

GEORGE HARVEY AND POINCARÉ IN CONFERENCE

(By United News) Paris, Jan. 31.—George Harvey, American ambassador to London, and Premier Poincaré held an extended conference late Monday. Although Harvey disclaimed he had made "purely a formal call of courtesy to the United States," he is believed to have discussed the recent Franco-American relations and the possibility of a Franco-American conference. It appears that Poincaré let the American ambassador know that he entertained no more enthusiasm for the Genoa conference than American officials are understood to feel. At the same time the new premier considers that Aristide Briand, as premier, should have been consulted in the matter of a conference. Poincaré is then understood to have indicated that he would be extremely grateful if America would fit to make the Genoa sessions impossible and thus spare France the possibility of attending, and at the same time avoid breaking her word.

HARVEY SYMPATHETIC The French premier is said to have found Ambassador Harvey a sympathetic listener to his views on the situation in Russia. He is understood to have been in agreement with the Russian Bolshevik government. Poincaré points out the necessity of protecting French investors in Russia. He said that the Bolshevik government had not been able to carry out its promises. He said that the Bolshevik government had not been able to carry out its promises. He said that the Bolshevik government had not been able to carry out its promises.

RECALL IS UNLIKELY There is no prospect of Ambassador Janss being recalled from his post at Washington, it is now understood. Poincaré, it can be stated, holds Janss in high esteem as a scholar as well as a diplomat. And finally Andre Tardieu's attack upon Janss in the chamber Friday was enough to make his position secure with the premier.

Rate Reduction on Several Commodities Announced by U. P.

Reductions in rates on a number of commodities moving over transcontinental rail lines were announced today to H. E. Lounsbury, general freight agent of the Union Pacific system, by H. H. Counts of the transcontinental freight tariff bureau. The reductions will range as much as 40 per cent. The effective date will be announced later. The new rate on adding machines from Eastern territory will be \$7.50, where formerly they ranged from \$10 to \$12.33. The new rate on irons and presses, drums and kegs will be from \$1.65 to \$2.14, as against former rates of \$1.87 to \$2.68. Plate glass will be reduced to \$1.15 and \$2.44 from \$2.50 and \$3.25. New rates have been proposed as follows: Cotton bags to terminals only (subject to fourth section relief), \$1.80; asbestos pipe covering, from \$1.35 to \$2.88; magnesium sulphate, 75 cents from Chicago and west; cigarettes and tobacco (export), \$1.15.

Students to Tell of Necessity for Loans

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, Jan. 31.—Students desiring to borrow money from the student loan fund will hereafter be given the privilege of appearing in person before the committee, announced Dr. W. M. Atwood, chairman of the committee. This is made necessary because of the unusual demand for student loans this year. Professor H. S. Rogers of the school of engineering is the new member of the committee. Appointed to replace H. M. Tennant, registrar, resigned.

Smoker Planned for Department Workers

A smoker for the workers in the department of agriculture will be held at the University club Wednesday night at which C. W. Pugsley, assistant secretary from Washington, D. C., will be the principal speaker. From 65 to 70 employees of the forest service, bureau of public roads, bureau of markets, biological survey, horticultural board, plant pathology department and health bureau have signified their intention to attend.

COCAINE CONFISCATED Eight grains of cocaine bearing a Japanese government stamp on the package were confiscated Monday night by the police when C. J. Cooper, 405 First street, was arrested on a charge of violating the Harrison narcotic act. According to the police Cooper has been engaged in distributing narcotics to drug addicts.

Arbuckle Offered Job With Show Touring Oregon

If "Fatty" Arbuckle is acquitted by the San Francisco jury that is hearing evidence on charges of manslaughter filed against him, he can have a job entertaining the people of Oregon at \$2500 a week. Arbuckle in fact, has actually been offered a contract to work in Oregon and the Northwest by Eddie LaMontagne, owner of the "Country Store" attractions, which have successfully been playing the smaller cities of the state for several months. In a wire to the round comedian Monday LaMontagne proclaimed his anticipation of Arbuckle's acquittal and asked his prompt consideration of a contract to come to the Northwest. "I really believe Arbuckle will be acquitted," LaMontagne said, "and if he is he will be a great drawing card. So good a drawing card, in fact, that I will send him a contract for \$2500 a week as soon as he is freed. He would be more important Oregon towns and frequently in Portland."

