

# HOPE IS SEEN IN WAR DEBT NEGOTIATIONS

### Great Britain Denies Report That Officials Are Here With Debt Plan

### French Foreign Office Con- firms Reports Of Nego- tiations Here

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—(AP)—Widely disseminated reports that Montague Norman, governor of the bank of England, and Sir Alan Anderson, a director of the bank, had come to the United States on an official mission in connection with international debts were denied today by the British embassy.

An embassy statement declared the two visitors had come to the United States in a private capacity and would not visit Washington.

WASHINGTON HOPEFUL.—WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—(AP)—Officials here apparently see hopeful tendencies in the New Year dispatches from Great Britain regarding war debts, although they have received thus far no communication indicating the willingness of the British government to agree to specific indulgent terms for France. When shown a story published in London, to the effect that Great Britain had assured the United States she would not stand in the way of a Franco-American settlement on terms more lenient than the Anglo-American agreement, high officials of the state department authorized the statement that no such assurance had reached Washington either officially or unofficially.

At the same time the failure of the British foreign office to deny that such a suggestion might be forthcoming was noted with great interest. During their recent intricate stages the debt discussions have been kept entirely confidential, but officials evidently have hoped for some development to clear the air early in the new year.

NEGOTIATIONS CONFIRMED.—PARIS, Jan. 2.—(AP)—The French foreign office today confirmed reports that negotiations had been opened between Finance Minister Clementel and Andrew W. Mellon, secretary of the United States treasury regarding the funding of the French war debt.

A note signed by M. Clementel went forward Tuesday. It suggests a ten-year moratorium and gives an indication as to what the French government thinks France might be able to do in the way of payments.

Although the note is signed by the minister of finance instead of by Premier and Foreign Minister Herriot, it is admitted by the foreign office that it contains the first tangible proposition France has made toward a settlement.

It is thought in official circles that M. Clementel's note cannot afford the basis for an actual settlement, but that it will open a discussion that may lead to a final agreement.

It is understood a similar note with similar propositions has been sent to London concerning the funding of the French debt to Great Britain.

NEGRO IS HANGED.—FORT MADISON, Iowa, Jan. 2.—Archibald Ottumwa, negro, was hanged in the stocks of the prison yard here today for slaying Mrs. Hattie Renfrew Bates more than three years ago.

HOPS ARE LEFT.—SALEM, Ore., Jan. 2.—On January 1 there were 8,000 bales of unsold hops in the Salem district. This is less than usual.

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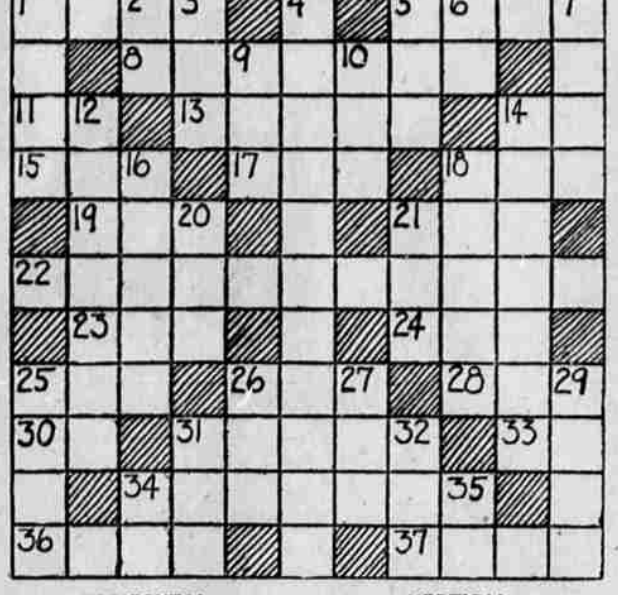
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## Today's Cross-Word Puzzle

A QUADRANGULAR QUANDARY—Twister No. 65  
By SOL VITT

This is a quadrangular quandary which is not so queer in its querulous symbols as you might suppose. There is only one foreign reference.

Below are the definitions for the words contained in the puzzle.



