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FOR BIG CUT  
IN WARDEBTSHoover, Leaders of Both  
Parties Agree to Aid  
Stricken Germany.

## SCAN POSSIBLE STEPS

British Payments May Be  
Whittled Down First,  
Advisors Hint.JOSEPH H. BAIRD  
United Press Staff Correspondent

WASHINGTON, June 20.—The administration was engaged today in a major effort to help Germany out of the economic mire into which the World War dragged this country's former enemy.

President Hoover is seeking ways to save Germany from the dangers of bankruptcy and political turmoil, and at the same time to stimulate business at home by unclogging the channels of world trade.

What he will do is not yet known definitely, but fundamental changes in the war's heritage of debts and reparations may result from a series of White House conferences that the President is holding.

## Conference Again

As Mr. Hoover summoned administrative and congressional advisors to the White House again today, two possible courses of action were advised by informed officials:

First, and apparently more important, Germany might be aided indirectly by a readjustment of the British debt to the United States. Britain long has said she would scale down German payments to her in proportion as her own debts were reduced. It is understood that Andrew Mellon, treasury secretary, now in Europe, already has discussed this possible action with Prime Minister MacDonald and Montagu Norman, governor of the Bank of England.

Second, the federal reserve banks might establish a substantial credit here for Germany to tide the Reich over its present financial crisis.

## Statement Is Issued

Mr. Hoover began his conferences on the economic situation Friday, with his efforts "particularly directed to strengthening the situation in Germany." To his office came a succession of leading government officials and congressional leaders of both parties.

At the close of the busy day, the President issued this statement:

"Since my return from the central west Thursday, I have conferred with leaders of both political parties who are present in Washington with respect to certain steps which we might take to assist in economic recovery both here and abroad.

"These conversations have been directed particularly to strengthening the situation in Germany. No definite plans or conclusions have yet been arrived at, but the response which I have met from the leaders of both parties is most gratifying.

"Any statement of any plan or method is wholly speculative and is not warranted by the facts."

## British Debt Scanned

From one high quarter, however, it was learned that readjustment of Great Britain's debt was one of the proposals being given serious consideration.

Great Britain funded its debts to the United States earlier—and on less favorable terms—than any other European power. The final debt agreement called on Britain to pay \$4,426,000,000 as compared with \$3,865,000,000 from France.

So high is the British interest rate that its payments up to Nov. 15, 1930, \$1,017,360,000 went for interest and only \$174,000,000 could be applied to reducing the debt.

Thus, it is pointed out, the United States could save Britain millions of dollars each year merely by cutting the interest rate on its loan, leaving the principal untouched. Some observers believe popular objection to reducing interest would be far less than to lowering the principal.

## Germany Is Cheered

BERLIN, June 20.—Reports that the United States government may take the lead in a movement for revision of reparations payments were received with relief and distinct pleasure in high quarters today.

Reports attributed to the White House were considered the first real reward of Chancellor Heinrich Brüning's effort to obtain immediate reparations relief and halt a nation-wide stampede to the ranks of Fascists and Communists.

AIMEE FIGHTS PAYING  
U. S. INCOME TAXES

Appeals From Government Claim to \$21,340 Over 3-Year Period.

LOS ANGELES, June 20.—Aimee Semple McPherson, head of Angelus temple, has appealed to the United States board of tax appeals to prevent the government from collecting \$21,340 which she assertedly owes for income tax for the years 1926, 1927 and 1928.

Hearing on the proceeding will be held in Washington next Wednesday.

Federal authorities assert Mrs. McPherson's net income over the three years was \$159,376, a figure more than \$100,000 in excess of that reported by her.

SCREAMS CAME FROM STARR'S HOME ON  
DAY SHE VANISHED, NEIGHBOR REVEALSPolice Face New Angle in  
Mysterious Death of New  
York's Beautiful Society  
'Playgirl.'

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NEW YORK, June 20.—Evidence of "blood curdling" screams emanating from the vicinity of the Faithfull home, separated only by a court, told District Attorney Elvin N. Edwards of Nassau county she heard "blood-curdling screams—the most unearthly screams—in the rear of her home on June 5—the day Starr left home in apparently high spirits never to be seen alive again."

Finding of her bruised and nearly nude body washed up on the sands of Long Beach, Long Island, three days later, led Edwards to declare she was the victim of foul play, despite other evidence which pointed to suicide.

