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BRITISH SEEK FULL SESSION FOR SUB TALK

OPONENTS PROMISE TO SUBMIT QUESTION TO PEOPLE FOR RATIFICATION

FRANCE PRESENTS DEMANDS

Soldiers Will Not Be Withdrawn Until Pact Given Favorable Support by Ireland

Washington, Dec. 20.—(A. P.)—The British delegation formally asked a plenary session of the army conference tomorrow or Thursday to present the British case for the abolition of submarines. The British indicated that unless an agreement is reached on the submarine matter all accomplished so far toward naval limitation might be upset.

Washington, Dec. 20.—(A. P.)—France's modified naval ratio proposals were presented to the naval sub-committee of 15 today by Albert Sarraut, head of the French delegation. They proposed a proportion to give France a navy devoted largely to defensive purposes.

OREGON TO HONOR CARTOONIST

Homer Davenport Monument at Silverton Is Goal

Salem, Ore., Dec. 19.—(A. P.)—Oregon residents are raising funds for the erection of a monument over the grave of Homer Davenport, the noted cartoonist, who was buried at his birthplace, Silverton, Ore., near here, nine years ago at the age of forty-three years.

Davenport was raised at Silverton and went from that little town to San Francisco, where his work first gained fame.

Davenport never forgot Oregon or Silverton. One time, it is said, he was sent to interview Gladstone, England's great statesman. After getting by a cordon of guards, Davenport found Gladstone in his garden. The statesman asked Davenport his name and where he was from.

"Silverton, Oregon," was the reply. Gladstone got a map, looked up Silverton and then made his visitor welcome, later inviting him to call again.

AMERICAN METHODS AND CUSTOMS PLAYING LARGE PART IN PROGRESS OF LITHUANIANS

Kovno, Lithuania, Dec. 20.—(A. P.)—The "main street" of Kovno, which has always resembled, to a certain extent, that of a wild west town, has become more Americanized than ever. Dozens of the men now playing prominent roles in the Lithuanian government and in business here are Lithuanians who have been in America and returned to their birthland since the country won its independence. Some of the business men still retain their American citizenship. More strictly American type clothes are noted in Lithuania than any other country of Europe.

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KENTUCKY BREWERIES MAY BE CLOSED DOWN

Washington, Dec. 20.—(A. P.)—Court action to close down three Louisville, Kentucky, breweries on the ground that they are distributing a beverage containing more than the legal amount of alcohol, will be sought, federal prohibition headquarters announced here today.

MEXICAN COTTON CROP FALLS FAR SHORT IN YIELD

Mexico City, Dec. 20.—(A. P.)—Mexico's cotton crop this year will not be more than 80,000 bales as compared to a normal annual crop of 325,000 bales, according to recent estimates. The decrease is said to be the result of the determination of growers in the Laguna district, where the bulk of the crop is produced, not to cultivate their fields until market prices are higher.

CHRISTMAS PARDONS WILL GO TO WARTIME OFFENDERS

Washington, Dec. 20.—(A. P.)—Christmas pardons to be issued by President Harding will include a number of persons imprisoned for violation of war laws.

FARMERS WEEK WILL BE HELD

Affair Will Be Held January 9-14 in Three Counties

A farmers' week in conjunction with Jackson and Douglas counties will be held for farmers of Josephine county January 9-14. The Oregon Agricultural College is sending out men to the three counties to cover the different phases of work in which the farmers are interested. Prominent speakers on the different subjects are being brought here.

On Tuesday the subjects will be poultry, crops and rodents. C. C. Ruth, a specialist on farm crops, Professor Cosby, of the poultry department and I. N. Gabrielson, who has had charge of rodent control work in the state, will be present. Wednesday will be given over to horticulture and irrigation. Prof. Powers, who has charge of the department of irrigation and soils, Leroy Childs, director of the Hood River experiment station, and Professor F. C. Reimer, of the Talent experiment farm, will discuss these subjects.

Dairying will occupy all of Thursday with Professors Pitts and Jamieson of the extension department here. On Friday animal husbandry will take up the day with Professors Potter and Lingren of the department of animal husbandry to instruct.

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ASSENT GIVEN BY FRANCE TO NAVY PROGRAM

CAPITAL SHIP TONNAGE OFFERED IS ACCEPTED—JAPS EXPECT TO SAIL JANUARY 24

HARDING'S VIEW IS OUTLINED

Four Power Pact Does Not Cover Islands of Japan Is President's Stand—Is Personal Opinion

Washington, Dec. 20.—(A. P.)—France today accepted the American proposal for a capital ship tonnage of 175,000.

