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### COOLIDGE'S MESSAGE TO CONGRESS STRESSES LAW ENFORCEMENT, TAX SLASH

#### Favors Disarmament, but Not in Concert With European Countries; World Court Endorsed Because Doesn't Require Membership in League of Nations; Negro Citizens Entitled to Justice.

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—Renewing a number of recommendations already made to Congress, President Coolidge, in his annual message transmitted today to the House and Senate, outlined a comprehensive legislative program dealing with pressing domestic and international problems. His suggestions included:  
Tax reduction along lines mapped out by the House Ways and Means Committee.  
Adherence to the World Court.  
Continued effort to strengthen aviation, without radical change in the organization of the army and navy air services.  
Curtailed the Shipping Board's powers, with the government fleet under the contract of a single executive.  
Increased authority for the President and Departments of Commerce and Labor to deal with labor disputes in the coal industry.  
Encouragement of cooperative marketing, as an aid to agriculture.  
The President devoted a section to the prohibition question, appealing for law observance by the public and vigorous action against violators by enforcement officials.  
He also renewed his advocacy of railroad consolidations and development of inland waterways, recommended retention, for the present, of property seized from aliens during the war, reiterated that reorganization of government departments should be authorized, and declared that states and local communities must cooperate more with the federal government in reclamation work.  
**Muscle Shoals Small Matter.**  
Urging sale of Muscle Shoals to the highest bidder who will agree to produce nitrates primarily with power development incidental, he contended that the Muscle Shoals problem had "assumed a place all but of proportion with its real importance."  
"It probably does not represent in market value much more than a first-class battleship," he added, "yet it has been discussed in the Congress over a period of years and for months at a time."  
**Income Tax Slash Enough.**  
Praising his recommendations with a statement that "the country does not appear to require radical departures from the policies already adopted so much as it needs further attention of these policies and the improvement of details" and an appeal for continued vigilance against extravagant government expenditures, the President emphasized the need for further tax reduction and declared he approved "in principle" the bill drafted by the Ways and Means Committee.  
"In so far as income-tax exemptions are concerned," he continued, "it seems to me the committee has gone as far as it is safe to go and somewhat further than I should have gone."  
In a long discussion of foreign relations Mr. Coolidge made these assertions:  
**World Court Favored.**  
That the Locarno security agreements represent the success of the policy of having European countries settle their own political problems without involving the United States.  
That reduction of land armaments not only is of prime importance but a problem peculiarly European in its practical aspects, and that "our country would look with particular gratitude upon any action which those countries might take to reduce their own military power."  
That "the general policy of our country is for disarmament, and it ought not to hesitate to adopt any practical plan that might reasonably be expected to succeed. But it would not care to attend a conference which from its location or constituency would in all probability prove American participation in the World Court would not mean involvement in the League of Nations, but would contribute greatly to the advancement of our ideals."  
That debt settlements already negotiated "impose no undue burden and are mutually beneficial" and that "every reasonable effort will be made to secure agreements for liquidation with the remaining countries."  
**Air Service Needs Aid.**  
Turning to domestic issues the President advocated an enactment of a selective service act for mobilization of materials as well as men in emergencies. The report of the air board ought to be "re-assessing," he declared, adding that the departments of War, Navy and Commerce "should each be provided with an additional assistant secretary, not necessarily with statu-

### IZETTA JEWELL TO MARRY VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY DEAN

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WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—Friends learned today of the engagement of Mrs. Izzetta Jewell Brown, former actress and widow of former Representative William G. Brown of West Virginia, and candidate two years ago for the Democratic nomination for senator from that state, to Dean Hugh Miller, of the School of Engineering of George Washington University. It is understood the marriage has been fixed for an early date.  
Mrs. Brown, who seconded the nomination of John W. Davis at the last Democratic national convention, became a feminist leader in politics after the death of her husband in 1916.

