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## REPUBLICANS TO OUST DEMOCRATS ALL OVER COUNTRY

### Dismissal of Charles Webb Foreshadows General Policy of Party in Power

## STARTLING EXPOSURE MADE IN TENNESSEE

### National Committeeman In That State Makes Moderate Charge For Appointment To Smaller Offices; National Chairman Can Veto More Important Appointments

The News and Observer Bureau,  
903 District National Bank Bldg.,  
(By Special Leased Wire.)  
Washington, Aug. 11.—The dismissal  
of Marshall Charles B. Webb before his  
term has expired along with the dis-  
missal of Postmasters and other fed-  
eral officers before the expiration of  
their terms seems to point the way  
for a general shakedown all over the  
country in the matter of securing po-  
sitions for the faithful ones in the Re-  
publican party.

Democratic leaders here express the  
view that the Republicans determined  
on a policy of extending the spoils  
system to all Federal appointments  
even to including those coming under  
the civil service.

**Startling Exposure Made.**  
A startling exposure was made of  
John W. Overall, National committeeman  
from Tennessee, in the Senate to-  
day by Senator McKellar, in a resolu-  
tion directing an investigation of  
"alleged violation of the civil service  
act, and alleged selling of Federal  
offices in Tennessee," as the self-con-  
fessed "retrograde of the Federal patronage  
of the State," with which he is  
charged. Senator McKellar inserted  
in the Record correspondence and  
newspaper clippings to sustain his resolu-  
tion. "This is the most remarkable  
and disgraceful trafficking in the Fed-  
eral patronage that has come under  
my notice since I have been in pub-  
lic life," declared Senator McKellar.

John W. Overall, as National com-  
mitteeman and patronage referee,  
said in his reply to a contributor:  
"The matter of appointing a rural  
carrier at Cheap Hill, Tenn., has not  
yet been referred to me. The depart-  
ment has been referring to me the  
three having the highest grades, and I  
am allowed to select one from the  
three for appointment. Whenever this  
appointment is referred to me I will  
consult you about the matter and ap-  
point anyone of the eligibles that you  
may desire."

**Makes Moderate Charge.**  
Overall charges only \$10 each for  
the smaller offices, but for the larger  
ones he charges \$25 each, Senator Mc-  
Kellar said.

The chief stock allotted to Overall  
is made up of rural mail carriers, star-  
route men and fourth class postmasters,  
and it is pointed out there are thou-  
sands of these and if all of them should  
"come across" National Committeeman  
and Patronage Referee Overall  
would have a nice lot of this ill got-  
ten gain.

Overall is reputed to be worth half a  
million dollars but he needs the dimes  
and dollars of the little fellows to help  
carry on the business of big party and  
he has undertaken to make the meek  
and lowly pay their share of the swag  
for whatever of the loaves and fishes  
they may receive.

**Adams Handles Big Ones.**  
Chairman Adams of the Republican  
National Committee is the official dis-  
penser of Federal patronage of big  
offices with headquarters here in Wash-  
ington. He exercises the veto power,  
and where there are disputes he may  
even go so far as to recommend an  
appointment.

The official dispenser of patronage  
in each State is the National commit-  
teeman from that State. As Overall is  
in Tennessee, so is John M. Morehead  
in North Carolina.

The Republicans not only want the  
offices but they want them now, and  
they are going to get them, is the ac-  
cepted view of the Democratic leaders  
here. It is their purpose to secure these  
places for members of their party  
though in carrying out their policy  
the whole civil service structure may  
crumble.

**Make Temporary Appointments.**  
The Civil Service Commission is  
months behind with its work, and the  
work of selecting eligibles for ap-  
pointment to postoffices is so slow that  
dissatisfaction prevails among Repub-  
lican aspirants and in order to meet  
this exigency the administration's new  
policy is to name a temporary Repub-  
lican appointee upon the recommenda-  
tion of the National Committeeman,  
a Senator or a Representative, pending  
a permanent appointment.

