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OVERMAN_SECURES PROMISE TO THINK ABOUT THE SOUTH

Harding To Give "Serious Consideration" For Representafive From Southeast

WILL CALL SENATOR IN IF SHOULD THINK WISE

Junior Senator Presents Name Republican National Commit-Maxwell For Inter-Commerce Commis sion; Withdraws Objection to Confirmation of Potter and

The News and Observer Bureau, 603 District National Bank Bldg. By JOE L. BAKER (By Special Leaged Wire)

Washington, March 12.-During a half hour interview at the White House this morning, Senator Overman presented the name of A. J. Maxwell, chairman of the North Carelina Corp-

Following his return to the Capitol, nator Overman said he had a very leasant visit with the President, that the latter appeared impressed with the suggestion that the section included in the Southeastern tariff territory ought to be represented on the Interstate Commerce commission, and gave the Benator to understand that he would re serious consideration to the sug-stion, and if he decided to allot one of the two remaining places to the Southeast, to call Senator Overman in for another conference before making while Presenting Mr. Maxwell as

man thoroughly equipped for the imantor Overman made it clear that that he is most concerned about is that the South shall have representa-

on on the commission.

Potter Appointment Confirmed.

Because of the President's attitude nator Overman and other Southern inters made no objection today when a motion to confirm the appointment of Mark W. Potter, of New York, to mission was before the Senate and Mr. Potter was confirmed. How and Mr. Potter was confirmed. However, the appointment of former Representative Each to the Commission is still being held up. Each's nomination being objected to by Scantor LaFollette, in whose State the nominee lives. Amazor LaFollette opposed the Each Commings transportation act, of which the Commission nominee was one of the authors and because of the wide difference in their ideas on transportation matters, Mr. LaFollette is expected to do all in his power to prevent Each's confirmation.

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Beston, to the tariff commission. Begarded as of the "highest protection-ists" in the country, the Democratic Senators opposed his appointment to the tariff commission on the ground that he was a lobbyist. Marvin has been serving as secretary of the Home to him, placed her left hand on his been serving as accretary of the nome Markets club of Boston, protectionists organization, ade up chiefly of Massachusetts textile men, whose pro-sectionist ideas are for a high tariff.

Marvia Strong Protectionist. At the time President Wilson made At the time President Wilson made his famous charge that an insidious lobby was exerting its influence at the capitol and an investigation was ordered, Senator Querman was made chairman of the investigating committee. That Senator said today that Marain was called before the committee and admitted that he was here to lobby sgainst the Underwood-Simmons tariff law and for high protection rates in the interest of the Massachusetts manufacturers. A dispatch from Boston the interest of the Massachusetts manufacturers. A displatch from Boston this morning says that "Mr. Marvin is one of the strongest protectionists in the country," and that the "majority of the textile mun here are protectionists, so that Mr. Marvin's celection for the tariff commission is a most popular one."

Democrats opposed Mr. Marvin, not only because they regarded him as a

was sent to the Senate by President Wilson, but the Senate withheld confirmation. Secretary Weeks assured Senator Overman that Col. Bowley's nomination for promotion weeld be renewed and it of course will be confirmed this time. This will probably mean that Colonel Bowley will continue to com- and Lamp Bragg indefinitely.

Promotion for Col. S. L. Faison, a North Carolinian who served as a brigadiar during the world war and commanded the thirtieth division at one time, was also urged by Senator Overman, and the Secretary of War promised to look into the matter.

Credit Man Make Protest.

