

PRESIDENT HARDING'S MESSAGE AGAIN MAKES ATTACK ON THE LEAGUE

Members Make An Agreement With Federal Officials--Further Efforts To Adjust British Coal Strike Dispute Are Being Made

POLICIES OF ADMINISTRATION ON DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN PROBLEMS

ABSTRACT OF PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE TO CONGRESS

Washington, April 12.—President Harding's principal recommendations to Congress in his first annual address, delivered today, included the following:

Foreign Relations.

"No separate peace treaties with the central powers on the assumption of the League of Nations are to be made. The League of Nations is to be maintained as a permanent organization. The League of Nations is to be maintained as a permanent organization. The League of Nations is to be maintained as a permanent organization."

Taxation.

"Readjustment of national taxes and revision or repeal of those taxes which have become unproductive and are an artificial and burdensome as to defeat their own purpose."

Tariff.

"Instant tariff enactment, emergency in character and understood by our people that it is for the emergency only."

Railroads.

"Efficient operation at a cost within the old world rates and operation must be reduced."

Merchant Marine.

"The United States means to establish and maintain a great merchant marine."

Aviation.

"Regulation by the federal government and encouragement of aviation for development for military and civil purposes."

Service Men.

"The American people expect Congress unfailingly to voice the gratitude of the republic in a generous and practical way to its defenders in the world war."

Public Welfare.

"Co-ordination of various government agencies now working on the subject and endorsement of the pending maternity bill."

Army and Navy.

"Early consideration of pending appropriation bills was asked. The government is in accord with the wish to eliminate the burdens of heavy armaments."

National Finance.

"The staggering load of war debt must be cared for in orderly and gradual liquidation. We shall hasten the solution and aid effectively in lifting the tax burdens if we strike resolutely at expenditures."

Administration.

"Enactment of a national budget system and general reductions by efficient management of the cost of government."

Business.

"Less of government in business as well as more business in government. There is no challenge to honest and lawful business success. But government approval of fortunate, untrammelled business does not mean toleration of restraint of trade or of maintained prices by unnatural methods."

Agriculture.

"The maintained retail costs in perishable foods cannot be justified. Reduced costs of basic production has been recorded but high cost of living has not yielded in like proportion. Without the spirit of hostility or haste in accusation of profiteering some suitable inquiry by

PREMIER HEARS BOTH SIDES IN COAL DISPUTE

Mine Owners And Workers Present Their Views Today to Mr. Lloyd George

NO SETTLEMENT MADE

Sliding Scale Based on the Cost of Living Was Suggested by the Owners But Was Received Unfavorably by the Striking Miners; Presented Monday

London, April 12.—Both sides in the controversy between mine owners and coal diggers were received by Premier Lloyd George today. The mine owners conferred with Mr. Lloyd George at 11 o'clock and the miners were ready to talk with the premier immediately after the conclusion of his conversation with the owners.

Representatives of the miners will report to the "triple alliance of labor" later in the day as to whether the prospects of a settlement are sufficiently favorable to justify the postponement of the strike of the national union of railway men and the national federation of transport workers, members of which are prepared to walk out at 12 o'clock tonight. It was declared here today that there would be no strike of these two organizations unless negotiations to be carried out today broke down.

Prospects were generally held out to be improbable that definite conclusions would be reached today growing out of the proposals. "Yesterday's conference resulted in nothing more than the presentation of the problems confronting each side of the controversy. A sliding scale based on the cost of living was proposed by the mine owners, but was received unfavorably by the striking miners who claimed that no stability could attach to such a scale. Operations to insure the safety of the mines from floods of water are proceeding without hindrance in most of the coal fields in the United Kingdom. The only exception is in the Fifeshire where only two of sixty-four pits are being pumped."

HAYWOOD AND OTHERS MUST STAY IN PRISON

Washington, April 12.—William D. Haywood and 79 other industrial workers of the World, who were convicted before Federal Judge Lansing at Chicago in 1918 of attempting to obstruct the government's prosecution of the war, must return to federal prison as a result of the refusal of the supreme court to review their conviction.

AN INDICTED GAMBLER PLACED UNDER BOND

Chicago, April 12.—Ben Franklin, of St. Louis, recently indicted by the Cook county grand jury in connection with the alleged sale of the White Sox, gave bond of \$30,000 in the criminal court. Franklin is alleged to have been one of the gamblers who arranged for throwing the series.

LIGHT FROST IN PARTS OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Spartanburg, S. C., April 12.—There was light frost in this section this morning and this ice formed in exposed places. Early vegetables were killed but it is not thought the fruit crop was damaged as the leaves were large enough to protect the tender buds. The lowest temperature was 39.

