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LINNEY EXPECTED TO LAND DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S PLACE

Republican State Chairman Makes Little Headway As Candidate For Judge

DELEGATION TO BOOST JUDGE BYNUM FOR JOB

Benator Overman Arranges For Greensboro Supporters To See Attorney General Today;

The News and Observer Bureau, 603 District National Bank Bldg. By EDWARD E. BRITTON. (By Special Leased Wire.)

Washington, April 26 .- Is Frank Lin-

ney, Republican State chairman for North Carolina, going to grasp at the shadow and miss the substance in his fight for place on the Federal pay roll? There have come stories from North to the capital that Linney has ambition to become the successor of the late Judge Pritchard on the have come stories from North bench of the Fourth Circuia court of appeals despite the fact that he has the endorsement of the "hog combine" of the Republican State committee for the job of being district attorney for Western North Carolina district. I made inquiry this afternoon of the Department of Justice as to the apney and learned that it was on the way and would shortly be announced. If that is so, then State Chairman Frank is going to take the bird in hand and quit fooling around the

The Judge W. P. Bymum boosting delegation is scheduled to arrive in Washington in the morning from Greensboro, in accordance with the arrangements made through the office of Senator Overman by R. B. King, of Greensboro. The delegation has an engagement to see Attorney General Dangberty at 10:30 and it is possible that there will be a visit to the White Manse to see President Harding and tell him of the reasons why he should select the Greensboro man for the vacant judgeship. As the matter looks now the running is between Judge Ed-mund Waddill, of Virginia; Judge Ashmund Waddil, of Virginia; Judge Ass-ley M. Gould, of the District of Co-lumbia Supreme court, and Judge By-rum. What Judge Bynum needs is the united support of North Carolina Re-publicans, but there is J. J. Britt and Frank Linney with their hats in the

ying too.
Ward Introduces Another Bill. Congressman Hallett S. Ward, of the First district of North Carolina, shoved his second bill into the hopper of the House today. It is a bill to lay a penalty of \$100 on railroads, express companies, and all transportation companies which are common carriers for failure to make a prompt adjustment of claims arising from loss or damage to freight in interstate commerce. Under the the common carriers must make the adsustment within 60 days from the time plaint must set out full information as to the shipment, the number of the way bill, the time of shipment. The penalty of \$100 is to be recovered in the same action in which damage is re govered, or is recoverable.

The payment of the damage and the penalty is to be made by the company on whose lines the loss or damage oc turred. The bill is offered as a means of getting rid of delay and long drawn out red tape methods by which adjust ment of loss or damage to freight is held out against shippers and consignees The first bill offered by Congressman Ward was that to provide serial mail service between Norfolk and Beaufort along the coasts of Currituck, Albemarle and Pamlico Sounds, including Beaufort. This aerial mail is to give service to Elizabeth City, Eden-Washington and New Bern and all intermediate points on the outgoing trip from Norfolk, and on the return trip is to serve any and all points and places where mail is now delivered for distribution, including Manteo, the date the measure would go into effect being January 1, 1922.

Not Having Smooth Sailing. There recurs talk that all is not smooth sailing with Postmaster General Will Hays in his views that all Democrats holding down jobs as postmasters should be turned out into the cold, cold world. It is whispered that he is hav ing difficulty in having President Hard agree to his materialistic ideas as to tht kicking process. The Hays plan as it is said to have been proposed looks too crass and crude, for it would be a knock out to civil service policies The plan that is now sought is the way rid of the Democrats and at the same time square the Republican adinistration with the civil service folks for these are said to be keeping a watch

ful eye on the proceedings. Washingtonians who are keenly in terested in the case in which the late George M. Oyster, aged 72, who died a few days ago, is said to have cut off without the proverbial penny his bride of a few months, formerly Miss Coeil Ready, aged 26, of Syracuse, N. Y., now learn that though Mr. Oyster may have made such a codicil a day or so before his sudden death it matters not, for his widow under the law of the District of Columbia will receive one-half of his personal property, and one-third of the his enterprises and invest ments. This means a neat sum for the young widow, for Mr. Oyster is under stood to have been in the millionaire class, and had been giving his bride \$1,000 a week pin money.

