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SECRETARY WEEKS ADDRESSES CHAMBER OF COMMERCE OF PITTSBURGH, PA.

Recommends Repeal of Excess Profit Tax, Saying During Depression it Was Not Effective.

Pittsburgh. - Something like \$17, 300,000,000 must be provided by the whelming victory in plebiscite held federal government within the next 30 in Upper Silesia to determine the fumonths to meet its running expenses, ture national status of that region, acand refunding operations. Secretary cording to official returns received Weeks of the war department declar- here. Two districts were still missing ed in an address before the Pitts at 2 o'clock the moring after, but the burgh chamber of commerce. This the court showed that 876,000 votes had secretary said, "is an infinitely been cast for Germany and 389,000 greater task than was ever under for Poland. taken by any nation in the world in time of peace and there is no one, skilled in financial operations, who does not view the prospect with more or less alarm. With this situation facing us it is the height of felly to undertake new commitments if they

can be avoided. The war secretary discussed economy in government operations, reorganization of federal activities in est by all Germany and Poland as Washington, taxation and the tariff: He urged repeal of the excess profit tax declaring that in a period of fall- lacking in advices from abroad. ing prices it was not an effective tax as probably would be shown when the returns for this year were pub-

Another Revolution in Mexico. El Paso, Texas.-Press dispriches tell of the formation of a revolution lead. in Mexico headed by Luis Cabrera. "the man with the brains behind the Carranga government," and his brother, Alfonso Cabrera and Ignacio Benillas, former representative of Mexico to the United States.

To Sell Part of State. of Alabama of that portion of western Florida lying west of the Apalachicola giver and including the nine counties f Bay, Calhoun, Escambia, Holmes, Jackson, Oksloom, Santa Rosa, Walton and Washington, is a proposal that will be put squarely up to ther Florida legislature when it meets in population throughout the United next month.

No Phonograph for "Figer." former premier of France, did in his generation, and much of what he wrote and said, will be preserved in the history of mankind, but the sound of his voice dies with him. This is the "Tiger's" decision when he deelined to allow a phonographic recy ord to be made of his voice!

Federal Government Loses Washington,-The Faderal government lost an important income tax suit when the United States court of claims held that every estate, the met amount of which exceeds \$50,000 and which has been or will be hereafter compelled to pay the federal esfate tax, is entitled to deduct the amount so paid from its income tax roturn.

Still Clings to Hope. Geneva.-While a certain amount of pessimism undoubtedly prevails here regarding President Harding's policy towards the league of nations, he council of the league still clings to the hope that America may yet be nduced to join provided the covenant s adequately amunded.

Russo-Pollah Treaty Signed London.-The Russo-Pelish treaty. says a dispatch to the London Times from Rigg. The dispatch adds that the treaty is to be ratified at Minsk within thirty days.

Bologua, Italy- Valuable historical relies of Joachim Murat, king of Naples from 1868 to 1815, have been in this city.

Serious Drought in France Paris.-A prolonged drought in ers, were used Rhins and Seme is commended in a statement issued ment wage, working conditions safe.

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POLAND SECURED ONLY ABOUT ONE FOURTH OF VOTE IN

RECENT PLEBISCITE.

Election Will Go Down in History as a Momentous Event in Adjustment of European Boundaries.

Berlin.-Germany won an over-

Reports from Breslau state that the plebiscite was generally without untoward incidents.

Paim Sunday, the day of the voting in upper Silesia, seems likely to go down in history as one of the most momentous days in the adjustment of European boundaries growing out of the world war. The day had been looked forward to with intense interwell, while evidences of world-wide attention upon the balloting were not

The area involved, comprising some five thousand square miles, was the largest section of territory to have its fate submitted to a plebiscite under peace theaty, but even more important than the size of the district was the material wealth contained in from Les Noticias, a newspaper print its varied mineral resources, mainly ed in Mexico City, recived in El Paso, coal, but also including tron, zinc and

> Sixth Largest Cotton Crop. Washington.-The largest cotton crop since 1914 and the sixth largest in the history of the country was grown last year. Ginning statistics for the 1928-21 season, announced by the Cansus Bureau, show a total of 13.365.754 equivalent 500-pound bales. comprise the 1920 crop. That is about 2.769.000 equivalent 500-pound bales less than the record crop of 1914 and is slightly smaller than the 1904 crop.