According to a story in one of the leading trade and financial papers in New York City this morning, the banking and curroney executive committees of the National Association of credit man has issued a stalement "protesting against recent legislation in North Carolina which prohibits ustaries public from protesting hos-payment is ing to the refusal of the bank on which he check it drawn to pay it at par, a senation of which the par collection

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HAMON DECLARED WOMAN SHOT HIM, WITNESSES STATE

Preacher Testifies That Dying Man Told Him It Was 'Frame Up By Others'

POLITICS INTRODUCED INTO OKLAHOMA TRIAL

teeman Told Political Friends While Dying "Talk Direct To Warren Harding"; Told Min. ister He Had Paid Off Wom. an Three Times

Admore, Okla., March 12 .- Additional testimony that Jake L. Hamon, Oklahoma Republican national committee men, had declared on his death bed that he had been shot by Clara Smith Hamon as he lay on the bed hotel room, was introduced at the wo-man's trial here today. W. B. Nicholas, business associate of Hamon's, corchairman of the Borth Caraina Copy of Control of Commission to President Hards caborated testimony of vesterday as to vesterday as to the land the conducted Hamon's funeral services, queted Hamon's funeral services, queted Hamon as saying that Following his return to the Capitol, Clara Hamon had told him the affair was a "frame up by others" and that was sorry for what she had done. For the first time in the trial, which started two days ago, polities, which gained Hamon national renown, was

ed on when one of the witnesses stated he had been told by Hamon to "take direct to Warren Harding" the matter of appointment to office of several of Hamon's friends, in which Hamon still expressed deep interest even while dying. "Frame-Up By Others."

"She told me this was a frame up by others and that she was sorry," Rev. T. E. Irwin, pastor of the Presbyterian church at Lawton, who delivered Mr. Hamon's funeral oration, testified the dying man told him. "Three times I had paid her off, but this is the last

The matter of the alleged "fram was not touched on further by either State or defense counsel, and Dr. Irwin did not get to complete the statement he had started because of an interruption by defense counsel. The clergyman did not have direct

information from Hamon that young woman, former wife of a nephew, and shot him, he said. Not so, however, with W. B. Nicholas, former chief of police of Oklahoma City, Okla, and jusiness and political asso-ciate of Mr. Hamon.

Mr. Nicholas was the second man through whom the State had sought to introduce an alleged dying statement from Mr. Hamon and his testingay, like that of Kelly M. Rosch, an Oklahoma City insurance man on yesterday, was to the effect that he had been told

to him, placed her left hand on his head and fired a bullet into his body. He told how Hamon had said he threw up his left arm to knock aside the firearm, but too late, then leaped to his feet, knocked the tiny automatic pistol from the woman's hand, on his knees on the darkness on the searched for it in the darkness on the floor, recovered it, placed it in his pocket and then walked to the sanitar-ium where he died five days later.

Agrees To Leave City.

The former police chief testified he was in Mr. Hamon's office the following morning when Clara Hamon entered and morning when Clara Hamon entered and agreed upon demand of Frank Ketch, tusiness manager for Mr. Hamon then and now administrator of his estate, that she leave Ardmore quickly. "Clara I have never butted into your

"Clara I have never butted into your affairs before, but I am now. No more disgrace for the Hamon family," Nicholas quoted Ketch as having said. "Why, you talk as if I did it," he said Clara replied. "He did it himself and will tell you so."

On gross examination, Mr. Nicholas denied he had seen bruises and marks on Clara Hamon's face and hands at that time. The defense has indicated

death-bed.

Everett W. Sallia, a chanffeur of Dallas, Texas, textified he had driven Clara Hamon from Dallas to Cisco. Texas, where she bounded a train for El Paso en route-to Chihuahua City, Mexico, that she had stiempted to rent an airplane at Dallas and that on the trip west from Dallas she had ridden with two piatels partly concented in her lap. He said Clara Hamon told him she had shot a man, hoped he died, and that she had saked whether a new or old pistol was the better to shoot a man with to kill him. Sallis said he told her an old one, as rust and dirt then would

with to kill him. Sallis said he told her an old one, as rust and dirt then would help make the wound wome.

No afternoon session was held, and the State will conclude its introduction of testimony Monday.

Widow Unable To Attend Mrs. Hamon, the widow, was unable

LAWLESS OUTBREAK **PUZZLES OFFICERS**

Two Dwellings Burned In Newlight

IS IT RETALIATION FOR DISTILLERY RAIDS?

