

SHANTUNG RAILWAY
DETERMINED OUT

Hope of Plenary Session This
Week Given Up.

NEW PROBLEMS ARISE

First Revision of Naval Convention
Is Completed—Treaty May
Be Done Tomorrow.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 12.—(By the Associated Press.)—Further details of both the naval treaty and the Shantung negotiations were ironed out today, but the arms delegates gave up hope of a plenary session this week to announce definite results.

The "big five" completed its first revision of the naval convention and sent the text back to its legal experts for a redraft of the changes made. It will meet again tomorrow and a virtually completed treaty may be ready for an executive session of the full naval committee on Saturday or Monday.

In the Shantung conversations further supplemental agreements were reached by the Japanese and Chinese and a new promise of progress on the central question of the Tientsin-Tsinanfu railroad was held out by a series of compromise proposals suggested informally by Secretary Hughes and Arthur J. Balfour.

Beland's Action Causes Stir.
Word of the resignation of Premier Beland of France created a stir in conference circles, but the disposition in French quarters tonight was to minimize its immediate effects on the Washington negotiations. Albert Sarraut, head of the delegation, indicated his belief that the change of administration would not vitiate the agreements projected here.

Among American officials in the conference, however, there was some apprehension that M. Beland's retirement might have a far-reaching effect on the naval limitation programme as he had been directly responsible for France's withdrawal of her 250,000-ton capital ship proposal.

Scrapped Ships One Issue.
Included in the new treaty provisions, not yet finally acted in the informal conversations of the "big five," are understood to be the sections relating to disposition of scrapped ships and fixing a "status quo" for Pacific fortifications. On the former the chief delegates are said to be in virtual agreement, while instructions awaited from Tokyo are expected to make early settlement of the latter possible.

The discussions of scrapping have aroused unusual interest among the naval experts, who have recommended that permission be given for conversion of obsolete warships into other types of craft and have urged that the provision would represent a large financial saving because of the necessity of constructing new vessels of various classes in the near future.

Conversion Is Opposed.
Opposed to this is the view that to convert discarded battleships into another type of warship, but not in accordance with the animating purpose of the Washington conference. This position is understood to have been taken in the "big five" meeting by Secretary Hughes. To support it, the argument was made that the conference should demonstrate its desire to reduce armament by specifying that the surplus ships must be put out of business altogether.

The question of defining the geographical scope of the Pacific fortifications article was described in authoritative circles today as largely a matter of finding the proper technical terminology to carry out decisions already reached.

Difficulties Are Met.
Originally the fortifications agreement provided that the United States and Japan should be able to finish with the conference on the islands in the Pacific which were held by the Japanese to be a part of the Japanese "homeland," although the Japanese had no objection to extending the status quo agreement so as to include the Bonin group.

In consequence an attempt now is in progress to find a way to bring the group within the scope of the fortifications article without at the same time classifying it as outside the Japanese "homeland."

The present proposal is to attach to the treaty a map, with lines drawn to indicate in precisely what zone the "status quo" is to apply.

A spokesman for the American delegation today said that the United States had reached no final decision regarding China's request to include in the discussion of the "21 demands," although some of the American delegation members were known to be strongly of the opinion that the subject cannot be debated, in view of Japanese objection. Data for use in the Sierran discussion are being made ready for the delegation.

Point Granted to Japan.
The compromise suggestions made by Secretary Hughes and Mr. Balfour for settlement of the Shantung railroad problem, although closely guarded, were known to contain some measure of Japanese participation in management of the road during the period given China to make payment for the property. Pending word from their capital, the Chinese and Japanese both are reserving judgment regarding the suggestions.

In high official quarters there have been indications that the American government regards the Shantung question as one which should be settled through the relations in the far east, and it is known that President Harding has kept himself closely informed of developments in the negotiations. It would not surprise some of those in close touch with the question if some proposition for mediation should be made out of the Hughes-Balfour compromise movement.

