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FRANCE MAKES REPLY TO NOTE OF SECRETARY HUGHES ABOUT JAPANESE MANDATE

WASHINGTON, April 14.—France's reply to Secretary Hughes' note of April 4 regarding the Japanese mandate over the Pacific island of Yap is interpreted in official circles here as tantamount to acceptance of the principle laid down by the American government that the United States has surrendered none of its rights in the former German overseas possessions.

The text of the French note, which is in the form of a preliminary reply, was made public today both 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 United States."

Premier Briand declares that his government "has already done all in its power to lend its aid to the American government in this matter." 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 the course of a former meeting in the presence of the representatives of Japan "categorical reservation concerning the island of Yap," and that the Japanese representatives did 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.

PARIS, April 14.—Premier Briand has dispatched to Washington a note acknowledging receipt of the communication from the American state department regarding the mandate over Pacific islands north of the equator which was given to Japan.

The premier's note says a representative of France will take up the question when it comes before the supreme allied council, "with the most ardent desire to find a solution giving satisfaction to the United States."

After acknowledging receipt of the American communication, Premier Briand said:

"The memorandum, being addressed to Great Britain, Italy and Japan simultaneously, a reply cannot be made until after an accord between the government of the four interested powers at the next meeting of the supreme council. (Section of text missing.)

"By the note of February 18, after having noted that the decision of May 7, 1919, carried with it no restriction concerning the attribution to Japan of a mandate for the islands of the northern Pacific, my department explained to your embassy that, however, President Wilson and Secretary of State Lansing in the course of the preceding meeting had formulated, in the presence of the Japanese representative, categorical reservations on the subject of the island of Yap; that Baron Makino (Japanese representative on the supreme council had not refused to allow discussion of the question raised by the representatives of the United States and that, consequently the Japanese government had knowledge of the American reservations.

"The note concluded by saying that there were contained in it elements for further conversation between the United States and Japan, which the government of the republic would be happy to see result satisfactorily.

"The note was the same day communicated to the Japanese embassy in Paris, and your excellency was kind enough to express to my department lively satisfaction with the same, and to give assurance that it would be particularly appreciated in Washington."

ALLEGE THAT MOONSHINE RING HAS EXISTED

FLORENCE, Ala., April 14.—Contending that a widespread plot existed in Colbert and adjoining counties to wipe out all prohibition enforcement officers, the government today made ready for the opening of the trial in United States district court of fourteen men, indicted jointly on charges of conspiracy in ten counties in connection with the death of Don Stephenson, a federal officer, in January.

Four of the defendants are now serving terms ranging from twenty years to life in state's prison as a result of convictions in Colbert county circuit court. These men were brought here today to be placed on trial with the other ten defendants.

Will Holmes, land owner, one of the number serving a life term, was charged at his trial by other defendants as being the leader of the alleged "moonshine ring." These witnesses testified that he provided the money to prosecute the plans of the band and "did the thinking" for the outfit.

GENERAL WORKERS WILL SUPPORT THE STRIKERS

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 the interest of the striking miners.

JUSSERAND BLAMED FOR FAILURE TO KEEP FRENCH PUBLIC FULLY INFORMED

Paris Newspapers Criticize Ambassador For Failure to Let French People Know What Was Going on In Washington.

(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 editorials published here today relative to the message of President Harding to congress. A number of this morning's newspapers, notably L'Ouvre, Libre, and the Gaulois, joined the Temps in deploring this state of affairs. The Cablegramme, a new daily representing important business interests, said:

"M. Jusserand was not kept informed as to what was going on at the white house and in the lobbies of the senate. Under the pretext of not wanting to offend American opinion, he has discouraged all initiative to promote our interests, and has left us recently in prodigious ignorance of things over there. It pains us that we must speak thus of such a man as M. Jusserand, but we are at a point where success in the past cannot compensate for failures in the present."

The text of Mr. Harding's message had not reached Paris last night, and most of today's papers contented themselves with presenting such extracts as had been cabled to this city. Editorial comment continued to interpret the message as, on the whole, favorable to France.

Under the caption "President Harding's Good Sense", The Figaro said:

"President Harding seems to have decided upon insisting in both America and Europe upon the policy of good sense. Nothing could be happier for France, whose interests have always suffered from fanciful ideas in general and Wilsonism in particular. President Wilson did not take into account the facts. His views had always to prevail, notwithstanding realities."

