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First National Immigration Conference Ever Held In America Meets to Consider Naturalization and Immigration Laws, Causes of Unrest Among Foreign Born - "America Is Short Four Million Men Since War" Declares General Du Pont.

(By The Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, April 7-The first na tional immigration conference ever held in America began here today to discuss naturalization and immigration laws, the shortage of labor, the exodus of immigrants from America and the cause of rest among the foreign born with a view to formulating recommendations to congress. The meeting was under the auspices of the inter-racial council of New York, and delegates included representatives of 30 races and spokesmen for industry, agriculture, capital and labor.

William H. Barr, president of the in-ter-racial council, and spokesman for in-dustry, and General Coleman Du Pont, chairman of the board of directors of the inter-racial council, opened the meeting.
A statement prepared by E. T. Meredith, accretary of agriculture, was read, in which he approved of any "legitimate effort to point the way in which the immigrant may be helped to become a thorough-going American."

"America is 4,000,000 men short as a

result of the dwindling of immigration since the war," General Du Pont said. "Thousands of immigrants are going back; other thousands are migrating to Canada, South America and Australia and other countries are making organized effects to attract immigration. The

United States is not.
"There are over 200 bills pending in Washington which, if passed, will shut out the future supply of immigrant workmen and will demoralize industrial and credit conditions in America.

"The indiscriminate denunciation the foreign born, which has been taking place in America, is resulting in many of them leaving this country.

"The situation is a grave one calling for concerted, nation-wide action."

The immigrant no longer will come America to enjoy freedom of worship or the right of free speech, but the "im-

Secretary Meredith's statement outlined the work of the department of agriculture and with reference to immigration and the farm labor problem, said:
"Many thousands of immigrants who came from farms in their home country and who are real lovers of the soil, have been side-tracked in our great cities because they do not know how to go about it to get a foothold on the agricultural

"With the poor living conditions in the congested centers, these people are likely to become discontented. Living in colonies in the cities, learning nothing of our language, customs and ideals, they may become the prey of agitators and form an element of unrest.

"Large numbers of the discontented elements can be transformed into contented agricultural workers if they are told how to make the right move."

ATTEMPTS SUICIDE RATHER THAN MARRY OLD MAN

(By The Associated Press)

LOUISVILLE, KY., April 7. - Bather than marry a "Stogey Old Judge", Miss Elizabeth Kirby, 25, of Huntsville, Ala., attempted suicide here yesterday by jumping into the Ohio river. A dock worker rescued the young woman who was taken to a hospital, where she is said to be recovering.

The motive for the attempted suicide apparently was found in a note the woman left in a local rooming house addressed to her mother, in which she pleaded for one word from home and asked what she had done "to be foresaken by her parents''. She stated she would herself to "The Sto ludge nor any other man not of her

Miss Kirby, at the hospital, said her father was J. L. Kirby, a business man f Huntsville, and that she came here for employment a few weeks ago.

FROSTS PROBABLE TONIGHT.

(By The Associated Press)

W ASHINGTON, April 7. - Frosts are probable in the interior of North Carolina, northern South Carolina and extreme northern Georgia, the weather bareau announced today.

RODMAN SAYS SIMS' LETTER WAS VERY INDISCREET

By Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, April 7. - Admiral Hugh Rodman, commander to chief of the Pacific fleet, told the senate investigating committee today that Rear Admir-Sim's letter to Secretary Daniels criticlsing the navy's part in the war was

"Admiral Sims indiscretions." be said, "lay very particularly in his breach of confidence in making public an intimate and confidential conversation

which should have been held sourct.".

The witness referred to Sims' testimony that Admiral Benson, farmer chief of naval operations, told his prior to his departure for London, "not to let the British pull the wool over your eyes, we would as soon fight them as the Ger-

indiscreet," Admiral Sims letter been less indiscreet," Admiral Rodman said, "had he omitted reference to conversations, which, as I have said, he should have held secret and confidential, had it been couched in moderate terms, such as are couched in moderate terms, such as are usually used in official correspondence; hid it been less antagonistic, it would, no doubt, have followed the usual course of such communications, received due consideration by the proper authority and doubtless some good would have come

liention of a certain admonition which states he received prior to his departfeet upon the cordial relations which peretofore existed between us and one of our oldest allies. In every expression of nion which I have heard co

both in and out of the navy, it has re-ceived the deepest censure."