Assistant Postmaster General Work  
has announced to a Republican con-  
gressman that this would be the plan.  
He has said that Republicans should  
select the men they want for the per-  
manent appointment and he would be  
given a temporary appointment, pending  
a regular examination.

It is understood here that this plan  
is adopted in order to defeat the whole  
spirit of the civil service rule, govern-  
ing such cases, and to allow the Sen-  
ator, representative or national commit-  
teeman to name their choice for post-  
master regardless of better qualified  
candidates.

**Kinston Banker on Tariff**  
Senator Simmons has received a copy  
of a letter written by W. D. Laroque,  
president of the Caswell Banking and  
Trust company, Kinston, to E. P. Whar-  
ton, president of the North Carolina  
Division of the Southern Tariff Assn.

## Again Warns Congress That Expenditures Must Be Cut

### Secretary Mellon Declares Reduction Can Be Accomplished Only By Rigid Economy; Democrats Bring Revenue Law Up In House With Attack On Its Provisions

Washington, Aug. 11.—Both the ad-  
ministration and Congress were warned  
today by Secretary Mellon that the  
\$350,000,000 reduction in estimated de-  
partmental expenditures agreed upon at  
the White House conference last  
Tuesday as a part of the whole tax  
revision program could be accomplished  
only by the exercise of the most rigid  
economy.

"To accomplish this reduction," Mr.  
Mellon declared in a letter to Chairman  
Fordney, of the House ways and means  
committee, "it will be necessary for the  
administration, with the assistance of  
the director of the Bureau of the Budget,  
to put forth its utmost efforts to in-  
sure economy in every government  
activity, and for Congress on its part  
to give the most wholehearted co-opera-  
tion, not only by avoidance of new  
expenditures, but also by the limitation  
or repeal of various outstanding bal-  
ances and authorizations.

**Must Cut Expenses**  
"I cannot too strongly emphasize that  
the program agreed upon and outlined  
in this letter depends upon the admin-  
istration's efforts to accomplish, and  
that the anticipated savings can be  
effected only by the most consistent  
and determined efforts to cut expendi-  
tures. The estimate of receipts on the  
other hand, represents the utmost ex-  
pected to accrue during the year, particu-  
larly in view of the uncertainties  
resulting from the depression in business  
and the shrinkage in incomes and  
profits."

The tax question got into House  
debate today, Democratic leaders attack-  
ing the program with charges that only  
the wealthy would be benefited by most  
of the proposed changes in the revenue  
law and that curtailment in depart-

mental expenditures for this fiscal year  
agreed upon at the White House con-  
ference would prove merely "paper  
savings."

**Republicans Fire Back.**  
Republican leaders replied with the  
declaration that the new law would lift  
\$600,000,000 off the people yearly and  
launched a counter attack against the  
Democrats for leaving over to this ad-  
ministration what were described as un-  
necessary burdens growing out of the  
war, including payments to the rail-  
roads.

Representative Barnes, of South  
Carolina, a Democratic member of the  
appropriations committee, in opening  
the debate, said that Representative  
Mondell, of Wyoming, the Republican  
leader, in his claim of savings had  
made Director of the Budget Dawes "a  
piker in the economy game." He added  
that the Republicans' pretended econ-  
omy was only a "smoke screen" to de-  
ceive the people and they knew that as  
the end of the fiscal year approached  
they would have to borrow money to  
meet expenditures.

**Would Deceive People.**  
"Their hope is," he declared, "that  
the people will not know it until after  
the next election. In the meantime and  
in between time they will make false  
claims for saving of expenditures in the  
effort to fool the people."

Chairman Fordney, in a vigorous re-  
ply, said the Democrats had fooled the  
people for eight years until finally  
turned out of office and that the Rep-  
ublicans were going to fool them by  
cutting off \$600,000,000 of their taxes.

Majority members of the ways and  
means committee considering the tax  
bill held only one session today. This  
was given over largely to a discussion  
of changes in administrative features  
of the existing law.

