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# FLAMES SWEEP HEART OF CORK IN FIERCE HOLOCAUST

## PRICE BOOSTING DEMANDS POUR INTO CONGRESS

After Being Besieged For Two Years With Requests to do Something to Cut H. C. of L. Pleas Are Quickly Reversed.

LEADERS INCLINED TO AVOID LEGISLATION

Flood of Suggestions of Past Week is Expected to be Doubled But Law Makers Shun Entire Responsibility.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—(By Herbert W. Walker, U. P. Staff Correspondent)—After being besieged for two years with demands to "do something to reduce living costs," congress today finds itself confronted with various groups demanding legislation which would check declining prices. Federal loans, as a result of which farmers could hold their products for higher prices, embargoes on wool and meat products, "tariff walls" so high that all foreign products be kept out of the country, and legislation which would prevent American importers from taking advantage of the exchange situation to buy chiefly European markets are among the demands which have been made on congress within a week. Indications are that an equal number of similar suggestions will pour in this week.

Regardless of the merit of some of the measures, objection is apparently growing in congress that since prices did not drop as a result of any legislation, prices cannot be kept up by legislation.

## PAVING COMPLETED ON SEVEN MORE BLOCKS

Seven blocks of paving on the north side have been completed by the Warren Construction Co. for the city and today hot stuff is being laid on Perkins avenue between Mark and Haley streets. Grading of Mark street from Bush to Matlock is virtually completed and will be paved when the Perkins avenue block is completed.

Matlock and Lincoln streets, between Haley and Jackson, are completed and in use. Garfield street has been completed for the three blocks between Jackson and Martin. The block on Jefferson between Wilson and Martin and Logan between Haley and Mark are also completed, the last named having been finished on Sunday.

Final estimates on the costs of the various blocks thus far completed are being made today by City Engineer F. B. Hayes for the contractors. These figures are to be used in reaching a basis of settlement between the Warren Company and sub-contractors.

## TROLLEY CAR CRASHES DOWN HILL, SIX KILLED

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 12.—(A. P.)—Six persons were killed, five injured seriously and a number of others less seriously hurt here early last night when a trolley car lost control of its trolley car and it ran wild down a steep grade and turned over.

The accident occurred at Twenty-Seventh street and Grand avenue, where there is a sharp turn at the street intersection.

The seventh death as a result of the wreck occurred when Elmer Cramer of Welda, Kansas, died at a hospital. Cramer, according to the police, is the only one of the dead to be identified. His neck was broken.

## EXPLOSION IN POWER PLANT FATAL TO FIVE

DOVER, N. J., Dec. 12.—(A. P.)—Five persons are reported killed and several injured in an explosion in the Atlas Powder Company plant at Lake Hopalong today.



HORSE SAVES 1000 CHILDREN.



## EXPLANATION OF CALL IS TO BE DEMANDED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—(A. P.)—Dr. Julio Bianchi, Guatemalan minister to the United States, will be asked the state department tomorrow for an explanation of his call yesterday on Senator Moses of New Hampshire, to discuss the senator's resolution calling on the department for information as to the detention of former President Cabrera by the present Guatemalan authorities. The department said that it is a minister's act is a violation of diplomatic usages.

## PORTLAND SWITCHMAN IS TAKEN FOR MURDER

PORTLAND, Dec. 12.—(A. P.)—Jack Toiv, switchman, was arrested last night and held for investigation in connection with the death of his wife, Mrs. Nellie Toiv, who was found dead under circumstances indicating she had been choked to death, according to the coroner today.

WILL CONSULT ON CABLES  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—(U. P.)—Foreign delegates may return home to consult their governments before continuing communications in the conference which has been vainly trying to agree on disposition of former German colonies seized during the war. It is learned in official quarters today. Temporary adjournment would not mean breaking up of the conference it was stated.

## WHEAT STARTS WEEK WITH BOUND TO \$1.68 3-4 TODAY AFTER OPENING UP AT \$1.63

Wheat started the week with an appreciable increase in price today. December wheat closing at \$1.68 3-4 after opening at \$1.63. March wheat opened at \$1.58 1-2 and closed at \$1.62. December wheat closed at \$1.62 Saturday while March closed at \$1.59 1-4.

