

## RUIN FACED BY WORLD IF WAR FLAMES AGAIN

Cost to America Placed at  
51 Billions by Head  
of Treasury.

U. S. HOLDS PEACE KEY

Europe Turns Across Ocean  
to Look for Salvation  
From Disaster.

By WILLIAM PHILIP SIMMS

The World war cost the United States \$51,000,000,000, counting interest to date, according to Andrew W. Mellon, secretary of the treasury.

As recently as 1885, fifty-one billion dollars would have bought the whole United States, with everybody and everything in it, lock, stock and barrel.

Today fifty-one billion dollars would buy sixteen states like Alabama, or three enormously rich Californias, with a couple of Colorado thrown in for good measure.

It would buy the entire state of New York—including the metropolis, the wonder city of the world—and there still would be left over enough change to acquire four states like Maryland.

**Ransom of Empire Wasted**  
If you had started throwing away dollars the day Christ was born, and had kept it up ever since at the rate of a dollar a minute, without pausing either to eat or to sleep, you now would be starting only on your second billion, with 95,000 years to go.

At 5 per cent, fifty-one billion dollars would provide an annual income of \$2,550,000,000, or enough to pension 2,125,000 old and broken down workers at \$100 a month, virtually abolishing poverty in this country.

That is what the World war has cost you to date, and the end is not yet. Former President Coolidge estimates the total cost will be more like 100 billion dollars, or about the present value of all the states west of the Mississippi. The ransom of an empire burned up in battle.

And now, observers are warning, another war is just around the corner—a war which, unless it is headed off, will make the last look like a piker, in money cost, in life and property destruction, and in social and business demoralization.

**World in Tug of War**  
Two powerful forces admittedly are at work in the world. One is driving the nations for all they are worth in the direction of war. The other is pulling in the direction of peace and co-operation. Literally speaking, a tug of war is on.

Lined up on one side are clashing political systems, international fears, suspicions, ambitions, economic disturbances, unemployment, trade rivalries, armament races, high taxes, and other factors.

On the other are the various world peace agencies, notably the Kellogg pact, outlawing war, and the world court, without which the rest are practically worthless.

Of the two, the war forces today seem the stronger. The peace side is slipping. The Kellogg pact needs strengthening and the world court is crippled seriously by the absence of the powerful United States. Without America, the peace team is 50 per cent handicapped and can not pull its weight in the epochal tug of war.

**U. S. Still on Sidelines**  
Every president since McKinley—Roosevelt, Taft, Wilson, Harding, Coolidge and Hoover—has urged such a court as indispensable, if law is to take the place of high explosives and poison gas.

Nation-wide surveys time and again have indicated an overwhelming sentiment in favor of membership. And the United States senate years ago, by a vote of four to one, unequivocally put itself on record in the same sense.

Yet America still is on the sidelines, out of the game while a showdown in the contest between the forces of peace and war draws nearer and nearer.

The crisis may come even more quickly than people generally think. On Feb. 2, just a year hence, will begin what many believe will be one of the most fateful events in human history.

At that time between fifty and sixty nations, including the United States, will meet, probably at Geneva, in a supreme effort to limit arms, and the decisions then reached are more than apt to affect the future course of all mankind.

**Up to America**  
Now comes what is perhaps the most disturbing fact of all. The attitude of the United States, European statesmen are insistently urging, more than any other single factor, will determine which way the conference goes.

Bluntly voicing the thought of many, Gustave Herve, famous French editor, flatly asserts that "world peace is wholly in the hands of America."

Unless international security is given a firmer foundation, Viscount Cecil of Great Britain warns, the nations of Europe are not going to disarm. On the contrary, they will go right on building their fighting machines until the explosion comes.

To the frightened, burnt children of the old world, the Kellogg pact is not quite enough. They want to know what would happen when the test comes.

**Key in U. S. Hands**  
To inspire the necessary confidence, they insist, it must have the backing of a world court made strong by the presence of America, and be in fact, as well as in theory, reasonably able to curb or limit war.

The key to world security, arms limitation and a new and better order of unbroken prosperity, therefore, rests in the hands of the United States, and the first step in that direction, by almost common consent, is to enter the world court promptly.

Delay may be fatal. The danger is growing. The already depressed world is at a crossroads. If it is not to be overtaken by economic disaster, final and complete, it must spare "the horror and irretrievable wastage of another war."

