

SENATOR PENROSE DEAD

6 NATIONS TO HOLD GERMAN CABLE RIGHTS

Six-Power Treaty Agreed Upon Relative to Island of Yap With U. S. Controlling Guam Line.

GENERAL ALLOCATION PLANNED BY POWERS

Plan of Partition First Worked Out by Americans And Japanese

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—(By The Associated Press)—The scope of the Washington negotiations over the former German cable properties in the Pacific, centering in the island of Yap, has been broadened into a proposed six-power treaty definitely allocating German holdings between the United States, Japan and The Netherlands.

A tentative draft of the treaty was considered at a meeting today of the heads of the American, Japanese, Netherlands, British, French and Italian delegations and although final approval awaits further word from foreign capitals, the proposal found general acceptance.

Americans Control Cable.

Under the allocation which goes much further than the separate Yap treaty negotiated between the United States and Japan, the American government is to have full control of the cable between Yap and the American island of Guam. Japan is to secure the line known as the Yap-Shanghai cable, now diverted to connect Yap with the Japanese Loochoo Islands, and The Netherlands is to have the line from Yap to Menado, a city on the Dutch island of Celebes.

It is indicated that the provisions of the American-Japanese settlement, which give the United States general cable and wireless rights on Yap, probably will be incorporated in a separate treaty between those two powers.

Many Nations Concerned.

The broader question of distributing all Japan cable holdings is one in which all the principal allied and associated powers, as well as The Netherlands are concerned under the terms of the Versailles peace treaty. By that treaty Germany renounced her rights to the cables jointly to the principal powers—the United States, Great Britain, Japan, France and Italy. Interest of The Netherlands lies in the fact that her nations held a minority of stock in the German-Dutch corporation owning the lines before the war.

By the new treaty it is proposed that The Netherlands is to receive the Yap-Menado properties outright in exchange for her partial pre-war interest in the three lines. The British, French and Italian governments would renounce their undivided shares in the properties to the United States and Japan in recognition of the particular interest of these two governments in

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FUNNY BUG SETS CITY ALL AGOG

Highway Locomotive Owned by Eastman Brothers Stops Business in Portland

SILVERTON, Or., Dec. 31.—(Special to The Statesman)—A motor "bug" of unusual interest is the new locomotive bug owned by the Eastman Brothers and made by the Silvertown Foundry company, the makers of the "Siloco" bug which is built on a Ford chassis, is patterned after a regular locomotive and is by no means as small as the ordinary "bug" is. It is known as the "Siloco" railway No. 1922.

During the week Mr. Eastman drove a Portland in his "locomotive" and it is reported that great was the consternation of a locomotive-bearing down the streets at the ordinary pace of a motor car. When a traffic cop saw the unique sight coming he invariably signalled "go ahead" at once to avoid more congestion in traffic than necessary. When the engine stopped on a downtown street it seemed everyone else also stopped. It is also said that automobile collisions were narrowly averted as drivers were continually turning to view the unusual creation.

Many have tried to buy the bug but so far its owners have refused to part with it.

COLONEL DAVIS GIVEN HONORS

Polk County Soldier, Now Retired, Recognized by War Department

PORTLAND, Or., Dec. 31.—Word was received by friends in Portland today of the selection of Colonel Milton F. Davis, Oregon West Point graduate, for promotion to brigadier general in the officers' reserve corps.

The promotion came to Colonel Davis now on the retired list, as a Christmas compliment from the war department.

Colonel Davis was appointed to West Point in the late '80s. He was a member of a prominent Polk county, Oregon, family. He served with distinction throughout the Spanish-American war.

Diamond-Studded Stars Presented to Officers

Guards and other employees of the state penitentiary Saturday night presented gold officers' stars, each set with a diamond to Warden L. H. Compton and Deputy Warden James Lewis. This followed a motion picture show and general entertainment given for the inmates of the prison.

