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BRITISH RUSH FLEET TO EAST IN EFFORT INFLUENCE TURKEY

HARDING ASKS BORAH MEASURE BE DEFEATED

President Says Proposal if Adopted Would Create a False Impression Abroad.

SAYS THIS COUNTRY ALSO WOULD MISUNDERSTAND

Washington Government Will Not Say What Reparation Payments Should be Made.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—(U. P.)—President Harding today announced his opposition to the senate's passage of the Borah resolution requesting the executive to call an international conference and armament limitation conference.

It would be futile to call such a conference as Senator Borah proposes until the executive had learned whether other nations would welcome such a move, President Harding said.

Steps Not Divulged. WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—(A. P.)—The president's letter did not reveal the steps that had already been taken or were contemplated by the administration.

NEW BRIDGE CHRISTENED. OREGON CITY, Dec. 28.—The new concrete bridge over the Willamette was dedicated today with ceremonies including the christening by Queen Harriet, and a banquet at West Lynn.

TRAIN HITS STREET CAR. VANCOUVER, B. C., Dec. 28.—(U. P.)—Two men were killed, one woman will probably die, and twelve other persons are in hospitals following a collision last night between a Vancouver street car and a Great Northern train at the Venables street crossing.

WEATHER

Reported by Major Lee Moorhouse, weather observer. Maximum, 48. Minimum, 42. Barometer, 29.85. Indications more rain.

TODAY'S FORECAST

Tonight and Friday unsettled, with occasional rain.

IRISH REBEL ACTIVITY STILL ON; WOMEN GIVE BRITISH MUCH TROUBLE

LONDON, Dec. 28.—(A. P.)—Reviewing Irish conditions, the Daily Mail's correspondent in Dublin paints a discouraging picture. He expresses fear that the present lull in military operations is merely temporary, and that republicanism is still strong enough to cause the government infinite trouble.

NEW HEALTH CODE IS ADOPTED BY COUNCIL IN FINAL MEETING

Meat Inspection Ordinance is Amended; Board of Health is Provided by Health Code.

With every councilman present except Claude Penland, who is in California on leave of absence, the present city council held its last meeting last night and wound up the business of the present administration.

The new health code provides for the creation of a board of health for the city which will be composed of the mayor, the members of the council's police committee and the city physician.

The meat inspection ordinance, recently passed after meat men had requested such action, but which had not been enforced, due to the inability of the council to procure the services of a veterinarian inspector, at a price the city could afford to pay, was amended last night.

A report from Sobra L. Nason, county librarian, to the city on the property owned by the city in the library was made. The report is a routine one which is required under the terms of the contract between the city and the library.

DR. M'KONIN IS LOSER IN HABEAS CORPUS CASE

BALTIMORE, Dec. 28.—(A. P.)—Dr. E. McKoin, former mayor of Mer Rouge, La., today lost his fight for immediate release on habeas corpus proceedings. He was remanded without prejudice to give the Louisiana authorities an opportunity to present their case.

ARAY AND JULY WHEAT PRICES ARE LOWER

Aray and July wheat futures in May and July wheat futures were recorded today on the Chicago market. December delivery held its own, the closing figure being \$1.17, the same as yesterday's close.

MEXICO GRANTS OIL CONCESSION TO BIG COMPANY

European Capital Acquires Right to Oil in Federal Zones; Grant Exclusive.

CLIMAX COMES IN LONG STRUGGLE FOR PRIVILEGE

Contract Held to be Largest Ever Issued by Mexico; 40 Per Cent Retained.

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 28.—(U. P.)—The international scramble for Mexico's vast oil reserves reached a climax today when British, French, Belgian and Italian capitalists secured one of the largest petroleum contracts ever issued by the Mexican government.

SENATE GREET'S WILSON UPON HIS BIRTHDAY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—(U. P.)—The senate today passed a resolution honoring Vice President Coolidge to express to former President Wilson on his 66th birthday, which is today, "its great pleasure and joy with which the senate has heard the news of his recovery to good health."

YAKIMA FRUIT MEN USE ADVERTISING AS AID

How the Yakima fruit growers are moving their apples in the face of low demand is told in a story carried in the December number of the "Big Y" bulletin, the official publication of the fruit men of that section.

