

# ROW BREAKS UP CONFERENCE ON ALLIED FINANCES

### Adjournment Until January 2 Taken When British Refuse To Consider Demands for Occupation of Germany.

### "IT IS FINISHED" SAYS PREMIER POINCARÉ

### Intervention of America Is Held as Only Hope Now of Settlement of All Difficulty.

LONDON, Dec. 11.—The conference of allied premiers, called to arrange the basis for an allied financial and reparations conference in Brussels has broken down. It was announced at 6 o'clock this evening that the premiers had taken adjournment until Jan. 2. After the conference adjourned, Premier Poincaré said:

"It is finished."

The conference January 2 will be held in Paris, it was announced tonight.

The British cabinet rejected the measures of force for the Ruhr district upon which Premier Poincaré insisted.

#### Military Action Scouted

Prime Minister Bonar Law informed Premier Poincaré that British public opinion was overwhelmingly opposed to any military measures against Germany.

Poincaré had made a demand for the occupation of the Ruhr as a guarantee for a German moratorium.

Meantime it is hoped that some guarantees may be found which will satisfy the French and at the same time make military action unnecessary.

#### U. S. Action Advocated

It was stated in French circles that the imminent adjournment was merely a maneuver to prevent an open break among the allies, particularly between France and England, and that there was little likelihood of finding a common basis of agreement between England and France.

It was stated in an authoritative American quarter that the chief hope of bringing the British and French together in the period of adjournment to which the conference seems doomed lies with the United States. It was said that England probably will ask

the American government if it is willing to cancel the French debt to the United States provided England in turn cancels the French debt to Great Britain and enters a definite agreement with the American government ultimately to pay the British debt to America.

This suggestion was made informally last evening to a certain important American now in London and it probably will be presented directly to Secretary Hughes this week.

#### Indemnity Is Discussed

LONDON, Dec. 11.—German proposals for an internal and flexible indemnity moratorium brought the first real discussions into the allied premiers' conference today.

The fourth session of the premiers was delayed until after noon to give the British cabinet time to consider the German proposals and to formulate a policy upon them.

The question was whether Great Britain would support the French in their demand for more drastic guarantees from Germany or would abide by the old Lloyd George policy of moderation with a partial cancellation of war debts.

Premier Mussolini of Italy stepped dramatically into the breach with a new reparations plan based upon economic control of Germany.

#### Mediation Is Attempted

Premier Theunis of Belgium, while supporting the French viewpoint, assumed his role as mediator in an effort to bring the British and French together.

From all indications, the chief cause of trouble was the insistence of the French that troops occupy part of the Ruhr district to compel the Germans to meet any demands imposed upon them.

Just before noon Premier Poincaré and Mussolini conferred between themselves when it was understood the former held out adamantly in favor of occupying the German industrial centers and coal fields. At the conclusion of this meeting the indications were that the general conference would enter an unbreakable deadlock, unless the British backed down, which is considered unlikely.

In view of the divergence in views between the British and French, Mussolini is said to believe his plan was the most favorable for saving the allies. It is a sort of half way program between that of France and Great Britain.

#### BOILED FILET OF VEAL

Choose a small, delicate fillet; prepare as for roasting, or stuff it with an oyster force meat; after having washed it thoroughly, cover it with water and let it boil very gently three and a half or four hours, keeping it well skimmed. Send it to the table with a rich white sauce, or, if stuffed with oysters, a tureen of oyster sauce. Garnish with stewed celery and slices of bacon. A boiled tongue should be served with it.

#### POSTMASTER IS NAMED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—Adam H. Knight, Canby, and Lawrence S. McConnell, Sherwood, were nominated to be postmasters by the president Saturday.

# INCREASE OF TRAFFIC PATROL IS TO BE ASKED

### Survey of Work of Present Officer Is Given by Sheriff To Indicate Present Need.

To back their plea for another traffic officer in Clackamas county to aid in coping with the problem of regulating automobiles throughout the district, the sheriff's office has compiled a report covering the work of Carl J. Long, for the period from April 1 to December 1.

A request to the budget meeting for the inclusion of an additional officer is expected. It is pointed out that through fines paid, this office is practically self supporting and the sheriff believes that another man would double the arrests.

Long made a total of 132 arrests during the period collecting \$1,072 in fines while his salary amounted to \$168.66 monthly including the cost of operating his machine.

