

THE WEATHER: Cloudy and colder in east, light snow and much colder in west portion Saturday; Sunday probably fair and colder. Hourly temperatures: 6 a. m. 31, 7 a. m. 31, 8 a. m. 31, 9 a. m. 31, 10 a. m. 31, 11 a. m. 31, 12 noon 31, 1 p. m. 31, 2 p. m. 31, 3 p. m. 31, 4 p. m. 31, 5 p. m. 31, 6 p. m. 31, 7 p. m. 31, 8 p. m. 31, 9 p. m. 31, 10 p. m. 31, 11 p. m. 31, 12 midnight 31.

\$12 A WEEK WAITRESS HAS \$4,500 AUTOMOBILE.

New York, Jan. 16.—Sophie Hodosky, who testified that she received a salary of \$12 a week, was fined \$2 after she pleaded guilty to violation of traffic rules while driving her \$4,500 automobile. She told the court she averaged \$80 a week in tips.

IOWA SENATOR QUITS WHEN COLLEAGUES LEAVE.

Washington, Jan. 16.—Noting that only four senators were on the floor, Senator Kenyon, republican of Iowa, moved adjournment an hour and a half ahead of the usual quitting time and shortly after he began an explanation of his Americanization bill which is before the senate for action.

Everybody in the country is interested in the great work of wiping out illiteracy, except congress. Senator Kenyon declared when he saw the small attendance, and his motion brought the session to an abrupt end.

ONE PAGE PAPER WILL GIVE NEWS OF WINNIPEG.

Winnipeg, Man., Jan. 16.—Because of the shortage of news print the three daily papers in this city announced that they would suspend publication Saturday. The three editorial staffs will unite in issuing a one-page paper containing only the most important news, which will be mailed to country postoffices and placed on bulletin boards there.

PEORIA PROSPEROUS WITHOUT DISTILLERIES.

Peoria, Ill., Jan. 16.—Peoria, for half a century the greatest distilling center in the world, today along with everyone else is helping bury old John Barleycorn, but mourners are chuckling as they help do the job. Predictions of business stagnation because of old John's death all have gone wrong. Peoria's great distilling plants are being converted into food product concerns, more than \$1,000,000 being expended in making the change. More men will be employed than ever before. Distillery money is being loosened into other business lines and today Peoria is enjoying a building growth and commercial increase such as it never before has experienced.

MOCK OBSEQUIES FOR LIQUOR HELD BY SUNDAY.

Norfolk, Va., Jan. 16.—"Billy" Sunday preached John Barleycorn's funeral services here before an audience of more than 10,000 persons which attended mock obsequies. The ceremony began at the railroad station, where the "corpse" in a casket 20 feet long arrived on "a special train from Milwaukee." Twenty pallbearers placed the casket on a carriage and marched beside it through the streets to Sunday's tabernacle while his satanic majesty trailed behind in deep mourning and anguish. "Goodbye, John," said the evangelist at the conclusion of his sermon. "You were God's worst enemy; you were hell's best friend. I hate you with a perfect hatred; I love to hate you."

JAPANESE WANT TO GO HOME TO OBTAIN BRIDES.

San Francisco, Jan. 16.—A resolution urging that the Japanese government issue a royal decree which would enable young Japanese men in the United States to spend six months in Japan to find wives, now that the "picture bride" custom has been abolished, was adopted by the Japanese Association of America, at its annual conference here today. Under the existing law, which would leave the empire before reaching the age of 21, may visit their native land for only a month without becoming liable for military service.

ROCKET TO MOON IS POSSIBLE, SAYS SIMS.

New York, Jan. 16.—Rear Admiral William S. Sims, who has been believed in the possibility of a rocket reaching the moon from the earth. In answer to an editorial expression of incredulity as to the powers of the device invented by Prof. R. H. Goddard of Clark college and tested under the auspices of the Smithsonian institute, Admiral Sims wrote to a newspaper a little essay about what a projectile will do in vacuum. When he was in the naval academy his class was asked this in examination: "Will a rocket ascend in vacuum? If so, why? If not, why not?" Feeling ran high on the subject. Advocates of both sides paraded with banners reading: "It will go up" and "it won't go up."

HOUSE OF DAVID WILL FILE CONSENSUS REPORT.

Denver, Jan. 16.—Children of the House of David in Denver comprised Sunday, January 25, as a day of tribute to army nurses. The agreement marking the close of two busy days on the part of the supervisor and other government officials in trying to affect means of securing census data which members previously refused.

GOVERNORS APPROVE TRIBUTE TO NURSES.