Burnings Follow Visit To Town. ship By County and Federal Officers Whose Coming Is Apparently Advertised To Blockaders By System of Signals In Neighborhood

The church, two school buildings and two unoccupied dwellings were reduced to ashes in New Light township following raids made Monday and Thursday by federal and county officers. The consensus of opinion in that that sec tion is that the structures were burned by blockaders and bootleggers as a measure of retaliation or warning. Sheriff Harrison has begun an investigation of the matter and during the next few days will make a determined effort to ascertain the identity of the

guilty parties. burning of the school houses, one of which was is use, Superintendent of Schools John C. Lockhart yesterday went to the New Light section to make an investigation, Mr. Lockhart said that the J. L. Sears' school near Stony Hill, the old Stony Hill school house mile away and the West Grove Baptist Church northwest of Stony Hill were burned during the early hours of Fri-day morning. Mr. Lockhart said residents in the vicinity stated the three stuctures were consumed by the flames practically at the same time. Mr Lock hart said all was quiet in the Stony Hill section and there appeared to be no excitement or feeling as a result of the fires, which apparently were of incendiary origin.

Followed Liquor Raids.

On Monday Prohibition Agents Ranes and Richardson and Deputy Sheriff W. D. Edwards, of Wake Forest, went into the New Light section and destroyed one still site, although the still had bee removed. That night, an unoccupied, two-story-dwelling house at Stony Hill, about one mile from Neuse river, was harned. The structure was the property burned on the same night, it being the property of Mr. Lonnie Harrison.

Prohibition Agents Bichardson and bist and Deputy Sheriff Edwards, of Wake Forest, went into New Light Thursday and destroyed eight still sites and captured one still. Seven of the

(Continued on Page Two) SPRINGFIELD READY TO COPE WITH DISTURBANCE

No Further Trouble Expected In Ohio City, Where Race Riot Threatened

Springfield, March 12.-The streets of Springfield were deserted tonight and civil and military authorities agreed that the racial disturbance which has kept this city in a turmoil since last Monday, culminating in the shooting of a policeman last night, were seemingly at an end. If there are no disturbances during the night it is said to be probable that State authorities will begin withdrawing troops

early next week. Sheriff David Jones, placed in con-

the tariff commission is a meet popular one."

Democrate opposed Mr. Marvin, not only because they regarded him as a lobbysit, but because they regarded him as a lobbysit, but because they think the Tariff Commission should be a body of men who will study tariff questions from as unbiased point of view and make recommendations based on a scientific study, rather than of men who go on the commission with the plain purpose of sky-rocketing duties to the very highest point they can get blem.

Urges Premotion Fer Bowley.

After leaving the White House this morning, Senator Overman called upon Secretary of Wax Weeks to urge sremotion for Colonel Bowley, commander at Camp Bragg. Colonel Bowley's nomination to be a brigadier general was sent to the Senate by President Wilson, but the Senate withheld confirmation. Secretary Weeks assured Senator Overman that Col. Bowley's nomination for promotion would be released Senator Overman that Colonel Bowley's nomination for promotion would be released that the the senate withheld confirmation. Secretary Weeks assured Senator Overman that Col. Bowley's nomination for promotion would be released that the the senate withheld confirmation. Secretary Weeks assured Senator Overman that Colonel Bowley's nomination for promotion would be released that the senate withheld confirmation. Secretary Weeks assured Senator Overman that Colonel Bowley's nomination for promotion would be released that the senate withheld confirmation. Secretary Weeks assured Senator Overman that Colonel Bowley's nomination for promotion would be released that the senate withheld confirmation. Secretary Weeks assured Senator Overman that Colonel Bowley's nomination for promotion would be released the senate with the senate with

tured.

Today passed quietly with no untoward incidents. Chief interest was aroused by military preparations and the arrest of Whife, but at no time was there anything but tranquility.

FORECAST COLD WEATHER FOR THE SOUTHERN STATES

Monday are:

Middle Atlantic States. Cold said unsetfled weather with rain or snow over seathern and anew over the northern parts of the district the first half of the week.

South Atlantic and East Gulf States. Unsetfled weather, frequent rains and temperature below normal, with frosts in the interior.