**State Scores Point.**  
Previously the State had appeared to  
fall into a trap when Stringfield  
had sharply quizzed Mrs. Jernigan  
as to this youth and asked why he was  
not here while the rest of the Matthews  
children were. It had been generally  
reported that Adley had gone away days  
ago. But the bomb came when the de-  
fense announced that Adley was in the  
court room and would be put upon the  
stand. And here he was giving in the  
briskest and most straight forward  
manner the best reputations to mother  
after trial Stringfield takes  
charge of the cross examination.

He makes the youth practically admit  
he was Ruth Seawell's sweetheart, he  
then forced an admission that he  
had gone to the home of Stacy Page  
the night before the homicide and called  
him from his bed and kept him in the  
field in his night clothes an hour or  
more but could not remember men-  
tioning Seawell's name nor telling  
Page that Seawell would be killed.  
He could remember nothing of what  
he talked about with Page. He ad-  
mitted talking also with Ruth Seawell  
about Ruby Jernigan, the unfortunate  
girl, but would not admit that he had  
told her that he might have to marry  
to girl but negligently consented that  
he had spoken of his regard for the  
girl. He admitted riding in an auto-  
mobile but once with company, had gone  
boat riding but with company. He had  
visited the Jernigan home but the store-  
owner. His testimony was the last of  
the day.

Court opened promptly at 9:30. The  
defendant and her husband and numer-  
ous lady friends from her old neighbor-  
hood near Dunn were there. She bore  
herself with the indomitable self pos-  
session and sangfroid of the former  
hearing. The daughter was by her side.  
The child died in Columbia at the  
rescue home just before the mother  
visited her after her release on bond.  
The girl got yet 14 though small, bears  
marks of maturity and is characterized  
by much of the natural charm of her  
mother. She too was unshakable.

**Jury Quickly Named.**  
A special venire of a hundred men  
were present. From the regular jury  
five jurors were chosen and within less  
(Continued on Page Two.)

## INSANITY PLEA OF MRS. JERNIGAN ON TRIAL IN SAMPSON

### State Seeks To Implicate Adley Matthews, 20-Year-Old Youth, In Tragedy

## DEFENDANT PLACED ON STAND IN OWN BEHALF

### Tells Straightforward Story of Events Leading Up To Kill- ing of Quimby Seawell But Has No Recollection of Homicide or Events Imme- diately Following His Death

By O. J. PETERSON.  
Clinton, Aug. 11.—A sensational turn  
came today in the trial of Mrs. Cora  
Jernigan, who is charged with the mur-  
der of Quimby Seawell, when State's  
attorneys advanced to theory that Ad-  
ley Matthews, 20 year old youth, may  
be implicated in the events leading up  
to the killing of Quimby Seawell last  
June.

The State with Meeks Stringfield of  
Fayetteville quizzing, had successfully  
established the fact of the killing of  
Quimby Seawell and Mrs. Jernigan's  
presence with a gun and had rested.  
The defense had come to the bat  
and knocked a two bagger by secur-  
ing the admission of Mrs. Jernigan's  
story of her daughter's troubles on the  
ground that it would thus show that  
Mrs. Jernigan had received such shocks  
for weeks that she was insane at the  
time of the homicide and Mrs. Jerni-  
gan had lived up to expectations and  
more by telling the pathetic story  
soberly but with restrained sobs at the  
crisis. The defense had put on char-  
acter witness after character witness,  
the very best people of Sampson prov-  
ing the exceptional character of both  
the defendant and her daughter, the  
latter to be put on to corroborate her  
mother, when just before the closing  
hour the defense called Adley Mat-  
thews, a character witness.