## Praises Show



C. W. Churchill, general sales manager, Buick Motor Company, who states that the Indianapolis auto show is one of the best he has attended in years.

## TORCH TRIAL TO DRAW THROGS

Hundreds Seek Court Cards  
for Schroeder Case.

With hundreds seeking admittance cards to criminal court for the trial next Tuesday of Harold Herbert Schroeder, Mobile, Ala., central figure in the High School road torch murder, seating space will be at a premium, court attaches indicated today.

Following an announcement by Judge Frank P. Baker that spectators will be admitted only on court cards, crowds are expected to be larger than at any time in the history of the court.

Baker indicated the balcony on three sides of the court will be used, although he ordered an inspection by the city building department. The inspection was ordered to determine the number of spectators the balconies could hold safely.

One of the first amusing incidents marking the approach of the trial occurred Tuesday.

A middle-aged man and his wife entered the courthouse hurriedly in the afternoon, inquiring of an elevator operator where criminal court was located.

"We want to see the plaintiff. We want to get admission cards to the Schroeder trial," the man stated.

The elevator operator for the moment was "stumped."

"Oh, you want to see the ballist?" the operator asked.

"We guess that's it," said the man, adding, "we don't care who we see, we want tickets."

**STUDENTS WILL ATTEND**  
College Delegations to Be Guests at Trade Conference.

University and college students of Indiana will be guests at a trade conference in the Chamber of Commerce Friday, conducted by the Indianapolis Chamber of Commerce and the Indiana World Trade Club.

Delegations of economic and foreign commerce course students will attend from Indiana, De Pauw and Butler universities, and Franklin, Indiana Central and Wabash colleges.

**ASK INSURANCE STUDY**  
Commission Would Survey State Laws, Report in 1933.

Request that Governor Harry G. Leslie appoint a commission of from five to nine members to make an insurance survey of Indiana is contained in the house concurrent resolution given senate approval Tuesday.

The commission would study the state's insurance laws with a view to removing ambiguities and would submit its report to the 1933 general assembly.

**2 CAUGHT WITH LIQUOR**  
Douglass Hall, John Summers Are Held by Police Federal Men.

Federal agents and police confiscated fifty-seven gallons of alcohol and thirty-eight pints of beer, when they arrested Douglass Hall, 4322 Winthrop avenue, and John B. Summers, 3606 North Keystone avenue, who were bound to the grand jury Tuesday under \$2,500 bond each.

Hall is under another bond of \$10,000 on indictment of the federal grand jury for liquor conspiracy.

**WYOMING GOVERNOR ILL**  
Anxiety Expressed Over Condition of Frank C. Emerson.

By United Press  
CHEYENNE, Wyo., Feb. 18.—Increasing anxiety over the condition of Governor Frank C. Emerson, ill of pneumonia, was expressed today after he suffered a slight relapse.

## TALKIE STARS FIND QUICK WAY TO GET RID OF A COLD

Doctors Advise Method Popular Here to Relieve Head Colds, Coughs and Chest Colds

A tempting taste! Surprisingly quick relief! This, briefly, is the new experience of scores of talkie stars like Betty Compson, Robert Montgomery, Alice White, Alec Francis and Marion Nixon. They find that a pleasant tasting spoonful of Ayer's Cherry Pectoral brings almost immediate relief.

Glenn Tryon, for example, caught a severe cold while motoring at night in an open car. Realizing the danger of neglecting a cold, Mr. Tryon remembered the advice of physicians and started taking a pleasant spoonful of Ayer's Cherry Pectoral every 15 minutes. In just a few hours, his nose, throat and chest had cleared up. In a day or so, his cold was completely gone.

In Indianapolis homes, as in Hollywood, Ayer's Cherry Pectoral is the first thought for colds, influenza, etc. It is superior to salves, liquids, etc. which cause one to perspire freely. These remedies give temporary relief but open up the pores and thus risk pneumonia. Many doctors and druggists strongly advise Ayer's Pectoral because it does not open up the pores. It can be taken with absolute safety—even if one has to be outdoors.

**AYER'S Cherry Pectoral**  
FOR COLDS AND COUGHS  
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## ANTI-LYNCHING BILL SKILLED BY HOUSE VOTE

Marion County Delegation  
Backs Measure in Bitter Fight.