Writing in the same vein, "Fertinax", political editor of The Echo de Paris, said: "The clear, decisive language of Mr. Harding renders us a great service." The Communist Humanite said: "Mr. Harding's message reminds us that the Internationale alone can pacify the world."

ELECTION OF SUN YAT-SEN IS NOT POPULAR

PEKING, April 13.—Election of Sun Yat-Sen, former president of the Chinese republic, as president of the government of South China, is apparently not receiving popular support, even in some of the southern provinces. Government advices declare that decided opposition to him has developed in the provinces of Wangsi, Yunnan and Hunan. Foreign diplomatic powers, which are not related, even by Sun Yat Sen's immediate associates, are said to have been conferred through the election.

Tang Shao Yi, former premier and one of the organizers of the "extraordinary government" at Canton, has left for home, but on the contrary, General Chen Chiung Min, the leading southern militarist, who was formerly antagonistic, appears to be giving his support to the new administration.

Northern newspapers generally treat the election as formal and ineffectual and say it was calculated to widen the breach between the discordant sections of the country. The election is not considered seriously by government officials, who say it was illegal.

OLDEST CAROLINA ALUMNUS DIES AT RALEIGH HOME

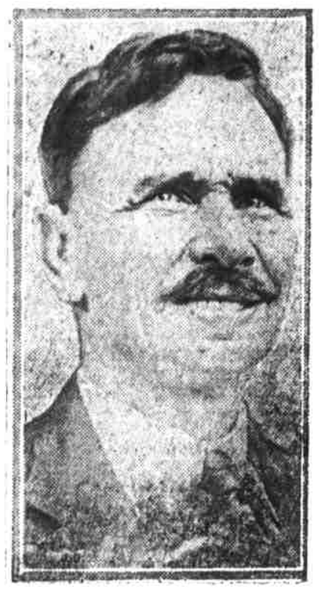
RALEIGH, April 14.—Dr. A. B. Hawkins, 96, for years the oldest living alumnus of the University of North Carolina and probably the oldest active bank director in the United States, died at his home here early today following an illness of six weeks.

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 30 years and took an active interest in the direction of the policies of this institution until he was taken ill.

SCOTCH COLLIE TRIES TO AVENGE PAL'S DEATH

DULUTH, Minn., April 14.—Since its canine pal was killed recently by a street car, a Scotch collie dog stands guard at a corner here each day, leaps high as cars speed by and often manages to grasp the trolley pole rope with its teeth, pulling the pole off the wire and stopping the car. Efforts of the dog's master and car crews to persuade the dog to cease the practice have been to no avail. The animal probably will be shot, it is said.

GEORGIA "PEONAGE FARM" OWNER CONVICTED AFTER 11 NEGROES WERE SLAIN.



This photograph of John S. Williams, owner of the "peonage farm" in Jasper county, Ga., where the bodies of eleven slain negroes were found, was taken while he was on trial for murder at Covington. He was found guilty of murder and sentenced to life imprisonment. Williams was said to have held negroes in peonage and the murders are supposed to have been due to the planters desire to destroy witnesses who might have appeared against him.

LENOIR COLLEGE TO PRESENT "PATIENCE"

Lenoir College Glee Club will present "Patience" a musical comic opera by Gilbert Sullivan at the Central School Auditorium tonight at 8:30. The following is the cast:

Miss Land, Miss Bonner, Misses Margaret Wannamacher, Mildred Bowles, Annie Sigmon, Ruth Dellinger, Olivia Abernathy, Fay Meadows, Mamie Costner, Elsie Rhodes, Kathryn Hardin, Elizabeth Spear, Louise Posey and Paul ine Gamble.

The men are: Prof. Seegers, Cephas Lippard, Albert Hewitt, W. C. Bolick, Lathro Bumgarner, Richard Hamilton, George Coon, D. W. R. Coon, James Keon, David Mosteller and H. J. Rhyne.

The club arrived this morning from Kings Mountain, and are being entertained by the congregation and friends of Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church.

The entire proceeds will go to the Gastonia Public Library, except the actual railroad fare. The public library will greatly benefit if the people of the city will turn out as they should. The performance promises to be the best of the kind seen in the city for some time. Some of the talent of the cast are well known artists in their line. The costumes will be elaborate and in keeping with the opera, being rented from Miller of Philadelphia.

