

POPE BENEDICT REPORTED DYING

Physicians Expect End Any Time

Restlessness Reported Increasing at Midnight and Respiration Frequent and More Difficult.

Oxygen Is Administered

By The Associated Press. Rome, Jan. 21.—(12:25 a. m.)—At 11:30 p. m. Prof. Battistini held out little hope that Pope Benedict will survive the night.

Rome, Jan. 20.—"If it pleases the Lord, I shall work again for His church, I am ready," he says.

Retains Consciousness

The Associated Press was told that he regained consciousness. Professor Edore Marchiafava, one of the physicians in attendance on the pope this evening, still was somewhat hopeful as to the outcome.

During the early hours of this morning, towards 4 a. m., there was a sudden change for the worse and the bronchial affection, from which his holiness had been suffering for several days, spread to his lungs.

The pontiff asked for and received the last sacrament, insisting upon (Turn to Page Two, Column Two.)

Indian Poet Scores Four-Power Treaty

Washington, Jan. 20.—Warning against the four-power Pacific treaty drafted by the armament conference and similar pacts is being sounded in India by Sir Rabindranath Tagore, poet and dramatist and Nobel prize winner, according to the American commission to promote self government in India.

As for Shantung, Chinese and Japanese conferences, it was learned today, look for a settlement of the obstructive railway issue early next week. This expectation is shared by Secretary Hughes and Mr. Balfour.

Charles and Zita Warned. Berne, Jan. 20.—(By A. P.)—Former Emperor Charles of Austria-Hungary and his wife, Zita, will be deported to an island much more remote from Europe than Madeira, to which they are now exiled.

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Catholic Church Head Near Death at Vatican



Benedictus XV

Oriental Issues Holding Up Work of Arms Meeting

Shantung Controversy and Question of Fortifications in Pacific Practically Only Problems Now Unsettled.

By GRAFTON WILCOX. Omaha Bee Leased Wire. Washington, Jan. 20.—Delegates to the conference are so anxious to conclude their work here that all are exerting their influence to induce an early settlement of the Shantung dispute and the Shantung controversy.

It is practically certain there will be only two more plenary sessions, one to dispose of the naval limitation part and fortifications agreement and the other to ratify agreements on far eastern affairs.

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MAYNARD never before had realized that there could be a tragedy in pigs. He wondered how Mrs. Tolly was going to find the money for her rent.

The Fulfiller by Charles Saxby

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Loan Firms Attacked by Wallace

Secretary of Agriculture Alleges Some Companies Are Charging Farmers 'Extortionate Interest.'

Says Terms Unjustified

By The Associated Press. Washington, Jan. 20.—Farm financing came to the front today, with the announcement by Secretary Wallace that he would lay before the national agricultural conference next week charges that certain companies loaning money on farm mortgages were taking advantage of the present crisis to charge "extortionate" interest rates.

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Boise, Idaho, Jan. 20.—Boise and southern Idaho are still gripped by severe weather. The official weather bureau report yesterday recorded a temperature of 10 below zero, the lowest point reached since 1890, when the mercury hit the 12 below mark.

Women to Attend. Secretary Wallace also made public the names of 26 women, who, he announced, would probably participate in the conference as delegates.

Hearing in Strike Case Postponed Until Feb. 2. Federal Judge Wade yesterday gave attorneys for the striking packing house employees 10 days additional time to prepare to argue the granting of a temporary injunction.

Judge Offended When Law Breaker Wears Uniform. Springfield, Ill., Jan. 20.—Federal Judge Fitzhugh took offense at the United States marine uniform worn by Leroy Good of Hatchtown when Good appeared before him today to plead guilty to the charge of shipping wild ducks to St. Louis.

Daugherty Orders Probe of Bosch Magneto Company. Boston, Jan. 20.—United States District Attorney Harris said yesterday that Attorney General Daugherty had asked him to investigate the affairs of the American Bosch Magneto company and that the books of the company now were in his possession.