- HORIZONTAL**
- 1—thin, narrow strip of wood
  - 8—broxy
  - 9—harvesters
  - 11—part of verb 'to be'
  - 13—love (slang)
  - 14—father
  - 15—combat
  - 17—single
  - 18—one hundred per cent
  - 19—line
  - 21—distress signal
  - 22—people who favor war
  - 23—snare
  - 24—small mound
  - 25—affirmative
  - 26—energy (slang)
  - 28—total
  - 30—since
  - 31—religious
  - 32—repetitive prefix
  - 34—ripen
  - 35—lily
  - 37—comes up to
- VERTICAL**
- 1—aliced cab-lage salad
  - 2—name of a letter
  - 3—a drink
  - 4—self-gone
  - 5—100 square meters (French)
  - 6—exists
  - 7—period of time
  - 9—fuss
  - 10—before
  - 12—soldiers of the sea
  - 14—famous French scientist
  - 16—assumed
  - 18—strikes an attitude
  - 20—humor
  - 21—rest
  - 25—to oscillate
  - 26—hollow
  - 27—Paine's low murder
  - 29—confusion
  - 31—lap
  - 32—placed
  - 34—parent
  - 35—therefore

Herewith is solution to puzzle No. 64.

PILLAR CASTER  
SEA MARIA LOG  
VAN STEG  
ADICTED  
DO LA  
MADE  
LO  
IN  
PERT  
OR DON  
RAILROAD  
LIVE  
WRETTREE LEG  
WHIFFS DOLLAR

## U. S. Marines Land in China Says Report

TIENSIN, Jan. 2.—(AP)—General Lin Ching-Lin, recently appointed as military governor of Chihai province and protégé of General Chang Tso-Lin, Manchurian leader, has given the commanders of troops in the area where soldiers raided a train on last Tuesday, until next Monday to find the culprits. The commanders will be executed then if the guilty are not found, Lin says, adding that he will pay losses of foreigners as a result of the holdup.

MARINES ON MOVE.—SHANGHAI, Jan. 2.—(AP)—It is reported that a detachment of American marines has been landed at Nanking to protect the foreign residential district, following the looting by the bodyguard of General Chi Sheh-Yuan, former military governor of Kiangsu, of a number of large silk stores in the city, causing a loss of \$800,000. General Chi is a refugee here in Shanghai.

## Los Angeles Has Rough Greeting New Year's Eve

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 2.—Automobile accidents, collisions, fights, flying glass, fires, stray bullets and various noise making accessories contributed their quota of victims in a total of 25 persons treated at the receiving hospital as a result of New Year's eve warring.

The most serious case treated at the hospital, was that of George Mahoney, secretary of the Amateur Athletic union, who police say, jumped or fell from the fourth floor of the Los Angeles Athletic club. Mahoney suffered a fractured skull and other serious injuries which police surgeons believe may prove fatal. Stray bullets accounted for two victims. Carolina Gugman, 12, was shot in the hip as she left a church where she had been attending New Year's services, while Lulu Klingenberg, 13, of Long Beach, was shot in the knee while riding in an automobile in that city.

## Carbon Monoxide Gas Lays Claim To Eighth Victim

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 2.—The list of deaths attributed to carbon monoxide gas which had occurred in and around Los Angeles in the past week was increased to eight last night with Jack Glavey, 38, motion picture director, as the victim. Glavey was found unconscious on the floor of his bathroom and died without regaining consciousness in a police ambulance on the way to the hospital. Police reported that his death was apparently accidental and that it was caused by the lethal fumes generated by a gas heater in the bathroom.

## Forest Fire In Arizona Canyon

TUCSON, Ariz., Jan. 2.—Flames were eating away the Pima canyon area of great virgin country in the Santa Catalina mountains today. Rangers throughout the district were summoned to the scene to combat a spread of the new year's first forest fire in Arizona.

## FAMOUS OPERA SINGERS HEARD THROUGH RADIO

### Theater Owners Declare Audiences Were Cut To Big Extent

### Actors Join In Chorus That Radio Hurts Business For Them

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—(AP)—Radio history was made last night when John McCormack, tenor, and Lucrezia Bori, prima donna of the Metropolitan Opera company, sang into the microphone of station WEAF, which was linked up with seven other stations in the east, to an audience estimated from 6,000,000 to 8,000,000. It was the first time that internationally famous artists have broadcast in this country. It is generally agreed that last night's audience was the largest ever reached by a purely musical program, being exceeded only by some of the radioacting during the last presidential campaign.

