

VITAL POINTS OF CONFERENCE STILL MYSTERY

Three Important Questions Dominate Public Discussion of Program of Meeting Set for Saturday Afternoon

DEFINITE INFORMATION CANNOT BE OBTAINED

Associated Nations Have Been Invited to the Opening Session—Will Consider Matters Affecting Them Directly

By WILLIAM PHILLIP SIMMS
PARIS, Jan. 15.—Three questions dominated general discussion of the conference program today as the time approached for the first full session of the peace congress for Saturday afternoon. They were:

Will the session be open or secret? Will Bolshevik program or the league of nations come up first? Will Premier Clemenceau or President Wilson preside?

Information Lacking

These, together with a score of minor puzzles are solved or unsolved as fast as one newspaper editor succeeds another, or a correspondent meets one of the conferees. Nothing authoritative could be obtained whether the conference will be open or secret. As to the question what should be broached first, Clemenceau already is pledged to bring up the league of nations at the outset. The Bolshevik program probably will come next. It is understood that the situation of Poland and similar questions will be taken up in the general Russian discussion.

A French Chairman

It is generally agreed that Clemenceau probably will be given the chairmanship through diplomatic precedent. President Wilson does not take precedence over Clemenceau because he merely acts as his own premier, hanging the mantle of the presidency on the same peg with his hat and overcoat as he enters the council chamber.

Small Nations Invited

Invitations have been addressed to representatives of five associate nations—big and small, to attend the opening session in the Quai D'Orsay Saturday afternoon, the time being definitely set for 12:00. This was done through the secretaries of the five big powers. After the initial meeting it is understood that the work of the five principal nations will be conducted largely by committees, all debates being entirely informal. The minor nations will be called into conference then as soon as the committees complete their studies on matters directly affecting them.

POAST FIGHTERS WIN IN FOUR-BOUND BOUT

SEATTLE, Wash., Jan. 15.—Harry Anderson, Seattle, sailor won a decision over Willie Hoppe, a local pugilist, in their four-round bout here last night. Anderson won from the start, cutting Hoppe badly with a straight left. He was too clever for the California battler.

"Drys" Hopeful for Passage of the Amendment

Thirty States Have Already Ratified It and Four More Are Claimed for Today

CHICAGO, Jan. 15.—Thirty of the thirty-six states necessary had ratified the home dry constitutional amendment today. Four more states were set for ratification today and three more were confidently claimed by dry workers.

No state as yet has voted against the amendment, although two attempts have been made to attract prohibition riders to the measure. Distillers, however, through a recently formed organization here, announced they would fight it in every way possible. States ratifying the amendment since January 1 are: Michigan, Ohio, Oklahoma, Idaho, Tennessee, Maine, West Virginia, Washington, California, Indiana, Arkansas, Illinois, North Carolina, Kansas and Alabama. Of these the last seven completed their vote yesterday. States to vote today are: Nebraska, Iowa, Colorado and Utah. Of the other fourteen, drys claim one will ratify, three are doubtful, and "New Jersey is hopeless."

GERMAN COMMISSION RECOMMENDS THAT KAISER BE BROUGHT TO TRIAL

Investigation of Archives of Foreign Office Proves that Former Emperor Was One of Chief War Makers

By LOWELL MELLETT
BERNE, Jan. 15.—A German commission appointed to determine the former kaiser's responsibility for the war has officially recommended that he be brought to trial, according to information received from Berlin today.

The recommendation was presented by Herr Kautzsky, who was appointed by the present German government to direct examination of documents in the archives of the foreign office.

Marginal notes in the kaiser's own handwriting on the most important papers in the foreign office proves he was one of the principal "war makers," Kautzsky said. "It is necessary to bring him before a tribunal."

WORLD NEWS EVENTS

BOSTON, Mass., Jan. 15.—Ten persons were killed and fifty injured when a truck load of molasses casks exploded at the plant of the Cohan Distilling company today. It is believed that the huge casks of molasses which were loaded on a truck standing in the street had fermented.

AMSTERDAM, Jan. 15.—"Peace negotiations" have begun between the Spartacists and the German government, according to Berlin dispatches received here today. The government and Spartacists are said to have arranged an armistice Friday whereby neither faction would resume fighting without twelve hours notice.

PARIS, Jan. 15.—Enemy prisoners of war will get a chance to rebuild what they had wrecked in France, according to decision of the French cabinet announced today. The prisoners will be employed at once on reconstruction work in the devastated regions. Two hundred thousand are expected to be laboring by March 20.

LONDON, Jan. 15.—Field Marshal von Hindenburg has been made generalissimo of German forces for the protection of the eastern frontiers, the Zurich correspondent of the Journal wired today. This action is taken here to mean that Germany is taking precautions against an invasion by Polish forces or by the Russian Bolsheviks.

MANCHESTER, Eng., Jan. 15.—"It can be safely assumed that the British will not conform with France's attitude regarding Russia largely as the result of American suggestion and guidance," the Manchester Guardian declared today. "It can be definitely stated that America will not commit herself to a war of force. She is absolutely opposed to that idea."

ANOTHER CHAIR MAY BE VACANT

Rumor Predicts the Resignation of Secretary of War Baker from Cabinet

By CARL D. GROOT
WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—There is a prospect that Secretary of War Baker will resign from President Wilson's cabinet, according to persistent rumors here today.