"FIRE ESCAPE FARMERS" SUFFER HEAVY LOSSES

New York, April 12.—New York's "fire escape farmers" who planted tomato "ests" and other ambitious crops under a warm sun, were shocked Monday morning to find their gardens covered with very cold snow. Furs and mufflers came out of the moth balls this morning with alacrity. The temperature fell to 27 degrees above zero; it was 55 Sunday.

A NEW RECORD FOR NEW BILLS IS MADE

Washington, April 12.—Weary House filing clerks were still at work today, trying to catalogue 2,564 bills introduced yesterday. It was a record-breaking first-day flood of new measures.

SAVES CANCELLED STAMPS TO HELP CHINESE CHILDREN



Catherine Murphy, revenue clerk in the Cincinnati, O., federal building, spends her leisure hours cutting cancelled stamps from envelopes to aid the destitute children in China. How? Missions in China give the highly priced stamps to the heathen parents in China in exchange for their children, whom the missions rear and educate and then return to their parents.

FRENCH VIEW ON MANDATE PLANS IS GIVEN HUGHES

Ambassador Jusserand In Understood to Have Stated France's Position

RECOGNIZES U. S. CLAIM

Said to Be Favorable to Continuation of American Government Relative to the Island of Yap; French Verbal Communication in Lieu of Written Reply to Note

Paris, April 12.—(By The Associated Press.)—Ambassador Jusserand is understood here to have given Secretary of State Hughes in Washington the French viewpoint on the mandate question raised by Secretary Hughes' recent note in which the United States insisted she was entitled to a voice in the ultimate disposition of the former overseas possessions of Germany.

TROOPS ARE NOW BEING GATHERED

Stated That Panama Forces Being Concentrated Along Costa Rican Frontier

San Jose, Costa Rica, April 12.—Troops of the republic of Panama are being concentrated in the Coto and Almirante districts along the Costa Rican frontier and are being closely watched by military leaders in this country. Military preparations for the purpose of countering any blow struck by Panama are not being made, as the government and people of Costa Rica are confident the United States will follow out the program laid down by Charles E. Hughes, secretary of state, in his note to Costa Rica and Panama.

Marital Law Decided Upon.

Athens, April 12.—Establishing of marital law in Greece was decided upon by the chamber of deputies here today. Premier Gounaris brought the matter to the attention of the deputies last night by proposing consideration of the matter.

PLAN AGREED ON BY GOVERNMENT AND THE PACKERS

Provides for the Disposal by Five Big Packers of Stockyard Interests

IS FILED IN D. C. COURT

Two Trustees Are Named; The Sale Will Include Interests of the Packers in Terminal Railroads; The Plan Is Subject to the Approval of the Court

Washington, April 12.—A new plan under which Swift and Company and Armour and Company are to divest themselves of their interests in stockyards and stockyard terminal railroads was agreed to today by the Department of Justice and immediately approved by Justice Stafford, of the District of Columbia Supreme Court.

Under the plan the companies must deliver their stockyards and terminals to the Illinois Trust and Savings Bank at Chicago within 30 days for administration by two trustees, Henry W. Anderson, of Richmond, Va., and George Sutherland, of Salt Lake City, Utah, until such which must be within one year.

Earlier Report

Washington, April 12.—A plan for the disposal by the five big packers of their interests in stockyards and terminal railroads finally has been agreed to between them and the department of justice. It was filed today in the District of Columbia court and is subject to the court's approval before becoming effective.

Under the plan the packers are to deposit their stockyards and terminals with the Illinois Trust and Savings Bank of Chicago for sale by two trustees, Henry W. Anderson, of Richmond, Ind., and George Sutherland, of Salt Lake City, Utah.

The trustees are to receive salaries of \$10,000 a year, each, and will have power to interfere in the management of any stockyard or railroad, if in the opinion of both or either the Sherman Act or the terms of decree are being violated.

STEAMER IS TIED UP BECAUSE OF BOYCOTT

Buenos Aires, April 12.—Port authorities in this city were officially notified by the United States Shipping Board yesterday to give permission for non-union laborers to unload the steamer Martha Washington, which has been tied up here because of a boycott of union workers. The authorities also were asked to protect any men employed in the work of taking the cargo out of the vessel's hold.

FRUIT CROP DESTROYED IN WESTERN CAROLINA

Ashville, April 12.—(Special.)—Early reports reaching the city today from practically all western North Carolina, indicate that the fruit crop is destroyed and that vegetables and farm products suffered from the snow and freeze in some sections of the mountain district. Last night the damage runs into the hundreds of thousands of dollars.

HE'S HERE FROM PANAMA TO CONFER WITH U. S. LEADERS



Ricardo J. Alfaro, minister of the interior of the republic of Panama, is in Washington at present. It is understood that the minister has come to the United States to confer with the leaders of the new administration relative to relations between the United States and Panama.