### ARMY TAKES UP DEFENSE IN THE MITCHELL CASE

#### Independent Operation of Air Service Opposed by General Ely.

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### BERENGER NAMED AMBASSADOR TO UNITED STATES

PARIS, Dec. 8.—Senator Victor Henry Berenger, whose nomination as ambassador to the United States was approved at a cabinet council today, is going to Washington with the special mission of settling the French war debt to America. It was declared in official circles this afternoon.  
PARIS, Dec. 8.—The appointment of Senator Victor Henry Berenger as French ambassador to the United States was approved today by the council of ministers.  
Senator Berenger is expected to leave in the near future to relieve Emile Dauschner, the present ambassador in Washington. The new ambassador will have his appointment renewed every six months as is customary in the cases of members of parliament sent abroad on diplomatic missions.  
The senator has for years been the foremost financial authority in the upper house of parliament.

### PLUM TREE SHAKEN

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—Several hundred nominations to public office, mostly postmasters, were sent to the Senate for confirmation today by President Coolidge. Many of those already named are holding office under recess appointment.  
Among the names sent to the capitol was that of one cabinet member, Secretary Davis of the War Department, appointed since Congress adjourned last spring. The President also sent in the names of all members of the diplomatic corps appointed during the recess.  
United States District Attorney George J. Hatfield, northern district of California.  
Hoyt E. Ray, northern district of Idaho.

### FLOOD OF BILLS BEGINS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—The fountain of legislative proposals (Continued on page 3.)

### SCHOOL ELECTION VOTER NEED NOT BE A TAXPAYER

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SALEM, Ore., Dec. 8.—An effort to quash a bond issue by Union High school district No. 1 of Baker county came to naught today when the supreme court, in an opinion by Justice Coshaw, affirmed Judge C. H. McCulloch of the lower court in the case of J. E. McKinnon and others, appellants, against the school district.  
The case hinged on the qualifications of an elector. The plaintiffs contended that in order to qualify as an elector in the election on the bond issue the voter must either be a taxpayer or be the head of a family in which there were children of school age. The defendants claimed any person over 21 who had lived in the district at least 30 days prior to the election was qualified to vote. The defendants demurred to the complaint and the demurrer was sustained, dismissing the suit. The plaintiffs appealed.

### CONFERENCE M. E. PASTORS HELD IN ROSEBURG TODAY

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)  
The pastors of the southern district of the Oregon Conference of the Methodist Episcopal church met today in the First Methodist church of this city, Bishop W. O. Shepard of Portland, presided. Besides the thirty-five pastors of the district there were present the four district superintendents of the Oregon conference, Dr. A. S. Hisey of Salem, Dr. A. L. Howarth of Portland, Dr. D. H. Leech of Salem, and Dr. S. P. Chaney of Eugene. Dr. T. E. Elliott of Portland, representing the Oregon conference claimants commission was also present. During the day important matters concerning the work of the church were presented and discussed. At noon the ladies of the church served a delicious luncheon.

### ROOSEVELT PARTY IN ASIA BAG SOME UNUSUAL ANIMALS

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CHICAGO, Dec. 8.—A world's record box with horns measuring 59 1/2 inches in length has been bagged by Kermit Roosevelt, co-leader with his brother, Colonel Theodore, of the James Thompson Roosevelt expedition to central Asia for the Field museum.  
A letter from Colonel Roosevelt, written September 26 from Kashgar, east Turkestan, gives a description of the rare animal obtained in the Tien Shan mountain hunt, in which the brothers engaged before bagging the Marco Polo sheep, the initial objective of the expedition. They are now en route to Kashmir, central India and Nepal in quest of the "armor plated" Indian rhinoceros. Eleven specimens of the box were secured. Other big game included three Tien Shan stags, four Siberian reindeer, several blue sheep, two Asiatic brown bear, two golden gazelle and other animals as well as 1,000 or more skins of birds and small animals.  
The letter gave an indication of the speed with which the Roosevelts have traveled stating that "on foot and by pony we have traveled over 2,000 miles since May 19, an average of almost 500 miles a month."

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She said there was no necessity for putting the people of Texas to this expense as "every effort should be made to hold government appropriations within due bounds of economy."

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### LEAGUE ISSUES INVITATIONS TO 3 COUNTRIES

America, Russia, Germany Wanted at Disarmament Commission Meet.

### U. S. REPLY DEFERRED

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