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Agreement Upon Naval Ratio Near

France Indicates Willingness To Recede Provisionally From Original Demand Of 10 Ships.

Will Submit Plan Today

By ARTHUR SEARS HENNING.
Chicago Tribune-Omaha Bee Leased Wire.

Washington, Dec. 19.—A compromise on the basis of the limitation of the naval strength of France and Italy is in process of evolution tonight.

France having indicated willingness to recede provisionally from its original demand for the right to build 10 capital ships, it is not unlikely the compromise will represent an aggregate capital ship tonnage far short of the 350,000 France proposed but considerably above the 175,000 suggested by Secretary of State Hughes.

The way was paved to a compromise by instructions cabled today by M. Briand, the French premier, who is in London, to M. Sarraut, head of the French delegation.

Submit Plan Today.

M. Sarraut announced tonight that the instructions, setting forth the attitude of France toward the application of the naval reduction plan to its navy, will be submitted to the conference committee of 15 on naval armament tomorrow.

Members of the French delegation explained that the instructions are not necessarily final. They demonstrate, it was asserted, that France does not intend to stand in the way of the consummation of the plans for a naval holiday and limitation of naval armaments but does desire consideration of its special needs for adequate defense.

At French headquarters it was asserted that the Briand instructions open the way to a speedy adjustment of differences, which it was predicted would be accomplished within two or three days.

The first news of the attitude of M. Briand which reached Secretary Hughes was contained in a cablegram from George Harvey, American ambassador to Great Britain, reporting the results of his talk with the French premier, who reached London yesterday. The Harvey message quoted M. Briand as ready to accept a maximum capital ship tonnage approximating that proposed by Mr. Hughes and supported by the British, Italian and Japanese delegations.

Agreement is Near.

One member of the American delegation, after reading the Harvey cablegram, expressed the opinion that an agreement on the naval holiday and naval limitation program essentially as proposed by Mr. Hughes is in sight and that this agreement is likely to be registered at the meeting of the armament committee tomorrow.

During the afternoon the detailed instructions from M. Briand were received by the French delegation and, after being decoded, were carried to Mr. Hughes by M. Sarraut. A discussion lasting nearly two hours ensued. It was stated tonight that this discussion had brought the two delegates close to an agreement.

To permit the negotiations to proceed on the basis of the fresh instructions from M. Briand, the armament committee which met at 11 a. m. had adjourned until tomorrow at the request of M. Sarraut.

Explain Briand Appeal.

The propitiatory attitude of the French today was the result of the action of Secretary Hughes in appealing directly to M. Briand in protest against the French demand for the right to build 10 capital ships aggregating 350,000 tons. That appeal was made through Ambassador Harvey. When it was reported the members of the French delegation took exception to the action of Mr. Hughes in going over their heads with an appeal to M. Briand, it was explained by a member of the American delegation that there was a thorough understanding between the French premier and the American secretary of state as to such proceeding.

France, however, needs a capital ship tonnage represented by its 1914 program, which was abandoned when the war broke out and which would have given it more than twice its present 163,000 tons of big ships.

Slayer of Iowa Teacher Pleads Guilty to Murder

Waukon, Ia., Dec. 19—Earl Throst, confessed slayer of Inga Magnuson, a school teacher, near Dorchester, last Monday, pleaded guilty to a charge of first degree murder before Judge Taylor in district court here this morning.

He will be sentenced the latter part of the week.

Anti-Lynching Bill Debate Is Limited to 10 Hours

Washington, Dec. 19.—After a bitter fight the house tonight voted to take up the Dyer anti-lynching bill under a rule limiting general debate to 10 hours. Leaders, however, have agreed that the measure will not be pressed to a final vote before the Christmas recess.

Five Girls Charged With Murder of Cafe Owner

Huntsville, Ala., Dec. 19.—Will Ricketts, proprietor of a local cafe, is dead; Fred Mauterer, son of a local merchant, is in a dying condition and five girls are in jail charged with murder and assault with intent to murder as the result of a fight here last night.