Chicago, Jan. 16.—Nine governors have answered the appeal of wounded soldiers at Fort Sheridan to set aside Sunday, January 25, as a day of tribute to army nurses. The tribute outlined by the governors includes the wearing of white roses on that day in honor of the nurses. The states that have arranged for observations are Ohio, Colorado, Wyoming, Rhode Island, Florida, West Virginia, Kansas, Iowa and South Dakota.

TIGER OUT OF RACE FOR PRESIDENT

French Premier Goes Down to Defeat in Caucus of Senate and Chamber of Deputies—Withdrawal Follows.

CHAMBER LEADER IS VICTOR BY 19 VOTES

Elimination of "Father of Victory" From Public Life Is Predicted—Friends Seek Another Candidate.

Paris, Jan. 16.—(By Associated Press.)—Premier Georges Clemenceau went down to defeat at the hands of his countrymen today in a caucus of the senate and Chamber of Deputies to choose a candidate for the presidency of the republic. M. Clemenceau thereupon announced his withdrawal from the contest and asked his supporters to cast their votes for the re-election of President Poincare.

Seek New Candidate.

M. Clemenceau's friends already are searching for another candidate as President Poincare is reported to have refused to accept the demand of a deputation of senators and deputies that he be a candidate for re-election. He is said to have renewed emphatically the expression of his determination not to be a candidate.

Never before in the history of presidential elections in France has a plenary caucus been attended by such a large number of deputies and senators, 821 out of 924 being present. Heretofore it has been the custom to call a caucus only of the parties of the left, but today M. Deschanel stands as the chosen candidate before the chamber and senate—all the parties.

Few Bets Made.

Neither Premier Clemenceau nor M. Deschanel were present at the caucus, but former Premier Briand, Andre Lefevre and Eduard Herriot, the latter the new president of the radical party, were conspicuous in marshaling the Deschanel forces, while George Mandel, formerly Premier Clemenceau's confidential secretary, and Edouard Ignace were canvassing on behalf of M. Clemenceau. Those presiding at the voting table were fairly swamped by the venerable senators and young deputies anxious to cast their votes before the polling closed at 4 o'clock.

Will Refuse Mandate.

Premier Clemenceau sent a letter to Leon Bourgeois, formally withdrawing from the contest for the presidency. The letter says: "I take the liberty of informing you that I withdraw from my friends authority to offer my candidacy for the presidency of the republic and that if they disregard my withdrawal and obtain for me a majority of votes, I will refuse the mandate so conferred."

Trade With Russia Authorized by Ruling Of Supreme Council

Washington, Jan. 16.—Reciprocal interchange of certain commodities, including foodstuffs, between the Russian people and allied and neutral countries has been decided upon by the supreme council. The decision of the supreme council, announced through a communication made public tonight by the State department, provides that facilities will be afforded the Russian co-operative organizations to import clothing, medicines, agricultural machinery and other necessities, in exchange for grain, flax and other goods of which Russia has a surplus.

De Koven, Widely Known Opera Composer, Dead

Chicago, Jan. 16.—Reginald De Koven, American operatic composer and conductor, died here early today of apoplexy. Mr. De Koven graduated from Oxford in 1880 and studied music in Stuttgart, Florence, Paris and Vienna. Among De Koven's best known operas are "Rip Van Winkle," which was the first all-American opera ever written, and which had its premier in Chicago two weeks ago, and "Robin Hood," "The Mandarin," "Her Little Highness" and "The Wedding Trip." De Koven was born at Middletown, Conn., April 3, 1861.

COLE STILL HAS CHANCE IN U. S. SUPREME COURT

Attorney Confers Informally With Justice and May File Record Today.

Washington, Jan. 16.—(Special Telegram.)—F. M. Tyrrell of Lincoln, who is in Washington for the purpose of getting permission to file a writ of error in the supreme court in the case of the State of Nebraska against Alton B. Cole, under sentence of death, talked informally with Associate Justice Van Deventer, presiding justice of the eighth circuit court, with reference to the record in the case. Mr. Tyrrell raised the question as to whether there was any federal issue involved and discussed the uncertainty as to the Nebraska statute determining the degree of murder when confessed by a party charged with the crime of murder. Mr. Tyrrell did not file the record in order to get a formal determination, as there are additional matters to be prepared which he is now working on. He will have another conference with Justice Van Deventer tomorrow, having been advised that Grammer was replevied and that the federal court had granted a stay of two weeks for Cole.

REASON FOR U. S. TROOPS' RETURN IS ANNOUNCED

Note to Japan Explains Withdrawal of Army From Siberia.

