

Hughes Defines Open Door Policy Regarding China

Far Eastern Committee Adopts Tariff Agreement at Resumption of Negotiations

Washington, Jan. 16.—Final adoption of the new Chinese tariff agreement by the far eastern committee, formal presentation of the agreement to the cabinet and the resumption of negotiations with the Chinese government, are the main items on the agenda of the committee today.

The far eastern committee had not met since January 5, pending efforts of the naval committee to complete its work. Today's meeting was called on short notice, primarily to pass the final draft of the tariff agreement.

With the tariff question disposed of, the nine powers represented in the committee took up the question of the open door after Secretary Hughes had suggested that consideration of the 21 demands and spheres of influence, be deferred until the Shantung question was disposed of outside the conference by the Chinese and Japanese delegations.

Secretary Hughes, opening a discussion as to whether the "definition" should apply to private enterprises, and at a meeting of the committee tomorrow the discussion will be continued. The British delegation, it was understood, subscribed in principle to the open door through Mr. Balfour.

Under the tariff agreement, the tariff revision commission at Shanghai shall immediately revise the schedule adopted in 1918, so that the custom duty shall be an effective 5 per cent. This revision shall be completed within four months and become effective within two months thereafter.

To Call Conference. A special conference, the agreement provides, composed of the powers, shall meet, within three months in China at China's request, to prepare the way for the abolition of the "internal tax" with a view to granting China the right to levy tariffs of 1.2 to 1.3 per cent on necessities and 5 per cent on luxuries.

To keep the tariff schedule up-to-date, this assuring an effective rate, the agreement provides for a revision after four years and again every seven years thereafter. No mention is made of restoring to China, autonomy over its tariff, as asked by the Chinese delegation in its 10 points presented when the arms conference opened.

When the Chinese and Japanese delegates met to continue their Shantung conversations, the agreement reached Saturday to restore to China the administration of the Kiaochow leasehold, together with all documents necessary for its administration, formally was adopted. This includes the questions of mines and salt fields to be disposed of, with the exception of the question of control of the Tsing Tao-Tsinanin railway.

I. C. Lets Contract for 2,000 More Cars

According to a communication received from C. Haydock, division freight and passenger agent of the Illinois Central Railroad company in Omaha, that company has given contracts for the building of 2,000 gondola freight cars.

Fifty hundred of these cars are to be 40 feet long, capable of carrying two lengths of piping, and will be built by the American Car and Foundry company.

Senate Asks Data on European Finances

Washington, Jan. 16.—Senator McCormick, republican, Illinois, today introduced, and the senate, half an hour later, adopted a resolution calling upon the State department to supply such information as it has on the financial affairs of European governments. The resolution asked especially for data on the expenditures of those governments for military purposes.

Beatrice Boys Are Freed in Auto Theft Hearing

Beatrice, Neb., Jan. 16.—(Special Telegram.)—Francis South and Leo Hess, Beatrice boys charged with the theft of a car belonging to Austin Jamieson, Ellis farmer, at Wymore some time ago, were acquitted at their preliminary hearing today before Judge Ellis for lack of evidence. The machine was recovered soon after it was taken.

Charge Doctor Operated on Wrong Foot; Ask \$100,000

New York, Jan. 16.—Accused of having operated on the wrong foot of a club-footed child, Dr. Samuel Kleinberg, Brooklyn surgeon, has been made defendant in a suit for \$100,000, filed by David Engle, father of the patient.

The error, Mr. Engle stated in his petition, was discovered after the operation. His daughter, he added, had the use of one foot before and now is crippled in both feet.

Twin Widows Are 83



Mrs. Mae Peake and Mrs. Bell Billings, reputed to be the oldest living twins in the country. They are 83 years old and expect to live to be 100. Their husbands fought on opposite sides during the civil war. Both died about 18 years ago. The twin widows are now living on a fruit farm near El Paso, Tex. The sisters have lived in eight states of the union and trace their ancestry back to the original Tarbells, of Maine aristocracy. Mrs. Peake is the mother or grandmother of 38 children and a score or more of great-grandchildren.

