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Unsettled weather today and Friday; probably showers.

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FRENCH MANDATE REPLY IS MADE PUBLIC BY HUGHES

France Ready to Assist United States in Every Way Possible in Regard to Disposition of Island of Yap, Awarded to Japanese Government

By the Associated Press.
Washington, April 14.—France's reply to Secretary Hughes' note of April 1 regarding the Japanese mandate over the Pacific island of Yap is interpreted in official circles here as tantamount to occupancy of the principle laid down by the American government that the United States has surrendered none of its rights in the overseas islands.

The text of the form of the preliminary reply was made public today here in Washington and Paris. It is signed by Premier Briand, who gives assurance that a representative of the French government will place before the supreme council at its next meeting the question of Yap, "with the greatest desire to find a solution which will give every satisfaction to the desire of the United States."

Premier Briand declares that his government already has done everything in its power to aid the United States.

Reference is made to the French note of last February 18 which pointed out that while the decision of the supreme council of May 7, 1919, made no reservation concerning the mandates attributed to Japan over the islands of the northern Pacific, President Wilson and Secretary Lansing had formulated in a former meeting in the presence of the representatives of Japan "categorical reservations concerning the Island of Yap" and the Japanese representatives "had not objected."

The full text of the French reply as made public by the state department does not differ materially from that given out in Paris.

HARVESTERS WILL BE SOLD CHEAPER

By the Associated Press.
Chicago, April 14.—Early this morning the recent reduction of steel prices by the United States Steel Corporation, the International Harvester Company today announced a ten per cent straight reduction for next year.

The reduction on steel came after four years' production had been a record for and will have to bearing on the cost of machines we sell this year," the announcement stated. "It does establish a lower replacement cost and serves as a basis for future prices."

The company announced reductions of from 10 to 15 per cent in machines made principally of wood and iron in March 7.

HARVEY IS NAMED FOR AMBASSADOR

By the Associated Press.
Washington, April 14.—Nomination of Gen. Harvey of New York to be ambassador to Great Britain and Myron T. Herrick to be ambassador to France was sent to the senate today by President Harding.

At the same time the president transmitted more than 39 names of men he had given temporary appointments while congress was in recess. The list included the name of John J. Esch of Wisconsin to be a member of the interstate commerce commission, whose confirmation was held up by opposition at the last session.

THIS COLLIE DOG AFTER VENGEANCE

Duluth, Minn., April 14.—Since its canine pal was killed recently by a street car, a Scotch collie dog stands round at a certain corner here each day, leaps high as cars pass by and often manages to grasp the trolley pole wire with its teeth, pulling the pole off the wire and stopping the car. The animal probably will be shot.

It would take a snail more than 14 days to go a mile if it went at top speed continuously without stopping.

Yosemite Park Rangers Make Difficult Snow Climb



Forest S. Townsley, chief ranger in Yosemite National park (center, with hat off), with a party made a difficult and dangerous ascent from the floor of Yosemite valley to Glacier Point on the rim in snow in places nearly 8 feet deep. It took them 10 hours to make 11 miles and climb 3,250 feet. Going back they sat down and slid much of the way.

BRITISH TANKER IS REPORTED IN BAD

By the Associated Press.
New York, April 14.—The British tank steamer Marquis, from New Orleans April 11 for Granemouth, is disabled with engine trouble near Loggerhead Key off southern Florida coast a wireless message received here today said. The accident occurred soon after midnight last night and a tug was dispatched to her assistance.

PARENT IS HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR SON

Raleigh, April 14.—Chief Justice Walter Clark writing an opinion in the Tyree vs. George C. Tudor case of Forsyth county reverses Judge Finley and holds that the defendant, the father, is liable for the actions of his minor son, Bynum Tudor. This was the only case of importance handed down by the supreme court this week.

The case in which L. P. Tyree, administrator, is seeking damages from George C. Tudor for the death of Ruth Tyree who was killed in June, 1918, when an automobile in which she was riding with the younger Tudor in the Country Club road near Winston-Salem overturned. The case was non-suited by Judge Finley in superior court and it came to the high court on appeal of the plaintiff. Chief Justice Clark holds that the case should have been tried before the jury.

Since Bynum Tudor was a minor the chief justice holds, it was the father's duty "not to entrust the safety of the young lady to his son unless he knew he was careful and prudent in the operation of the machine. To hold otherwise would be dangerous to the safety of life and limb." Bynum was operating the car as the servant of his father and for negligent injuries inflicted by him his father was responsible, the opinion reads.

Evidence before the court here is that young Tudor with a brother and Miss Tyree had attended a dance at the Country Club near Winston-Salem with Bynum at the wheel. The car was traveling around 50 miles an hour when it sideswiped a car driven by Martin Goodman. The Tudor car somersaulted, the young lady's body being frightfully mangled. The young men were not seriously injured.

MORE COTTON IS CONSUMED IN MARCH

By the Associated Press.
Washington, April 14.—Cotton manufacturers utilized more raw cotton during March than in month since September, a total of 437,933 bales having been consumed during the month, according to the census bureau today.