UMATILLA MAN ACCUSED

They had no reason whatever to suspect him of anything. Things have come to a pretty pass when grand juries whitewash crooked officials and other crooked officials have framed the setting.

Attorney-General Van Winkle said tonight that the proposed investigation of charges made against District Attorney Keator, Mr. Ridgeway and other officials would be up to the grand jury, but that his office would assist in the extent of sending a special deputy to act as legal adviser and present the evidence.

Shaw indicated he returned the attorney-general said the defendants would be prosecuted by Mr. Ujuevici. Records in the office of Governor Olcott show that Mr. Ridgeway was appointed state agent on the recommendation of the county court and strict attorney of Umatilla county. He was paid by the county and not by the state. His commission expired December 31, and as yet no request has been made for the issuance of a new commission.

POSTOFFICE RECEIPTS INCREASE

ALBANY, Or., Jan. 12.—(Special.)—Receipts of the Albany postoffice for the last month were 11 per cent greater than during Christmas 1921. A gradual increase for several months has indicated the growth of the city and last month also indicated a greater volume of Christmas shopping than the preceding year.

S & H green stamps for cash. Holston Fuel Co., coal and wood. Mala 222; 560-21—Adv.

DELEGATES TO STAY
TILL WORK IS DONE

Conference Is Not Petering
Out, Says Sullivan.

FAR EAST BIG PROBLEM

Safeguards for Both China and
Japan Held Assured; Siberia's
Rights Also Guaranteed.

BY MARK SULLIVAN.
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WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 12.—(Special.)—The armament conference will come to an end with even less dramatic, perhaps, but no less concrete than those with which it began.

The thought, or rather the atmosphere which suggests that the conference is going to peter out, is as far as possible from the facts. Any idea that the questions of China and Siberia are going to be thrown into the pot with a lick and a promise, while the foreign delegates hurry to make their sailing dates, should not be entertained.

"Sailing dates will have to yield to the job," as one official remarked recently, "until this conference has gone through the job like a saw through an oak. When the job is done and done well, the conference will be over, and not before."

The delegates have worked hard, but they are not tired. They are not the sort of men to lose sight of the purpose with which they began their job or to become listless because they encounter a knot in the oak.

Problems to Be Solved.
China and Siberia, admittedly, present difficulties, but there is possibility of the conference ending without affirmation of two broad principles about these two territories; not merely the affirmation of principles, but also action based on these principles or the clear promise of action at a sufficiently definite date.

The principle about China is that her political integrity shall be unimpaired, and that on the economic and commercial side no rights or privileges shall be asserted or enjoyed by any one nation that are not equally enjoyed by all other nations.

As to Siberia the principle is substantially the same. Mr. Hughes once expressed it by saying that the United States has a sense of moral trusteeship for preserving the integrity of Russia's territory until that unhappy country has recovered from its present woes. It is not tolerable that when Russia comes back she shall come to the spectacle of a world which regards itself as the trustee of her territory.

The nations represented at this conference are neither going to engage in a "scramble" for the territory nor to condone the taking of somebody else's property.

Japan Is Provided For.
The plea that Japan must have a part of the mainland of Asia to give room for her expanding population has been disposed of by the conference. Japan does not want room or need room for expansion in the sense of peopling new territories outside her homeland. The facts and figures that have been assembled in the course of the work of the conference make this clear.

The people of Japan do not colonize in new territories. Since Japan has had Korea and parts of northern Asia the number of Japanese who have gone in and colonized has been negligible. What has really happened is that the protection of the more settled government that Japan has brought to those parts of Manchuria where she has had a long and honorable presence and not the Japanese who have come in and colonized in large numbers.

What Japan wants and needs is access to the coal, iron and other raw materials on the mainland of Asia. To this she is entitled just as other nations are entitled to it. Because she is so much nearer, she will always have a greater advantage than other nations. But this advantage of geographical nearness ought to be met and must be, enough for Japan. It is not to be tolerated that she should be denied equal opportunity of these sorts that would enable her to exclude other nations or put them at a serious disadvantage.