Following are the quotations from Overbeck & Cooke, local brokers:

Wheat.				
Dec.	Open	High	Low	Close
Dec.	1.53	1.59	1.63 1/4	1.68 3/4
Mar.	1.58 1/2	1.63	1.56 1/2	1.62
Corn.				
Dec.	.68 1/2	.70 1/2	.68 1/2	.70 1/2
May	.71	.72 1/2	.71	.72 1/2
July	.72	.73 1/2	.72	.73 1/2
Oats.				
Dec.	.46 1/2	.47	.46	.46 1/2
May	.49	.50 1/2	.48 1/2	.50
July	.48 1/2	.49 1/2	.48 1/2	.49 1/2
Rye.				
Dec.	1.34 1/2	1.35 1/2	1.34	1.34
May	1.42	1.43	1.42	1.42
Dec.	.66			
May	.71 1/2	.71	.71 1/2	.71 1/2
Foreign Exchange.				
London, 240.				
Paris, 95.88.				
Berlin, 91.35.				
Vienna, 90.22.				
Rome, 92.49.				

## UMATILLA SHARE OF STATE TAX FOR LEVY OF 1920 IS \$433,085

Notice Received Today Shows Amount is More Than Double Sum Paid Last Year, and is Due to Educational Relief.

Umatilla county's share of the state tax on the 1920 levy is \$433,085, according to notice received by county officials today from the state tax commissioner. This is more than double the amount paid last year, when the tax was placed at \$196,717.39.

The big increase in the state tax is due in chief to the several educational relief measures voted by the people at the primary election in May. The increase in state taxes, however, does not mean that the tax in the county paid by the various districts will be proportionately as great.

In Pendleton the tax levy will be 42.5 mills, according to figures given today by assessor C. P. Strain. This includes an 11-mill city tax, 15-mill levy by school district No. 16 and a county levy of 16.5 mill. Last year the total levy in Pendleton was 41.5 mills.

On a higher valuation, the levy in Pendleton will raise \$281,931. Mr. Strain said. Last year the city raised a total in taxes of \$209,120.

HOLLAND, JUGO-SLAVIA BREAK  
THE HAGUE, Dec. 12.—(A. P.)—Holland and Jugo-Slavia have broken diplomatic relations.

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## LEAGUE ADOPTS TRIBUNAL PLAN OF ELIHU ROOT

International Program Framed by American With Representatives of Other Nations Unanimously voted in Geneva.

GERMANY REFUSES TO RECOGNIZE SETTLEMENT

Award to Belgium of Eupen and Malmady, Areas Taken Under Treaty, is Protested in Letter Sent to Assembly.

GENEVA, Dec. 12.—(By Henry Wood, U. P. Staff Correspondent)—The League of Nations assembly today unanimously adopted a plan for an international tribunal drafted by Elihu Root of the United States and representatives of other nations. The assembly voted on the question after the plan had been presented by Leon Bourgeois, French delegate. All plans for operation of the tribunal were explained by Bourgeois, after which the delegates debated on the various proposals. It was explained that the United States, which played such a prominent part in drafting the plan, would be admitted to the court on equality with members of the league.

Germany Refuses Settlement.  
GENEVA, Dec. 12.—(By Henry Wood, U. P. Staff Correspondent)—Germany today presented a new note to the assembly of the League of Nations refusing to recognize the decision of the council of the League of Nations regarding the award to Belgium of Eupen and Malmady, districts taken away from Germany under the treaty of Versailles.

U. S. Senator at Geneva.  
GENEVA, Dec. 12.—(A. P.)—Military control of Danzig by Poland has been recommended to the council of the League of Nations in a report from the military commission. United States Senator Medill McCormick watched proceedings of the assembly today from the press gallery.

## COUNTY ROLL CALL TOTAL NEARS \$6000

Between \$500 and \$600 will be Umatilla county's total for the Fourth Red Cross Roll Call, C. K. Cranston, county chairman, today predicted. Returns from all but four communities have now come in, showing a total to date of \$599.15. Milton, Weston, Umatilla and Pendleton, all good sized districts, are yet to be heard from.

