

## BRITISH RENEW EFFORT TO HAVE PACIFIC PARLEY

Desire Meeting in London and  
Address New Note to  
Washington.

### DOMINIONS WANT PART

LONDON, July 25.—The British foreign office is renewing its pressure on Washington for a preliminary conference of the ambassadors of the Pacific powers, London to discuss Far Eastern problems, it was reported this afternoon.

Great Britain wishes the British dominion premiers to have representation in the meeting of the ambassadors if it can be arranged.

Premier Lloyd George and the British dominion premiers this afternoon discussed the policy of the British empire toward the Washington conference.

It was understood that no communication has been sent to Washington.

Earlier in the day it had been reported Washington had rejected the proposals for a preliminary conference.

### JAPAN RECEIVES REPLY FROM U. S.

TOKIO, July 25.—America's reply to Japan's inquiry regarding the agenda of the Far East conference is in the hands of the Japanese foreign office today. It was transmitted to the foreign office on Sunday by Edward Bell, the American chargé d'affaires.

The opinion is prevailing that Japan will formally announce her acceptance of President Harding's invitation within a few days.

### ENGLAND TO HAVE ONE VOTE

WASHINGTON, July 25.—The British Empire officially will have only one voice in the Washington disarmament conference, it was learned here today.

Representatives of Britain's self-governing dominions will be included in the delegation, but Secretary Hughes, it is understood, will inform Britain it is the attitude of this Government that the empire will have only one vote.

The personnel of the British delegation and the dominion representation is arousing speculation. It is expected all of the Far East dominions—Australia, Canada and New Zealand—will want to be represented, and it is thought at least two of the British delegates will be chosen from among Premier Meighen of Canada, Premier Hughes of Australia and Premier Massey of New Zealand. It also is believed likely that Jan C. Smuts, premier of South Africa, will be a delegate, but it is not known whether a second British delegate as a representative of South Africa is uncertain. Officials here now think it a certainty that Secretary of State Hughes will head the American delegation.

Former Secretary of State Elihu Root also is regarded as almost a certainty.

Some observers here think President Harding will appoint a public man identified with the Democratic party as a delegate in order to make the American delegation nonpartisan. In this connection they pick John W. Davis, American ambassador to Great Britain in the Wilson administration.

### EUROPEAN POWERS BEGIN TRADING

WASHINGTON, July 25.—French representatives at the forthcoming conference on armaments to be held here in the fall are likely to propose ratification of the Anglo-Franco-American defensive alliance as a condition to the reduction of France's great military establishment, it was learned on high authority today.

Overtures already have been made to Italy, it is stated, with a view to ascertaining whether the Italian government would be willing to support the French on such a program in the conference. In exchange France would be prepared to second the Italians in presenting certain matters in which they have a particular interest.

FRANCE FILES  
GERMAN ATTACK.

Though the French people would welcome any agreement tending to rid them of the enormous burden of taxation resulting from the maintenance of an army of from 600,000 to 700,000, the French government, through fear of Germany, is unwilling to demobilize the force until the United States has given a general possible attack. Under the terms of the alliance, drawn up at Paris, the United States and Great Britain agreed to come to the assistance of France in case of aggression.

While the administration is well aware of the difficult position in which France is placed as a result of her relation to the United States, it is also aware also because of the traditional fear of the French people of another invasion. It is regarded as unlikely that the Senate would ratify such an alliance if the administration could be persuaded to do so.

### PROPOSED ONLY TO REDUCE ARMS.

The administration has made it plain that the Washington conference is not to be a disarmament conference in the proper sense of the word, but a conference to reduce armaments in a general way. President Harding and Secretary of State Hughes are fully alive to the impracticability of total disarmament at this time, recognizing that no matter how eager the powers may be for disarmament it will be necessary to maintain considerable armament available for the proper policing of the world. Just how these police contingents shall be apportioned among the several powers is a matter which can be decided only by the conference.

### BRITAIN NOT NAMING DELEGATES

LONDON, July 25.—The Government is not yet able to name its representatives to the disarmament and Far East conference at Washington, Premier Lloyd George said in the House of Commons today in reply to a question.