If he does, he will return to Cleveland and re-establish his law practice. His reason for resigning would be a financial one, say those in touch with him. Some of his friends suggest that he may be persuaded to remain if given the post of attorney-general. Baker has been under heavy expense while holding his cabinet place. In the liberty loan drive it is known that he used to "blow his bit" but borrowed money to buy more bonds. Baker is scheduled to make a trip to Europe soon to assist in winding up war department business. It is unlikely he would quit before a number of contract matters are cleared away and the army organization fully disposed of.

Incidentally, Baker is mentioned occasionally as a presidential possibility.

FIGHTING IS RESUMED IN BERLIN STREETS

Government Troops Are Reported Successful in Brief Engagement with Spartacists

COPENHAGEN, Jan. 15.—Fighting was resumed in Berlin yesterday, dispatches from German sources reported today. Spartacists fired into the streets from the hospitals, these advice on bombs were thrown upon a railroad station. Attacks were made on the Prater barracks. A brief engagement was fought in the Belle Alliance Platz, in which government troops were successful. The fighting continued all day.

Fifteen Hundred Canadians Held in Hun Prisons

Soldiers Reported Missing and Thought Dead Are Finally Located in Prison Camps

OTTAWA, Ont., Jan. 15.—Fifteen hundred Canadian soldiers who were reported as missing and presumably dead have been located in Germany since the armistice was signed. Many of these soldiers have been missing since the battle of Ypres and have long since been given up as dead.

The German authorities have never reported them and their mail was never received. It is presumed that those prisoners must have been confined to certain camps where the German officers were particularly brutal and cruel. The Germans refused to report them, contrary to all international war regulations.

MAY IMPORT SUPPLIES TO GERMANY NOW

Further Occupation of Country Is Feared by Allies if Food Shortage Develops—To Permit Imports

By FRED S. FERGUSON

PARIS, Jan. 15.—Fear that further occupation of Germany would be necessary if a serious food shortage developed, prompted the allied food council to permit importation of supplies into that country, the United Press is able to state authoritatively today. Bolshevik rule in industrial centers, such as Berlin, are based upon food difficulties, it was established. It was further ascertained that while Germany's supplies are sufficient for the moment, the people are rapidly consuming their stocks and would face acute starvation before spring.

It was upon representations of the allied military authorities that the council decided it was vital to permit Germany to import food stuffs. This would insure establishment of a stable government, it was declared, and prevent the necessity for further encroachment by the allied armies upon German territory.

Must Pay for Food

Under rules of the Hague convention, provisioning of the people will develop upon the armies of occupation. When the Germans' own supplies are exhausted, if it were not necessary to occupy additional territory, the obligation naturally would fall on Germany. In view of the conditions revealed by the allied military investigations, it is pointed out that if Germany succumbs to anarchy, she will be unable to make peace, and restitution and indemnities would be impossible. Germany, however, must pay for every pound of food imported to save herself from dissolution to the allies, it was learned today, have instructed Marshal Foch to enforce all provisions of the new terms included in the armistice in connection with its prologation. No neglect of such a nature has been allowed which prevented Governor Stephens from a marked tendency to indulge in, will be permitted.

The new terms also included transfer of all gold in the Reichbank in Berlin to Frankfurt, where it will be placed under allied control.

CONGRESS ASKS FOR SMALL ARMY

National Safety is First Consideration and Congress Thinks It Knows Country's Needs

By L. C. MARTIN

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—The smallest army compatible with national safety is to be the demand of congress when it takes up the regulation plan just submitted to the house and senate leaders by Secretary of War Baker. Senator Chamberlain and Representative Dent, chairman of the senate and house military committees today were studying the draft of a peace time army plan which Baker submitted confidentially yesterday. No hint of the details of this plan has been allowed to reach congress generally.

But whatever plan Baker and the general staff have worked out, congress has the right to demand that it be the way of an army, leading members of both houses declared today. The public's attitude has been fairly plain by hundreds of letters to congressmen. These letters are practically unanimous in demanding that every vestige of militarism be swept away.

RUSSIA HAS EXCELLENT CHANGE FOR DELEGATION AT CONGRESS

Indications Point Strongly to Sending of Commission to Confer with Soviet Leaders and a Subsequent Admission of Delegates to Forthcoming Deliberations

LASTING AGREEMENT IS IMPOSSIBLE IF ANY OTHER COURSE DECIDED UPON

PARIS, Jan. 15.—Representation for Russia at the peace congress was expected to be definitely determined upon at today's session of the inter-allied war council. The associated powers have reached the obvious conclusion that discussion of world peace would be absolutely futile without the vast population of Russia being considered. They are also understood to realize that the Russian problem cannot be solved without the consent and cooperation of the people themselves.

Want Republicans Responsible for Railroad Action

Democrat Leaders Have Decided to Let This Problem Go Over to Next Congress

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—Senator Democratic leaders have decided the railroad problem must go over to the Republican congress. They have given up hope of framing and passing bills disposing of the railroads before March 4, it developed today.

Republicans, however, will make an effort to prevent President Wilson turning the railroads back before the twenty-one months period is up. Senator Cummins will introduce a resolution to that effect as soon as the present hearings are over, he said today.

Senator Chamberlain plans to stump the country on the railroad question as soon as hearings are over. Maxime he intends pushing his pending bill to restore the rate making authority of the Interstate Commerce commission by eliminating that power which the federal control act transferred to the president.