Adams led \$49 short of its quota of \$250, according to the complete report brought in to the secretary late Saturday. The neighboring community collected \$171 which was turned over by L. L. Lidenallen, local chairman.

Free-water this morning sent in a report that \$201 had been raised in the speed there. Whether this is a definite and complete report was not indicated. Mr. Cranston said. Free-water was asked to raise \$320.

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## NEWSPAPER WRITERS, THREATENED BY IRISH, PLAN CIRCULAR STORY

DUBLIN, Dec. 12.—(Ninety American, English and Irish newspaper correspondents here today, declared they have been intimidated by the military and police in their efforts to report events in Ireland, and the correspondents have decided to put their charges in a circular letter to be addressed to all governments as well as press associations in America and Europe. The writers charged they are prevented from witnessing many of the disturbances and that they are hampered in many ways.

## PATROLMAN FALLS IN COAL HOLE, LANDING ON LONG SOUGHT CHARACTER

CLEVELAND, Dec. 12.—(U. P.)—An accident today accredited to Patrolman Kennedy fell into a coal hole, landed on and knocked the breath out of "Jigger" Johnson, well known police character.

## STATES CAN ENACT WAR ESPIONAGE LAWS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—(U. P.)—States can enact espionage laws, the supreme court today decided. It held constitutional the Minnesota law, enacted to prevent interference with the enlistment of men in the military forces of the United States. The law was attacked by Joseph Gilbert who was convicted under it due to an alleged anti-war speech. He was fined \$100 and sentenced to one year's imprisonment.

## AUTOMOBILE CLUB, TO HAVE HEADQUARTERS HERE, IS IN PROSPECT

Proposed Organization Would Have Membership in American Association But Be Free of Outside Local Control.

Organization of an automobile club that will have membership in the American Automobile Association, or the "Three A's" but be independent of outside local control is to be discussed and probably effected at a meeting of the local Tri State Auto Club on Wednesday evening, Dec. 15, in the rooms of the Pendleton Commercial Association.

Since the Pendleton branch of the Tri State Auto Club was placed here a year ago, the officers and directors have worked in conjunction with Walla Walla, Lewiston and other towns of the three inland Empire states. Headquarters of the club have been in Walla Walla, with separate directorates in the other cities.

The feeling has developed here that Pendleton is sufficiently important as a highway automobile center to be the headquarters of its own automobile club. No dissatisfaction has arisen with the present arrangement but belief has grown that greater effectiveness and concentration on projects directly affecting Pendleton, Umatilla county and Oregon will be possible.

Expansion of the local club to include all the motorists of Umatilla county is one idea suggested. All persons who hold membership in present clubs have been urged to bring their attendance at the meeting Wednesday which will be held at 7:30.

## SCOTCH HIGHLANDERS ENTER CORK AND ENGAGE IN FIERCE PITCHED BATTLE IN STREETS

LONDON, Dec. 12.—(U. P.)—A pitched battle between Sinn Feiners and Scottish Highlanders occurred today near Clonmel after the Irish had ambushed the troops, the Irish office today announced. One Sinn Feiner was killed and several were seriously wounded. A number of prisoners were taken by the Highlanders.

The Highlanders, rushing toward Cork, drove through the ancient town in daylight. There was no sign of opposition, and only faint interest in the appearance of Scottish fighters in their uniforms, strange to this section of Ireland. Suddenly a bomb was tossed from a house. More bombs followed from surrounding houses and the Scots began fighting back. The Irish supplemented the bomb attack with revolver fire from the houses. One soldier was wounded but the others escaped injury.

The rifle fire of the Scots was accurate. One Irishman, rising to a second at a house was shot dead. Several more were wounded. Attacks who ventured into closer quarters were captured. Two houses were burned during the engagement. The Irish office did not say the fires were started in reprisal but admitted damage. About 15 miles from Cork is filled with refugees from Cork. The region has been a center for Sinn Fein activities.

