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GOVERNOR REJECTS FAIR BILL

SUBMARINE IS STILL HALTING PEACE MAKERS

Entire Day Taken Up With Discussion Relative to Operations Against Merchant Vessels.

REGULATIONS FOUND DIFFICULT TO FORM

France Still Takes Balking Attitude on All Questions Affecting Navy

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—(By The Associated Press.)—The arms conference naval committee spent all of today debating proposals to restrict submarine warfare against merchant craft, but got no further than a general understanding to reaffirm existing principles of international law and declare strict application of these principles in future to submarine operations.

A dispute over phraseology blocked formal adoption of an affirmative resolution and the subject was laid aside for consideration by a special sub-committee on drafting.

The naval committee itself then began what promises to be a prolonged debate over the American proposal to prohibit use of submarines against merchant vessels altogether.

Air Program Minimized. Meantime, the sub-committee on aircraft decided to abandon any effort to limit the airplane strength of the powers and to recommend instead that an attempt be made to agree on restrictions that would make an air warfare conform with considerations of humanity.

All the other naval and Far Eastern discussions before the conference remained at a standstill today except for an intimation from the Japanese that only mediation by the United States and Great Britain could save the Shantung negotiations from final deadlock. It was declared both for the Japanese and Chinese that their governments had gone as far as possible toward a compromise and hope of a settlement was seen only in the possibility that some new element could be injected into the conversations.

Experts Differ Widely. There were indications that the naval experts of the various powers were far from an agreement on the proposal that airplane carriers be limited, and all the foreign delegations were waiting on further instructions as to the American proposal to establish 10,000 tons as the maximum size for any auxiliary warship. There also was a halt on remaining details of the capital ship agreement. Itself, a proposed meeting of experts to work out a replacement chart being postponed until later in the week.

So far as the capital ship question is concerned, all delegations appear to regard it as good as settled, although no draft of a treaty embodying the agreement has been prepared.

France has accepted, subject to a reservation she has not yet fully explained, so considerable discussion may take place before even that part of the work of the conference is ready for final approval.

Pacific Issue Still Alive. In regard to another conference problem—the new four-power Pacific treaty—there were signs tonight of revived discussion among the delegates, because of the suggestion of Japan that some action be taken to clarify the scope of the agreement in its relation to the major islands of the Japanese empire. Baron Shidehara of the Japanese delegation, after discussing the subject with Secretary Hughes, took the Japanese request to Arthur J. Balfour, head of the British, and it was said afterwards that some definite clarification scheme might be brought forward formally in the near future.

In view of the difference of opinion on the treaty's scope between President Harding and the American delegates, the Japanese think there at least should be an exchange of formal notes among the four powers setting forth the meaning of the pact beyond dispute. They are said to desire that the main Japanese group of islands be not included under the treaty, but on the other hand, the British desire that Australia and

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KING GEORGE AND PRIVY COUNCILORS AT BUCKINGHAM PALACE



THIS exclusive photograph shows King George and the Privy Council just after they had signed the Irish Peace Treaty. They are seen outside of Buckingham Palace and are (from left to right): Earl Curzon, Lloyd George, Sir Hamar Greenwood, King George, Lord Birkenhead and Austen Chamberlain.

SEARS-ROEBUCK REPORTS SALE

President of Company Takes Real Estate in Chicago for \$16,000,000

CHICAGO, Dec. 29.—Sears-Roebuck & Co. tonight reported the sale to Julius Rosenwald, president of the company, of certain of its Chicago real estate for \$16,000,000 and the gift of 50,000 shares of stock from Mr. Rosenwald thus permitting the company "to go through this period of readjustment with its capital unimpaired and with a small surplus."

Mr. Rosenwald already has made the first payment of 25 percent of \$4,000,000 on the real estate in cash and liberty bonds.

Mr. Rosenwald's gift to the company of 50,000 shares of its common capital stock, having a par value of \$5,000,000 is on condition that the said shares be not sold for less than par and that he be given the option, for a period of three years, to purchase these shares from the company at par for cash.

A. H. Loeb, vice president of the company, said of the action: "The price which Mr. Rosenwald paid for the property reflects the value as determined by independent appraisal, which by reason of appreciation over many years, is far in excess of book value. No expense in the transaction was incurred by the company for bonus, commission or brokerage. The company will have the use and occupancy of the property for 20 years and, no doubt, for as much longer as it may desire."

The building is of reinforced concrete with white cement finishing, and has a capacity of over 100 inmates.

A name has not yet been chosen for the building, but it will be formally christened tomorrow when it is accepted. The buildings ordinarily are named for some member of the board of control or other person closely interested.

Disorderly Element Imported Into Calcutta

LONDON, Dec. 29.—It was officially stated today that the importation of disorderly elements into Calcutta December 26 to enforce the "hartal" by terrorizing shopkeepers resulted in 950 arrests for obstruction and on other charges of disorderly conduct. Arrests in Calcutta for similar reasons the past six weeks have totalled 3500, according to the statement.