GERMANS TRIED TO EVADE TERMS

Plot Discovered by Third Army to Cheat Americans of Valuable Material

AMERICAN HEADQUARTERS IN GERMANY, Jan. 15 (Delayed).—The Third American Army has uncovered a plot by Germans to evade the terms of the armistice, according to announcement today. The Americans were nearly cheated of millions of yards worth of material, it has been learned, through sales of motor trucks and large quantities of supplies by the Germans. These supplies, which reverted to the Americans under the terms of the armistice, were sold to private corporations and individuals.

A proclamation has been issued from headquarters warning against such sales and declaring that any everything thus sold has been ordered surrendered within a week.

German duplicity also is causing a rigid examination of alleged unsatisfactory food conditions.

Woman Advocates the Destruction of Food Supplies

Alleged I. W. W. Who Favored the Use of Violence Is on Trial in Federal Court

SACRAMENTO, Calif., Jan. 15.—Emphatic denial of conversations in which she is alleged to have advocated destruction of food and the use of violence was made today by Miss Theodora Pollock, only woman among the forty-two I. W. W. defendants on trial in federal court.

Miss Pollock's appearance on the stand occasioned considerable surprise as it was not believed the defense would permit her to testify.

Miss Pollock today received a telegram signed by Ernestine Black, Elizabeth Gerber and Irene Hayes Irwin, wife of Will Irwin, the writer. The telegram reads: "We, and we hope all women of California, trust that you may receive a just and fair trial."

A program for official investigation of actual conditions in Russia was to be fully discussed today. This, it was believed, will result in a commission being sent into that country which would report directly to the conference. Upon the report would be based some form of recognition for the soviet government and other factions, that they might send accredited representatives to Versailles.

Colonies Want Action

Formal action was also to be taken today on the question of granting representation to the British dominions. This not only carries out the league of nations idea, but is significant as bringing additional western thought into the conference. America's entrance into the war transformed the issues from "European to world-wide scope, and now old world political ideas are in contact with those of the new world. Canadian and American ideals for instance, are closely allied.

Provisional agreement has already been made regarding delegates for the British dominions. It is expected that this agreement to be confirmed. Under the present scheme, Great Britain and her colonies would vote separately, the latter being drawn in only when questions directly affecting them are discussed, thereby eliminating the very acute danger of a "packed convention."

Only Two Remaining

The only countries, in fact, whose representation has not been at least tentatively fixed are the only ones which made separate peace settlements with the central powers—Bulgaria and Rumania. There seems to be no obstacle in the way of granting delegates to the latter, the number being the chief matter under consideration. Russian representation obviously will take more time for final decision.

The feeling prevails now that Foreign Minister Pichon's bitter opposition to even partial recognition of the Russian soviet government, based on a suggestion of the British government favoring such recognition need not be considered as final. In this connection it was authoritatively reported today that there is nothing mysterious in the fact that the American delegation knew nothing of the British proposal until Pichon's published statement.

An Unfortunate Slip Up

The proposal was forwarded to Washington through the usual channels. Counselor Polk of the state department erroneously assumed that President Wilson would be advised directly which undoubtedly would have been the case if the particular subject had come up in the course of the diplomatic conversations.

But this was only one angle of the problem, which the various governments are constantly exchanging views upon. Furthermore, it was explained, Wilson was not in contact with the British representatives when the subject became ripe, being in Italy at that time.

The "mystery," therefore, is regarded as an unfortunate slip up.

Copper Companies Form Syndicate Under Webb Act

Four Leading Mining Concerns Become Incorporated as Export Association

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—Formation of the copper export association incorporated under the Webb act by four leading mining concerns of the country was announced today by the federal trade commission. The American Smelting and Refining company; United Metal Selling company; Phelps Dodge company; and the Calumet and Hecla Mining company of Boston, form the syndicate. The association's headquarters will be located at 80 Wall Street, New York.

WANTED WEST TO BE GERMAN SYMPATHIZERS

Plot Is Disclosed to Gain the Support of Many Western States for the German Cause in Early Part of War

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—An alleged deal between Ambassador Bernstorff and the Pueblo, Colorado, Chief of Police to gain support for the German cause in the west was today explained to the senate committee probing propaganda, by Austin J. Smith, formerly advertising and business manager of the paper.

Twenty thousand dollars was to be spent by Bernstorff in connection with the work. He also declared that he saw the German ambassador, who lent his support to the plan, five times between October 15 and December 15. Smith, who now lives in Los Angeles, said he became connected with the Chief of Police in December, 1913. At that time it was under the management of Alva A. Swain, and I. N. Stevens was the owner. In the spring of 1916, Smith said, the paper was furnished with a list of names of prominent Germans and German-Americans by a German paper, the Colorado Herald. He also said he met the German consul in Denver, Dr. Kurt Ziegler, and Godfrey Schiemer, president of the German-American Trust company, about this time.

Various methods were used to try to gain support for the German cause, none of which met with any success, Smith explained.

Ziegler, Smith said, suggested that Bernstorff's aid be sought. "I went east in October, 1915, with letters of introduction from Dr. Ziegler and the Austria-Hungarian consul," Smith asserted, "and saw Bernstorff in New York in October, 1915."