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## Senate Committee Accepts American Valuation Idea

### Senator Simmons Protests Strongly Against Democratic Members of the Committee Being Excluded From Meet- ing; Says It's "Serious Matter" To Keep Minority Out

Washington, Aug. 11.—The House  
policy of assessing tariff duties on the  
basis of American valuation of imported  
merchandise was accepted by Repub-  
lican members of the Senate finance com-  
mittee will be called in for "informal  
reach an agreement finally on details  
of the program. Republicans acted alone  
on the question, the Democratic mem-  
bers being isolated out of the meeting,  
in accordance with what was said to be  
custom.

Determination of the details went  
over to tomorrow, but before further  
moves are made, the Republican mem-  
bers of the House ways and means com-  
mittee will be called in for an "informal  
discussion" of the changes, which the  
finance committee Republicans have ap-  
proved. This conference, it was said,  
was arranged in order to avoid pos-  
sible conflict between the two houses.

**Strictly Republican**  
The decision to establish the commit-  
tee policy in "Republican conference"  
brought protests on the Senate floor  
during the day from Senator Simmons,  
of North Carolina, ranking Democratic  
member of the committee, and Senator  
King, Democrat, Utah. Mr. Simmons  
declared his Republican colleagues were  
taking testimony in secret and that no  
record was being made, so that other  
members of the committee would never  
know what had happened.

He charged that custom experts were  
being heard and that it was "a serious  
matter" to exclude the minority mem-  
bers. Mr. King said the situation called  
for "the severest condemnation," add-  
ing that "it is a well known fact that  
all kinds of interests here trying to  
prostitute this bill. I don't want it  
written by the dye and other monopoli-  
es."

In addition to the customs experts,  
who, Chairman Penrose said merely  
were carrying out instructions of the  
Republicans in drafting changes in  
valuation sections, Secretary Hoover  
was before the committee today. The  
latter suggested that an amendment  
should be added which would take care  
of the countries whose currency has  
depreciated.

**Secret Testimony.**  
The customs experts, who Mr. Sim-  
mons said were testifying in secret, had  
been heard extensively in open sessions  
according to Mr. Penrose.

Under the assessment plan accepted by  
the Republicans the comparable  
wholesale selling price provided in the  
House bill as a basis remains the same.  
Its scope, however, is limited in the  
respect that where an article of com-  
merce in the United States exactly like  
an imported product is to be found, the  
American wholesale selling price of  
other comparable foreign commodities  
is to be accepted as the basis for levying  
the duty.

**League Not Dead, Editor Declares**  
Hamilton Holt, Pro-League Re-  
publican, Says Harding Must  
Soon Choose

Lake Junaluska, Aug. 11.—Calling  
upon all true friends of the League of  
Nations to give President Harding  
every opportunity to perfect the sug-  
gested association of nations, Hamil-  
ton Holt of New York, one of the  
leaders of the pro-league Republican  
Conference of the Methodist Episcopal  
Church, South, declared that the Presi-  
dent soon must choose between "the  
pro-leaguers in his cabinet whom he  
made and the latter enders in the Sen-  
ate who made him."

"Let our political leaders make no  
mistake," said Mr. Holt. "The league  
issue will not be settled until it is  
settled right. Every friend of inter-  
national peace and progress must  
withhold final judgment until Mr.  
Harding sees fit to disclose the detailed  
plans of his association. But this is  
clear. If he wants the permanent sup-  
port of most of the American people  
his association must be more than a  
mere group of nations agreeing to be  
good and peaceable and all revolving  
about a court.

**Foundation Already Laid**  
"It is inconceivable that Mr. Harding  
could get the world or the Senate at  
the present moment to consent to es-  
tablish a better court with wider juris-  
diction than the admirable one just  
created largely by the genius of Elihu  
Root and already adopted as the chief  
tribunal by the present League of Na-  
tions. And if Mr. Harding's associa-  
tion is under no compulsion to do any-  
thing except when the spirit moves, the  
nations would be no better off than  
they are now with or without an associa-  
tion.