Density of Population. Washington.-The average density States exclusive of outlying possessions was 35.5 per sons per square mile of land area in 1920, as against Paris-What Georges Clemenceau, 30.0 in 1910, the Census Bureau au-

> The density figures for Southern states were: Alabama 45.8; Florida, ployees are in a mood to attempt a 17.7; Georgia, 49.3; Louisania 39.6; Mississippi 35.6; North Carolina 52.5; South Carolina 53.2; Tennessee 56.1; and Virginia, 57.4.

> Plans Coalition Government. to the formation of a coalition govern- justment, and the fact that the proment for soviet Russia have been opened by Nikolai Lenine bolshevik premier, with leaders of the Menshe assumption that it will be more readily viki and social revolutionaries.

New Shingle is Hung up. Washington .- Formation of a partnership between Joseph P. Tumulty. who served as secretary to former President Wilson, and Representative Randolph Perkins of Woodcliff Lake. N. J., for the general practice of law in New Jersey was made.

Revenues Exceeded by Costs. Washington,-Governmental costs. including interest and outlays for permanent improvements for the 227 cities of the country with a population of 30,000 ro more, exceeded total revenues by \$8,991,000 in the year

Let Out Many American Seaman. Manila, P. I. - Eleven hundred American seamen were discharged from American merchant ships here during the year 1920, according to reports of acting United States shipping commissioner, Francisco Corrales, just issued.

Negro Unbor Conditions Atlanta, Ga.-Investigation of conditions among negro labor on farras who judge the situation by level rive Federal District Attorney Alexander by Governor Dorsey.

Reichstag Favors Disarmament



1-Baron Kijuro Shidehara, Japanese ambassador, and his maff. 2-Commissioner General of Immigration W. W. Husband succeeds A. Caminetti. Those in the picture are (left to right, standing): Samuel Gompers, Jr.; E. J. Henning, the new assistant secretary of labor; T. V. Fowderly, division of information; A. Caminetti; (seated): Alfred Hampton, assistant commissioner general; James J. Davis, secretury of labor; W. W. Husband. 3-Dennis Laue, secretary-treasurer Amalgamated Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen of America.

Meat Strike Rests in Conference of Packers, Union Chiefs and Government Officials.

Congress Plans Early Consideration of Tariff and Tax Matters-Germany an Enigma-Allies' Tariff Experiment Interesting-Dim-Outlook of Peace in Ireland.

By E. F. GLIPSON. Hopes for a settlement without strike of the labor difficulties exist the meat-packing industr forts of the United States government Secretary of Labor Davis, although new to his position, has been brought quickly into a realization of its responsibilities. In order that he may get off on the proper foot and show the people that he is the right man in the right place, he is neglecting no effort to bring about an adjustment of the trouble which threatens one of the most important items of the nations good supply.

Although the result of the strike ballot leaves no doubt that the amcomplete tleup and gives their representatives a powerful weapon in the mediation conference at Washington. there is a distinctly optimistic phase in the willingness shown by both sides to take part in that conference. It Companagen.-Negotiations leoking indicates a desire for a reasonable adcooding is occurring under such important government auspices, warrants productive of results than if left simply to negotiations between the packers and their employees. In the latter event, with both sides thoroughly stiffnecked, a strike would be the logical outcome. The affair has great portent as showing how the present administration proposes to deal with the larger phases of capital and labor strife, particularly as relating to the cost of living and the return to normal conditions.

An important development of the controversy pointing to possible methods of eliminating similar difficulties in the future, is the announced offer of some of the larger packers to democratize their plants. The proposal is to give employees a voice in labor conditions by separating the plants into general divisions covering the principal products, matters of production and mechanical departments each division to be subdivided into voting precincts of about 300 employees. The employees are to elect delegates to a divisional council which shall in turn choose delegates to a general plant conference board, while the company names an equal number of delegates to both board and

make recommendations on employ ty, sanitation, recreation, transportstion and other matters of mutual

The first property of the second section of the second seco The include appearing inclumediate training in the hope of the single other large

strike is threatened. The earning sheets of the railroads show that they need more revenue. There is pronounced opposition to obtaining it by an increase in freight rates, as much of the current business depression and low rail earnings is said to be due to high freight tariffs which discour-

Railroad officials contend that relief should start with lower pay rolls. Naturally, the employees cannot see it. Union officials claim that the railroads are purposely loading up the occupation of a conquered nation, exrailroad labor board with complaints ervising a supervision over its trade side, unless, being postmaster general, and cases so that there will be a iong delay in adjudicating the present form of duties-sanctions is the dipquestion, walle in the meantime the roads get the benefits of the wage reductions ordered. The whole thing is so acute and at the same rime so involved, that it is very likely to be a subject of congressional action at an early date.