Declaring that he appeared entirely at his own request to "defend the good name of the navy," Admiral Rodman,

navy did its full share most efficiently and splendidly in helping to bring the war against the Huns to a successful and victorious conclusion."

ATTORNEY GENERAL PALMER STRICKEN BY SUDDEN ILLNESS.

(By The Associated Press.)

ATLANTA, GA., April 7. - Attorney General Palmer's sudden illness due to an attack of acute indigestion in Gainesville, Ga., yesterday caused a cancellation of his speech tonight in Savannah, but it would prevent his filling an engagement in

The attorney general's condition was said in latest reports from Gainesville not to be serious but it was declared his physician advised against an all day ride to Savannah that would have been necessary had he spoken there tonight. The Gainesville address was the first of a campaign tour of Georgia, where Mr. Palmer is a candidate for endorsement in Palmer is a candidate for the democratic presidential primary April 20. He was expected to con his tour, speaking in Savannah and in Atlanta, where he was to have appeard last night, at later dates.

TOHNSON LEADS WOOD

BY 42,000 VOTES. (By The Associated Press.)

DETROIT, MICH. April 7. - Be lated returns on Monday's presidential primary, coming in slowly from the sparsely settled sections of the state, added but few votes early today to the totals afready compiled from approximate-ly two thirds of the precincts. These figures gave Senator Hirman W. John-son a lead of 42,251 over Major General Leonard Wood on the republican ticket, and Herbert Hoover's advantage on the democratic fichet was 4,446 over Gover-nor Edward L Edwards, of New Jersey.

GASTON COUNTY LAWYERS TO HOLD BANQUET

Hon: James H. Pou, of Raleigh, Will Be Chief Speaker at Banquet of Gaston County Bar Association Monday

On next Monday night, April 12, the Gaston County Bar Association will hold its first annual banquet at the Afmington Hotel. Hon. James H. Pou, of Raleigh, will be the principal speaker. Mr. Pou is one of the ablest lawyers in North Carolina, and his coming to Gas-tonia is an event in legal circles looked forward to with much interest .

Other prominent men who have been invited to be guests on this occasion are Judge E. Y. Webb, of the Federal District Court of Western North Carolina, United States District Attorney W. C. Hammer, of Ashebore, Hon. D. B. Smith, of Charlotte, assistant U. S. district attorney and Judge Henry P. Lane, of the Superior Court.

It is regretted very much by thecon mittee in charge of the banquet that the date arranged conflicts with the speaking date arranged for Judge Ben Lindsey, of the Lyceum course, but the time set, Monday night, April 12, was the only date on which Mr. Pou, the chief speaker of the evening could arrange to be present in Gastonia.

FIREMEN AND ENGINEMEN

(By The Associated Press)

C,HICAGO, April 7-Representatives of 8,500 members of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen employed in the Chicago switching district today had defied their union officials and voted to join the unauthorized switchmen's strike called nearly a week ago.

Freight traffic through the expansive Chicago district already was restricted seriously and strike leaders and railroad officials were agreed that if the force of strikers was augmented such traffic would be brought virtually to a standstill.

The vote of the engineers and firemen came in the face of predictions of grand officers of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen and the Switchmen's Union of North America, with which the striking switchmen are affiliated, that by Saturday the strike would be broken by loyal union men rushed here from other cities.

the curineers and firemen declared they would not work with "scabs," as they termed the loyal-union men, and also demanded an increased wage. Engineers are paid \$5.76 a day and they demand \$1.50 an hour; the firemen, paid from \$4.16 to \$4.28 a day, demanded \$1 an hour,

Passenger trains will not be interfered with, the strikers said. Railroad officials said, however, that such traffic was certain to suffer in the event work in the yards was restricted further.

William L. Bond, treasurer of the switchmen's union, said 19 trunk lines and five belt lines "were paralyzed" by the strike. Eighteen railroads were affected to some extent, officials admitted.