Church, Two Schools, and Fertilizer Merchants in Town of Wake Forest Receive Warnings

> ARE DIRECTED TO RETURN STUFF WHENCE IT CAME

Farmers Who Purchased Mate. rial Receive Identical Warn ings While Unconfirmed Ru. mors Reach Raleigh That Tobacco Plant Beds Are Destroyed In Northern Wake

Five mercantile establishments at Wake Forest have received warnings to send fertilizer purchased by them back to the manufacturers or "take the consequences." Notices were posted their buildings a few days ago, signed by "The Farmers' Friends," and have so far been ignored. Two customers who purchased fertilizer from one firm received similar warnings on the night following the purchases and returned the fertilizer to the dealer. No acts of violence in this connection have been reported so far. No clue as to the oriany Pho of purk worky at his . 1714 at

The notices were posted on the business houses Tuesday, were typewritten and were anonymous. They parently written by a person or persons with some degree of education, as the spelling and punctuation were practically correct. One copy of the notice read as follows:

WARNING-BEWARE. "This guano is too high-priced to use. Take it back from whence it came or take the consequences (signed) "The Farmer's Friends."

Copies of the warning were posted on buildings of W. C. Brewer and Co., W. Holding, Wilson and Daniels, Wake Forest Supply Company, and the Wake Mercantile Company. Mr. John M. Brewer, of W. C. Brewer

and Co., stated that his firm was the only one of the five that has received shipments of fertilizer so far. He said the copy of the notice was posted on the fertilizer warehouse. Mr. Brewer adding that fertiliser was sold to some 20 or 25 customers and that on the night following the purchases identical typewritten warnings were posted on of Mr. Leo Ray, of Raleigh. An old the places of residence of a majority frame structure across the river was of the customers. Mr. Brewer said two of the customers returned fertilizer purchased by them as a consequence of the notices. No sales of fertilizer have been made by any of the other Wake Forest firms. These warnings Wake Forest firms. These warnings have been ignored by the mercantile concerns, and no violent acts as a con-

Thursday and destroyed eight still sites and acquired one still. Seven of the sales are concerns, and no violent acts as a consequence have been reported.

Plant Beds Destroyed.

Unconfirmed reports of destruction of formenters were found, and about 3,000 gallons of beer were destroyed. No operators were captured during the raid.

Friday morning following the raid the L. J. Sears' school near Stony Hill was burned, causing damage estimated at \$6,000. The old Stony Hill school house, that similar destruction of plant beds in the section slong the would set a date for the conferences as soon as the replies consenting to ever recently destroyed by unidentified the discussion had been officially received and added that Secretary of Commerce Hoover and Secretary of Agrioccurred in parts of Wake Ferest town-

No cause for the destruction of the Their solvice would be valued, he said, plant beds has been advanced other as both of those departments are vitally than that the occurrences are local measures to prevent planting of tobacco ing industry.

pect New Contracts

Wilmington, March 12 .- The Carolina a British firm, of 9,200 tons, making the second of this class of ship which the yard has launched since the Emergency Fleet Corporation finished with its six steel freight carriers, esch of which was 9,500 tons. Mrs. William Lloyd Kitchell sponsored the vessel and included with her in the launching party, all from New York, were Mr. and Mrs. Herbert J. Carr, Mr. and Mrs. For the past two weeks, Mr. Foushe and three field appears, here been in launched into the waters of the Cape Fear river. The tanker will fly the British flag and upon being made ready for sea will depart for some Mexican port for a cargo of oil. The future of the steel shipyard here is uncertain but it is believed that if

orders are forthcoming steel vessels will be continued though the launching soday completes the present program.

PREPARING TO CLOSE

Asheville, March 12.—Preparations are under way for the closing down early next week of the great Champion Fibre Company Mills Canton near here, Fibre Company Mills Canton near here, the largest manufacturers of paper in the South. Following the depression last fall the big mills closed, but various departments have opened from time to time. Although the decision to close, which it is understood has just been made, would shut down all departments, throwing out of employment 1,500 men, this action is being taken, it is stated, owing to a lack of orders from the finished mills at Hamilton, Ohio, controlled by the company owning the Canton mills.

