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## Foreign Policy May Yet Get Into 1924 Campaign

**Crowded Off Stage by Teapot Dome and Other Domestic Disturbances in Realm of Party Politics Big Issues May Yet Come to the Fore by November**

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Washington, April 8.—Foreign affairs, the world court, and the League of Nations—heretofore crowded off the stage by Teapot Dome and other domestic disturbances in the realm of party politics—may get back into the drama of the 1924 campaign.

The resolution of Senator Pepper of Pennsylvania, Republican calling upon the President to summon a world conference similar to the Hague conference of 1907 and previous years has precipitated a debate in the Senate of no casual importance.

The Republican leadership did not connive with Mr. Pepper to bring up the subject of a world court with its collateral question of League of Nations parenthood. Only a few days ago, Senator Robinson, the Democratic leader, accused Senator Henry Cabot Lodge, Republican leader, with having pigeonholed the International Court proposal submitted to the Senate by the late President Harding and Secretary Hughes, and endorsed by President Coolidge as the only practicable plan at present before the world. It had been hoped by—Republican leaders—that the World Court plan might slumber in committee at least until after the campaign.

But Mr. Pepper has revived the whole problem of foreign policy. There is no doubt that while his move was criticized as indiscreet and without the authority of the Republican leadership, it does represent an effort on the part of the Pennsylvania Senator to answer the criticism that the Republican party having pledged itself to an association of nations in 1920 did nothing about it. Even though it might keep peace inside the Republican family to forget this, the Democrats had no intention of ignoring the issue and are preparing to accuse their Republican brethren of failure to fulfill pledges.

To the friends of international cooperation, any sort of conference with takes America out of her isolation and bring her into conference officially with the other powers of the world is looked upon as hopeful. The Hague conferences contained a code of international behavior, limited in effectiveness, but far more advanced than the views of the isolationists who now oppose agreements of all kinds with the other governments of the world.

The Democrats probably will support Mr. Pepper's move largely because they know it will mean embarrassment within the ranks of the Republican party and anything which can be done to split the Republican party still more is Democratic strategy just as it was Republican tactics in the League of Nations fight.

The Coolidge administration has had other plans. Awaiting the report of the Dawes-Young advisory commission, the hope has been expressed by officials that a rehabilitation of the European economic situation would be followed by an era of political stability and that international conferences would await a settlement first of the reparations problem by direct agreement between the interested powers. Another conference to limit armament especially that of submarines and aircraft was proposed as a part of the naval appropriation bill in the House recently but the President, while in sympathy with the purpose of the measure did not feel anything could be accomplished on a reduction of armament until the deeper questions involved in the economic and political relationships of European countries to each other were adjusted.

The summoning of an international conference would, of course, if it led to a meeting like the Washington arms pact of 1921, help the prestige of the Coolidge administration, but the chances are that all proposals, including that of Senator Pepper, will be held in abeyance until after the national conventions in June. There is no Republican here who desires to hand Hiram Johnson an issue on a silver platter.

### NEW ATTY GENERAL

**OUTLINES HIS POLICY**  
 Washington, April 9.—Harlan Stone, taking up his post as Attorney General today, announced that it would be his policy to keep the nation "in the straight path of justice under the law."

He proposed, he said, to make the Constitution and the laws "the shield of innocence and the swift avenger of the guilty."

**CHILD FATALLY BURNED**  
 Mary Bell Wilson, little two and a half year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Wilson of Shipyard Ferry, Camden, was buried Saturday at Old Trap as a result of burns. Mary died Friday from fatal burns received Thursday morning. Mrs. Wilson left her three children in the living room and later she heard terrifying screams and hurrying back to the room found the child ablaze.

## Hertford Thinks She Can Lick Bess City

Hertford has tentatively challenged Elizabeth City for a tennis tournament this summer and this little town has the nerve to send word that it can put players on the court to beat anything Elizabeth City has in both singles and doubles.

So stated Robert Cotter, district agent here for the Mutual Life Insurance Company, who returned from Hertford Monday.

