

# NAB "MAN WHO KNOWS" IN WALL ST. PLOT

## FINANCES FURNISHED BY SOVIET

### Mystery Trail Leads From New York East Side to European Radical Centers—Lindenfeld Decoy for Secret Service Men—Seeks Big Reward—J. P. Morgan Sought—Moscow Reds Fathered Plot—Arrests Scheduled—Expect Full Confession.

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—(By Associated Press.)—A new radical plot to blow up the New York Stock Exchange were in circulation in Wall street today following news of the arrest of Wolfe Lindenfeld in Warsaw in connection with the Wall street bomb explosion September 16, 1920.

It was reported a number of brokers had received letters warning them the exchange would be demolished by next Monday.

Police said no word of such threats had been received, but admitted special guards had been ordered placed about the Stock Exchange and other buildings which might be target for a new radical attack.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—(By Associated Press.)—The arrest in Warsaw of Wolfe Lindenfeld will clear up the entire mystery of the Wall street explosion of September 16, 1920. It was stated positively today by William J. Burns, head of the department of justice's bureau of investigation.

Lindenfeld, whose arrest was reported to the department by the Associated Press was described by Mr. Burns as the key to the solution of the mystery and "the only man that we know in the world that knows all about it."

Mr. Burns declared that Lindenfeld himself was not implicated in the explosion, but was so close to the radical elements who were its perpetrators that he knew all about it. The third international, Mr. Burns said, was the moving spirit behind the plot.

Officials expect Lindenfeld to put in a claim for the \$50,000 reward offered in New York for information leading to the solution of the bomb mystery.

Lindenfeld, according to Mr. Burns went abroad originally on behalf of the justice department to obtain information which would lead to the arrest of those responsible for the explosion. When no reports were received from him, Mr. Burns said, Silvester Cosgrove, one of the department's agents, was sent over to find out why Lindenfeld was not sending the information promised and the arrest followed.

Radicals in Europe as well as in the United States, Mr. Burns asserted, were under surveillance by the department for suspected connection with the explosion and if the information given by Lindenfeld proves to be as expected arrests are in immediate prospect.

Lindenfeld, Mr. Burns explained was the representative in New York before his departure for abroad of radical Polish papers and also was one of the representatives in America of Lenin and the third international. He was recommended to the Burns detective agency as the man who knew most about the Wall street explosion and.

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## Hermit Found Dead, Slain By Wanderer, He Gave Shelter

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 17.—Crammed into a potato bin with a butcher knife beneath it the body of John Arthur O'Conner, inhabitant of a lonely cabin on Hayden Island, was found this morning by Deputy Sheriff E. E. Bert.

Officers believe that he may have been slain by a wanderer to whom he gave shelter last week.

Apparently he had been struck with an axe, then his throat had been slashed and the body placed in the potato bin.

O'Conner had been missing since last Saturday afternoon about five o'clock when he was last seen by John Bohler who operates the station house on the island.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—Urban Ledoux, erstwhile unemployment auctioneer and arms conference picketer, appeared today at a Washington prelect police station, and asked for a warrant for the arrest of the "four signers" of the new pacific treaty, alleging they were guilty of "trafficking in stolen goods."

The stolen goods, he described as "various pieces of land, cities, ports and villages" in Siberia, Manchuria, Korea, China, India, Indo China, Syria, Mesopotamia and the Philippine Islands, "taken forcibly without any rights, human or divine, and in contravention of all laws," by Japan, Great Britain, France and the United States. The action, Ledoux explained, was taken under the old common law.

Ledoux, who as usual, carried his Bible, umbrella and lighted candle, was referred by police to the district attorney.

## AIRSHIP ROMA HAS ENGINE TROUBLE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—Plans to bring America's largest airship, the Roma, from Langley Field, Va., to Washington today on her first cruising flight were abandoned early today, after receipt by the army air service of word that the engines of the big craft had developed some minor trouble that made the flight inadvisable.

## The Noted Dead

PARIS, Dec. 17.—Music lovers today mourned the death in Algiers, Africa, yesterday of Charles Camille Saint Saens, aged 86, noted French musician and composer.

## DELAY DENIED TO GERMANY'S DEBT SEE SUBTERFUGE

### Allies Want Information On How Much Can Be Paid—Surprise That No Definite Statement Made—Call Attention to Dereliction.