ENOUGH TO KILL PERSON

New York, March 12.—The chemical warfare service has discovered a
liquid poleon so, strong that three
drops wil little sky one whose, skin
it touches, it became known here to-

PACKERS AGREE TO ATTEND MEETING TO DISCUSS WAGES

Send Telegram To Secretary of Labor After All Day Discussion In Chicago

ACCEPTED SUGGESTION TO SEND REPRESENTATIVES

Union Leaders Had Already Ac. cepted Proposition and Suggest March 18 As Date For Joint Conference; Offer of Avoid Calling Strike

Chicago, March 12 .- After an all day edustry, a telegram was sent to James J. Davis, Secretary of Labor, at Washngton, accepting his suggestion that they send two representatives to confer with him and two representatives of the employes regarding the present situation in the industry.

The telegraps which was signed to "Your message received. Will be glad to follow your suggestion.

A statement given out at the same were ap- time that the telegram was made public "We assume that the justice and necessity of wage cuts will not be at

issue. Nor can there justly be an issue

on the matter of hours." Secretary Davis' offer of personal nediation in an effort to avert a threatened strike in the industry also was accepted by the union leaders, Dennis Lane, of the Amaigamated Ment Cutters and Butcher Workmen of North Amer ea, sending a telegram to the head of the Federal Labor Department in which he suggested that a joint conference of

packers, employes and representatives of the Labor Department be held in Washington March 18. The statement issued by the packer makes no mention of the wartime arbi tration agreement which was cancelled by them on February 26 and says regarding the recently announced reductions of wages and readjustment of working hours that "except through such measures as we have adopted, the possibility of industrial difficulties that might close our plants would stare us in the face."

DEPARTMENT ISSUES NO

STATEMENT DURING DAY. Washington, March 12.—The formal replies of the packers and of the employes in that industry to Secretary Davis' telegrams offering mediation in the wage raduction controversy were not received at the Department of Labor tonight and bending their receipt the secretary withheld comment.

The secretary said, however, that he

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ANOTHER TANKER SLIPS FAILURE TO GET LICENSE FROM WILMINGTON WAYS CAUSES FOUSHEE'S ARREST

cern As Corporation

Williamston, March 12 .- J. Frank Steel Shippard today launched its 8th Foushe, secretary and manager of the vessel, the San Leon, an oil tanker, for Peanut Growers Exchange, of Suffolk. sioner for selling stock without a North

White, Mr. and Mrs. Welter G. Smith.
Col. and Mrs. C. W. Wickersham. A
arge number of people saw the tanker
aunched into the waters of the Cape
Fear river. The tanker will fly the
British flag and upon being made ready
or sea will depart for some Mexican
out for a carge of oil.

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REPARING TO CLOSE

DOWN BIG PAPER MILLS

According to Mr. Foushe, the organisation is a non-profit, ed-operative association and the one share of stock that the grower conditionally agrees to

that the grower conditionally agrees to take when he wigns the contract is merely the basis for membership in the exchange. The contract he maintains is modeled after the California plan for eo-operative association and is vir-tually the same as the contract now being presented to cotton and tobacco growers of the South for their signa-

JURY ACQUITS TWO MER. COURT REBUKES JURYMEN

Currituck, March 12.—After being out for barely three hours during which time they ate their dinner, the jury is the case charging it. Clair Lewark and John D'Wicker with the murder of Derwood Gailey returned a verdict of not guilty this afternoon at 5:15 p. m. The tradict seemed to chose us a painful surprise to the court, Judge Allest expressing his disapproval in strongest terms. "It never naw a plainer case for the State in my life," he mid, addressing the jurors. "It seems to be a bad day for Carrituck."

REICHSTAG VOTES TO APPROVE STAND TAKEN BY GERMANY

HARDING TO SEND HARVEY TO LONDON

Holds Up Adjournment of Spe cial Session of Senate To Get Him Confirmed

Washington, Mar. 12.-Plans of Sen Mediation Made In Effort To ate leaders to end the special session today were everthrown by a combina tion of further delays at the White House and Capitol affecting important liscussion by heads of the packing appointments on which the administrations wants action before adjournment.