The list of the arrests made for the sheriff's office follows:

E. S. Edwards, speeding, \$10; C. R. Tweedie, speeding, \$5; V. M. Hickard, speeding, \$7; L. L. Miller, speeding, \$22; J. J. Oliver, speeding, \$7; F. S. Bradley, speeding, \$7; E. T. Schultz, overloading, \$55; V. G. Phillips, overloading, \$40; J. F. Ockland, overloading, \$20; C. C. Clark, speeding, \$20; A. N. Slickel, overhauling load, \$12; C. R. Bucher, overloading, \$35; E. W. Johnson, overloading, \$50; G. H. Crown, speeding, \$0; Oren Atkins, operating car while drunk, \$50; W. R. Hampton, dumping refuse on highway, \$25; J. A. Griakoy, speeding, \$15; E. Murphy, overloading, \$25; R. I. Clark, speeding, \$25; A. W. Jensen, speeding, \$10; C. R. Zarback, dumping garbage, \$29.45; C. W. Nugen, failure to display proper lights, \$10; S. H. Gray, speeding, \$10; T. E. Stevens, reckless driving, \$25; R. J. Monroe, improper license tags, \$25;

E. G. Gill, passing on curve, \$25; D. S. Scully, failure to display proper lights, \$5; W. A. Hoffman, speeding, \$10; L. A. Dreaman, passing on curve, \$10; H. E. Ferguson, speeding, \$5; Chas. Holt, speeding, \$10; A. W. Miller, speeding, \$20; E. F. Kaufman, speeding, \$10; W. K. Hodd, speeding, \$10; Richard Mussen, speeding, \$15; E. W. Crosby, speeding and no drivers license, \$10;

J. W. Waibel, Failure to dim lights, \$15;

H. Griffan, Reckless Driving \$10; Donald Junior, Speeding \$10; Peter Miller, Speeding \$10; A. E. Rubenstein, Speeding \$10; Paul Zeko, Speeding, \$10; C. W. Stewart, Speeding \$10; Joe Eaton, Operating car while intoxicated \$25;

L. L. Setteswhite, Operating car while intoxicated \$25;

W. H. Hamlet, No Drivers License \$10;

O. N. Hoopes, No License \$10;

A. D. Hurley, Parking on pavement \$12;

H. Jackson, Speeding \$10;

C. L. Parcher, Speeding \$10;

A. G. Beaudin, Overloading \$50;

Carl Aldrich, Reckless Driving \$15;

L. D. Boylen, Hogging Road \$10;

Bail Forfeit \$15;

N. J. Wallard, Overloading \$25;

Geo. Whitefield, Speeding \$10;

A. F. Ables, Reckless Driving \$10;

J. D. Kiltner, Misuse dealers plates \$15;

D. B. Smith, No lights \$5;

Leslie Nelson, No license \$15;

