

ALLIES AT PARIS REACH AGREEMENT

INDEMNITY TANGLE IS IRONED OUT

Allied Supreme Council Agrees on Payment of 226 Billion Marks in Forty-Two Annual Installments—French Opinion Satisfied—Disarmament Next Problem.

PARIS, Jan. 29.—(By the Associated Press.)—The German reparations plan, as drafted by the special committee of the supreme council of the allies was signed by the council members this evening. The German disarmament agreement also was signed.

The council likewise approved a plan for a 200,000,000 franc corporation to aid Austria.

The delegates left the foreign office after the forenoon session in what appeared to be far better humor than had prevailed among them at any previous time during the conference. The demeanor of Premier Lloyd George was particularly cheerful.

Premier Briand told newspapermen that the council had achieved its results in a spirit of greatest cordiality. The tendency in French circles is to regard the outcome of the conference as a decided success for M. Briand.

PARIS, Jan. 29.—(By Associated Press.) The allied supreme council today approved the German reparations plan drafted by its special committee last night.

The plan provides for the payment by Germany of 226,000,000,000 gold marks in forty-two annual installments on a rising scale, beginning with two billion marks the first two years and in addition the payment of a 12 per cent tax on German exports. The plan was in the hands of the printer and will be signed when the council meets for its second session today.

The plan will be communicated to the Germans in a few days and it will be invited to a conference February 28 to consider the terms. In the meantime the Brussels council of economic experts will resume its sessions February 7.

The penalties provided in the reparations plan are in general the same as under the treaty of Versailles, including both military and economic measures. In addition, Germany would be required to pay a 12 per cent tax on her exports, this tax, calculated on the basis of German exports in 1913, would total a little more than 1,500,000,000 gold marks. The plan submitted would place the task of collecting the tax on the allied reparations commission.

It is understood that for the purpose of inducing Germany to pay off her reparations debt as rapidly as possible she would be allowed discounts on her annual payments. These discounts would be fixed at 8 per cent the first two years, 6 per cent the two following and 5 per cent the remaining 38 years.

Denied Remaining Loan As a guarantee against Germany defaulting on her payments the committee recommended that in such an event German customs might be seized and

Hand of Death Is Powerless to Break Old Jury Custom

CHICAGO, Jan. 29.—John Hrubec was locked up in a jury room deliberating on a murder trial verdict when his 11 year old daughter, Helen, died last night. The jury was "out" all night. The rule that juries must be separated from their fellows was modified at five o'clock yesterday and court adjourned hastily when word came that Hrubec's daughter was dying. The court sent the jurors in taxicabs to the Hrubec home but even there the jurors did not separate but stood at the bedside, as the father knelt to murmur tender words to the dying girl. After a brief space Hrubec and the other jurors returned to the court building and began their deliberations. The girl died at 7 p. m. The jury still was "out."

CHILD FEEDING FUND CAMPAIGN IS LAUNCHED

Thursday, Friday, Saturday of Coming Week Selected to Put Jackson County's Quota of \$6000 Over Top—Committees Named.

Although Jackson county is the last but one of the counties of the state to organize to secure its quota of \$6,000 for the \$33,000,000 European Relief Fund, it is very evident that with the strong organization perfected, the county will go over the top next Thursday, Friday and Saturday, which is the time set for the campaign.

The county chairman, Rev. J. Randolph Sussent, has announced the names of district chairmen as follows: For Medford, Mrs. H. L. Nobles; Ashland, J. W. McCoy; Jackson, Gold Hill and Sams Valley, J. C. Wade; Rogue River, Judge Gilmore; Eagle Point, Brownsboro, Lake Creek and Wellen, Mrs. Howlett; Butte Falls, Mrs. N. D. Stoddard; Trail and Prospect, William Greive; Central Point, Rev. H. G. Edgar; Phoenix, Jos. W. Angell and Talent, N. W. Phelps.

The district chairman will call upon citizens in their districts to assist them. In Medford a well-directed campaign will be undertaken as there will be in Ashland, as it is in these two districts that the responsibility of raising the largest amount of the money depends. There has been some money collected which will be credited to the total to be raised and the district from which this came will receive credit, therefore it will be necessary for an intensive campaign to secure the balance.

No Expenses Deducted. Every dollar subscribed toward the fund will go for the relief of the children of Central Europe. None of the money is to be used for administration expenses. According to Herbert Hoover, one meal a day of bread and soup, together with some clothing at a total cost of ten dollars will keep a child alive until next harvest.