Switchmen's strike leaders early today said delegations had been sent to Milwaukee, Kansas City and other cities

NEW YORK'S BIG FOUR UNS JOHNSON'S CHANCES

(By The Associated Press.) NEW YORK, April 7. - New York state's "big four" uninstructed delegastate a big four uninstructed delega-tion to the republican national conven-tion rolled over the position of former State Senator William M. Bennett, pledged to the presidential candidacy of Senator Hiram W. Johnson, of Califor-nia, in yesterday's primaries, according to virtually complete returns carry to-

Scattering returns from up-state, where the vote was also light, indicated that the organization candidates had won over Bennett by a wider margin than in this city. No candidate favorable to Senator Johnson was elected in any of the 12 congressional districts here when contests were waged.

were waged.
The organization men also defeated two candidates pledged to Herbert Hoovor in the 17th congressional district in Manhattan by a ratio of about two and one half to one. This was the only district in the state where candidates favoring Mr. Hoover were entered.

The was no contests among the demo-rats and the party vote was proportion-ately smaller than that cast for the repub-

first presidential contest in which they and an opportunity to participate in this state surprised party leaders. They turned out in large numbers and proved active workers.

According to its inventor a new auto mobile grease cup can be manipulate without soiling the hands, having a har dle on a cover which forces lubricant from the cup late bearings as it is scrowe

ROYAL ARCH MASONS

Gastonia Chapter, No. 66 R. A.
M. Hold Banquet Following
Installation of Officers —
Degree Work Followed Ban-

Ribald jest and youthful jollity, feast and fun, quips and cranks and wanton wiles, interspersed with reminiscent speeches and moments of seriousness, featured the banquet given at the Armory Tuesday night by Gastonia Chapter No. 66, Royal Arch Masons, on the occasion of the installation of officers and the exaltation of six candidates to the Royal Arch perce. Following the installation operationies at six o'clock in the Masonie Hall, when the following of ficers were installed:

Rev. W. J. Roach, High Priest; T. S. Trott, King; C. H. Pugh, scribe; A. K. Winget, captain of hosts; F. C. Abernethy, P. S.; W. E. Haynes, R. A. C.; L. F. Wetzell, Treas, and W. Y. Warren, Secretary; Messrs, R. Northcutt, W. T. McArver and S. O. Walker, vailsmen; F. A. Costner, Sentinel. The members of the fraternity repaired to the Armory on West Airline Avenue where an excellent feed had been duly and truly prepared and was in waiting for the descent of the hungry horde. The banquet was arranged by Pete Kaper onis of the Carolina Cafe, and the following menu was spread before 150 hollow, hungry men: Stuffed Olives

Sliced Chicken Loin of Pork Primeribs of Beef Potato Salad Apple Jelly Sliced Tomatoes and-Head Lettuce With-

French Dressing Tee Cream and Cake-

Rev. W. J. Rosch presided as toastmaster. Short and entertaining speacher were given during the course of the feed. Dr. Highsmith, a newcomer to Gastonia expressed his pleasure at finding his lot east along such pleasant lines and in so hospitable a community. Dr. J. H. Henderlite, after a few humorous thrusts at several of those present, perpetrated in his own inimitable way, commended the local chapter on the unusual growth and advances made since the organization of

Dr. L. N. Glenn when called upon to at the Mayo Hospital in Rochester, Minn, digressed for a moment and rought the only real spontaneous burst f applause that happened during the evening when in welcoming so many new faces to Gastonia, said: "You have come to one of the livest, fastest growing and best cities in the South. We have a good town here. We believe in and work for our city and the day is fast coming when Gastonia will be considered one of the leading cities of the South. We are glad to see so many new comers to Gastonia and hope that you vill like the city as well as the city fikes

M. W. T. Rankin, when announced as one of the "fathers of Masonry" in Gastonia, came to his feet with a vigorwas disclaimer of any such entitlement, be it honor or humor. "I am a young man," said he, "one is just as old as one feels and I feel like a three-yeareld. There are dozens sitting around this banquet board who have taught me all the Masonry I know."

Mr. Rankin then gave an interesting story of an incident that happened in London last year when he was visiting France and England, in which a certain Masonie communication which he car ried with him from America was inpassports, foreign tongues and a wrathy transportation offical.

