

PAN-AMERICAN POLICIES ALL ARE APPROVED

President's Determination to Treat Latin-America "Upon Terms of Equality and Honor" Bears Fruit.

RELATIONS ADVANCED BY WILSON'S STAND

United States on Improved Footing With the Smaller States to South.

Washington, Jan. 8.—(WASHINGTON BUREAU OF THE JOURNAL)—Official Washington is strongly convinced that political and trade relations between the United States and South America are now being advanced as they have not been for many decades. Long standing suspicions and prejudices are being removed, and the nations of South America are receiving a broader vision of their future.

This strengthening of relations between the nations of America has been brought directly to the public mind through the Pan-American Scientific congress in Washington, which was attended by a distinguished array of representatives of the Latin-American republics, from both official and unofficial life and which adjourned tonight.

Secretary of State Lansing took occasion in informal conferences with the leaders of South America thought to show the advantages of giving consideration to conventions that will bind the countries of the western continent to policies of peace, of mutual respect and of common resistance to aggression.

The exact form of the secretary's proposals and their scope is less important than the fact that these suggestions have been widely reciprocated.

History is likely to give large recognition to the service performed by the Wilson administration in cementing relations with South America and removing distrust from the interior of this country. This has been accomplished by a consistent policy of fair treatment, and at the same time giving repeated expression to sentiments of good will.

Early in his term, President Wilson made a speech at Mobile, Ala., in which he declared that the day of aggression on the part of the United States has passed, and in dealing with the lesser countries the United States must prove itself their friend and champion "upon terms of equality and honor."

That has been the basis of treatment of the smaller countries. For the first time, in the consideration of a problem of deep concern to all America, other countries were invited to help in finding a way to compose the troubles of unhappy Mexico. The attempt brought forth the best of the time, so far as Mexico was concerned, and was decided by certain elements at home, but it is generally recognized that the negotiations as they have been popularly conducted have added much to good will with South America.

Trade Responsibilities Emphasized. The European war, interrupting usual trade channels, has also had an effect in giving thought to new markets in South America. Traffic in war munitions has been so attractive and volume of trade in the allies has been capable of such expansion that American business interests have given less attention to new markets at the south than many experts believe they should give.

The munition trade, it is pointed out, will one day come to an end, while South American commerce that might have been built up with a little more attention is permanent and expanding. So the administration, through different mediums, has been laying the foundations for development of trade in harmonious influences.

The gathering of South American diplomats, scientists and statesmen in this broader atmosphere is therefore of unusual significance and amounts to much more than an exchange of civilities. It is one of the steps toward a policy resting upon "equality and honor."

Gasoline Tax Proposal Opposed. Whether or not the suggestion of President Wilson's Secretary, Mr. Adoo of a tax on gasoline and the horsepower of combustion engines, has had anything to do with sudden advances in the price of gasoline, is something not directly involved in the proposed inquiry of increased cost, but there is a suspicion among many of the men who make revenue laws that this may be one of the reasons.

With gasoline prices leaping upward there is a natural increase of protest against levying an impost tax upon it. That the big thinkers who preside at the gasoline councils of war may have counted upon this as one means to ward off congressional action in that direction is being widely believed.

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Mt. Vesuvius Has an Unusual Disturbance

During Past Week Volcano Most Active Since 1906 Disaster. Scientists Watch Mountain With Anxiety.

By Henry B. Wood.

Naples, Jan. 8.—(U. P.)—Mount Vesuvius is rumbling and shaking from an unusual movement of the molten masses inside the earth.

Great black clouds of smoke mingled with ashes are pouring from the mountain. A steady stream of lava is issuing from her side. During the past week Vesuvius has attained the greatest activity since the disaster of 1906. Scientists are watching the world's greatest volcano with anxiety, if not alarm.

With a party of explorers I ascended to the summit of Vesuvius today. Dull rumblings, sharp internal detonations and explosions which caused the sides of the crater to tremble blended into a continuous roar.