Marion county representatives today were bitter over the indefinite postponement of the Watson-Galloway anti-lynching bill, 53-41, late Tuesday.

Members of this county's delegation lead the fight to send the bill on to engrossment but after a bitter debate in which Jacob Weiss (Dem., Marion) charged the attorney-general's office with lack of sincerity, the bill was killed. It provided for instant dismissal of a sheriff of the county where a lynching occurs.

Delph L. McKesson (Marshall), Democratic floor leader made the motion to postpone the measure indefinitely.

He declared such laws are unenforceable if the temper of the people is against them. There is a law now on the statute books, which provides almost a similar penalty as in this bill and it has not been enforced.

"Attorney-General James Ogden attempted to kid the public into believing he would punish leaders and members of the mob that lynched two Negroes in Marion, Aug. 7," declared Weiss.

"He began his prosecutions by publishing far and wide the names of the men he was seeking and they fled to the four corners of the earth."

Representative from Lake, Allen, Vigo and Vanderburgh counties voted with the solid Marion county delegation against killing the bill.

## ARMY TALK ON AIR

Varied Program Outlined  
for Radio School.

Glimpses into activities of the United States army during peace times will be transmitted to school children through the School of the Air from radio station WLW at 1:30 (C. S. T.) Monday. Complete program for next week follows:

**Monday P. M.**  
1:00-1:30—Literature: "Washington," Albert H. Kelly.  
1:30-2:00—Our Government: "What the Boy Scouts Do for Us," Carl D. Washburn.  
2:00-2:30—Nature Study: "Wild Ducks and Wild Geese," Harry F. Ewings.

**Tuesday**  
1:00-1:30—Current Events: Albert H. Kelly.  
1:30-1:45—Guidance: "Our School," A Hundred Years Ago and Now, Carl D. Washburn.  
1:45-2:00—Nature Study: "Wild Ducks and Wild Geese," Harry F. Ewings.

**Wednesday**  
1:00-1:30—Geography: "How the Great Lakes Help the People in the North Central States," W. R. McConnell.  
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1:45-2:00—Stories: "The Little Girl Who Lived in a Tree," Jessie Gabbard.

**Thursday**  
1:00-1:30—General Science: "Why Stars Shine," H. A. Webb.  
1:30-1:45—Health: "Health in the Home," Anna M. H. Vogel.  
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**LEGION NEARING GOAL**  
1,700 Members Enrolled in Drive to Obtain Total of 2,059.

Total of new members in the week's campaign of the Seventh district, American Legion, gradually is nearing the quota of 2,059 new members. Reports today indicate 1,700 have been enrolled since the drive started.

Madden-Nottingham post was passed by the Bruce P. Robinson post as leader in the campaign which ends Saturday. Five posts have reached their quotas.

**HIGHWAY CHECK URGED**  
Measure Would Bring Contractors Under State Observation.

Legislation designed to bring highway contractors' associations' accounts and transactions under scrutiny of the state in order to check the relations of competitive bidders on state work, was introduced in the Indiana senate Tuesday by Senators Winfield Miller and Robert L. Moorhead (Rep., Marion) and J. Francis Lochard (Dem., Dearborn, Jennings and Ripley).

All such associations would be required to file reports of financial transactions semi-annually.

**ICE DEALERS MEET HERE**  
Two-Day Convention of State Association Opens.

Two-day session of the Indiana Ice Dealers' Association opened today at the Severin with an address of welcome by James E. Deery, city attorney.

Speakers on the program included Guy Jacobs, Steubenville, O.; George Bright, Detroit; R. E. Melcher, Indianapolis; Albert Bohnsack, Evansville; Fred Biedewolf, Monticello, and Frederick Landis, Logansport editor and columnist.

## SAVE BILL TO LIMIT PRISON GOODS SALE

Move to Kill Measure on  
Second Reading in  
House Foiled.

Continued resistance to labor legislation was manifest in the Indiana house of representatives Tuesday, only a determined effort by the house labor group saving from death on second reading the Connor prison labor bill.

Providing that penal institutions of Indiana shall manufacture only such commodities as are used by the state and its divisions and prohibiting their sale on the open market, the bill was attacked by its opponents as an incentive to prison riots.

"Nothing is so helpful to prison morale as plenty of work, and this bill means too much idleness among prison inmates," asserted Representative Fabius Gwin (Dem., Dubois and Martin).