Pays Respects To Naval Critics. I gave briefly yesterday what was said Congressman Lemuel P. Padgett, of Tennssee, of the Naval Affairs Com-mittee, and its chairman preceding Republican control, concerning the Navy under the administration of Secretary Josephus Daniels. The naval bill, the

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State College Trustees Vote For Student Self Government

Students Win Long Fight For Managing Their Own Affairs; Dr. Clarence Poe is Elected Chairman of Board; Building Commission Named.

yesterday when the board of trustees of the institution conferred that right upon them, effective at the beginning of the college year next September. The organization of the controlling authority will be completed before the expiration of the present term, leaving the machinery in readiness for the opening of the succeeding college year.

Possible conflict between the military discipling in force in all of the land grant colleges in America which share tioned the trustees for the institution of grant colleges in America which share tioned the trustees for the institution of Congressman Ward Introduces Another Bill; Will Hays
Not Making Much Progress

The None and Observer Burgers

The Language of the America which and authority vested in the student body has been the deterring element for many years, but the trustees and the students feel that they have worked out a plan that will eliminate all possibility of friction.

tor of the Progressive Farmer, of Ral-eigh, chairman of the board of trus-tees, and the appointment of a buildtees, and the appointment of a building commission to supervise the expenditure of \$550,000 for new buildings garded as the best of the systems exwas the principal work of the board, after the consideration of the petition of the students to be allowed to govern themselves. W. S. Lee of Charlotte, P. S. Boyd of Mooresville and T. T. Thorn were named for the commission.

Will Build Immediately. Immediate steps will be take to begin construction of a new agricultural building at the cost of \$200,000, and the completion of the mechanical engineering do everything in their power to make building at a cost of \$100,000. Other it work.

Commission Is Ready To

Pay It Back

Eight counties came to the Highway

Commission yesterday with proposals

Guilford, Granville, Pasquotank,

Beaufort, Duplin, Pamlico, and Colum-

bus counties had delegations here with

supervision of the Commission, with

reimbursement to the counties at such

time as the Commission deems proper.

sumed considerable time, and little else

was accomplished at yesterday's session. One delegation was before the

from the Eighth to the Sixth road dis-

deavor to shift from one district to

Nothing was done yesterday toward the completion of the organization of

the working forces of the commission

and the employment of engineers, com

pletion of maintenance plans, etc., will

be taken up today or tomorrow, when the last of the delegations have been

heard and their petitions acted upon

Several delegations were before the

commission in matters of locating roads

in their respective communities, but

these matters were generally referred

All members of the commission were

in attendance yesterday with the exception of Word H. Wood, of the Sixth

district, who has given his resignation

to Governor Morrison. His successo

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has not been appointed as yet.

HARDING LAUDS WORK

New York, April 26.-Praise

American newspapers by President Harding ond an address by John W

Davis, formerly ambassador to Great Britain, featured the annual luncheon

of the Associated Press held today in

connection with the annual business

In a letter read at the luncheon

President Harding lauded the course

of the press during the war and ex-pressed the hope that his administra-tion would continue to deserve the sup-

port accorded it thus far by the news-

papers.
Mr. Davis, making his first appear

ance before the members as general counsel for the Associated Press, had

kind words for impartial truthful news-gathering as he had found it exemplified

by the Associated Press and, referring to the importance of foreign news.

digressed to give personal opinions on several matters affecting foreign rela-

that a treaty should be ratified by a ma-

jority vote of the eSnate, instead of two-thirds, and that there be adequate

compensation for the diplomatic and

At the business meeting the follow-

ing resolution; was adopted:
"Resolved that the members of the

Associated Press, in convention assem-bled, tender their thanks to the presi-dent, board of directors and officers of

the Associated Press for their efficient

work during the past year, which has made the Associated Press the greatest news-gathering organization in the world

Boards and committees elected in-

Advisory board, Southern Division

H. C. Adler, Chattanooga, Tenn, Times, chairman; J. N. Heiskelll, Little Rock,

Ark., Gazette, secretary; J. L. Horne,

and a credit to the United States.

