

## 4-POWER TREATY APPROVED BY ALL

### Pact Is Anglo-Japanese Alliance Substitute.

### SPECIAL SESSION TODAY

### Agreement in Principle to Be Announced to World.

### ONLY MINOR DETAILS LEFT

### Task of Drafting Compact Into Final Form Is Already Well Advanced.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 9.—(By The Associated Press.)—The United States, Great Britain, Japan and France all have agreed in principle to the four-power treaty proposed as a substitute for the Anglo-Japanese alliance.

This agreement to govern conditions in the Pacific will be announced at a plenary session of the conference at 11 o'clock tomorrow.

The question of naval ratios, it was said tonight by some foreign delegation spokesmen, will not be taken up at the meeting, at least directly, although it is understood that its relation to the proposed agreement is held to be vital.

Decision Made Suddenly. Decision to hold the session was reached suddenly tonight at a meeting of delegation spokesmen with Secretary Hughes after the French acceptance of the proposal had been received from Paris. Previously it had been the plan to hold a meeting of the committee on far eastern questions at that hour.

At the same time reports will be received from several sub-committees which have been at work on questions affecting the far east.

The next step to be taken on the four-power alliance, an agreement on specific terms, is regarded among the plenipotentiaries as only a question of hours.

Already the task of drafting the treaty into final form is well advanced. The text is brief, providing indirect terms for abrogation of the alliance and for a "cooling off" process should war be threatened over questions of the Pacific islands.

Minor Details Remain. The details yet to be settled are said to involve only minor considerations. It is the expectation of other delegates that the coming plenary session also will see a publicly announced agreement between the United States, Great Britain and Japan on the "5-5" naval ratio. Japan has not yet assented to it, but her cabinet is sitting in Tokyo with an apparent prospect of favorable action.

A third element of the Washington negotiations, the separate parts of which have become intertwined as the time for momentous decision arrives, also has been advanced to a point where the attitude of each interested delegation is well understood. This element involves future fortifications in the Pacific and informal discussions of it have established the "status quo" as an acceptable basis of agreement.

China Only Big Problem Left. There remains only the chance of a serious controversy over the problems of China as a possible barrier to a far-reaching understanding in which the national spokesmen can come together on all the major points at issue here. With the sealing of such an understanding the rest would become a matter of detail. Most of the principal delegates believe they could go home by the end of the year and leave the specific terms of the several remaining agreements to be worked out by special commissions.

Indications have not been lacking that Japan might be inclined to delay final action on the four-power treaty and the naval ratio until the obvious problems of China and the far east have reached a stage where they can be lumped into a general round-up agreement. Despite much talk and the adoption of many resolutions, such questions as Shantung and the Japanese leases in Manchuria remain unsettled. Whether that circumstance is to delay the agreements now near consummation is a question only Tokyo can answer. It is the belief of Washington that it will not.

Old Troubles Not Up. Outcroppings of the old troubles of the orient have been apparent more than once since the question of a new deal for China came before the conference. At today's session of the Shantung negotiations Japan agreed to give up the public utilities of Kiaochow, but maintaining the concession conditional on reference of some points to Tokyo. A Chinese delegate pointed out that, although nominally the conversations had made much progress, "strings have been tied" to almost all decisions.

## \$18,245,821 SPENT ON HIGHWAYS IN 1921

ABOUT \$2,000,000 USED IN LOCATION AND SURVEY.

Construction of About 188 Miles of Pavement Completed by the Commission During Year.

SALEM, Or., Dec. 9.—(Special.)—There has been expended under the supervision of the state highway department during the fiscal year of 1921 approximately \$18,245,821.37, according to a report prepared here today by Herbert Nunn, state highway engineer.

These funds were divided as follows: State funds—\$15,031,635.14 Federal co-operative funds—2,183,826.63 County funds—1,030,359.60

Besides these amounts the state highway department has supervised the surveys and location for market roads, for which money is available to the aggregate of approximately \$2,000,000.