POWER WEAK, EAST SIDE CARS CRAWL

The old alibi about the alarm clock going off on Monday morning for East Side residents who depend on a dozen trolley lines to carry them to places of employment. Trouble in station L of the P. R. L. & P. Co., at the foot of East Lincoln street, gave a real excuse. Cars on Hawthorne, Woodstock, Oregon City, Graham, Estacada, Sunnyvale, Mount St. Helens, Clatskanie, City and other East Side lines barely crept along until well on toward 9 o'clock. The power station was not entirely out of commission, but it was too badly crippled to supply the "juice" necessary to operate the heavily laden cars of the early morning traffic. By the afternoon almost all cars were running on schedule. Cars crawled up hills like turtles. Motors kept power on continually, for fear that if they shut it off their cars would not muster enough energy to start again. No stops were made once a car was under way. Women were aided off the moving cars and hoisted on as the cars passed street crossings.

Oregon City cars, about one hour late, stopped at the east end of the Hawthorne bridge instead of crossing to the First street station. By turning power from stations on Jefferson and Taylor streets normal service was partly recovered by about 9 o'clock. The burning of a set of cables, causing a grounding or waste of several hundred volts caused the trouble. The break occurred at about 1:30 o'clock this morning.

Oregon Girl Will Organize Peking Economics Bureau

The University of Peking is to have a department of home economics and an extension to the agricultural college beginning next September and she will be accompanied by an O. A. C. graduate who will study the language and probably will remain in China. The first year will be spent in study of the home life of China. Miss Milam would not admit that there is any plan to study Oregon baked salmon and applesauce for chop suey and birds' nest soup. She announced that the date of the American home economics convention to be held at O. A. C. has been deferred from July 3-8 to August 1-5 this year. In the interest of a larger attendance. Home economics experts will come from all over the country, including a special train of delegates from Chicago. The visitors will spend July 21 in Portland and will be entertained with a Columbia highway motor ride under the auspices of local business and professional organizations represented in the President's council.

Young Hunter Lost 18 Hours in Sand

Hepper, Jan. 31.—After 40 men had spent Sunday night searching the sand dunes near Hepper Junction, George Cochran, son of an Ione confectioner, was found about 11 o'clock Monday morning, exhausted from tramping 18 hours in search of human habitation. With companions the youth had gone rabbit hunting. He had become separated from the party and lost his way.

Goddard Arrested Again on Charge Of Annoying Girls

John R. Goddard, real estate broker, was arrested Monday night in his office in the Couich biliary restaurant on charges of disorderly conduct and violating the prohibition law. Mary Brown, a clerk said to be in his employment, was also arrested on a charge of disorderly conduct. Goddard was arrested, tried and convicted in a similar case and later paroled some time ago, according to the police. Numerous complaints have been received by Mrs. Lola G. Baldwin and other operatives of the women's protective bureau from girls who stated they had been annoyed by Goddard's advertisement for a position and had been annoyed and insulted, according to Mrs. Baldwin. Two bottles partly filled with liquor were found in the office when the police entered. Goddard was released on \$250 bail on the prohibition charge, and on his own recognizance on the other charge. Mary Brown was released on her own recognizance.

WIDOW OF WORKER KILLED IN SCUFFLE ENTITLED TO FUND

Salem, Jan. 31.—Wanda Stark of Portland, widow of Ray Stark, victim of a Portland shipyard scuffle, is entitled to compensation under the Oregon workmen's compensation law, according to the state supreme court, which today handed down an opinion affirming the decree of the Multnomah county circuit court to this effect. Stark died as a result of injuries inflicted upon him by an air hose in the hands of a fellow employe with whom he had engaged in a friendly scuffle. At the time of the death Mrs. Stark was suing for divorce and was living apart from her husband.