1926 Will Be Filled With Horrors, Says Journal of Astrology

London, Dec. 19.—The year 1926 is destined to shake the world to its foundation, both physically and politically. It is to be a succession of plagues, famine, floods, shipwrecks, rioting and revolution. So says the British Journal of Astrology, which has drawn the heroscope for that year, when the planets Mars and Mercury will be in conjunction.

Six years later the great Armageddon is to take place. It will be a final conflict between Mohammedans, allied with bolshevism against the united Anglo-Saxon world. It will end in a "universal peace" in 1932, but "there will be so few of us left and we shall all be so tired that peace should happen anyhow," the horoscope says.

Injunctions On Picketing Are Upheld by Court

U. S. Chief Justice Holds States Cannot Pass Laws Prohibiting Court Orders.

Washington, Dec. 19.—States in the exercise of their police power have no authority through legislative action to prohibit courts from enjoining picketing in labor disputes, the supreme court held today in a decision involving an act of Arizona.

In the opinion, on which the court divided, five to four, it was held that the lower courts erred in refusing to consider an application for an injunction which was sought to restrain certain methods of picketing. Chief Justice Taft delivered the opinion. Justices Holmes, Pitney and Brandeis separately stated dissenting views and Justice Clarke joined in the opinion announced by Justice Pitney.

Exceeds State's Power.

"The legislative power of a state can only be exerted in subordination to the fundamental principles of right and justice which the guaranty of due process in the 14th amendment is intended to preserve," declared the chief justice, "and that a purely arbitrary or capricious exercise of that power whereby a wrongful and highly injurious invasion of property rights, as here, is practically sanctioned, and the owner stripped of all real remedy, is wholly at variance with these principles."

He stated that illegality of the means used in the present case to drive customers away was "without doubt and fundamental.

Unlawful Conspiracy.

"This makes this plan an unlawful conspiracy," the decision continued, "the means used are the libelous and abusive attacks on the plaintiff's (employer's) reputation, threats of such attacks on would-be customers, picketing and patrolling of the entrance of their place of business with these accompaniments and the consequent obstruction to free access thereto, all with the purpose of depriving the plaintiffs of their business to give operation to a statute whereby serious losses inflicted by such unlawful means are in effect made remediless. The constitution was intended to prevent experimentation with the fundamental rights of the individual."

The chief justice asserted that holding the Arizona law invalid would not necessitate holding void section 20 of the Clauton act, relating to immunity of labor organizations from certain laws prohibiting combinations in restraint of commerce. The construction put upon the Arizona law by the Arizona supreme court makes that law and the federal statue as different "in meaning as if they were in wholly different language," he said.

Woman Faints Four Times Telling of Slaying Husband

Dallas, Tex., Dec. 19.—Mrs. Georgia Smith, 28, who shot and killed her husband, Dr. U. T. Smith, 48, in their home here today, was released on $1,000 bond pending grand jury action. Mrs. Smith fainted four times while making a statement to officers, in which she is quoted as having said:

"I had to do it; he beat me and cursed me; I am sorry he's dead."

Physicians said Mrs. Smith's body showed a number of bruises.

16 Held in Connection With Ardmore Shooting

Ardmore, Okl., Dec. 19.—As the result of additional arrests today, 16 men are in custody in connection with the investigation of the mysterious shooting affray at Wilson, near here last Thursday night, which resulted in the death of three men and the wounding of a fourth. Fourteen of those under arrest are charged with murder. All are held without bail.

Sell Canadian Rail Stock

Montreal, Dec. 19.—The Canadian Pacific railway today sold $25,000,000 of 4 per cent perpetual consolidated debenture stock to the National City company of New York.

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Read the first one today on Page 7.