There were fewer cotton spindles in operation during the month than in February, the largest reduction having been shown in the cotton growing states.

The month's total, 32,104,946, was 353,582 less than in February, with the mills of the cotton growing states showing 217,794 of the reduction.

Cotton consumed was 20,325 bales more than in February.

SEES NO SHORTAGE IN WORLD'S WHEAT

By the Associated Press.
London, March 29.—The prospects of the coming world's wheat crop are favorable and the harvest is likely to produce enough to meet the world's demand, says Sir James Wilson, chairman of the central agricultural wages committee for Scotland, an authority on that subject.

He declared in an address he delivered the other day on "The World's Supply for the current cereal year is more than equal to the demand, and he predicted that on August 1 next there would be a surplus of exportable wheat left in the exporting countries. But, he said, the surplus, outside of Russia and India, would not be large and if the world's future weather proved unfavorable, the fall in the world's price of wheat might be checked and the price might even rise again.

For the world as a whole, he said, there is no more reason to fear a future permanent dearth of wheat than that the world will be starved of food generally. He predicted that some time within the next 20 years the world's price of wheat, measured in gold, will return to a level not far from the pre-war average.

Ancients believed that poisons placed in rhinoceros horn cups would show itself by bubbling so ancients used these cups for drinking purposes.

Dyes which show great resistance to heat and light often succumb quickly when treated with such substances as chlorine or the alkalis.

DIVORCE EVIL IS SCORED IN SPEECH

By the Associated Press.
Richmond, Va., April 14.—Urging a stricter censorship of moving pictures, asserting that increase in crime is traceable to certain kinds of film shows and giving statistics on the divorce evil, Miss Bell H. Bennett of Nashville, Tenn., delivered her annual address today as president of the women's council of the Methodist Episcopal church, south.

In discussing the divorce evil which she said was on the increase in this country, Miss Bennett commented on the fact that it was on the decrease in Japan. She said that if the interchurch world movement does anything else it is worth all it costs by showing the religious needs of the world.

Ambrose Bierce, American writer and journalist, joined Villa in 1914 and has been missing since the battle of Torreón.

TEXAS IS SWEEPED BY BAD TORNADO

By the Associated Press.
Melissa, Texas, April 14.—Eight persons are dead, five probably are fatally injured and approximately 50 others more or less seriously injured as the result of the tornado which swept through this section at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Five of those killed were negroes.

The storm swept through the towns from the southwest to the northeast, demolishing all of the churches and stores, the school houses and many houses.

PARIS PRESS IS AFTER FRENCH OFFICIAL

By the Associated Press.
Paris, April 14.—Criticism of Jules J. Jusserand, French ambassador to the United States for his alleged failure to keep the French public informed as to the state of affairs in Washington appeared in editorial comment here today relative to the message of President Harding to congress.

FEWER GERMANS NOW ENTERING MEXICO

By the Associated Press.
Mexico City, March 14.—German immigration to Mexico has so decreased that not more than 600 have entered this country since the end of the war. German officials have urged their countrymen not to migrate here at present but rather to avail themselves of the facilities offered for settlement in the South American republics of Argentina, Uruguay and Paraguay. Information to this effect was given at the German embassy following inquiries as to newspaper reports here that an official request had been made in behalf of Germans for a concession of about 70,000 acres of land in Coahuila.

Denial was made that the Coahuila concession in question pertains to German citizens, Counsellor Fuhr asserting that the request was made by naturalized Germans in the United States, principally from Texas, who wished to form a colony near Las Vacas, Coahuila and desert their American homes.

"The only pretentious emigration from Germany to Mexico ended in failure," Counsellor Fuhr asserted. "Shortly after the end of the war a colonization company was formed of several hundred members who pooled their resources and purchased German goods estimated to bring \$800,000 (pesos) when sold in Mexico.

"Two men were appointed to accompany the goods but unfortunately after they disposed of them they pocketed the money and have disappeared. Meanwhile the would-be colonists embarked for Mexico in large numbers but since their arrival here they have been virtual wards of the permanent German colony in Mexico City inasmuch as they had invested all their funds in the defunct company. One of the colonists, for instance, was a former German vice admiral. He is now working as a laborer with a surveying gang and is glad of the chance."

Declaration was made further that the Mexican government as yet has offered no inducements for German immigration beyond mere transportation from the port of entry to the place of settlement. Contrasted to this is the policy inaugurated by the "Plata republics," Argentina, Uruguay and Paraguay, whereby colonists of established worth are provided with free passage from Germany and liberal grants of land. Until other facilities are offered by Mexico and "home-steading" is made practicable Counsellor Fuhr said his countrymen would be advised to stay away.