Washington, Jan. 16.—Reasons which brought about the decision of the United States government to withdraw the Siberian expeditionary force have been set forth in a note to the Japanese government. The note, which is in reply to a communication of the Japanese government, transmitted to the State department December 8, was made public tonight. Japan in its communication inquired whether the United States proposed to maintain the status quo, or to proceed to entire or partial withdrawal of its troops, or whether it was ready to send reinforcements in case of need.

In replying that under existing circumstances it was deemed advisable to withdraw the expeditionary force, the United States asserts that reinforcement would be impractical and that to maintain the status quo might involve the government of the United States in an undertaking of such indefinite character as to be inadvisable.

FLU EPIDEMIC IN CHICAGO WANE, DOCTORS REPORT

No Occasion for Alarm, Says U. S. Health Service.

Chicago, Jan. 16.—Twelve deaths from pneumonia and seven from influenza were reported Friday. More than 500 new cases of influenza were reported while pneumonia cases totaled 10.

The spread of influenza at the Great Lakes naval training station has been checked, it was reported, and new cases at Camp Grant dropped one-half during the last 24 hours.

No Cause for Alarm.

Washington, Jan. 16.—The outbreak of influenza in Chicago should not be the occasion for any alarm, the public health service said in announcing that steps had been taken to localize the disease. Admitting that so little is known about influenza that it is impossible to make a forecast with any degree of certainty, the health service expressed confidence that there would not be a serious recurrence of the disease because the malady ran its course a year ago and left millions immune, movement of large bodies of troops has ceased, doctors and nurses have returned to civilian work, there are no reports of serious outbreaks in foreign countries and because of the few cases in the United States, there being only 7,689 reported from September 1, 1919, to January 10, 1920, in comparison with 139,798 reported in the same period a year ago.

Compromise on Treaty Favored in College Vote

New York, Jan. 16.—Advocates of ratification of the peace treaty by compromise headed the poll in the complete returns of the intercollegiate referendum made public here. According to the revised figures the referendum was voted upon in 410 colleges and universities and 139,798 votes were cast with the following results: Compromise between the Lodge and democratic reservations, 49,653 votes. Ratification without reservation, 48,232 votes. Ratification with the Lodge reservations, 2,970 votes. Opposition to the treaty in any form, 13,933 votes.

9 NATIONS AT MEETING OF LEAGUE

Leon Bourgeois of France Elected Chairman at First Session—Says Honor Should Have Gone to Wilson.

FIRST PROTEST FILED BY ENVOYS OF IRELAND

Object to "Engine of Empire, Designed to Secure and Perpetuate English Hegemony in Both Hemispheres."

By Associated Press. Paris, Jan. 16.—Representatives of France, Great Britain, Italy, Greece, Belgium, Spain, Japan, Portugal and Brazil, members of the council of the league of nations, met in the "clock room" of the French foreign office at 10 o'clock this morning for the first meeting in the history of the league.

The council organized at 10:30 o'clock by electing Leon Bourgeois chairman and confirming the choice of Sir Eric Drummond of Great Britain as general secretary. The first official act of the council was the appointment of a commission to trace upon the spot the frontiers of the territory of the Sarre basin.

Plans Are Outlined.

Leon Bourgeois, French representative, who presided, said: "The task of presiding at this meeting and inaugurating this great international institution should have fallen to President Wilson. We respect the reasons which still delay the final decision of our friends in Washington, but express the hope that their difficulties will soon be overcome and that a representative of the great American republic will occupy the place awaiting him among us. The work of the council will then assume definite character and will have that particular force which should be associated with our work."

"January 16, 1920, will go down in history as the date of the birth of a new world. Decisions to be reached today will be in the name of all nations adhering to the covenant of the league. It will be the first decree of all free nations leaguing themselves together, for the first time in the world, to substitute right for might. But the organization of the league of nations will not be complete until the assembly of all the states is met."

U. S. Only Absentee.

All the members of the council called for by the covenant of the league, with the exception of the representatives of the United States were present when M. Bourgeois called the meeting to order. Besides M. Premier Venizelos, without rising, opened the proceedings by nominating M. Bourgeois for chairman. Lord Curzon seconded the nomination and M. Bourgeois was unanimously elected. After speeches by M. Bourgeois and Lord Curzon, Signor Ferraris on behalf of Italy, said his nation was glad to respond to the invitation "of the president and the great American people."

He mentioned the skepticism amidst which the league was born and said this was a fact to be neither exaggerated nor ignored. It added that among the duties of the league would be to give attention to the high cost of transportation, the high cost of living, and the state of international finance.

First Protest From Ireland.

