

YOUNG GARLAND EXPLAINS STAND

Refuses to Accept Million Dollar Legacy—Many People Have Written Telling Him of Good He Could Do.

Buzzard's Bay, Mass., Nov. 30.—Charles Garland, the young man who has renounced his right to a million dollar legacy left him by his father, James A. Garland, who was a wealthy clubman and yachtman of Boston, today made a formal statement of his reasons for rejecting the money. His statement, he said, was due to the fact that many reports of his failure to accept the legacy have failed properly to present his position.

"I refuse to accept the money because it is not mine," was young Garland's summary of his action. "A system which starves thousands while hundreds are stuffed condemns itself. A system which leaves a sick woman helpless and offers its services to a healthy man condemns itself. It is such a system that offers me a million dollars," he continued.

"It's blind to the simplest truth known to every child, the truth that the hungry should be fed and the naked clothed. I have had to choose between the loss of private property and the law which is written in every human heart. I choose the one which I believe to be true."

Garland, who has stated that he renounced his claim to the million dollars because he thought Christ would have done the same, continued:

"I believe I could do no good with the money. It is the man who gives food to the hungry who does good, not the dollars given in exchange for the food. I would be happy to be the man if I had the food to give, but I can not lend myself to handling the money that is not mine even though the good that might be done is possibly great."

Many people have written to tell him what could be done with the money, he said. "They seem almost proud to point out the power that I have in my hands, but it is the most pitiful thing they could point to. 'You can't serve God and mammon.'"

So many people ready to serve the dollar means so many less to serve God. There are great opportunities to do good but they are in men's hearts not in my check book. A preacher in the name of Christ said this million should have been turned to good. He thinks that good God's work is paid for in dollars. God's work will never be done until men see that this theory is untrue."

Mr. Garland's statement was made from his home here, a former inn of stage coach days. The young man, who is 22 years of age, is living at the house with his wife and infant daughter as the guest of his mother, Mrs. Marie Tudor Green, who supplies them with a maid and keeps their larder full. He plans to go to work eventually, he said, but a year at Harvard college which he left to get married and preparatory schooling in this country and in England fitted him for no work ready at hand, and he said he thought it would be spring before he found anything. His wife joined with him in his renunciation of the million. His mother, although not holding the same view, has told him to do what he thought right.

In another house on the estate lives James A. Garland, 3rd, a brother of Charles Garland, who has accepted his share of his father's estate, made larger by the fact that the mother of the boys abandoned her rights in order to marry Francis C. Green after the death of her first husband. At Harvard college is Hamilton Garland, a third son, who lacks several months of reaching his majority. His brother, Charles, said today that he understood Hamilton also was considering refusal to take his share when he became of age. Their ideas on the subject were somewhat similar, he said, although the influences of education and environment were not identical.

Garland indicated that his refusal to take the money was not based on any question attached to the origin of the Garland fortune, saying he did not know from what source it was derived, but he believed it came down from his grandfather.

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TREATY WITH MEXICO LOOMS ON HORIZON

Colby Makes Formal Proposal That Commissioners Be Appointed to Discuss Basis Upon Which Relations May Be Resumed With South

Washington, Dec. 1.—A formal proposal from Secretary Colby that commissioners be appointed by the United States and Mexico to draft a treaty upon which can be based resumption of full diplomatic relations between the two governments has been taken to Mexico City by Roberto V. Pesqueira, Mexican confidential agent in Washington.

This was disclosed tonight when the state department made public Mr. Colby's answer to Mr. Pesqueira's recent letter urging recognition by the United States of the new government of Mexico. It was handed to the Mexican agent before his departure Thanksgiving day to attend the inauguration of President-elect Obregon of Mexico December 1.

Referring to his conversations with Mr. Pesqueira, Secretary Colby in his letter said they served to leave no reasonable doubt "of the high and enlightened purposes that actuate the present government of Mexico."

As to Article 27 of the Mexican constitution, long a stumbling block to complete understanding between the two governments, Mr. Colby said the statement in Mr. Pesqueira's letter that it "is not and must not be interpreted as retroactive or violative of valid property rights," should "allay the fears of those who have acquired valid titles" in Mexico, adding "I can conceive of nothing better calculated to correct this misunderstanding."

"It only remains," Mr. Colby continued, "to give these understandings a form which is usual in dealings between friendly states, and I have the honor to suggest that commissioners be promptly designated by both Mexico and the United States to formulate a treaty, embodying the agreements which have been reached as the result of your successful mission."

CAMP SEVIER SOLDIER PATIENTS HAVE CLOSE CALL FROM FIRE

Greenville, Dec. 1.—Sixty-eight soldiers patients from all parts of the country in the United States public health service hospital at Camp Sevier, had a narrow escape about midnight, when fire practically destroyed Wards 16 and 17. The patients aided by nurses and Red Cross workers, were removed without confusion in record time and no one was reported injured.

Men and women who fail to vote in Czech-Slovakia are sentenced to jail.

SALE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.

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By virtue of a mortgage given under date Feb. 9, 1920, to the undersigned by Ben Aiken, I will sell for cash to the highest bidder at Abbeville Court House in the Town of Abbeville, at 11 o'clock, on the 15th day of December, A. D., 1920, the following described personal property to wit: One Black Mare Mule, six years old.

S. O. HARVEY,
Greenwood, S. C.

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SEEKING COMPROMISE IN JAPANESE TREATY

Washington, Nov. 30.—Representative Albert Johnson of Washington chairman of the house committee on immigration, now drafting a bill completely excluding all Japanese from the United States today conferred at the state department with Roland S. Morris, ambassador to Japan.

This is the first of a series of conferences between the members of congress and state department officials made necessary by the fact that the United States and Japan are unable to agree upon the terms of a new treaty under negotiations for the past three months.

It has been reported that Japan is now demanding full citizenship for her nationals now in this country.

While it is understood that Mr. Colby fully realizes the impossibility of granting any such demand he is anxious to ascertain how far congress would be willing to go in affecting a compromise.

The largest forest in the world is in the Labrador and Hudson Bay district, and is, roughly, 1000 by 1700 miles.

PRESIDENT'S GREETINGS TO YOUNG DEMOCRATS

New York, Nov. 30.—A call to optimism and progress was sounded today by President Wilson.

In a letter to Thomas F. Compton, secretary of the Young Americans Democratic league of New York, meeting in White Plains, the president wrote:

"Will you not convey my cordial greetings to the first annual New York state convention of the Young Americans league?"

"It is the young men of the country who must correct the reaction and pessimism of some of the older men and push forward toward a realization of the genuine ideals which cannot be lived up to without courage and a constant renewal of fidelity to the purest conceptions of democracy and of international responsibility."

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