On the ground that Stark was the instigator of the scuffle which resulted in his death, the commission held that his dependents were not entitled to compensation. The commission further contended that Stark's death was covered by the compensation act, his widow was not entitled to compensation because of the fact that she was not living with him at the time. Suit was brought in the circuit court of Multnomah county to collect the award, which was ordered paid, the court holding that Stark died as a result of an accident while engaged in the performance of his duties and, further, that Mrs. Stark had not deserted her husband in a legal sense. The commission's opinion handed down today were: Selma L. Wallace vs. Portland Railway, Light & Power company, appellant; L. B. Ford vs. Multnomah county, action for damages. Opinion by Justice McEber. Judge C. U. Gantenbin reversed and the case remanded. Harry H. Couch vs. the Scandinavian-American bank, et al., appellant; appeal from Multnomah county. Justice Brown.

1922 LOOMS AS YEAR OF PROMISE

(Continued From Page One) valuation of \$728,816; general cargo, valuation \$754,518. FRESH APPLES IN EXPORT Fresh apples and mild cured fish played in support of the next month's volume of the export trade to the United Kingdom and the continent. The refrigerator lines have been in regular operation and large quantities were cleared during the month. Intercoastal business was exceptionally heavy both in and out. Wool shipped on one place with the big cargoes on the Edgar Luckenbach line steamer. On the Edgar Luckenbach, clearing last week, more than 2,000,000 pounds were sent to Boston and New York. Harry Luckenbach got away late last night with 1,000,000 pounds for Philadelphia. In addition the latter craft carried 145 tons of dried prunes for New York. Coastwise business is holding up well for the month, shipments having passed out through the customs house during January. BUILDING PERMITS 82 A total of 82 building permits, valued at \$1,080,460, were issued during the month, compared with 656 permits, valued at \$646,580, issued during January of last year. Residence permits for January numbered 297, with an aggregate value of \$872,000, compared with 115 residence permits, calling for an expenditure of \$328,085, issued during the same month of last year. The outlook for the year in the building game is more promising than at any time during the last 10 years, according to H. E. Plummer, chief building inspector. Plans now under consideration by the building inspection department for issuance during the next month aggregate approximately \$2,000,000 and include specifications for the new Elks temple at Eleventh and Alder streets, the new Elks and wholesale market of the Italian Ranchers and Gardeners' association, and the proposed Imperial Investment company auto storage plant at Fourth and Pine.

POSTAL RECEIPTS GROW The growth of the volume of business handled is reflected in an increase of 5.63 per cent in postage receipts for January of this year compared with 1921. Express companies and railroads report better business than during recent months in the carrying trade. Merchants are not jubilant over their takings for the month, but report a trend toward careful buying on the part of consumers, which augurs well for future markets. Bank clearings for January aggregated \$117,143,216.38, according to the report of the Federal Reserve Board. The volume of clearings compared with 1921 is accounted for by decreasing values of merchandise, wages and materials used in construction and manufacturing industries, according to officials of the clearing house association.

Policeman Shot Dead in Fierce Fight With Negro

Boston, Jan. 31.—(U. N. S.)—Patrolman Daniel MacShane was shot to death today in one of the most spectacular gun battles the city has ever witnessed. More than 200 shots were exchanged in a prolonged battle between Ramsey Murray, a 61-year-old negro, who barricaded himself in a brick house in the south end, and nearly 50 policemen who finally disarmed and arrested him. MacShane was shot down as he was vaulting through a window in an attempt to enter the house. Reserves were called when it was discovered how desperate was the colored man. Riot guns were brought out for the first time in the history of the city. Fire apparatus was also called out. The negro was disarmed before the firemen carried out their intention of "drowning out" Murray.