TORNADO RENDERS MANY PEOPLE HOMELESS

MELISSA, Tex., April 14.—Citizens of Melissa today set about affording relief to a large number of families made homeless yesterday by a tornado and storm which swept this little town, causing the death of eight persons and the injury of many more. Five of the eight dead are negroes. Five persons are injured possibly fatally, while more than 50 received less serious injuries. A number of the injured are in hospitals at McKinnes.

The tornado struck the town from the southwest and cut a swath northeast demolishing virtually every building in the business district and razing many homes.

Fire broke out soon afterwards. Rain made the roads leading to town almost impassable and the force of the wind tore down telegraph and telephone wires that resulted in isolation for some time.

HICKORY SELLS BOND ISSUE $175,000 FOR PAVING WORK

(By The Associated Press.)

HICKORY, April 13.—The city of Hickory today sold $175,000 municipal improvement bonds for par and accrued interest to the First Security Trust Company, of Lexington. Between 15,000 and 20,000 square yards of bitulithic will be laid with this year from proceeds of this sale.

500 CHEER THOSE WHO PLEAD FOR DEBS' RELEASE

(By the Associated Press.)

DULUTH, Minn., April 14.—While fifty policemen and detectives and a detachment from the tank corps unit of the Minnesota national guard stood guard 500 persons gathered at a local hall last night and cheered speakers who pleaded for the release of Eugene V. Debs, William D. Haywood and others whom speakers termed "political prisoners." Rumor that efforts would be made to break up the meeting prompted authorities to take precautionary measures, but there were no disturbances.

WEATHER.

North Carolina, unsettled tonight and Friday, probably showers; not much change in temperature.

EPISCOPAL CONVENTION WILL MEET NEXT YEAR IN CITY OF WAYNESVILLE

Rev. W. C. Johnson and W. L. Balthis Are Delegates to Meeting of Fourth Province to Be Held in Savannah Next Fall — Wednesday Night Service Was Largely Attended.

The delegates to the twenty-seventh annual convention of the Missionary District of Asheville began arriving by trains and auto Tuesday afternoon. Those coming by automobile from the mountains reported the country very beautiful at this time but the weather decidedly frosty and cool. More than a hundred delegates to the Convention and Woman's Auxiliary have been in attendance and the greater number of them are staying at the Armington Hotel, the new wing of the building being occupied for the first time. It is a reasonable hope that such folk making the first use of this important development to customs shall prove a benediction for these rooms for future travelers, and the management is fortunate in this auspicious opening and public announcement of its ability to take care of a much larger number of visitors than heretofore.

A large congregation was present at the opening missionary service in St. Mark's church Tuesday night. Evening prayer was read by the Rev. H. Norwood Bowne, of Tryon, dean of Waynesville convocation, assisted by the Rev. Burt Walton, rector of Lenoir, the sermon being preached by the Rev. Geo. Ashton Oldham, rector of St. Ann's church, Brooklyn, N. Y., from the 17th chapter of St. John, 19th verse: "And for their sakes I sanctify myself." It was a simple, direct, and stimulating discourse on "Service" through personal sanctification. Immediately following the service a reception was held at the hospitable rectory on North Falls street, Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Canley Johnson making the delegates and visitors welcome with charming cordiality. Wednesday morning at 7:30 the corporate communion for the Woman's Auxiliary was largely attended, the celebration being by the rector, assisted by the Rev. S. Guignard, of Lincolnton, and the Rev. J. C. Seagle of Brevard.

The convention proper assembled at 9:00 o'clock Wednesday morning, Bishop Junius M. Horner presiding. The bishop delivered his annual address, referring to his attendance at the Lambeth conference held last summer in London, England, at which over two hundred and fifty bishops of the Anglican communion from all over the world were present. Church unity and service were stressed with particular reference to the keynote of fellowship with God for the upbuilding of Christ's kingdom throughout the world. He stated that the district was now ready to apply for admission as a diocese and issued a call for a special convention for this purpose to be held in connection with the convention of 1922.

Archdeacon John H. Griffith, of Baltimore, presented his annual report. It was a delightful and much concerned at his widespreading activities, 30 parishes and missions in 13 counties of North Carolina having been visited and 7,651 miles travelled. Reports were presented by Rev. S. B. Strong, dean of the Morganton convocation, and Rev. H. N. Bowne, dean of the Waynesville convocation.