Uncle Pete, Only 103, Afraid Glasses Will Make Him Look Old. Broken Bow, Neb., Jan. 20.—(Special)—Uncle Pete Starr, 103, was in Broken Bow to have glasses fitted to his eyes and also to prepare to break in a full set of teeth. He was afraid the glasses would make him look old, but he thought it was time to get a pair anyway.

Hays to Quit Cabinet for Movie Job March 4

Washington, Jan. 20.—Postmaster General Hays announced today that his resignation from the cabinet would be made effective March 4, in order that his term of service in the cabinet may include one complete year.

Mr. Hays sat at the White House today his contract with the National Association of Motion Picture Producers and Distributors, was signed in New York last Saturday, but that before signing he talked with President Harding by telephone to make known to him that the March 4 date was a trifling one and had been arranged under the contract.

Southern Part of California Sees Snowfall

Citrus Industry Threatened—10 Below at Boise—Blizzard in Michigan—Steamers Detained.

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Michigan. Ludington, Mich., Jan. 20.—Pere Marquette Ferry steamers were held in port last night owing to the severe blizzard that gripped this part of Michigan. Railroad and highway traffic was somewhat interfered with.

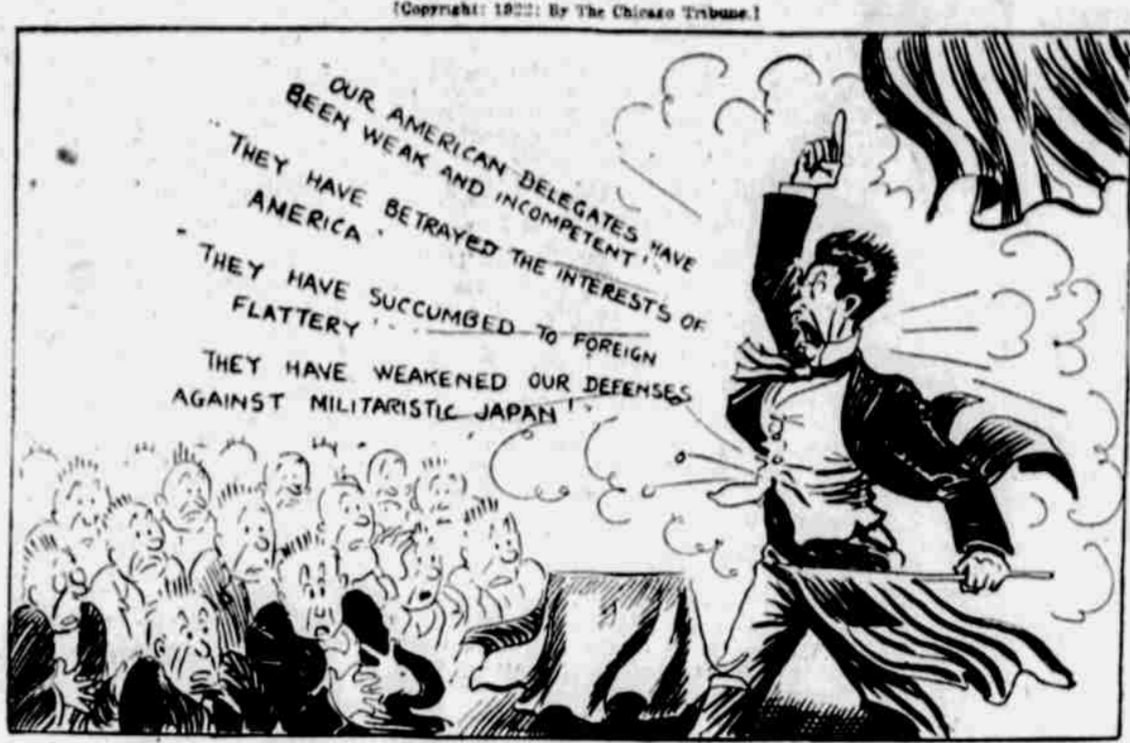
Mayor of Kansas City Drops Dead in Office. Kansas City, Jan. 20.—Following a conference with Matthew A. Foster and John E. Wilson, police commissioners, in his office today, Mayor James S. Cowgill dropped dead of apoplexy. The mayor was 74 years old.

