

# GERMANS DISAVOW ASKING U.S. INQUIRY

## Berlin Repudiates Suggestion for Americans to Look Into Economic Status

### WASHINGTON STILL VAGUE

By Associated Press  
Berlin, Dec. 22.—It was officially denied here today that Chancellor Cuno or any other Government official had suggested the appointment of an American Commission to investigate Germany's economic condition.

A total deficit of 721,000,000,000 marks is shown in the provisional budget for 1923, adopted yesterday by the Federal Council. The ordinary budget balances at 732,000,000,000. The estimated receipts include 270,000,000,000 as the revenue from the income tax, and 20,000,000,000 as the revenue from exports.

The extraordinary budget shows an estimated expenditure of 84,500,000,000 marks, with revenue at 18,700,000,000 marks. This leaves a deficit of 65,800,000,000 marks, to which must be added for general administrative purposes 44,000,000,000 for the execution of the peace treaty and 200,000,000,000 for various other items.

Washington, Dec. 22.—By A. P.—Despite what progress may have been made toward extending American aid in composing the reparations disagreement in Europe, there was evidence here today that much remains to be done before all the interested elements can be brought into a settlement.

There is no assurance so far that France, whose interest in the reparations settlement is a very real one, will find it possible to agree to a proposal for an American commission to survey German economic conditions and fix a basis for new reparations program which is framed.

In this situation, officials in Washington are seeking to facilitate as far as possible the efforts of the American negotiators, which they have taken care to do, and to emphasize that what has been done they have done only in an "unofficial" capacity.

Many conditions have been gained currency as to the present status of the commission plan, which appears to have taken a decided step toward an extensive extension of the American industrial and other aid to Europe and abroad. So far as the United States is concerned, the proposal appears to have been suggested by Secretary Hughes by officials of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States, who still are in touch with State Department officials regarding it.

Landon, Dec. 22.—By A. P.—The side-line situation, amounting to a case for Frankfurter, is mentioned by this morning's newspapers in their discussion of the proposal for an American commission to visit Germany. Some of the papers have forwarded semi-official denials that Great Britain has been much less accepted, the proposal, and warn against putting faith in those "American" denials.

In quarters where it is admitted as probable that Germany initiated such a proposal the denials are received with a strong suspicion of their origin.

"It would be most unwise," writes the financial editor of the Post, "to allow these constant rumors of American intervention to divert attention from the one undoubted fact of the situation, namely, that the next step in the settlement of the reparations is due January 1 and that it behooves the Allies to engage in a definite campaign in the meantime regarding the course to be adopted unless Germany promptly presents satisfactory proposals."

Discussing a "nationalist" prospective American bill, both the Westinghouse and the Morning Chronicle make the point that American industrial and business men already recognize that the situation deeply involves American interests and that they are quite anxious to do their part.

"Night Sentry Tells of Firing Barn"  
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Continued from the fire and escaped it to spread with great rapidity. Pulling sparks ignited the barn, filling the mill and it, too, was a mass of flames before the firemen arrived.

First in Backs County  
This was the first fire in Backs County since the fire which started their way of travel to the adjacent farming country.

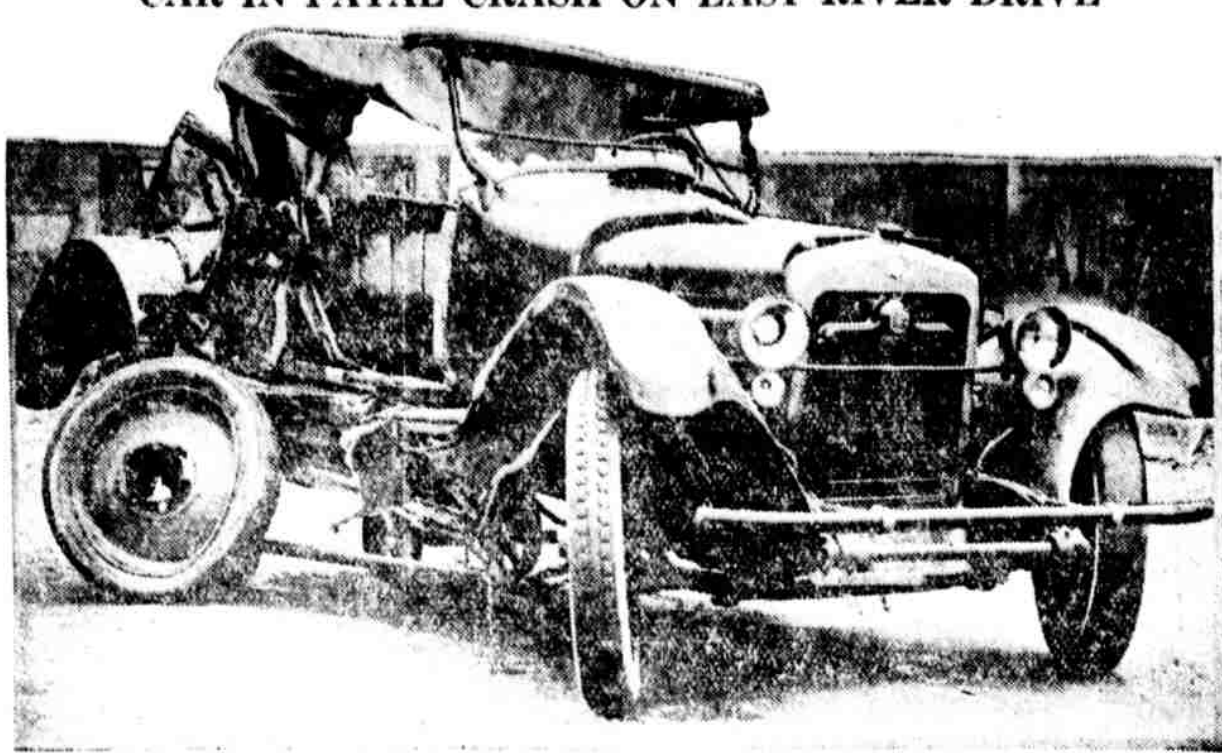
State police were called to the scene and arrested a man who was making a thorough investigation of the fire.