The council in its first formal protest to be presented to it almost before it came into being. The protest was from "the envoys of the elected government of the Irish republic" against "the unreal English simulacrum of an international league of peace."

Mention of the protest was made during the meeting of the council, but copies were handed to the newspaper correspondents after they left the foreign office. The document was signed "Quaklugh Dufty." It registered objections to the "pretended league of nations" and declared the league to be an "engine of empire, designed to secure and perpetuate English hegemony throughout both hemispheres."

The protest insisted that the league was illusory and incomplete, leaving authority in the hands of a handful of nations. The United States stood out in indignation and repudiation of it.

Tabor Denies He Accused Mother of Killing Daughter

Lawton, Mich., Jan. 16.—Charging that he had been led to believe he was confiding in an attorney for his mother, Mrs. Sarah Tabor, Walter Tabor, repudiated the statement he gave a special deputy sheriff at Kalamazoo, in which he declared, the 80-year-old woman was responsible for the death of her daughter, Maude Tabor Virgo's death. Simultaneously, Joseph C. Virgo of South Bend, Ind., who had been held first on a charge of murder, then manslaughter, was released from custody.



WITNESS AND TAXICAB SHEET ARE IN CONFLICT

Harold Hatch Swears Davis Entered Cab at 8:15—Chauffeur's Record Says 10:10.

George Davis took a taxicab driven by Scott Leach at 10:10 o'clock the night of the court house riot and was driven to his home, 1512 North Twenty-eighth street, arriving there at 10:20 o'clock, according to the taxicab company's records, produced yesterday afternoon in District Judge Redick's court, where Davis is on trial on a charge of assault to murder and assault to do great bodily injury to Mayor Smith the night of the riot.

Davis' principal defense in his first trial and the present one is an alibi to the effect that he took the taxicab earlier and arrived home at 8:30 o'clock that evening and did not leave the house again until the next day.

Claims Record Accurate.

S. H. Helms, manager of the taxicab company, testified that the taxicab "trip sheets" are accurate and are kept in the office as a permanent record.

Attorneys for Davis attacked the sheet on the ground that it might not be kept accurately. Leach, (Continued on Page Two, Column Two.)

Thousands in Drink Taken From Cellar of The Hamilton Home

Highjackers made a successful raid on the cellar at the home of Fred P. Hamilton, 608 South Thirty-eighth street, Thursday night, hauling away a large and costly assortment of wines and liquors, according to a statement made by Mrs. Hamilton.

American C. of C. Asks Aid Of U. S. for Sufferers

Mexico City, Jan. 16.—The American Chamber of Commerce of Mexico has directed an appeal to the American people through the Associated Press for the immediate relief of victims of the recent earthquake and volcanic eruptions in the states of Vera Cruz and Puebla.

CONFERENCE ON PEACE TREATY STARTS TODAY

Discussions on Compromise of Deadlock Show Less Optimism.

Washington, Jan. 16.—Preliminary to the second conference tomorrow of the bipartisan committee of senate leaders discussing compromise of the peace treaty deadlock, Senator Lodge of Massachusetts, republican leader, and two of his colleagues, Senators Lenroy of Wisconsin and Kellogg of Minnesota, conferred late today regarding the proposals received from the democrats.

There was less optimism expressed for success of the present movement, although the "sound" side discussions are expected to continue for some time.

Because it is believed publicity might be harmful, those in conference were chary of public discussion. In private conversations, however, spokesmen of both factions said there still was a wide gap to be bridged. Heading the obstacles is the reservation affecting article 10 of the league of nations covenant and on this it was stated reliably neither republicans nor democrats were showing as yet much disposition toward agreement.

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U. S. Places Embargo Against Corn From Mexico

Eagle Pass, Tex., Jan. 16.—An embargo on importation of corn from Mexico went into effect here today, on instructions from Washington, and 25 carloads of corn across the Rio Grande were not permitted entry into the United States. The reason for the embargo was not made public here.

Record Haul of Opium Is Seized in San Francisco

San Francisco, Jan. 16.—Seizure of morphine and opium valued at \$34,000 from the bunkers of the Japanese Transpacific liner Tenyo Maru was reported by John S. Irby, surveyor of port here.

GETS JUDGMENT FOR RING GIVEN "OTHER WOMAN"

Former Milliner Says She Loaned It to Youth for "Couple of Hours Only."

Grover Smith denied on the witness stand in District Judge Begley's court yesterday that he gave a diamond ring, belonging to Mrs. Irene Baker, to Peggy Weaver, daughter of City Attorney Frank Weaver.

Mr. Weaver defended the young man who was sued by Mrs. Baker for \$400, the value placed on the ring, which was in a Tiffany setting. She said she secured it from her in the Henshaw hotel and told her afterwards he had lost it.