D. Wadsworth, Speeding \$15;

A. H. Culfan, Speeding \$20;

A. W. Anderson, Overloading \$20;

J. R. Hughes, Overloading \$25;

W. F. Oskirk, Overloading \$25;

S. M. Roentz, Speeding \$25;

R. Dobbach, Overloading \$10;

L. Heister, No drivers license \$10;

J. Spotsman, No License \$10;

T. Fredrick, Speeding \$15;

C. Glanz, Failing to dim lights, \$5;

T. R. Jarloe, Speeding \$10;

E. L. Gaffney, No License \$10;

A. Gibson, No License \$15;

O. B. Oslen, Damaging Road \$15;

W. F. Emery, No License \$10;

J. T. Atkins, Speeding \$15;

A. T. Whitcomb, Speeding \$15;

L. Pincus, Speeding \$10;

J. McHollick, Reckless Driving \$25;

O. Olsen, Speeding \$10;

W. F. Emery, No License \$10;

J. T. Arthur, Speeding \$15;

W. Elliott, Speeding \$10;

A. Maxwell, Speeding \$10;

R. Amoss, Speeding \$10;

L. G. Tickner, Speeding \$10;

M. Woodward, Speeding \$10;

A. M. Clark, Overloading \$10;

W. Hampton, Speeding \$5;

T. H. Smith, Speeding \$25;

H. Thomson, Speeding \$50;

J. E. Young, No license \$10;

A. C. Erickson, No License \$20;

T. W. Gorman, Overloading \$15;

A. D. Sordan, Speeding \$20;

O. E. Summers, Speeding \$10;

G. Rudenker, Speeding \$10;

F. Laury, Speeding \$20;

H. Blaising, Speeding \$5;

W. T. Dyke, Failure to dim lights \$10;

W. J. Ilamont, No License \$5;

J. Waner, Speeding \$10;

E. Schwartz, Speeding \$10;

R. C. Stretchberg, Speeding \$10;

E. E. Pettit, Passing on turn \$10;

C. Tabuchi, No License \$10;

W. A. White, No License \$15;

G. Price, Speeding \$10;

R. Neuderhausen, No License \$10;

E. Lollick, Driving while intoxicated \$100;

K. M. Graham, Hogging Road \$5;

R. Pendleton, Driving while intoxicated \$50;

L. O. Peterson, Reckless Driving \$25;

H. Jacobsen, Speeding \$10;

C. L. Parcher, Speeding \$10;

C. G. Beaden, Overloading \$50;

E. W. Johnson, Overloading \$50;

W. A. Paddock, Speeding \$5;

F. W. Ralls, Speeding \$10;

R. Kicks, Speeding \$7;

M. G. Hewitt, Speeding \$5;

Total \$1,072.

# ASTORIA RZED BY HUGE FIRE TWO LIVES LOST

### ASTORIA, O., Dec. 8.—(3 P. M.)—Fire which broke out shortly after 2 o'clock this morning, tonight had swept through 24 blocks of the business district of the city, done damage estimated at \$22,000,000, destroyed every department store, hotel, bank and countless small business establishments, and taken a toll of two lives.

Summarized tonight, the situation was as follows:

Two thousand persons homeless. The city cut off without banking facilities.

No food obtainable, except from a central distributing station, established by a swiftly-organized committee of 50 business men.

Relief arriving hourly by train and automobile from Portland and other points.

Supplies sufficient to care for 3000 persons were made ready at the supply depot at Clackamas.

Another death accredited to the excitement of the blaze is that of John G. Smith, a laborer, 50 years of age, who was found hanging by the neck from a pier at the foot of Eighth street at daybreak this morning. Coroner Hughes declared he believed the man a suicide because of fright.

The fire was under control at 2 o'clock today.

ASTORIA, Dec. 8. (10:30 a. m.)—Astoria's business area is a mass of ruins today, as the result of a fire that started at 2:15 o'clock this morning. Smoke, debris, flames and wreckage strew its once active thoroughfares. Twenty-seven business blocks have been wiped out.

The damage may run up to \$10,000,000 to \$15,000,000. One life has been forfeited. Norris Staples, president of the Bank of Commerce, succumbed to heart disease in the excitement of helping to push cars from his garage.

The Weinhard hotel, Hoefler's candy store, the newspaper plants of the Budget and the Morning Astorian, Mason-Ehrman plant, Allen & Lewis plant, the American Railway Express company, the Postal and Western Union offices, First National, Astoria National, the Blue Mouse, Liberty and Star theatres, Elks' club, Odd Fellows' hall, Bee Hive department store and the Red Men's hall are among the structures which have been obliterated.

#### Hospital Burials

At 10:30 o'clock the flames were menacing the city hall and Catholic hospital, the former being already ablaze. All patients were removed from the hospital to the high school without mishap.

The flames, at that time not under control, were in the block facing Commercial street, between 16th and 17th, the fire having burned out on other sides of the blazing area.

At that time the Logan block, in which the Astoria Business college occupied the second floor, and the Nyquist Motor Car company and Prael-Eigner Auto company the main floor, was burning, with no hope that it would be saved.

The fire was kept from the Sanborn docks on the waterfront.

#### Street Spread Blaze

The construction of Commercial street was one of the main factors of the spread of the flames. The street was built on piling with a wooden floor, on which pavement had been laid. The open space under the street acted as a duct, spreading the flames in all directions, to buildings across up and down the street.

Central headquarters of the Astoria fire department is directly across the street from the location of the latest blaze and is aflame.

The courthouse, postoffice and telephone exchange are still standing, so far apparently out of reach of the flames.

The flames were fanned during the early hours of the fire by a strong north wind, which switched later to the south. A heavy rain fell during the morning hours.

#### Dynamite Is Used

The rapid spread of the flames is considered due to the numerous frame buildings in the path of the conflagration.

Dynamite was used in half a dozen places to raze buildings in an effort to check the flames. The long distance telephone offices were temporarily established in the city hall as an emergency. The only means of communication out of town for a time was by telegraph, as both telegraph offices were destroyed.

Nineteen city blocks had been razed or were burned at 7:30 o'clock. The fire area extended from Astor to Duane, four blocks, and from Ninth to 14th streets. Three blocks between Eighth and Ninth streets and two between Exchange and Franklin streets were burning but were less than half destroyed.

Cause of the fire had not been determined. The flames broke out in Thiel Brothers' restaurant and pool room on Commercial street, between 11th and 12th streets, across the street from Hoefler's. The blaze spread so rapidly that all efforts to check it were fruitless, and appeals were sent out to nearby towns for help.