Fuel Tax Begins

BATON ROUGE, La., Dec. 31.—Louisiana tomorrow begins collection of 1 cent a gallon tax on gasoline, which is expected to yield nearly a million dollars a year for road purposes.

WEATHER

Sunday rain west; rain or snow east; fresh southerly gale along coast, increasing southeasterly winds in the interior.

HARDING MAY WIN OUT FOR MORE PARLEYS

Future International Conference Plan of President Again Coming to Front at Washington.

BECLAUDED PROSPECT AGAIN CLEARING UP

Nature of Concrete Plan to Go Before Delegates is Not Yet Known

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—(By The Associated Press)—With the Washington negotiations approaching a conclusion, President Harding's proposal for future series of similar meetings coming to the front again in its informal discussions of the delegates.

Thus far its outward manifestations are taken as a side, the future conference question has been one of the least early defined of all issues considered here. Most delegates believe they can see the end of their labors in connection with both armament and the Far East, but none seems to have a clear idea of what action is likely to be taken toward a reconvening of the powers to discuss world problems.

Harding is Amused.

When the president's suggestion for a continuing series of international gatherings first emanated from the White House, it was said by high administration officials that the plan might be regarded as a stepping stone to an "association of nations." Mr. Harding, it was deemed, would be greatly disappointed if no agreement for future meetings came out of the Washington conversations.

At the stage of the conference, when definite settlement appeared likely on all classes of naval armament as well as all of the troubled problems of the Far East the suggestion found support in practically every foreign delegation.

It was agreed that some action to fulfill the president's desires seemed likely when the primary purposes of the conference were attained.

Prospect Beckoned.

Development of the plan, however, have considerably beclouded the prospect. Failure to agree on submarines and auxiliary craft and obstacles encountered in the Far Eastern negotiations, are conceded to have presented a somewhat changed situation.

Upon highest authority, it is said that the American delegation sees no reason to plan a future meeting to discuss auxiliary naval armament until there has been evidence of a change of attitude on the part of the powers who have found themselves in disagreement here. However, administration officials described the president as still hoping for such a conference. The foreign delegates for the most part, are remaining silent.

All Signs Progressive.

In all discussions attention is called to what already has been done toward future conferences, as forming a basis for piecemeal beginning toward realization of the president's plan. The four-power treaty, providing for consultation between the United States, Great Britain, Japan and France, in any threatened breach of the peace in the Pacific; creation of continuing commissions and other agencies to help solve the Chinese problems; and the virtual decision to have another arms conference, six or seven years hence, are cited as steps in the right direction.

But whether a definite, concrete plan for periodical consultations is to be laid before the conference before it ends remains unanswered.

No Item Providing for Discussion of a future conference plan is on the formal agenda of the Washington conference, but that is not generally considered a serious obstacle to consideration of the sub-

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THE NEW DOCTOR ARRIVES



DIVORCE RECORD SHOWS DECREASE

Policy of Judge Bingham Has Effect in Marion County During Year

If you were issued a marriage license during 1921, the chances are 10 to 1 that the adventure will prove successful.

Or put it this way. During 1921 there were issued in Marion county a total of 419 marriage licenses, and there were granted in the county only 45 divorces. That is, there was only one divorce for every 10 marriages in force to every 10 marriages in the county during 1921.

This remarkable finding showing of a divorce to every 10 marriages is due to the fact that Judge George G. Bingham has shown a reluctance to grant divorces, and in many instances has postponed action until family affairs have been patched up, and the suit withdrawn.

Judge Bingham has been also very reluctant to grant divorces wherein children are concerned, and in several instances has refused to grant the divorce, holding the stand that it is for the best for all concerned that the family be kept together.

The month of one last stands as the month for marriages, as 61 licenses were issued. February licenses were issued with 15 divorces issued during the month. With the issuance of five licenses yesterday, the total for December was 40.