Another one each day this week in

The Evening Bee

Tax on Gas Planned by M'Kelvie

Governor Will Call Session of Legislature to Raise $1,000,000 Fuel Levy.

Says System Is Just

Lincoln, Dec. 19.—(Special.)—Governor McKelvie announced today he would call a special session of the legislature in February to pass legislation imposing a tax of 1 cent a gallon on all gasoline used in Nebraska and thus relieve the poorer people from paying approximately $1,000,000 in taxes next year.

Figures were available here for the consumption of gasoline in Nebraska in 1919. It was 78,726,450 gallons.

The governor's decision followed reports from several governors at the conference of governors in the east where such a tax is in operation and where, according to information Governor McKelvie has, it has been found to be a means of placing the road construction tax directly on the people benefited, the automobile owners.

Says Tax Equitable.

"The tax is equitable for the automobile owner, too," Governor McKelvie said. "The driver of the heavy truck and the expensive car uses the most gasoline and is harder on the road, so he must pay more tax than the man who has a light car.

"Furthermore, such a tax will go far in removing the present unfairness of taxation throughout the country because owners of real property must bear the burden as the owners of intangibles keep them hidden and thus escape paying their proper share."

The governor said he believed the gasoline tax would meet next year's appropriations for road building and take it altogether from the shoulders of the poor people. The state's share of tax for road construction in 1922 is approximately $1,000,000.

Plan Long Considered.

"Such a plan has been in my mind for some time," the governor said, "but it seemed better to wait until suits brought in other states against the imposition of the gasoline tax were completed in the courts and thus ascertain if it were legal. I learned at the conference that the gasoline tax has been upheld by the courts."

The governor emphasized that every effort would be made to cut legislation passed to the minimum and make the session short. He said it was probable that a meeting of business men and bankers might be called before the session opened to endeavor to work out a plan to better the state guaranty act and relieve, in a degree, the heavy drain on th guarantee fund in the last year caused by numerous bank failures.

May Ask Capitol Funds.

Also, he declared, if it were found that the failure of the legislature to make a special appropriation of $1,700,000 for the new capitol might delay the project, he would ask the special session to pass the measure.

"However," the governor said, "we were assured by State Auditor Marsh during the session last winter that the state house bill passed two years ago provided for regular appropriations every two years until the $5,000,000 was raised."

Difficulties of conflicting laws discovered by compilers of the Nebraska statutes and state laws which conflict with Nebraska getting full benefit of war finance corporation loans may be wiped out at the session, it was stated.

Democrats who began immediately after the governor's announcement of a special session to ascertain its cost, declared it would run from $10,000 to $30,000.

Governor Denies Report.

The governor also denied a report that he would ask the legislature to repeal the four laws passed by the last session, which are being held up as a result of referendum petitions circulated by the Nonpartisan league.

"There was no such intimation given out by me," he said, "I have no such plan in mind."

Nitro Explosion Kills Man When Auto Drops in Rut

Oil City, Pa., Dec. 19.—Charles Kirkwood, an oil well shooter, was blown to pieces, two other persons were seriously injured and two houses damaged by an explosion of nitroglycerine. The explosive was discharged when Kirkwood's automobile dropped into a deep rut on a road near here.

G. O. P. Western Manager Named to Treasury Post

Washington, Dec. 19.—Elmer Dover of Tacoma, Wash., was nominated to the senate today by President Harding to be assistant secretary of the treasury. Mr. Dover, for many years associated with the republican national committee, during the last presidential campaign acted as western manager.

President Will Announce Peace Treaty With Hungary

Washington, Dec. 19.—It was indicated today that a proclamation soon would be issued by President Harding announcing ratification of the treaty of peace between the United States and Hungary, formal exchanges having been completed Saturday at Budapest.

School Pupils Strike

Fort Worth, Tex., Dec. 19.—One hundred and fifty pupils in the Rosen Heights public school went on strike today because the trustees had discharged a principal. The attendance is normally 350.