Bernstorff appeared to be pleased with the plan and said he had followed the attitude of the paper with much interest, Smith said. He also agreed to pay \$20,000 in monthly installments.

The paper opposed the reappointment of President Wilson in the spring of 1916 and at the suggestion of Bernstorff ran editorials from time to time showing why Wilson should not be reappointed," Smith said.

Tomorrow's Program for the Joint Conference

Joint Evening Meeting
Lavender Theatre
 8:00. "How We Can Help Our State University," by Mrs. M. J. Swoolley.
 8:30. "The State University and its Relation to the People," by Dr. E. A. Bryan, commissioner of education for Idaho.
 9:00. "The Transportation Problem up to Date," by H. V. Platt, vice-president and general manager, Oregon Short Line Railroad company.
State Farm Bureau
Crop and Pest Day—Parish Hall
 Morning Session—
 10:00. Meet with State Seed Show.
 Afternoon Session—
 2:00. "Sugar Beets, the Crop and Prices for 1919," J. W. Jones, Salt Lake.
 2:30. Discussion from the floor led by A. A. Merrill, Murtaugh and J. Quinsey, manager Amalgamated Sugar company, Salt Lake.
Seed Growers Association
Parish Hall
 Morning Session—
 9:00. "Idaho Wheat and the Federal Grades," H. J. Leth, field agronomist, University of Idaho and state grain inspector.
 10:30. "Dicklow Wheat for Irrigated Southern Idaho," discussion led by L. C. Aicher, superintendent of Aberdeen Experiment Station.
 11:15. "Marketing Grain at the County Points," H. M. Currey, Idaho Technical Institute.
 Afternoon Session—
 1:30. Business Meeting.
 President's Annual Address, A. J. Snyder.
 Treasurer's Report, R. J. Leth.
 Election of Officers.
 "Future Work and Possibilities of the Seed Growers' Association," led by New President.
 3:30. Awards of all Seed Show Prizes.
 4:00. Auction Sale of all Seed Exhibits at the State Seed Show.
Idaho Irrigation Congress
Masonic Temple
 Morning Session—
 9:30. "The Irrigation District," (a) Its Advantages, by B. E. Stonemeyer, District Counsel, U. S. R. - G.; (b) Its Disadvantages, by J. B. Eldridge.
 10:30. Discussion.
 Adjourn to Parish Hall.
 11:15. "Marketing Grain at the County Points," H. M. Currey, Idaho Technical Institute.
 12:00. Noon recess.
 Afternoon Session—

1:30. "Water Power Development; Its Application to Irrigation and Use in the Small Towns and on the Farm," by N. C. Grover, Chief Hydraulic Engineer, and W. B. Heroy, Chief of Division of Power Resources, U. S. Geological Survey.
 2:15. Discussion by Barry Dibble, Project Manager, Minidoka Project, U. S. R. - G.
 2:45. "Commercial Possibilities for More Extensive Use of Electricity," by W. H. Trenner, Supt. of Power, Idaho Power Co.
 3:15. Discussion.
 3:30. Ten minute recess (music).
 3:50. Final Report of Legislative Committee.
 4:40. Report of Resolutions Committee.
 5:00. Election of Officers.
 6:00. Adjournment.
Swine Growers' Association
America Theatre
 Morning Session—
 9:30. "Swine Sale," by Jesse S. Richards—Manager.
 10:00. "Swine Possibilities in Idaho," by William Kerr, State Swine Specialist.
 10:30. "Co-operative Marketing of Hogs," general discussion led by C. M. McAllister, Special Representative, Union Stock Yards, Portland, Oregon. J. H. Mandarfield, General Manager, Union Stock Yards, Salt Lake.
Women's Section
First Presbyterian Church
 Morning Session—
 10:00. Remodeling of Clothes and Application of Patterns, Laboratory Work, conducted by Georgia Bolle Elwell.
America Theatre
 Afternoon Session—
 2:00. "How to Secure Beautiful Interiors and Exteriors," by Rudolph Weaver. Illustrated with lantern slides.
FOUR THOUSAND MILES NOT REPARATION ENOUGH
CHICAGO, Jan. 15.—Ensign Joseph A. Flynn, U. S. N., 4,000 miles from Chicago, was divorced today by action in a Chicago court.
 There were no witnesses at the hearing against Mrs. Lorraine C. Flynn when Judge David M. Brothers called the case yesterday. The principal evidence was a disposition by Flynn made several weeks ago alleging that Mrs. Flynn had called Joseph Donner, a Washington chemist, "Dearest Pal," in letters. A sealed packet of letters was also introduced.

BOYCOTTS AND STRIKES TO BE LABOR WEAPONS

Last Resort Must be Used in Famous Mooney Case and Delegates Declare Selves Willing to Put It Into Action

CHICAGO, Jan. 15.—Nation wide strikes and boycott will be the weapon used by labor to secure the release of Thomas J. Mooney, according to Edward R. Nolan, San Francisco, secretary of the international workers' defense league.

"Legislation is not forthcoming for Mooney's benefit," declared Nolan. "Labor must use its last resort, its powerful economic weapon—the strike and boycott—to win Mooney his justice. The case has become the greatest question of the nation. We must use the final expression of labor and lay our cards on the table."

Outlining plans to be followed by the convention in its work, Nolan urged federal intervention in the California courts through issuance of habeas corpus proceedings.

