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## HARDING WANTS NAVAL PROGRAM TO CONTINUE

### Until Binding Disarmament Agreement Between Nations is Reached

Marion, Ohio, Jan. 8.—A naval policy to keep the United States one of the strongest sea powers in the world until a binding disarmament agreement can be reached was discussed at a conference today between President-elect Harding and Representative Butler, of Pennsylvania, chairman of the house naval committee. Afterwards it was indicated that, although a final decision must await developments, the present attitude of Senator Harding pointed to a continuation during his administration of the fleet construction program now in progress. Coupled with this program, however, would be a material curtailment in the number of civilian employes of the navy department and various economies in the land stations under navy jurisdiction.

Mr. Harding long has favored an efficient navy, as the first line of American defense and he is understood to feel that a big navy policy might be continued practically if steps are taken to curtail the strength of the army along the lines he approved yesterday in conference with Chairman Kahn, of the house military committee. He also favors strongly the reserve system for both army and navy, and is understood to have indicated to Chairman Butler that an adequate naval reserve should be considered one of the requisites of national defense.

The whole question of the navy hinges, however, on what progress may be found possible in the movement for a general reduction of armament throughout the world. Mr. Butler, who is inclined to place little faith in the proposal, expects to develop in committee hearings beginning next week, all the information available on the probable consequences of disarmament. This information he will turn over to Mr. Harding. "I am determined to know," said the committee chairman in a statement tonight, "what the other nations of the world desire in the way of an agreement to limit armament and especially that of the sea."

## STACK PREDICTS COTTON WILL BRING TWENTY CENTS

### The Bear Movement, He Says, Has Spent Its Force, and Revival of Trade is Imminent.

Monroe Journal.

Cotton will bring 20 cents a pound within the next few months in the opinion of Mr. J. E. Stack, dean of the Monroe cotton buyers. In a statement to the Journal, he said:

"In my opinion cotton has reached the bottom, and better prices are to be expected. While it is foolish to anticipate forty-cent cotton it is very probable that the staple will reach the twenty-cent mark in a very few months."

"The New York cotton exchange is largely responsible for the present low price of cotton. For speculative purposes the traders on the exchange have 'beared' the market for the past four months, taking full advantage of the poor trade conditions and 'tight' money. They have held 'ull' sway. The few who had courage to buck the solid wall of the bear have been promptly snowed under."

"To all appearances the bear movement has now spent its force. A revival of trade is imminent and as trade conditions improve, money will get more plentiful."

"Union county farmers should not be discouraged. We have faced similar periods of depression before, and have come out with flying colors. This year more foodstuffs were raised than ever before, and with the many labor-saving farm implements, which were purchased last year, and with courage and hard work our people will be in good shape by the end of the year, and will again be ready to enter the automobile business."

## ROCKEFELLER GIVES \$100,000 TO BAPTISTS

John D. Rockefeller, Sr., made the Relief and Annuity board of the Southern Baptist convention a Christmas present of \$100,000. This is the second personal contribution of this amount which Mr. Rockefeller has given to this board within the past six months. The board, located at Dallas, Tex., to care for the needy aged preachers of the denomination, along with their dependent families.

## SHORT NEWS STORIES

### Interesting Paragraphs Gathered From Everywhere

Congress will be asked to appropriate \$11,000,000 a year to establish a definite national forest program to cover the whole United States.

To safeguard the nation's bread supply up to next midsummer it will be necessary for Germany to import 1,600,000 tons of wheat, rye, corn and barley.

Major General McIntyre, chief of the bureau of insular affairs, in his annual report, urges American capital to develop the oil lands of the Philippines; which he says are extensive.

The Northwest Square Deal, daily newspaper of the Non-partisan league at Aberdeen, South Dakota, has gone into the hands of receivers. Many farmers invested heavily in the publication.

