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THE WEATHER:

Generally fair Wednesday and Thursday; warmer Thursday and in east portion Friday.

Hourly Temperature table with columns for time and temperature.

BRIEF BRIGHT REEZY BITS OF NEWS

WOMEN PLEAD GUILTY TO THROWING RED PEPPER. Youngstown, O., Jan. 27.—Fourteen wives of steel strikers, charged with throwing red pepper into the eyes of workmen and deputies November 4, pleaded guilty in common pleas court and were fined \$50 and costs each. The cases of nearly a score of women remain for trial.

GEORGE J. GOULD, JR. IS FATHER OF BOY.

New York, Jan. 27.—A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. George J. Gould, Jr., at their home in this city, January 25. It is announced that the announcement was made by Mrs. George J. Gould, sr.

Young Mr. Gould's parents refused at first to welcome him and his bride. Later he secured a position with his brother-in-law, A. J. Drexel, jr., a bond broker, and announced that he was going to learn the business from the ground up.

SMUGGLING LIQUOR ASHORE AT NEW YORK.

New York, Jan. 27.—A raid of revenue officers on two small boats moored to the side of the Black Star liner Yarmouth uncovered 56 bottles of whiskey and brought to light the operations of the "Red Hook Junkers," a gang believed to have been smuggling liquor ashore from vessels anchored in the harbor. The whiskey was hidden under piles of sails and working gear.

WARN DRUGGISTS AGAINST WHISKY PROFITEERING.

Chicago, Jan. 27.—Major A. V. Dalrymple, head of prohibition forces in the central division, warned druggists against profiteering in whisky sold for medicinal purposes. "I have received numerous complaints that druggists are charging from \$6 to \$10 a pint for whisky in filling prescriptions," he said.

MOTION PICTURES USED TO ILLUSTRATE SERMON.

New York, Jan. 27.—For the first time in any church in New York, it was said, motion pictures were used to illustrate a sermon in the Madison Memorial church, Washington Square South, when the Rev. Leslie Willis Sprague projected a film picture entitled "Thief or Angel."

OUJIA BOARD MESSAGE LURES YOUNG GIRLS AWAY.

Elk Rapids, Mich., Jan. 27.—Lured into the woods by a message from an oujia board, Elsie Gerald and Florence Fuller, both 17, were believed to be lost in the snowdrifts. "You will find treasure in the crow's nest," was the message the oujia board gave, according to friends of the two girls.

TEMPERAMENTS CLASH, SO DUET IS NOT SUNG.

Chicago, Jan. 27.—The Mozart duet was not given at the Auditorium theater, Yvonne Gall, the French prima donna, refused to sing in Italian, and Titta Rufio, songster from sunny Italy, was not persuaded to trill it in French.

MURDERED BY INJECTION OF MORPHIA WHILE ASLEEP.

Berlin, Jan. 27.—Baron von Koppen, a brother of Catherine Blaten, lady-in-waiting to the empress, has been found murdered by an injection of morphia while he was asleep. The crime is said to have been committed at the instigation of the baroness by her 15-year-old daughter, who is weak-minded and said to be addicted to the use of morphia.

OFFICERS' WIVES SELL THEIR LINEN TO EXIST.

Washington, Jan. 27.—After five bills had failed to produce a quorum the senate adjourned Tuesday in the midst of discussion of the bill reported by the military affairs committee providing for an appropriation of approximately \$59,500,000 for increased pay for officers and men of the army, navy, marine corps, coast guard and public health services.

PEACE PACT PARLEYS GET NEW RESPIRE

Compromise Negotiations, Near Dissolution, Given 48-Hour Lease on Life—Outlook Viewed Pessimistically.

REPUBLICANS DENY DEMOCRATIC CHARGE

Another Conference Will Be Held Thursday in Endeavor To Bring Treaty Fight to a Successful Conclusion.

Washington, Jan. 27.—Peace treaty compromise negotiations, hovering on the verge of dissolution, were given today a new 48-hour lease on life. But there was nothing in the development which changed the pessimistic view of the senate leaders as to the final outcome.

The democrats, replying to the republican refusal to compromise on article 10 and the Monroe doctrine, charged at a stormy session of the bipartisan compromise conference that republican leaders had suddenly changed front after most of the conferees had consented to an article 10 compromise in definite form.

Private Conferences Held.

During the day a plea for immediate ratification, either with or without reservations, was presented to Senators Wadsworth and Calder of New York, by a delegation from New York city, headed by William Church Osborne, and representing the League to Enforce Peace, the League of Nations association, the New York Federation of Churches, and other organizations.

Two Points at Issue.

The whole treaty negotiations, it was said by senate leaders, were hung up on article 10 and the Monroe doctrine, tentative agreement having been reached on all other points of difference. Some of the republican reservations, it was declared, had been accepted without change by the democrats, while numerous changes of wording had been made in others and two of them had been rewritten entirely.

Makes Public His Reply.

After today's meeting Senator Hitchcock made public the reply he had given to the republican ultimatum of yesterday, refusing to compromise on article 10 of the Monroe doctrine.