Average Value of Crops Drops 59 Per Cent Since '19. Washington, Jan. 20.—There is no parallel in the records of the bureau of markets and crop estimates to the fall of \$21.22, or 59 per cent, in the average value per acre of the 10 crops constituting nine-tenths of all crop production, which occurred in the two years from 1919 to 1921, it was announced today by the Department of Agriculture.

Man Charged With Sending Poisoned Candy to Ex-Wife. St. Louis, Jan. 20.—Harry L. Rolf, 30, was arrested on a federal warrant here yesterday which charged him with sending poisoned candy through the mails to his divorced wife, Laura Spies.

Boys, 17, Dive Just Once Into Lake Erie at Zero. Lorain, O., Jan. 20.—With the thermometer lowering near zero, Earl Meister, 17, and Buster Jennings, also 17, opened the 1922 swimming season with a plunge into Lake Erie. One dive was sufficient "to cool off" the lads.

Hard to Please Everybody



When you read in some American papers how shamefully weak our delegates at the arms conference have been, you are surprised to—



Learn that the Japanese jingoes are violently denouncing the weakness of their own delegates to the conference.

Lincoln Lawyer Loses Own Case

Denied Divorce on Wife's Charges of Too Much Mother-in-Law; Wife Gets \$50 a Month.

Lincoln, Jan. 20.—(Special Telegram)—Thomas Stocker, Lincoln attorney who conducted his own divorce trial in district court here today, was denied a divorce from his wife, Mrs. Gussie Stocker.

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Negro Tells of Third Degree Methods of Robb

Witness in Murder Trial Tells of Being Taken to Scene of Crime and Ku Klux Klan Threat.

Des Moines, Ia., Jan. 20.—(Special Telegram)—A night of terror in the Toney woods, where the murdered body of Sara Thorsdale was found, was told by George Davenport, accused of the murder by Sheriff W. E. Robb and Williams, was permitted by Judge Thompson to give full details of the third degree methods used upon him by Sheriff Robb.

Government Stand Toward War Prisoners Attacked. Washington, Jan. 20.—A protest against the administration's attitude toward prisoners convicted under wartime laws was made to Attorney General Daugherty yesterday by a committee representing the American Civil Liberties union, which is conducting a campaign for release of 118 such persons.

Waterway Referred to House Committee. Washington, Jan. 20.—The report submitted to congress by the international joint commission on the proposed St. Lawrence waterway was referred by Speaker Gillett today to the house interstate commerce committee of which Representative Winslow of Massachusetts is chairman.

Steel Companies Ask Cut in Rates

Representative of Manufacturers Declares Present Freight Charges Burden.

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Poison Declared Cause of Mrs. Ryan's Death in Paris. Paris, Jan. 20.—(By A. P.)—The death of Mrs. Thomas Stewart Ryan, known as Miss Audrey Greig, yesterday was due to poisoning, according to the verdict of the police surgeon, who performed an autopsy today.

Farm Congress Head Leaves for Washington Meeting. Kearney, Neb., Jan. 20.—(Special)—O. G. Smith, president of the National Farmers' congress, left for Washington to attend the national agriculture conference called by President Harding for next week.

Postoffice Orders. Washington, Jan. 20.—(Special Telegram)—The following fourth-class postoffices have become post-offices paying \$1,000 salary: Mudrock, Neb.; Denver, W. Camp, Crook, S. D.

The Weather

Table with weather forecasts for various cities including Omaha, Lincoln, and St. Louis.