PERINGER SAVES MORE THAN \$2,000 ON BLADING

A saving of something more than \$2,000 in one tilling operation during the course of the season of cultivation of fallow ground on one ranch was effected during the summer of 1922 by Hobart Peringer.

JAPANESE USE MORE GAS

TOKIO, Dec. 28.—(A. P.)—Japanese are becoming greater users of gas and gas cook stoves and heaters gradually are replacing charcoal fires and braziers.

NOW JUST HOW WOULD YOU REPAY A PRESENT LIKE THESE FOLKS GOT

MARKETFIELD, Wis., Dec. 18.—(U. P.)—James A. Chapman and wife were seriously injured last night when a lamp sent them through the mud as a Christmas present exploded.

RETIRING MAYOR ADVISES ADOPTION OF CITY MANAGER PLAN HERE; REVIEWS WORK

A review of the work accomplished by the administration during his term as mayor of the city of Pendleton and some recommendations which his experience as head of the city government leads him to believe should be followed in the future was given by Mayor G. A. Hartman last night at the final meeting of the present city council.

SHIP WITH CREW OF 44 BELIEVED LOST

HAMBURG, Dec. 28.—(U. P.)—The 5-ton freighter Heinrich Kayser, bound from New York to Bremen, and a crew of 44 were given up for lost. They were last sighted December 6th off the New Foundland coast where she reported a broken rudder.

PRESIDENT EBERT'S DAUGHTER GETS JOB

BERLIN, Dec. 28.—(United Press.)—Being the daughter of the president of Germany means very little in the young life of Fraulein Ebert. This young lady—daughter of the saddle maker president—has taken a position as librarian in the city library here.

MERGER PAPERS TO BE SIGNED BY ARMOURS

CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—(U. P.)—J. Ogden Armour with \$20,000,000 in his pocket, went into conference late this afternoon with Edward and Nelson Morris, planning to sign the final papers for the transfer of the Morris Packing company to the Armour company.

WAR BOMBS HAD NOT LOST THEIR STRENGTH

TRENT, Dec. 28.—(U. P.)—Seven workers and one soldier were killed today when a number of Austrian war bombs being transferred from the war zone blew up at Fort Lorancheta near Neozolomardo.

PRICES ARE STEADY

PORTLAND, Dec. 28.—(A. P.)—Livestock, eggs, butter steady.

U. S. IMPORTS HEAD LIST

TOKIO, Dec. 28.—(A. P.)—Goods imported from Germany during the first nine months of the year amounted in value to \$6,550,000 yen or 5.7 percent of the total imports during the period, amounting to 1,522,470,000 yen, according to the department of agriculture and commerce.

ROBBED BEAUTY SHOP, POLICEMAN SHOT HIM

CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—(U. P.)—An unidentified robber was shot dead today by Policeman Maurice Cronin while he was fleeing into a companion after breaking into a beauty shop.

SPECTOR OF WAR HANGS CLOSE AS ENVOYS DEADLOCK

Angora Government Sits Tight Regardless of Warning by Curzon; Greek Troops Busy.

WARSHIPS LEAVE MALTA FOR CONSTANTINOPEL

Greece Will Throw 100,000 men Into Eastern Thrace if Dispute Means War.

ATHENS, Dec. 28.—(U. P.)

The Greek government today planned to rush 100,000 troops to Eastern Thrace to fight the Turks should the Lausanne conference fail.

Fleet is Enroute

MALTA, Dec. 28.—(U. P.)—The British fleet left here today and steamed full speed for Constantinople. The fleet included Admiral Brock's flagship, a light cruiser squadron, a flotilla of destroyers.

U. S. Backs Allies

LAUSANNE, Dec. 28.—(U. P.)—The United States supported the allies against the Turks today as the Near East conference neared the breaking point.

Guarantee is Asked

LAUSANNE, Dec. 28.—(A. P.)—American Ambassador Child joined the heads of the allied delegates at today's meeting of the capitulations commission of the Near East conference in declaring that some guarantees must be given by Turkey to replace the capitulations or extra-territorial rights for foreigners which the Kemalists have declared abolished.

Asserts U. S. Rights

"The United States," Child said, "considers her rights under these capitulations still to exist."

GRANGE, N. J., Dec. 28.—(U. P.)

William Butcher, 19 year old negro, today confessed the murdering of Mrs. Eleanor Brigham found strangled to death in the fruit cellar of her paternal father's home last night.