## New Clue Is Traced

Mrs. Valentine told of the screams Friday while the Faithfull family and Inspector Harold R. King were away investigating a new angle in the mystery.

They held headquarters after witnesses called before the grand jury were excused suddenly and King had announced he had unearthed a new clue which either would give authorities "a break in solution of the mystery, or put them right back where they had started from."

"I know the screams were on Friday," Mrs. Valentine asserted, "sometime between noon and 5 p. m. to the best of my recollection. I'm certain about the day because I kept a diary."

Stanley E. Faithfull, his wife and stepdaughter, Tucker, returned home from their mysterious trip shortly before midnight and denied there had been any screams in their apartment on that day.

## Father Is Reticent

Faithfull was reticent about the trip with King and said that if there were any plans to make an arrest in connection with the case he was unaware of them.

Earlier this week Faithfull had been questioned about a reported visit to the roof of the apartment house. Faithfull admitted taking a mattress to the roof for airing some time that day. He then was a salesman for a rubber mattress firm.

Meanwhile, Edwards was awaiting the return of Dr. C. J. Jameson Carr, who was said to be a close friend of Starr, with two letters, one written to him by Starr the day preceding her disappearance and purporting to contain a threat of suicide. He is expected to appear, along with other witnesses, before the grand jury on Monday.

CONSIDER FOUR SITES  
FOR FISH HATCHERYRochester Favored, but Final Choice  
Waits on Topography Maps.

WASHINGTON, June 20.—Final decision in the selection of a site for the new fish hatchery in Indiana awaits arrival of topographical maps of the four sites now under consideration. L. C. James, director of fish culture, said here today.

"The most favorable site shown thus far is Rochester," James said, "but we also are considering Rome City, Angola and Kuntz lake." James intimated he probably would make a final inspection of these four sites in the near future.

## OLD CLOCK IS MISSILE

Girl Is Seriously Hurt When Work-  
ings Are Hurlled at Her.

By United Press  
NOBLESVILLE, Ind., June 20.—An apparently old alarm clock, when used as a missile, may prove as effective as a dangerous weapon, especially if the clock is wound up, as it was shown in a unique mishap here.

Mabel Morelock, 16, suffered a severe scalp wound when the workings of an old alarm clock were hurled at her by a small girl. The wheels of the instrument, which just had been wound, went into action, entangling Mabel's hair and inflicting a deep cut.

## FAN BLADE COSTS EYE

Piece of Bursting Propeller Hits  
Chicagoan in Fall.

By United Press  
CHICAGO, June 20.—The sight of his left eye was lost permanently today to Frank Loss, 17, through a peculiar accident in which an electric fan ripped itself to pieces and hurled one of its blades into his face.

## Law Breaker Warned

MUNCIE, Ind., June 20.—Fish and game authorities announce that arrests will be made soon for unlawful selling of White river, east of Muncie, where it is reported, tons of fish have been caught during the last few days. Dynamiting also has been reported.

CITY TO FIGHT  
INDUSTRIES ON  
NATURAL GASPetition of Factory Heads  
to Lay Mains Opposed  
by Committee.

## LEGAL BATTLE IMPENDS

Mayor Says Supply Should  
Be Distributed Only  
by Citizens Co.

City legal counsel today prepared to oppose petition of a group of large local industries for the right to lay gas mains in the city and to sell and distribute natural gas to other industries.

The petition was filed with the public service commission by the Manufacturers' Natural Gas Association, formed this week by representatives of sixteen industrial plants.

Decision to oppose the petition for a certificate of convenience and necessity was reached at a meeting of Mayor Reginald H. Sullivan's special gas subcommittee late Friday.

## Extend Time for Bids

The meeting originally was called to receive sealed proposals for furnishing natural gas to the Citizens Gas Company, and two were received, but these were returned to bidders when a third company, Universal Gas Company, asked an extension of time. June 29 was set as the new date for receiving proposals.

The universal firm's time extension request was submitted by A. M. Ogle, president of the Ogle Coal Company, Indianapolis.

The two sealed proposals were submitted by the Kentucky Natural Gas Company, from which the manufacturers' association proposes to buy its natural gas, and by the Columbia Oil and Gasoline Company, said to be a subsidiary of the Columbia Gas and Electric Company.

## Fight Is Promised

Mayor Sullivan, after the meeting, said he and the committee felt that natural gas should not be distributed here except through mains of the Citizens company, which the city is preparing to acquire.

It was said that attorneys for the city, Citizens company, and the city utility district would co-operate in opposing the association's fight for a certificate of convenience and necessity.