Worst Sleet Storm In New York Since 1902 Ties Up All Traffic

New York, Jan. 27.—A film of ice covered the city today, glazing rails, streets and sidewalks, demoralizing traffic on all electric lines and causing tens of thousands to be late for work. Railway officials said it was the worst storm of the kind since 1902. Scores of people were injured by falls on slippery sidewalks. Long processions of pedestrians, forced to walk because the storm had tied up the transportation systems, forsook the walks and took to the streets.

Dry Goods Prices Going Up, Mercantile Men Assert

Chicago, Jan. 27.—Dry goods prices are on the upgrade and will continue so for some time according to the opinion of the United States Mercantile Stores.

Carranza's Tactics Compel Fletcher to Quit as Ambassador



Washington, Jan. 27.—Henry P. Fletcher has resigned as United States ambassador to Mexico, to take effect in the course of the next few weeks.

Those who know the reason for Mr. Fletcher's decision say that he was convinced that a continuation of the efforts he has made during the four years in which he has held this important post to bring the Carranza government into accord with the U. S. government on the many irritating issues which have arisen, involving the protection of American lives and property right, would be futile.

Mr. Fletcher was appointed ambassador to Mexico in February, 1916, but did not go to Mexico City until the February of the following year, having come to the United States from Chile, where he was the American ambassador, for a long series of conferences.

WORLD COURT OF JUSTICE PLAN TO BE DECIDED UPON

Second League of Nations Meeting Will Discuss One of America's Pet Schemes.

Washington, Jan. 27.—The second meeting of the council of the league of nations, which in reality will be the first actual business meeting, will be held in London probably February 10, according to advices received here today. At this meeting the council plans to enter upon consideration of one of the most important subjects with which it has been charged under the treaty of peace, namely, the constitution of the permanent court of international justice, one of the features of the peace program in which the United States had taken the greatest interest, in fact having originated the project as one of the best means of preventing wars by resort to judicial processes.

All matters of administration of the Volstead Act will be handled by his office, while all matters of enforcement will be handled through Mr. Larson's office in Denver, the Omaha office co-operating. Mr. Hanley will have charge of druggist permits to sell liquor on prescription and will license physicians to grant whisky prescriptions.

Flu and Pneumonia Deaths in Chicago Reach New Record

Chicago, Jan. 27.—Deaths from influenza and pneumonia Tuesday established a new high mark for the winter, but new cases reported to the health department showed a decrease from Monday's total.

Ex-Kaiser, In Letter, Says He Won't Return to Germany

Mayence, Jan. 27.—(Havas.)—German newspapers publish a letter from former Emperor William to a personal friend, in which Count Hohenzollern expresses his absolute discouragement and says he does not want to ever return to Germany. He says he believes his return would cause a split between German factions.

Cold Kills Poor.

Mexico City, Jan. 27.—A cold wave of unusual intensity is prevailing here. Forty deaths have been caused among the poorer classes in Mexico City by the cold and it is feared that the crops in the northern states have suffered damage.

PROHIBITION TEST LOST TO LIQUOR MEN

California Wine Interests Bested in First Skirmish in Legal Fight Against 18th Constitutional Amendment.

DENIED PETITION FOR HABEAS CORPUS WRIT

Judge Rules Amendment, in Form and Substance, Within Competency of Congress and States to Propose and Ratify.

San Francisco, Cal., Jan. 27.—California wine interests lost the first skirmish in their legal fight against the eighteenth constitutional amendment when Judge Frank H. Rudkin denied a petition for a writ of habeas corpus in the case of J. J. Dillon, a truck driver, arrested while transporting liquor here after January 16.

This was said to be the first test of the national prohibition amendment in the country. "I am of the opinion," said Judge Rudkin, in ruling in the case, "that the amendment in form and substance was entirely within the competency of congress and the several states to propose and ratify; and that both the amendment and the national prohibition act were in full force and effect on the day in question."

The attorney for the wine interests contended that an amendment to the constitution must change some part of the constitution rather than add a new article to it. He further argued that the amendment would not go into effect, if it were valid, until January 29.

Given Necessary Authority.

Judge Rudkin ruled against both of these contentions, holding that article five of the constitution gave congress and the states the necessary authority for adding the amendment. Ohio's referendum election to overturn the amendment in that state, which favored the anti-prohibitionists, has no effect on the amendment, Judge Rudkin held. The constitution is not subject to local referendum actions and an amendment can be overturned only by the employment of the same machinery that made it operative, according to the decision.

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LAST HOPE GONE FOR MURDERERS OF VOGT WOMAN

Federal Court of Appeals Pronounces Alton B. Cole's Plea "Frivolous" and Dismisses It.

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 27.—(Special)—The double execution of Vincent Grammer and Alton B. Cole for the murder of Mrs. Lulu G. Vogt near Elba, Neb., on the night of July 4, 1917, which has five times been deferred, will occur at the state penitentiary one week from Friday, according to present indications. This is based on a telegram received this afternoon by Attorney General Clarence Davis from Mason Wheeler, assistant attorney general, who is in St. Louis to oppose the application of Cole for a writ of habeas corpus.

