

Big 4 to Talk Of Germany Treaty Today

NEW YORK, Dec. 6—(AP)—The Big Four foreign ministers council agreed tonight to begin preliminary talks on a German peace settlement tomorrow morning.

The purpose of the initial discussions which are to be wound up next week is to outline a program of work, covering probably seven or eight points, for a commission of Big Four diplomatic experts assigned to lay the groundwork for another council session in Europe early next year.

With all but a few minor technical points finally agreed upon in the European satellite peace treaties, the Big Four also agreed tonight that it would be impossible to sign that treaties here and that the actual signing probably would take place at their next session in Europe.

A committee of deputy foreign ministers informed the council that it would take at least a month to put the treaties in proper formal language. After that, they will be circulated among all the 21 nations which attended the Paris peace conference and those nations are expected to participate in the final signing.

Before agreeing to the German talks, the ministers polished up virtually complete peace pacts for the five Axis satellites—Italy, Hungary, Romania, Bulgaria and Finland—as a preliminary to the German discussions.

Dead Timber Freed for Fuel

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6—(AP)—The government issued emergency regulations tonight permitting collection of dead or down timber from 400,000,000 acres of public domain.

The order by the interior department's bureau of land management swept aside regulations requiring permits for the cutting of small amounts of timber on public lands for domestic purposes.

The action followed reports from Colorado and Utah of critical coal shortages and a heavy demand for firewood.

GOP Looking for Convention Site

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6—(AP)—Republicans, thinking of the hotel shortage, set out today a year ahead of usual looking for a site for their 1948 presidential nominating convention.

Internal talk mentioned Chicago, Cleveland and Kansas City as possible midwest locations; San Francisco on the west coast and Atlantic City, N. J., on the eastern seaboard.

Vet Priorities on Farm Machinery to End Feb. 8

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6—(AP)—An agriculture department wartime order giving veterans of World War II priority in the purchase of farm machinery will be ended next February 8.

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Tonight
Silverton Armory
9 to 12
GLENN WOODRY'S ORCHESTRA
14 Entertainers 14
Admission 75c Plus Fed. Tax 14c Total 90c

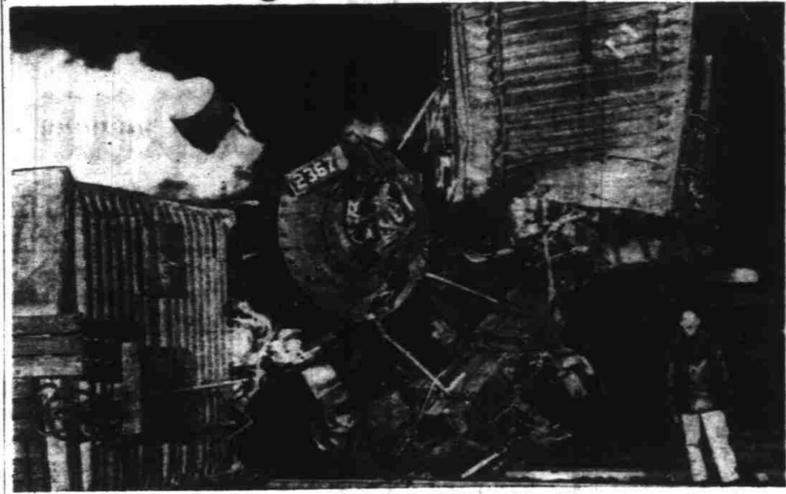
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V.F.W.—Victory Club
DANCE
Old-Time Dancing
TONIGHT
Veterans Hall
Corner Hood and Church Streets
Music by Ray's Salem Ramblers
Admission 60c inc. tax Welcome

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Like We Used to Dance
Every Saturday Night
Special Request Program
New Year's Eve
Come and put your request in for tunes you forgot.
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Paul Winslow's Gang

Freight Train Is Wrecked



BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 6—The firemen of this Canadian National railroad locomotive was injured when the freight it was pulling and an Erie railroad freight collided at a rail crossroads at Buffalo, N. Y. (AP Wirephoto.)