Permit from the works board would be necessary before the association could lay mains in the city connecting pipe lines with the twenty-five local factories which would buy natural gas from it, city attorneys contend.

## \$175,000 Heart



A broken heart was worth just \$175,000, decided the jury which awarded Ivy Barker, above, 37-year-old Seattle school teacher, that amount of damages in her sensational breach of promise suit against Reese Brown, Seattle promoter.

Ardent love letters, telegrams and gifts formed the bulk of Miss Barker's evidence. She also claimed he arranged a fake wedding ceremony which led her to believe they were married legally.

CHEERING NEWS  
BOOSTS STOCKSU. S. Decision on Help for  
Germany Spurs Market.By United Press  
NEW YORK, June 20.—Efforts of the United States government to aid Germany were received with acclaim in the financial district today. Orders to buy accumulated before the opening and prices opened up fractions to 6 points. Best gains were made in the railroad shares, recently under pressure.

Union Pacific opened at 158½, up 6½; Atchafalpa 154, up 4; Pennsylvania 46½, up ½, and New York Central 84½, up 2½.

United States Steel and American Car were in demand in the industrial section at 87½, up ½ and 101½, up 2½, respectively. Consolidated Gas spurred 3½ to 91½ to feature a strong utility group.

As the trading progressed, shorts took to their heels. They bid for Westinghouse Electric and the issue spurred to 58, up 1½, after opening at 56½.

American Telephone was at 166½, up 1½; Allied Chemical 114½, up 1½; Electric Power & Light 35½, up 1½; Union Carbide 48, up ½; Kennecott 17½, up ¾; J. I. Case 68½, up 1½.

PORKERS SELL OFF 20  
CENTS IN LIGHT TRADECattle Nominal; Veals Show Weak  
Trend at \$8 Down.

Lack of demand on the part of buyers was responsible for a slight downturn in hogs at the city stockyards this morning. Prices mostly 20 to 25 cents below Friday's average. The bulk, 140 to 300 pounds, sold for \$1.10 to \$1.40, early top holding at \$1.40. Receipts were estimated at 2,000; hogs were 138.

In the cattle market slaughter classes were nominal. Receipts numbered 100. Vealers were 30 cents lower, selling at \$8 down. Calf receipts were 100.

Lambs tended lower with not many above \$7.75 this morning. Sheep receipts were 200.

## PIONEER INDIAN DIES

Mrs. Philippa Nydegger Was  
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Mrs. Philippa Nydegger, 86, a resident of Indiana for eighty years, died at her home, 1160 Udell street, Friday.

Born in Germany, she came to Lawrenceburg, Ind., when she was 8. Sixty years ago she was married here to Frederick Nydegger, who died in 1923.

Last rites will be held at 9:30 Monday at the C. C. Henley undertaking establishment, 1008 Udell street. Burial will be in Crown Hill.

## WOMAN ATTEMPTS SUICIDE

By United Press  
KOKOMO, Ind., June 20.—Surgeons at a hospital here saved the life of Ethel Davis, 29, Russiaville, who swallowed poison due to failure of her sweetheart to keep an engagement.MARTIN J. SUESS, 80,  
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Maker for Engine Company.

Illness of a year resulted in the death Friday of Martin J. Suess, 80, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. E. K. Shepperd, 4117 Ruckel street. Mr. Suess had been a resident of Indianapolis seventy-two years.

Mr. Suess was a pattern maker for the Atlas engine works until he retired ten years ago and was a native of Germany.

He was a member of the St. Joseph's Society of St. Mary's Catholic church and a member of the Joan of Arc parish.

Burial will be in Crown Hill cemetery after services at 9:30 Monday at the home and at 10 at St. Joan of Arc church.

NEW SCOUT BUILDING  
TO BE READY BY FALLGround Will Be Broken July 12 for  
\$25,000 Structure.

Ground for a \$25,000 recreation building at the Boy Scout reservation will be broken July 12. The building will be completed by fall. Special programs dedicating big cabins and cabin-tents will be held Sunday afternoon.

The new recreation building, of concrete and brick, will be 200 feet long and 80 feet wide. It will be located just east of the mess hall. A circular track, provisions for tennis, football and indoor baseball, campfire arena and a fully equipped stage will be features.

## IRA HOLMES CHOOSES JAIL TO FINE

By United Press  
INDIANAPOLIS, June 20.—IRA HOLMES, fiery criminal attorney, with offices at 218 American Central Life building, remained firm in a resolution today to serve a twenty-five-day jail sentence for direct contempt of court rather than pay a \$25 fine.

