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Rain west, probably rain or snow east portion; strong to whole southeasterly gales.

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DEFICIT OF ARMY TOTALS 60 MILLION

Secretary Gives Report Before House Committee Which Will Draft 1922 Army Appropriation Bill

REMOVAL OF BORDER TROOPS IS FAVORED

War Department Breaks Faith With Congress by Over Recruiting

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Sharp conflicts between congress and the war department over the amount of money to be appropriated this year for the military establishment developed today at the initial meeting of the house sub-committee to draft the 1922 army appropriation bill.

TRI-PARTITE IS RUMORED

Five Year Naval Holiday is Opposed by Secretary Daniels

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Rumored intentions of Great Britain and Japan to seek a tripartite agreement with the United States for limitation of warships building programs came up today in congress.

OVERCOATS AUCTIONED

Fourteen Barrels of Corn Mash Taken in Still Raid

Congress Reorganization Is Planned by Committee

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APPEAL TO PROFIT TAX CALLS TO NEW METHOD

TAX ON INCOME REVISION IS PLANNED

Treasury Gives Estimate That More Than Billion Dollars in Taxes Remain Uncollected

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Method of raising sufficient revenue to offset losses through the prospective repeal of the excess profit tax, were considered today by house ways and means committee as the second step toward tax revision. The committee at previous sessions had considered changes in the tax on incomes.

TEMPORARY CABLE RULE IS ADOPTED

Plenary Session of International Communications Conference Continue Under Modus Vivendi

GERMAN CABLES WILL BE OPERATED JOINTLY

Disposition of Island of Yap and French Cable Remains Unsettled

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Sessions of the international communications conference threatened with disruption several days ago over failure to agree on disposition of the former German cables, will continue under a modus vivendi opened today at a plenary session.

TWO PRIESTS NUMBER AMONG CORK VICTIMS

FATHER MCARTHY IS BEATEN INSENSIBLE

CORK, Dec. 14.—Among the victims of Saturday night's terrorism preceding the fires here are two priests, the Reverend Patrick MacSweeney, closely related to the lord mayor of Cork, and Father McCarthy, who are reported to have been severely handled by armed uniformed men.

FARMERS' COMMITTEE ADOPT RESOLUTIONS

HANDLING OF GRAIN CROP TO BE REGULATED

Congress is Urged to Enact Early Laws to Stop Practice of Short Selling

HARVEST IS PROFUSE BUT PRICES FAIL

Shrinkage of Values of Farm Crops Placed at Almost \$5,000,000,000 for 1920 Soil Production

RECORDS ARE BROKEN IN HALF DOZEN CROPS

Corn, Winter Wheat, Oats, Barley, Potatoes and Rice Show Enormous Gains

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Shrinkage of values of the country's farm crops has placed their total worth this year at almost \$5,000,000,000 less than last year, although the 1920 harvest was one of the most abundant in the nation's history with half a dozen crops breaking records.

TAG SEWED IN POCKET IDENTIFIES HAMMILL

OTTAWA STREET CAR TICKET FOUND ON PERSON

Definite Proof That Dead Man Is Canadian Millionaire

GALVESTON, Texas, Dec. 14.—A tag sewed into a trousers pocket of the man found dead here yesterday, upon which was marked the name "J. P. Hammill," tonight was regarded by police officials as definite proof that the dead man was the missing Ottawa (Can.) millionaire.

POLICY OF OPEN SHOP UNCOVERED

Principle is Only Opening Wedge of Nation Wide Building Trust System of Fraudulant Construction

BUILDERS TESTIFY BEFORE COMMITTEE

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Testimony that the Bethlehem Steel company, the United States Steel corporation, and manufacturers of fabricated steel are blocking building operations in New York and other cities by attempting to force their "open shop" policy upon builders who employ union men, was heard today by the joint legislative committee investigating the alleged "building trust."

INTERNATIONAL CREDIT PLANNED

Constitution of World Commission to be Prepared by Competent Men

GENEVA, Dec. 14.—The league council has approved a plan for an international credits organization as recommended by the Brussels financial conference.

DISARMAMENT MUST BE SLOW

Cautious and Deliberate Steps in Laying Down Arms Is League Policy

GENEVA, Dec. 14.—The first step for disarmament of the nations must be cautious and deliberate, the assembly of the league of nations decided today, notwithstanding sharp criticisms by George Nicoll Barnes, the British labor leader and Christian Lange, of Norway.

HARDING FINDS LEADERS AGREE

Reports by Root and Hoover on Conditions Abroad Are Gratifying

MARION, O., Dec. 14.—With his conferences here on an association of nations only fairly begun, President-elect Harding let it be known today that he had already gathered information and advice which greatly encouraged him.

FINANCE BILL IS COMMITTEED

House Refers Senate Farm Proposal to Committee on Currency

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—The bill of the senate agriculture committee directing revival of the Federal Reserve corporation and favoring the extension of more liberal credits by the federal reserve system as a measure of relief for the farmers was referred to the banking and currency committee upon its arrival in the house today after its passage yesterday by the senate.

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Glenn Purvine left for Portland several days ago, from which place he sailed on the "Eelback" for a 16-months' voyage, going as the steward's helper. He will touch Seattle, Tacoma, San Pedro, pass through the canal, stop at the various adjacent islands, New York City, Liverpool and China.

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BERKELEY, Cal., Dec. 14.—Acceptance of a plan to exchange 35,000 shares of stock owned by the university of California in the Pacific Improvement company for 350 acres of water frontage near the Bethlehem shipbuilding works in Alameda was announced here today after the monthly meeting of the board of regents of the university. The stock was a gift of the late Edward P. Seaton.

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LONG BEACH, Cal., Dec. 14.—Damage estimated at \$200,000 was caused here today to the plants of three fish packing companies from a fire of undetermined origin.

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PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 14.—A formal charge of first degree murder was filed against John Tevis today by Deputy District Attorney Richard Deitch. Tevis is accused with choking and killing his wife, Nellie Tevis in their apartment Sunday. He disclaims knowledge of how his wife met her death.

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