

ALLIES WILL PRESENT UNITED FRONT AT CONFERENCE

Terms Being Kept Secret and Proceedings of the Peace Conference Will Not Be Made Public

London, Dec. 14.—Chiefs of the four Balkan missions to the peace conference will draw up the terms which the allies intend to present with a united front to the Turkish plenipotentiaries.

All Plenipotentiaries Arrive.

London, Dec. 14.—All the plenipotentiaries to the peace conference which will convene here next week for the purpose of ending the war in south-eastern Europe, are now in London.

The Turkish envoys arrived late last night, and unless the continuance of hostilities between the Turks and Greeks prove a hindrance, there seems nothing in sight to prevent the conference getting down to business immediately.

With regard to a report from Constantinople that the Turks would refuse to meet the Greek plenipotentiaries in London unless Greece signed the armistice to which the other Balkan states have subscribed, the counselor of the Turkish embassy here said that he knew nothing of any such instructions and did not believe the Greeks would have come to London unless their country was prepared to fall in line with the other Balkan states as to the terms on which they should meet.

The newspaper interviews given by the Turkish and Bulgarian delegates on their journey toward London indicate that a keen struggle will take place in the peace conference over the possession of Adrianople.

Both Sides Unyielding. Both sides present an unyielding attitude on this point, basing their claims on the fact that their armies are in excellent condition to resume hostilities. The Turks claim they have 170,000 practically fresh troops behind the Tchatalja lines, while dispatches from Constantinople indicate that the war party in the Turkish capital is gaining influence.

The important question has arisen whether Roumania should join the ambassadorial conference, which will convene simultaneously with the peace conference to discuss pending European questions. The matter still remains unsettled, but it is said that Germany, Austria and Italy favor Roumania's participation.

A difference of opinion exists as to whether this conference will be held in London. (Continued on Page Three).

McClellan Relieved. On Nov. 7 General McClellan was relieved of his command, and General Ambrose F. Burnside reluctantly accepted it. General McClellan's plan of

ATTACKS MADE ON AUTHORITIES BY McNAMARA READ

Charged That Money Was Stolen From Headquarters by Detectives—Gold Badge for McNamara.

Indianapolis, Dec. 14.—John J. McNamara's attacks on the authorities for causing his arrest were read at the dynamite conspiracy trial today in connection with the charges that the present defendants approved what he had said. Five months after he was taken to Los Angeles, McNamara's report as secretary of the union was read at the Ironworkers' international convention at Milwaukee. The report was dated "In a Cell 2,500 Miles Away," and charged that the authorities stole \$425 from Ironworkers' headquarters at Indianapolis when the arrests were made.

William Shupe of Chicago and other defendants, who were delegates in the convention, were asked whether they knew that President Ryan had appointed a committee to send McNamara a gold badge, expressing the esteem of the convention. Shupe said he did not recall, but remembered that, as a tribute to McNamara, all the delegates stood with uncovered heads, and for one minute turned their faces toward the west.

Ambassador Reid Improved. London, Dec. 14.—The condition of Whitehall Reid, American ambassador to England, is now favorable, according to a bulletin this morning.

OPPRESSION BY NEW YORK POLICE TOLD BY WOMEN

Secret Meetings Held at Which Steps Are Taken to Better Conditions in the Underworld.

New York, Dec. 14.—Secret meetings of women of the underworld, stirred to action by the revelations of Maggie Goode, confessed keeper of a disorderly resort, are being held in furtherance of a movement to better their condition and in rebellion against what they, like Mrs. Goode, declare to be police oppression.

More than incidentally have appeared indications of what promises to be the most drastic investigation of the police department since the developments of police corruption involved in the Rosenthal murder and the trial of Police Lieutenant Becker.

District Attorney Whitman is known to have his forces busily employed, looking not only into Mrs. Goode's charges, but those of other women who are said to have corroborated her story and to have supplied evidence that the conditions she outlined prevail throughout the city.

