

COLOMBIAN PACT IS UP IN SENATE FOR RATIFICATION

SENATOR LODGE OPENS DEBATE URGING \$25,000,000 BE PAID.

By L. C. Martin (United Press Staff Correspondent) WASHINGTON, April 12.—Four years of senatorial debate (off and on) over the proposal to pay the republic of Colombia \$25,000,000 in settlement of the dispute over the Panama canal question, today drew near its end. The senate took up the proposed treaty with Columbia, under an agreement, to vote after eight days' debate.

SAWDUST DUMPED UPON MAN WHO SUFFOCATES

By United Press ABERDEEN, Wash., April 12.—Hugh J. Rogers, employe of the Bay City mill, lost his life here yesterday when a load of sawdust was dumped in a bin which he was cleaning. Rogers suffocated before he could be rescued.

COOLIDGE DISCHARGES MAN WHO BROODS, KILLS SELF

By United Press MARBLEHEAD, Mass., April 12.—William D. Trefry, former state commissioner of taxation and corporations, shot and killed himself at his home here Monday after yielding to despondency that afflicted him since Vice-President Calvin Coolidge, then Governor of Massachusetts, retired him from office. Coolidge, who was about to go out of office, appointed his own secretary, Henry F. Long, to succeed the veteran Trefry.

CHARGES AGAINST CLOCK ARE DROPPED

Upon failure of Dr. H. C. Dodds to press a charge of grand larceny, sworn out by him against Frank Clock following an alleged check mix up, Clock was this morning released from the \$1000 bond upon which he had been at liberty and the case against him dropped.

According to Dodds, the whole affair was a mistake. He gave Clock the \$1000 check, expecting to tear up the \$900 check. Clock however took both checks, thinking that, in line with some former discussion on the subject, he was supposed to pay a number of outstanding accounts against the Dufur drug store, in purchase of which the two checks were being tendered. Missing the \$900 check and not realizing that Clock had planned to settle the outstanding accounts with it, Dr. Dodd caused Clock to be arrested in Eugene and brought back to The Dalles upon a charge of grand larceny, he said.

MARKETING BODIES ARE DISBANDED

OREGON GROWERS' ASSOCIATION SUPPLANTS CHERRY UNION, PRODUCE ASSOCIATION.

The Cherry Growers' union and the partly organized Fruit and Produce Growers' association were both disbanded last night, by action of members assembled in a mass meeting at the court house. This action was taken in order to make way for one highly organized body to be formed under the direction of the Oregon Growers' Cooperative association. Resolutions disbanding the local organization were so worded that the action is provisional upon the securing of the acreage in the county demanded by the state cooperative association before it will establish a branch here.

SHIP SINKS; 22 DROWN

By United Press PORT ARTHUR, Texas, April 12.—The steamship Colonel Bowie sank today off the coast of Mexico, near Tampico, according to a wireless report. Twenty-two persons lost their lives, the report stated.

"SHAMROCK" MURDERED

By United Press ST. LOUIS, April 12.—The police are today combing the city for a blonde woman, who shared the apartments of "Shamrock," notorious criminal found dead in his rooms yesterday. "Shamrock" had many aliases, and was best known as Michael McNamara, two times a convict and alleged leader of a nationwide gang of safe blowers.

WOMEN WILL KILL MACHINE POLITICS

FAIR VOTERS WOULD MAKE WIFE ABANDONMENT CRIMINAL ACT.

By United Press CLEVELAND, O., April 12.—Woman, the newly-enfranchised, is going to drive machine politicians and ward-healers out of the American political system. This was the keynote of the annual report of Mrs. Maud Wood Park, chairman, delivered before the second annual convention of the National League of Women Voters, in session here. The committee on uniform laws is to present the following recommendations: An equal interest of husband and wife in each other's real estate. The removal of all common law disabilities of married women. Wife and child abandonment should be made a criminal offense. Common law marriages should be abolished. The state should require health certificates before issuing marriage licenses. There should be uniform state legislation on marriage and divorce and statutes prohibiting the evasion of marriage laws.

U. S. SHALL TAKE NO PART IN LEAGUE OF WORLD GOVERNMENT DECLARES PRESIDENT HARDING

PASS EMERGENCY TARIFF AT ONCE, BRING GOVERNMENT EXPENSE INSIDE FEDERAL REVENUES, INVESTIGATE RAIL SITUATION, FEDERAL HIGHWAY AID, POINTS.

WASHINGTON, April 12.—"In any existing league of nations, world governing with its super powers, this republic will have no part," President Harding today declared in his first message to congress.

Highlights of the message of recommendations, which contained 7,000 words, follow: Passage of the emergency tariff at once, with possible revision later. Bring the cost of maintaining the government inside the present revenue.

Washington, April 12.—President Harding planned to go over his first message to congress with his cabinet today before reading it before the joint session of house and senate.

The president goes to the capitol at 1 o'clock this afternoon. The cabinet meets two hours before that. The message is a composite of the views of Harding and the recommendation of his cabinet. He has for instance conferred with Secretary Hoover on foreign trade and Secretary Denby on naval matters before writing his recommendations to congress on those subjects.

By Raymond Clapper (United Press Staff Correspondent) WASHINGTON, April 12.—Before completing the final revision of his

ROBBERY, MURDER MOTIVE, CLAIM

STATE IN BRUNO CASE SEEKS TO DISPROVE SELF-DEFENSE PLEA.

By United Press PORTLAND, April 12.—(The financial affairs of John Bruno and Harry Pawluk, the man Bruno confessed to killing in the hills west of Portland, were today disclosed in the murder trial. The state endeavored to disprove the self defense plea and showed that Pawluk had just been paid off by the Steamer Montague, on which both men were employed. The state attempted to establish robbery as a motive for the brutal murder.