You Can Smell Your Sweetheart on Phone With the 'Scentogram'

Paris, Dec. 19.—"Scentograms" may be next year's correspondence following invention by a Rouen scientist of a machine using the power of perfume at a cent. The machine splits up "perfume rays" and can be used and operated by an ordinary wireless outfit, or a telephone. This foreshadows the day when a swain will be able to smell his sweetheart over the telephone. By a box contrivance, electrically controlled and containing two ounces of perfume, as large an amphitheater as Madison Square Garden can be perfumed.

Dail Eireann Stand on Treaty Still Unsolved

Two Lengthy Public Sessions Devoted to Debate—Leaders Unable to Estimate Strength.

Dublin, Dec. 19.—When the Dail Eireann adjourned tonight after two lengthy public sessions devoted to debate, nothing tangible had developed to indicate how members would vote on ratifying the treaty setting up the Irish free state.

Deputy Degnan, Mrs. Sheehy Skeffington, Tom Johnson, secretary of the Irish liberal movement, and Col. Maurice Moore, when interviewed, declared it was impossible to make any estimate of the relative strength of those favoring and those opposing the treaty, or to hazard a guess as to which side will eventually gain a majority.

Dublin, Dec. 19.—(By A. P.)—The Dail Eireann, which met shortly before noon today and began consideration of motions for and against ratification of the Anglo-Irish treaty, adjourned at 1 o'clock until 3:30 p. m. There was every indication that the speech-making would continue through tomorrow.

Ireland, under the status granted her by the pending agreement, would have the same right as Canada to send an ambassador to Washington, declared Michael Collins, Sinn Fein finance minister, in arguing for ratification of the Anglo-Irish treaty before the public session of the Dail Eireann this afternoon.

Alternative Proposal.

An interesting feature of the first session was the disclosure that Eamon De Valera, the republican president, had submitted to last week's private meeting of the dail an alternative proposal to the agreement signed in London. He explained he had done this in an effort to secure unanimity in the dail.

Speaker MacNeill said Mr. De Valera had requested that the document be regarded as confidential until he put forward his own proposal in the public session. Arthur Griffith and Michael Collins protested but the speaker said he could not allow debate on this point, and Mr. Griffith then moved the ratification of the treaty.

Speaking to his motion, Mr. Griffith said this was not a question of the mere rights of the people; it was

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Bandits Rob Emissary Of Santa Claus of $490

Chicago, Dec. 19.—Two bandits robbed an emissary of Santa Claus last night of $490 designed to aid poor families.

P. H. Moynihan, member of the Illinois commerce commission, motoring home after taking up a collection at public meetings to buy fuel and food for the poor of the South Chicago mill district, was held up. "You don't want this money," he argued, "it's for Santa Clause to take care of the poor kids."

argued, it's for Santa Claus to the robbers jeered as they took the money.

Hoover Continues Effort To Stabilize Sugar Price

Washington, Dec. 19.—Efforts to stabilize the price of sugar in the United States and arrange for disposal of the existing surplus without any appreciable increase in price were continued today at a meeting of representatives of the industry and Secretary Hoover. The former included spokesmen for the cane sugar growers of Louisiana, the beet sugar producers of the Pacific coast and Cuban interests.

Don't 'Roll Your Own,' Girls, Warning of New York Pastor

New York, Dec. 19.—Don't "roll your own," girls—stockings or cigarets—if you would have the approval of Bishop Lines of the Episcopal diocese of Newark. In a scathing denunciation of what he terms unmoral practices. Bishop Lines placed divorce and "tissue paper" silk things in the same category with fags and rolled socks.

Just What the Taxpayer Wanted

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Witness in Cost Inquiry Tells of Meat Price War

Norfolk Butcher Asserts Retailers Cannot Compete With Farmers Because Of Sanitation Rules.