Declaring that it spoils the tranquility of the country, the English rural people are making moves to abolish the motor bus from the country road. These busses roar through quiet little villages, raising great clouds of dust, frightening pedestrians and exciting the wrath of motorists.

Lady Ramsey, former Princess "Pat" of Connaught, is living in Paris in a three-room flat that does not even boast a bathroom. However, she outranks the British ambassador to France and there is much speculation over the peculiar situation of social precedence.

An expert restorer of ancient documents in Washington is able to split a thin sheet of paper, separating the writing on the two sides, insert a middle layer of paper and cover the entire sheet with a thin silk gauze. This enables the document to stand considerable handling.

The supreme court has ruled that an insurance policy on the life of a suicide is payable, provided all the conditions of the policy are complied with.

## BOX SUPPER AT ELIZABETH PROVED A GREAT SUCCESS

Special to The Star.

On the 23rd of December, at 7 o'clock we had a Christmas program and a box supper. He had songs, recitations and dialogues, the children did well for the length of time they had to get their parts up.

After the program we had the box supper. Mr. I. B. Allen and Mr. J. D. Allen bid the boxes off. We had much fun while selling them.

Next we had a beauty contest, voting for the prettiest girl and the ugliest boy. The boys were Ben Roberts and Tom Borders. The girls were Miss Lizzie Lee Randall and Miss Vertie Champion. The prizes were a bar of soap for the ugliest boy, and a box of talcum powder for the prettiest girl. Ben Roberts won the soap and Lizzie made the powder. We made about \$7.00 from the boxes and from the contest we made \$35.75.

The boxes were opened and every one had a jolly time eating the supper. Wilma Poston, 7th grade.

## APPEAL TO FRIENDS OF BELLING SPRINGS SCHOOL

To the Friends of Belling Springs High School:

Our light plant is expensive and unsatisfactory. The Winner Hosiery mill will be in position to furnish electricity, February 1st if we can have the buildings wired. The students and a few friends have deposited in the bank \$500. The faculty will give \$62.00. The bids for wiring will be approximately three hundred dollars more to pay for wiring and fixtures.

Friend, how much will you give to this needed improvement? Write today and tell Prof. O. P. Hamrick.

The opening of the spring term is very encouraging. The dormitories are full of promising young men and women.

ETTA, L. CURTIS.

## Overall Price Reduced.

New York, Jan. 8.—With soft snaps passing and business getting back to work on a pre-war basis, the profiteering on overalls is to be a thing of the past, it was revealed tonight.

Overall denim prices were revised by one of the largest manufacturers who announced his price would be 17 cents a yard, as against 55 cents, the top price in the open market a year ago. This will enable wholesalers of overalls to sell on a basis permitting retailing at \$1.50 a suit instead of \$4.50, it was stated.

## SOCIAL NEWS

### Twentieth Century Club Friday.

The first meeting after the Christmas holidays of the Twentieth Century club will convene Friday afternoon with Mrs. L. M. Hull at her home on South Washington street.

Cecelia Music

### Miss Putnam Y. W. A. Hostess This Afternoon.

Miss Ray Putnam will be hostess to the members of the Y. W. A. of the First Baptist church this afternoon at 4 o'clock. All the members are urged to be present.

### Club Meeting.

Mrs. George Hoyle will be hostess to the members of the Cecelia Music club on Wednesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. She will hold the meeting at the home of her sister, Mrs. John R. McClurd on W. Graham street as her own home is undergoing improvements.

### Jr. Department of Children of Confederacy

The Junior department of the Children of the Confederacy will celebrate Lee-Jackson birthday Friday afternoon at the home of Miss Katherine Dover on South Washington street at 4 o'clock.

As this is the time for the yearly payment of dues all the children are urged to be present.

### Miss Elizabeth Dudley Gives New Year Party.

On New Year's eve Miss Elizabeth Dudley was hostess to about 35 young people at a unique and delightful Leap year party at the home of her parents, Mr and Mrs. J. G. Dudley on North Washington street.