Theaters Affected.—Theatrical men declared that the patronage of nearly every theater in New York city was affected, although the Metropolitan opera house where Mrs. Bori is one of the stars, reported a sold-out house with Maria Jeritza in "Eudora."

Only a handful of the biggest theatrical successes of the season faced capacity houses, while many established successes played to rows of empty seats. Theatrical men were unanimous in their conviction that radio was largely responsible.

## Former Empress Seeks to Return

PARIS, Jan. 2.—Former Empress Zita of Austria-Hungary has appealed to the ambassador's council for permission to return to Hungary with Crown Prince Otto and her family, to reside on the crown domain at Godolac, according to a dispatch from Budapest.

## Four Men Killed At Grade Crossing

DELPHOS, Ohio, Jan. 2.—Four men were killed at a grade crossing here last night when their automobile was struck by a train. Three identified are: Cleve Harpster, 30; "Spider" Jenkins, 30; Henry Fuerst, 27.

## STATE LOSSES ON BAD LOANS ARE REPORTED

### Special Investigator Files Details Of His Findings In Investigation

### Declares School Fund's Bad Loans Would Aggregate About \$500,000

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 2.—J. V. Starrrett of Roseburg, a special investigator for the state land board, filed a report yesterday in which he estimated that losses to the state from bad loans of school funds in the past would aggregate \$500,000. Governor Pierce and State Treasurer Myers are inclined to place credence in the report, but state officials of different political faith do not. Prior to the election it was the contention of republicans that the stories of heavy losses from the school fund loans were for political purposes to boost the candidacy of Mr. Myers for state treasurer.

Starrrett's report is in the nature of a final summation. He claims the heaviest losses will be in Harney, Malheur, Wallowa, Klamath and Lake counties. Mention is also made of "stupendous losses" resulting from loans of many years ago. Another cause of losses is said to be the failure of irrigation schemes to live up to expectations. He urges that an immediate effort be made to ascertain whether a state's mortgage has priority over that of bond holders in irrigated districts. He declares there is still opportunity to save the state many thousands of dollars.

Starrrett made a number of reports prior to the election, and investigation of these by persons not politically friendly to Governor Pierce and State Treasurer Myers led to assertions that the reports were untrue. Some of the investigations were made by residents of counties where heavy losses were claimed in the reports.

## PASSENGERS ARE SAVED AS LINER BURNS IN STORM

LEWES, Del., Jan. 2.—(AP)—The Clyde liner Mohawk with 200 passengers from New York, Charleston and Jacksonville, caught fire in one of the wildest storms of the present winter off the New Jersey coast last night and ran into Delaware bay to save the passengers.

The blaze, which started in the after hold, spread rapidly and all passengers were ordered to get ready to leave the ship.

The last radio report states that the fire was under control and that the passengers would be landed at Lewes and returned to New York or sent to their destinations. So far as is known there were no casualties.

The Mohawk left New York New Year's day about noon. The fire was discovered when the ship was 70 miles south of Sandy Hook. A high northeast gale, accompanied by snow was blowing. Captain J. M. Staples acted promptly and decided to run for the Delaware Capes, at the same time sending out calls for assistance. The Mohawk will return to New York.

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LINER IS BEACHED.—NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—The Clyde liner Mohawk, which caught fire yesterday while in route from New York to Charleston and Jacksonville, today was beached at Lewes, Del., officials at the steamship company's offices here announced. The ship is safe.

## Men Are Becoming More Handsome, Is Sir Keith's Belief

LONDON, Jan. 2.—Conditions of modern civilization are changing men's faces, and making them more handsome, according to Sir Arthur Keith, conservator of the museum of the Royal College of Surgeons. Diminished use of the jaws is causing changes in the bony framework of the human face, he said. Walter Stoneham, who compiles the photographic record of

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