It was also stated that there were no signs of the "hartal" on the 23rd throughout the greater part of the city and on subsequent days of the Prince of Wales' visit the crowds were both enormous and enthusiastic, denoting the absolute failure of the non-cooperationists' efforts to halt all festivities. It was added that as a result of this failure Mahatma Gandhi and his followers had been greatly discredited.

WALTER'S APPEAL IS TAKEN TO HIGH COURT

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 29.—After a delay of more than a year the appeal of Husted A. Walters, Camp Lewis soldier, who was convicted of murder in the first degree for killing Patrolman Jerome Palmer, will go to the supreme court this week.

In response to a demand made by DWistriet Attorney Myers last month, B. F. Mulkey, attorney for Walters has filed his brief before the supreme court.

ROTHSCHILD CONTRACTS WILL EXPIRE DECEMBER 31

MADRID, Dec. 29.—The government announces the expiration on December 31 of the contract with Nathaniel Rothschild for the sale of quicksilver from the Almaden and Arrayanes state mines which are among the most important in the world. In future the sales will be conducted directly through the administrative council of mines, which must make proper allowance for national industrial requirements.

Young Man Will Send Mother to Poor Farm Unless He Can Obtain Work; Wife, Baby Also in Need

A young married man with wife, baby and mother to support, has decided to put his mother in the poor house because he can't keep the home together. He can't get work and they must live some way, so unless work comes his way, he sees no other way out.

He has tried every way to get work until he has almost given up hope. He is handy around machinery, can drive truck and do his own repairing, in fact, can do most anything if he had it to do. He started buying a small home in Salem but unless work turns up, he will have to let his home go. Anyone knowing where he can get work to keep his home together, please leave word at this office for "mother."

DORMITORY IS ACCEPTED TODAY

Board of Control Formally to Take Over and Name New Building

The new girls' dormitory at the state school for the feeble-minded, for which \$50,000 was appropriated by the 1921 regular legislative session, has been completed and will be accepted tomorrow by the state board of control.

Not quite all of the amount appropriated was needed to complete the building and furnish it, according to F. A. Legge of Salem, the architect, and \$1500 or \$1700 is left.

Today more bars were found to have been sawed partially off and the lock that secured the lever used to bolt the cells in the cage was all but sawed in two.

Twenty prisoners are in the jail.

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GROVER POWERS ARRESTED WITH LIQUOR IN POSSESSION

Grover Powers, 500 North Capitol street, was arrested last night by local officers on a charge of possession of intoxicating liquor. A quantity of moonshine or whiskey was found when Chief of Police Moffitt and Patrolmen Victor and Branson served a search warrant upon Powers last night at his home.

Powers was later released on cash bail in the sum of \$50, which he furnished.

A one gallon container seized by the officers held a brownish liquor of whiskey-like aroma, while a quart bottle was partly filled with a colorless fluid held by on-the-spot analysis to be moonshine.

COLLEGE MEN REJECT OFFER

Vote is Unanimously Control of American Participation in Olympics

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—The National Collegiate Athletic association today definitely declined the invitation of the American Olympic association to join with it in future control of American participation in Olympic games.

The vote was 48 to 0 against such affiliation in the present form of the Olympic association's organization.

The collegiate association also went on record as favoring "the idea of an organization of a national athletic federation," proposed by Secretary of War Weeks.

In a resolution to this effect said in part "that the question of the extent and manner of the participation of this organization in the proposed national athletic federation be left to the executive committee of the N. C. A. A., or the board of directors if there is one, for discussion and report one year hence."

The collegiate association adopted certain recommendations as made by the newly formed football coaches association, as presented by Major Charles Daly of West Point.

The most interesting of these was the suggestion that the football rules committee prepare and addendum to the football playing rules to provide for the playing of the game by boys of 15 years of age and under. Suggestions for these proposed rules provided for following the first boys system of handling the catch of every punt and ceasing to tackle and piling on whenever the play calls "held."

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Mr. Hughes also declared the resolution was of value because the signatory powers must remember, should a difference arise between any of them "that the weapons which they possessed were not as in the past to be used without reference to the laws of God and man."

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ROOT PLAN IS PIVOT OF ALL PARLEY TALKS

Strict Code of Ethics in Warfare Set Forth for Submarine Craft, and Given Approval.

SIMPLE LANGUAGE IS URGED BY MR. HUGHES

Author Demands Vote, and Not Reference to Committee of Lawyers

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—(By The Associated Press.)—A resolution by Elihu Root reaffirming existing rules of naval warfare for surface craft and strict application of this code to submarines operating against merchant craft was accepted in principle today by the naval committee of the arms conference.