Outlines Procedure
 "The strikes will be voted by a referendum," asserted Nolan. "Local organizations will start the ball rolling by publicity in newspapers and circulars. State organizations will then take the matter up."

Sigmund Schulburg, a San Francisco delegate, denied there was any intention of turning the convention into a political meeting. He declared there were "some radicals" present, but asserted they could not be called "reds."

W. F. Dunn, publisher of the Butte, Montana, Bulletin, declared himself in favor of a strike. "There are ten thousand idle in Butte now," Dunn said.

THREE BOYS BOB STORE
CHICAGO, Jan. 15.—Andrew M. Kautzon, a druggist, was taken to St. Joseph's hospital today after he had been beaten up by three youths who robbed his store late last night. The boys escaped with \$15.

COLONEL HOUSE IMPROVING
PARIS, Jan. 15.—Colonel House, after spending an uncomfortable night, was reported to be better this morning. He was still confined to his bed.

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- Large Segro milk, per can 15c
- Empson's peas, per can 15c
- Empson's kraut, per can 15c
- Empson's hominy, per can 15c
- Karo syrup, per gallon 95c
- 2 1-2 lb. clam chowder, per can 30c
- No. 2 can clams, per can 25c
- No. 2 Royal Club pineapple, per can 20c
- 1 lb. Curtis brand tuna fish 35c

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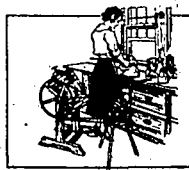
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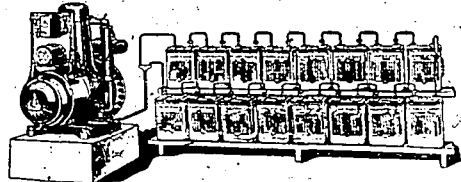
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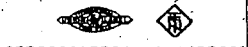
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SOME INTERESTING FIGURES

The annual financial report of Armour and Company, of November 2 of the year just closed, is now being distributed.

For instance, it appears that the prevailing high retail prices caused profits to drop off during the year with which the report deals.

Here are some further interesting points. The total capital assets of the institution are \$123,895,541.14, of which was something over forty-three millions are invested in allied companies.

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ROCK CREEK RESIDENTS BATTLE WITH FISTS

Discard Pitchforks for Primitive Means of Settling Altercations—One Participant Hurt

(Special to The News) ROCK CREEK, E. P. (Happy) Road is wearing a bandage on his head as the result of an altercation Sunday forenoon with W. W. Summit, foreman of the Shoop ranch.

D. P. Larson sold a bunch of beef steers to Mrs. Christofel the first of the week. The price paid was 11 cents.

Misses Wanda and Helen Brose came home Friday to spend the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Brose.

Conference Notes - Lectures by Professor Weaver today and tomorrow will be given in the Leving Theater, instead of the American.

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IRRIGATORS IN FIELD FOR AID WITH PROBLEM

State Society Calls in Experts from Surrounding States to Secure Benefit of Their Plan and Experience

ENDORSEMENT OF NEW LEGISLATION LIKELY

Water as Essential to Reclaiming Desert as Source of Power, and Means of Controlling Its Use Considered

Water as the prime essential in irrigation, as a source of electric power development and the most advantageous means of controlling its use were the subjects touched upon by speakers at Tuesday's congress meeting here in conjunction with the joint-conference.

Introduces Big Topic - President R. E. Shepherd in his annual address, made, following the address of welcome delivered by former Senator M. J. Sweeley for Twin Falls, introduced the subject of the proposed legislation.

Laying Foundation for Action - The talks given by J. B. True, Wyoming state engineer, on "The Wyoming Law and its Operation," and by A. E. Chandler, president of the California Water Commission, and the paper prepared by Percy A. Cupper, Oregon state engineer, on "The Oregon Law and Experience," read at the forenoon session, were germane to the discussion of the proposed Idaho law.

Wyo. is justly proud of her irrigation laws, Wyoming state engineer, J. B. True, declared in the opening statement of his address before the congress, "In no other state are water rights perfected and held with less resort to the courts for aid and protection," he said.

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TWIN FALLS NORTH SIDE TRACT

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tempting to avail itself of a new opportunity by leading the states in forward movement toward the providing of this aid.

Opens Power Discussion - Mr. True also opened up a discussion of the prospect for development of Idaho's water power, declaring in this respect that "the fitness of things is well demonstrated by the fact that this power can be developed without interfering with the use of water for irrigation."

Predicts Normal Development - The conclusion of a scholarly paper on the commercial possibilities of more extensive use of electricity by W. H. Trenner, superintendent of power for the Idaho Power company, was that "no decided changes in conditions can be foreseen which would bring about a more rapid extension of electric service than may be expected from the normal growth of the industry, and during these times, this growth is expected to be quite rapid."

Many miles of rural lines will be constructed annually, Mr. Trenner predicted, and as the population of the rural communities increases, he said, the number and extent of such extensions will increase year by year.

See Possibilities Underground - In the springs of the Snake river canyon, among them being Blue Lakes, Clear Lakes, Thousand Springs and the Mica springs, which are famous and picturesque spots among the scenic attractions of southern Idaho, Louis Crandall, chief hydrographer for the Twin Falls North Side Land & Water company, discerns an important source of water supply for power, irrigation and domestic use and the possibility of intercepting them at sufficient elevation to permit of their being diverted into the Snake river canyon.