The jury yesterday afternoon returned a verdict of \$369.75 for Mrs. Baker.

It was on cross examination by Mrs. Baker's attorney that Mr. Smith denied he had given the missing ring to Miss Weaver.

Met in Hotel Cafe.

"Isn't it a fact that you gave that ring to Peggy Weaver?" asked Mr. McKenzie, attorney for Mrs. Baker. "No, sir," said Mr. Smith. "She wears a diamond, doesn't she?" "I don't know."

Senator Lodge Will Reply to President's Jackson Day Speech

New York, Jan. 16.—A letter from Senator Henry Cabot Lodge of Massachusetts in reply to President Wilson's Jackson day message will be read, it is announced, at a dinner to be given in the Hotel-Astor next Monday night, in honor of United States Senators Hiram W. Johnson of California, William E. Borah of Idaho and James A. Reed of Missouri. Senator Lodge is expected to outline in his letter his views as to the future of the peace treaty. Addresses will be made by the three senators. Col. George Harvey will be toastmaster and among those prominent in business and politics who will attend are George W. Perkins, Theodore N. Vail, Frank A. Munsey, William R. Wilcox, Everett Colby and Elon H. Hooker.

U. S. READY TO ENFORCE LIQUOR LAW

Nearly 1,500 Agents of Treasury Department Prepare for Drastic Action Against Violators of Law.

FEW DEMONSTRATIONS ON END OF WET REGIME

Disappearance of Whisky in Bonded Warehouses Causes Strengthening of Guard—Little Notice in Capital.

Washington, Jan. 16.—National prohibition by constitutional amendment—the dream for years of those opposed to the sale of liquor—became effective tonight at midnight with the Department of Justice and the bureau of international revenue ready to take drastic action against all violators.

The final step in the work of enforcing the new form of prohibition was taken when Secretary Bass approved finally the regulations to be observed by agents of the federal government. John F. Kramer, general prohibition commissioner, announced that he practically had completed selection of his corps of state commissioners and local agents, and had been notified by them that they were prepared to start on the task of enforcing the amendment as provided in the Volstead act.

Quiet in Capital. Little notice was taken by government officials of the end of all licensed sales of liquor except at the Treasury department, where much activity was shown at the offices of officials concerned with prohibition enforcement. Their task, however, was confined to the linking up of detailed plans for aiding local authorities in driving out the illegitimate dealers in intoxicants. Officials said they expected a multiplicity of large and lesser angles to ensue, but they were making an effort to avoid as many of these as possible.

Commissioner Kramer said he had staff of nearly 1,500 men ready to begin duties at midnight. About 300 of these will work under the direction of federal prohibition enforcement officers while the others will serve much as did international revenue agents before wartime prohibition went into effect. In a few states the state directors have not been named, but Mr. Kramer has delegated their powers to federal prohibition officers, so the organization was regarded as complete. Mr. Kramer's bureau has \$2,000,000 with which to conduct its work until July 1.

Fear Liquor Thieves.

Treasury officials anticipated some trouble in handling the distilled liquors in bonded warehouses. It has been disclosed that in several cities large quantities of bottled goods have disappeared from bonded storage despite the vigilance of revenue officers. To avert further thefts Mr. Kramer's staff has been instructed to guard such liquors with extra care.

The regulations under which Mr. Kramer and his staff will operate comprise one of the largest as well as among the most important details as among the most important details.

Lone Bandit Foiled At Scene of Famous 'Jimmy' Hope Robbery

New York, Jan. 16.—The Manhattan Savings institution at Broadway and Bleecker streets, scene of a famous robbery in 1878 when "Jimmy" Hope and his gang stole \$1,200,000 worth of securities, was the target of a lone bandit who made an unsuccessful attempt to rob it of \$5,000 after engaging in a revolver battle with several officers and employees.

Captured at the point of a pistol held by Constant Bird, president of the institution, the bandit was turned over to the police to whom he gave his name as James Stratton of Chicago.

In the 1878 holdup, Hope and his band and several professional cracksmen broke into the bank janitor's bedroom at night, shackled the bank janitor and his wife and then, under threat of death compelled the janitor to give up the combination of the safes and vaults.

Japan Now Ready to Give Shantung Back to China

Tokyo, Jan. 16.—(By The Associated Press.)—The Japanese government, according to the newspaper today, sent instructions last evening to Yukichi Obata, the minister to China, to notify the Peking government that Japan, having succeeded to Germany's rights in Shantung on January 10 by virtue of the treaty of peace, was ready now to negotiate at any time for their return.