During the year the commission has finished construction of approximately 188 miles of pavement, 439 miles of macadam and 264 miles of grading, or a total of 1191 miles constructed. It also has completed 28 bridges at an approximate total cost of \$1,444,180.

The overhead cost of operating the state highway department, as set out in the report was 5.34 per centum of the total amount of money expended. This included the expense of the highway commission and secretary, legal department, auditing, cost-keeping, testing materials, road maps and information reports, bridge designs for counties, engineering work furnished to counties, surveys and engineering for market roads, state surveys for co-operative construction, all engineering for construction on state and co-operative roads, and supervision of maintenance.

The department is exceedingly proud of its showing. Nunn said, as the total 5.34 per centum overhead cost compares very favorably with other states for engineering expenses alone.

## SHIPS SHORT FOR TRIP

Twenty Thousand Shriners Want to Make Hawaii Voyage.

HONOLULU, T. H., Dec. 9.—(Special.)—Twenty thousand Shriners would come to Honolulu next June if transportation and hotel accommodations for them could be provided, according to Charles Drew, manager of the shipping department of Castle & Cooke, who returned recently from a six weeks' tour that included San Francisco, Seattle and Portland.

The Shriners—the Masons and the Wilhelmians—have been chartered by the Shriners and several more have been chartered from the Atlantic to make the round trip. Mr. Drew expects at least 2000 to make the excursion here, leaving San Francisco about June 14. He says San Francisco is preparing for 250,000 visitors.

## FLANDERS POPPIES PEST

Flowers Sacred to War Memories to Be Plowed Under.

NEW YORK, Dec. 9.—Poppies transported from Flanders fields to bloom on the dump heaps of Jersey will not see another spring.

The federal horticultural board has adjudged them a nuisance and apest to agriculture and ordered them plowed under until they haven't the heart to rise again. The poppies were brought over in earth ballast, shipped in France by troop transport, and threaten to overrun surrounding gardens and truck farms.

"The reason the poppy blooms in France and Belgium is because the farmers can't get rid of it," said Harry H. Shaw, pathologist of the federal horticultural board, today.

## LUCKNOW GREET'S PRINCE

Enthusiastic Welcome Extended by Municipal Authorities.

LUCKNOW, British India, Dec. 9.—The Prince of Wales, who is on a tour of India, arrived here today and was enthusiastically welcomed by the municipal authorities.

Governor Sir Harcourt Butler in the executive council yesterday defended the action of the authorities in arresting a number of prominent "non-co-operators" who, he said, seized the occasion of the prince's visit by intimidating loyalists and starting a movement of civil disobedience.

## \$85,000 FOR LOOP CUT FROM BUDGET

Tax Commission Holds Expenditure Illegal.

Money Already Spent by State Highway Body.

## COUNTY'S PLEDGE SPOILED

Multnomah County Will Not Be Permitted to Aid Financially in the Construction of the Mount Hood Loop Next Year, an Item of \$85,000 for this purpose having been eliminated from the county budget yesterday by the tax supervision and conservation commission. The slash of this item was made because the commission was of the opinion that the arrangement entered into between the county board of commissioners of Multnomah county and the state highway commission in connection with the construction of the loop road was illegal.

When the subject was first taken under consideration Commissioner Sabin explained that while he did not approve of the county aiding in the construction of a scenic highway outside the limits of Multnomah county, he was willing to approve the item in the budget because of arrangements already entered into between the highway commission and the county.

Plan Thought Illegal. However, he changed his position after Chairman Mulkey of the commission cited the decision of the Oregon supreme court, in the case of "Brix versus Clatsop county," in which it was held that a contract entered into by a county to be paid for by money to be collected by taxes in the future is void.