Citation was made against Holmes late Friday during a divorce trial before Judge Clarence E. Weir in superior court four. Judge Weir will decide Monday whether the attorney will go to the Marion county jail.

Holmes contended today he has a right to contest the citation with

POND GIVES UP  
SECOND THRILL  
DEATH VICTIMMurder Hunt Is Spurred by  
Finding Slain Escort  
of Ohio Schoolgirl.

## TWO SUSPECTS QUIZZED

Sweetheart Offers Alibi for  
Night of Killings;  
Quarrel Bared.

By United Press  
LIMA, O., June 20.—Baffled by what they describe as "a thrill murder plot," authorities today spurred their search for the slayer of Thelma Woods, 17, following finding of her body in a quarry pond which yielded her body last week.

Two men, the girl's former sweetheart and the quarry watchman, are being questioned, but officials admit they have no definite clues. The ex-suitor, James May, 22, has established an alibi for the night of May 29, the night the girl and her escort disappeared after attending a public dance.

Evidence against the quarry watchman is slight, authorities said. A robe, taken from Truesdale's body, was discovered near the quarry, was found in the watchman's possession. Officials regard this as negligible, however, because the watchman reported the car's presence.

Residents of Lima were aroused when it definitely was established that both the girl and her companion were murdered. Truesdale's body, weighted down with rocks, was recovered Friday after the pond had been drained. The body of Miss Woods, although weighted in a similar manner, came to the surface of the pond last Friday. Both bodies bore marks of violence, but death in each case was ascribed as due to drowning. The girl and her escort were struck on the head with a blunt instrument, and hurled into the pond to die, authorities said.

## Knew Each Other a Day

Insistent demands by John Woods, father of the girl, and Don Truesdale, of Elida, O., the boy's father, forced authorities to start draining the pond several days after the car was found. It was at first thought the young couple had eloped, but this theory was discarded when it was learned they met for the first time twenty-four hours before they were reported missing.

While Miss Woods had had several sweethearts, suspicions centered on May when friends told of a quarrel between the two. May steadily maintained his alibi story since he first was arrested after the girl's body was found. Detectives said his story is correct, with the exception of minor details.

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Democrat at least can't do it," the attorney, a prominent Republican, fired back.

Judge Weir allowed Holmes to go home instead when James D. Erms-ton, law partner of Holmes and former superior court judge, came to the court and intervened in behalf of his partner.

Following the decree, which gave the husband the children until a final hearing on the custody of the children in September, Boyd was ordered to pay Holmes \$150 attorney fees. Mrs. Boyd was granted permission to see the children at any time.

"I will talk if I want to. I have a right to appeal this action. No judge is going to run over me; a

New Difficulties Looming  
for Faithfull Family, as  
Father Loses Job With  
Mattress Firm.

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NEW YORK, June 20.—Stanley E. Faithfull and his family—their lives shadowed by what they believe was the murder of Starr Faithfull—faced today an uncertain future, which held financial embarrassments that will endure the rest of their lives.

Faithfull, not so prosperous as in former days, has lost his position as salesman for a pneumatic mattress concern. Now he is less interested in worrying about making a living for the rest of his life than he is in solving the mystery of his step-daughter's death.

"After Starr's case is cleared up," he said, "there will be time to worry about ourselves."

He has a letter from his former employers, telling him the board of directors decided they would have to sever connections with him, presumably because of the publicity connected with Starr's death.

## Faces Hard Row

Other positions may not be made readily available to him. Thus Faithfull finds himself in a similar situation to a man just released from prison—anxious to make his way in the world, but finding obstacles everywhere.

The only other possible bread winner is 19-year-old Tucker, Starr's sister—a girl unversed in the realm of commerce and trade. Apt critics have told her she had a flair for illustrating and painting (she spent two years in a Boston art school), but remuneration for a beginner in the art world is scanty.

She has had the usual offers that attend extended newspaper publicity—offers from Texas Guinan's representative and vaudeville managers seeking to capitalize the publicity. But such methods are repulsive to the Faithfull family, and Tucker prefers the slow road she will have to travel to artistic success.

## Live Secluded Life

Mrs. Faithfull, frail and of an artistic temperament herself, is unacquainted in the world of business, and it is likely that even if she attempted a commercial career she would be faced with the same obstacles that confront her husband.