President Harding has that he will call the sixty-seventh congress into extraordinary semi-11. The tariff and fax prom

approves the proposal of Republican congressional leaders to pass a bill feature of this legislation will be a section or a special bill placing the valuation of imports on a domestic instead of a foreign basis.

Any tariff legislation is almost certain to be of a preliminary nature as the vast number of schedules to be dealt with in a permanent bill will require many weeks' considerationprobably into the middle of the sum mer. One of the talked about features of the preliminary bill is an emergency tariff on agricultural products. The administration has not been authoritatively committed to this provision although it has strong support in influential Republican circles. In response to the demands of bustness, tax legislation will come up for consideration; immediately after, if not before, the temporary tariff bill.

started out in the program of accomplishment, the "do-things" plan, which his friends predicted he would inaugurate. One of the first problems he has tackled is that of broadening the possibilities of American manufacturers in foreign countries, a necessity if Uncle Sam's ships are to be kept in employment. Mr. Hoover has been meeting with the directors of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States, an affliation of chambers of commerce and boards of trade all over the country, with a view to closer cooperation between his department and the various trade and commerce orof the secretary to create an advisory committee for each of ten or twelve chief groups of industries. It will be the purpose of each committee to form a direct connection between the particular industries and the foreign agents of the Department of Com-

Beyond the fact that Bayaria bas defied the allied powers in refusing to disband its civilian military orgniliations and that the Berlin reichstag has tabled the order designed to coerce Bayaria, there has in Russian internal affairs. been little change in the German situation. The action of the Bavarian

countries to the point of exercising pressure for relief.

If the German government has no other plan in the back of its head and as the entire matter is largely one of economics, it will be solved by an unusual economic method-the application of tariff principles to war problems not an entirely new method, but one which never before has been applied on such an extensive scale. The spectacle then arises of victors making a forcible but otherwise peaceful domatic word used to cover the ramifications of the transaction-the reparations demanded.

It will be interesting to watch the methods by which the allies shall prevent German goods escaping the tariff embargo through the nearby neutral nations. Already a modified blockede has been suggested, along with an occupation of all the land borders; extending inward if resistance davelops, of Germany. To this

thoritative sources that the President | that Poland is ready to invade Germany at a moment's notice. The allied Rhineland high commission has preventing the dumping of cheap for- in effect recommended to the council eign goods in the United States. A of the allied nations that tariff schednies shall not be imposed which will crush the industries of the Rhineland territory, but shall have a punitive effect upon Germany.

> The plebiscite in Upper Silesia is expected to affect the situation. If Germany loses that rich territory she will be in position to claim still farther her inability to meet the repurations. If the election throws the country to Germany her economic position will be improved. In either event as excuse will be presented for further negotiations,

> Russia's revolution seems to have been checked temporarily at least, with the evacuation of Kronstadt, restoration of a more or less orderly condition in Moscow and the removal of the Immediate menace to Petrograd. The operations of the revolutionaries around the latter place were doomed to fallure when they falled to take the stronger defenses of the city such as fortress Krasnava Gorka. The Red government has been succetaful, but its weakened hold is seen

atrongest adherents. As indicative of the seriousness with which the government is menaced. and its desire to placate other na- fellows. tions is the ratification of peace with Poland and signing of the long disported as massing heavy forces op- life. He was secretary to flarcus A. sive. But now they want peace, In the negotiations with Great Britain, which have been long drawn out and the subject of arbitrary appearance, at least, on the part of the soviet authorities, they have capitulated in several respects, the most important being an agreement to cease all propagunda in other countries Great

throughout Mexicos have been delived, throughout of the disagramment out, the Scard are to be recarded as the to occupy Frankton and possibly other land. That such negotiations are not been delived, the disagramment of the dis mions and substitute a shop union the allied occupation is that, "we are government and the equally strong at- be cleared up.