China Assured Protection.
This is the heart of the Chinese and Siberian questions that are still ahead of the conference. The present unhappy condition of those two countries makes the question of this kind, but the conference will not adjourn with any action concerning them that is unsatisfactory to the American people. It should be recalled that at the third open session of the conference Mr. Hughes read the Root resolution, which had been formally adopted by the conference, and then said:

This declaration is, in truth, a charter containing an assurance to China of protection from acts in derogation of her sovereignty and independence, and an assurance that as between powers there shall be a careful observance of the principle of free and equal opportunity in matters relating to China and that no one shall seek special advantages or privileges at the expense of others.

Mr. Hughes then expressed for himself the hope that before the conference should end all those matters about China and the far east should be put into an appropriate agreement and that such an agreement should be signed by the powers concerned. That is the point which the conference now has reached.

RECLAMATION AID WON

McNARY GETS SUPPORT OF SIX SENATORS.
Programme for This Session of Congress Is Declared to Be Sure of Success.

THE OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, D. C., Jan. 12.—In obtaining the approval of the republican leaders of the senate of reclamation legislation last night as a part of the senate programme for this session, Senator McNary said the way had been cleared for the success of his bill providing for a comprehensive reclamation programme for the west and south. By last night's action the support of Senators Lodge, Massachusetts; Watson, Indiana; Curtis, Kansas; McClellan, Illinois; Wadsworth, New York, and Brand of

MINOR PHASES TACKLED

CHINESE AND JAPANESE AGREE
ON ONE POINT.

DISPOSITION OF CONCESSIONS FOR
EXTENSION OF RAILROAD ARE SET-
TLED AT CONFERENCE.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 12.—(By the Associated Press.)—Directing their efforts to settlement of minor phases of the Shantung dispute while awaiting word from Tokyo and Peking regarding compromise proposals submitted by Arthur J. Balfour and Secretary Hughes for a solution of the controversy over control of Tientsin-Tsinanfu railway in the Kiaochow leasehold, the Chinese and Japanese delegates today agreed to the disposition of concessions for extension of the railroad. The two groups, however, failed to agree on opening of the port of Tientsin to world commerce on equal terms. Another matter which was made tomorrow, it was announced.

The Chinese proposed that Tientsin be a "self-opened" port, as distinguished from a "treaty" opened port. The Japanese desired more time to consider terms under which the port should be opened and administered by China. No great difficulty is looked for in solving this question.

BURCH DEFENSE FINISHED

J. Belton Kennedy Held Slain by
Two Mysterious Strangers.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Jan. 12.—Arguments for the defense in the trial of Arthur C. Burch, charged with the murder of J. Belton Kennedy August 5 last, completed late today, contained the enunciation of the theory that Kennedy was waylaid by "two mysterious men" in Beverly Glen, where he was found shot to death, and that Burch "was proved by the state's evidence to have been one of the men at the time."

The defense arguments lasted about eight hours. Seven of these were devoted to an analysis of prosecutive testimony and the remaining time to the contention that if Burch did kill Kennedy he was insane when he did it.

Paul W. Schenck, chief defense attorney, who made the final argument for Burch, declared that the prosecution had "exploded its own case" so far as motive was concerned when it contended Burch killed Kennedy at a party given by somebody else's property, jointly indicted with Burch.

SHRINERS SAIL TOMORROW

Party to Go to Orient on Keystone
State Out of Seattle.

SEATTLE, Wash., Jan. 12.—(Special.)—Shriners of the northwest will sail for the Orient on the Keystone State from this port Saturday morning at 11 o'clock.