"The present league with its forty-  
nine members and its truly admirable  
record of things accomplished in the  
one short year of its existence is well  
worth preserving. Indeed, it is better  
to have the present league continue  
as it is without the United States dur-  
ing the term of the present administra-  
tion than to evacuate the league in  
order to get the United States to enter  
it."

**Cannot Wait Much Longer**  
"But we cannot wait much longer.  
The world is on the verge of revolu-  
tion, famine and pestilence. Mr. Hard-  
ing must choose between the pro-  
leaguers in his Cabinet whom he made,  
or the latter enders in the Senate who  
made him. The decision must be made  
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## INVITATIONS SENT BY WASHINGTON TO ALLIED COUNTRIES

### Asks Great Powers To Unite In Effort To Remove Causes of Misunderstanding

## DEFINES CONCEPTION OF PRINCIPLES INVOLVED

### United States Declares There Can Be No Peace or Stabili- ty Until The Tax Burden Re- sulting From Heavy Arma- ments Has Been Reduced; Note Sent To China Also

Washington, Aug. 11.—By the Asso-  
ciated Press.—Putting into definite  
terms its proposal for a disarmament  
conference, the United States today in-  
vited the great powers to unite in "a  
pioneering effort to remove the causes  
of misunderstanding" and so facilitate  
reduction of the world's enormous outlay  
for the materials of war.

In formal invite notes of invita-  
tion forwarded to Great Britain, France,  
Italy and Japan, the American govern-  
ment pledged its own unstinted co-  
operation in such an effort and further  
defined as follows its own conception of  
the principles involved:

**Principles Involved.**  
That there can be no hope for peace  
or stability until the tax burden result-  
ing from heavy armaments has been re-  
duced;

That such a reduction is possible only  
if troublesome international prob-  
lems are solved by common consent;

That among these problems the Pacific  
and Far Eastern questions occupy a  
position of "unquestioned impor-  
tance."

That although there is no intention  
to dictate the scope of the conference,  
the decisions should touch upon mat-  
ters "which have been" of international  
concern as well as those now admitted-  
ly controversial; and,

That the question of naval arma-  
ments might well be considered first,  
though there should be no barrier to a  
full consideration of armaments of  
every sort.

**China Also Invited.**  
Coincidentally with the dispatch of  
the invitations to the four great pow-  
ers, China was asked to send a dele-  
gation to take part in those discussions  
of the conference which relate to the  
Pacific and the Far East. All of the  
five nations thus invited have indicated  
informally that they would accept, and  
formal responses are expected to reach  
Washington within a few days, opening  
the way for a more detailed prelimi-  
nary negotiation on the scope of the  
conference.

While the official invitations were on  
the cables, President Harding turned  
his attention to a survey of sentiment  
in the Senate, which has a joint re-  
sponsibility with the executive in for-  
eign relations. He summoned to the  
White House Senator Borah, Republi-  
can, Idaho, author of a disarming res-  
olution requesting the calling of a disarmament  
conference, and in a conference of more  
than an hour went over foreign prob-  
lems generally as they are likely to  
affect the attitude of the American  
representatives in the conference.

**Free Tolls Discussed.**  
One subject understood to have re-  
ceived special attention at the confer-  
ence was the proposal for free tolls for  
American coastwise ships at the Pana-  
ma Canal. Mr. Harding is said to have  
expressed no objection to the Idaho  
Senator's proposal to press his bill for  
such a provision, but at the same time  
is understood to have given as his  
opinion that diplomatic negotiations  
now proceeding on the subject should  
be carried forward without interrup-  
tion.

Senator Borah is said also to have  
urged the President to avoid any  
appearance of a secret diplomacy in con-  
nection with the disarmament confer-  
ence. Administration officials have  
held, however, that although public  
opinion must be brought behind the  
work of the assembled delegates to as-  
sure their success, the question of pub-  
lic or open sessions is one that only  
the conference itself can decide. The  
text of the official invitations to Great  
Britain and China were made public  
late today at the State Department.  
That to Great Britain was identical with  
the notes sent to France, Italy and  
Japan.