Mr. Root's second proposal that a new rule of international law be initiated outlawing entirely submarine operations against merchantment was still under discussion when the committee adjourned for the day. It has been urged in addresses by each member of the American delegation and approved formally for the British group by Arthur J. Balfour. The other delegations still are to be heard on this subject.

Balfour Assists Root. In the form in which the first proposal was approved in principle and sent to sub-committee for final drafting, the Root proposal sets out a new rule of visit and search belligerent craft observe in dealing with commercial vessels and couples with this the declaration that submarines must be governed by these rules. At the suggestion of Mr. Balfour the original preamble was amended in arrangement to read as follows: "The signatory powers desiring to make more effective the rules adopted by civilized nations for the protection of the lives of neutrals and non-combatants at sea in time of war invite the adherence of all other civilized powers to the following statement of established law to the end that there may be a clear public understanding through the world of the standards of conduct by which the public opinion of the world is to pass judgment upon future belligerents."

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MEASURES ARE NOT ACCEPTED BECAUSE NAMES ARE LACKING

Final disposition of the 1925 exposition measures as far as the governor and the secretary of state are concerned, was made yesterday when Governor Olcott refused to accept house bill No. 22, providing for the proposed additional tax on gasoline, and Secretary of State Kozler refused to receive house joint resolution No. 3, referring to the people the proposed constitutional amendment legalizing the tax.

The reason for this action was that the measures were not signed by the president of the senate and the speaker of the house. The governor and the secretary of state acted upon the advice of the attorney general.

If the case is to be taken into court to decide whether the bills legally passed the senate it is now up to proponents of the fair to institute the action. Whether this would be a mandamus action against the secretary of state to compel him to put the measures on the ballot, or similar action against President Ritter and Speaker Bean to compel them to sign the measures.

There is some speculation to the effect that proponents of the fair may drop proposed litigation and simply initiate a bill.

POTASH CONTRACT READ COMMITTEE

Thirty-Four American Manufacturers Enter Agreement With Germany

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—A copy of a contract entered into by 34 American manufacturers of fertilizer with the Potash syndicate of Germany by which the former bind themselves to purchase 75 per cent of their potash requirements from the latter, was read today in the record of the tariff hearings of the senate finance committee.

The contract was produced by S. D. Greshaw, vice president of the Virginia Carolina Chemical company of Richmond, Va., and in ordering it placed in the record, Senator Smoot, Republican, Utah, said he wanted to show senators that it not only evaded all anti-dumping laws passed by congress, but also all American anti-trust laws.

"If that contract can stand," Senator Smoot declared, "Germany will see that the potash industry in the United States will never be developed."

Mr. Greshaw, whose company is one of those a party to the contract said the instrument was so drawn that the American manufacturer could buy 25 per cent of the supply from French or domestic sources it developed, however, that the American firms would get a lower rate per ton if they bought their entire supply from the German syndicate than if they bought only 75 per cent from that source.

Beebe Will Not Come To Prison Immediately

ALBANY, Ore., Dec. 29.—Carlson D. (Pete) Beebe, found not guilty of the murder of John Painter, on the ground of insanity yesterday, will not be taken to the state hospital for the insane until it is decided whether his trial and acquittal on this charge will prevent trial of a charge against him for the murder of William Painter, son of John Painter. Bodies of the two were found on their farm where Beebe was employed.

BAROMETER FALLS

ASTORIA, Dec. 29.—The barometer which has stood at a high mark ever since the beginning of the cold spell fell rapidly today. Rain was falling here and the temperature was warmer.

GUILT IS ADMITTED TO CHARGES OF VIOLATION

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 29.—T. Oda pleaded guilty to charges of narcotic law violation and was sentenced to 13 months in McNeil island prison.

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More than \$100,000 worth of narcotics was seized.

AMERICANS ARE TOO SUPERFICIAL

So Declares Dr. L. M. Burton in Address to Oregon Teachers

PORTLAND, Dec. 29.—"American schools must place new emphasis on the old fashioned demand for accuracy, for America's chief vice is superficiality," said Dr. L. M. Burton, president of the University of Michigan, in an address on "What the Schools Must Do" today at an assembly of delegates to the annual meeting of the Oregon State Teachers' association in session here.

"Americans are superficial in many branches of business and other activities," said President Burton. "We stress the importance of having accomplished the construction of a bridge or a building or the writing of a book, rather than the actual work on the task. We have achieved great results in developing a type of man who has remarkable abilities in passing responsibilities to others."

Discussion of topics of special interest to teachers and disposal of a mass of routine business of various departments of the association featured the session.

John W. Todd Again Enters Not Guilty Plea

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 29.—John W. Todd, jointly charged with Carlos L. Byron of using the mails to promote timber swindles today in federal court entered a plea of not guilty to an indictment recently returned.

The new indictment is substantially the same as the one on which he was tried in November when the jury failed to agree, according to United States Attorney Humphreys, and Todd will be tried on both indictments January 16.

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