Disabled Vets Ask Harding for Immediate Aid

Washington, Jan. 16.—Asserting that the more than 3,500, mentally disabled former service men now placed in state institutions were victims of such "gross neglect, indifference and profligacy" as constituted a "black reproach of the honor of the nation" the Disabled American Veterans of the World War, in a memorial presented today to President Harding urged immediate action by the government looking to the treatment of all such cases in federal institutions. Neglect of these cases in state institutions, the memorial said, is committing to permanent insanity many of the victims who by timely treatment probably could be cured.

Bill for Funding Allied Debt Is Given to Senate

Washington, D. C., Jan. 16.—With the provisions objected to by Secretary Mellon eliminated, the allied foreign debt refunding bill was favorably reported today to the senate by its finance committee. Chairman McCumber said it was the purpose to press the measure for passage without waiting for the adjournment of the arms conference.

Except for a provision that the refunded bonds to be accepted from the foreign governments shall mature not later than June 15, 1947, the measure virtually is in the form passed by the house last October. No soldier bonus provision was added to the bill and was not discussed.

Democratic members of the committee voted against the bill in its perfected form. Provisions which were stricken out called for semi-annual interest payments and for interest at a rate of not less than 3 per cent.

Under the provisions interest payments would have fallen due within six months after the refunded bonds had been negotiated, whereas the treasury desired to have the authority to defer interest payments in the case of some countries not in a position to begin making those payments within possibly a year or two.

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Princess' Altar Gown to Be Gorgeous Affair

London, Jan. 16.—(By A. P.)—Princess Mary's wedding gown is to be cloth of silver, of magnificent design. The material was brought by the queen to India some years ago and is described as a triumph of native manufacture.

The dress will have a train of ivory silk, shot with silver, which is being woven by handworkers at Baintree, Essex, an old English silk manufacturing center, where the art of silk weaving has been passed down from generation to generation. So great is the care taken in the manufacture of this material that only a few inches are finished each day.

The train is expected to be ready soon and it then will be placed in the hands of the embroiderers. Many plans for presenting wedding gifts to the king's daughter are afoot. The lord mayor of London is opening a popular fund for the purpose, with contributions limited to 1 pound sterling.

Rumor has it that Viscount Viscelles and his royal bride may spend part of their honeymoon at the beautiful Villa Regia at Fiesole, near Florence, Italy.

Bonds Stolen in Los Angeles Mail Holdup Located

Man Arrested in Boston While Attempting to Negotiate Loan on Two \$1,000 Securities

Boston, Jan. 16.—Through the arrest today of Benjamin Greenburg of Hull on a charge of receiving stolen bonds, the police said they hoped to locate in Massachusetts cities, bonds amounting to more than \$100,000 that were part of the loot of a \$350,000 mail robbery in Los Angeles last March.

Greenburg was arrested while trying to negotiate a loan on two \$1,000 bonds, which police said had been identified as having been stolen in Los Angeles. They said he admitted having borrowed \$4000 from a national bank here on bonds for \$5,000. Bonds valued at \$10,000, alleged to have been stolen in Los Angeles, have been located in other local banks, according to the police.

Greenburg was held in \$25,000 bonds for a hearing tomorrow. Greenburg is a son-in-law of Simon Swig, who was vice-president of the Tremont Trust company, one of the Boston banks closed by the bank commissioner last year. His arrest is the third transcontinental echo of the holdup of a mail truck in Los Angeles by three men, when 900 pieces of mail were taken. In November, Bert R. Chapman of East Boston, was arrested in New York as he was about to sail for Europe. He was brought back here on charges of having stolen bonds from Los Angeles in his possession and is awaiting action by the grand jury.

Chapman is charged with having arranged, but was later released. When Greenburg was taken into custody he had, police said, two Baltimore and Ohio railroad \$1,000 bonds on which he was trying to negotiate a loan of \$1,400. Police claim these bonds are listed as those stolen at Los Angeles.