Of course it cannot be said what the local tennis enthusiasts will do with this challenge. But it is known that Elizabeth City has a string of tennis players who could make a pretty good showing if they would organize, arrange for building a tennis court or two, and put in some regular and serious practice.

Some of Elizabeth City's tennis players have for the past several years enjoyed a number of interesting matches on the court belonging to G. F. Seyffert, secretary of the Elizabeth City Hosiery Company. And those who have enjoyed these games feel grateful to Mr. Seyffert, who has always extended every possible courtesy to those interested, and to his generosity is due the fact that tennis has been kept up to some extent in Elizabeth City for the last three years.

Three years ago a tennis club was organized and a court was built on the lot back of the First & Citizens National Bank. A few weeks' playing was enjoyed on this court but it was a wet summer and after the first wet spell weeds had grown up thickly on the court and no effort was made after that to rebuild the court. This lot is not now available for a tennis court.

There are, however, several available lots in the city that would make good tennis courts. It merely remains to be seen whether those interested in the sport will get together and plan for some real tennis or whether they will continue to sit in their offices and wait for the invitation of some friend to go out for a set of singles or doubles at intervals so far apart as not to afford any systematic development of the sport locally.

## CLEVELAND RATES SAID NOT BE HIGH

Cleveland, April 9.—Delegates who room together at the Republican National Convention here in June will pay half what delegates have paid at previous conventions, according to George B. Harris, chairman of the hotel committee of the local arrangements committee. On the other hand, the individual who holds space that could be occupied by four must pay the rate of four. The hotel keepers have agreed to charge the regular published rate for two persons in a room, plus a rate for each additional person which the room can accommodate.

Three out of the four downtown hotels to which most of the delegations and campaign or state headquarters have been assigned, will charge a flat rate of three dollars for each additional occupant. The fourth hotel announces that a room for which the regular rate is five dollars for two persons will accommodate a third person at the additional rate of five dollars, making the room rate ten dollars. A six-dollar double room can receive two additional persons at three dollars each, with the room rate at twelve dollars. A seven-dollar double room will accommodate two more at three dollars and fifty cents each, with the room rate \$14 the maximum.

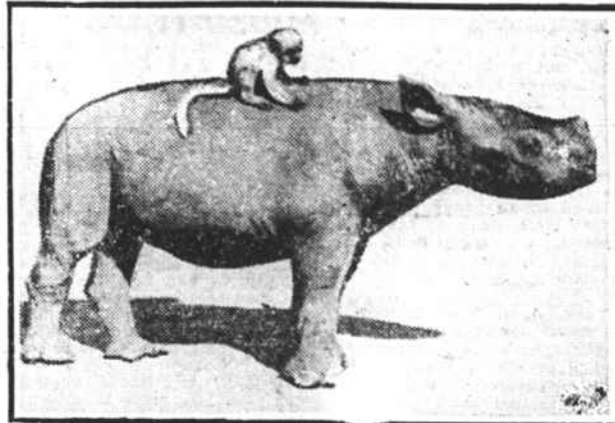
These rates the management represents to be considerably lower than rates charged at hotels of the same grade at conventions in recent years. Mr. Harris says delegates rooming together at one convention paid ten dollars apiece.

Downtown hotels are within five or ten minutes' walk of the convention hall. The most remote outlying hotels are 25 minutes' ride, or 15 minutes' by motor.

To facilitate the accommodation of visitors, the hotel committee is conducting a housing bureau to which the hotels refer requests for rooms they are unable to fill. The committee then seeks to find satisfactory quarters.

A six-day contract for delegates and a 10-day contract for campaign headquarters are offered by the hotels. Contracts for delegates date from June 8, Sunday, two days preceding the convention.

## Two Jungle Babes



... baby orang-utang takes a ride astride a baby rhino in Central East Africa. The two were caught by the Hungarian explorer, R. Kittenberger.

## CAMDEN CAN GET PAVED ROAD NOW

**County Highway Commission Agrees to State's Terms and Paving Contract Probably Awarded Next Letting.**

The way is at last open for the State Highway Commission to let the contract for the paving of the 15-foot concrete road from Camden Courthouse to Sligo in Currituck.