The announcement did not state how many Sinn Feiners opposed the troops, but described them as "a large body." It was evident that an attempt was made to repeat the massacre of two weeks ago which followed the bombing of two ferry boats of "Black and Tan" soldiers, when 13 were killed. Dispatches said the attack occurred in a narrow street where the attackers were able to throw grenades from their posts in windows. Door to door fighting resulted in the Highlanders firing into houses in which Sinn Feiners were concealed. The narrow street resounded with the rattle of rifles, revolver fire and the detonations of bombs.

## INCENDIARY FIRE, BREAKING IN 300 PLACES, DEFIES EXHAUSTED FIGHTERS AND CITY IS IN RUINS

Damage Estimated Between 15 Million and 20 Million is Result of Simultaneous Blaze and Bombings and Life Toll is Unknown While Vast Areas Are Smoldering.

## FORMER CHAIRMAN OF SHIPPING TESTIFIES

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—(U. P.)—William Denman, first chairman of the United States shipping board, today told the Walsh investigating committee he opposed appointing H. W. Bolling, President Wilson's brother-in-law, to a position on the board in 1917. Bolling is now treasurer of the board. "I feared that having a member of the president's family on the board might give us embarrassment," said Denman. He declared that America will lose her fight for maritime supremacy unless at least a million tons of merchant shipping are converted to use Diesel oil-burning engines. He said America suffered and her Scandinavian rivals gained because the latter developed Diesels and America didn't. He said Diesel engines burn one-third of the oil of other ship steam engines and permit a 12 per cent increase in cargo capacity.

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Police barracks at Cullough were fiercely attacked last night, and it is reported several were killed. All wires are cut so there is no confirmation of the word. A detachment of soldiers, en route to the rescue and fired upon, returned the shots, killing one Sinn Feiner.

CORK, Dec. 12.—(U. P.)—Cork continues today to burn. Spread over a quarter of a mile of the main business section of the city, incendiary fires, started Saturday night, swallowed up more property last night. Estimated losses reach \$20,000,000. Fifty buildings have been burned, including the city hall. At least 3000 persons are out of work.

Disagreement exists as to whether or not the fire was started by British police in reprisal for ambush by Irish Sinn Feiners. It is believed, however, that there have been casualties in the conflagration but the smoking ruins have permitted no search for bodies.

Police Are Blamed.  
Sinn Fein leaders charged the police started the fire to the black and tan police. At 4:30 Saturday, two hordes of soldiers, uttering this motto: "for enforcement of martial law, we are here," entered the city. They later destroyed as follows: Two 40's later disturbances began on the streets. Simultaneously flames broke out in a number of buildings.

Citizens are in panic. Thousands fled Saturday night and those who remained are sleepless. Thousands more took bedding and valuables with them to the country today. Refugees cities waking up in surrounding districts. Fire fighters arrived from Dublin and Limerick to relieve the weary Cork brigade in their attempt to conquer the last smoldering flames.

Cork Becomes Quieter.  
LONDON, Dec. 12.—(A. P.)—British regular troops guarded today the twisted and blackened ruins left in the path of fires which Saturday night and Sunday swept virtually unchecked through the city of Cork. Ireland. Charges are made that police auxiliaries, maddened by the killing and wounding of comrades ambushed by Sinn Feiners Saturday, looted the fire demon on the city. Estimates place the loss as high as \$15,000,000. St. Patrick's street, the shopping center, and city hall and Carmelite library, on the bank of the river Lee are burned. The corn exchange is partly destroyed.

Dispatches say Cork is quiet. Orders have been given soldiers to shoot looters on sight.

Heart of City Destroyed.  
The central portion of the city of Cork had been burned to the ground by last night.

The conflagration followed an ambush of the military at Pillons Cross Saturday night in which four persons were killed and many wounded. Three civilians were taken from their houses and shot dead after the ambush of the military. Then the fires started. There were bomb explosions and firing also was heard. The populace was panic stricken. A dispatch from Cork said that the fire

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## Weather

Reported by Major Lee Moorhouse, official weather observer.  
Maximum, 55.  
Minimum, 26.  
Barometer, 29.15.