Jr., Rocky Mount, N. C., Telegram,

tions of the United States. He

consular service.

meeting.

to the resident commissioner.

No definite action was taken

he transferred

Hearing the various delegations

that that county

trict.

tracts can be complied with.

EIGHT COUNTIES

State College students won their building operations will be determined years-long fight for self-government upon at later sessions of the board, yesterday when the board of trustees probably at the time of the commencement at the end of May. Dermitories

student government, but until yester-day the board was unable to come to any agreement that was satisfactory to both students and trustees.

At the midwinter meeting of the trus tees a committee composed of Messrs The trustees are willing to give it a thorough tryout.

The election of Dr. Clarence Poe, ediself-government for the students. System of the Progressive Farmer, of Raleigh, chairman of the board of trustillarian in the United States

> The students were represented at the meeting yesterday by E. W. Constable and W. B. Wearn, both members of the senior class, choses by the students to represent them before the trustees Several additional students were called in by the student representatives, and after the conference the trustees voted

NOTHING HEARD OF **NEWTON MERCHAN BUILD OWN ROADS**

Will Furnish Money Until State Strange Disappearance of L. C. Bickett Casts Pall of Gloom Over Town

Newton, April 26-The strange disappearance of L. C. Bickett, prominent to go shead and build their part of the wholesale merchant here, has cast a pall State Highway system and let the of gloom over Newton and not for years State re-imburse them when it was able. has the town been so stirred up. For-The Commission accepted the proposals, mer Governor T. W. Bickett of Raleigh, and ordered the roads built as soon as was here last week to investigate the ponded. the formalities of advertising for con- matter and get his business affairs in such shape as they could be handled by an outside party.

Mr. Bickett was a man of lovable disposition and was universally liked here. such proposals, and other counties have He is married but has no children and delegations in the city waiting their it is generally known that his home delegations in the city waters the life has been beautiful and that true arrangements are made under Section 14 of the Road Law which enables the counties to build the road under the of the most beautiful in the city. it is generally known that his home There is no doubt in the mind

he was mentally deranged when he left pital, of Richmond, one of the most the city and they believe that he is wandering around somewhere, suffering from the pains that are racking his tary of the council on health and public

Commission from Caldwell county askhis condition in that respect is con-sidered as good as the usual run of dealers in North Carolins, who have In the morning and afternoon there and the matter will go over until a later meeting. This is the first enrecently lost heavily in the general de-

ression of the market. Mr. John P. Yount has been named receiver by Judge Finley and is now engaged in operating the business. Mr. Bickett lived here for several

years, coming here from Monroe to en gage in the wholesale grocery business. He had varying success in that enter prise and had just recently opened up a retail business as a side line and was rapidly succeeding in getting it on

He was an indefatigable worker, at his place of business for 16 hours every day, always pleasant, and affable and friendly.

When sugar slumped, he was one of the wholesaders caught in the drag net of the jobbers, but he carried out his contracts though it cost him money and the general depression placed a terriffic strain upon him. He suffered acutely with his eyes

and has frequently remarked to friends that he had to find some cure or that he would die . He consulted specialists in Charlotte and other cities with indifferent success. He took his afflic-

AND NEGRO ARE WOUNDED Both Carried To Henderson

Hospital; No Details Available As To Cause

Henderson, April 26 .- J. 8. Royster, Henderson, April 26.—J. S. Royster, prisoner, one of the attackers being sheriff of Vance county, and James killed by officers guarding the prison Melvin, negro, were brought to a local hospital this afternoon, the sheriff with a bullet wound in his leg and the negro with a similar wound in his foot. No information is available as to how or when or where the sheriff and the negro were wounded.

The sheriff, accompanied by Deputy Sheriff Kearney, Constable W. D. Lang ston, J. C. Champion, and J. L. Buie the latter chief of the Henderson fire department, left town about noon to go on a raid, it is understood. Nothing is known as to when the party returned to town. Information emanated from the hospital late tonight that the sherif had been brought there.