Norfolk, Neb., Dec. 19.—That a "price war" is on between butchers and farmers who are peddling meat in the city at cut rates, was testified to by W. A. Mouritsen, a butcher, at the first day's session of the state price investigation commission here today. Mr. Mouritsen testified that he was selling half hogs at 8 cents a pound with the intention of killing outside competition. When this was done he said prices might go up a quarter to a half cent a pound.

He declared retailers could not compete with farmers and pointed out that the town merchant is forced to take sanitary precautions which the farmers do not have to observe. He said he could butcher his own stuff about a cent cheaper than he could buy it from the packers.

A number of merchants and other business men were on the stand during the morning.

Courts Refuse to Revoke Constitutional Prohibition

Washington, Dec. 19.—Constitutional prohibition will not be revoked, notwithstanding efforts of Robert A. Widenmann of New York, to have the supreme court compel the secretary of state to withdraw the proclamation announcing its ratification. The court affirmed the decision of the courts of the District of Columbia, which held Widenmann had no interest which would benefit if his request was granted.

Austin Attorney Dares K. K. K. to Give Evidence

Austin, Tex., Dec. 19.—First official mention of the Ku Klux Klan in connection with the death of Peeler Clayton, taxicab driver, who was shot to death Thursday night, was made in justice court when Warren Moore, attorney for the prosecution, "dared the Ku Klux Klan either by individual or resolution to come and give all information they have on Clayton's death."

Des Moines Chief Of Police Is Fired

Charges of Neglect of Duty Made by Commissioner Of Public Safety.

Des Moines, Ia., Dec. 19.—(Special Telegram.)—Roscoe Saunders, chief of the Des Moines police department, was removed from office today by the city council.

The action was asked by John W. Budd, public safety commissioner, who charged that Saunders was neglecting local duties in his ardor to organize surrounding counties for criminal protection. Saunders refused to alter this program. Sherman Delmedge, appointed chief by the council to take Saunder's place, declined the position with the explanation that he could not afford to relinquish his civil service rights for the balance of the present term. Mr. Budd announced that he would serve temporarily in the capacity of chief.

U. S. Withdraws Protest On Seizure of Fishing Ship

El Paso, Tex., Dec. 19.—In connection with the recent seizure of the American bark Mabel and the arrest of its crew on a charge of fishing in Mexican waters without license, the apprehension taking place in the Gulf of California, the local Mexican consulate today received a telegram from Mexico City saying that the American government, after investigation of the arrest, had decided to withdraw its protest.

War Finance Corporation Awards Nebraska $476,000

Washington, Dec. 19.—Approval of 150 advances for agricultural and live stock purposes aggregating $4,234,000 was announced today by the war finance corporation. States participating in the loans included Colorado, $62,000; Idaho, $77,000; Iowa, $703,000; Montana, $128,000; Nebraska, $476,000; Oregon, $75,000; South Dakota, $503,000; Texas, $174,000; Utah, $220,000; Washington, $70,000; Wyoming, $225,000.

Congress Extends Time To Redeem Alien Property

Washington, Dec. 19.—An additional year during which persons whose property was seized by the alien property custodian could institute suits for the recovery of their holdings, or proceeds derived from their sale, would be granted under a senate bill passed today by the house. The measure now goes to the president.

Masked Men Take Prisoners From Jail and Whip Them

Duncan, Okl., Dec. 19.—Two masked men today forced their way into the city jail here, seized two prisoners and took them to the outskirts of town and administered a severe whipping.

New Lisbon Government.

Washington, Dec. 19.—A new government was formed last night at Lisbon, the State department was informed today, with Cunha Leal as prime minister and Julio Falkas, formerly minister of public instruction, as minister of foreign affairs

Hubby Preferred To Joyride With Mules, Wife Says

Girl-Bride, Suing for Separate Maintenance, Gives For Reasons Why Reconciliation Impossible.