Armed night sentry to accompany with State troops in guarding roads against the return of hostile forces are being organized here among farmers of Chester, Delaware and Montgomery counties as a result of a mass-meeting of farmers here today.

Vigilance Committee Formed  
The mass-meeting of farmers was held in Trebleton tonight. The J. Blair Spencer, assistant director of the Philadelphia Department of Public Welfare, on a loss of \$25,000, was given a farm which was being used as a place of refuge for farmers.

Adding to Xmas Cheer  
The entire troupe of school artists are making their efforts to create a new program for the Christmas holidays. You will be surprised to learn that 1000 boys from the city are to be given a special Sunday picnic.

# CAR IN FATAL CRASH ON EAST RIVER DRIVE



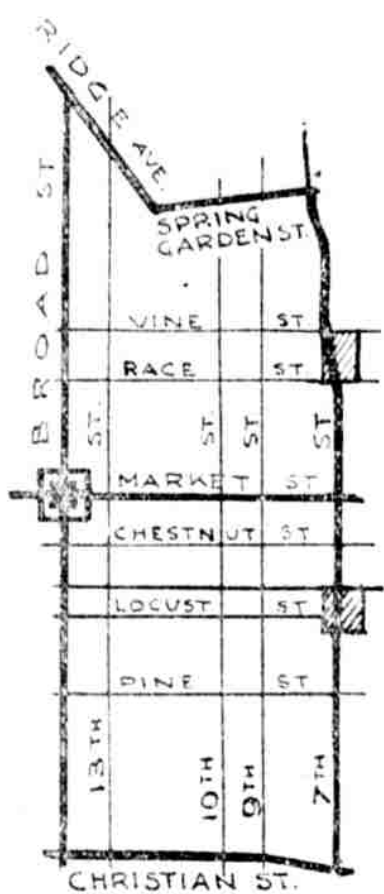
Above is the automobile from which William Resor, of Boston, Yale freshman, was hurled when the machine, driven by Henry Sauer, skidded and crashed into a tree. Resor's skull was fractured and he died on his way to a hospital. Sauer is under surveillance and Edward Trasel, also in the car, was held at Sedley guard house. Trasel and Resor were fellow students of Resor, who came here to spend the Christmas holidays with Trasel's family.

# NEW CENTRAL LOOP IN TRANSIT PLAN

## Twining Submits Proposal for Ridge Ave.-Christian St. Subway Detour

### MAYOR IS IMPRESSED BY IT

A great subway plan was unveiled with the idea of averting a traffic jam on the central part of the city. The plan, proposed by Mayor Moore, is to build a subway detour from Ridge Avenue to Christian Street, passing through the city center.



Plan of Loop

Effect of Bridge on Streets  
Another important factor which I consider from the Twining preliminary report is that with very good judgment, a bridge will be built over the Delaware River Bridge.

Spiese Is Released in Settlement Plan  
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The settlement plan for Spiese is being finalized, and it is expected that the case will be resolved soon.

Statement by the Mayor  
The Mayor's statement regarding the subway plan and other city matters was released today.

Stockholders Satisfied  
The stockholders of the city are satisfied with the current financial situation and the proposed plans.

Emphasizes Word of Humility  
The Mayor emphasized the word of humility in his recent speech, highlighting the need for modesty in public life.

Not Guilty Verdict Returned  
A verdict of not guilty was returned in a recent trial, bringing relief to the defendant.

Boys for Judge From Jurors  
A group of boys were presented to the judge by the jurors, a gesture of appreciation for their service.

Resigns Ministry: THEN DIES  
A minister resigned his post and passed away shortly thereafter, leaving a void in the church community.