PARIS, Dec. 17.—(By the Associated Press.)—The allied reparations commission has refused to consider Germany's request for an extension of time on her January and February reparation payments until the German government tells just what she can pay on these installments and gives other information demanded. This developed when the text of the commission's note to the Berlin government was made public today.

The reply expresses surprise that Germany failed to tell exactly what foreign exchange she would be able to deliver, what delays she desired and what guarantees she would offer meanwhile. Until these details are furnished it will be impossible to consider the request of the German government, the note declares.

The commission expresses regret that Germany had not replied to its previous queries as to what action she proposed taking in regard to the commission's suggestions for balancing the budget. The German government was taken to task in the note for this situation.

The text of the note reads: "The reparations commission has received a letter from the chancellor dated December 14 announcing that the German government was unable to pay in their entirety the installments due, under the schedule of payments on January 15 and February 15 next, and requesting the reparations commission to extend the time limit for the payment of these installments."

"The commission can but express its surprise that the chancellor's letter contains no definite statement as to the currencies which the German government will be able to pay on each of the above dates; as to the length of the extension requested for the payment of the balance, or as to the security to be offered meantime."

"Unless and until the commission receives definite information on these points it will be impossible to give consideration to or even examine, the request of the German government."

"The reparations commission regrets to note that the chancellor's letter makes no allusion to the measures he had adopted or proposes to adopt in compliance with the views expressed by the commission in its verbal statement of November 13 and its letter of December 3, 1921. The commission recommends this letter to the particular attention of the chancellor."

## MILLION DOLLAR VERDICT IN SUIT

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Dec. 17.—A verdict for \$1,803,264.95 was awarded the plaintiff last night in the suit of the New India Quicksilver Mining company of California against the British-American Manufacturing company of New York in the United States district court here. The New India-American company had entered into a contract for the purchase of about 11,000 flasks of quicksilver, but had failed to fulfill the agreement.

## WISCONSIN PROBES OIL COMPANY

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 17.—The state railroad commission at Madison, Wis., through Garfield Cartright, issued a statement today setting forth that it is investigating the Disabled Veteran's Oil and Gas company, having headquarters at Aberdeen, S. D., and reported to own wells in Montana. The head of the company, according to Mr. Cartright, is an official of a sanatorium at Waukesha, Wis.

## SCHWARTZ DOUBTS IF SOVIET SPENT MONEY IN PLOT

SALEM, Ore., Dec. 17.—M. Alexander Schwartz, delegate to the third international in Moscow from the American Federation of Labor, who was imprisoned and sentenced to be shot by soviet authorities on the last day of the Moscow conference, but who escaped after spending six months in a Russian prison, said today that he thought it unlikely that the third international had financed the New York bomb plot to the extent of \$30,000 or any other amount.

"I know that the soviet government has spent millions of dollars in the United States with the aim of overthrowing the government," Mr. Schwartz said, "but the money has been spent entirely for propaganda purposes so far as I am able to determine."

Mr. Schwartz who reported on conditions as he found them in soviet Russia to congress after his escape from prison and return to America last spring is here on a lecture tour.

## BRUTALITY CHARGE MISSOURI PRISON

CHICAGO, Dec. 17.—Thomas Mott Osborn, former warden of Sing Sing penitentiary, in an address here last night, declared the Missouri state penitentiary at Jefferson City to be a disgrace.

Osborn told of his visit to Jefferson City last spring. He said that while there he saw dozens of men, who had their thumbs or forefingers into machinery and cut them off because they could not stand the steady drive of the foremen. He said these men were put in the "cooler" over Sunday for some misdemeanor committed during the week and after a diet of bread and water, were returned to work on Monday for the foreman of the shops to "squeeze all they could out of them for another week."

## YANKEE RADICALS IN GREAT AGONY

RIGA, Dec. 17.—(By the Associated Press.)—Mollie Steiner, Jacob Abrams, Simon Lachowsky, and Samuel Lipman, deported from the United States after being pardoned for seditious activities, have obtained soviet Russia, having obtained the necessary visas. They left the United States the latter part of November for Liban.

Emma Goldman and Alexander Berkman are still here. They are without German visas or permission to go to any other country and their permit to stay in Latvia expires tomorrow. Miss Goldman was confined to her bed by illness today.