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CALIFORNIA WILL FIGHT JAP TREATY

Senator Hiram Johnson Starts Attack on New Agreement With Public Statement—Claims Treaty Gives Everything to Japan, Nothing to U. S. A.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—Senator Johnson, California, today issued a statement criticizing the reported agreement between Japanese Ambassador Shidehara and American Ambassador Morris dealing with the status of Japanese in America.

"When stripped of diplomatic camouflage," Senator Johnson said that reliable information he had regarding the agreement was that it provided for repeal in California's anti-alien land laws.

A new "gentlemen's agreement" for exclusion of Japanese which "does not exclude," also is proposed, Senator Johnson declared.

Senator Johnson's statement follows:

"From authoritative sources it is



stated that the agreement between Ambassadors Shidehara and Morris includes the following: "An exchange of diplomatic notes defining passport regulations, which would tighten up the present gentlemen's agreement relating to exclusion of Japanese from this country; and a treaty defining the rights of the national of each country and which will, in effect, abrogate and destroy the alien-land laws of the state of California."

"Stripped of diplomatic camouflage this means that our representative and Japan's have agreed upon the repeal of the land laws passed by the state of California and prohibit the passage of those contemplated by many other western states. Japan has even insisted upon the control of her own people, and therefore will not agree to an exclusion treaty, but will enter into a so-called gentlemen's agreement which does not exclude. The new gentlemen's agreement, notwithstanding its additional phrases, can be just as easily administered as the present one and it will be honored more in the breach than in the observance."

"The result will be, under the suggested arrangement, if adopted, a continuance of Japanese immigration and increase in the Japanese population in the west."

"Upon the meager facts now before us, the situation appears to be that Japan does not like an American law and Japan protests that law. Resort was had not to American courts, but to American diplomats. The protest is deemed of sufficient gravity for American diplomats to agree to a treaty exactly as desired by Japan. This, by a short cut, without participation by those most interested, repeals laws passed after due deliberation—laws admittedly within the jurisdiction of the state passing them, which cannot justly give offense, and upon a subject of paramount importance to the present well being and future existence of the state. Of course, a situation of this sort is intolerable and I think I voice the sentiments of California, when I say that in every legitimate and legal fashion the consummation of such a plan will be resisted."

ROSEBURG, Ore., Jan. 29.—Mrs. A. L. Muck, a resident of Oakland, Ore., was burned to death last night according to word received today by Coroner Ritter.

Invalid Woman of Oakland, Oregon Is Burned to Death

OAKLAND, Ore., Jan. 29.—Mrs. Augusta D. Moot, an invalid, living alone in a small house here, was burned to death last night in a fire which destroyed the dwelling. Marshal R. C. Powell, summoned by the alarm turned in by neighbors who discovered the building aflame made an effort to rescue the woman. After forcing the back door he made his way through flames to her bedroom, which he found a mass of glowing coals. Mrs. Moot, who was a widow, had been living alone for several years and for some time had been bedridden. Neighbors had assisted in caring for her household duties. They said today she had probably overturned a lamp and had been unable to extinguish the blaze.

PRINCE KROPOTKIN, FAMOUS ANARCHIST DEAD IN MOSCOW

LONDON, Jan. 29.—Prince Peter Alexievich Kropotkin, Russian geographer, author and revolutionary leader, is dead in Moscow, says a Copenhagen dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph company.

Prince Kropotkin was descended from the old Russian nobility and was born in Moscow in 1842. It was his father's plan that he should enter the army at the age of 15. He entered the army and at the age of 15 he entered the corps of pages at Petrograd. Here he remained until 1862, when he was assigned to a Cossack regiment in the Amur district.

He resigned from the army in 1867 and returned to Petrograd, where he entered the university and became secretary to the physical geography section of the Russian geographical society. In 1872 he announced his socialistic views, visiting Switzerland and becoming a member of the International Workingmen's association at Geneva. The tendencies of this body were not advanced enough for his views and a short time later he definitely adopted the creed of anarchism, returning to Russia and taking an active part in spreading nihilist propaganda. In 1874 he was arrested and imprisoned, but escaped two years later and managed to flee from Russia to England. He later went to the continent and was expelled from Switzerland following the assassination of Emperor Alexander II of Russia in 1881.

The remainder of his exile was spent for the most part in Germany, France and England. He returned to Russia in 1917 and was invited to join the Kerensky cabinet. Recent dispatches have reported him in straitened circumstances and German socialists recently made an appeal for assistance to be sent him.

FLYNN, HERMAN TO BOX FOR BENEFIT

SEATTLE, Jan. 29.—"Fireman" Jim Flynn and "Tiny" Herman, heavyweights, will box the headline of thirteen bouts to be staged at the benefit smoker here tonight for the families of four police officers slain in gun battles with bandits during the last two weeks. The smoker is as far to be held here since boxing was suspended several weeks ago by order of the Seattle boxing commission.