These women are prospective witnesses before a special "vice grand jury" which is expected to be empaneled. Some of them are counted upon also as witnesses before the aldermanic investigating committee, before which Mrs. Goode told her story.

WAR EMERGENCY BANK NOTES BEING ISSUED

Paris, Dec. 14.—Large quantities of five-franc banknotes for use in a possible war emergency are now being printed by the Bank of France. In time they will be the only thing necessary to be numbered and issued.

NO NEW RECORDS BY BICYCLE RACERS

New York, Dec. 14.—Hopes for a new record in the six-day bicycle race were practically abandoned today, when at 8 a. m. the leaders were 25 miles and 8 laps behind the market set formerly. The Carman-Lofitt team, 14 laps behind the leaders, was officially declared out of the race shortly before 10 o'clock.

BROADEN CAMPAIGN FOR LOWER PRICES

Philadelphia, Dec. 14.—Encouraged by the success attending the campaign to reduce the cost of living through the sale of "selected" storage eggs at from 6 to 20 cents a dozen cheaper than former prices, officers of the Housekeepers' league announced today the intention of broadening the scope of their activities by selling other food products.

Justice Hand Stricken.

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 14.—Justice John H. Hand of the Illinois supreme court, in a serious condition due to a stroke of paralysis which he suffered shortly after midnight. His son, Fred, who is in Idaho, has been notified of his father's condition.

Wilson Sails for New York.

Hamilton, Bermuda, Dec. 14.—President-elect Wilson sailed today for New York on the steamer Bermudian.

SUIT AGAINST THE BUTTER TRUST

Elgin Board of Trade Must Answer in Court

DISSOLUTION ASKED BY THE GOVERNMENT

Charges to Fix Arbitrarily Price of Butter Through-out the Country Made in Complaint—An Injunction Is Asked.

Chicago, Dec. 14.—The Elgin Board of Trade, popularly known as the "butter trust" and the American Association of Creamery Butter Manufacturers, was attacked by the federal government in a civil anti-trust suit filed here today for the dissolution of both concerns.

Sweeping charges of conspiracy to fix arbitrarily the price of butter in the interest of the big manufacturers and cold storage concerns to the detriment of the farmer and consumer are made against the so-called trust. Butter making has drifted to the large manufacturers, and the natural increase in the volume of business has been curtailed and prices to the people of the country enhanced, especially during the winter season, by the operations of the conspirators, according to the government's petition in equity.

The government seeks to enjoin the defendants from fixing prices, and from quoting or publishing figures purporting to be market prices unless based on bona fide sales of butter, from demanding that the Elgin price be used as a basis in making contracts and from making fictitious or "wash sales" of butter.

INDEMNITIES IN SUM OF \$86,000 FOR AMERICANS

Commission of Army Officers Makes Report on the Amount of Damages Sustained in Border Shooting.

Washington, Dec. 14.—Twenty-three Americans who were wounded or whose relatives were killed or wounded by shots from across the American border in April or May, 1911, should receive indemnities aggregating \$86,000 from the Mexican government, according to a report to congress by the commission of army officers authorized to investigate the cases.

Farmer Robbed at Station.

Burlington, Iowa, Dec. 14.—C. R. Easterday, a farmer from Marengo, Iowa, was beaten and robbed of \$490 at the union station here this morning.

Chicago Wheat Market.

Chicago, Dec. 14.—December wheat closed today at 84 1/2c.

Abbe Martin



Life Bud got a advertise' circular this mornin' from a tailor that think's he's single. Folks that rush in allus crawl out.

YOUNG AMERICAN WOMAN INVOLVED IN PARIS SCANDAL

Pistol Duel Occurs Between Mrs. Barnes and Walter Mumm, a Well Known French Sportsman.