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MURTAUGH BOY IS VICTIM OF INFLUENZA

Contracts Disease Enroute to Brother's Home from Oklahoma

(Special to The News) MURTAUGH—Robert Biggers, 23-year-old boy of Bradford, Idaho, Biggers, died at the home of his brother on Friday, January 10, at 8:30 p. m., from influenza. Mr. Biggers had just been in Murtaugh a week, arriving from Oklahoma Saturday, January 4. He was ill when he came, having contracted the disease while enroute to Murtaugh. His body is being held at the undertaking parlors at Twin Falls, awaiting the arrival of relatives.

Boy Hunt, who has been home on a furlough, returned to Galveston Sunday morning.

CHICAGO LIVESTOCK OPENING - CHICAGO, Jan. 15.—Hog receipts 85,000; market strong, slightly higher. Sheep receipts 18,000.

CHICAGO, Jan. 15.—Hogs—Receipts, 32,000. Market, strong. Bulk, \$17.40 @ \$17.70; butchers, \$17.75 @ \$17.75; packing, \$16.75 @ \$17.40; light, \$17.00 @ \$17.50; pigs, \$14.00 @ \$14.75; rough, \$13.00 @ \$17.75.

CHICAGO GRAIN OPENING - CHICAGO, Jan. 15.—Corn: January unchanged; February 7-8; March 7-8; May 11-14; July down 3-4; September 1-4; May up 3-4; July unchanged.

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ALL FACTORS IN BIG CONFERENCE AT HIGH POINT

Sessions of State Agricultural, Livestock, and Irrigation Societies Meeting Here Make Claim for Interest

HOSPITALITY PROVEN: WHEN HOSTELRIES FILL

banquets Feature at Close of Second Day's Proceedings—Short horns, Water and Seed Big Cards Today

Sessions of the State Farm Bureau and of the Idaho Seed Growers' association...

Accommodations For All The numbers of the conference visitors reached nearly the 2,500 mark yesterday...

Sessions of the Irrigation Congress continued throughout the day yesterday. The Farm Bureau and the Seed Growers...

Stockmen at Banquet The stockmen assembled last evening at a banquet in the Hogerson hotel...

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POSTWAR EDUCATION PROBLEMS SHOWN IN TWIN FALLS COUNTY

Needs of Local School System Set Forth in Report to Directors of Independent School District Number 1. Necessity of expansion is Apparent if Rising Generation is to Have the Benefit of Modern Educational Work.

One of the most comprehensive and thorough-going analyses of the educational needs of a community yet worked out is contained in the report by Hal G. Blue, head of Independent School District Number 1...

The report deals primarily with conditions as they exist here and points out plainly the necessity of expansion along every line...

The text of the report follows: The Board of Education. The great war is over, a great victory for democracy and liberty has been won...

Relative to the institution of education, it does not require a gifted mind to discern that the public schools of America will never again be what they have been...

The great war also served to clarify the atmosphere relative to certain weaknesses and wrong tendencies in our system of public education...

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develop the highest type of physical manhood. To this end we need in our schools everywhere a type of medical service which will not only discover defects but correct them.

In this program for reorganizing the institution of public education, there is found a new element which has made itself felt within the last two years. This new element involves a new spirit of nationalism.

The present hour calls for action, for growth, for change, for development, for progress, for advancement, for looking. A great urge is felt in all phases and activities of life.

Let us now give some consideration to our local schools with the view to determining their needs and interpreting them in the light of national interests.

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STUDY WORDING OF RESOLUTION PROVES PUZZLE

Proposed Amendment to Canal Company By-Laws to Limit Proxy Voting Is Lost Through Ambiguity of Text

REPORTED CANDIDATE FOR POSITION FLEAYED

Committee to Suggest Articles of Government for Corporation Is Appointed as a Result of the Exposure

VOLE ON DIRECTORS

Table with 2 columns: Name and Votes. Includes names like Ryan Lincoln, J. H. Barker, etc.

MEMBERS OF RETIRING BOARD

Names in bold type are of the successful candidates.

VOLE ON AMENDMENTS

Providing secretary shall not be a member of the board of directors. Changing date of annual meeting to second Tuesday in December.

THE SENSATION OF THE ANNUAL MEETING

The sensation of the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Twin Falls Canal company held here Tuesday was a dissection conducted in full view of the assemblage by Judge F. E. Chamberlain, Twin Falls, and Attorney P. W. Monahan, Buhl, of a resolution generally considered ambiguous and unmanageable, which was drawn by T. K. Jackson, Twin Falls.

VOLE ALMOST UNANIMOUS

This resolution, with two others, one to prohibit the secretary from sitting as a member of the board of directors and the other to change the date of the annual meeting to the second Tuesday in December, was introduced just before the noon recess, and adopted by almost unanimous vote.

CHAMBERLAIN OPENS FIRE

Judge Chamberlain opened fire on the offending resolution when the meeting convened for the afternoon session. He declared that after careful study of its phraseology he had reached the conclusion that the measure was not only ambiguous but that if its terms were carried into execution the stockholders would be deprived of their legitimate rights.

OTHER STOCKHOLDERS TURNED THEIR ATTENTION TO THE WORDING AND EXPRESSIONS

Witnessing realization of the defects of the measure with which they were in sympathy became general.