**Note To China.**  
The note to China was in the same  
language except that the detailed dis-  
cussion of the reduction of arma-  
ment was omitted and the following was substituted  
as the concluding paragraph:  
"Accordingly, in pursuance of the  
provision which has been made, and in  
the light of the gracious indication of  
its acceptance, the President invites the  
government of the Republic of China to  
participate in the discussion of Pacific  
and Far Eastern questions in connec-  
tion with the conference on the subject  
of limitation of armaments to be held  
in Washington on the eleventh day of  
November, 1921."

**Text of Invitation.**  
The text of the formal invitation fol-  
lows:  
"The President is deeply gratified at  
the cordial response to his suggestion  
that there should be a conference on  
the subject of limitation of armaments,  
in connection with which Pacific and  
Far Eastern questions should also be  
discussed.

"Productive labor is staggering under  
an economic burden too heavily to be  
borne unless the present vast public ex-  
penditures are greatly reduced. It is idle  
to look for stability, or the assurance  
of social justice, or the security of peace,  
while wasteful and unproductive out-  
lays deprive effort of its just reward  
and defeat the reasonable expectation  
of progress. The enormous disburse-  
ments in the rivalries of armaments  
manifestly constitute the greater part  
of the encumbrance upon enterprise and  
national prosperity; and avoidable or  
extraneous expense of this nature is  
not only without economic justification,  
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## NO DISORDER WHEN MILL OPENS DOORS

### Two Hundred Former Members of Union Return To Old Jobs at Locke Mill

Concord, Aug. 11.—Although there  
was a picket line of four hundred sta-  
tioned outside when one of the Locke  
mills opened this morning after having  
been closed in February on account  
of a strike of the operatives, there  
was no disorder and no arrests were  
made. Some 200 former workers  
returned to their jobs in the mill.

Officials of the textile union advised  
that no one had interfered with. City  
and county officials were on hand but  
their services were not needed. The  
union has not recognized the validity  
of the recent ordinance prohibiting  
picketing, claiming protection under  
the United States constitution, which  
provides that no person shall be de-  
prived of life, liberty or property ex-  
cept by due process of law, but no vio-  
lence has been advocated or tolerated.

The main cause of the desertion of  
the union was the failure to provide  
food for the striking members. This  
is the first mill to open since the strike  
was called and it is not being run at  
full capacity.

The case in which the Hartell mill  
is seeking the ejection of ten union  
members from their houses opened to-  
day. The employees demanded a jury  
trial in each case and the trial before  
a magistrate was set for Saturday.

Everything is quiet here. It is un-  
derstood that the Kannapolis workers  
have about reached an agreement to  
return to work at their former wages  
and the mill owners are willing to ac-  
cept their proposition but refuse to re-  
cognize the union. Final settlement  
seems far distant. Lack of funds is  
being a serious matter than the attitude  
of the mill owners, who have refused  
to give any recognition to the union  
in any way.

**Five Millions for Russia**  
Washington, Aug. 11.—Appropriation  
of five million dollars to be used by  
the President to aid in Russian relief  
is provided in a bill introduced today  
by Senator King, Democrat, Utah.

## HALLMAN IS GIVEN PRISON SENTENCE

### Jury Returns Verdict of Guilty of Assault With Intent To Commit Rape

Monroe, Aug. 11.—"Guilty of assault  
with intent to commit rape," was the  
verdict in the Hallman case, rendered  
at 5 o'clock this afternoon after the  
jury had been deliberating for more  
than nine hours. A maximum sentence  
of 15 years of hard labor was imposed  
by Judge Finley and counsel for defense  
immediately gave notice of appeal.

Within three minutes after the court  
house bell announced that the jury was  
ready to report the court room was  
filled with several hundred citizens who  
had waited all day for the verdict. Af-  
ter brief pleas for mercy by counsel  
for the defense, Judge Finley stated  
that the reason the jury deliberated so  
long was because they could not agree  
whether to render a verdict as they did  
or a verdict of guilty of rape, which  
the court said might well have been  
rendered, according to the evidence.