The committee on constitutions and canons reported a proposed canon on a diocesan board of the Bishop and Council. Mr. Howard Parker, of Asheville, presented the report of the committee on diocesan organization. Rev. F. D. Lickdell, of Rutherfordton, acting chaplain of the U. S. Public Health Service hospital at Oteen, gave a short and graphic account of his work. Rev. L. G. Wood, of New York, field secretary of the Nation Wide Campaign, addressed the convention on the continuance of the Nation Wide Campaign following a stirring report by Rev. S. B. Strong, of Hickory, who has charge of the campaign in the district.

A largely attended service was held Wednesday night in the First Presbyterian church through the courtesy of the pastor, Rev. Dr. J. H. Hoderfiller, who was away from the city. Continuous acknowledgment is made to the pastor of the Main Street Methodist church and the First Baptist church, who dispensed with their mid week prayer services in order that their members might attend. The services were conducted by the bishop assisted by the rector of St. Mark's, Gastonia, and Rev. Willis G. Clark, rector of Trinity church, Asheville. The Rev. Warren W. Way, rector of St. Mary's school, Raleigh, spoke on "Christian Education" and referred in burning words to the rampant licentiousness of the present day. He was followed by the Rev. G. A. Oldham, who spoke on the words, "Thy kingdom come," applying them to the social and spiritual needs of the day, urging a Christianity of activity for others and for advancement to accomplish the works of the Kingdom rather than satisfaction with spiritual assurances. Many a time "Onward, Christian soldiers, like a mighty army," has been sung with fervor in church and the congregation passing out has, strange to say, immediately lost that militant, fighting force, characteristic of an army that should pervade the daily life and activities of Christians. An apt illustration was the thought of a visitor from another world—the man from Mars—should he listen to the singing of the

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COMPELLED TO TAKE PART IN WHOLESALE MARRIAGE

CHICAGO, April 14.—Declaring that she had been forced with 24 other couples to take part in a wholesale marriage ceremony while an inmate of the "House of David," a religious cult at Benton Harbor, Mich., Mrs. Hilda L. Hansel told her story to Judge Jesse Baldwin in circuit court today in an effort to have the marriage annulled.

According to her testimony, all the victims were forced to undergo the ceremony under threat of being marooned on a desert island in the northern extremity of Lake Michigan. She said that she was given only four hours notice of the wedding, and hardly knew the man she married.

Mrs. Hansel said that since the ceremony, which took place five years ago, she had left the House of David.

HIGH SCHOOL DEBATERS TAKE HILL BY STORM

They Poured Into University Town Yesterday and Last Night by Dozens.

CHAPEL HILL, April 14.—From the sandy backlands of Currituck, Pamlico and Columbus counties to the hills of Buncombe, Polk, Haywood and Alleghany, high school debaters who have fought their way through the preliminary contests began pouring into Chapel Hill tonight for the elimination rounds leading to the final debate for the state championship and the Aycock Memorial Cup.

The advance guard had reached Chapel Hill at noon today, some of them rolling in in dust-covered automobiles. By night the boys and girls were swarming the streets and packing the Y. M. C. A. information headquarters, and tomorrow when the full crowd is assembled this little village of Chapel Hill will look much of its university atmosphere and become a high school center with the youthful debaters, their teachers, principals, superintendents and chaperons occupying the middle of the stage and all the scenery.

Secretary L. R. Rankin reports that 41 schools, the winners out of the original entry list of more than 200, will send their champions to the university. This means more than 200 debaters. The leaders and camp followers will increase the list, the entrance of the interscholastic track meet and the tennis tournament held this week too, will add nearly another 200, and the total number of visitors who will storm Chapel Hill during this high school week will range upward to the neighborhood of 500.

In 15 sections the debaters will meet for the first round tomorrow, Thursday night on a speaking contest that will test strength and determination. The thirty teams, "Resolved, that the policy of collective bargaining through trade unions should prevail in American industries." The winners will come together Friday morning to weed out all but the strongest teams which will meet for the honor Friday night in Memorial hall. President Chase will preside at the final debate.