Failure of President Harding to send in his nominations for the Shipping Board is understood to have been the principal barrier to bringing the session to a close. It was indicated that the product was barrier allowery in inducing some of the men he wants t accept, and both he and the leaders in congress are anxious to have the appointments made and confirmed before the senate quits.

While it waited for the Shipping Board nominations the Senate heard also that Mr. Harding might ask it to pase judgment before adjournment on the nomination of Colonel George Harvey, the New York editor, to be ambas sador to Great Britain. Selection of Colonel Harvey is understood to have been definitely decided on, and although Mr. Harding was not ready to trans mit the nomination today, the Republi can managers in the Senate received advance information of such positive charactor that they conducted a poll of the Foreign Relations committee on the mestion of confirmation.

Still another cause for prolonging the pecial session was provided by Senator LaFollette, Republican, Wisconsin, who objected to immediate consideration of the nomination of former Representatative James J. Esch, of that State to be a member of the Interstate Commerce Commission. Under the senate rules the nomination, sent from the White House yesterday, had to be put ever until Monday. Meantime the Senate cleaned up mos

Meantime the Senate cleaned up most of its slate of secunulated nominations, voting confirmation of a number sent in earlier in the week and of several that Mr. Harding submitted today. Mark Petter of New York, whose nomination to the Interstate Commerce Commission was sent to the senate slong with the Add No. Each was one of those with that of Mr. Esch, was one of the confirmed. Among the selections sub-mitted by the President during the day and favorably acted on by the Senate were: William W. Husband, of Vermont, to be commissioner-general of gration; Harry H. Billany, of Dela-ware, to be fourth assistant Post-master al, and Carl Mapes of Michigan to be solicitor of the bureau of internal

early action on the nomination of Colonel Harvey came as a surprise, the general expectation here having been that all diplematic appointments would be put over until the session that is to assemble next month. John W. Davis, FRENCH GENERAL ORDERS Carolina Shipyards Complete State Insurance Commissioner
Present Program But Ex. Construes Co-operative Conducted that Mr. Harding had about decided, it would be unwise to leave the post vacant until congress reassembles.
The belief tonight was that the Harvey nomination, along with several selections for the Shipping Beard, probably would be ready to send to the senate early next week.

A. B. & A. RUNS FIRST TRAIN TO CORDELE, GA.

Atlanta, Ga., March 12.—The Atlanta, Birmingham and Aflantic Railway Com-pany ran its first train from Atlanta to Cordele, Ga., today since the wage strike began last Saturday and announced that began fast Saturday and announced that employes had returned to work at Mon-terums and Douglas, Ga., and that the places of the striking telegraphers had already been filled or would be shortly. The Cordele train is scheduled to re-turn here tomorrow and a round trip will be made Sunday between Bir-mingham and Lineville, Ala., road offi-cials said.

No official advices from the United States Railway Labor Board had been received by B. L. Bugg, meetiver, or by union chiefs regarding the call for a conference March 21, and officials of both sides withheld comment pending direct word from the board on the congirect word from the board on the con-ference, which was told of in press dis-patches. Union chiefs, however, had previously issued a statement express-ing determination to fight the wage re-duction to the end.

LAKE PROJECT MEETS WITH WIDE APPROVAL

SAYS HOLDING UP LIQUOR IS AN "UNFRIENDLY ACT"

Victoria, B. C., March 12.—Reports that liquor consigned to northern British Columbians is being held at the Alaskan frontier by American authorities will be investigated and if found true, protested to Ottawa as an "unfriendly act," Attorney General Parris and today. The attorney general unit he had received protests from many persons in the north of the holding up of liquon.