A number of original games appropriate to the occasion were played and a very merry evening was spent. At the close of which the hostess assisted by her mother, Mrs. Dudley and sister, Miss Blanche, served an elaborate salad course and accessories.

### McMurry-Ligon Wedding Invitations.

The following handsomely engraved invitations have been issued in the city:

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Eugene Ligon request the honor of your presence at the marriage of their daughter Julia Virginia to Mr. Andrew Willis McMurry, Jr., on Friday evening January 21st at half after eight o'clock Central Methodist church, Shelby North Carolina.

This event will be of paramount interest in the social circles of the city owing to the prominence of this young couple. The marriage will be a very brilliant church affair, with a number of attendants.

### POST O OF THE T. P. A. HOLDS BIG BANQUET

Splendid Supper Given at the Central Hotel Friday—Speeches Enjoyed.

The annual banquet of Post O. of the Travelers' Protective association of America was held in the large and beautiful dining room of the Central hotel on Friday evening, January 7, this being one of the most brilliant affairs of its kind ever held in Shelby. The members were accompanied by their wives, daughter and sweethearts and a few out of town friends, there being about 80 guests present.

The tables were beautifully decorated for the occasion in handsome cut flowers, ivy and the soft glow of many candles, and in the midst of these surroundings a delectable four-course dinner was served.

Col. J. T. Gardner, president of Post O, acted as toastmaster.

Rev. W. A. Murray, chaplain of Post O, opened the banquet with an appropriate prayer.

Following responded to toasts indicated: Mr. William Lineberger, president of the Cleveland Bank and Trust company "The Signs of the Times."

Col. J. T. Gardner "The Duty of all Good Citizens in the Uppbuilding of Shelby."

Mr. H. L. Hunt "Some Pleasant Reminiscences of a Traveler's Life."

J. H. Quinn "A Golden Opportunity for the Travelling Man."

Rev. W. A. Murray "Look to the Front; Not to the Rear."

Closed by benediction by the chaplain.

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## MODIFICATION OF TAX ON INCOMES IS URGED

### Retail Dry Goods Association Would Increase Amount of Exemption

Readjustment of taxes to relieve the workers in the matter of income taxes and equalize the burden on business was asked of the house ways and means committee by the tax commission of the National Retail Drygoods association. Association representatives filed with the committee a detailed plan for revision of the federal tax laws which, they estimated, would provide the required revenue for a \$4,000,000,000 annual budget.

The plan proposes that a distinction be made between income from manual or mental effort and income from business investment. In this connection, the association's program would fix the exemption from income taxes at \$2,500 for single persons and \$5,000 for heads of families, instead of the \$1,000 and \$2,000 exemptions that now prevail.

A graduated scale on income taxes also would be established under the plan, income from salaries, wages and commissions being taxed at the lowest rate, income derived from businesses at a higher rate and all other income, including profits from sales as capital assets, to a still greater degree.

The committee was informed in a statement accompanying the brief that the association's proposal had been concurred in through a referendum among its 2,000 members.

The committee, Chairman Fordney said, would take up the suggestions of the association when it resumes consideration of revenue legislation which will not be until after revision of the tariff has been completed.

## MORE FAVORABLE BUSINESS OUTLOOK

### RESERVE BOARD HEAD IS OPTIMISTIC

New York, Jan. 8.—There were more favorable signs in the business world this week. Despite widespread unemployment, wage reductions and curtailment of orders, indications are not lacking that better conditions are coming. Just when they will come is the question.

The keynote of the optimists was sounded by W. P. G. Harding, governor of the Federal reserve board, who declared that he believes the end of the present depression will soon be in sight.

Congress is expected to alleviate the tax situation which business men say is one of the chief troubles. It is significant that the most of the plants which are closing down name a definite date at which they will reopen. Further wage cuts were announced by manufacturing plants in Pennsylvania, New York, North Carolina, Illinois and Michigan.