Seventy-seven dollars in the university building will be needed for the contests and prizes. Medals have been drafted for speaking officers and pledges. Homes all over town, belonging to members of the faculty, and of course of Chapel Hill, will be thrown open to entertain the unprecedented number of visitors, and many clubs of adjacent students have been arrangements to entertain high school students from their counties.

Among the debaters will be negroes and one girl. Hardly a school on the roll, several high schools, and about 30 boys in uniform and four debaters are girls. All of these will be entertained in private homes.

The Carolina Tennis, baseball games, interscholastic track meet and boxing contests, and private frolics galore have been arranged for the visitors.

The schools sending debaters include Lake Mountain, Independence, Burgaw, Pittsboro, Carrboro, Chapel Hill, Church Hill, Columbus, Concord, Durham, Fallston, Clyde, Fayetteville, Gastonia, Glade Valley, Goldsboro, Greensboro, Grifton, Hamptonville, Henderson, High Point, Hunterville, Jonesboro, Kings Mountain, Leaksville, Poplar Branch, Pittsboro, Red Oak, Rock Ridge, Roper, Ruffin, Richlands, Scotland, Scotland Neck, Southern Pines, Co., St. Paul's, Stoneville, Summerfield, Tabor, Tarboro, Trinity, Washington, Washington, Collegiate Institute and Waynesville.

REQUEST DELAY IN BURIAL OF EMPRESS' BODY

(By The Associated Press.)

DOORN, Holland, April 14.—German government officials have insisted that the burial of the body of the late former Empress Augusta Victoria from Doorn to Potsdam for burial be delayed, and the mourners will not leave here until Monday morning, it is announced.

Former Emperor William frequently visits the room where repose the coffin of the late empress. Heaps of flowers have been piled about the casket. The entire German staff was admitted to the room last evening to see the beloved mistress of the House of Doorn for the last time.

William avoids all company, but often sits for long periods with his daughter. The Dutch prince consort sent a wreath to the house this morning.

CONFERENCE BETWEEN LLOYD GEORGE AND DELEGATES ENDS WITH STRIKE UNSETTLED

Prime Minister and Delegation From Triple Alliance Hold Long Conference But Without Any Adjustment of Grave Labor Situation.

LONDON, April 14.—A conference held this morning between Lloyd George, prime minister, and a delegation of officials of the triple alliance which called a strike for Friday night in support of the striking miners, was concluded within two hours without any progress apparently having been made toward an adjustment of the grave labor situation.

It was reported from the conference that the prime minister made a long statement, appealing strongly to the railwaymen and transport workers, who, with the miners make up the triple alliance, asking them to exercise restraint and not precipitate a crisis.

This plea, however, does not appear to have had effect. J. H. Thomas, general secretary of the National Union of Railwaymen, declared after the conference that he could see no prospect for the reopening of negotiations for an adjustment of the strike situation.

On the government side it was said the labor men were unable to present new arguments giving the government any different view of their case, while the government, it was understood, did not indicate that it was prepared to make any further concessions. Thus the situation, early this afternoon, appeared unchanged and the outlook gloomy.

Hold Conference.

LONDON, April 14.—Officials of the "triple alliance of labor" visited Prime Minister Lloyd George at his residence in Downing street this morning, and began a conference which may have a vital bearing on the industrial crisis confronting the country.

Journalists were told by J. H. Thomas, general secretary of the National Union of Railwaymen, that the call of the labor men was at the invitation of Mr. Lloyd George, but the public was left to speculate whether this might indicate a new move toward a settlement of the labor controversy, or whether the "triple alliance" was merely delivering its answer to the prime minister's letter, asking the grounds on which the labor forces had decided to call a strike on Friday. This letter, which was delivered yesterday, was considered as an effort on the part of Lloyd George to keep the door open for further negotiations.

The labor delegation left the prime minister's residence after a two hours conference, Mr. Thomas saying he saw no prospects for reopening conferences for an adjustment of the strike situation.

The house of commons was prepared today to discuss the reply to the king's proclamation regarding the recruiting of reserves to act in the event a great strike should develop. The labor party had given notice that it would move the following amendment to the reply.

"The house regrets His Majesty has been advised to take such costly and warlike measures, which are calculated to provoke public feeling, and are directed against loyal citizens who are exercising their legal right to resist encroachment upon the standard of living of themselves, or their fellow workers."