After the banduet, the party adjourned to the Masonic Hall where the degree of the passport of the Masonic Hall where the degree of the party Arch Masonic Hall where the degree of the party Arch Masonic Hall where the degree of the party Arch Masonic Hall where the degree of the party Arch Masonic Hall where the degree of the party Arch Masonic Hall where the degree of the party Arch Masonic Hall where the degree of the party Arch Masonic Hall where the degree of the party Arch Masonic Hall where the degree of the party Arch Masonic Hall where the degree of the party and the

Mesars. George Wilson, H., H. Gaston, H. A. Query, Bill Davis, Poletus McAr-ver and Chas. Huffstetler.

FIRST AMERICAN FUNERAL SHIP ARRIVES TODAY

(By The Associated Press)

NEW YORK, April 7-Officers of the rmy graves registration service were leting preparations today for the reeption late in the afternoon of the first American funeral ship from England or France. The transport Nansemond was expected to dock late in the day with 87 dies of men who died in base hospitals

notified and in most cases were in the city to take charge of the bodies.

Cable advices from France state the

transport Mercury, the funeral ship bearing bodies of soldiers who died in Prance, will leave Brest tomorrow with 315 caskets.

By special request of the residents on Morris street the city manager is asked to don his rubber boots and take a walk on this particular street just af-

THEIR ADVANCE FARTHER INTO GERMAN TERI

(By The Associated Press)

METZ, April 7-French troops on the right bank of the Rhine, continuing their advance, today occupied Homburg, 9 miles north of Frankfort. INTERRUPTED NEGOTIATIONS.

PARIS, April 6-Entry of German government troops into the Ruhr district interrupted tentative negotiations for an economic understanding between France and Germany, and in author itative circles here there is a conviction it was deliberately planned for that pur

In the course of the conversations on the subject Germany asked France what would be necessary as a bisis for such an understanding. The reply was that the terms of the Versailles treaty must be executed, persons guilty of aggressions against allied officers in Germany must be punished, the German army must be demobilized and war material must be destroyed. It is the theory here that the military party in Germany confronted with these conditions preferred to take radical action.

German officials had shown great appreciation of the progress being made but it suddenly developed that Wilhelm Mayer von Kaufbeuren, German charge d'affaires here, was being dominated by Dr. Geophert.

It is declared that this development in Paris has corresponded with that in Berlin, where the Prussian and military element dominates the government, according to French information.

German regular forces entered the Buhr valley during the easter holidays, it is pointed out, when Premier Lloyd George and Earl Curzon, British secretary of state for foreign affairs, were away from London, and it is impossible for France to communicate with her al-French foreign minister were absent from France and Germany and Austria began aggressions which began the world

2,000 COMMUNISTS CROSS INTO BRITISH ZONE.

(By The Associated Press.) COBLENZ, April 7. - Two thousand communists have crossed the Rhine into the British zone of occupation and have occu interned. Twelve hundred more are expected to arrive today.

Flight of large numbers of the comnunists into occupied territory is conidered an indication that the revolt in. one Ruhr region is near an end. Bochum was still in control of communists late yesterday and they expected a big fight there. The situation in the Ruhr valley is bad and living conditions are almost unbearable. A railroad strike at Essen is reported and no trains are running. Celsenkirchen, north of here, and Dort-must and Schwerte, to the cast, were captured today and occupied by advancing government troops. Much fighting is reported in the Ruhr area.

There are indications of the "red terror" in Essen under the direction of Russian officers, it is said.

The chief of staff of American forces here has repeated his declaration that he has no direct concern with any action outside of American occupied territory except on specific instructions from Washington. American headquarters is keep-ing glosely informed of the situation, but its sole duty at present is to control and protect interests in the American zone.

GERMANS INDIFFERENT FRANKFORT, April 7-The occupa tion of Homburg by French troops announced today, virtually completes the operations outlined to General DeGoutte. in charge of the occupation movement in his orders from the war office. The en-tire plan has been carried out withour any significant incident.