The party includes Mayor Hugh M. Caldwell of Seattle; W. J. Coomb, Seattle; P. E. Harris, Seattle; George Kecharian, Stanwood, Wash.; William Omer, Seattle; A. W. Pratt, Seattle; William R. Rust, Tacoma; Fred M. Slack, Tacoma; W. F. Sillson, Tacoma; Ben J. Starnes, Portland; W. W. Wixom, Sedro-Woolley. The Shriners will represent temples at Kamloops, Okla.; Niles, Mich.; Oklahoma City, Okla.; Kansas City, Mo.; New Orleans, La.; Erie, Pa.; Portland, Or. and San Francisco.

The passenger list of the vessel also includes several Chinese delegates returning to China from the arms limitation conference in Washington, D. C.

SEQUOIA PARK BILL WINS

House Lands Committee Favors Ad-
dition of 564,000 Acres.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 12.—The house public lands committee today favorably reported the Harbourn bill providing for the Sequoia National park, and an amendment was incorporated in a measure stipulating that no water-power rights are to be granted without consent of congress.

ECCLES BROTHERS WAR

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and controls the property of the David Eccles estate.

This parent company likewise owns a controlling interest in the Oregon-American Lumber company, the Sumpter Valley Railway company and other enterprises owned or controlled by the Eccles family.

This fight between the brothers, it was predicted, would probably result in disintegration of the David Eccles company, and would mean long years of litigation between the heirs of the gigantic estate.

David Eccles, plaintiff, is now a permanent resident of Portland, while the two brothers live in Utah. Immediately after the alleged theft of the stocks in November the brothers were said to have left the state, and their return here yesterday was the first time they had been in Portland since the date of the reported seizure of the property set forth in the complaint.

Jury Drawing Held Unfair.

MARSHFIELD, Or., Jan. 12.—(Special.)—The Coos county bar association, at its meeting at Coquille, discussed the justice court method of making up jury lists, with the thought in mind that some justices are selected by a haphazard method.

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PLEA MADE FOR UNITY

Portland and Upstate Should Co-
operate, Say Baker Citizens.

BAKER, Or., Jan. 12.—(Special.)—With the declaration that the special legislative session at Salem before Christmas was history and pleading for a period of co-operation between Portland and the upstate, Senator W. H. Strayer and W. E. Meacham of the Baker County Chamber of Commerce, told members of the local Kiwanis club that, personally, they did not favor any state-wide taxation for the promotion of the world's exposition in Portland in 1925.

Mr. Meacham attended the recent state-wide committee meeting in Portland, where he said it was decided to repeal the financing of the fair.

The secretary declared that the fair was not the biggest issue in Oregon, but that irrigation, development of hydro-electric power and road programmes ranked with the exposition in state importance.

Burglar Steals Clothing.

NORTH BEND, Or., Jan. 12.—(Special.)—While A. H. Derbyshire and family were absent from home last night a thief stole Mrs. Derbyshire's best silk dress, her toilet set and clothing belonging to other members of the family amounting in value to \$100. This is the first sneak thief burglary reported in this city.

Western Postmasters Nominated.

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Principal Battle of Day Over Passing of Friend of Counsel for Defense.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 12.—The jury box was filled for the first time in the case of Roscoe Arbuckle late this afternoon and the prosecution availed itself of its first peremptory challenge, accusing one prospective juror of bias. The state with four challenges while the defense still has ten. Five jurors were temporarily passed today, one of whom was a woman.

The principal battle of the day was over the passing of Robert L. Ackerman, who admitted being very friendly with Nat Schmulowitz, one of the members of the defense's counsel. The state did its utmost to induce Judge Louderback to allow a challenge for cause, but the juror insisted that he could give the film comedian a fair trial and that his acquaintance with one of the lawyers would not influence him in any way.

When the trial opened today there were few persons present, but during the proceedings the spectators gradually increased and there appeared to be an added interest. When court adjourned a venireman was under examination. Should he be passed tomorrow counsel will again be called upon to use a peremptory challenge.

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