The Faithfulls have lived a secluded life here and few friends have attempted to console them or to offer any form of assistance in their tragedy. They have received a letter from one member of the Phillips family, famous in Massachusetts, to whom Mrs. Faithfull is related.

Otherwise their mail has consisted of letters from strangers, most of them in approbation of the Faithfulls' attitude toward the case and commending the series of articles which he gave to the United Press in an attempt to clarify the amazing contradictions in Starr's life.

Several deaths were attributed indirectly to the heat and more than a dozen directly to the record-smashing temperatures.

In Chicago, where the maximum temperature was 94, park officials estimated that 360,000 persons swarmed to thirteen "closed" beaches which won't be opened before July 1.

The mercury here matched the clock in its steady rise after noon, hitting 91 at 1 p. m., 92 at 2, 93 at 3, and its maximum, 94, at 4 o'clock. It still was 94 at 5 p. m. Dropping slowly thereafter to a minimum of 83 this morning, after which it began to climb again.

In northern Wisconsin, storms accompanied the heat wave, in several sections winds reached gale proportions and some damage was done.

In contrast to the heat in central United States, a blizzard was reported sweeping northern Canada. Forecasters predicted that relief eventually would come here because of that blizzard.

Temperatures on the east coast were not as high as in the midwest. New York had a maximum of 86. Phoenix had an official temperature of 104 and Amarillo, of 102. Several midwest cities, including Mattoon, Ill., and Waterloo, Ia., claimed unofficial marks of over 100.

The official maximum at St. Louis was 96. El Paso, 98; Milwaukee, 96; Evansville, Ind., 96; Kansas City, 92; Pueblo, 96, and Detroit, 94.

In most sections, the heat was welcomed by farmers, but some fears were expressed that if it continued much longer serious crop damage might be done.

'OCCULT LOVER' IS  
DEFENDED BY GIRLNight in Heat-Baked Cell  
Worth It, She Says;  
Parents Disagree.

"Love's not so bad. I had a grand time and I love him."

After a night in the heat-baked city prison, that's the way Miss Mildred McDaniel, 19, of 1808 Kelly street, sums up her feelings for Yogi Ramchander, Hindu "philosopher, psychologist, master teacher and pupil of the Divine Yoga Sadhana."

She and Yogi were arrested Friday after deputy sheriffs investigated an auto parked several hours in a road near Castleton.

Parents of the girl said they will urge justice halt the "occult power" that they said Yogi has over their daughter.

The girl, a former pupil in a north side high school today said she had met the Hindu following one of his lectures on psychology at a downtown hotel.

"I'm interested in psychology," she said. "I've known him two years. He's a fine fellow and I love him. We had a grand time Friday. The drive was perfect."

"He has no power over me, I just love him, that's all. No, love's not so bad. Yes, you might have called that a petting party Friday."

The case was to be tried today in a municipal court. Both the girl and Yogi, who is 40, are charged with vagrancy.

THUNDERSTORMS TO BREAK  
STIFLING HEAT WAVE LATE  
TODAY; RECORD SET HEREHigh Mark for Summer, of 94.2 Degrees, Is  
Established; Thousands Suffer  
Sleepless Nights.

## RELIEF PROMISED FOR WEEK-END

Showers to Bring Mercury Drop for Sunday;  
One Prostration Is Recorded  
in City.

Heat wave that scorched Indianapolis Friday, resulting in one prostration and establishment of a new heat record for the year, is scheduled to break with thunderstorms this afternoon or tonight.

The new record of 94.2 was set at 3 Friday afternoon. The lowest temperature recorded by the weather bureau in the last twenty-four hours was 75.4, shortly after 6 a. m. today.

The weather bureau said, with prevailing cloudiness today, the mercury probably would not reach 90. Illinois and Great Lakes regions were soaked by downpours Friday night and early today.

Indianapolis suffered terribly from the heat during the night. Steady, comfortable sleep was practically impossible and only early this morning, when a breeze came from the southwest on the heels of rain in that section, did relief come from the oppressive heat.

The haziness of the sky today cut down the terrific blaze of the sun that Friday boosted the mercury to its new record.

Decline in temperatures will follow the predicted rain, weather forecasters said. Sunday is forecast as cloudy and cool.

Following showers in this section of the state, the rain is to spread to the south and north, according to the bureau.

Miss Willie Ferguson, Negro, 21, of 1220 East Sixteenth street, laundry employee, was taken to the city hospital