## STINK BOMBS USED OMAHA PACKERS

OMAHA, Neb., Dec. 17.—Use of what police termed "stink bombs" on street cars going to and from Omaha's packing house district, where meat cutters and others are on strike, was reported by police today. The "bombs" were described as being made of small sacks of a substance which, when trampled upon, causes a bad odor in the immediate vicinity.

Stranded Ship Floated. SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 17.—The Greek steamer Fotis, bound from Astoria, Ore., to the United Kingdom with a load of grain, went ashore off the coast of Limerick, Ireland, but was refloated later leaking badly, according to a message received today by the marine department of the Chamber of Commerce here.

Wall Street Closes. NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—Gains exceeded losses in the stock market today but lack of public interest was indicated in the hesitant tone of standard issues. Sales approximated \$90,000 shares.

## FINAL DECISION BY SINN FEIN ON TREATY WED.

### Dail Eireann Continues Its Secret Sessions—DeValera Wants New Treaty Submitted in Place of One Ratified By British.

DUBLIN, Dec. 17.—(By the Associated Press.)—Final decision on the Irish peace treaty by the Dail Eireann can be expected on Wednesday, but not before, according to information obtained from authoritative Sinn Fein circles.

A public session will be held Monday for formal presentation of a motion for ratification, but it is expected that the debate will continue until Wednesday at least. The members continued their secret discussions today.

LONDON, Dec. 17.—(By the Associated Press.)—With ratification of the Irish peace treaty completed in the imperial parliament, all eyes were turned today on Dublin, where the Dail Eireann continued its deliberations. The consensus of opinion of the Irish newspapers is that yesterday's discussions in the Dail added strength to the supporters of the treaty, although it is recognized that the opposition continued to be formidable.

## TARIFF ON SILK IS BLOW TO PUBLIC

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—Silk manufacturers in the United States received a tariff protection of \$200,000,000 in 1919, which translated into prices in the retail stores, amounted to a tax of \$400,000,000 on the consuming public, H. E. Miles, of Racine, Wis., chairman of the fair tariff league, declared today before the senate finance committee.

Protesting against the increased duties, which the silk manufacturers have asked for, Mr. Miles said the present tariff duties constituted a virtual embargo on silks that come in competition with the kinds made in the United States.

## KENTUCKY BANDITS FLEE FROM CAVE

FRANKFORT, Ky., Dec. 17.—Bud Noble and two relatives, Bercher and Soldier Noble, were sought today by state guardsmen and deputy sheriffs as a result of their escape from a cave where the guardsmen had besieged the trio Thursday. Bud and Bercher Noble were declared to be wounded.

Kale Bercher, son of Bud Noble, who with the other two had taken refuge in the cave after an attack on the Breathitt county jail last Saturday, was arrested last night. The guardsmen then learned that the trio had escaped from the cave.

## 2 JOBS, 2 WIVES, DIVORCE GRANTED

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 17.—Mrs. Mary Weirich was granted a divorce today when she testified that her husband was supporting another woman who also passed as his wife, and was employed in both an iron works and a dairy in order to earn enough money to maintain both families. The other woman, Mrs. Weirich testified, lived in the same block with her.

## Draft Men, Money And Supplies If War Comes Again

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—Secretary of War Weeks is in favor of the mobilization of men, money and manufactures under conscription law in the event of future war.

Such a course, the war secretary declared in an address last night at the second annual reunion of the war industries board, would preclude profiteering and slacker lists.

"I would conscript every person in the United States from 18 to 60 years of age should a future war prevail," said Mr. Weeks.

He described the draft law of the world war as "one very great piece of legislation—carried on almost perfectly."

## CLIPS \$117,000 1922 STATE TAX, SPECIAL LEVIES

### \$9,376,289.11 to Be Raised By Taxation—Schools, Education and Roads to Be Benefitted—Reduction of 1921 Assessment.

SALEM, Ore., Dec. 17.—Approximately \$117,000 will be trimmed from financial needs of the state departments and institutions of Oregon in 1922, as compared with the demands made on the tax purse during the present year, according to Frank K. Lovell, state tax commissioner, who today announced that the total amount which must be raised by taxation for state purposes during 1922 is \$9,376,289.11.

Special designated levies will provide \$5,777,751.78 of the total needed and the balance must be raised by general taxes to meet the legislative appropriations of \$3,598,537.33 for the year.