#### ESTIMATED BUDGET OF COUNTY EXPENDITURES REQUIRED TO MAINTAIN VARIOUS OFFICES, COURTS AND OTHER DEPARTMENTS OF COUNTY GOVERNMENT, SHOWING THE AMOUNT OF MONEY PROPOSED TO BE EXPENDED BY CLACKAMAS COUNTY FOR ALL PURPOSES DURING THE FISCAL YEAR, 1923, AS COMPILED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE, APPOINTED BY THE COURT.

#### CLACKAMAS COUNTY BUDGET FOR THE YEAR, 1923:

Estimated amounts of money necessary to maintain the various offices courts and schools of the county, together with the estimated amounts for State tax and maintenance of Roads and Bridges, with a showing of the unit costs of the various offices, material and supplies for the fiscal year next preceding the current year, and the budget allowances and expenditures for the 6 months of the current year.

	Est. Exp. 1923	Est. Exp. 1922	Expend. for 6 mo. 1922	Expend. for 6 mo. 1921	Expend. for 6 mo. 1920
<b>CIRCUIT COURT</b>					
Estimated expenses	6,000.00	3,975.60	6,612.00	5,534.00	5,515.27
<b>COUNTY COURT</b>					
Salary of County Judge	1,600.00				
County Commissioners	2,500.00				
Stamps & Stationery	100.00				
Total	4,200.00	1,745.25	4,595.10	4,256.71	4,533.24
<b>JUSTICE COURT</b>					
Estimated expenses	3,500.00	1,901.95	4,508.82	1,622.93	1,305.89

# GOVERNMENT AGENTS BATTLE MOONSHINERS

### MOUNT STERLING, Ky., Dec. 11.—Desperate moonshiners, armed with high-powered rifles, today are holding at bay prohibition forces many times their number in the mountain fastnesses on the east fork of Slate creek, Menifee county, Kentucky, he battle has been raging three days.

So far the casualties are two dead both government agents.

Preparations were made this morning for another invasion of the moonshiners' stronghold.

Governor Morrow had been notified of the situation, but as yet no request for troops has been made.

The prohibition forces are armed with machine guns and are led by U. G. McFarland of Louisville, augmented by Sheriff Ben Wells and a posse of deputies.

One of the government agents was killed Saturday, the other on Sunday. In Saturday's raid, Robert E. Duff was shot down and stripped of his clothing and badge. The body was found to have been pierced by 10 bullets, most of them fired after Duff fell.

Sunday morning the prohibition forces returned to the scene and destroyed two stills near the spot of Duff's murder. They were again fired upon from ambush and Dave Treadway, 28, a recently deputized federal agent, fell mortally wounded.

The agents asserted the belief today that Bob Ballard, who is charged with the murder of Duff, and his son, Jeff, Ballard, are the ringleaders of the outlaws. All the men are expert riflemen and, it is believed, will never be taken alive.

#### 2 WHITE GIRLS FOUND IN OPIUM DEN OF NEGRO

PORTLAND, Dec. 7.—Two white girls, two white men and three negroes were arrested when the morals squad swooped down on an opium den conducted by U. G. Smith, colored, at 135 North Fourteenth street early this morning.

The white girls gave their names as Dorothy Clayton and Beth Leighton. They are 24 and 25 years old respectively. Miss Clayton gave her occupation as a domestic and Miss Leighton is a clerk.

A white man giving the name of Charles Rudolph is said by police to be a brother of Miss Clayton. They do not know which if either, is the true name. Rudolph said that he was 28 years old and a pressman.

George Clark was the other white man. He is a laborer.

Smith and his reputed wife, who gave the name of Carrie Galloway, were charged with maintaining a nuisance and assisting in such maintenance, respectively. Smith also is charged with possessing narcotics.

The police confiscated a small amount of opium. They assert that Smith threw some opium away before they could prevent it.

While the raid was in progress N. Johnson, a negro porter, went into the house. He had some opium in his possession and was charged with possessing narcotics.

The white persons were all charged with visiting an opium den.

All were smoking the dream weed, police say, when the squad broke into the house.

#### Rail Divorce Case Near End; Move to Speed Action Made

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—The last lap of the Southern Pacific-Central Pacific hearings before the interstate commerce commission was reached today with the conclusion of cross-examination of Union Pacific witnesses by counsel for the Southern Pacific. It is expected that the hearings will be finally wound up by tomorrow night at the latest.

The Southern Pacific intends to place about 20 rebuttal witnesses on the stand today and tomorrow in refutation of statements of Union Pacific witnesses, preparatory to resting its case.