This is the news reaching here from Camden today, the Camden County Highway Commission having voted at its April meeting this week to meet the terms offered by the State; that is to provide the State a free right of way by the Belcross route.

The action of the Camden highway body, it is understood, was based on the agreement that \$5,000 of the cost to the county of the Belcross right of way should be borne by private interests favoring the Belcross route. The total cost of the right of way to the county is not expected to greatly exceed that sum, and so it is believed that the individual taxpayer's assessment of the cost of the right of way will therefore be negligible.

The contract for the paving of this highway will, therefore, in all probability, be awarded at the next letting.

## COTTON GOES HIGHER

New York, April 9.—Diminishing supplies caused another heavy buying movement in cotton today, and May contracts jumped 70 points, making a total advance of \$12 a bale in two days.

New Orleans, April 9.—Cotton futures this morning advanced \$5 a bale, making the total increase during the last two days of \$15 a bale.

## FURTHER INQUIRY INTO CONVENTION OIL DEAL

Washington, April 9.—Further inquiry into reports of deals at the Republican National Convention of 1920 was made by the Senate oil investigating committee today.

J. W. Baughn of Harlingen, Texas, testified that James Hamon told him that he had "signed the check" that resulted in the nomination of Warren G. Harding.

Baughn quoted Hamon as saying that he would spend a million dollars if necessary to put Oklahoma in the Republican column at the general election.

## CHAPANOKE FARMER LOSES HEAVILY BY BURN

Four log mules, a cow and calf and a ton of hay were lost in a fire which Tuesday night burned the barn of W. R. Perry of Chapanoke to the ground. No other adjacent buildings were burned and how the fire started is not known.

## American College Boys Make Rotten Stewards

**That's the Verdict of Captain Herbert Hartley of the Leviathan Who After a Trial of the Collegians Is Sailing Saturday with German-American Steward**

By ROWLAND WOOD  
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New York, April 9.—One Vaterlandische characteristic of the good ship Vaterland, but only one, will remain to the steamship Leviathan when she sails Saturday, inaugurating her first full season as an American trans-Atlantic liner. That is the German—or German American steward.

The steamship of superlatives, as they call the mistress of the seas down at the United States line offices, tried out an experiment in American stewards last summer, specializing a bit in college boys. But never again.

"Americans make rotten stewards—especially college boys Americans," Captain Herbert Hartley, commander of the Leviathan, told the writer today as he stood on the bridge of the great vessel at her winter pier in Hoboken, preparing to move her across the river to her Manhattan sailing pier.

"There'll be no more college boys aboard if I can help it. They are just tourists, more interested in seeing than serving, as we discovered last season when we had a few aboard. Americans in general make poor stewards. If a passenger complains about anything, the American steward is too much inclined to say, 'Well, what the hell did you expect, anyhow?'"

"Germans, mostly Americanized Germans, will predominate in the steward's department this season. French, Swiss and Austrians will make up the bulk of the remainder."

As for the fuss Representative Britten of Illinois kicked up in Congress last year because the American owned, American operated Leviathan had her menus printed in French—well the Representative will have something to talk about again, for the same practice that obtained last year will be in vogue. That it is, in the Ritz Carlton restaurant, — a concession — French menus will prevail. In the ship's own dining rooms, however, the native tongue will be the vogue wherever there is an American word to fit the dishes a corps of international chefs prepare.

As she nosed across the North River today to her sailing pier, the Leviathan looked every inch the ship of superlatives. Glistening in a new coat of black and white, with three red, white and blue funnels, she seemed almost to bridge the broad river.

Aboard painters, carpenters and scores of other workmen of almost every variety, were putting the finishing touches on the job of dolling her up. Down in her engine rooms, the engine crew was tenderly ministering to the finest engines in the world. The phrase "ship of superlatives" was attached to the Leviathan for these, among other reasons.

She is the largest steamship afloat; the safest steamship afloat; the swiftest steamship afloat and the most luxurious steamship afloat.