Paris, Dec. 14.—Further complications developed in the sensational shooting Thursday night in which Mrs. Barnes, an American woman and Walter Mumm, a French sportsman, were the principals. Mrs. Barnes, it now develops, was shot twice by Mumm before she shot him. She is reported to be in a dangerous condition in a private hospital. According to one version in the newspapers today, Mumm and Mrs. Barnes went about everywhere together during the last year and Mrs. Barnes believed Mumm was about to marry her. Differences arose and Mumm threatened to break off with her. Mumm, despite his wounds, was able to leave the house without assistance.

It appears from the police commissary's report that Mumm attacked the woman during a violent quarrel and kicked her face and neck. Whether he fired at her was not established, but she was injured so badly that four doctors were called by servants in the house. Later she was taken away in an automobile.

Paris, Dec. 14.—A sensation was caused here yesterday when it became known that Walter Mumm, a well known sportsman and member of a prominent family connected with the wine trade, had been shot Thursday night and seriously wounded by an American woman.

No arrest has been made and no charge has been preferred against anyone for the shooting. It is understood that the Mumm family desired to keep the matter from becoming known, but an investigation of the affair has been begun by the public prosecutor on an allegation by Mumm that his assailant was a wealthy American woman of social prominence. The woman, it is understood, left France yesterday. The Petit Parisien in its version of

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BATTLESHIP STEWARD IS GIVEN FIVE YEARS

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 14.—W. W. Dickey, commissary steward of the battleship Louisiana, around whom centered charges of graft and the scandal in the commissary of the Atlantic fleet, was found guilty today of "scandalous conduct" by the naval court martial, and sentenced to five years at hard labor.

Western Man Is Wanted.

Denver, Dec. 14.—A western man for secretary of the interior in the cabinet for President-elect Wilson is the object of a movement launched here by the Denver chamber of commerce. An appeal was sent out to all governors, state legislatures and commercial bodies west of the Missouri river to join the campaign. No individual candidate is named. The governors, legislatures and commercial bodies are urged to send delegates to a conference, the time and place to be decided later, to organize and outline the western campaign.

Billings Register Nominated.

Washington, Dec. 14.—Nominations sent to the senate today include Charles L. Harris to be register of the land office at Billings, Mont.

FEDERAL REGULATION OF LIQUOR TRAFFIC

Washington, Dec. 14.—Delegates by the governors of nearly all of the states are in Washington to attend the conference on federal regulation of the liquor traffic. The conference will assemble Monday and continue in session several days. The enactment of a federal statute to protect prohibition territory from interstate shipments of intoxicating liquors is the chief end sought by the supporters of the movement. As a result of the conference held here last year a bill for the federal regulation of the liquor traffic was agreed upon and presented to congress, but that body adjourned before the bill came up for passage. Extraordinary efforts will be made to have the measure again brought up and acted upon at the present session of congress.

EXISTING FRUIT RATES ARE HELD TO BE UNREASONABLE

The Interstate Commerce Commission Issues Sweeping Order Relating to Shipments From the West

Washington, Dec. 14.—The interstate commerce commission today held as unreasonable the existing rates on fruits and vegetables from Louisiana and Texas points, apples and other deciduous fruits from Oregon, Utah, Idaho and on citrus and deciduous fruits, canned goods and vegetables from California points to Crawford, Neb., and other middle western destinations. The commission ordered that an average of approximately 20 per cent reduction in rates, the reduced rates to be into effect for at least two years from Feb. 1 next.

NEW YORK SUFFRAGISTS WILL START MONDAY ON THE WALK TO ALBANY

New York, Dec. 14.—Woman suffragists of New York were invited today to attend the rally tomorrow at the headquarters of the New York State Woman Suffrage association in preparation for the proposed 140-mile walk to Albany to storm the capitol in favor of votes for women. How many women will start on the pilgrimage has not yet been determined. They will get away Monday morning and walk by easy stages and be about two weeks on the road. The message the suffragists will carry and deliver to Governor-elect Sulzer on the day he is sworn into office, is still being kept secret.

HIGH RECORD IN BANKING IN THE UNITED STATES

Statement Issued by Comptroller of the Currency Reflects the Condition of the Country.