NEVER THE HISTORY OF PARTY HAS NATIONAL CAPITAL HELD SO MANY REPUBLICANS.

WHO WILL SUCCEED HAYS?

Question of Next Chairman of National Republican Committee Ia Causing Much Speculation-Hays to Step Down in Near Future.

By EDWARD B. CLARK. that never before in the history of the Guilford county. party has Republicanism been so numerously represented in the city of Washington as is the case in this holds possession today of the White House and the Capitol, and to a great extent of all the hotels in this town. Soon, the promise of the politicians is, that it will have possession of every strategic place in all the departments of government.

This little description of the sudden transfer of this town into the condition of a Republican stronghold could have been written eight years ago of its transformation into a Dempolitics brings its changes like the whirligig of time.

The Republican national committee has been here in the full force of its membership. Will H. Hays, the chairman, presided at its meetings, Presbyterian hospital. and if other meetings are held within the next three or four months it is and industries, and collecting in the he shall feel that the proprieties of office demand that he shall give over the chair of the chairmanship to the committee's vice chairman.

It is pretty well understood here in where about June 1, and possibly earlier, will resign from the office of chieftain of the national committee, and will ask the members to choose lesignated by the present great chief-

dent of the United States to suggest the name of the new chairman of the committee in case a change is made during his presidential term.

The Next Chairman. There is a good deal of gossip in Washington concerning the new Republican chairmanship. Three or four names are mentioned as possibilities. John T. Adams of Iowa is the present vice chairman of the committee and so far as position is concerned stands in line of promotion, but it is known that there is opposition in the committee to the selection of Mr. Adams. United States Senator Harry S. New of Indiana has been suggested and it has been said that he is President Harding's choice for the place. but it is understood that Mr. New does not wish to take the place because in two years he will be a canfidate for re-election to the senate. Alvin T. Hert, Republican national

committeeman from Kentucky, also is mentioned as a more than possible selection for chairmanship. It was Mr. Hert who managed the

Hughes campaign in the West with headquarters in Chicago in 1916. There always has been a feeling, expressed freely, that Mr. Hert was handlcapped in his Western endeavors in 1916 by interference from the East, in the fact that the revolution movement started among the soldiers and and there are scores of Republicans sailors, the forces which made the today who say that if he had been establishment of the government pos- given a free hand the result in the sible and heretofore have been its West probably would have been different in that year of Republican defear. Mr. Hert is not anxious for the chairmanship. He has so told his

Another possibility for the chairmanship is Elmer Dover, an old-time cussed trade agreement with Great newspaper man. He was born in Ohio Britain. The Bussians had been re- and lived there all through his early posite the Polish frontier and mak- Hanna from 1897 to 1904, and was ing strong threats of a spring offen- the secretary of the Republican national committee from 1904 to 1908. May-Choose Dover.

During the last campaign Mr. Dover was in the West where he has business interests. He worked for the Harding-Cooliege cause from the convention day to election day, and inasmuch as he was once the secretary of the national committee and always Britian agrees on her part not to mix has been deeply interested in Repub-Henn party politics, and because he is not connected with any factions in St. Patrick's day did not usher in the present committee, it is said that leaders and the reichstag was taken the much discussed truce or even im, he may be the choice, provided to is rts that France intends | pertant negotiations for peace in Ire- | decided to go outside of the commit- | Dr. R. L. Felts, attending physician throughout along the particle of the desired by the reichstes cisions bladles on plants affected in er important cities is rotated by the reichstes cisions bladles on plants affected in er important cities is rotated by the reichstes cisions bladles on plants affected in er important cities is rotated by the reichstes cisions bladles on plants affected in er important cities is rotated by the reichstes cisions bladles on plants affected in er important cities is rotated by the reichstes cisions bladles on plants affected in er important cities is rotated by the reichstes cisions bladles on plants affected in er important cities is rotated by the reichstes cisions bladles on plants affected in er important cities is rotated by the reichstes cisions bladles on plants affected in er important cities is rotated by the reichstes cisions bladles on plants affected in er important cities is rotated by the reichstes cisions bladles on plants affected in er important cities is rotated by the reichstes cisions bladles on plants affected in er important cities is rotated by the reichstes cisions bladles on plants affected in er important cities is rotated by the reichstes cisions bladles on plants affected in er important cities is rotated by the reichstes cisions bladles on plants affected in er important cities is rotated by the reichstes cisions bladles on plants affected in er important cities is rotated by the reichstes cisions bladles contained by the reichstes cisions bladles contained by the reichstes cisions bladles cisions affected by the reichstes cisions affected by the reichstes cisions bladles cisions affected by the reichstes cisions affect telescent to seeme were more an adoled by the reichitag resions operation at the case of a fier the matter may so the matter may so the fier the matter may so the matter may so the matter may so the fier the matter may so the fier the matter may so the fier the matter may so the denounce the pian as one intended to unfutilled terms of the Versallies the opening of negotiation. In view der his direction the last remaining for complete recovery. deceive the employees disrupt the treaty, the reparations program and of the determined stand of the British indebtedness of the committee may Type the late of the Sinn Fells, some change in conditions must present itself the companies.