Because of the heavy smoke blanket that hung about the sides of Vesuvius, the city of Naples, Naples bay and the country about the foot of the mountain were invisible. Even the sun was obscured from sight.

The Kaiser Is Kept Entirely Isolated

All Reports of Nature of German Emperor's Illness Are Mere Guesswork; Even Berlin Doesn't Know.

Paris, Jan. 8.—(U. P.)—There are the best of reasons for stating that all reports as to the nature of the kaiser's illness are merely based on surmise. All that is officially known by the allied governments is that the emperor is completely isolated, which in itself is regarded as sufficient evidence that he is seriously ill. To say that he is suffering from cancer is merely guesswork.

The most complete secrecy surrounds the imperial bed chamber and even residents of Berlin are unable to obtain reliable information.

Snowstorms Cause Lull on West Front

Re-Occupation by French of Trenches Captured by Germans, Infantry Skirmishing, Artillery Action.

London, Jan. 8.—(U. P.)—Counter attacks today by the French "blue devils" in the Vosges, drove the Germans out of a trench corner they occupied in a heavy assault last night. The French war office reported tonight. The scene of the fighting was between Rehfeizen and Hirstein, in the Hartmannswellerkopf region. Aside from this infantry skirmishing in Alsace and British artillery action southeast of Arrertrieres, reported in official dispatches tonight, there has been an absolute lull on the western front because of heavy snowstorms.

TWO ATTEMPTS AT RIOTING ARE MET BY TROOPS

Mob Forms Outside Youngstown Sheet & Tube Company's Plant in East Youngstown; Driven Back.

BAYONETS ARE USED TO DISPERSE THE STRIKERS

Dynamite Kept Ready to Blow Up Bridge Approaching Struthers.

East Youngstown, Ohio, Jan. 8.—(U. P.)—Driven back by an iron ring of bayonets in the hands of Ohio guardsmen, the steel mill strikers and their sympathizers tonight were in hiding in the hills surrounding the city or else in their homes in the village.

While the city is not under martial law, Brig. General Speer, in charge of the two regiments of guardsmen, virtually is in charge of the town's affairs. Saloons have been closed here and in the rest of the county.

Guardsmen have formed a ring of steel around the wrecked section of the city and sheet and tube plant.

Citizens' posse organized. This afternoon a report was circulated that rioters planned an attack upon Struthers, which up to that time had not been guarded by the soldiers. A posse of 200 citizens was armed and guarded the bridge from this city to Struthers. A charge of dynamite was fixed under the bridge ready to destroy the span should such action be deemed necessary to prevent the rioters from entering the village.

Before the rioters, probably 500 in number, could get to the bridge the militia charged upon them and they scattered. Struthers citizens, however, maintained their watch at the bridge and a posse will keep a guard all night.

Efforts this afternoon to bring about a settlement with the 3000 men at the Republic Iron & Steel company and the Sheet and Tube company failed. The officials of Youngstown Sheet & Tube company paid off 8000 employees today, while the troops guarded the plant.

There was no trouble. The 5000 men, who suffered in last night's looting are preparing to sue the county, as their insurance policies were invalidated by the mobs action.

Three investigations of the rioting are promised to get under way Monday.

The state fire marshal has ordered deputies to investigate the incendiary nature of the rioting. Plans to open inquiry into the killing of an unidentified boy, and the state federation of labor plans an investigation on the United States account.

Neither the strikers were determined to carry their fight to a finish. The two concerns employ nearly 15,000 men, now thrown out of work by the strike.