S. F. TAILOR AND CAT RESCUED FROM FIRE

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 29.—Rescue of a tailor who had slept through the night on his bench, and of a cat which kept him company, featured a fire which destroyed several establishments in the main business district today, causing an estimated loss of \$50,000. Three firemen were slightly hurt. A fireman found time to get the cat a saucer of milk while the fire burned. The fire followed one a few blocks away on the same street, which caused an estimated loss of \$50,000.

TWO KILLED IN SEARCH FOR WOMAN

Former Business Partner and Stenographer of O. S. Witherell, Whose Wife Was Kidnaped Tuesday, Killed When Trailed by Detectives in Los Angeles—Mystery Deepens.

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 29.—Detectives employed by O. S. Witherell, president of an investment company to search for his young wife, Gladys Witherell, who disappeared from her home Tuesday night, were following an automobile here early today when the machine ran into a street car and Witherell's former business partner and former stenographer were killed, according to Nick Harris, head of the agency.

Witherell and Charles Beverly, the dead man, dissolved their partnership about a month ago, it was said.

Two friends of Beverly, passengers in the automobile which the dead man drove were seriously injured.

Detectives Harris did not explain why his operatives were following the Beverly car which was returning from Vernon, a suburb, the police reported.

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 29.—Not one lead clue has been obtained to the whereabouts of Mrs. Gladys Witherell, 23, who disappeared from her home here Tuesday night, the police said today.

Rewards totalling \$3600 offered from various sources, have resulted in scores of worthless "tips" which have taken many hours to run down, the officers said.

They were working on a report that a merchant of foreign birth had reasons for wishing to harm her family.

Private detectives, police and sheriffs have been unable to trace the woman more than twenty feet from her home.

Her husband, O. S. Witherell, president of an investment company, passed most of his time in the office of a private detective employed to aid the police in the search.

BIG RAIN STORM NOW ON ITS WAY

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 29.—Warnings to small craft were posted by the United States weather bureau at Oregon and Washington ports today as the result of a storm which will bring rain to the whole coast region tonight and tomorrow, the bureau said.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—Weather predictions for the week beginning Monday:

Northern Rocky mountain and plateau regions—Considerable cloudiness, cold, occasional snow.

Pacific states—Unsettled, frequent rains, normal temperature.

MEXICO EXCITED OVER VISIT 2 AMERICANS

MEXICO CITY, Jan. 29.—Newspaper of this city have given considerable space recently to speculation as to whether President-elect Harding of the United States would send a personal envoy to Mexico to investigate conditions and make a report to him.

R. B. Creager of Brownsville, Texas, and Elmer Dover of Tacoma, arrived here yesterday. Last evening's newspapers declared they might be personal representatives of President-elect Harding, asking in flaming headlines if they were "shades of John Lind." This morning's journals seem to indicate the belief that they are here on secret assignments. Both Creager and Dover have asserted that they came to Mexico City on business. Creager was a dinner guest at the American embassy yesterday.

Three Members One Family Elope, None Know About Others

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Jan. 29.—A triple elopement, involving three members of one household, none of whom knew of the other's intentions, was disclosed today with the announcement that William M. Chas, retired New York manufacturer, and his two daughters, Edith and Evelyn, had married their respective mates within twenty-four hours. Miss Edith Chase started the matrimonial race yesterday by slipping away from home, ostensibly for a shopping trip. She married Robert Crofts, Mr. Chase's quietly left home to marry Mrs. Elizabeth Obergefell. On returning home they were greeted by Mr. Chase's other daughter, Evelyn, who had become the bride the day before of Donald Riddle, eldest son of former Mayor William Riddle.

MAY TRY BANK CASES OUTSIDE OF JACKSON CO.

Motions for Change of Venue in Jacksonville Bank Cases Entered by Attorneys—Trial in Josephine County Probable Outcome.

There is a strong probability that the Bank of Jacksonville cases will be tried in some other county than Jackson county. This feature developed this morning in circuit court at Jacksonville when Herbert K. Hanna and Porter J. Neff, attorneys for R. D. Hines, one of the many persons indicted through the failure of the bank, filed a motion for a change of venue.

This motion set forth that the entire county community was prejudiced in the case and called attention to the fact that this prejudice was so pronounced that many citizens had signed a petition to the governor asking that he have a special prosecutor assigned to prosecute the cases.