Secret 1931 Documents Recall Warnings of Winston Churchill

By Roger D. Greene
WASHINGTON, Dec. 6—(AP)—Thirteen years after her defeat in World War I, Germany was conducting secret military preparations and balked at scrapping her pocket battleship program even on the brink of national bankruptcy.

This was disclosed by the state department today in publishing for the first time, after the usual 15-year lapse, many confidential documents on United States foreign policy in 1931. That was the year of the Hoover moratorium on world debts, the Polish Corridor controversy and the lengthening of Hitler's shadow over Europe.

Behind-the-scenes glimpses of that year's historic events as shown by the state department's volume, depict a Germany teetering between Hitlerism and communism, smouldering bitterly under the restraints of the Versailles treaty and coldly aloof to proposals of disarmament.

Germany has served notice that any limitation of land armaments will afford her no incentive to be a party to the treaty, wrote Hugh Gibson, chairman of the American delegation on the preparatory commission for the disarmament conference, in a dispatch to Secretary of State Henry L. Stimson.

There is a considerable possibility that a treaty on land armaments would be used by Germany to justify precipitating the whole question of revising the military clauses of the Versailles treaty.

Even in those days—more than a year before Hitler's rise to power—the fiery eloquence of Winston Churchill was ringing out in warning against Germany. Cites Churchill's Opinion

Thus, on September 16, 1931, a dispatch to Stimson from U. S. Ambassador Charles G. Dawes in London cited Churchill's opinion that "England has descended into a position of unpreparedness and insecurity such as it had never previously experienced, (and) that Germany and Russia were putting themselves into a position of superior preparation."

The dispatch went on to say that "Mr. Churchill may be considered the self-appointed spokesman of the 'give-no-quarter' view esters" and "his militant views are not generally shared either by the leaders in the three political parties or by the English public as a whole."

The usual comment on Churchill's theories is that they might have worked in the days of Marlborough, his ancestor, and Wellington, but that they are decidedly out of date in 1931, Dawes' message said.

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Silverton, Dec. 7
Sponsored by Lion's Club
Every Sat. Nite K.P. Hall
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Claude Bird and His Music
"Swing and Sway"
The Velvet Rhythm Way
FEATURING
DOROTHY MARSHALL, VOCALIST
WOODBURN ARMORY BALLROOM
Woodburn, Oregon

Oakland Strike Protest Slated

OAKLAND, Calif., Dec. 6—(AP)—Employers whose workers joined in the two and one-half day general strike which ended yesterday called the strike a breach of contracts today and said they would protest to the international headquarters of the AFL unions involved.

As the crippling \$14,000,000 walkout subsided to peaceful picketing of the two stores whose strike set off the stoppage—Kahn's and Hastings—the United Employers, Inc., and the retail merchants association held a "clarification" meeting.

The city police department remained on an emergency alert.

British Fail To Unite India

LONDON, Dec. 6—(AP)—Prime Minister Clement Attlee failed tonight in a last-minute effort to bring the Hindus and Muslims together for the opening Monday of the constituent assembly to draft India's constitution of independence.

Following termination of inconclusive conferences here, the British government flatly told bickering Indian leaders the British would not submit an Indian charter to parliament unless all factions joined in writing it.

Truck Driver Held In Hit-Run Accident

MEDFORD, Dec. 6—(AP)—Joel Albert Dennis, 33, Rogue River, was arrested by state police today in connection with the traffic death of Kenneth Mayfield, 14-year-old bicyclist.

Police said Dennis admitted driving a truck which hit the boy, and said he was accompanied by two other men at the time. The truck's description was given by witnesses to the Wednesday night accident.

Amvets to Vote on New Constitution

Amvets Marion post will vote on the adoption of the final draft of its constitution at the next meeting, Friday, December 20, at 8 p.m. in courtroom No. 2 of the county courthouse.