Washington, Dec. 14.—Business in general as reflected in the condition of banks of the United States, has shared in the country's prosperity, according to Comptroller of the Currency Lawrence O. Murray, in his report today. The banking power of the nation, represented by capital, surplus, profits, deposits and circulation, reached during the year the enormous total of \$22,548,707,000, the high record, showing an increase of 5.69 per cent over 1911.

NO ACTION WILL BE TAKEN ON THE MORMON REQUEST

The United States Embassy Regards the Situation as One in Which it Cannot Interfere.

London, Dec. 14.—The United States embassy has taken no action in regard to the request of Mormon missionaries for intervention in their behalf with the authorities at Ipswich, where they have been refused police protection, at a meeting tomorrow. The matter is not considered one in which the embassy could interfere, as no formal complaint has been made and nothing shows that the police treated the Mormons differently from British subjects similarly situated.

Miss Harriman Is Injured.

New York, Dec. 14.—Miss Carol, daughter of the late E. H. Harriman, is wearing a plaster cast on her right foot as the result of a misstep in rehearsing a Scotch dance in which she was to have appeared at a charity function. She was seen to limp as she left the stage and an examination by a surgeon showed one of the toes to be broken.

BODIES OF REBELS ARE SEEN HANGING FROM THE TREES

Mexico City, Dec. 14.—The bodies of 60 rebels, hanging from trees were counted yesterday on the road from Las Cruces to Temascaltepec in the state of Mexico. This is one result of the campaign conducted against the rebels by Colonel Rivero. From the state of Mexico the rebels are making their way into the state of Morelos.

RULES FOR PARCELS POST PROMULGATED

Washington, Dec. 13.—According to regulations governing the parcels post system, perishable articles may be sent through the mails only under specific restrictions as to the contents and distance going. Butter, lard, fish, fresh berries, dressed fowls, vegetables, fruits, meats and similar articles may be sent short distances when securely packed. Eggs will be accepted for local delivery when packed properly and any distance when each egg is securely incased. Salted, dried and smoked meats may be shipped without restriction. Fragile articles must be securely packed and marked "Fragile."

Semi-Centennial of Battle of Fredericksburg Observed

Washington, Dec. 14.—Fifty years ago almost within sight of the national capital, was fought the great battle of Fredericksburg. The battle was one of the severest of the civil war and the resultant victory one of the most notable achieved by the arms of the confederacy.

Fredericksburg lies on the south bank of the Rappahannock river, 65 miles north of Richmond, and on the shortest railroad route to that city from Washington. Besides this fact, the vicinity of Aquia Creek, on the Potomac—furnishing an excellent base of supplies—made movement on Richmond by way of Fredericksburg more feasible than by any other route.

After the battle of Antietam, General McClellan, still in command of the army of the Potomac, occupied Harper's Ferry. After a delay of over a month, he crossed the Potomac in pursuit of General Lee, who rapidly retired to the Rappahannock. The town of Warrenton, about 50 miles southwest of the national capital, was the place selected by General McClellan for the concentration of his army.

campaign was changed. After reorganizing the army into three grand divisions, under Generals Hooker, Sumner and Franklin, General Burnside began the famous movement against Fredericksburg, the purpose being to cross the Rappahannock at the city and to crush the two wings of the confederate army in detail, as they were at that time fully two days' march apart.

By Nov. 19 General Burnside's army occupied the heights opposite Fredericksburg, but a delay of nearly a week was occasioned by the failure of the pontoon-train to arrive from Washington.

The confederate army had, however, been just as rapid in its movements and had already seized and fortified the heights behind Fredericksburg. General Burnside, noting the changed aspect of affairs, since the enemy was now combined, hurried to Washington and expressed doubt as to the advisability of attempting to cross the river, since General Lee's force had not been separated. He was urged, however, to go on, and returned to conduct the advance.

Order Given Dec. 11. It was not until Dec. 11, owing to the incessant rain, that General Burnside gave orders to cross the river at (Continued on Page Two)