The Japanese delegation expecting to complete the conference soon, have tentatively booked the entire steamer Shinyo Maru sailing from San Francisco January 24.

Washington, Dec. 20.—(A. P.)—President Harding is understood to regard the four power Pacific treaty as not recovering the principal islands of Japan any more than it covers continental United States. This view, which is contrary to that voiced by the official spokesmen of the American delegation, was described at the White House as the president's personal opinion.

NEW PARK TO BE DEDICATED

Government Will Open National Playground This Summer

San Francisco, Dec. 20.—(A. P.)—Dedication of the Mount McKinley National park in Alaska, the most remote of the nation's big playgrounds, may take place next summer, according to reports received here from the north.

Active administration of the big park was taken up recently by the federal National Parks Service, and a superintendent, recently appointed, placed in charge. Plans for the dedication are now being made by Governor Scott C. Bone of Alaska.

Government engineers spent last summer marking out the boundary lines of the park and they brought back reports that the reservation abounds in almost unsurpassed scenery, is remarkable for its mountains and valleys and is the natural home of caribou, moose and mountain sheep.

One big feature of the park is Mount McKinley, the highest peak on the North American continent, which rises up 20,300 feet from the Alaskan Mountain range. On McKinley there are several glaciers and snow always covers the summit.

The McKinley Park contains an area of about 2,600 square miles and is approximately 120 miles from its southwest to northeast corner, with an average width of more than 20 miles.

"DINOSAUR" LEDGE TO BE SAVED

Reptilian Footprints Will Be Protected From Curio Seekers

Holyoke, Mass., Dec. 20.—(A. P.)—The trail of the dinosaur in the Connecticut valley is to be preserved if present plans are carried out. In the red sandstone of "Dinosaur Ledge" at Smith's Ferry, on the bank of the Connecticut river, are the three toed prints and the tail marks of the mammoth reptile that lived millions of years ago. The chamber of commerce of Holyoke and Northampton are working on a petition for legislative action looking to preservation of the ledge, by its inclusion in the Mount Tom state reservation.

Dr. Edward Hitchcock, late president of Amherst college, discovered the ledge with its two acres or more of reptilian footprints, nearly 50 years ago. Some of the finest specimens were removed and placed in the college museum. Easily accessible from the state highway, the ledge has been visited by thousands and it is desired to protect its markings from damage by vandals and souvenir hunters.

YOUTHS STEAL BREAD, ARE GIVEN REPRIMAND

Syracuse, N. Y., Dec. 20.—(A. P.)—In stealing when you're hungry there's a moral, is the judgment of Chief of Police Cadin, of this city. With father, brothers and sisters—indeed, the whole family out of work, with an empty cupboard and no prospect of even a loaf of bread to relieve the gnawing sensation in the stomach, two youngsters—Philip and Ezekiel, 17 and 14, respectively, of the Logash family here—were caught while stealing bread. Their pitiable story of "want" at home appealed to the chief, who, after investigation, liberated the youths with a warning not to steal again.

MEXICAN PRESIDENT BECOMES REGULAR EDITORIAL WRITER

Mexico City, Dec. 19.—(A. P.)—"Alvaro Obregon" has become a regular editorial writer for the four Spanish-language morning newspapers here and his articles on timely topics have attracted much attention throughout the republic.

The Mexican president chose as his first subject "The Freedom of the Press," suggested by the lively controversy several newspapers were having with Sub-Secretary of Interior Lugo who made some threatening remarks against the editor of El Universal following his sharp criticism of the government.

President Obregon gave every assurance in his editorial that freedom of speech and press will be maintained in Mexico throughout his administration.

PORTLAND MARKETS

Choice steers	.....\$6.50 @ \$7.00
Choice dairy calves	.....\$8.50 @ \$9.00
Hogs, prime light	.....\$8.58 @ \$8.65
Best lambs	.....\$7.25 @ \$8.00
East Mountain Lamb	.....\$8.50 @ \$9.00
Eggs, buying price	.....44c @ 45c
Eggs, selling price	.....48c @ 50c
Eggs, selling candle	.....46c @ 50c
Eggs, white henories	.....52c @ 54c
Butter, extra cubes	.....41c @ 41 1/2c
Butter	.....40c
Wheat	.....\$1.02 @ \$1.09

Portland, Dec. 20.—(A. P.)—Livestock is steady; eggs, 2c higher; butter, steady.

SIXTY MORE TEACHERS FOR P. I.

Philippine Education System Will Employ More in 1922

Manila, P. I., Dec. 20.—(A. P.)—Sixty additional American teachers are to be employed by the bureau of education at the beginning of the next school year, according to an announcement just made by the secretary of the department of public instruction.