Company's Stock Drops

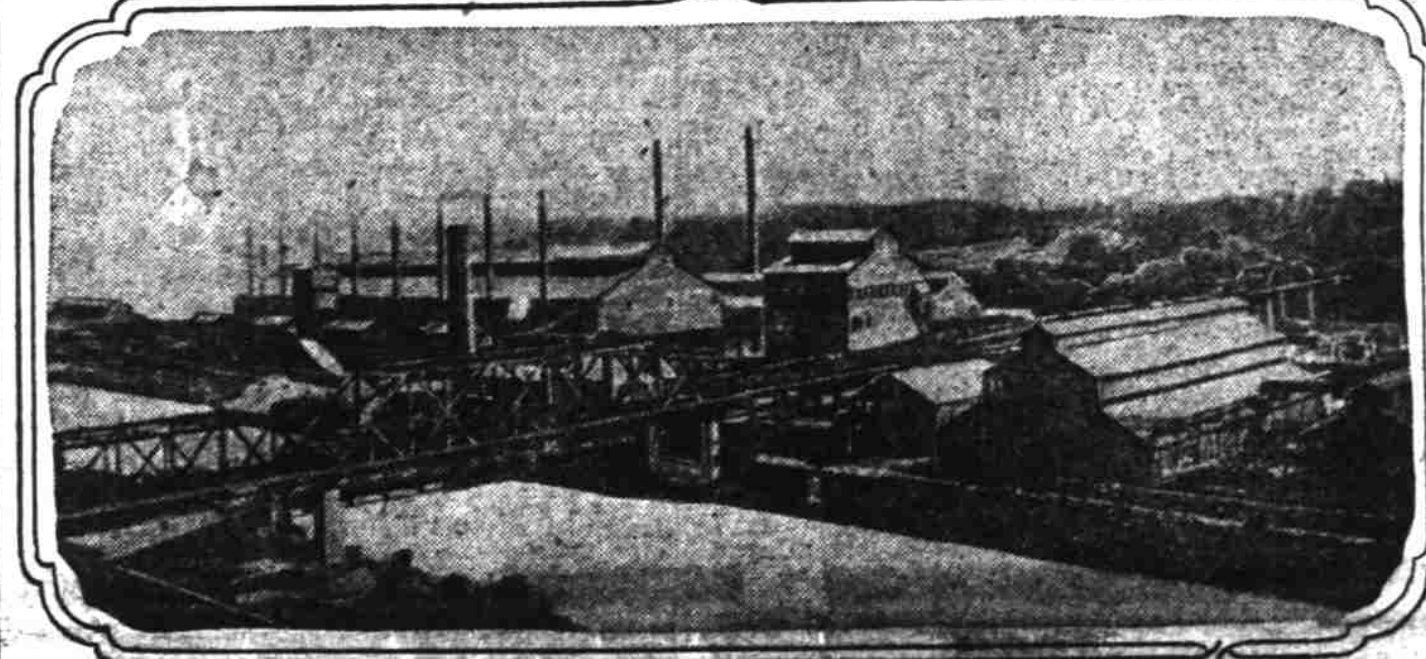
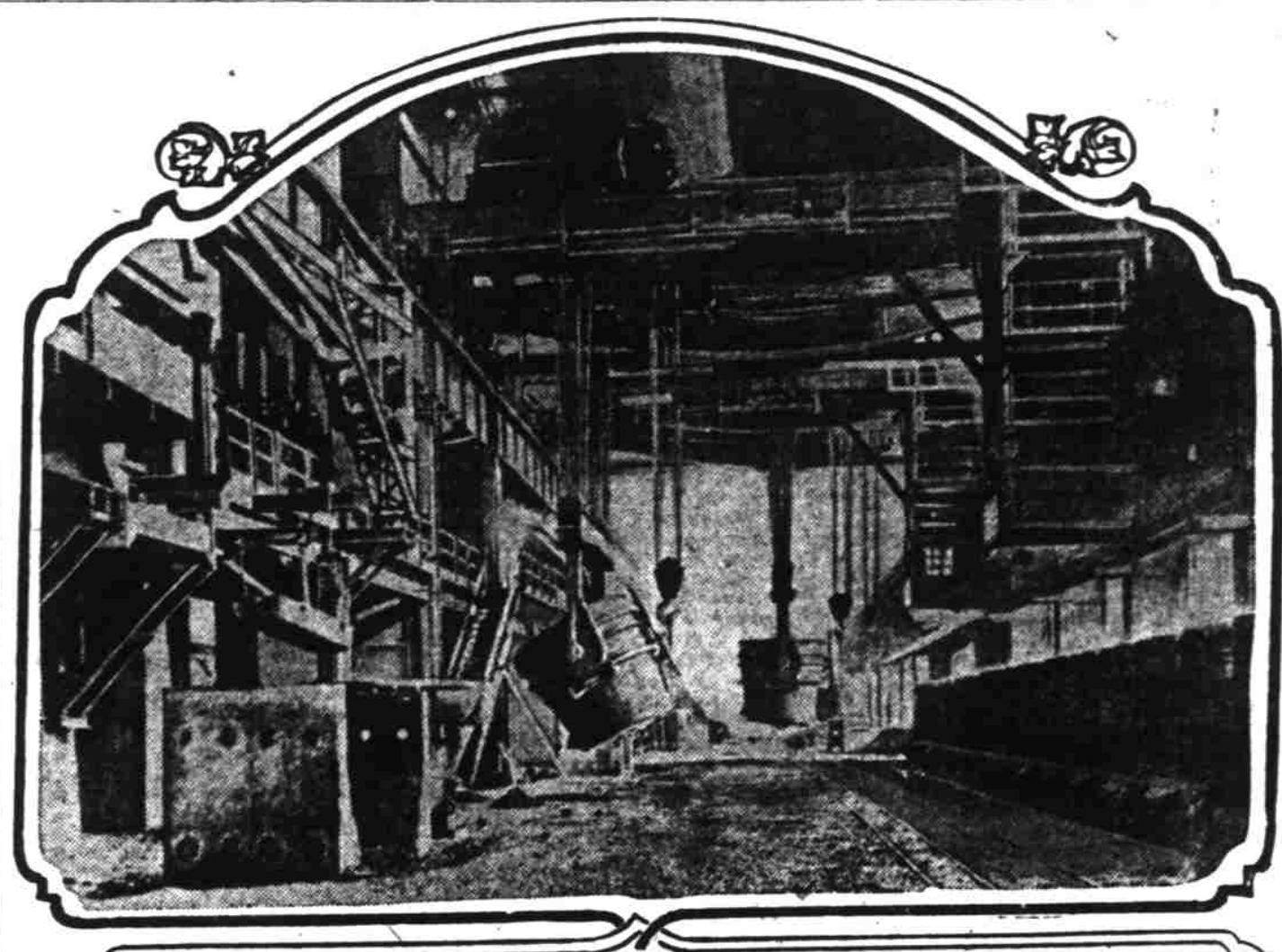
Cleveland, Jan. 8.—(U. P.)—Youngstown Sheet & Tube company stock dropped \$40 a share on the exchange today. The price was 250 bid, with no sales.

