

BILLIONS OF U. S. CASH TIED UP IN GERMANY

Hoover Action Regarded as Means Also of Saving American Capital.

Here is the fourth article in the series on Germany's crisis by Frederick Kuhn, United Press Berlin manager.

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BERLIN, July 2.—Three billion American dollars were estimated today to be in peril in Germany if this nation fails to get the debt "breathing spell" envisaged by President Herbert Hoover's rescue mission.

This staggering sum represents investments America has made here since the war. These have been largely in the last six or seven years or following the dizzy spell of inflation when printing presses could not keep pace with the drop in the mark.

It went from 4.2 to the dollar to 4.2 billion marks to the dollar before this slide ceased, and many a German shudders at the thought of any return to such a devastating situation.

Has Proper 'Cover'

At present, the Reichsbank has a proper gold "cover" for its marks. But the bank has been under tremendous pressure lately, while the drain of domestic demands and reparations has made such inroads on the financial structure of the Reich that Hoover's call is regarded here as an S. O. S. just ahead of the ship sinking.

Hoover is given credit for a deal of altruism in this effort, yet hard-headed men in the counting rooms of the Reichsbank and the big "D" banks know that the United States stands to suffer along with Germany if his present mission does not succeed.

Germany has been accused in the past by S. Parker Gilbert, former reparations agent general, of failing to put its house in order. He was here in the days when the inflation wiped out most of the internal debt—taking its toll of holders of state bonds and similar investments.

Drain Is Too Great

He saw money poured out by the government to aid the big industrialists. But since his day, there apparently has been a wholehearted effort to get the house in order, including curtailment of imports and an increase in exports. Nevertheless, the drain has been too great so that Germany today finds that domestic demands, chiefly, are sapping her financial strength.

From the Prussian landowners in the east, from the shipping men of the Elbe and the Weser, and from the industrialists in the drab Westphalian region comes the same cry—hard times, poverty. And this cry has an answering echo in the workers' tenements of Berlin, Saxony and the Ruhr.

Tax Revenues Decline

American investments in Germany are estimated to include \$500,000,000 in short term credits; \$1,500,000,000 in German bonds; and another \$1,000,000,000 in stocks, industries, advances on merchandise and other forms.

An unending stream of doles and other allowances are being paid by the reich. Unemployment, maintenance of a large federal employment list, social aid and pensions make huge demands. It is estimated that the state, in one way or another, cares for more than 12,000,000 citizens, that is, one of every five citizens dips into the public treasury.

Tax revenues have steadily declined while loan markets tightened, thus making it difficult for Germany to obtain new credits. Hoover's action was taken just in time to help the Reichsbank weather a terrific storm. The bank has kept its gold reserve at 60 per cent, but due to a "run" in June on its foreign currency and the withdrawal of foreign credit, the cover the day before Hoover acted was

T.R.'s Kin Take to Air



They're sure their grandfather would have been a flier if aviation had been booming in his time, and Quentin Roosevelt (left) and Theodore Roosevelt Jr. (right) already are aerial enthusiasts. The two grandsons of the late President here are shown at Roosevelt field, Long Island, with Clyde Pangborn (center), after they had taken a hop with the veteran pilot who is planning a round-the-world flight. Note the close family resemblance in the faces of the two youngsters.

SET RITES FOR CHARLES KUHN

Funeral to Be Held on Friday at Mortuary.

Funeral services for Charles C. Kuhn, 61, of 3013 Park avenue, affiliated with the Merchants National bank many years, will be held at the Flanner & Buchanan mortuary at 4:30 Friday afternoon. Burial will be in Crown Hill cemetery.

Mr. Kuhn had been ill six months. He died at his home Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. Kuhn was active in Masonry. He was a member of Center lodge, 23, F. & A. M.; Indianapolis chapter, 5, Royal Arch Masons; Indianapolis council, 2, Royal and Select Masters; Raper commandery, Knights Templar; Scottish Rite, Murat Shrine and Sahara Grotto. He held high posts in the Masonic organizations in the last several years. Services will be in the charge of Center lodge.