Efforts to get any statement from other members of the party were with-out avail tonight. Various rumors are culation in regard to the matter One is to the effect that the shooting occurred at Langston Springs, three miles from town, and another that it took place at Dabney, seven miles the other way from town.

DOCTORS OF STATE | FLOOD OF ORATORY HEAR LEADERS IN THEIR PROFESSION

Dr. W. S. Rankin Re-Elected Secretary of State Board For Third Term age of Measure

GOVERNOR MORRISON PRESIDES AT SESSIONS

Cordial Welcome To Pinehurst Extended By Leonard Tufts and Moore County In Gene. ral; L. J. Smith, of Wilson, Heads State Health Officers' Association Next Year

Pinehurst, April 26 .- The sixtyrighth annual session of the medical ociety of North Carolina convened here this morning with an attendance of three hundred, got through the preliminaires, held a number of second meetings and concluded the first day with a program tonight with three of the leading men of the profession discussing subjects of keen interest to the members. Governor Cameron Morrison presided atthe night session.

Dr. W. S. Rankin was again elected secretary of the State Board of Health and State Health Officer to succeed himself by the board in annual meeting here. The term is for six years beginning July 1st.

Dr. Rankin is just completing his second term having been first elected in 1909. During the twelve years he has served the state has advanced to a rate and one of the lowest death rates in the union.

That the North Carolina doctors like Pinehurst is demonstrated by the fact that this is the third time the society has met here in four years and there is a well defined sentiment for making this a permanent meeting place. The owner of Pinehurst, Leonard Tufts, was assisted in extending formal welcome today by Dr. M. E. Street, of the Moore county medical society, and U. L. Spence, of the Moore bar, to which Dr. William MacNider, of Chapel Hill res-

The feature of the morning session was the address of the President, Dr. Thomas E. Anderson, of Statesville, in which he stressed the important advences made in medical science and urged a broader conception of the social relationship of the doctor to the public and the opportunities offered for con-tinued advancement in preventive medicine.

The session this evening drew the headlines of the session in the persons of Dr. Stanley P. Reiman, pathologist, of Rankenau Hospital, Philadelphia, those acquainted with Mr. Bickett that Dr. Stewart McGuire, of St. Luke's hosfamous of southern surgeons; and Dr. Frederick R. Green, of Chicago, secreinstruction, of the American Medical ssociation. the first two handled scien ness is not causing any great alarm, as tiffe subjects while Dr. Green discuss

were numerous papers presented be-free the sections on pediatries, public health education and the practice of medicine.

The State Health Officers concluded their sessions with the election of officers as follows: President, L. J. Smith of Winston-Salem, and secretary, F. M. fWinston-Salem, and secretary,F. M. Register, of Raleigh.

AMERICAN FLIER MAKES **ESCAPE FROM RUSSIA**

Riga, April 26. (By the Associated Press.)—Captain Marion C. Cooper, of Jacksonville, Fla., the Kosciusko squad ron flier, who was shot down on the Polish front and captured by the Russians last July escaped from a prison camp near Moscow on April 12 and rived in Riga today. Captain Cooper had made an earlier

attempt at escape and succeeded in get ting free for several days while still near the Polish front. When he was re captured he was sent after a few weeks to Moscow, where he was considered not a Polish but an American prisoner. tion in the best of spirits and always thought of his home life and his friends in preference to his personal feelings.

He worked last winter shoveling snow on the railroads. Ultimately he was transfered to a work camp of prisoners. He did not give his captors his real name, himself off as a corporal under tion in the best of spirits and always He was in several prison camps and thought of his home life and his worked last winter shoveling snow on an assumed name.

NEGROES STORM JAIL IN ALABAMA; ONE KILLED

Birmingham, Ala., April 26 .- Five no groes stormed the inil at Fairfield to night in an attempt to release a negro and officer George Alexander, of the 22, 1917, he sent a message saying: Fairfield police department, receiving a bullet wound in the leg.

Races Today at Pinehurst. Running Trotting and Steeple Chase; \$2:45 p. m.