Unconfirmed Cable Says Yuan Resigned

Story Believed Sop to Quiet Revolutionary Spirit; Chinese Emperor Is Also Reported Apoplectic.

San Francisco, Jan. 8.—(U. P.)—Emperor Yuan Shi Kai's monarchy in China may be tottering to an early fall.

INTERIOR and exterior views of two of the steel mills in the Youngstown, Ohio, district that are menaced by the attitude of laborers on strike. Efforts at a settlement have thus far failed and armed guardsmen were on duty last night. Official investigations into Friday night's riots will be begun tomorrow to fix responsibility.



BRITISH SEIZURES OF MAIL NOW DUE TO ENTER THE LIMELIGHT

German-American Relations Considered Satisfactorily Settled by Last Two Notes.

Washington, Jan. 8.—(U. P.)—The United States is virtually ready to center its attention on English-American relations as affected by incidents which have arisen during the war.

The formal protest against British seizures of mail to and from the United States forwarded to the London government was said tonight to be only the first step of the state department toward a complete understanding with England on the various differences between the two countries.

U. S. Demands Conceded. In the Frye note Germany concedes practically every demand made by the United States. Upon its being made public today, diplomatic officials commented on the significance in the similarity of its concessions—warning before torpedoing and security that should be accorded passengers before sinking a ship.

Comparison also was drawn between the Frye notes and the voluntary German statement made in writing to Secretary Lansing by German Ambassador Bernstorff yesterday, in which the German government emphasized its agreement with the United States attitude regarding submarine warfare and promised hereafter to adhere strictly to this attitude.

No News on Persia. As far as the case of the Persia is concerned, there were no developments.

Snowslides Kill One at Bull Run

Albert Wers, 55, Victim of Avalanche at Eastern Oregon Mining Camp; Seven or Eight Cabins Swept Away.

Baker, Ore., Jan. 8.—Albert Wers, 55, was killed this afternoon in a snowslide which swept away seven or eight cabins at Bull Run, a mining camp north of Audrey, and about 40 miles southeast of Baker.

The wreckage is being searched for other bodies, though it is thought not probable that any one but Wers was caught. Operations at the camp have been suspended because of the severe weather of the last few days.

Alleged Blind Pig Is Raided by Police

First Real Raid Since Oregon Went Dry Results in Arrests and Seizure of Liquors.

Portland's first real raid upon an alleged blind pig since Oregon went "dry" was made last night at the rooming house, 2234 Couch street, by lieutenant Harms and patrolmen Martin and Powell.

Jennie Pares, proprietor, and May Rogers, were arrested and the house's large stock of wet goods were taken to police headquarters as evidence. It filled the patrol wagon to wit: 120 quart bottles wine, 25 bottles Vermouth, 40 empty bottles, one barrel beer, one case beer, one case empties, one case wine, two demijohns cognac, one half dozen siphons.

Earlier in the week Jennie Pares, the proprietor, told the police that this large stock was put by her for private consumption.

Being suspicious they contrived to mark one of the bottles and to provide the place last night they declare they found the marked bottle empty and some of the marked money in the possession of the girl, May Rogers.

On the strength of this the arrests were made on a charge of selling liquor illegally.

Youthful Robbers Hold Up Druggist

Munger Pharmacy Visited; Stamps at Substation Stolen, Making Federal Offense; One Robber Displays Gun.

There was 91 cents in the stamp drawer of the postoffice substation at the Munger pharmacy, Seventeenth and Raleigh streets, last night.

By taking this 91 cents, two young men who held up the druggist at 9:45 last night put themselves in peril of the federal ententary.

RUSSIANS PLAYING TO WIN BOTH ROUMANIAN AND GREEK SUPPORT

Great Series of Battles on Western Front Conceded to Have Much Significance.

German Sees Peril. Lausanne, Jan. 8.—(U. P.)—Court Reviewer writing in the Deutsche Tages Zeitung, says: "The Russian offensive in Bessarabia is thoroughly organized and has the utmost political importance, for if it is successful, Greece and Roumania will intervene in favor of the Allies."

London, Jan. 8.—(U. P.)—The great battle, or series of battles, on the Russian front, is being fought with a desperation and recklessness that must soon result in a decision or cease from exhaustion and losses.

The outstanding feature of the fighting is that from Riga to Bukovina the hundreds of thousands of men engaged are in a hand-to-hand grapple. Artillery plays the minor part, the bayonet being the major weapon.

Neither side claims victory, but the Austrian and the Russian official reports repeat the dismal phrase, "Enormous losses."

The Russians have resumed their massed attacks on the Austrian lines in eastern Galicia and in Bukovina. In some places they succeeded in penetrating the Austrian positions, only to be ultimately ejected.