Survivors are the widow, Mrs. Retta L. Kuhn; his mother, Mrs. Catherine Kuhn, 90, of North Middletown to 40 per cent, the legal minimum.

There was during June a veritable "kapitalflucht"—flight of capital—such as Germany knew in the days of the mark inflation. Short term credits were called, and it is estimated 1,200,000,000 marks were pulled out of Germany within a few days largely by British and American bankers.

The American President's call for a debt holiday halted this run, and gave a new spirit of optimism to the German banks and bourse.

There has been since January a marked drop in banks' holdings of short term credits for industrial finance, and a considerable drop in the market value of shares, but an upturn was noted after the United States action.

Next: The final article will deal with some of the human element involved in the decline of the German economic situation.

DEPUTY COURT CLERK'S WIDOW SUCCEEDS HIM

Mrs. Elna Power Is Made Attache; Infection of Hand Fatal.

County Clerk Glenn B. Ralston today announced appointment of Mrs. Elna Power, 1356 West Ray street, as deputy clerk of municipal court four to succeed her husband, Horace R. Power, recently injured in an automobile accident near Lebanon.

Mr. Power, 36, died Tuesday night in a Lebanon hospital of infection caused by a mangled hand received in the accident June 13.

Funeral services will be held at 2 Friday at the William D. Beaublossom undertaking establishment. Burial will be in Mt. Jackson cemetery. Survivors included the widow, four children, six brothers and two sisters.

Yeah, He's Hott

With the temperature near the 100 mark Mr. H. S. Hott is due to arrive at the Severin today.

"We can't get rid of the weather," Charles T. Blizzard of the Union Trust Company says. "However, there's nothing in a name. I'm hot, too." Miss A. Greenwood is registered at the Washington, her name suggesting sylvan cool scenes. F. M. Sommerkamp, at the English, is dreaming of trout streams and a background of Douglas firs.

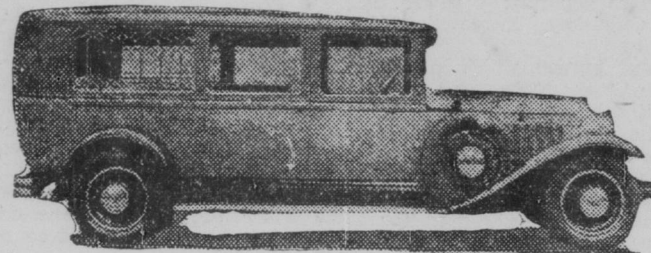
FORGETS FIRE FIGHTERS

Carries Furniture From Blazing Home; Then Calls Department.

By United Press
WARREN, O., July 2. — When flames enveloped their home after an oil stove explosion, Robert Scott and his wife carried the furniture out, and then called the fire department.

Gazing at the smoldering ruins of his home, Scott explained he forgot about the department in his excitement to save the furniture.

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PETERSBURG, Ind., July 2.—Lloyd Burch assumed his duties as postmaster here Wednesday. He succeeds W. E. Davison, dismissed as a result of being implicated in the sale of postal positions by Harry E. Rowbottom, former representative in congress from the First Indiana district.



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BATHING SUITS 29c
First quality speed models. Sizes 24 and 36.

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1,500 on sale at this sensational low price while they last.

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Men's First Quality
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The Railway Plant of a Great Empire

A Message from
L. A. Downs, President, Illinois Central System.

In providing railway service for a great inland empire the Illinois Central System uses properties which represent a total investment of around 745 million dollars.

These properties include 1,800 locomotives, 65,000 freight cars, 1,950 passenger cars, 2,430 units of miscellaneous equipment, 12,000 miles of tracks, 160,000 acres of land and thousands of stations, warehouses, shops, enginehouses, storehouses and other buildings.

Improvements are constantly being made in these properties to the end that the service for which they are used may at all times be prompt, efficient and fully adequate to the needs of this great empire.

Service which meets these exacting requirements enables a railroad to win and retain the good will of the public. Constructive criticism and suggestions are invited.

Chicago, July 1, 1931.

This is the second of a series of sketches descriptive of this railroad. The first told of its territory. Others will tell of its owners, its personnel and its patrons.

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