The main reason for a change of venue as set forth in the motion, however, was the assertion that every taxpayer is directly interested in the cases through the fact of the county's loss in funds on deposit in the bank, and that therefore every Jackson county taxpayer was disqualified from serving as a juror.

Porter Neff presented oral arguments in favor of the motion. Prosecuting Attorney Rawles Moore at once entered perfunctory objection to the change of venue being granted, and asked that he be given until next Tuesday to determine whether he would enter further and formal objection.

Judge Calkins intimated that he would grant the change of venue, and said that if he did grant it he would transfer the trial to either Douglas or Klamath county.

The several attorneys present in

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DANIELS IRE AROUSED BY ARMY CHIEF

Naval Secretary Resents the Statement by Brigadier-General Mitchell That Battleships Are Rendered Useless by Aircraft Development—Posing as Expert.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—Secretary Daniels was aroused today by testimony given before a house appropriations sub-committee by Brigadier General William Mitchell, chief of the army air service to the effect that battleships were practically rendered useless by aircraft development. It was indicated that the naval secretary might formally challenge General Mitchell's utterances in a communication to Secretary Baker.

Press accounts indicated, the secretary said, that the army man was attempting to qualify as a "naval expert."

"The navy department is not seriously considering 'Admiral' Mitchell's suggestion that former transports be converted into airplane ships," he said.

Army Economy Ordered

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—Drastic economy at army posts and camps was ordered by Secretary Baker today due to an impending deficiency of \$94,000,000 under appropriations for the quartermaster's corps. Among retrenchments ordered were:

A forty per cent cut in the quartermaster general's civilian payroll by February 15.

Reduction of water transportation activities to a minimum, harbor craft not absolutely required to be laid up and the employes discharged.

Expenses for transportation as a convenience to employes to be cut off.

He also ordered economies in fuel, clothing, general supplies and subsistence issues, virtually identical orders being sent to the Philippines, Panama and Hawaiian departments.

DENY ALCOHOL TO MEDICINE MAKERS

CHICAGO, Jan. 29.—Ralph W. Stone, Illinois prohibition director for this district, announced today that henceforth alcohol deliveries will be refused to manufacturers of five well known patent medicines. Numerous other proprietary medicines, the manufacturers of which are alleged to have done business on a great scale since the advent of prohibition, will be added to the list soon, he said. He estimated that in the last six months of 1920 his office issued 5,000 permits to manufacturers of patent medicines to obtain alcohol.

ALAMEDA AS NAVAL SITE, HELD UP IN SPITE OF UNANIMOUS REPORT OF COMMITTEE

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—(5 p. m.)—An agreement definitely recommending Alameda, Cal., as a site for new Pacific naval base and for location of other subsidiary west coast naval bases, was reached late today by a sub-committee of the joint congressional committee considering Pacific bases.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—Consideration of the selection of naval base sites on the Pacific coast went over until Monday today when the sub-committee framing a report for the full joint congressional committee again failed to reach an agreement and adjourned for the week. The selection of Alameda, Cal., on San Francisco Bay, as site for the main fleet base, was still in controversy despite the fact that the full naval committee voted in favor of that site recently. In objections to Alameda for the fleet base, championship of both the Mare Island and Hunter's Point locations was said to have developed. Admiral Koozts, chief of naval operations, and Rear Admirals Badger, aMyo and Jackson of the general board, were recalled by the sub-committee. The general board, it was said, adhered to its recommendation that the base be located at Alameda. If the dead lock continued next Monday on the fleet base, it was said the joint committee probably would submit its recommendations for location of aviation, submarine and other Pacific coast bases and ask further time to decide on the San Francisco Bay site.

THIRST FOR WEALTH AND PLEASURE TWO GREAT EVILS OF TODAY, DECLARES POPE

ROME, Jan. 29.—Pope Benedict, on the occasion of the seventh centenary of the founding of the Third Order of St. Francis of Assisi, addressed an encyclical today to all bishops throughout the world calling on all mankind to work for world peace and christian reconciliation, invoking especially the assistance of all "children of Christian peace and those belonging to the third order."

"True peace," says the encyclical, "is impossible unless it is based on the tranquility of the soul. Therefore Christian virtue is necessary. Tertiaris must diffuse christian spirit and oppose the two worst contemporary evils, namely, the insatiable avidity to possess worldly goods and the unquenchable thirst for pleasure. These evils show themselves in perpetual contest between the proletariat and the rich, as well as in immodesty of woman's dress and modern dancing. "Let men follow St. Francis of Assisi whose constant desire to make himself Christlike in poverty, humility and sacrifice. Let women be convinced that they cannot better acquire merit towards the church and their mother country than by working for the correction of corrupt customs."