If the emergency tariff bill, now under consideration by congress, is enacted into law, it will benefit the American farmer, as it aims to put up a tariff wall against the imports of grain.

There was a notable recovery in the stock market during the week. There was a good buying movement in the bond market. In the exchange market, sterling moved up to \$3.66, the highest price since last summer.

A serious situation has developed in the tobacco market. Sales in Kentucky were discontinued when buyers offered only from \$10 to \$30 per 100 pounds for tobacco, which is only one third the price offered a year ago. Many Kentucky markets were closed. The same conditions prevail in other southern tobacco markets, the growers claiming that the prices offered are under the cost of production.

An unfavorable view of the railway situation is given in a report by H. P. Parmelee, director of the bureau of railway economics, who says that the earnings of the American lines in 1920 were \$365,000,000 less than in 1919.

The money situation was virtually unchanged.

## SOFT DRINKS BACK TO THEIR PRE-WAR PRICES

Asheville, Jan. 8.—"Dopes" embracing all members of the liquid family of 'colas' have been reduced from 8 cents to 6 cents, resuming their ante-bellum status quo after many months of war and post-war inflation, according to an announcement made by Asheville drug stores affiliated with the Buncombe County Pharmaceutical society.

First indications of the change came in a Patton avenue drug store yesterday when one purchased the usual "morning glory" and received a check. The pasteboard slip had been turned up-side down, revealing what was thought to be the figure nine. After bemoaning another raise in prices—despite the habit formed during the late belligerency—he objected. The cashier smiled and gave back 4 cents, and the incredible was explained. Save for the extra penny with which to help pay for the late victory, "dopes" are back to normal, though in slightly smaller (and more sanitary) glasses.

## MAX GARDNER NO CANDIDATE FOR CONGRESSMAN AT LARGE

Raleigh, Jan. 8.—Lieut. Governor O. Max Gardner said today that he would not be a candidate for congressman at large in the event that the present or the incoming congress authorized two additional representatives for North Carolina.

Mr. Gardner said to the correspondent that under no circumstances would he consider the nomination of congressman at large for the state. This declaration from the lieutenant governor sets at rest the rumor that he would be a candidate for congressional honors.

The lieutenant governor takes the position that he is not a candidate for any office and he dislikes the idea of "running" for a position for congressman simply because he was defeated for the governorship by Cameron Morrison.

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Mrs. Sisk has been a great sufferer for nearly a year and for the past three months had been confined to her bed of pain and her death came quietly in the freshness of the early morning at 9 o'clock January 7th. Had she lived until the 24th of next March she would have been 60 years of age. It is a remarkable fact that she died in the same house in which she was born, being a member of the well known Hoke family of this county, a daughter of the late Squire and Mrs. Fannie Hoke.

The deceased was a lovely Christian character a devoted member of the Methodist church, and a devoted wife and mother. Encircled by an atmosphere of affection in early childhood, she grew up beloved by all who knew her sweet and self-sacrificing character. And after her marriage this sweet spirit of hers germinated an atmosphere of love and service in the home life of her children, who rose up to call her blessed. The crown of a woman's glory is her home and Mrs. Sisk was beyond everything else a mother, and a home lover. For many years the melody of her sweet voice, clear as a bird's, was heard in the choir of her church, and doubtless was instrumental in winning many souls to the Christ she served and loved.

Mrs. Sisk is survived by one sister, Mrs. Sam Marks of Montana, and five children: Mrs. Marjorie Levy of Columbus, Ga.; Mrs. Ina Ferney and Miss Augusta Sisk of this place, Messrs. Hoke Sisk of Jacksonville, Fla.; and Roy Sisk, assistant cashier of the First National Bank, all the children being present at the funeral which was conducted from Central Methodist church Sunday afternoon by Revs. W. E. Poovey and R. M. Hoyle.

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