Dr. W. W. Marquardt, Philippine educational agent in the United States has been cabled to secure that number of teachers who are wanted here to teach English to the Filipino teachers.

JAPS ORGANIZE IN HAWAII

Society Started to Check Undesirable Japanese Tendencies

Honolulu, T. H., Dec. 20.—(A. P.)—Initial steps for the organization here of a Japanese society, with a main aim of "suppressing certain undesirable activities of certain elements among the Japanese of Hawaii" and of expressing the sentiment of Japanese on important internal and inter-racial questions, were taken at a meeting called by Consul General C. Yada, of Japan. The meeting was attended by 40 leading Japanese of the extensive population here. A committee of fifteen was chosen to further the organization. S. Ozaki, president of the Japanese Chamber of Commerce, was selected chairman.

Consul General Yada explained at the meeting that American citizens are at a loss now as to where they may obtain representative opinions from Japanese and that the new society will be able to give these opinions and express sentiment adequately.

Negotiations have been opened with the Japanese United Association and the Japanese Association, the two important racial societies of the islands, with a view to their participation in the movement.

FUND PROBLEM FOR 1925 FAIR IS DISCUSSED

KUBLI INTRODUCES MEASURE IN LEGISLATURE TO RAISE NEEDED MONEY

PROPERTY TAX NOT POPULAR

Majority Express Themselves Against Method of Financing—Three Bills Approved

Salem, Dec. 20.—(A. P.)—The legislature today was considering the problem of funds for the "Oregon 1925 Exposition," as the proposed fair was designated in the bill introduced by Representative Kubli, of Multnomah county. Two tax measures, one providing a property tax introduced by Kubli, and the other by Speaker Bean, proposing a three year income tax with the same terms and exemptions as the federal income tax, are before the legislature. The majority of the house members signed an agreement against the property tax. Highway traffic legislation is being considered in a joint house and senate roads committee. Only three "emergency measures" have been so far approved by the joint ways and means committee.

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INJUNCTION IS DENIED STOCK YARDS TRADERS

Chicago, Dec. 20.—(A. P.)—Efforts of Chicago-stock yard traders to prevent the enforcement of the new livestock trading act, failed today when Federal Judges Landis, Evans and Fitzhenry dismissed their application for an injunction restraining Secretary of Agriculture Wallace and District Attorney Clyne from enforcing the law.

CHINA'S GAME SHOOTING IS BEING RAPIDLY WIPED OUT

London, Dec. 19.—(A. P.)—China has long enjoyed the reputation of being one of the world's finest shooting grounds, especially as regards pheasants, snipe and wildfowl, but Arthur de C. Sowerby, well known here as a naturalist and explorer, says that the game of the country is being wiped out owing to its wholesale exportation in cold storage to satisfy the demand for this kind of food in Europe.

There are no adequate game laws in force in China and the export trade has been carried on on such an extensive scale as to have completely exterminated the game reserves of the lower Yangtze valley as well as of large stretches of Manchuria.

ADVERTISING WILL IMPROVE HEALTH IN PHILIPPINES

Manila, P. I., Dec. 19.—(A. P.)—Governor General Wood has started an intensive campaign to improve health conditions in the Philippine Islands by teaching the people how to avoid and combat the most common diseases which sap the vitality of the country. He has instructed the director of the Philippine health service to prepare a circular setting forth the causes of various diseases and the methods which can be used to prevent them and stamp them out. The circulars are to be posted in public places in every municipality of the islands, and are to be read to every class in the public schools throughout the archipelago.

LEGION POST TO INCLUDE MEN WORKING ON PAPERS

San Francisco, Dec. 20.—(A. P.)—Organization of the only American Legion post on the Pacific coast composed exclusively of newspaper men was perfected here today. It will be known as Frederick G. Bunch Post, No. 116, in honor of a San Francisco newspaperman who died recently as a result of wounds received in action.

NEW YORK'S TOY INDUSTRY AIDED BY OTHER STATES

New York, Dec. 20.—(A. P.)—New York, upon whom the American Santa Claus depends for one-fourth of his wooden toys, imports more than half of its trinket-making material from other states, says the New York State College of Forestry.

The toy making industry here has increased about 130 per cent since the war crippled the business in Germany. Toys here are made for the most part of hardwoods obtained from waste of larger industries, such as furniture factories.

SNOW STORM PREDICTED FOR PACIFIC COAST TONIGHT

San Francisco, Dec. 20.—(A. P.)—Snow will sweep the North Pacific coast tonight, possibly turning into rain tomorrow, said the weather forecast today. Storm warnings are up.