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PREVENTS VOTE ON HOUSE NAVAL BILL

All-Day Fight Over Disarmament Question Delays Pass-

MEMBERS DEMAND TIME TO AIR THEIR VIEWS

Disarmament Discussion Starts Following Attack On Naval Appropriation Measure By Representative Knight; Expenditure For New Battle. ships Is Attacked

Washington, April 26 .- After an allday fight over disarmament, the House was forced to quit work tonight without reaching a vote on the Naval appropriation bill because of the demand of members for time in which to air their views.

At the end of the long debate an amendment was pending providing that no part of the appropriation should go into new construction until the president had called an international conference to consider limitation of arma-ment. The amendment, proposed by Representative Connoity, Democrat, Texas, was precisely like one offered when the bill was before the House in the closing days of the last session by Representative Brooks, Republican, Illinois, and rejected by a vote of about five to one. Leaders said it would be thrown out by a similar vote when the blil is taken up again Thursday.

Disarmament Discussed.
The disarmament discussion broke leading position in its public health early in the session after Representa-work and now has the highest birth tive Knight, Republican, Ohio, had aunched an attack against the bill. The Ohio member announced he would vote against the bill because of the contemplated expenditure of \$90,000,000 for new battleships, the general need of economy and the alleged questionable advantages of capital fighting ships in modern naval warfare. The speech started a veritable whirlwind of talk. Seeing where the House was heading. Chairman Kelley, of the sub-committee on appropriations, in charge of the measure, tried to stop it with a plea that the real discrmament debate be held back until the section relating to new construction had been reached. The

chairman's plea prevailed after a sharp verbal clash, in which Representative Huddleston, Democrat, Alabama, sup-ported Mr. Knight and declared general or position to big army, coast defense and navy appropriations.

Debate Continues. Two amendments, calculated to bring he amendment question squarely be-

fore the House, were ruled out on points of order, and then Mr. Connelly again stepped to the front with a revival of the Brooks proposal. It stood up and held its own against a point of order, as happened last session, and Mr. Kelley was pressing for a vote and final pas sage of the bill when he was persunded to permit the debate to con-

RAILROAD KEEPS USE OF LUCKNOW SQUARE

April 26.-Lucknow Smithfield. square, which the women of Dunn wanted to beautify and make a beauty spot for the towr, will continue to encumbered with ugly looking bales of cotton and an antiquated platform, which the Atlantic Coast Line built years ago. When the town commissioners decreed that the woman's club should have, the railroad demurred and got out a restraining order. Judge Harrison, Democrat, Mississippi, object-Lyon in Superior court here yesterday nade the restraining order permanent and the railroad will continue to use.

MOTORBOAT SPEEDING TO NORFOLK; A. C. L. FLYER PASSES ROCKY MOUNT PASSES ROCKY MOUNT Wilmington, April 26,—The Gar II, Jr., driven by Gar Wood, in a race with the Atlantic Coast Line Havana flyer, arrived at Southport, N. C., at 12:40 today, refueled and left at 2 p. m., expecting to make Norfolk during the night. The boat reported that it made the trip from Miami, Fla., to Savannah, Ga., in 17 hours and was averaging around 35 knots an hour.

Flyer Passes Rocky Mount Rocky Mount, April 26.—The At-lantic Coast Line flyer, the "Havana Special," which the speed bost, Gar II, Jr., is racing from Miami, Fia., to New York, passed Rocky Mount on time at 11:35 this morning.

EXPECTS TO ABRIVE AT

N. Y. THURSDAY MORNING Beaufort, April 26.—The Gar II, Jr., driven by Gar Wood, arrived here at 6:12 this afternoon, docking at the Standard Oil dock at Morehead City, for fuel and cylinder oil. It was stated the boat was practically one day ahead of its running time schedule in its speed contest with the Havana Special of the Atlantic Coast Line from Minni Plantic Coast lantic Coast Line from Miami, Fla.,

In an interview with C. F. Chapman, editor of Motor Boating, who is making the trip with Mr. Wood, he declared that the trip from Savannah to this port was a fine one, everything being favorable for speed. Not a mishap of any nature has occurred, he added.