WOMEN DISCUSS VARIOUS TOPICS

National League of Women Voters Is Holding a Convention at Cleveland

Cleveland, April 12.—The second annual convention of the National League of Women Voters formally opened here this morning with more than 1,000 delegates and alternates from all parts of the country in attendance. The convention will close Saturday afternoon. Conferences on child welfare and uniform laws concerning supply and demand were reported in resolutions last night.

The conference on child welfare recommended the immediate passage of a congressional bill giving federal aid for maternity and infant care; endorsed the principle of physical education in schools, thru state action and urged the enforcement of all child labor and school attendance laws.

STATUS OF FARM BODIES SUBJECT

Topic Is Discussed at American Farm Bureau Federation Conference

Washington, April 12.—The status of farmers' operative associations under the Sherman anti-trust act was discussed today at the American Farm Bureau Federation conference here in terms of a farmers' legislative program. Financial requirements of such organizations, it was asserted, might need clarifying legislation.

The executive committee was urged by speakers to work for extension of the time of recess of the congressional notes to the federal reserve system.

The conference accepted an invitation from Governor Harding, of the federal reserve board, and named a committee to confer with the board, particularly as to suggested development of the farm loan bank idea. It was decided also to ask President Harding to name a farmer to membership on the interstate commerce commission.

JAPAN WILL SEND SPECIAL ENVOY, IT IS DECLARED

Would Come to U. S. to Take Up So-Called Pacific Problems

NO ANNOUNCEMENT YET

Hughes Note Creates a Profound Impression in Japan; Believed That "Time Has Arrived" to Bring About a Solution of U. S.-Japanese Problem

Tokio, April 12.—(By Associated Press.)—Plans for sending to Washington a distinguished Japanese who would take up the entire range of the so-called Pacific problems, including matters of economic, China, Siberia, immigration and armaments are understood to be in the process of formulation by the Japanese government.

Official announcement of the intention of the country to send such a delegate who would act in a capacity similar to that of former Premier Visiani, of France, who is at present in the United States, has not as yet been made, but it is said that the subject is receiving serious attention.

The note from Charles E. Hughes, American secretary of state, to the allied declaration, America does not abandon her rights in the peace settlement especially concerning Germany overseas possessions, not only created a profound impression in Japan but has served in addition to crystallize the conviction that the time has arrived to bring about a solution of all problems involving Japan and America before the relations of those countries reach a critical stage.

Authorities at the Japanese foreign office confine themselves to a statement to the Associated Press that the Hughes note is so important that it is receiving the most serious consideration from the Japanese government, which is anxious to do everything possible to establish friendly co-operation with the new administration at Washington.

It is learned from other influential sources that the opinion prevails among prominent Japanese, especially those in the United States, that the general situation has gone so far that it requires heroic treatment to prevent the two nations from further drifting apart. There is here, however, an indication to permit the problem involved in the disposition of the island of Yap to sink into comparative unimportance before a discussion of all the questions centering about the Pacific regarding which Japanese and America have serious differences.

The plan to send a representative of the Japanese government to Washington is being given the most serious internal situation in this country. It is understood an influential group is insisting that Japanese foreign policies be modeled with the particular view to securing an adjustment of Pacific problems and a general understanding, permanent in nature, with America. The basis of this understanding would be friendly co-operation.

Attainment of this program may involve a change in the Japanese ministry. Maj. Gen. Giuchi Tanaka, minister of war, has already placed his resignation in the hands of Premier Hara.

It is said as present the political situation in Japan is complicated over internal questions, including the one relative to the withdrawal of the crown prince, which came to light recently and which seems not to have been settled in some important aspects. Everything here, however, tends to show that the highest circles of the empire are concentrating their attention on relations with America, with responsible Japanese only declaring, "a question that must be solved."

PROBE IS IN PROGRESS

Investigation of Two Other Being Made by Georgia Grand Jury

Atlanta, Ga., April 12.—After its investigation of the negroes on the farm of Williams in the southern county, alleged to have killed to prevent their giving of peonage, the Jasper and Jury today started an investigation of the deaths of two other negroes.

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Burned to Death.

Atlanta, April 12.—A negro boy, three years of age, was seriously burned in a fire which destroyed a cotton-gin building in the negro section of the city.

HUNDREDS APPEAR FOR THE FUNERAL

Many Visitors in Asheville to Pay Last Tribute to Late Judge Pritchard

Asheville, N. C., April 12.—Asheville is filled today with hundreds of people from many sections of the country who are here to attend the funeral services over the body of Judge Jesse C. Pritchard, senior officer of the Fourth Circuit, United States Circuit Court of Appeals, who died here Sunday morning.

The services, which will be conducted by Rev. Dr. W. F. Powell, pastor of the First Baptist church, will take place at 3 o'clock. Former Congressman J. J. Britt, of the Tenth North Carolina district, will read the memorial address. Interment will be at Riverside cemetery here.