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Hickory.-Walter S. Taylor, a well known cotton mill man, died at his home here at the age of 58 years, following a stroke of paralysis.

Red Springs.-Helen Pugh, twelve years old Asheville planist, appeared in concert at Flora MacDonald college delighting a large audience with her musicianship.

Greensboro.-A big bull dog held three prohibition sleuths at bay while the dog's master made his get-away Washington.-Old politicians say from a still in Summer township,

Wilmington.-The Japanese steamship Yeifuku Maru, 2,170 tons; will month of March weather in the year sail from this port with a cargo of of grace 1921. The Republican party fertilizer for Europe during the next few days.

> Winston-Salem .- The question of issuing bonds in the sum of \$750,000 for enlarging city schools, water and light systems, is being discussed and election is expected to be called at an early date.

Wadesboro. - Rev. John Jordon Douglass, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of this city, will deliver ocrafic stronghold. The whirligig of the literary address before the graduating class of Mitchell college, Statesville, on the evening of May 16th.

> Charlotte,-B. A. Helms, 40, of Monroe, died on the operating table at

He was being operated upon in an effort to save his life, but he died before the operation was over.

Rocky Mount,-Although it was thought for awhile that the local high school might not put out a baseball team this season, this fear unpears to have been dissipated as the R. M. H. Washington that Will H. Hays some- S. aggregation has already named ? manager and assistant manager.

Elizabeth City.—Sam Crane of Coinfock, Currituck county, was shot at some one in his place, the some one close range with No. 4 shot when he in the case probably being a man is alleged to have tried to gain assess to the home of Ben Boyner, near Barall of the party Warren G. Harding | er in that county, Thirty shot took cians say he will recove

> Greensboro. The executive committee of the North Carolina Bankers' association advises the farmers to reduce the acreage in cotton and tobacco by at least 50 per cent, the advice being in the form of a resolution.

> Belmont.-Mr. F. P. Hall, Jr., has completed the organization here of a troop of Boy Scouts. ..

> Lenoir.-Three copper stills and plete outlits have been located and destroyed by Sheriff Triplett and his assistants.

> Lumberton.-Six rural policemen have been elected in Robeson county. This is two more than have been employed in the county heretofore. Salisbury .- A. B. Loffin of High

Point, is in a Salisbury hospital with a broken leg, the result of a moving van leaving the roadway at Second Creek. Mount Airy,-Lala Dockery, the four-year-old daughter of Mr. and

Mrs. Charles Dockery, formerly reported to be recovering nicely from her severe burns, died. Rocky Mount,-Mrs. R. T. Edwards, wife of one of the city's leading business men and prominent in local so-

cial croles, fatally shot herself, presumably intentionally, at her home. Charlotte-Fifty gallons of liquor in five-gallon cans, hid in a gulley between the Providence and Monroe roads, three or four miles from Char-

lotte, is the first big haul made by Mecklenburg's rural palicemen. Kinston.-Pink Hill, literally the roundest town in the world" because of its circular corporate line, has acquired an added distinction. Health bureau workers here say it bids fair

to be a "fivless town" this summer. Cencord.-Vernon Brumley, of Newton spending the day here in the interest of the Belk store at Newton. was injured when he was struck and knocked down by a car driven by Sam O. Eddleman, 'The accident, eye witnesses state, could not be avoided.

Durham.—In a statement made by

Bitmbeth City.-J. Pani Spence