Caratoryak, the town whose possession is the object of the fighting.

Land Grab Attempt Caused Ute Uprising

Indian Rights Association Makes Charge; Says Conditions for 20 Years at Ute Agency "Shameful Neglect."

Denver, Col., Jan. 8.—(U. P.)—The Ute uprising in south eastern Utah last spring was caused by a "badly bungled" scheme of whites to drive the Indians off public domain and confiscate their grazing land, according to a report of the Indian Rights association made public today.

Mrs. Flanders, One of Oldest Pioneers, Dies

Widow of Captain Flanders Had Been in Poor Health for Several Months.

Mrs. Marie L. Flanders, widow of Captain George H. Flanders, died yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the family residence, 1919th and Flanders streets, aged 81 years.

Mrs. Flanders had been in poor health for the past six months and a week ago began to fail rapidly. She was survived by three daughters, Mrs. Alice F. Effinger, of Honolulu, and the Misses Caroline W. and M. Louise Flanders of this city. The only son, J. Couch Flanders, a prominent attorney of this city, died two years ago.

Funeral services will probably be held at the residence tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock. The definite arrangements have not yet been made.

A Native of Maine. Mrs. Flanders, whose maiden name was Marie L. Foster, was born in Gardiner, Me., and came to the Pacific Coast by way of the Isthmus of Panama in 1862. She met Captain Flanders here and in 1863 they were married.

Thirty-two years ago they built the large residence occupying the double block Nineteenth and Flanders, where Mrs. Flanders passed away yesterday, and which was one of the first fine residences erected in the Nob Hill district of Portland, and which was one of the five original plats of the city and one of the largest. The addition was planned by Captain John H. Couch, who with Captain Flanders played most important parts in the early history of Portland and the Pacific Northwest. Mrs. Couch was a sister of Captain Flanders.

One of Portland's Founders. It was Captain Flanders who concurred with Captain Couch when the latter selected the spot where Portland now stands as the head of navigation on the Columbia and Willamette rivers and they placed their names at the top of the list of Portland men who aided in starting railroad construction by donating 100 shares of Portland stock to the depot and terminal grounds. The union depot stands on land which they gave to the old Oregon Central Railroad company about 46 years ago.

In every body's eyes, especially as to religious and charitable institutions of the city, they were active and in connection therewith Mrs. Flanders was an important factor in a quiet way.

Captain and Mrs. Flanders were among the first members of the Trinity Episcopal church and until age caused her retirement she was one of its most active members.

Four Considered Bull Moose Possibilities

National Committee Meets Tuesday to Arrange Progressive Convention, Probably in Chicago.

Chicago, Jan. 8.—(U. P.)—Four Bull Moose presidential possibilities—barring the eternal possibility of Woodrow Roosevelt—were considered in the field tonight as the Progressive national committee prepared to meet in Chicago Tuesday to select the date and site of the Bull Moose national convention.

Governor Hiram Johnson of California, Senator A. J. Beveridge of Indiana, Charles S. Bird of Massachusetts, and Clifford Pinchot, former chief forester, were considered certain candidates—but were still crossing their fingers.

Harold Ickes, chairman of the Illinois committee, is thought to be mysterious regarding Roosevelt tonight, but he went so far as to intimate that the Moose clans are ready to support T. R. any old day T. H. G. says.

George W. Perkins will act as chairman of the committee meeting in absence of Victor Murdock of Kansas, who is still in Europe.

Practically certain that the national convention will be held in Chicago a week after the Democratic national convention in St. Louis, was the western Bull Moose leaders tonight. Denver and Baltimore, however, and possibly Cleveland are expected to take a fight for the convention.

Sir Edward Grey and Colonel House Meet

No Statement Follows Conference; Mission Believed to Deal With Efforts of United States for Peace.