McKeel Letter Matter Quiets

No appreciable repercussions seemed to have grown from the report Thursday that Willamette's All-Conference grid performer, Larry McKeel, had been refused a letter by Coach Walt Erickson.

McKeel counter-manded that his studies had forced him to stay home.

Free Accordion Concert

Jaquith Music Company presents
Lloyd La Vaux
Internationally distinguished accordion artist
in concert
8 P.M. Saturday, December 7
at
The Jaquith Music Store
136 South High Street, Salem, Oregon

U.S. Favors East Coast Site for U.N.

LAKE SUCCESS, N. Y., Dec. 6—(AP)—The United States broke its long silence on choice of a location for United Nations headquarters today with a flat endorsement of the east coast and thus moved Philadelphia into a forefront position in the battle over a permanent peace capital site.

The American decision, made at top level after President Truman met with his cabinet in Washington, was announced to the 54-nation headquarters committee of Warren R. Austin, chief United States delegate.

Austin did not specify whether he favored Philadelphia, New York or Boston—the three eastern seaboard cities inspected by a special sub-committee—but made it clear that he was against San Francisco's Presidio, the only west coast site in the running.

The United States position was wrapped up in this terse statement: "The United States is not for establishing headquarters on the west coast. The United States is for headquarters on the Atlantic coast."

Fun Night Held By Saddle Club

The Salem Saddle club held Fun Night Friday night before a large crowd of spectators in the horse arena at the state fairgrounds. Dr. Fred Ellis, 4165 Portland rd., won first place in the men's division of the sack race, while Midge Schryder, Salem, won the women's division.

In the team matches Arthur Smith, Salem, and Eldon Fink, Fall City, won first place. Sunday morning at 10:30 the Salem Saddle club and Calif Ropers will entertain the Eugene Calif Ropers in a roping contest, and in the afternoon at 2:00 o'clock a full-fledged rodeo will be staged with the Sheridan Center club as guests.

Oregon D.A.'s Elect Kreason

Robert W. Kreason of Dallas was elected president of the Oregon district attorneys' association and Sheriff Denver Young of Marion county was elected secretary-treasurer of the Oregon Sheriffs association at a joint meeting of the associations in Portland Friday.

President of the sheriffs group is C. A. Swarts, Eugene, according to Associated Press reports from the state meeting.

South Yorkshire Youth Falls 775 Feet, Breaks Leg

GOLDTHORPE, South Yorkshire, England, Dec. 6—(AP)—Falling 775 feet down the shaft of a mine pit is something like "falling out of bed in your sleep," 15-year-old Charles Wilfred Carter said today.

Charles, a pitboy, was found today with a fractured leg, but otherwise very much alive on top of an elevator cage at the bottom of a 1554-foot shaft in the Barnborough main colliery near here.

The miracle of Charles' escape from almost certain death lay in the fact that he caught up with the descending elevator cage about halfway down the shaft after falling clear for about 775 feet, thus accomplishing something like a parachutist's delayed action drop.

Lights to Shine on Courthouse Christmas Tree December 19

Carrying on a tradition which they began in 1913, Salem Cherrians will again convert the huge Douglas fir on the courthouse lawn into a Christmas tree ablaze with more than 1000 lights on the evening of December 19.

The lighting will be accompanied by a local radio Yuletide program of hymns and Christmas sketches, it was announced Friday by Sidney McNeil, past Cherrian King Bing who is in charge of the tree lighting committee. The tree's decorations will consist of numerous strings of various colored electric bulbs crowned by a lighted star on top.

Stringing of the bulbs will begin on December 16 or 17 under the direction of Walton-Brown Electric company, McNeil said. The tree will remain lighted every night until the new year. It has been lighted every year since 1913, when 50 bulbs were used, except during the war year 1941 through 1944. Each year, McNeil said, approximately 25 to 30 per cent of the bulbs are broken by the wind and have to be replaced—no easy task this year.