The claims as to size and speed, were contested by the British Majestic for a time, but British shipping circles now have conceded both titles to her. Lloyds lists her as the biggest. The Atlantic conference at Brussels recently officially accorded her the speed record. Her average speed for last season was 23.57 knots per hour. The British Mauretania was second, with 23.51 and the Majestic third with 23.29. On her trial trip the Leviathan ran up to 28.04 knots and Captain Hartley declared she still had another knot in reserve.

The Leviathan, starting late last season, lost \$70,000. But the United States lines hope to make a profit on her operations this year.

"If American travellers would give the support that foreign nationals give the ships of their lines, not only the Leviathan but all the rest of the American liners would be crowded all the time," Captain Hartley declared. "We carry practically no foreigners. They all travel on their own ships. But foreign ships carry many Americans who ought to be riding on their own vessels."

"The cause? No, I don't think it is because the American ships are dry whereas the others are moist. In my experience of thirty years at sea, I have never observed a terrible lot of drinking. And of course (here his eyes twinkle) American ships are American territory. It's no more necessary to go dry aboard ship than it is at home, I suppose. I'm sure I never molest anybody's luggage."

## SAYS HAVE WON HIGHWAY FIGHT

"We have won our fight for the coastal highway after a hard fight," reads a telegram from Dr. Samuel H. Templeman, member of the Elizabeth City delegation at Savannah this week in the interest of bringing this highway through Elizabeth City.

"Pugh led our fight in a masterly way," the telegram continues, "and P. H. Williams has been elected as chairman of the North Carolina Highway Committee."

Members of the Savannah delegation are expected to make a full report to a general meeting of the Chamber of Commerce upon their return to Elizabeth City.

## WHEELER FACES U. S INDICTMENT

**Charged With Accepting Money After Election as Senator for His Influence in Behalf of Oil Grants.**

Washington, April 9.—Rising to a point of personal privilege, Senator Wheeler, Democrat, of Montana, denounced on the floor of the Senate today the indictment returned against him yesterday by a grand jury in his home state as "part of one of the most damnable conspiracies ever consummated in the United States."

Wheeler spoke to a crowded Senate, virtually every member being in his seat, while the galleries were jammed.

The foreman of the Montana grand jury was described by the Senator as "the bitterest political enemy I have."

"The man who presented the evidence to the grand jury," he added, "recently had sought the Senator's aid in obtaining an appointment."

Great Falls, Montana, April 9.—United States Senator B. K. Wheeler, chief investigator of the Daugherty investigating committee, was indicted in Federal Court here yesterday on the charge of having accepted money as a retainer fee after becoming Senator to use his influence in obtaining the granting of oil lease permits.

Washington, April 9.—Senator Wheeler denies the charges brought against him in Great Falls and says it's a dirty frame-up on the part of Daugherty and a retaliation for the investigation. He says that he is entirely innocent and will prove it at the proper time, but at present will continue at Washington until the Daugherty investigation is ended.

Washington, April 9.—The Senate committee appointed to investigate the Department of Justice and the official acts of Harry Daugherty announced today, after an executive session, that it's inquiry would proceed with renewed vigor despite the indictment in Montana of Senator Wheeler, committee prosecutor.

At a meeting behind closed doors the indictment was discussed at length and after the discussion Chairman Brookhart said: "This investigation will proceed and proceed with a force and determination that it has never known before."

## KILGORE GETS SIGNAL HONOR

**Director of State Experiment Stations to Represent United States at International Agriculture Meet.**

Raleigh, April 9.—Dr. B. W. Kilgore, Director of the North Carolina Experiment Stations and Dean of the School of Agriculture at the State College has been appointed by the United States Department of Agriculture as a delegate to represent the United States at the meeting of the International Institute of Agriculture to be held in Rome, Italy, in May, according to an announcement made public here today at the State College of Agriculture.

The delegates are selected from the ranks of those who have rendered outstanding services to the agriculture of the United States and who are prominent because of their efforts in helping to improve farming conditions both in their own immediate sections and in the country at large, it was stated. The United States is apportioned nine delegates to this institute with their expenses being paid by direct appropriation by Congress and the trip arranged by the Department of State.

