity of

shipyards so that new warships could be built regularly, or whether it meant that Japan favored a higher

ratio of tonnage compared with the

to believe some increase of tonnage should be afforded it. How much

upon the special conditions surround-

ing Japan as an insular power in need of an adequate defensive fleet.

be behind the attitude of Japan,

whose representatives reiterated to

night that it has no ambition to equal the navy of England or the United States. The probable devel-

opments of science in increasing the

mobilization power of a fleet to distant waters in an offensive, the presence of naval bases near Japan, and

the augmented mobilization power

of an adversary's fleet, when reduced

The suggested increase will prob-

not materially affect Japan's blanket

London society women are turning to fencing as a means of improv-

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ing their dancing.

Practical considerations are said to

United States and Great Britain. Tonight's statement clears up this point and shows that Japan will later

Japanese Feel

United States and Great Britain "Isn't it true, admiral," he asked, "that the ratio of scrapped warships sufficiency, it is pointed out, is the circumstance that Japan's great distance from the other countries concerned makes it less imperative for Japan to possess a powerful defensive fleet. Two Questions Considered.

But in Japanese minds, the quesion of ratio is linked with two other considerations. One is described as the possible advance of science, which would make it easy for an adversary to transfer his fighting force across the seas at a much greater speed than now. The other is the strength of foreign naval bases in the waters near Japan by which the ad-versary could operate his offensive

Another technical matter occupying the experts is the question of the alleged superiority of a fleet reduced in numbers. The theory is that a fleet of fewer units can be more eifectively maneuvered in an offensive than a fleet of many units and that the reducing of an adversary's capigestions or proposals." tal ships makes him in a sense, mor The American plan was termed effective in an offensive operation. tal ships makes him in a sense, more

> Electric Lights Promised Bridgewater by Christmas

Bridgewater, Ia., Nov. 14.-(Special.)-This town will have electric Tonnage Small lights by Christmas time, promises J. W. White, owner of the Cumberland light and power plant, who is building an extension line into Bridgewater. The poles are set and Statement Points Out Special workmen are now stringing the wires. Bridgewater is on a line with Massena, which lately was coupled up with the Cumberland plant and given lights and power.

Sees Egotism of U. S. and England State Will Ask Death

One Paper Declares It Means Nothing for German People But Hypocrisy, Lies and Dishonesty.

Berlin, Nov. 15.—The nationalist press discovers in the proposals of Secretary Hughes only "American egotism" and "lies, hypocrisy and dishonestry. The newspapers declare that Germany cannot "expect the slightest relief from French cruelty, carried on with a revolver on the

Some newspapers express the be-lief that the delegates greeted the proposals with approval in order to gain time "to put something over on each other." The liberal press is silent, but the radical Rote Fahne (Red flag) says it is evident that the "four oppressed peoples-Russia, Germany, apan and Siberia-will be the sacrificial offerings to the commercial im-perialism of America and England."

England to Join U. S. Whether England wishes or not," it adds, "her Japan-hating dominions will force her to go with the United States. These dominions are a bigger trump card in the hand of Secretary Hughes than the billion pounds of war debt England owes." The Pan-German Tages Zeitung. thinks that the American program of a 10 years' naval holiday probably will result in a race to construct fighting submarines and airships and that real disarmament is still far

Says Plan Hypocritical. The Taegliche Rundschau says:

"Despite Quaker help and milch ws it means for us nothing but hypocrisy, lies and dishonesty. It is laughable to see England, America and Japan seeking to save each other from injury, while they are secretly planning later sabotage for the whole program."

The Allgemeine Zeitung sees the prospect of an American and British

agreement and says it is certain France will be given a free hand in dealing with Germany.

The Kreuse Zeitung says Presi-

those of former President Wilson, but that President Harding has a more workable scheme, although it appears the president has no ex-aggerated idea as to the success of the undertaking.

Penalty in Neal Case

(Continued From Page One.) leaving her with two children. There were expressions of sympathy on the faces of those who watched her, as she sat in the court room.

Never Heard of Case. A resident of the county was discovered during the examination o talesmen this afternoon who has never heard of the Neal case. He is Mahlon Kline who lives in St. Deroin, a remote precinct situated in the bluff country.

"I do not read the newspapers and never heard of this murder," he said. "Many of my neighbors have not heard of it either." He was accepted as a prospective member of the jury.
Ray Anderson stated that his

brother married a sister of Mrs. Neal's first husband but said this would not prejudice him if he serves on the jury.

Mrs. Neal, this afternoon was join

ed by several women friends. Her daughter, Ava, also sat with her in-side the railing. J. Wright, a banker at Stella, brother of her first husband, also sat with her.

Never Reads Papers. Herman Guenther, farmer and native of Germany, resident of the county for 25 years, stated that he had heard of the case only as neighbors mentioned it shortly after the tragedy. He said he subscribes to but one newspaper, a farmers' union organ, and had formed no opinion on

the state's attorney as he does not know the English language very well, although he was born in Missouri and had lived there most of his souri and had lived there most of his souri and had lived there most in mirth. Mr. Roosevelt.

General information: William Mr. Roosevelt. to close the court to spectators should there be a repetition of the up-

De Buhr at first said his opinion was biased and the defense made a motion against his selection. Later, when the questions were put in more simple language, De Buhr declared that he was unbiased and the dedent Harding's words sound like fense motion was overruled.

Subcommitties

Washington, Nov. 15.—The advisory committee of the American delegation at its organization meeting yesterday selected six subcommittees to work out a plan in connec-

tion with the items on the agenda of the general armament conference.
After Assistant Secretary of the
Navy Roosevelt had explained the
Hughes program, declaring it would mean a saving of more than \$200,000,000 on construction, there was informal discussion, members saying later the committee stood "as one man" in support of the program.

Women on Executive Board. Chairman Sutherland was named as chairman ex-officio of the execu-tive committee, with Mrs. Eleanor Franklin Egan as secretary. Other members are: Under Secretary of State Fletcher, Samuel Gompers, Secretary Hoover, Assistant Secre-tary Roosevelt, Willard Saulsbury of Delaware and W. Boyce Thompson, New York.

The other committees Land armament: General Pershing, chairman; C. S. Barrett, Mrs. Charles Sumner Bird, Walter George Smith, Representative S. G. Porter, Assistant Secretary of War Wainwright and John L. Lewis.

Far Eastern Committee. Pacific and far eastern questions: S. G. Porter, chairman; Mrs. Katherine Phillips Edson, Mr. Gompers, Mr. Saulsbury, H. M. Sewell, Mr. Smith and Mr. Wainwright.

organ, and had formed no opinion on the case.

Court room spectators waxed hilarious when Fred De Buhr asserted he could not understand questions of the state's attorney as he does not support the state of the state's attorney as he does not support the state's attorney as he does not support the state's attorney as he does not wright and Mrs. T. G. Winter.
New weapons of warfare: C. A.
Thompson, chairman; Mrs. Edson,
Mr. Lewis, Governor Parker, Gen-

Boyce Thompson, chairman; Mr. Barrett, Mrs. Bird, Secretary Hoover, Mr. Lewis, Governor Parker and Mrs. Winter.

Seaweed has lately been found to produce gelatine of very high quality. Fifty dollars was the price originally paid for Newfoundland by Great

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