It has been widely reported that Lloyd George himself would head the British delegation.

### Bosse Gives Salary to Hospital Fund

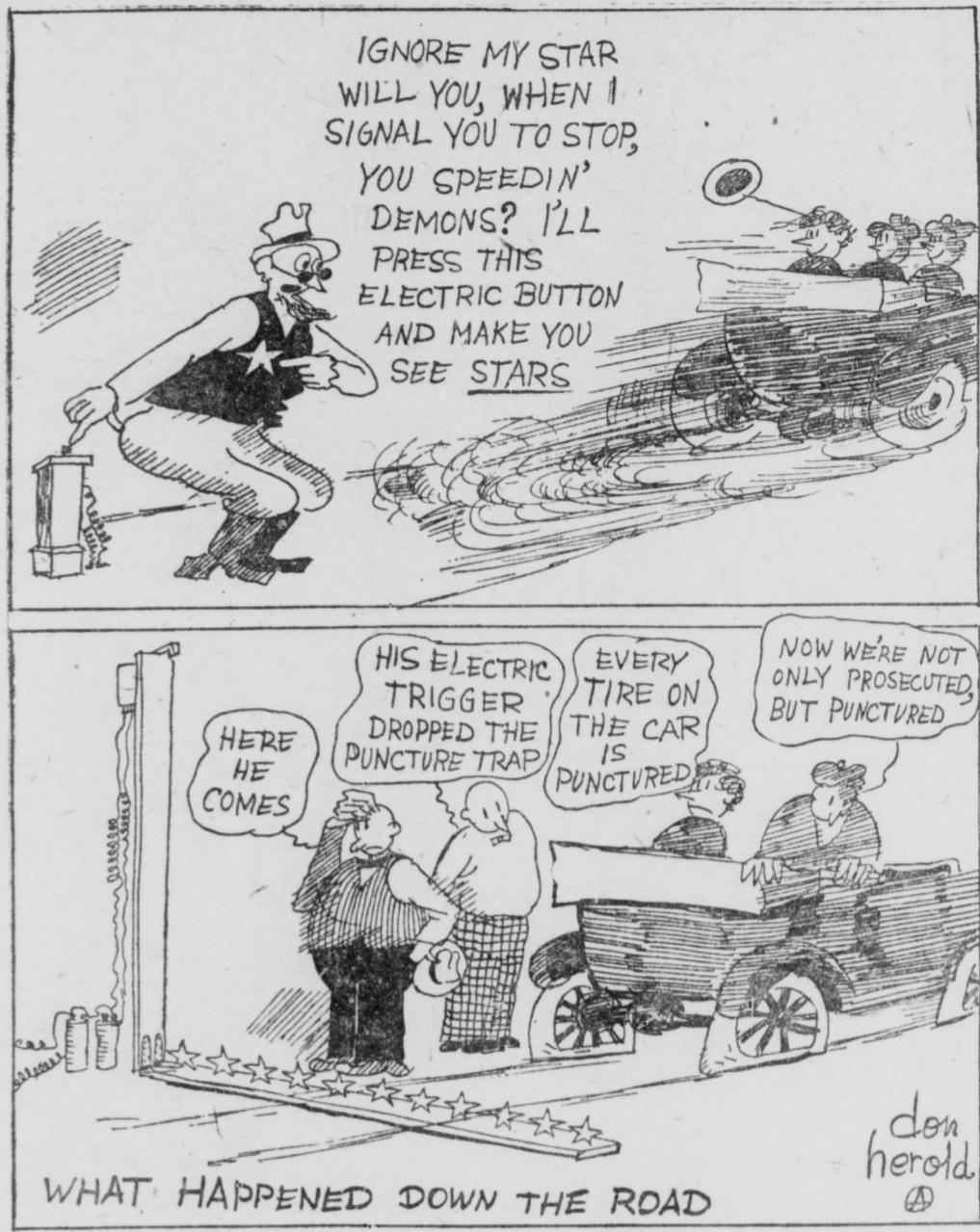
Special to The Times.  
EVANSVILLE, Ind., July 25.—Following an appeal to citizens of this city to respond generously to the campaign for the completion of additions to the Decatur and St. Mary's Hospitals here, Mayor Bosse announces that he will donate the amount of two and one-half year's salary as mayor to the hospital fund.