"My judgment is that the arrangement entered into between the Oregon state highway commission and Multnomah county for the construction of the Mount Hood loop road is illegal," Chairman Mulkey declared. "In this case a budget for 1922 was entered into in June, 1921, and one for 1923 was entered into in 1921, to the extent that a gentleman's agreement was made with the highway commission that the county would expend a certain sum of money for this proposed roadway. If one budget item can be enunciated in 1921 covering funds available in 1922 and 1923 it can be done for 1924 and 1925 and so on ad infinitum, and if it can be done in the case of one item in the budget it can be done in all items of the budget."

The county commission agreed that it would pay a certain sum toward the construction of this roadway if it could be lawfully done. In my opinion it cannot be lawfully done. This commission as well as the county commission is concerned with legal arrangements.

Provision to Require Judges to Give All of Time to Work Slated.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 9.—Representative Moore, Democrat, Virginia, announced today he would offer an amendment to the Walsh judicial bill to require federal judges to devote all their time to judicial duties.

Such an amendment would prevent Judge Landis from acting as baseball commissioner without resigning the judgeship.

## BLOW AIMED AT LANDIS

German Rivrity Said to Have Wiped One Wartime Industry.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 9.—German competition has wiped out one of America's war time industries, the manufacture of chamollette gloves.

This was the testimony today of Representative Littauer of New York city before the senate finance committee in urging a higher rate on the class of gloves, which is manufactured from cotton.

## TOKIO'S DAMAGED SEVERE QUAKE

Many Persons Injured by Temblor in Japan.

Rome Also Reports Serious Shocks in Region of Lake Bolsena, 60 Miles Distant.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 9.—The most severe earthquake of the past 20 years struck Tokio Thursday, according to unofficial advices reaching the Japanese embassy here.

No deaths were reported, the dispatches said, but a number of persons were injured and many houses were damaged.

TOKIO, Dec. 9.—(By The Associated Press.)—A severe earthquake occurred here at 5:25 o'clock last night. Up to noon today the most serious damage reported through the earthquake which occurred here last night was the breaking of the city's water main, necessitating the temporary cutting off of the water supply. Havoc was done in the crockery shops.

ROME, Dec. 9.—(By The Associated Press.)—Serious earthquake shocks have been reported throughout this week from the region of Lake Bolsena, 60 miles northwest of here.

The ground in several villages shows large fissures and most of the inhabitants are camping in the fields. No deaths have been reported.

## CHILDREN TO BE FETED

Hood River Good Fellows to Take Youngsters to Gorge Hotel.

HOOD RIVER, Or., Dec. 9.—(Special.)—Hood River Good Fellows, headed by District Attorney Baker, are co-operating with Hans Thiele, manager of the Columbia Gorge hotel, on plans that call for a merry time on Friday evening, December 23, for children of the city. It is proposed to escort all youngsters to the big tourist hostelry by automobile. Mr. Thiele has announced that he will set up in the big dining room one of the most elaborate Christmas trees ever seen in Hood River.

"We are determined," says Mr. Baker, "that no children of needy families go without some real Christmas presents. We want to make the event one that will stand out as a red letter day in their existence."

## GIRLS BURNED TO DEATH

Two Daughters of Idaho Family Lose Their Lives in Fire.

BONNERS FERRY, Idaho, Dec. 9.—Two young daughters of Mr. and Mrs. K. Darrell Wooden, aged 13 months and 3 years, were burned to death in a fire which destroyed the Wooden home at the Idaho Gold & Ruby Mining company's camp near Leonia, Idaho, Wednesday afternoon.

Their mother had gone to the home of a neighbor nearby after putting them to bed for a nap when she noticed the house in flames.

## EMMA GOLDMAN TOO RED FOR COMMUNISTS

Radical, Distrusted, Would Return to America.

Socialist Deported in 1919 Said to Be in Riga in Quest of Permission to Come Back.

RIGA, Latvia, Dec. 9.—(By The Associated Press.)—Emma Goldman, who was deported to Russia from the United States in December, 1919, as a result of her alleged anarchistic activities, has left Moscow, it was learned here today. She is believed to be in Riga, with the intention of seeking permission to return to the United States.