The items of expense which will be met by specified levies are as follows: State agricultural college, additional maintenance, \$699,580. University of Oregon, additional maintenance \$524,985. Oregon Normal school, additional maintenance \$52,284. Soldiers' educational aid fund, \$498,321. Public elementary schools \$2,041,609. State market roads \$1,020,804.

## FATTY'S ACCUSER IS GRANTED PAROLE

FRESNO, Cal., Dec. 17.—Mrs. Bambina Maude Dolmont pleaded guilty at Madera to a charge of bigamy and today was sentenced by Superior Judge Stanley Murray to one year's imprisonment. The judge then granted probation.

Mrs. Dolmont, who swore to the complaint which charged Roscoe (Fatty) Arbuclie with manslaughter in connection with the death of Virginia Rappe, admitted in the Madera court that she had not secured a divorce from John Hopper when she was married to Cassius Woods.

## WIRELESS PERFECTED THAT WILL GO THRU MOUNTAINS AND LOCATE METALS

MOSCOW, Dec. 17.—(By Associated Press.)—Discovery of a method whereby wireless messages may be sent to a definite receiving station without the danger of being picked up by other stations is claimed in an announcement by the official press bureau.

## FOCH'S VISIT MAY SOLVE NAVY WOES

### Warmth of Reception Granted Expected to Modify French Views—Secrecy Shrouds Debates—Little Prospect of Agreement—No Data On French Building Plans.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—(By the Associated Press.)—The naval committee of fifteen of the arms conference resumed consideration today of the French and Italian naval ratio problem, but with little prospect that the day would show any material toward an agreement among the five powers on relative naval strength and reduction in fleets in harmony with that already reached by the "big three" naval countries.

The committee again was entrenched behind its rule of silence adopted yesterday. No further light was available on the French project to build ten 35,000-ton capital ships.

In spite of the secrecy rule of the committee it was known that presentation of the French case continued today. In this connection M. Sarraut head of the French delegation, in the absence of Premier Briand and M. Viviani, intimated last night that France would seek to have the secrecy ban of the committee lifted in order that a correct view of the position taken by her delegation on naval strength might be given to the public.

It is generally understood that M. Sarraut and Ambassador Jusserand, the two French delegates now in Washington, lack full power to modify the basis or the details of the naval proposals France has presented in the committee. Whether additional instructions have been received from Premier Briand has not been disclosed.

Some officials here count upon the effect in France of the return of Marshal Foch from the United States is apt to have because of the extraordinary warmth of the reception the great French soldier received all over the United States during his visit here.

The American group in the committee of fifteen have not reached the point of formulating counter proposals as to French and Italian naval ratios, it is understood.

M. Sarraut, head of the French delegation in the absence of Premier Briand was said by the British spokesman to have been the principal speaker during the three hour session the committee held today. When he concluded the naval committee adjourned until Monday.

The meeting apparently did develop, however, a clearer understanding in British circles as to just what ratio France desired. It was estimated in British quarters that the ten year capital ship building program previously outlined by the French would result in a tonnage ratio for France in 1931 at the end of the naval building holiday of 2.75 as compared to Japan's place in the triangular 5-5-3 agreement. It was asserted that the French projected building would not begin until 1925 and that as the naval holiday would end presumably in 1931, additional ships built after that date could be classed as replacement construction.

In estimating her naval needs on the basis of her colonial possession, the British spokesman said: "I suppose the French feel that they are entitled to theoretical recognition anyway."

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## LUXURY WAR RAGING FOR OCEAN TRAVEL, GOLF, "SHIMMY MACHINE", LADY BARBER

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—(By the Associated Press.)—Rival steamship lines are competing for passengers in the post war travel revival, as sharply as hotels fight for guests.

A British line recently announced a "veranda cafe" for second class passengers and promptly an American line began supplying menu cards for the third class.

Incidentally the old fashioned word "veranda" no longer is heard in shipping offices. In practically all the larger ships the third class today is as luxurious as the first class 25 years ago.

## But competition also is keen in the first class saloon. Innovations recently announced by various lines include:

- A captain's hour with the children.
- A screened and bunkered deck to serve as a golf course.
- Cabin to cabin telephone service.
- A miniature department store.
- A bureau for engaging taxis by wireless.
- An electric "shimmy machine" replacing the promenade as a weight reducer.
- A woman barber for bobbed heads.