A. H. Wood, Southern Pacific counsel, again made efforts to expedite action on the case. He urged that arguments be started immediately upon conclusion of the hearings, and further suggested that briefs be filed by the two roads, with no answering briefs later. H. A. Scandrett, Union Pacific counsel, took exception to the proposal, declaring that he desired as much time as possible following submission of the Southern Pacific brief to make his own arguments.

Commissioner Potter, presiding, advised counsel for the two carriers that he would take the matter of further procedure up with the other commissioners.

#### JUVENILE COURT

Estimated Expenses	1,000.00	534.09	893.38	851.80	1,098.85
<b>SHERIFF'S OFFICE</b>					
Sheriff's Salary	2,100.00				
Chief Deputy	1,200.00				
Special Deputy hire with car	2,000.00				
Stationery & Stamps	320.00				
Road	50.00				
Traffic Officer with car	2,000.00				
Total	7,670.00	2,903.06	6,689.72	7,017.60	4,215.94

#### TAX DEPARTMENT

Chief Deputy's Salary	1,440.00				
Second Deputy	1,080.00				
One Clerk	1,020.00				
One Clerk 3 months	720.00				
Overtime	600.00				
Stamps	400.00				
Premium on Bonds	297.00				
Office supplies	1,010.00				
Total	7,587.00	2,867.24	7,673.45	5,998.70	4,457.51

#### CLERK'S OFFICE:

Clerk's Salary	1,800.00				
Chief Deputy	1,320.00				
Deputy (recording and registration)	1,080.00				
Deputy Bookkeeper	960.00				
Assistant Bookkeeper	960.00				
Stationery & Supplies	675.00				
Clerks Bond Premium	35.00				
Circuit Court Supplies	155.00				
Forgery Bond	25.00				
Juvenile Court Blanks	75.00				
Probate Court Blanks	90.00				
Commissioners Court-Warrants	207.00				
Miscellaneous:					
Marriage Record					
Birth & Death Record					
Chatel Lien Record					
Dog Lic. and Collars					
Files & Equipment					
Machine & Record repairs	430.00				
Total	7,932.00	4,183.09	8,044.50	7,076.80	6,343.49

#### RECORDER'S OFFICE:

Salary of Recorder	1,500.00				
Chief Deputy	1,200.00				
2 Typists	2,040.00				
Extra Help	150.00				
Material & Supplies	705.95				
Equipment, records and bonds	548.00				
Total	6,143.95	5,124.25	5,991.32	5,800.01	4,899.83

#### TREASURER'S OFFICE:

Salary of Treasurer	1,500.00				
Chief Deputy	1,200.00				
Extra Clerk hire	275.00				
Bonds of Treasurer	315.00				
Material & Supplies	350.00				
Total	3,640.00	1,741.74	4,583.56	3,369.92	2,987.01

#### SURVEYOR'S OFFICE:

Salary of Surveyor	1,800.00				
Assistants	1,200.00				
Stenographer	120.00				
Axmen and chainmen	800.00				
Mileage	400.00				
Office and Field Supplies	350.00				
Road Viewers	300.00				
Total	4,970.00	2,789.53	4,698.32	4,878.75	4,781.71

#### ASSESSOR'S OFFICE:

Assessor's Salary	1,500.00				
Chief Deputy	1,200.00				
Second Deputy	1,020.00				
Third Deputy	1,020.00				
Field Deputies	3,000.00				
Extending Tax Roll & Index	700.00				
Book	1,280.00				
Bond & Office Supplies	972.00				
Total	9,720.00	4,310.76	9,401.73	9,077.11	8,362.04

#### HEALTH OFFICER and expenses

COUNTY PHYSICIAN and expenses	800.00	249.05	1,074.83	2,493.41	1,720.90
CORONER'S ESTIMATED Expense	1,000.00	500.00	616.79	899.35	707.30
SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT					
Salary of Superintendent	1,700.00				
Supt's Expenses	400.00				
Supervisor's Salary	1,440.00				
Supervisor's Expenses	650.00				
Stenographer's Salary	1,080.00				
Supplies and Materials	1,415.00				
Total	6,885.00	3,114.57	6,619.46	5,033.95	5,161.17

#### INSANE COURT HOUSE—Janitor

Fuel	1,320.00	129.50	377.58	386.47	155.04
Supplies, Materials and Repairs	1,500.00				
Total	3,820.00	1,573.12	4,340.69	4,387.22	3,121.98

#### INSURANCE

Cattle Indemnity	500.00	386.40			685.28
Indigent Soldier	1,000.00	185.87	1,478.65	157.24	407.77
Widow's Pension	500.00	330.			