With the giving of this amount Mayor Bosse will have turned his official salary for the seven years back to the city in the way of gifts to parks and hospital funds and other projects of interest to the city.

**FARMERS BAN SMOKERS.**  
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### The Constable Meant What He Said When He Told 'Em They'd See Stars

By DON HEROLD



### FREIGHT HOUSE TO SERVE TWO

**Big Four** to Handle Business of L. E. & W.

### FARMERS FIRM IN PLAN TO AID GRAIN GROWERS

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Twenty-one men, who could perpetually re-elect themselves and who would probably have no more than \$2,100 invested.

Mr. Brown contends that this argument will not hold water. He said the common stock will not be sold to individuals, but to the United States grain corporation.

He is a proponent of the theory that every farmer who is a member of the Grain Growers will have a voice in naming the directors of the finance corporation, which of their own.

#### BERNARD BARUCH FINANCIAL ADVISOR

In filing papers with the securities commission the finance corporation gave as reference Bernard Baruch who, they say, is their financial advisor. Other references are United States Senators Arthur Capper and William S. Keyon, Dr. G. W. Waters of the Kansas City Star; J. R. Howard, president of the American Barum Federation, and Mr. Brown.

The papers set out that the preferred stock will be sold at \$100 a share, and that agents will be paid a commission of \$2.50 for each share sold. They state that the corporation has no physical property.

A list of the organizers of the finance corporation, which is to be incorporated from the Northwest where cooperative organizations exist and that a number of the organizers have been or are connected with other cooperative organizations. Two of the latter, in answer to questionnaires of the securities commission, admit that organizations with whom they have been connected got into legal difficulties.

#### NDOKOTA

M. J. McNamee gives his occupation as president of the Equity Cooperative Exchange of North Dakota and states that the organization has been sued by the attorney general of that State. William F. Schilling, Northfield, Minn., says he formerly was president of the Twin City Mill Producers Association and that he was indicted in that connection but that the indictment was dismissed.

A representative of the committee of the United Grain Growers, Inc., indicates that it is urging farmers to sign contracts to sell all grain through that organization for a period of five years. The elevators would be under contract with the corporation and unless he is released the farmer must sell to these elevators. He is given the liberty to fix his grain acreage, to determine when he will sell his grain and either pool it or sell it individually as he sees fit.

### FORESEES TAX VALUATION AT \$709,000,000

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only personal property. The real estate of corporations was allowed to stand. The various township assessors have submitted the following totals:

Franklin—Total lands and improvements, \$5,690,659; personal, \$812,780; less mortgage exemptions, \$127,360. Total, \$6,000,000.

Perry—Lands and improvements, \$7,084,200; personal, \$872,570; less \$181,300 mortgage exemptions. Total, \$8,070,000.

Pike—Lands and improvements, \$1,069,630; less \$63,520 mortgage exemptions. Total, \$845,540.

Washington—Lands and improvements, \$12,485,230; personal, \$1,108,510; less \$135,610 mortgage exemptions. Total, \$13,450,110.

Warren—Lands and improvements, \$1,469,420; personal, \$3,961,800; less \$231,200 mortgage exemptions. Total, \$5,166,400.

Wayne—Lands and improvements, \$8,204,400; personal, \$1,313,210; less \$130,050 mortgage exemptions. Total, \$9,158,650.

Lawrence—Lands and improvements, \$6,249,800; personal, \$811,400; less \$118,820 mortgage exemptions. Total, \$6,542,380.

Douglas—Lands and improvements, \$4,464,400; personal, \$831,490; less \$72,600 mortgage exemptions. Total, \$5,202,600.

Clinton—Lands and improvements, \$3,994,100; personal, \$318,690; less \$64,150 mortgage exemptions. Total, \$3,698,670.

Broad Ripple—Lands and improvements, \$1,849,400; personal, \$344,860; less \$79,440 mortgage exemptions. Total, \$1,804,820.

Southport (town)—Lands and improvements, \$1,196,800; personal, \$119,840; less \$9,580 mortgage exemptions. Total, \$1,207,200.