According to soviet officials here, Miss Goldman probably had little difficulty in obtaining permission to leave Russia, as they said her anarchistic beliefs strongly clashed with the communistic programme. Americans who saw her recently in Russia said she was anxious to return to the United States.

Since her arrival in Russia she has been employed assisting in the compilation of a history of the Russian revolution. Her attitude is said to have aroused the suspicion of soviet officials, but she and Alexander Berkman, who was deported with her, were permitted to circulate freely on the condition that they would not speak or conduct agitation on behalf of the anarchists.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 9.—(By The Associated Press.)—Only executive clemency—a pardon from President Harding, setting aside the court proceedings under which Emma Goldman was deported from the United States—would allow her to return to the United States, Immigration Commissioner Husbant said today. It is not considered probable, it was said, that any recommendations will be made by the immigration authorities asking clemency for her, as her case is said to be considered by them nearly under the law establishing inadmissibility of certain aliens as citizens of the United States.

## FISH MANHANDLES INDIAN

Sturgeon Drags Chief Over Many Rocks and Three Waterfalls.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 9.—Chief Strong Coffee, Klamath Indian, was figuring on changing his name to Chief Arnie today, as a result of being pulled over many rocks and three waterfalls in the Klamath river, near Orleans, Cal., by a heavyweight champion sturgeon, the United States forestry service here was advised.

Strong Coffee started out with a sturgeon harpoon lashed to his waist. He made a perfect shot and the sturgeon fell into a tailspin, dragging Chief Coffee down stream with it. Other Indians cut him loose as he was heading straight for Japan and making around 30 knots.

The yarn comes from H. R. Sexton, ranger in the Klamath national forest, who swears that it is not a "fish story."

## U. S. GLOVE TRADE LOST

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## IRISH PACT PARTY EXPECTED TO WIN

Signers of Treaty Have Big Following.

London Thinks Dail Majority Will Convince Leader.

DE VALERA LIKELY TO YIELD

Headquarters Staff of Republican Army Declared Behind Peace Faction in Erin.

DUBLIN, Dec. 9.—(By The Associated Press.)—The sensation following the revelation of a split in the Dail Eireann cabinet over ratification of the Anglo-Irish treaty yielded to a calmer attitude tonight.

There seems to be ground for the belief that Arthur Griffith, who headed the delegation which signed the agreement in London, will have a sufficient following in the Sinn Fein parliament next Wednesday to insure ratification of the agreement by a substantial majority.

The headquarters staff of the Irish republican army is supposed to be behind Michael Collins, also a signer of the agreement, in which case a majority for ratification would be certain.

Should a considerable majority support the motion for ratification and thus vote against Eamon De Valera, it is thought probable that he will "stand aside" and let Mr. Griffith make the best of the situation.

Factions' Strength Canvassed. After the first surprise following Eamon De Valera's repudiation of the proposition for creating the Irish free state, officials in both London and Dublin were occupied today mainly in canvassing the prospects for ratification of the treaty.

Opinion in both cities appeared to be that Arthur Griffith will obtain an effective majority, although it was admitted that De Valera possessed a strong following and that the voters may be close. If De Valera should be defeated in his fight against ratification, it is thought that he may resign his position as head of the Sinn Fein.

Should matters develop into taking a plebiscite of the Irish people, it is thought there would not be the slightest doubt of a great majority in favor of the treaty.

Parliament's Plans Made. At the special request of Lord Curzon, the address in reply to King George's speech in the house of lords next Wednesday will be made by Viscount Morley, one of the oldest and staunchest advocates of Irish home rule.

He will make the motion for ratification. The motion will be seconded by Earl Dunraven, who for years has advocated a dominion settlement as applied to Ireland.