Foreign Minister Simons Makes Lengthy Explanation of Allied Reparations Demands

DEMANDS FULFILLMENT OF VERSAILLES TREATY SO FAR AS POSSIBLE

Orowded House Hears State. ment of German Delegate To London Conference, Who Dilates at Length Concerning Extraordinary Difficulty To Make Definite Proposals: French General Orders Disarmament of 1,300 Security Police In German City After Refusal To Salute Allied Offi. cers; They Leave For, Essen

Berlin, March & Land By the Arrespited Press) .- Approval of the German gevernment's attitude toward the allied reparation demands was voted by the Reichstag today after Foreign Minister Simons made a lengthy explanation of his work at the London conference.

There was a partisan debate over the resolution of approval, which was moved by the coalition parties, but it was finally adopted by a vote of 268 to 29. The Nationalists and majority Socialists voted with the government bloc.

A communist resolution demanding the immediate establishment of diplomatic relations with Soviet Russia was decisively defeated.

The house was crowded to hear Dry Simons' statement, in which he dilated on the extraordinary difficulty upon the part of Germany to make definite proposals under the uncertainty concerning Upper Silesia and the constant exchange fluctuations. He explained that an overwhelming majority mong the Gorman experts was impos sible to attainment for any proposals; hence, the German counter were made from political motives, on his own personal responsibility.

After repeating the arguments oployed before the London conference. Dr. Simons declared that the idea the because the allies had form up the treaty, it was, therefore, void for Germany, was all wrong and that "we should not repay wrong with wrong."

This was greeted with laughter and disorder, but Dr. Simons continued:

"For Germany there still remains fulsillment of the treats." filment of the treaty so far as that is possible, but no farther."

He then proceeded to advocate the seeking of a middle path to the counter-proposals on a different basis.
"But," he added, "at the moment we are given such a slap in the face we cannot offer our hand and say, 'we will Word that the President might ask for be friends'. That is impossible. If we

FRENCH GENERAL ORDERS DISARMING OF THE POLICE

Duesseldorf, March 12.-By the Associated Press.—Inability of the German securty police officers to compel pri-vates to salute French officers caused General Degoutte today to order the disarmament and disbandment of 1,300

disarmament and disbandment of 1,300 security police in Duesseldorf and commanded them to leave the city before ten o'clock tonight.

An officer, a member of whose squad refused to sainte a French major, has been fined three thousand marks. General Degoutte and General Gaucher, commander of the French troops in commander of the French troops in Duesseldorf, were conferring at French headquarters today when the German officer asked to be permitted to apolo-gize but the French generals declined

gire but the French generals declined to accept the apology.

Meantime the recalcitrant private atood lounging in the commandant's waiting room. The French major had addressed him in German:

"You must salute me." The policeman replied, "I won't," and did not.

A similar incident yesterday was settled by the apology of two officers and their promise to enforce the saluting of

tled by the apology of two officers and their promise to enforce the saluting of French officers by the police.

General Degoutte, when he left the conference with General Gaucher, expressed satisfaction with the situation in the occupied areas, where he said the French had shown the Germans they were doing their duty kindly, but firmly. Over all the areas, he added, the situation was very quiet and peaceful. Scarcely had General Degoutte's or-

der for disbandment of the security po-lies been issued before trucks leaded with the police and piled high with WITH WIDE APPROVAL

Ashaville, March 12.—Expressions of encouragement over the plans for the construction of a great lake which will extend from Ashaville to Brevard, as mapped out here, this week at meetings presided over by Col. Joseph Hyde Pratt are pouring in here daily. The lake directors will meet March 25 to get the matter actually started and it is believed some definite action will be taken next week in beginning the work mapped out.

with the police and piled high with baggage began rumbling toward the outskirts. It had been expected they would be marched out in a body and formally disbanded, perhaps being allowed to return to their homes in the city. The indications were, however, that the majority of them would be out of Duesseldorf before the time limit set by General Degoutts. Within two hours after the order was issued the streets were virtually descrited by the police in their green uniforms and few soldiers were in evidence, except the usual sentries.

soldiers were in evidence, except the usual sentries.

The security police appeared in the best of spirits and waved goodhys to friends. It is understood the 'bine' traffic police will be counted on by the military to maintain order as there is no present intention to substitute another body for the dishanded police

Before nightfall most of the se