Pretty Kathryne Tyler Steinkamp, 17, who brought suit for separate maintenance December 2 against her boy husband, Roy, 22, states there are four reasons why she could not return to him.

The reasons yesterday were brought before District Judge Sears, who attempted to reconcile the pair when Mrs. Steinkamp sought to obtain temporary alimony and attorney's fees.

The reasons gven are:

That Roy said he would disconnect the telephone each time he left the house.

That he stated "that instead of joyriding with me, he would joyride with a span of mules."

That "I could not leave the house until next spring."

That "I should not attend the Methodist church."

Impossible to Return.

"I love him judge," said the girl, "but it will be impossible for me to live with him."

Ross Shotwell, counsel for Mrs. Steinkamp, stated the girl was willing to go back to her husband and said he was sure the pair could live happy if Roy's father, a wealthy farmer, living near Manley, Neb., was restrained from his alleged annoying of Mrs. Steinkamp.

In her petition for separate maintenance, Mrs. Steinkamp says her husband told her that unless she would obey his father, Adolph Steinkamp, she "could return to her home in Omaha and remain there."

Temporary Alimony.

She alleges in her petition that she prepared a chicken dnner for a church socal last Thanksgvng, but Roy wouldn't let her attend the socal or to give the chicken, as she had planned. She alleges her husband gave her but $1.25 to pay for her house expenses.

Judge Sears allowed her $25 monthly temporary alimony, $25 temporary attorney fees and $25 for suit fees.

The Weather

Forecast.

Nebraska: Possibly light snow and continued cold Tuesday; Wednesday generally fair and continued cold.

Iowa: Cloudy and unsettled Tuesday and Wednesday, possibly light snow in west portion; colder Wednesday and in north and west portions Tuesday.

Hourly Temperatures.

5 a. m.	22	1 p. m.	34
6 a. m.	22	2 p. m.	36
7 a. m.	22	3 p. m.	37
8 a. m.	22	4 p. m.	36
9 a. m.	22	5 p. m.	36
10 a. m.	24	6 p. m.	35
11 a. m.	28	7 p. m.	34
12 m.	33	8 p. m.	32

Highest Monday.

Cheyenne	20	Pueblo	60
Davenport	34	Rapid City	—2
Denver	32	Salt Lake	14
Des Moines	36	Santa Fe	46
Dodge City	46	Sheridan	—2
Lander	6	Sioux City	38
North Platte	—2	Valentine	16

—Below zero

2 Slain in Sioux City Strike Row

Sheriff Kills Strike Sympathizer Who Shot His Son, Serving as Deputy on Strike Duty.

Troops Ready for Service

Sioux City, Ia., Dec. 19—Deputy Sheriff Lewis R. Jones, 22, son of Sheriff W. H. Jones, and Hessen Kaled, a strike sympathizer, 1609 Fourth street, both were fatally wounded in a gun battle which took place at the intersection of Leech avenue and Chambers street shortly before 6 o'clock this morning. Both died in the hospital.

Whips Out Black Jack.

The gun battle followed an altercation between Kaled and Deputy Sheriff Edward Batman. Batman, who is one of more than 50 deputy sheriffs stationed at Leech avenue and Chambers streets with orders to stop and search all pedestrians for firearms, halted Kaled. When questioned by Batman, Kaled whipped a black jack from his pocket, struck Batman in the face, and started to run north across Leech avenue.

Batman grasped Kaled as he started to run, and succeeded in pulling him to the ground as they neared the curb on the north side of the street. Kaled drew a gun and started to fire as he fell to the ground. Young Jones gave chase when Kaled started to run and was directly behind the pair when Kaled started to fire. Several bullets struck Jones and in the excitement Kaled regained his feet and started to run again.

Fired From Under Arm.

Sheriff Jones and Deputy Sheriff Frank Jipp, who were following close in pursuit, soon overtook Kaled. Jipp grasped him around the body and according to the story told by Deputy Sheriff Batman, Kaled began firing from underneath his arm. Sheriff Jones then opened fire and Kaled fell with several bullets in his body.