The Gar II, Jr., left Savannah a 6 o'clock this morning, arrived at Southport at 1:30 p. m., by the inland waterways route. So far the boat has covered 785 miles in 28 hours, Mr. Chapman said. The average from Southport here was better than 30 miles an hour. Mr. Chapman expressed himself as very much pleased with the showing the Gar II has made and expects to arrive in New York early Thursday morn

BUDGET BILL GETS

Measure Now Goes To House, Where Prompt Action Has **Been Promised**

Washington, April 26.-Without a ecord vote, the Senate late today assed the budget bill.

Brief debate preceded the final vote on the measure, which was introduced originally by Senator MaCormick, Re-publican, Illinois, passed by both the Senate and House during the 66th Con-Senate and House during the sont Congress, vetoed by President Wilson, and then repassed by the House with the excitona found objectionable by the executive stricken out. The Senate, however, failed to act on the measure after the President's .cto. The measure

as passed teday now goes to the House, where prompt action has been promised. The bill provides for a Bureau of the Budget in the Treasury Department to prepare the estimates of appropriations needed by the various departments. The bureau would have as its head a Director of the Budget, appointed by the President with the consent of the Senate for a term of seven years with an annual salary of \$10,900.

The offices of comptroiler and assistant comptroller of the treasury would be abolished under the revised bill and in their stead offices of comptroller general and assistant comptroller general would be created. The measure approved today by the Senate would permit their removal by joint Congressional resolution, which requires the President's

signature. Efforts of Democrats were directed toward scaling down the salaries of offices provided for in the bill. Senator marks, equivalent to about \$50,000,000. ing to the fixing of the salary of the

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Mission to London of Mysterious "S. W. Davidson" Told by Daniels

By JOSEPHUS DANIELS

Former Secretary of the Navy

Copyright 1921, by John F. Dilla. Copyright by National Newspaper Service. Copyright in Great Brital Canada and throughout Europe. All rights reserved including translation into foreign languages, including the Scandinavian. Unauthorized reprinting for any purpose forbidden. One day in the second week of April, 1917, a passenger liner, having safely

negotiated the U-boat perils on a voyage from New York, put into an English

Among those who walked the gang plank, and landed on the dock to run the gauntlet of officials and secret service men, was a fairly tall, slim, trim figure with a wind-tanned face and grizzled beard, whose civilian garb could not wholly conceal a certain distinction.

In Touch With Britain. And so the President decided that it be disclosed in this way. was the part of wisdom to discover discreetly the thought and plan of the

British admiralty, in order that our cooperation might be of a kind to deal the enemy the hardest possible blow. March I got into communication with the British admiralty through Am-

basdador Walter H. Page, and on March Mr. Balfour (then first lord of the admiralty) has shown me the informal suggestion conveye dby the navy deartment regarding closer relations and

Mr. Page said Mr. Balfour bad assured him the British government would fall duty or necessity. in heartily with any plan which the United States should propose as soon as relations could be established. Mr. Page further said he had discussed the matter with Mr. Bonar Law, the prime mini ster; Admiral Jellico and others and that all had assured him of their cordia assent to any proposal the United States would be likely to make.

Ready to Tell Secrets.

Mr. Page recommended that we send a
United States admiral to London to whom the British admiralty would com municate all the inside information as to British plans and methods of opera-tion. All the doors would be opened to him, he said, and a sort of special staff assigned to give him the results of the whole naval work since the war began. Many things, he thought, which could

dor Page of the purpose of the United States to avail itself of this proposal.

vidson. man had been known to his traveling any of them had suspected that he was only four per cent annual interest.

other than an American ettizen, engaged "Four-Germany is disposed to perother than an American citizen, engaged in some matter of urgent private busi in some matter of urgent private busi mit the allies to share in an improve-ness, which induced him to run risks at ment of the financial and ecomonic sita time when nobody was sen voyaging uation. The redemption of the remainwho lacked the compelling motive

Sims Alias Davidson, Mr. Davidson went through the routhe grip of officialdom, to take train

for London. Within twenty-four hours after his arrival he was closeted in the British capital with the highest authorities in the her strength in the reconstruction of British admiralty.

itates navy.