Prime Minister Lloyd George and Premier Sir James Craig of Ulster held a long conference today, which was participated in by various times by other ministers, including Lord Chancellor Birkenhead, Austin Chamberlain and Winston Spencer Churchill. Nothing was made known today regarding the results of the conference, or even whether there would be a further meeting or not. It was supposed, however, that the conference had to do largely with matters of finance.

Ulster Not Discussed. Today's conferences were said to have been on the matter of elucidation on the treaty, and not concerning the granting of any concessions to Ulster beyond what are contained in the treaty. A final term of the bargain with the Sinn Fein is said to have been that Ulster shall obtain no other terms whatever than those in the treaty and that the ministers pledged themselves that neither now nor hereafter will Ulster, if she stays out, get the fiscal and other powers that are given the south. It was stated that the Sinn Feiners would not have agreed to for the promises they got in this respect. The idea of the Sinn Feiners was dealing on a basis that the only chance to get Ulster was to squeeze her in by economic inducements.

Less attention is being paid to the situation of Ulster than previously in view of the weightier question of the effect of Eamon de Valera's decision against the treaty.

De Valera Makes Statement. Eamon De Valera, in announcing today that the treaty between Great Britain and Ireland would come up next Wednesday in the Dail Eireann on the question of ratification, issued the following statement: "To prevent misunderstanding, the public should realize, first, that the treaty signed by our plenipotentiaries will be ratified by the Dail Eireann, no less than by the British parliament, in order to take effect and, second, that the usual course would be for the cabinet to introduce the treaty agreement as a cabinet measure."

In the present case, owing to the fact that in the later stages of the negotiations the views of the plenipotentiaries differed from those of

## HUGE LUMBER BUYING BY EUROPE IS BEGUN

French Government Places Order for 240,000,000 Feet.

Continued and Increasing Prosperity for 500 Plants in Oregon and Washington Assured.

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 9.—(Special.)—Europe's after-the-war purchases of lumber, the Pacific northwest's greatest product, have begun on a gigantic scale, assuring continued and increasing prosperity for the 500 plants that employ about 100,000 men when running full capacity in Washington and Oregon.

For use in its programme of reconstruction the French government has placed with a Chicago buyer a tentative order for 240,000,000 feet of low-grade American lumber and will complete the purchase on a three-year delivery contract as soon as financial arrangements have been perfected.

This announcement was made today by R. W. Vinnege, president of the West Coast Lumbermen's association, following the receipt of a telegram from Edward Hines of Chicago, with whom the big lumber order was placed. The purchase, Mr. Vinnege declared, indicates that European buying of lumber for reconstruction purposes, long predicted, has become a reality.

Mr. Vinnege has just returned from Chicago, where he had several conferences with Mr. Hines on the lumber situation.

## AIRMAN KILLED IN CRASH

Pilot Seriously Injured But Is Expected to Recover.

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Dec. 9.—Chief Machinist's Mate M. C. McLean, attached to the North Island navy air station, was instantly killed this afternoon when the land plane in which he was a passenger crashed to the ground in front of one of the hangars on the field. Ensign J. C. Cline, who was piloting the plane at the time of the accident, was seriously injured.

McLean's home was San Diego. Cline probably will recover, physicians at the naval hospital said.

Cline's airplane went into a spin as the pilot turned quickly to avoid another airplane, onlookers said.

## MR. DRESEL IN BERLIN

American Charge d'Affaires Will Present His Credentials Today.

BERLIN, Dec. 9.—(By The Associated Press.)—Ellis Loring Dresel will present his credentials as American charge d'affaires at the foreign office tomorrow. As he does not hold the rank of minister or ambassador he will not be officially received by President Ebert, but merely will present his credentials to Chancellor Wirth, who is the interim foreign minister.

Thorndore Lang, who has been connected with the Anglo-American section of the foreign office, has been appointed German consul-general at New York.

## LASH USED ON ROBBERS

Two Get Whipping in Addition to Seven Years in Prison.