In an effort to establish a defense for Bruno, Attorney Tom Garland told how the slayer had sat for three hours beside the man and pondered upon what would be the best thing to do with the body. Garland told the jury that Bruno had first struck Pawluk with a revolver butt and then sent two revolver bullets crashing through his brain. The deed was done in self defense, said the attorney.

PHONES LINK UP U. S. AND CUBA

COMMUNICATION MAINTAINED UNDER SEA, OVER WIRES, THROUGH AIR.

By United News WASHINGTON, April 12.—"Hello Havana, how's the weather down there?" "Hello, Catalina, it's 72 degrees down here. Give our regards to the Pacific."

Talking under the sea, overland lines and through the air, Havana, Cuba, exchanged greetings Monday with Catalina Island, off the coast of California. The epochal occasion was the formal opening of telephonic communication, but revealed a telephonic achievement which may cause envy to thousands of American "local" subscribers.

BLACK AND TANS ARE EX-CONVICTS

JAMES WELSH TELLS OF BURNING OF IRISH VILLAGE BY ENGLISH.

James Welsh returned from a visit to his old home in Ireland, Sunday. He left The Dalles in February of last year, spent two weeks visiting a sister in Gloucester, Mass., and then made the ocean voyage to the Emerald Isle. Mr. Welsh was a young man 21 years old when he left Ireland to come to the United States. This was his first trip back after 57 years. Many of the people whom he had hoped to see were gone. Soon after arriving in his home village he met two men who recognized him and they told different ones until his arrival was well announced to the friends and relatives.

DOORN CASTLE FLAG IS AT HALF MAST

MEMBERS OF HOENZOLLERN FAMILY GATHER FOR EX-KAISER'S FUNERAL.

By United Press DOORN, April 12.—The German flag flew at half mast over Doorn Castle today as members of the Hohenzollern family gathered for the funeral of the ex-Empress Augusta Victoria.

The crown prince reached here from his asylum at Wierengen. The entry was quiet. The ex-emperor remained indoors. He was said to have isolated himself and to be showing signs of the deepest grief.

Plans were laid today for the removal of the body early in the morning after the services here. It will be taken to the railway station in a specially built automobile. At the boundary line the kaiser and crown prince will be halted while the remains of the empress go on to Berlin to be paid the honors of royalty.

"MURDER SQUAD" IS GET EVEN AGENCY

CHICAGO WOMEN SEND MAN HUNTERS TO HARASS PERSONS DISLIKED.

By United Press CHICAGO, April 12.—Chicago women's little game of calling out the police "murder squad" to raid the homes of women they have grudges against must cease.

Ever since the notorious Tommy O'Connor killed a policeman and escaped two weeks ago, police have received several hurry up calls every day, such as this: "Hello, police? Shush! Tommy O'Connor is hiding right next door to us."

Whereupon the "murder squad" with orders to shoot to kill when they found the elusive Tommy, would ruse the house, break down the door and point shotguns at the frightened housewife until the place was searched. Of course, no Tommy was found. Chief Fitzmorris discovered that it wasn't that the neighbor woman wanted to cooperate with the department to bring a criminal to justice, but merely gave the "bum steer" to spite persons they hold a grudge against.

AMERICAN OWNED LAND IN MEXICO WON'T BE SEIZED

NATION WINS IMPORTANT DIPLOMATIC FIGHT IN EXPROPRIATION MOVEMENT.

(United Press Staff Correspondent) WASHINGTON, April 12.—The United States has won in an important diplomatic fight with the Oregon government of Mexico, according to state department advices today. It was learned today that the department had protested to the Mexican government against steps to expropriate valuable American farming land in that country for division among Mexican peasants.

Secretary of State Hughes has now been advised by American Charge d'Affaires Summerlin in Mexico City that Oregon had given assurances that no American or other foreign property would be disturbed in this proposed expropriation of land.

FISHERMEN ACCEPT WAGE CUTS OF 23 PERCENT

SEATTLE, April 12.—Fishermen at all coast ports agreeing to a drastic reduction of wages, the Seattle cannery ship St. Paul, operated by the Northwest Fisheries company, sailed for the north last night.

The new scale conditionally accepted by the fishermen means a cut of approximately 23 percent less than the wage of last season.

BROOKS' SLAYER IS CHARGED WITH MURDER

BELLINGHAM, Wash., April 12.—A first degree murder charge will be filed against Harry Feasner, confessed slayer of Maurice J. Brooks, shot Friday night, and who died yesterday.

According to Brooks' ante-mortem statement, he was carried into the home of a resident by Feasner, after having been shot in an alley. The man and the woman of the house conferred for several minutes before Feasner left and he called the police. The woman is out on bail on a charge of assault. Brooks is 26 years old. He leaves a widow and two small children.

"FARMERS' FIRST" TARIFF UNDER WAY

AGRICULTURAL AND LABOR INTERESTS OPPOSE PROPOSED SALES TAX.

By Clarence Dubose (United Press Staff Correspondent) WASHINGTON, April 12.—The "farmers first" tariff program of the new congress got well under way today. The emergency tariff bill, protecting wheat, wool, meat and other agricultural products from foreign competition was reported from committee.

It will pass the house Wednesday, Chairman Fordney of the ways and means committee predicted. Republican Floor Leader Mondell named Thursday as the time limit.

The suggested sales tax to be considered soon by the senate finance committee will provoke much opposition from farmer and labor interests, according to indications reaching congressmen.