RUSH WHITE MAN TO PLACE SAFETY

By the Associated Press.
Rocky Mount, N. C., April 14.—Because of high feeling and fears of mob violence, Edward Hines, a white farm hand about 35 years of age, was rushed from Spring Hope to the county jail at Nashville last night and later rushed to an unnamed place for safe keeping, according to officers who arrested Hines near Webb's mill in Nash county upon a charge of having attacked the five-year-old daughter of a prominent farmer.

PLAN TO INVADGE IF GERMANY REFUSES

By the Associated Press.
Paris, April 14.—Germany's obligations to the allies will be fixed at between 130,000,000,000 and 150,000,000,000 gold marks by the allied reparations commission, says the Echo de Paris. The newspaper adds that exact amount will depend upon certain solutions.

In case Germany refuses, it is expected by the allies that France will recall two classes to the colors and proceed to occupy the Ruhr valley. This district includes the coal mines and manufacturing plants.

COLLIE IS WATTS' DEPUTY COLLECTOR

Raleigh, April 14.—James R. Collie, superintendent of the state prison during the Bickett administration will be Col. A. D. Watt's chief deputy to provide the needs of the counties and no more than it is easily seen what is going to happen with the values reduced and the rate unchanged. It is useless to argue that the county commissioners are not going to have the time of their lives making buckle and tongue meet.

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SPEAKERS GUARDED IN PLEA FOR DEBS

By the Associated Press.
Duluth, Minn., April 14.—While 50 policemen and detectives and a detachment of the tank corps unit of the Minnesota national guard stood watch, 500 persons gathered at a hall last night and cheered speakers who pleaded for the release of Eugene V. Debs and other radicals convicted of violating the espionage act. Rumors that efforts would be taken to break up the meeting prompted authorities to take precautions, but the meeting passed off quietly.

OTHER BIG LABOR UNIONS TO SUPPORT THE STRIKE

Less Chance Now of Negotiations Ending Great Calamity—Conference This Morning Failed to Get Results—Both Sides Say Peace Is Remote

By the Associated Press.
London, April 14.—The federation of general workers, representing 1,500,000 persons in more than 100 industries outside the triple alliance, decided today to support the triple alliance in its strike in support of the striking miners.

TO DELAY FUNERAL FORMER EMPRESS

By the Associated Press.
Doorn, Holland, April 14.—German government authorities have insisted that the taking of the body of former Empress Augusta Victoria to Potsdam be delayed and the remains will not be taken away from here until Monday.

Former Empress William frequently visits the room of the late empress and heaps of flowers are piled about the casket.

COMMISSIONERS ARE ASKED TO TELL HOW

Raleigh, April 14.—Commissioners in more than a score of counties who "unjointed" revaluation last week by reducing property values will be called upon to tell where revenue sufficient for running their government is to come from at the close of the present fiscal year.

It is altogether possible that some of these commissioners will not be able to answer this question, so tax students hereabouts aver. The fact that property valuations in some counties have been reduced horizontally from 20 to 50 per cent means that the county budgets will not be met with taxes collected on the revised basis. And this situation will have to be met by one or two ways:

First, there will be a special tax levied or a bond issue, or

Second, the rate of taxation must be increased.

This is the opinion of Commissioner Allen J. Maxwell of the state tax commission who has given the question considerable study since the counties began slashing revaluation under an act of the 1921 general assembly.

Reductions in property values appear mighty good. Commissioner Maxwell admits, but he warns that when taxpaying time comes around the folks are going to discover that somebody has handed them a gold brick. Whether the assessment is high and the rate of tax low, or the assessment low and the rate high, the final result remains unchanged. The commissioner is certain the taxpayers will understand that this is and must of necessity be true.

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DR. A. B. HAWKINS DIES IN RALEIGH

By the Associated Press.
Raleigh, N. C., April 14.—Dr. A. B. Hawkins, aged 95, for years the oldest living alumnus of the University of North Carolina and probably the oldest active bank director in the United States, died at his home here today following an illness of several weeks.

Dr. Hawkins graduated from the University of North Carolina in 1845. He had been a member of the board of directors of the Citizens National Bank here for about 30 years and took an active interest in the policies of the institution.

RUSSELL'S PRISON KEEPER IS DEAD

Goldsboro, N. C., April 14.—John R. Smith, aged 84 years, who was superintendent of the state prison under Governor Russell, died here today.

It is an easy matter to print a paper in English or French. However, consider that the Jewish paper is printed in Hebrew letters but in the Spanish language, also that the Turkish language requires four kinds of type and has 90 letters to its alphabet. The Arab language is a good deal like the Turkish, except that it is different in accent marks, and the same may be said of the Persian.

Now put four censors, each of a different political opinion, onto the job of eliminating the undesirable part of these newspapers, mix with three or four interpreters to each censor, so he will know what it is all about and the result is a distracted lot of editors who print the news when they may.

The editors claim they often are obliged to print their paper four times over before issuing it. As this country of sunshine and racial heat is also the land of exaggeration, they may not set up their papers so many times. But their printers' bills are heavy and, without racial pride to call forth supporting money, the papers would, many of them, cease to be published. Most of them do.

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