Waterway Project Before Congress

(Continued from Page One.) readjustment of the international boundary, in order to bring each of the countries to the same level of the boundary, appropriate steps be taken to transfer them to one country or the other, as the case may be, and the slight acreage of submerged land involved.

Under the provisions proposed with the works necessary for the completion of the new Welland ship canal, in accordance with the plans already decided upon by that country.

7. That such "navigation works" as do not lie wholly within one country or are not capable of economical and efficient construction, maintenance and operation within one country, as complete and independent units, be maintained and operated by a board hereinafter called "the international board" on which each country shall have equal representation.

8. That such "navigation works" as lie wholly within one country and are capable of economical and efficient construction, maintenance and operation as complete and independent units, be maintained and operated by the country in which they are located with the right of inspection by the said international board, to insure economy and efficiency.

9. That "power works" be built, installed and operated by and at the expense of the country in which they are located.

10. That except as set forth in recommendation 11, the cost of navigation works be apportioned between the two countries on the basis of the benefits each will receive from the waterway, provided that during the period ending five years after completion of the works—and to be known as the construction period—the ratio fixing the amount chargeable to each country shall be determined upon by certain known factors such as the developed resources and foreign and coast wise trade of each country within the territory economically tributary to the proposed waterway, and that that ratio shall be adjusted every five years thereafter and based upon the freight tonnage of each country actually using the waterway during the previous five years.

11. That the cost of navigation works for the combined use of navigation and power, over and above the cost of works necessary for navigation alone, should be apportioned equally between the two countries.

Science Has Laid Low Ghost of Ptomaine, Avar Cannerns of U. S.

Louisville, Ky., Jan. 16.—Science has laid low the ghost of ptomaine poisoning, according to members of the National Cannerns' association, who are here for the 15th annual convention of the organization.

Food poisoning, as it is ordinarily understood, it was declared was often due to improper diet or the careless handling of food on the part of the consumer.

Speakers at a dinner declared that the cannerns are spending \$50,000 annually in original research and that some of the notable results have been final eradication of the danger due to botulism, especially from canned pie olives.

Deaths and Funerals

The funeral of Adam Stephan, 47, who died at his home, 808 North Thirtieth street Saturday night, will be held today at 2 o'clock at his home.

John Conrad Weinberger, 24, died Sunday. He is survived by his wife and three sisters, Mrs. W. J. Allen of Omaha, Mrs. W. P. Dean of California, Cal., and Mrs. Frank McGovern of North Platte, Neb. The body will be taken to Lincoln for burial today.

Son of English Lord Found Dead in Hotel

London, Jan. 16.—(By A. P.)—The body of an Irishman found dead in a hotel at Hoxham in Sussex on Saturday was identified today as that of the Hon. Victor Gibson, son of the late Lord Ashbourne and brother of the present Baron Ashbourne. His wife was an American girl, Miss Coline De Biller, daughter of Frederic De Biller of New York, whom he married in 1909.

Gibson, on arriving at the hotel Saturday, asked to be allowed to remain in the smoking room, where he was later found dead. He had previously stated at the hotel that he was an Irishman and a rebel and that he had lived with his father, a former lord chancellor of Ireland, at the viceregal lodge in Dublin, 14 years ago.

Some broken glass was discovered in the fireplace and a small quantity of liquid had been spilled on the hearthstone.

Ministers Ask Council to Probe Strike Conditions

At the weekly meeting of the Ministerial association at the V. M. C. A. yesterday, Omaha ministers heard both sides of the strike question presented by representatives of the packers and strikers. H. G. Ellerd and Claude R. Orchard representing Armour's were present. Robert K. Hunter, secretary of the strike committee, was unable to be present, but sent a paper, outlining the strikers' side of the question.

The following communication was sent to Mayor Dahlmann: "The Ministerial union of Omaha, believing in the sanctity of the home, and in the necessity of law enforcement for the protection of life and property, declare ourselves unqualifiedly opposed to all violence and threats of violence.

"We therefore urge that the mayor and city council investigate the conditions existing and the conditions leading to violence in connection with the strike situation in South Omaha, and immediately use every power, authority and influence to stop it."