Weeks Represents Harding in Shoals Contract Matter

Washington, Jan. 31.—(U. N. S.)—Assurance that Secretary of War Weeks speaks for the administration with regard to Henry Ford's offer to buy the government's nitrate plant at Muscle Shoals was given at the White House this afternoon, following the cabinet meeting. The Ford contract will be submitted to congress either by President Harding or by the secretary of war, it was said. Secretary Weeks said, it was stated, Harding would merely indorse the recommendations of Weeks. Secretary Weeks announced this afternoon that the Ford Muscle Shoals contract would be transmitted to the senate and house at noon Thursday, February 2.

Aberdeen Forgery Case Suspect Is Taken in Portland

Montesano, Wash., Jan. 31.—The Portland police have notified Sheriff Elmer L. Gibson that W. J. Robinson, wanted in this county on a forgery charge, was arrested at the residence of Sheriff Matt Starwick of Seattle. The warrant will be served at the conclusion of his trial in Seattle. He is alleged to have signed the names of officials of the San Carlos Timber and Trading company to worthless checks in Aberdeen last summer. Robinson was taken to Seattle this morning by an officer from the Sound city.

6 Women Qualify as City Phone Operator

Six women passed the civil service examinations for city telephone operator W. E. Marion, secretary of the civil service board, announced this morning the names of the six who were placed on the eligible list in this order of standing: Mrs. Ora E. Willey, Mrs. Josephine Casey, Mrs. Dorothy M. Lee, Mrs. Agnes Johnson, Mrs. Grace T. Luesing and Mrs. Nuena O'Neil.

MANY WITNESSES UPHOLD DEFENSE OF MRS. MOORE

Witness after witness was called in Circuit Judge Taxwell's court today and testified that Mrs. Jessie Elrod Moore had ever been cruel to her stepdaughter, Mrs. Greta Moore (Thompson), as Mrs. Thompson alleges in contesting the will of her father, L. K. Moore, by which she was disinherited and the property left to her stepmother. Mrs. Minerva L. Elrod, wife of J. O. Elrod and sister-in-law of Mrs. Moore, said she had known Mrs. Moore for over 20 years, lived in a house adjacent in Moro, Or., and had never known any instance of cruelty. She said she would have heard the screams if Greta had been beaten as had been testified to. "You wouldn't believe these things no matter who testified to them?" Attorney E. B. Seabrook inquired. "I wouldn't," was the answer. Mrs. Bessie Wilson characterized the Moore family as "unusually happy." She visited them at Cascade Locks when on a vacation and later spent a week at the Moore home in Moro, she said. "Greta was a quiet, sweet girl," the witness said. "Did you ever hear that Mrs. Moore accused Greta of intimacy with certain of her relatives?" Mrs. Wilson was asked on cross-examination. "No, I would have to believe it," Mrs. Wilson said to believe it. "I would have to believe it," Mrs. Wilson said to believe it.

Disagreement Leads To the Divorce Court

A. P. de Keyser, head of a Portland optometry school, filed suit in circuit court today for a divorce from Thelma de Keyser, who, he alleges, prefers reading "cheap novels" to mending her husband's clothes, and is a very jealous disposition. "She is obsessed with the idea that she has ability as an actress, and associates with people of like disposition," the complaint says.

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New Tariff to Cover Articles in Motion

Imports moving to this country at the time the new American tariff becomes complete effective will be dutiable under the new law just the same as articles which are shipped after the law becomes operative, according to a message sent to the Chamber of Commerce today by Dr. Julius Klein, director of the United States foreign and domestic trade department. Dr. Klein said that the effective date of the new tariff is uncertain, but that it is unlikely for several months.

Tax Conservation Head Advises City To Check Property

F. W. Mulkey, chairman of the tax supervision and conservation commission, today addressed a letter to the city council recommending that physical inventory be taken of all property in the custody of the various city departments. The letter was prompted by the discovery that two boxes of streetcar tickets valued at about \$500 had been found in the vault in the city treasurer's office, apparently long forgotten. "It is apparent that this oversight is due to lax methods," remarks Mulkey. "The inventory should indicate when the property was received into the custody of the person having the same."

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