"You haven't got any right to send a man to prison and then let him spend his time in thinking up mischief," he declared.

**Dry Law Given Blame**  
Gwin was joined in this view by Representative John M. Cantley (Dem., Cass), who declared: "I've been a teacher for twenty-five years and I've found the best way of keeping out of mischief is by employing the hands and mind. This bill is against the interests and penal institutions."

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**Final Vote Was 50 to 43**  
Representatives E. Curtis White and Fred G. Galloway and other members of the labor group charged prison labor is unfair to organized labor and that restrictions should be placed on the manufacture of prison-made commodities.

The final vote was 50-43 against the indefinite postponement moved by Representative Earl Crawford (Dem., Union and Wayne) and the balloting was marked by frequent changing of votes before the final tally was announced.

After the vote, the bill was amended to except prison products sold outside the state despite the charge by Representative Martin T. Krueger (Dem., LaPorte), that inclusion of such an amendment amounted almost to killing the bill.

**Church Elder Is Honored**  
W. S. Bittrich, elder of the First Moravian church, was honored with a birthday dinner Tuesday night at his home, 2625 College avenue.

## Actress Hunted in Theft Case

By United Press  
BEVERLY MILLS, Cal., Feb. 18.—Mary Nolan, film actress, was sought by police today on a charge of petty theft in connection with the disappearance of a rug from the home of L. H. Hillyer, which Miss Nolan had leased.

When she left, he said, he could not locate the rug, valued at \$200, and later, he said, he found it at the office of a physician.

Miss Nolan was known on the stage as Imogene Wilson. She changed her name when she entered the films.

**GAS BILL ADVANCES**  
Democratic Attack on Re-distribution Fails.

Efforts to kill the Finney bill for distribution of the 4-cent gasoline tax on the grounds that similar measures have been indefinitely postponed failed late Tuesday in the Indiana house of representatives through ruling of Speaker Walter Myers.

Myers held on the motion for indefinite postponement made by Representative Earl Crawford (Dem., Union and Wayne) that distribution provided for in the Finney bill entirely is different from that in the two Weiss bills which were killed.

The Finney bill, distributing half of the gas tax to the state fund and half to the cities and towns, and allowing county commissioners to direct improvements on township roads, then was passed on second reading.

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## STYLE PARADE OF AUTOS WILL END THURSDAY

Uniform Date for Issuing  
New Models Proposed by  
Marmon Head.

City shops parade Easter garbs today, the first day of Lent, but there's another parade of styles at the state fairground as the citizenry view the latest in motor car modes.

Until Thursday night Mr. and Mrs. Hoosier may do their Easter shopping for a car and, despite the inclement weather, attendance figures at the annual show demonstrated they were going that shopping.

"Auto-mindedness" teemed the crowds today and Tuesday night. Mingling with the curious and those "about-to-buyers" were numerous factory representatives of auto companies and distributors.

**New Policy Proposed**  
An announcement of interest to auto buyers as well as those of the trade was the statement of G. M. Williams, president of the Marmon Motor Car Company, urging that all new models of cars be issued simultaneously in November or December of each year.

He said his company would adopt this policy to conform with the recommendation of the National Automobile Chamber of Commerce.

"Marmon is confident that such a step will lead to placing the industry on a sounder basis. It will be a benefit to the dealer and the motorist."

**Show to Close Thursday**  
When all companies adopt uniform announcements of new cars the man who buys a car no longer

will be forced to wonder just how long it will be before his new is replaced by a newer and better model of the same make," he said.

The show will remain open until 10:30 tonight and will close Thursday night at that time.

Trams marked "Fairground" on the Illinois, College and Central lines will take visitors to the show. Parking space is available for motorists in the building opposite the auto show exhibition.

## GUARDSMEN RULED OUT

Leslie Abandons Plan to Use Militia as Bank Guards.  
Decision of Attorney-General James M. Ogden that use of national guardsmen to protect banks of the state would be making the militia "private watchers" has caused Governor Harry G. Leslie to abandon his plan to place two guardsmen in each bank requesting them.

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**\$39.50 Cabinet Gas Range**  
"Radio" exclusively made for The Kirk Stores and fully guaranteed. Full 16-inch oven, with cast iron oven bottom, white splasher model with white enameled utensil drawer. While a limited quantity lasts. 24.50  
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