MONTREAL, Dec. 9.—The lash, deemed by Dominion authorities one of the greatest deterrents to crime, was ordered today applied to Patrick O'Hara and Albert Slade of Hamilton, Ont., convicted of a \$2500 bank robbery, August 12.

Sentenced to the penitentiary for seven years, the convicts were ordered lashed seven times on beginning their terms and seven times upon completion.

## INDEX OF TODAY'S NEWS

The Weather. YESTERDAY'S Maximum temperature, 49 degrees; minimum -23 degrees. TODAY'S—Rain; southeasterly winds.

## ESCAPED SLAYER IS KILLED BY PAL

Notorious Outlaw Shot by 1 of 5 Led in Dash.

NEGRO MURDERER IS DYING

White Forger Says He Flew With Intent to Kill.

PRISON RULED 4 HOURS

Arkansas Outlaw Overpowers All Guards and Then Offers Freedom to Everyone.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Dec. 9.—Tom Slaughter, doomed murderer and desperado who early this morning led four condemned negro slayers and a white forger in a spectacular escape from the state prison here, tonight was shot to death in the fastness of the Saline county hills by the white man who fled with him.

One of the negroes was dying in the hills beside the white outlaw's body and all of the rest of the party were in the custody of Sheriff Crow. Slaughter was shot from behind by J. C. Howard, who was serving a three-year term for forgery.

Shooting Is in Deep Woods. The scene of the shooting was 14 miles northwest of Benton in the deep woods. Howard, according to a statement he made at the Benton jail by telegraph, had been waiting to catch up Slaughter.

"I left him with the intention of killing him the first chance I got," he was quoted as saying.

Slaughter, considered among the most daring of desperados in the history of the southwest, in the early morning ruled the Arkansas state prison—ruled like a "king" for four hours. In making the break, Slaughter summoned a guard, feigning illness. When offered an extra blanket to warm him in his death cell, he covered his guard with a revolver, disarmed him, then snatched the prison, disarming and jailing the guards as he met them.

Before leaving the prison Slaughter went to the adjacent home of the warden and aroused him from his bed and forced the warden and his family to return to the prison, where they also were locked in the cells.

The auto in which the men escaped was found 13 miles north of Benton, where the outlaws abandoned it when stopped by an open ditch.

Investigations of Slaughter's possession of the revolver which made the escape possible have been begun by Warden Dempsey, the state penitentiary commission and the governor, Herman Venolite, trusty guard, was placed in the death cell pending developments.

Execution Set for December 10. Slaughter was convicted of murder in Jefferson circuit court on November 11 and his date of execution set for December 10.

Slaughter was under sentence of death for the killing of a trusty guard at the state prison farm at Tucker, Ark., where he was serving a life sentence for the killing of Row Brown, deputy sheriff, of Hot Springs. Six negroes under death sentence in connection with the riots at Elaine, Ark., in 1918, refused the opportunity to escape and remained in their cells.

After the escape, it developed that the revolver had been smuggled to Slaughter in the death cell. Feigning illness, Slaughter succeeded in getting a guard to open his cell door about 3:30 o'clock last night. He held up this guard and another standing nearby, took their pistols and then forced them to go ahead of him to the stockade where their presence admitted them and permitted him to overpower the one

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## STATE'S DIVERSIFIED RESOURCES FEATURE OF OREGONIAN ANNUAL

Oregon's resources, diversified as they are, insure the state ample protection against the menace of crop loss. In the annual edition of The Oregonian, to be issued January 2, these subjects will be carefully and adequately handled in text and elaborately illustrated with photographs.

Oregon's horticultural and agricultural development will be related and there will also be articles on other phases of the state's resources, including a review of the year's progress in reclamation—a most important subject.

Other state features include: Our fish hatcheries, fishing and hunting in Oregon, the dairy industry, mining, growers' co-operative progress, land available for settlers, salmon industry—in fact, every phase of activity.