RAIL WORK CONTRACTING PROBED

U. S. Rail Labor Board Considers Case Brought by Employes Union

Chicago, Dec. 19.—(A. P.)—The right of railway companies to contract work to firms or individuals removed from the jurisdiction of the United States Railroad Labor Board will come up for federal investigation when disputes on nine railroads are heard before the board today. The controversies involve car and locomotive repairs work, track and common labor jobs.

The action in each case was brought by employes' organizations, whose members formerly did the work now being done by outside firms under contract. In most cases, the wages paid by the contracting firms are less than those specified for railroad employes, a situation which the unions contend, at once throws their men out of work and removes wage and working regulations from the jurisdiction of the Labor Board.

POPULAR VOTE WILL SETTLE IRISH TREATY

DELEGATION HINTS THAT SOME AGREEMENT MUST SOON BE REACHED

ENGLISH TROOPS TO REMAIN

Modified Naval Ratio Proposals Would Give Nation Navy Devoted to Defensive Purposes

Dublin, Dec. 20.—(A. P.)—Deputy Milroy in speaking in the Dail Eireann in support of the Anglo-Irish treaty, demanded and received a promise from De Valera and other treaty opponents to submit the question of ratification to vote of the Irish people.

Queenstown, Dec. 20.—(A. P.)—The removal of British troops from Ireland has been suspended. They will not be withdrawn unless the treaty is ratified.

Dr. A. M. Knapp was a business visitor in the city yesterday and today from Medford.

SACRAMENTO FIELDERS ARE HIGH

Gus Fisher of Portland Ties for High Place Among Catchers

San Francisco, Dec. 19.—(A. P.)—Official fielding averages of the Pacific Coast Baseball league, announced here today, place the Sacramento club first in club fielding for the 1921 season with a mark of .972. Seattle won second place with an average of .965. Only 20 points separated Sacramento from Salt Lake last on the list.

"Truck" Hannah, Vernon, and Gus Fisher, Portland, are tied for high place in the catching department among the catchers that have performed regularly. Hannah made his average of .972 in 140 games, while Fisher made the same mark in only 124 games.

The best fielding pitcher in the league was Jacobs, of Seattle. He averaged .990, a point higher than Prough, of Sacramento.

FORMIDIBLE QUESTIONS APPEAR ON AGENDA OF SOVIET CONGRESS WHICH OPENS TODAY

Moscow, Dec. 20.—(A. P.)—Many formidable questions are to appear on the agenda of the Ninth All-Russian soviet congress which convened here today. Foremost among these are the consideration of the preliminary results of the new economic policy, which abandons communism to a considerable extent, and the famine which threatens to wipe out millions of Russians in the Volga districts before the next harvest.

It is more than a year since the last meeting of the All-Russian soviet congress and the congress has actually become much less important than might be imagined from reading the soviet constitution. It has over 2,000 members. Village and town soviets call elections by the means of which delegates are selected to attend conventions in provincial capitals which designate the delegates to the Moscow congress.

Only workman, soldiers, sailors and peasants who do not employ any laborers except by their own families are entitled to vote under the constitution. Bolsheviks make no claim that the elections to the congress are democratic. They frankly call their system a dictatorship of the proletariat and do not pretend that their government has the support of a majority of Russians.

At every session of the All-Russian soviet congress a central executive committee of about 200 members is elected which holds office until the next congress is called and is the body in which the chief functions of government are vested by the constitution.

In practice this committee, whose members are scattered all over the

Russian republic and federated governments, has been found unwieldy. It is too large to assemble conveniently. By degrees the actual control of affairs shifted to the council of commissars, which corresponds to a cabinet, and is under the chairmanship of Nikolai Lenin.

M. Kalenine, who is the legal head of the government and is generally spoken of as president of the republic, will preside over the Ninth All-Russian soviet congress by virtue of his position as chairman of the central executive committee of that body. He signs treaties, grants pardons, receives diplomatic representatives and performs other more or less formal tasks, but has no such powers as are vested in the American president.

Leon Trotsky will address the congress concerning the army and military affairs. Lenin will speak on the changed economic policy. Kameneff will discuss the famine. Chicherin will report on international relations and Bagdanoff, chairman of the supreme economic council, will discuss the progress of plans for the revival of industries. The re-establishment of agriculture will also be considered.

Sessions of the congress generally last about a week and resemble the national convention of an American political party more than a session of the American congress. Commissars make reports of the work of their departments, the central executive committee makes a report and nominations are made for a new central executive committee, which is promptly elected and the session adjourned.