BY-LAWS COMMITTEE NAMED

As a result of this development as various motions, amendments and finally a substitute motion were introduced the final outcome being the appointment of a committee of five members to prepare new by-laws for the Canal company to be reported at the next annual meeting.

WORLD BUILD CLUSTERS

In a general discussion following the disposition of this matter H. S. Hobson of Buhl, proposed that the Canal company should undertake to assist the stockholders in the securing of materials for building clusters or other means of water supply where the wells sunk by the company were inadequate and undesirable.

MEETING RECESS

The meeting recessed at 4:45 o'clock to reconvene at 8 o'clock in the Canal company offices for adjournment after the results of the election were canvassed.

THE OFFENDING PHRASEOLOGY

The text of the offending resolution is as follows: "Therefore, we resolved that the mode of voting



A SCENE IN THE FASCINATING COMEDY, "DADDY LONG LEGS," WHICH WILL BE PRESENTED BY HENRY MILLER AT THE LAVERING THEATRE ON MONDAY EVENING, JANUARY 20.

Boys of West End Shoot Promiscuously

Probation Officer Is Called to Investigate Cases Where Life Is Endangered

Proprietors recently exhibited among small boys of Buhl and Castelford to discharge firearms promiscuously in a manner proving destructive to property and endangering life of other persons necessitated an official visit Tuesday by Probation Officer John R. Ault to these points.

CRITICISES LATE APPEARANCE

In his comment on this resolution Judge Chamberlain injected an element of criticism as to the manner in which it was presented. "It is unfortunate," he said, "that this resolution has been kept so long in the pockets of certain gentlemen and handed out at the eleventh hour."

CALLS FOR SPONSORS OF BILL

R. F. McPherson, Filer, called for an explanation of the intent of the resolution to be given by its author. He was referred by the chairman to Mr. Crom and was requested to bring him in from the teller's station where he was employed to the floor of the meeting.

CROM EXPLAINS

"What was we trying to get at," Crom said, "was to prevent one man from voting more than 1,000 shares. It looked to me kind of ambiguous. Maybe it isn't printed as it should be. If you think it is ambiguous, change it. I have fooled around for two weeks trying to get out a version at this meeting; I have been trying to get me for chairman of this meeting and abusing me and everything else. My suggestion is that no man should vote more than 1,000 proxies."

SAYS BY-LAWS UNCHANGEABLE

In subsequent discussion Judge Chamberlain, in reply to a question, declared that the constitution and by-laws of the Canal company make no provision for alteration or amendment. "They are unchangeable like the laws of the Medes and the Persians," he said.

CAMP LEWIS MEN RETURN FROM FRANCE

Left for 'Battle Front in July and Did Not Get Into Battle Until Eve of Armistice—Influenza Cases Reported

NEW YORK, Jan. 15.—The United States cruiser St. Louis arrived in New York Harbor carrying American troops. On board were 45 officers and 1,254 enlisted men. Of this number, 300 were sick or wounded.

Twenty-two cases of influenza were reported during the trip across. The men of the 846th field artillery aboard were from California, Oregon, Washington, Montana and Idaho.

They were loaded down with trophies from the battle fields, gathered just after the armistice was signed.

Captain Charles Fertig, Spokane, was in command of Battery C. Other members of the battery were Privates Harry Jackson, Pocatello, Idaho and Bud Lewis of Twin Falls, Idaho.

The men, all of whom trained at Camp Lewis, said they sailed for France on July 13 on the steamer Baltic and escaped near Bordeaux after a trip via Liverpool. Later they were moved to Neufrontenau, near Nancy.

On November 8, they were ordered to begin moving into battle. November 11, as they were on the eve of going into action, the armistice ended hostilities.

GIVES SMITH SEVERAL UNCOMPLIMENTARY TITLES

Colorado Senator Defends the Patriotism of Newspaper Men Attacked by Smith

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—Declaring Austin J. Smith, Los Angeles, to be a "liar and blackmailer," Senator Thomas, Colorado, today defended the patriotism of J. N. Stevens and Alva A. Swain, attacked by Smith yesterday before the German propaganda profers.

"He is an unmitigated liar, unsuccessful blackmailer, and I believed him to be a forger," Thomas declared. Stevens was formerly owner of the Pueblo Colorado Chief and Swain was its editor.

Smith who was formerly advertising manager of the paper, reportedly received money from Hearst and that it was used for propaganda purposes.

"Swain and Stevens are citizens of unquestioned standing and character," said Thomas. "I conceive it to be my personal and public duty to appear here to reply to the charges that would tend to injure their good names and loyalty."

Referring to Smith, Thomas declared: "If there is any way to prosecute this man for perjury it should be done. I said it deliberately—he is a liar and a blackmailer."

Municipal Ownership League for Securing Power Plant Proposed

Stockholders of Mutual Company at Annual Meeting Evolve Plan for Meeting Expenses

Stockholders of the Mutual Light, Heat and Power company at an annual meeting held here Tuesday, decided to arrange for a mass meeting to be called in the near future with a view to forming a Municipal Ownership league, having for its purpose the establishment of a publicly owned power plant.