When Admiral Sims reached London e were already in the war. The news of action on the part of the Congress reached him while he was still at sea. He had left under orders in an

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ALLIES' DECISIONS TO GOVERN ACTION BY UNITED STATES

Secretary Hughes Discusses German Reparations Offer With Diplomats

EXPECT NO DELAY IN REPLY TO PROPOSALS

Germany, In Counter Proposals, Offers To Assume AL lied War Debt To United States To Extent of Her Ability; Willing To Pay 200 Billion Gold Marks

Washington, April 26 .- (By the Asociated Press).-Events here today indicated clearly that the United States. in replying to Germany's counter-preposals on reparations, would be guided almost, if not wholly by the decision of the allied governments as to whether the new propositions put forward by Berlin were of such a nature as to form the basis for further negotiations.

Secretary Hughes conferred late today with each of the allied diplomatic representatives, discussing with them briefly the German communication, which was received early in the day from American Commissioner Dresel at Berlin. The foreign envoys immediately reported to their governments by cable and it was understood that the framing of a reply to Germany would await

outcome of these exchanges. Reply to Come Soon. As the allied governments were lieved to be in possession of the text of the German proposals, which was made public today at Berlin, it was thought that a reply would not be long delayed. It was suggested, however, that exchanges between Paris and Lon-don might be necessary before a final

decision was reached. Discussion of the German memorandum is understood to have occupied much of a two hours' session today of President Harding's cabinet. Diplomats in Conference.

After returning to the State Depart-ment from the White House, Secretary Hughes sent invitations to the allied diplomats to visit him in his office for discussion of the German proposals. These invitations went out to the representatives not only of Great Britain and France, but also of Belgium, Italy and Japan. Each convoy was received separately and each conference was brief, the series of visits being concluded within a little more than an hour.

GERMAN NOTE OFFERS TO

ASSUME ALLIED WAR DEBT Berlin, April 26 .- (By the Associated Press.—The German people now know the new proposals which the German government submits to the allied powers through the medium of the United States. The terms of proposals were made public today, as well as the accompanying assurances forwarded to

Germany, declaring that the peace and welfare of the world are dependent upon a speedy and just solution of the reparations question, assures the President that it will do everything in its power to enable the American government to direct the attention of the allied governments to the matter.

As previously outlined, Germany preposes to pay the allies an indemnity extending over a number of years which 000. She will co-operate to her utmost in the reconstruction of devastated regdisposal of the reparations commission one billion gold marks; she is willing to assume the allied obligations to the United States, and she will issue an international loan, the proceeds of

which will go to the allies. But in return, she makes the condition that the present system of penal-ties shall be discontinued immediately, that she be given fredom of trade and that she be freed from "all unproductive outlays" now imposed on her.

Text of the Note. The text of the note forwarded by Germany to the United States for transmission to the allies concludes with the following points:

"One-Germany fixes her total liability at 50,000,000,000 gold marks, payable in suitable annuities to total 200,000,-000,000 gold mark. "Two-Germany will immediately issue an international loan in which she

not be committed safely to writing could will participate, and of which the value rate of interest and scale of redemp-The President directed that word tion shall be subject to agreement, the should be conveyed at once to Ambassa proceeds of the loan to be put at the disposal of the allies. Three-Germany will pay, according

The ship's passenger list showed the to her capacity, in labor, interest and name, among others of "Mr. S. W. Da-ridson." By this name the gentleman had been known to his traveling tional loan; she considers in this con-companions. It may be questioned if nection that it will be possible to pay

ing sums will have to tak, therefore, a variable form, depending upon an improvement. It would be necessary to draw up a scheme to be based on an me procedure, and finally emerged from index to be used should the situation

become worse. "Five-In order to clear herself as quickly as possible of the balance, Germany is willing to co-operate with all the devastated regions; she regards re-Then his disguise was cast aside, and construction as the most urgent basis he appeared in his proper person as of reparations and the most direct rem-Rear Admiral W. S. Sims, of the United edy for migrating the hardships of the war and the hatred between people She will reconstruct towns, villages and townships designated, or co-operate by supplying labor and material, or in any other way agreeable to the allies. Six—With the same object in view,

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