The tree was planted on the courthouse lawn in the early 1880s by then Marion County Judge J. J. Shaw, McNeil said. This year's Cherrian tree-lighting committee include Marty H. Boesch, directing details of the lighting, and Wallace Deffler and E. H. Ringenheimer, who are in charge of the accompanying program.

Oregon and Washington expected to harvest a million dollars worth of holly this Christmas season, Brownell estimated. Normally about half of it would be finished by this time.

Some holly packing will continue for the western trade.

Win, Lose or Draw, The Miners Pay

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6—(AP)—Even if John L. Lewis and his United Mine Workers win their appeals of contempt of court conviction they stand to lose \$35,100.

The law requires a one per cent handling charge to be paid to the district court clerk when securities or cash are used for bond.

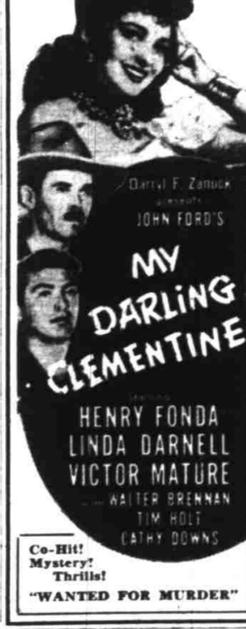
Thus the "take" from the \$3,500,000 in government bonds the union put up to cover its fine for the same amount is \$35,000. The cut from the \$10,000 cash Lewis posted is \$100. The money goes to the government.

Paint Job Dispossesses Salem Fire Trucks

Casual passersby might think that firemen at the city hall station had been dispossessed Friday when most of the fire trucks were parked at various places on the ramp in front of the station. But it was all right—the spark chasers were just putting a new coat of paint on the station floor.

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100 Holly Packers Dismissed Due to Freight Embargo

PORTLAND, Dec. 6—(AP)—The coal strike took a few sharp curves today and ricocheted against something quite remote: the northwest holly industry.

Ambrose Brownell, a major holly grower, dismissed 100 employees today because the freight embargo prevented shipping holly boxes. He hazarded a guess that 600 holly workers would be out of work in Oregon and Washington.

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State Asks to Build Unit at Fairview, Barn at Woodburn

Permission to construct a \$3500 cottage as staff living quarters at Fairview home was sought in Portland yesterday when the state purchasing department applied to the civilian production administration for a permit. The construction recently was authorized by the state board of control.

The state also applied for permission to build a \$15,000 dairy barn in Woodburn, according to Associated Press.

Hi, Kids! TODAY

at 1:00 P.M.
The BUGS BUNNY SHOW



Big Stage Show

Prizes - Fun - Music Broadcast Over KSLM From 1:00 to 1:30
2 Big Color Cartoons
Big Serial Chapter 12 Chick Carter Detective
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HOLLYWOOD

ENDS TODAY! (Sat.) Wallace Beery - Margaret O'Brien - "BAD BASCOMB"
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Taft to Urge Church Tackle World Issues

SEATTLE, Dec. 6—(AP)—Charles P. Taft, a Cincinnati lawyer who hopes to inspire the broadest church participation in the problems of the day, was installed as first layman president of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America tonight.

The son of the former president of the United States and a brother of Sen. Robert A. Taft, told newsmen before he assumed his new office that the church must be brought up to date in the modern world.

"I want to encourage studies by our churches in the problems of the people, in youth and child psychology and in marriage responsibility," he said.

The council, drawing its biennial assembly towards its conclusion, adopted a wide program on "alcoholism," which urged the revision of the alcoholic beverage tax structure, "in the direction of encouraging the dilution of proof spirits and fortified wines, through a tax program providing adequate incentive to distributors for such reduction."

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Continuous from 1 P.M. Now! Ida Lupino Olivia DeHavilland "DEVOTION"

LIBERTY

Continuous from 1 P.M. ENDS TODAY! (Sat.) Judy Canova "HIT THE HAY"
Jim Newell "FIGHTING MAD"
Tomorrow! Barbara Stanwyck "GOD'S COUNTRY"
Johnny Mack Brown "STRANGER FROM S.F."

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