Dr. Kilgore was advised of his appointment by the Federal Department of Agriculture some days ago but has held the matter in abeyance until today so that he could get his work at the College in such condition that he would be willing to leave it for the period of six weeks that he will be absent. His present plans are to join the other delegates at New York from where they will sail on April 18. His daughter, Miss Elizabeth Kilgore is planning to accompany her father on the trip.

## REPORT OF DAWES IS NOW IN HAND

**Reparations Commission Receives Finding and Recommendations of Experts on Germany's Capacity to Pay.**

(By The Associated Press)  
 Paris, April 9.—The reports of the experts who have been engaged for the past three months in the task of ascertaining Germany's capacity to pay reparations was handed to the experts today.

The two committees have gone deeply into the intricacies of the many problems connected with reparations and they approached the task as "business men anxious to obtain effective results."

The League of Nations was drawn into the reparations problem by the Dawes report, while an unofficial representative of the United States is slated for an important role in execution of the expert's plan.

The American member of the general board of control for the proposed new gold bank is regarded as quite likely to fill the important post of "commissioner."

His duty will be to decide when Germany's capacity to pay has been reached, while the League Finance Committee will be asked to arbitrate if the commissioner's decisions in applying the "index of prosperity" are disputed by either Germany or the Allies.

## CLEVELAND HALL IMPARTS DIGNITY

**Municipal Auditorium in Which Convention Is to be Held Has Record for Propriety of Its Meetings.**

Cleveland, April 9.—The municipal auditorium in which the Republican national convention will be held here in June has a remarkable faculty of imparting a sense of dignity to the gatherings assembled in it, according to City Manager William R. Hopkins. Athletic events, Mr. Hopkins said, which elsewhere would have led to confusion, disorder and possibly rioting, have been witnessed in the auditorium with noteworthy decorum and restraint.

"I saw two basket ball games played successively in the hall," said Mr. Hopkins. "on in the afternoon and one in the evening. The first was between two unbeaten high schools, keen rivals, and I was impressed by the good feeling and sportsmanship shown by the rooters for the contending teams. The second was between the local professional team and visiting champions. The referee, although a Cleveland Man, repeatedly made decisions adverse to the home players, and I suppose many of the local fans inwardly thought they were extreme. Yet their only manifestation of displeasure was a subdued grumble just once."

"I am told that similar restraint marked spectators at an amateur boxing bout in the hall when a burly visitor was pummeling and punishing a local boxer. Everyone in the crowd was on the under-dog, according to the account received, but there were no hisses and none of the open remonstrance which might have been thought inevitable. My informant asserted that in some halls the situation would have kindled a disturbance."

The auditorium, occupying a city block and built at a cost of about \$6,500,000, was designed in Italian renaissance style. The exterior is faced with variegated Indiana limestone, the pink granite base is from New Hampshire, and the entire interior marble treatment is from Vermont.

## EAGLE AT GREENVILLE

Greenville, April 9.—An American Bald Eagle was brought to this city and displayed in front of the newspaper office here. It measured six feet and nine inches from tip to tip of its outspread wings and weighed 10 and a half pounds. An automobile party brought the bird to town and said that they caught it after a difficult struggle when the bird attempted to cross the road in front of the car and was blinded by the lights. Joe Stanton, John Bunn Bailey, June Edwards, and Charlie Bell, who composed the party, said that they caught the bird near Grimesland.

**WILCOX TO HYDE**  
 J. W. Wilcox, Deputy U. S. Marshal, left Tuesday for Hyde County to condemn property for the Inland Waterway.

**COTTON MARKET**  
 New York, April 9.—Cotton futures at 2 p. m. were quoted at the following levels: May 31.15; July 29.82; October 25.62; December 24.95; January 24.80.  
 New York, April 9.—Cotton futures opened today at the following levels: May 31.11, July 29.80, Oct. 25.65, Dec. 25.10, Jan. 24.72.