Divorces issued during 1921, beginning with the February term of the circuit court, were granted in the following suits filed: Lucy M. Hardin vs. Orin W. Hardin; Joe L. Crahan vs. Rosa Crahan; Willie Davis vs. Fred Davis; Mary Dobrovsky vs. Frank Dobrovsky; Mabel Caldwell vs. Lucien Caldwell; Maud L. Rector vs. Albert Rector; Lulu Pierce vs. L. R. M. Jere; Leanna Thomas vs. W. M. Thomas; Julia M. Weigel vs. George H. Weigel; Beatrice E. Jone vs. Parley Jone; Mary A. Johnson vs. Hiram A. Johnson; Margaret Montgomery vs. Samuel Montgomery; J. W. Marney vs. Maud G. Marney; Mrs. R. A. Flanagan vs. S. E. Flanagan; Lillian Alice Christy vs. Nixon Neal Christy; Hermine Schroeder vs. Charles T. Schroeder.

The exact number of arrests made during the year up to December 30, as 551, and of these 315 were for traffic violations.

The rest were made for felonies and misdemeanors committed within the Salem jurisdiction or upon instructions received from the offices of other sheriffs and police departments.

An increase of more than \$2,000 was collected in fines during 1921 over 1920. The records show that \$5024 was collected.

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Ben Taylor Quits Postoffice Job After Serving 34 1-2 Years; Is Presented Watch by Office Force

After having served the Salem postoffice for the past 34 1/2 years, Ben Taylor presented his resignation New Year's eve, to become effective at once.

Mr. Taylor is one of the two original letter carriers in Salem, beginning the distribution of mail in the business section of the city July 1, 1887, with George H. Hatch.

During all his years' service with the postoffice, he has held positions that required close work and attention, his last being that of mailing clerk.

Mr. Taylor will give his fine to the management of the city in place of which he is owner. He will be succeeded in the postoffice as mailing clerk by Nate W. Price.

The resignation was a complete surprise to Postmaster August Burkhead and the entire force. As soon as they had recovered from the announcement that the oldest man in the service was about to retire, the postoffice force, with the postmaster, purchased a gold watch, and in a short and appropriate address by the postmaster, expressed to Mr. Taylor their appreciation of his good work and their regret at his leaving the service.

And then Mr. Taylor, not to be outdone in generosity, presented the force with two branches of bananas, and then the curtain rang down upon Mr. Taylor and his 34 1/2 years of work in the postoffice, serving under five different postmasters.

RIOTOUS MEETING HELD BY TAXPAYERS OF POLK COUNTY

DALLAS, Ore., Dec. 31.—(Special to The Statesman)—At one of the biggest and most hotly contested budget meetings ever held in this part of the state the farmers and a number of heavy taxpayers of Polk county made several slices in the county budget for the coming year that will in more ways than one work a hardship on the departments affected.

The citizens of the county began to arrive in Dallas with the break of day, many of them coming from the far ends of the county. There appeared to be a concerted move to lower the taxes of the county, if voting to do away with various appropriations would make it possible and to this end almost every item in the budget as prepared by the budget committee was contested.

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OVER 550 ARRESTS MADE DURING YEAR CHIEF REPORTS

More than 550 arrests were made during the year 1921 by the Salem police department, according to the report of V. M. Moffitt, chief of the department, which will be submitted to the mayor and city council at the next meeting.

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By George Hansen



LESTER LANGSTON COMMITS SUICIDE

Salem Man Takes Own Life With Rifle on Inter-county Bridge

A crumpled note which asserted that he was tired of living and which hinted at domestic infidelity, was yesterday afternoon found by local officials when they examined the remains of Lester Langston, 28, a few moments after he had walked to the center of the Marion-Polk inter-county bridge and taken his own life with a rifle.

A .32 calibre rifle was found beside the body of Langston, who for some time has lived in this city at 245 South Cottage street. The bullet entered from a point just under the chin, the missile practically destroying the head above the line of the lower jaw.