London, Jan. 8.—(U. P.)—As the first step in his trip of investigation of the war conditions in Europe, Colonel E. M. House, personal representative of President Wilson, was met by Sir Edward Grey, the British minister for foreign affairs, today. He spent some time with the foreign office here.

No statement was given out. Colonel House left his hotel secretly and it is expected he will spend the week end with a party, which will number among its members several close advisors of the British government.

HOUSE PASSES BILL TO SAVE WATER POWER

No Effort Made to Secure a Roll Call by Opponents of Measure Intended to Conserve Nation's Resources.

AMENDMENTS PLANNED TO WEAKEN IT ARE LOST

Senate Continues Work on Its Own Bill With No Time Set for Report.

Washington, Jan. 8.—(WASHINGTON BUREAU OF THE JOURNAL)—With only feeble opposition and no effort to secure a roll call, the Ferris water power bill passed the house late this afternoon. The vote came after a substitute by Mondell of Wyoming, was voted down. Mondell, for nearly two days has personally occupied practically half of the entire debating time offering amendments which were voted down one by one. No hostile amendment was adopted and in its final form the bill was little changed from the way it was introduced by Representative Ferris.

All the time desired for debate was allowed in the committee of a whole. Efforts to amend centered in proposals to turn half of all receipts from power rentals directly to the states and providing an appeal from the interior department to the president on leasing contracts. Each was defeated by more than two to one.

Opponents of the bill devoted their efforts mostly to elaboration of state's right theories. The Portland Water Power conference was referred to in debate by Ferris as a handicapped affair, and nothing was said in its defense.

Representative Sinnott of Oregon declared himself opposed to the main objects of the bill but denounced the rental feature as a subterfuge for imposing a gas on water power. The bait of turning half into the rental information fund was not acceptable, he said.

The senate committee continues to hold its sessions but no time for a report has been predicted. It is expected changes in the house bill will ultimately be made.

Some of the leading provisions of the Ferris bill, providing for the lease—

Women Are Injured By Colored Robbers

Wound of One May Prove Fatal; Two Women's Fluck Saved Money of Employees' Loan Association.

San Francisco, Jan. 8.—(U. P.)—Two negroes forced their way into the Employees' Loan Association offices in a big downtown building this afternoon and, after probably fatally wounding Mrs. Emily von Blumberg, and superficially wounding Mrs. Mae Rose with revolver shots, escaped down the elevator. Both women fought pluckily, thus saving the money in the office.

No clue to the men has been obtained. Mrs. Blumberg was shot in the abdomen and Mrs. Rose in the arm. The negroes opened fire as soon as they saw the women, intending to resist. Then the men kicked the door behind them and ordered the elevator man to hurry them to the street.

Several occupants of the building rushed out when they heard the shots, and one man unsuccessfully tried to overpower one of the holdup men. Others broke in the office door to rescue the women.

Somebody found a suitcase on the trail of the negroes, bearing a name on the outside and a hat with initials on the inside.

American Consul in Germany Criticized

German Papers Take Up Attack on Edward Higgins as Stuttgart "Altogether British, But for Citizenship."

Amsterdam, Jan. 8.—(U. P.)—The quasi-official Cologne Gazette today demanded the dismissal of American Consul Edward Higgins at Stuttgart, declaring that he "is altogether British, except for his citizenship." Other papers followed suit, indicating that the publication was inspired.

Rings for Furniture—Auto Sells at \$110

The man who says "advertising pays," but never uses it never wins. Among the thousands are many your ad will reach, with profit to yourself.

Swaps—25
Trade—2 rings (one diamond) for 2 rooms good furniture. Phone.

Launches and Boats—64
Waver—10-20 horsepower motor boat.

Automobiles For Sale—44
Two-passenger Ford, just overhauled, for \$110.

A rabbit, says E. P. Charters at Sellwood station, can travel some—but for speed plus efficiency—The Journal want ads take the medals. Read them on pages 10, 11, 12 and 13, section two.