# VARE WONT DEFER CONGRESS DECISION

## Will Settle Before New Year's Question of Seat in Present and New Term

### HINGES ON STATE RELATION

Congressman and State Senator-elect William S. Vare will decide before New Year's Day whether he will resign as a member of Congress for the next term and the term for which he was recently elected.

Trainer Followers Getting Hot  
The followers of a trainer are getting increasingly agitated, with rumors of further action being taken.

Bodies of Two Klan Victims Are Found  
The bodies of two victims of a Klan attack were discovered, leading to a renewed investigation.

Comfort Your Skin With Cuticura Soap and Fragrant Talcum  
A commercial advertisement for Cuticura soap and talcum powder, highlighting their benefits for skin care.

the NEW YORK'S CLUB-LIKE HOTEL hermitage  
An advertisement for the Hermitage Hotel, describing it as a club-like establishment with excellent dining and accommodations.

PAIGE  
3-pass. Touring; excellent condition; paint like new; good tires; \$400.  
GIRARD AUTO CO. 2314 Chestnut St.

A tested skin treatment  
An advertisement for a skin treatment, claiming to be a tested and effective method for improving skin health.

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A brief notice regarding a minister's resignation and subsequent death.

# STRAITS PROBLEM ENCOUNTERS SNAG

## Lausanne Conference Fails to Agree on Commission Control Plan

### FURTHER DEMAND BY TURKS

Lausanne, Dec. 22.—The impression that settlement of the problem of the Turkish Straits was not progressing as rapidly as had been expected became apparent today as the result of a statement issued by the Turkish delegation.

The modifications of the original proposal for control of the Straits asked by the Turkish delegation are such that the international commission shall have no jurisdiction whatsoever over the so-called zones of demilitarization in the region of the straits.

A motion made by the Allies to permit representatives of the Armenians to appear before the Commission on Minorities and set forth their desires was opposed by the Turkish delegation, and it was eventually arranged that the Armenians should state their case before the allied delegates, sitting without the Turks.

The Armenians particularly desire to explain the urgent need for the establishment of an Armenian national home in Turkey, the project which the Turks have steadfastly rejected.

The Greek delegates persist in their opposition to the proposal of submission of the same questions as accepted by the Turks for the non-Muslims in their country. No decision was taken on the subject as the whole President of the Commission for the minorities was agreed upon with the understanding that Turkey be empowered to impose general restrictions in time of war.

RADIO BAND AIDS SURGEONS  
Minneapolis, Dec. 22.—Surgeons yesterday fitted a radio band set to a patient, a local anesthetic was applied and a Caesarian operation was performed. The aid of the patient was distracted from the operation, surgeons said, by the music from a specially arranged band concert.

"Simon's for Diamonds"  
6 S. 15th Street  
A commercial advertisement for Simon's Diamonds, located at 6 S. 15th Street.

XMAS JEWELRY  
A present that gives pleasure not merely for a few days, but for long months and years, is the ideal Xmas gift.

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# Yale Student Is Killed in Crash

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streets a mail truck, driven by James Koole, twenty-six, of 235 South Lee street, swerved into Market street and passed ahead of them. In trying to pass around the truck, De Haven said he ran into it, upsetting his own car and flinging both himself and his sister-in-law into the street. Mrs. Alcroft's head struck the curb and she died almost instantly from a fractured skull.

McDonald died early this morning in the Camden Homeopathic Hospital from a fractured skull received when the truck on which he was employed crashed into a pole. The accident occurred on the Mount Ephraim Pike near Camden. In attempting to pass another machine, the truck skidded.

The little Gormley girl was struck by a machine driven by Henry Schwind, of Audubon, N. J., when she attempted to run across White Horse Pike to meet her mother, Mrs. Ethel Gormley, who was returning from Philadelphia with a number of Christmas packages for the child.

Mrs. Gormley screamed when she saw the peril caused by the approaching machine, but it was too late for the child to turn back. She was knocked down and dragged beneath the car for several feet before the driver could stop. Mrs. Gormley collapsed.

Schwind placed the injured child and her mother in his machine and rushed them to Cooper Hospital, Camden. At the hospital it was found Helen had sustained a fracture of the skull. She died a short time after being admitted.

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SONG OF CHRISTMAS—Marek Weber Trio  
(Odeon Label)

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Listed below are four other records you will want for Christmas. "Adeste Fideles"—that tried and true favorite, "Wagsey Watermelon" and the "Toy Parade," two records you must get for the kiddies, and of course, The Okeh Laughing Record for the whole family.

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4056 THE TOY PARADE—Okch Concert Orchestra\* 10in.  
4464 CHRISTMAS MEMORIES—Hager's Concert Orchestra\* 75c  
4678 A DAY IN TOYLAND—Okch Concert Orchestra\* 10in.  
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4679 JACK AND THE BEANSTALK—Baritone Solo—Ernest Hare 75c

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