"Daddy Long Legs" Scheduled at Laving

"Daddy Long Legs," which, under the direction of Henry Miller, will be presented for the first time in this city at the Laving Theatre on January 20th, has toured the larger cities of the United States and Canada for the past five years. The play is a dramatic version of Joan Webster's famous "Daddy Long Legs" letters and the story tells of the adventures of a pretty girl in a New England orphan asylum, who rebels against the tyranny of the head of the institution. Her spirited outbreak is overheard and approved by a middle aged philanthropist who determines to give the girl the chance in life that has been denied her and the condition imposed is that the girl is not to know even the name of her benefactor. Not knowing his name and catching a glimpse of his elegant shadow, she nicknames him "Daddy Long Legs."

The letters of the girl reveal to him the pathetic yearning for someone to whom she can pour out the wonderful happiness that has come into her life and he determines to visit his interesting ward. With their meeting begins the appealing story that has played on the heart strings of the lovers of wholesome comedy of the English speaking countries of the world.

OPPOSES A ONE MAN COMMISSION

National Baseball Member Begs His Fight to Save Game from Very Bad Mistake

NEW YORK, Jan. 15.—Herrmann Garry Stuech, member of the national baseball commission for the last sixteen years, today began a fight to save baseball from what he thinks would be a bad thing for it—a one-man national commission.

"One man" Garry declared, "could make mistakes very easily, and probably would, no matter how fair his mind or how capable he was. Three men would be likely to make mistakes for then there would be a majority voice in every decision."

While all the meeting are in progress, it is quite probable an effort will be made to swing a deal that will turn the St. Louis Cardinals into new hands. James C. McGill, Indianapolis manager, long has wanted a major league franchise, and a new alliance with Russ Gardner, Memphis, is an attempt to swing a deal for the St. Louis club.

SAYS SUCCESSFUL FARMER IS ALWAYS A STOCK GROWER

Representative of American Shorthorn Association Hits Keynote at Banquet—Praises the Twin Falls Country

Declaring that good farming and the stock growing industry are inseparable, W. A. Coehel, field representative of the American Shorthorn association, struck a keynote at the stockmen's banquet Tuesday evening at the Egerton hotel. "There has never been a bigged of livestock built up with success except in countries productive of great soil crops," he declared. "In the Twin Falls country the situation is ideal for the livestock industry. I regard the Twin Falls country as foremost in the United States so far as natural adaptability for this industry is concerned," he added. He pointed out as a lesson of the great war that the ruling nations are those which give most attention to the livestock industry.

THE ARMY OF SPEAKERS

Other speakers at the banquet were Hugh Spratt, president of the Idaho Wool Growers' association; C. M. McAllister, representative of the Portland union stock yards; E. W. Stevens, representative of the Salt Lake union stock yards; E. P. Rinchart, field animal husbandman for the state university; Dr. W. A. Sullivan, inspector in charge of the bureau of animal industry hog cholera control investigations in Idaho; Joel Priest, industrial agent for the Oregon Short Line; Ool. Z. S. Branson of Twin Falls acted as toastmaster.

Hugh Spratt argued for the exportation of fat sheep instead of feeders. Favor Cooperative Plan

Mr. McAllister, discussing cooperative marketing, declared that statistics showed, in countries where this policy was carried out the number of brood sows increased from 35 to 40 per cent because the farmers received the price paid to raise hogs if they secured what was due them as they would through cooperative marketing.

The statements of McAllister were seconded by Mr. Stevens, who asserted that the benefits of cooperative marketing were not limited to those communities which had direct access to markets, but that many stockmen had found long hauls profitable under the cooperative arrangement. He argued for more feeding of livestock on the farm and the marketing of stock only when in prime condition.

"Shouting" Flagstones.

Visitors at Washington find unique the "shouting" flagstones in the floor under the dome of the capitol building which no scientist has been able to explain. The flagstone are some forty or fifty feet apart, and when two persons are standing on them a tone in the lowest pitch will be heard distinctly. If either person steps off his particular flagstone he must shout to be understood. Mysterious acoustics of this kind are rare throughout the world.

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LONG CHASE OF SEED STEALING SUSPECT ENDS

Deputy Sheriff P. O. Herriman Returns from Globe, Arizona, with Clarence Snow of Hansen, to Stand Trial

Clarence Snow of Hansen, who is accused in a complaint charging grand larceny with the theft on December 1 of 18 sacks of clover seed worth \$800 from Charles Hranne of Hansen, was brought back a prisoner Tuesday from Globe, Arizona, by Deputy Sheriff P. O. Herriman.

The apprehension of Snow marks the conclusion to a long pursuit after the persons suspected of having had a part in this affair. The trail led the officers first to the county north of Snake river, where evidence was gathered and social with other information ferreted out by the sheriff's office related to Snow and one William Clark as the offenders.

Clark was arrested and under duress admitted knowledge of the affair, implicating Snow. He was released under bond to secure his appearance as a witness in the trial of Snow.

Snow for several weeks evaded the officers. Worn finally was received that he had been seen in Globe. Deputy Herriman led nearly two weeks ago, and after waiting several days, succeeded in landing his man.

GIVE SOLDIERS WORK

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 15.—Speaking at a joint session of the senate and house in the house chamber this afternoon, Governor James Whitecomb recommended that Oregon render the "maximum degree of service" to the returning soldiers. He urged the law makers to make every possible effort to provide proper care for the men who return from service in the army and navy and suggested that returning soldiers be given preferential rights in contracts for public works such as highway work.

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