The inhabitants of Frankfort are no cepting the occupation with complete outward indifference. The city presents no indications that such a notable event had occurred aside from the posters bearing, the French government's proclamation. Business is going on as usual, the peo-ple generally following their customary occupations without paying much attention to the few French uniforms seen in the streets. The number of these ap

m is order to avoid cause for irrita

LONDON APPROVES OCCUPATION PARIS, April 7—Although up to the

cording to the Echo de Paris

"In London yesterday the occupati of German cities was widely discuss the newspapers says, "and was no doubt approved both by the general public and by parliament."

DENOUNCED IN BERLIN.

BERLIN, April 6-Occupation of German cities in the neutral tone ea of the Rhine by French troops was deaounced in an official statement today. It is declared the government did every-thing to prevent this "unbeard of action, which is neither in accordance with the sense of the peace treaty nor its scope and is out of proportion with the insignificance of our measures in the

ROME, April 6-President Wilson's accusation relative to militarism in France is justified by the action of that country in sending troops into German sities, says the Giornale D'Italia. The action of France, the newspaper says, is

best way to solve pending questions. "
"For over a year," the article continues, "Mr. Wilson's veto has wrecked any compromise regarding the Adria-tic problem. France, despite the oppe-ation of England, Italy and America, decided upon the occupation of cities in the neutral zone east of the Rhine. This also shows that the league of nations, about which so much time was wasted in Paris, is destined to remain an absolutely inefficient organ deprived of any authority to solve international conflicts

EASTER SERVICES AT BELMONT ABBEY CATHEDRAL

Special to The Daily Gazette.

BELMONT, April 7-The Easter sepvices at Belmont Abbey Cathedral were just as solemn and impressive this year as in former years. The services began lies regarding the situation. A similar on Saturday evening at 5 o'clock with tell of his experiences in Masonry in state of affairs existed late in July, solemn pontifical benedictions of the op.

Rt. Rev. Bishop Haid conducted the early morning service of Easter Sunday at six o'clock at which Holy Comm ion was distributed. Solemn High Mass in the presence of the Rt. Rev. Bishap was celebrated at ten o'clock. The officers during the mass were Ray, F. Ignacius, O. S. B., celebrant; Rev. P Nicholas, O. S. B., deacon; Rev. C. F. Ewald, of Wytheville, Va., subdencon; Rev. F. Thomas, O. S. B., and Rev. F Matthew, O. S. B., assistants to the Rt. Rev. Bishop; V. Rev. Dr. Felix, O. S. B., V. G., and Fr. Edwards, O. S. B., masters of ceremonies.

After the singing of the gospel of the mass Rt. Rev. Bishop Haid delivered an eloquent and impressive sermon on the sloquent and impressive sermon on the joy of Easter Day. The substance of his sermon in part was that the resurrection of Christ from the dead in the foundation of Catholic and Christian faith and is a pledge of our future resurraish and is a pledge of our future resurrection from the dead. In spite of the inclement weather a large number of pee ple came for the morning service and every seat in the church was occupied. At 2:15 in the afterneon Very Rev. F. Melchoir, O. S. B., gave a short ser-

mon, explaining the principal doctri of the Catholic faith. At four o'clock Rt. Rev Bishop Haid was celebrant the solemn pontifical vespers. The other officers were Very Rev. Dr. Felix, O. B., V. G., assistant priest; Rev. F. Thomas, O. S. B., and Rev. F. Matthew, O. S. B., deacons of honors Rev. F. Phillip, O. S. B., Fr. Lee, O. S. B., Mr. F. McCourt and Mr. William Moore, chanters; Bev. F. Nicholas, O. S. B., and Fr. Edward, O. S. B., masters of ceremovies.

After vespers sciemn benediction of the Blossed Sacrament was given by the

Rt. Rev. Bishop Haid. A large crowd of people was pres at the afternoon services, so that very many people had to stand. Had the weather been fair this year the church could not have held all the people who would have come for the services. singing for the services was very

pressive and was well rendered in cordance with the program previously ansed. The choir was under the rection of Rev. F. Raymond, O. S. B.

SUMMER WHITE HOUSE READY FOR PRESIDENT

(By The Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, April 7-Except for a little polishing up' the saite house at Woods Hole, Ma