Whether the call for a strike, issued by the "triple alliance" will be universally obeyed remains doubtful. The Daily Mail, which has canvassed several railroad centers, expresses confidence there will be no complete stoppage of traffic. Edinburgh reports there is in that city "no strike enthusiasm", while Glasgow claims that "certain areas are doubtful". In other centers, including the big London terminals, it is said that train service will be reduced, but not stopped.

"Experience is conclusive proof," declares the Mail, in commenting on the situation, "that a general strike cannot be expected to succeed, as the majority will not surrender to the minority. Will labor risk the commission of so fearful a mistake? Shall it be peace or the sword?"

Figures printed by The Daily Graphic purport to show that if the "triple alliance" strike should actually result and should last three weeks, it will result in 8,000,000 persons being thrown out of employment. Another result of such a strike, it is said, would be that the national census, fixed for next week, would be postponed. Such an action would be without precedent.

HAVE EXCITED FEAR AND ANXIETY OF FARMERS

So Declares Gould, of New York, Speaking of Recent Decline in Agricultural Products.

WASHINGTON, April 14.—The resolution introduced in the house by Representative Gould, republican, of New York, calling for an investigation by the committee on agriculture of agricultural organizations and associations relative to the control and price of food products, came in for considerable attention today at the American Farm Bureau Federation conference which is formulating a legislative program to be laid before congress. Whether formal action would be taken was not indicated.

The Gould resolution declares that recent declines in agricultural products "have excited the fear and anxiety of our farming population and may cause them to be misled into the hasty adoption of plans or the formation of associations puported to provide a means of protection against loss but actually discouraging production and arbitrarily establishing and sustaining the price through means ultimately injurious to both producer and consumer." It adds that any combination to restrict the production of foodstuffs or unduly enhance their price would work a "cruel hardship" upon the people.

The committee would be instructed under the resolution to make an investigation of any such organization receiving appropriations from the treasury, or which make application for financial or technical assistance from any department or bureau of the government. It would be further directed to report its findings together with any recommendations necessary "to protect the public interest and provide unhampered food production and further to recommend such congressional or executive action as might remedy any existing condition."

VIRGINIA STUDENT MAKES LITERAL "BIRDIE".

ROANOKE, Va., April 14.—Playing on the local country club links yesterday afternoon, Robert F. Stone, University of Virginia student, became a claimant for the 1921 freak golf shot when he made a literal "birdie" with a drive shot and brought down a dove flying high in the air.

Stone teed up his ball, smashing out a long drive, which shot to the right, climed high, and then swerved over the center of the fairway. A pair of doves, flying about a hundred and fifty feet above the ground, darted across the fairway. Feathers began aflying and one of the doves fluttered to the ground. Examination revealed a broken wing.

NAMES OF HARVEY AND HERRICK, AMBASSADORS ARE SENT TO SENATE

WASHINGTON, April 14.—The nominations of George Harvey, of New York to be ambassador to Great Britain, and Myron T. Herrick, of Ohio, to be ambassador to France, were sent to the senate today by President Harding.

At the same time the president transmitted more than 30 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 opposing at the last session.

Charles G. Dawes, of Chicago, who served as a brigadier general in the American expeditionary force, and recently headed a committee which investigated government relations to service men, was nominated for the rank. A brigadier general in the officers reserve corps.

The president also sent to the senate the names of Captain Julian L. Latimer, to be judge advocate general of the navy, and Captain David Potter, to be paymaster general of the navy, together with a long list of marine corps promotions. The list of promotions of general officers of the army recommended by Secretary Weeks, was not transmitted, however. It was indicated that this list would go forward within a few days.

HARVESTER COMPANY WILL MAKE BIG REDUCTIONS

(By The Associated Press.)

CHICAGO, April 14.—Basing its action upon the recent reduction in steel prices, announced by the United States Steel Corporation, the International Harvester Company announced a straight ten per cent reduction effective next year, on products in which steel is the principal raw material.

"The reduction on steel came after our year's product had been provided for, and will have no bearing on the cost of machines we sell this year," the announcement explained. "It does establish a lower replacement cost, however, and serves as the basis of a price to which our customers are entitled and which we are willing to accept."

The reduction applies chiefly to harvesting machines.

The company announced reductions of from 10 to 15 per cent in machines made principally of wood and iron on March 7. The announcement of today's cut said that the new changes cover all machines not affected by the March 7 cut.