A. H. Bigelow, attorney for the strikers of South Omaha, filed a motion in federal court yesterday asking to have set aside Federal Judge Wade's restraining order against the strikers granted Friday.

Dismiss Classes for Funeral of Professor Found Dead

Lincoln, Jan. 16.—(Special)—Classes at Wesleyan university at University Place were dismissed today so all students might attend funeral services for Prof. Linn Andrews, who was found dead with a bullet through his head near Peru Thursday. Professor Andrews was a student at Wesleyan for three years, but graduated from the state agricultural college. His home was at University Place.

Former Soldier Shoots 2 Women, Commits Suicide

Youth, Shell-Shocked in France, Waits for Two Sisters in Hallway—Women in Serious Condition

Chicago, Jan. 16.—War's aftermath brought death to an ex-soldier and probable fatal injury to two girls who were strangers to him last night.

The dead man is Bernard Flannery, 28, shell shocked in France. He killed himself after he had shot down Miss Viola Hunt, 29, and her sister, Rubena, in the hallway of an apartment building in which they all lived at 6439 Dante avenue. There was apparently no motive for the shooting.

In 1917 Flannery went to France. He was shell shocked. He was transferred to Siberia and served there two years. Then he was brought home.

His parents noticed he was "queer." They sent him to St. Marys hospital in Milwaukee. They sent him back. He was taken to the psychopathic hospital for observation and was sent to Elgin. Later he was paroled to his parents.

Recently, they say, he has been quiet. Yesterday he played cards all day with a brother, Michael. Shortly before 10 o'clock he was sent to the bakery for bread.

At 10:10 p. m. the Hunt sisters were returning to their second floor apartment from a movie. They had seen Flannery several times, but never had spoken to him. As they walked up the steps they saw him in the hallway.

Ex-Coroner Charged With Double Murder

East St. Louis, Jan. 16.—Two warrants charging murder, were issued this afternoon against Dr. Robert M. McCracken, 56, of Belleville in connection with the deaths of Mrs. Clara Richwine, 35, and her father-in-law, William Richwine, 74, who were found shot to death in the Richwine home last Monday. Dr. McCracken is a former coroner of St. Clair county and former health commissioner of East St. Louis.

The warrants were issued by Justice of Peace Kane on information sworn to by Assistant State's Attorney L. J. Dwyer, who charged McCracken with the crimes. The authorities refused to disclose the confession on which they based the charges.

The body of Mrs. Richwine was found on the dining table in her home. The body of her father-in-law was found in the basement.

Steel Corporation May Send Ships Via Canal

Washington, Jan. 16.—The right of the United States Steel corporation through its subsidiaries to operate steamships by way of the Panama canal is upheld in a tentative report submitted today to the Interstate Commerce commission by the examiner.

The examiner's report if sustained by the commission will settle the controversy hinging about that point. Steamship lines, operating through the canal, attacked the steel corporation's right to participate in the business on the ground that it was also owner of a number of railroad lines, some of which are engaged in transcontinental traffic. Railroad lines so engaged are prohibited by law from entering into direct competition with ships in the canal trade.

The examiner decided that none of the corporation's railroads could be considered competitors for transcontinental business and that the ownership of merchant vessels by the manufacturing industry had not been forbidden by congress.

School Miss of 15 Elopes With Lad

Give Sheriff the Slip, Then "Dad" and Mother Forge Them

Tecumseh, Neb., Jan. 16.—(Special.)—Lillian Sargent, 15, and Thomas Goad, 19, outsped the sheriff and other love-cold authorities, and found a justice of the peace at Table Rock who married them.

Saturday Lillian's parents received a letter relating the elopement, and telling them she would rather live with Thomas than continue her tiresome studies in high school.

So Sheriff Elmer Wilson and L. R. Gregory, superintendent of schools, were ordered to call off the search, as "dad" and mother had decided to accept the young wife's view of things. Mr. and Mrs. Sargent have invited the newlyweds back to Tecumseh.

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