150 Million for Polish Relief Will Be Sought

Washington, Jan. 27.—Congress will be asked by President Wilson to authorize a loan of \$150,000,000 to Austria, Poland and other European countries and Armenia for food relief, as requested by Secretary Glass. At the White House today it was said the president had "taken a deep interest" in the proposed loan and that within a few days he would write a letter on the subject to the leaders in congress.

Live Stock Men Appeal for Meat Packing Legislation

Spokane, Wash., Jan. 27.—The market committee of the American National Live Stock association which is holding its annual convention here appealed to the convention to demand passage of the Kendrick-Kenyon bill now pending in congress, providing for regulation of the meat packing industry.

Condition of Mrs. Updike Is Reported Somewhat Improved

Mrs. N. B. Updike was somewhat improved yesterday, following a slight relapse which was observed Monday morning. She is being attended in a hospital where she underwent an operation 12 days ago.

Noted Advertising Man Dies.

Chicago, Jan. 27.—William Woodhead of New York, 55 years old, formerly president of the Associated Advertising Clubs of the World, died in the Union League club of heart disease.

WILSON APPOINTS NEW GUARDIAN OF AMERICA'S HEALTH

Dr. Hugh S. Cumming Will Succeed Surgeon General Blue.

Washington, Jan. 27.—Dr. Hugh S. Cumming of Hampton, Va., was nominated surgeon general of the public health service by President Wilson. He succeeds Dr. Rupert Blue, whose term expired on January 15.

Two Members of Jury Which Failed to Agree Face Contempt Charge

Hastings, Neb., Jan. 27.—(Special Telegram.)—Contempt of court is charged in complaints filed by County Attorney Addie Tuesday against William Otto and H. C. Wintermure, jurors in the trial of Clifford R. Martin, charged with illegal possession of liquor, on which the jury disagreed.

Charge Man Attempted to Blow Up American Ship

New Orleans, Jan. 27.—Charged by federal officers with attempting to blow up the American steamship Sundance and with threatening its crew and officers, Alton Klemenko, aged 22, of Philadelphia, was arrested here.

Steel Dividends Declared.

New York, Jan. 27.—The United States Steel corporation at its quarterly meeting here declared regular dividends of 1 1/4 per cent on common and 1 3/4 per cent on preferred stock.

GETS WEEK'S INSURANCE PREMIUMS

Council Bluffs Prudential Office Cleaned Out—\$800 and \$2,500 Diamond Ring Meekly Given Masked Bandit.

LINES UP FORCE WHILE MANAGER OPENS SAFE

Pursuers Calmly Threatened With Death—Act Stuns Visiting Britisher—Believe Car Found and Culprit Known.

A boy bandit, not more than 20 years old, the lower part of his face covered with a handkerchief, coolly walked into the Council Bluffs office of the Prudential Insurance Co. at 6:15 last evening, held up nine men with a gun, robbed the office and all present, getting \$800 in cash and a diamond ring worth \$2,500.

He chatted pleasantly with them all the time, and with equal nonchalance left the office after commanding them to remain standing in the lineup, with the assurance of certain death if they attempted to follow him.

The robbery was timed to coincide with the report of the collectors, who had just finished turning in their money. Much of this was still scattered on the table, behind which sat N. Bailac, local manager.

The bandit came in with noiseless tread, and his presence was not noted until he thrust out his revolver at the men.

Believe Gun and Car Found. At 9:15 last night, the strenuous efforts of the exasperated police force, began to produce startling developments. A car, being found in a Seventh street garage, back of the postoffice, which was identified by men who were standing in front of the building at the time of the robbery as the one in which the robber and his supposed companion made their getaway.

The car is a Chalmers, and is thought to be one for which the police have been searching for several days, it being alleged to have been stolen from W. Lotz of Omaha.

On searching the car a nickle-plated revolver was found under the cushion in the back seat, and empty magazine named Murray, from whom they would like some explanation.

Murray is said to have been seen driving the Chalmers car Monday morning.

Employees at the garage said that the car was brought to the place about 15 minutes after the robbery.

This, the police, indicates that the men, despairing of getting to Omaha in the car, which might have been recognized as it crossed the bridge, drove direct to the garage, and, leaving the car, either made their way into Omaha after again remaining in hiding in Council Bluffs.

Omaha Police Called In. With this development the Omaha police were called in, and it was stated that several detectives were immediately dispatched to Council Bluffs, the detectives knowing the man Murray.

Search of Omaha was also started, it was stated, in the hope of locating Murray.

In addition to having been seen driving a Chalmers car, it is alleged at the Prudential offices that Monday afternoon Murray called at the offices and paid an assessment on an insurance policy.

Immediately after entering the room, and lying up the nine men of the office with their hands above their heads, the robber placed a hat on the collection table.

"Line up there and turn out all" (Continued on Page Two, Column Three.)

Will Ask Congress to Take Criminal Action Against Nitro Grafters. Charleston, W. Va., Jan. 27.—Congress will be asked to take criminal action against those responsible for waste of materials and money in connection with the construction of the government powder plant at Nitro, W. Va., near here, declared W. J. Graham, chairman of the congressional subcommittee, which has closed its investigation of the question.