Langston's note, written on the back of an envelope, also requested that the rifle, his personal property, but purchased with funds advanced by a friend be returned to the friend who had also made arrangements for Langston to secure work on a farm in southern Oregon, the man being a part equipment which Langston had proposed to use in trapping fur animals.

Langston's mother, Mrs. Laura J. Bone, lives at Annapolis, Ore. The dead man's father is alive, it is reported, but his address could not be ascertained last night. Langston was an experienced man, serving overseas with an infantry unit. He was discharged at Camp Jackson, S. C., at that time being a member of Company F, 61st Infantry.

On September 31, 1921, Langston was married to Thelma Cook of this city. Since his marriage he has lived at the South Cottage street address.

Cornor Lloyd Rigdon announced last night no inquest would be held in view of the fact that it was a clear case of suicide.

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ESTATE IS BIG

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—The estate left by Mrs. Helen C. Bostwick, widow of a former Standard Oil magnate, who died in 1920, was worth nearly \$22,000,000 it was announced today.

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UNIQUE FIGURE OF POLITICAL ARENA PASSES

Extraordinary Power wielded in State and National Affairs from Early Days in Pennsylvania.

DEATH IS SUDDEN IN HOTEL APARTMENT

Wilson Administration Irreconcilably Opposed During Eight Years

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—Senator Boies Penrose of Pennsylvania, died here late tonight after a brief illness.

Senator Penrose, who was 61 years of age, had been complaining for some days, but it was stated repeatedly by his friends his condition was improving and he would be able to resume his duties in the senate next week. His recent work as chairman of the finance committee in handling tax and legislation was a greater physical hardship, his friends said, than he himself had realized.

Reports from Senator Penrose's apartment at the Wardman hotel tonight indicated that his condition was not so good and physicians were constantly with him. The first notice of his death, which occurred at 11:30 o'clock, was telephoned by a physician from his apartment to the hotel desk.

Senator Penrose died of pulmonary thrombosis, as a result of heart failure, Dr. Roy D. Adams, his physician announced. Mr. Adams and two nurses were the only persons in the room when the end came.

Until a few moments before death Senator Penrose, his physician said, was quite comfortable, although he soon relapsed into unconsciousness and it was realized his condition was desperate.

Senator Penrose's illness, after his recuperation from a long siege which kept him away from the senate for months, started early in the week with a bad cold. There was a change for the better Wednesday, but he suffered a slight relapse Thursday. Despite that, however, he was able to be up and around his apartment.

The senator's brother, Dr. Charles Penrose of Philadelphia, came here to see him after the first cold attack but went home Wednesday feeling that the senator was better. Dr. Adams was with the senator most of the afternoon and through the evening.

Senator Penrose occupied a large suite on the top floor of the hotel. It was said that he was particularly anxious to recuperate his strength so he could return to his desk next week as chairman of the finance committee having witnessed on the tariff bill.

Dr. Adams gave the time of the senator's death as 11:30 o'clock.

Friends of Senator Penrose said the sudden death recently of his colleague, Senator Knox, had been such a shock to him it had affected him several days ago while he was

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DO YOU REMEMBER?

Politics some years ago was more exciting than under the present method of selecting candidates by vote of the people.

For instance, do you remember back in 1897 when the anti-Mitchell men refused to organize the house of representatives and no session could be held, all at instigation of Jonathan Bourne and other anti-Mitchell Republicans?

Do you remember when Governor Lord called a special session of the legislature in 1898 to fill a vacancy in the senate and how Joseph Simon, Multnomah county boss and strong factor in Republican politics, was elected?

Going back a little further in Salem's history, do you remember when J. H. Mitchell was elect-

ed senator in 1874, when the legislature met in the building on South Commercial, diagonally across from the Marion hotel, known as the Holman hotel, but now owned by D. Samuels?

Do you remember when there was a deadlock in the legislature and when Mitchell, Bourne and Simon were the political leaders of the state?

Do you remember back in the '70s when the Capital Engine fire company of volunteers had headquarters in a two-story brick building on the present location of the Salem Bank of Commerce?

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