Kaled was rushed to the St. Joseph hospital in the Samuels Brothers ambulance and died a half hour after arriving at the hospital. Jones was removed to the Samaritan hospital and lived but a few minutes after his arrival there.

Guard Companies Ready.

Sheldon, Ia., Dec. 19.—Militia companies at Sheldon and LeMars are in readiness to move to Sioux City the moment orders are received.

It is understood the orders to be in readiness were given by Maj. H G. Geiger of Sheldon after a visit to the strike zone in Sioux City.

Kendall "Amazed."

Des Moines, Ia., Dec. 19.—Governor N. E. Kendall, when told of the killing of a deputy sheriff and a strike sympathizer at Sioux City, said, "I am amazed." He said that only this morning he received a letter from Sheriff Jones stating that the situation was "very satisfactory."

Attorney General Gibson was in touch with state agents at Sioux City this morning. They reported that everything was quiet. State officials assume that these reports were made before the outbreak which resulted in the killing of the two men.

Governor Kendall said reports that troops already had been ordered held in readiness for duty at Sioux City were untrue.

Deportees From U. S. Murdered in Turkey

Washington, Dec. 19.—The murder at Constantinople in September of 17 Armenian women and children, who came to the United States seeking safety, but who were deported, was reported to the house immigration committee by C. V. Knightly, counsel for a welfare organization at Boston. These were deported, as being in excess of the quota allowed from their country.

Details of the killing were obtained, Mr. Knightly said, from an American student at Roberts college, Constantinople, in a letter to an Armenian student at Boston, whose mother and sister were among those killed.

From the best information obtainable, he declared, the women and children were first outraged by Turks and then murdered because there was no means for their upkeep, and "they were considered in the way."

Foreign Loan Refunding Hits Snag in Senate Body

Boston, Dec. 19.—"Complications very serious in nature that have developed in the senate committee considering the refunding of our foreign loans," were urged by United States Senator Reed in the supreme court today, as reasons for the postponement of the trial of District Attorney Joseph C. Pelletier on charges of malfeasance in office. Senator Reed is counsel for the district attorney.

15 Below Zero in Montana.

Denver, Dec. 19.—Temperatures ranging from 5 to 15 degrees below zero in Montana and zero to 10 degrees below in northern Wyoming and western Dakota were reported to the weather bureau here today. That territory and the Canadian northwest, where the mercury is down to 30 degrees below zero at some points, is getting its coldest weather of the winter, the forecaster said.

Ada Gilman Dies

Philadelphia, Dec. 19.—Ada Gilman, 67, one of the best known actresses of the American stage for nearly half a century, died yesterday at the Edwin Forrest home for actors at Holmesburg.

Governor Fails to Enthuse Over Rohrer's Wet Blanket Plan for New Year Fireworks

Governor McKelvie announced yesterday in ringing tones at the state house in Lincoln that he will not command State Sheriff Hyers to put on evening dress and tight shoes and serve as a minion of U. S. Rohrer as a liquor detective in Omaha cafes and hotels the coming New Year's eve.

He found the letter of Mr. Rohrer, federal prohibition enforcement officer for this district, on his desk when he returned to Lincoln yesterday.

Mr. Rohrer's letter was a clarion call for Gus and all his deputies to join Rohrer's men in catching the merrymakers in wicked Omaha in the dying moments of the old year and the early hours of the new.

"Mr. Rohrere must remember that Omaha is not all the state," said the governor.

"The state sheriff and his deputies have duties in other places as well, though we are always ready to cooperate with the Omaha authorities in good work."

The governor didn't specify whether he thought Mr. Rohrer's plan "good work" or not.

It was said, at any rate, that no extra transportation facilities will be needed to bring Hyers' men to the metropils New Year's eve.