Woodruff Place—Lands and improvements, \$11,906,800; personal, \$338,170; less \$47,300 mortgage exemptions. Total, \$12,252,470.

Indianapolis, Warren Township—Lands and improvements, \$6,075,000; personal, \$800,000; less \$150,000. Total, \$6,820,000.

Indianapolis, Washington Township—Lands and improvements, \$17,578,110; personal, \$2,240,000; less \$1,002,210 mortgage exemptions. Total, \$19,004,990.

Indianapolis, Wayne Township—Lands and improvements, \$1,015,960; personal, \$2,244,200; less \$1,007,830 mortgage exemptions. Total, \$12,252,420.

The tax rate for 1922 includes all of the townships but some of the minor townships are not specifically given at this time.

The tax rate for 1923 is fixed by the county council at its September meeting.

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#### PARKER FINED AS SPEEDER.

Paul P. Parker, 901 North New Jersey street, of the Parker Tire and Rubber Company, arrested today on a charge of speeding by Motor Vehicle Officer Joseph F. Smith, \$200 and costs, by Judge Pro Tem. Henry Abrams, in city court today. George O'Dell, 425 West Fourteenth street, and M. J. Miller, 641 Highland Drive, arrested on similar charges by Motorcycle Officer McClain, were each fined \$1 and costs.

#### LODGE TO GIVE BIRTH.

Golden Rule Lodge, No. 1, Independent Order of Shepherds, will give a grand ball Wednesday evening at Shepherd's hall, West Washington and Alabama streets.

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The board of review hopes to be able to report to the Indiana State tax board the totals late this afternoon or early tomorrow.

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## FIGHT AGAINST TAKING NAMES FROM PETITION

Opponents of Memorial Plaza  
Appear Before Council Committee Wednesday.

Opponents of the war memorial plaza will go before the city council committee at the public hearing Wednesday afternoon prepared to fight the removal of the name from the memorial name petition.

A determined effort is expected to be made by the plaza proponents to show that many of the names on the petition asking for a referendum on the project are forgeries. Saturday the American Legion plaza committee issued a statement in which it was alleged that the petition does not contain enough bona fide signatures to make it mandatory for the council to call an election.

#### UNFAIR TACTICS ARE CHARGED.

"Unfair tactics have been pursued since the very beginning by the advocates of this gigantic extravagance," said C. W. Miller today. "They have tried to be fair they might have made some headway in creating sentiment for their proposal. As it is we are prepared to show that they have not made a single proper compilation with regard to the petition for an election.

W. N. Harding will appear for the plaza opponents at the hearing, it was announced. Efforts will be made to confine all arguments before the city council to the question of the petition's validity.

"We anticipate that the hearing will degenerate into a mud-slinging contest if the plaza boosters have their way," said Mr. Miller. "Our proponents have used thus far in the fight justifies that feeling on our part, I think."

#### TOO LATE TO WITHDRAW NAME.

"The time for withdrawing signatures from the petition expired on June 26. If a few stupid or weak-minded persons have been prevailed upon since then to withdraw their names we still see to it that the fact is observed. It was irregular in the extreme for city officials to turn this petition over to its enemies in the beginning. It seems quite apparent that the city administration fears for a chance to let \$10,000,000 or more in contracts before their term expires. They should be satisfied with the garbage plant deal, the fragrance of which will serve to serve us. We should like to lay our evidence before such unscrupulous spendthrifts in advance of the hearing."

Mr. Miller said that anti-plaza workers had been active in gathering evidence to refute charges that have been printed in the newspapers, but that all such evidence would be reserved for the council hearing.

"More than \$4,000, that we know of,"

has already been spent to defeat the petition of the people," Mr. Miller said.

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#### NEWCASTLE TAX SESSION CHANGED

Meeting Postponed to Permit S. M. Ralston to Attend.

The formal opening meeting of the Indiana Taxpayers Protective Association in its campaign against the proposed taxation amendments to the Constitution was to have been held at Newcastle Friday night but was postponed until next Monday night, Jacob D. Miltener, general secretary of the organization, announced today.

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