Thus ends Superior Court action in  
the case of State against Lee Hallman,  
young white man on trial for his life  
since Thursday morning of last week.  
He is charged with criminal assault  
upon Miss Louise Tolbert, of Concord.  
The offense is alleged to have been com-  
mitted on the night of July 21, while the  
two were out riding.

All day crowds of farmers and others  
have congregated about the court house  
square eagerly waiting the verdict of  
the jury that would say whether a man  
should die or a woman should be brand-  
ed as a prostitute. Interest in the case  
has been intense and the court room  
packed every day.

The issue was fairly joined from the  
first, the prosecutor contending that  
she was overpowered and ravished; the  
defendant admitting illicit relationship  
but contending that it was by consent.  
Some of the best legal talent in the  
State have given earnest attention to  
the case. Much of the evidence has  
been revolting.

**Working In 75 Counties.**  
Since the initial session of the Dis-  
trict Highway Engineers here a month  
ago, maintenance of roads has been  
started in 75 of the 100 counties, and  
of the total mileage of 6,055 miles  
of road taken over by the State,  
3,192 miles are being maintained. With-  
in the next 30 days Highway Engineer  
Charles M. Upham expects to have  
every mile of State road under main-  
tenance.

The rapidity with which main-  
tenance forces have been organized and  
put to work is a source of gratification  
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## DE VALERA REPLIES TO PROPOSALS FOR PEACE

### Rumored That It Will Mean a Grave Crisis; Lloyd George To Return at Once

London, Aug. 11.—(By the Associated  
Press)—The reply of Eamonn De  
Valera, the Irish Republican leader, to  
the British governments' Irish peace  
proposals, was handed to Austen Cham-  
berlain, government leader in the House  
of Commons at noon today.

The tenor of the reply was withheld.  
The official explanation was that it  
would be subject first to conferences by  
the cabinet and that it was unlikely to  
be divulged for some days.

Robert C. Barton, member of the  
Dail Eireann, gave the reply to Mr.  
Chamberlain in the absence of Premier  
Lloyd George in France.

**May Mean a Crisis**  
London, Aug. 11.—(By the Associated  
Press)—The whole British delegation  
to the Allied Supreme Council will re-  
turn to London tomorrow, according to  
a Paris dispatch to Reuters late this  
afternoon. The dispatch said this ac-  
tion was due to today's developments  
in the Irish situation.

An exchange telegraph dispatch from  
Paris received about the same time said  
the decision was due to a deadlock in  
the deliberations of the Allied Supreme  
Council.

The Reuters dispatch said it was  
rumored in French circles that the reply  
of Eamonn De Valera, Irish Republi-  
can leader, to Premier Lloyd George's  
Irish peace proposals meant a grave  
crisis.

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### E. F. White, With Whom She Was Riding When Touring Car Is Alleged To Have Plunged Into Water, Held In Jail Without Bail; Body Only Partly Clothed

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Miss Mamie Gilbert, 29, was taken from  
the Tamiami Canal near here by cre-  
ators this afternoon at the point where  
the touring car in which she was riding  
with E. F. White late last night is al-  
leged to have plunged into the water.  
Her body was only partly clothed.  
White is being held in the county jail  
without bond.

White early this morning walked into  
the sheriff's office and calmly declared  
that his automobile had gone into the  
canal and the girl, who he said was  
driving it, had been drowned. County  
officials at first doubted the man's  
story, as his clothing was neatly pres-  
erved and bore no evidence of his having  
been submerged. He insisted, however,  
that he had gone to his home first and  
changed clothes after walking for about  
seven miles, then begging a lift to town  
on a farm wagon.

**Body Partly Clothed.**  
Deputies were dispatched to the canal  
and located the machine. When it was  
pulled out of the water by a derrick,  
articles of feminine apparel were  
found in the car, including a corset and  
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