

DDN'T AGREE YET ON SUBMARINES

ENGLAND'S PROPOSITION TO SCRAP ALL SUBS IS TURNED DOWN.

An American effort to compromise the submarine controversy failed of immediate success Saturday before the arms conference naval committee when Japan refused to accept a reduction of her submarines to 31,000 tons and French action was deferred pending advice from Paris.

When the committee adjourned after four hours debate to meet again Tuesday, the 27th, some members of the American group appeared discouraged over the prospect for any early agreement on submarines, although negotiations are to continue.

The American compromise plan, presented after the British effort for complete suppression of submarines had been shelved, proposed sixty thousand ton limitations for Great Britain and the United States instead of the original American figure of 90,000 tons each, and virtually a status quo for the other three powers.

The British delegation, failing to obtain favorable action on suppression of submarines, accepted the new reduction scheme. The French group indicated that it would be unacceptable, but deferred full answer pending Paris advice. Japan flatly held out for the full 54,000 tons in submarines under the original American "five-five-three" ratio plan. Italy accepted the compromise plan, conditioned on a submarine tonnage parity with France, the Italian delegates contending that 31,500 tons would be the correct limitation for both France and Italy.

The French delegation indicated that it would not oppose parity with Italy in submarines as well as capital ships but withheld approval of any tonnage limitation of less than the 90,000 ton figure suggested by French experts. Under a status quo, France would have about 42,000 tons in submarines.

The American group made it plain that while it had great sympathy for the British viewpoint in opposing all submarine warfare, it was inclined to agree with the American advisory committee that submarines were a legitimate weapon.

To induce agreement, the American delegation again offered as in the capital ship proposal, to make the greatest sacrifice in tonnage, American figures show a present submarine strength of 95,000 tons for the United States and 82,000 tons for Great Britain. Under the compromise plan the United States thus would scrap 35,000 tons and the British 22,000.

Winter Work on Minnesota Roads

MINNESOTA ROAD PROGRAM PROVIDES WINTER WORK FOR 8,500 MEN.

As the result of the nation-wide effort to do as much public work during the winter season as possible, Minnesota has informed the President's Conference on Unemployment of its winter highway program designed to relieve idleness and to spread needed betterments throughout the State. This is in line with Secretary Hoover's declaration that much outdoor construction can be done during the colder months if properly planned in advance, and follows the line laid down in Canada already, to relieve existing unemployment there.

Minnesota's outlay of \$2,500,000 calls for gravel surfacing, distribution of materials, rock crushing, and heavy excavating. Charles M. Babcock, State Highway Commissioner, wired today to Colonel Arthur Woods, Chairman, committee on Civic, Emergency Measures, that there will be jobs for 8,500 men. They will do 300 miles of graveling, 50 miles of grading and 50 miles of paving.

Sled hauling on frozen roads, said he in his telegram, "are big advantages, and competition is now keen for winter contracts. In fact, half of our program has been contracted for at 1917 prices."

In Canada, where the winters are more severe than they are in even the Northern portion of the United States, much outdoor winter work is done to relieve seasonal unemployment. Sewer work in rock, tunneling, deep excavating, heavy cuts, and fills concrete construction, and construction work in swampy sections, are among the other activities of the winter.

FAMINE SUFFERS IN RUSSIA: GET U.S. AID

The starving in the famine areas of the Volga were assured a belated Christmas present of \$20,000,000 in food stuffs and grain from Uncle Sam when the senate on Dec. 21st, agreed to the conference report on the relief measure without a record vote. The bill now goes to the president, who is expected to sign it. Much of the grain to be sent to starving Russia is to be purchased in Minnesota, North and South Dakota.

Mr. Geo. Laird went to Webster, where he spent Christmas after attending to business matters in the city for the past week.

Christy Mathewson Greatest Ball Player

Christopher Mathewson was born Aug. 12, 1880, at Factoryville, Pa. He grew to six feet one inch tall, and when in his prime weighed about 190.

Mathewson was educated at Keystone academy and Bucknell university.

During his college days he was an even greater football player than baseball.

While at Bucknell he was rated as the best punter and drop kicker in the eastern colleges.

Mathewson was secured by the New York club in 1900, but lacked experience and was sent to the Virginia League.

The Cincinnati club drafted him at the close of the season. New York again secured him in a trade for Amos Rusi.

In his first year as a major league pitcher, he made a remarkable showing, winning 20 and losing 16 games.

He remained with the New York club for 15 years, and during that time pitched more games than any other National League twirler has ever done.

In 13 of the 15 years he started as a National League pitcher, he succeeded in winning 20 or more games. A most remarkable record.

In only two years did he fall below the .500 mark percentage. In 1902 he won 13 and lost 18. In 1915 he won 8 and lost 14.

No pitcher ever had greater control. In the 629 games he pitched in the National League, he gave only on and three-tenths bases on balls per game.

His best year as to games won, was in 1908, when he won 37 and lost 11 for a percentage of .771. His best record was in 1909, when he won 25 and lost 6, for a mark of .806.

Mathewson pitched two no-hit games during his career. On July 15, 1901, against St. Louis, and June 13, 1905, against Chicago.

Winning 30 games is considered most extraordinary, yet Mathewson turned that trick in three consecutive seasons, 30 in 1903, 33 in 1904, and 31 in 1905.

His best world series performance was in 1904 against the Athletics. He pitched three shut-out games in as many starts.

In his first game he won 3 to 0, allowing only four hits, in his next start he won 9 to 0, allowing the same number of hits. In his third game he won 2 to 0, six hits being the portion of the Athletics.

Mathewson has pitched in four world series. In 1904 against the Athletics he won his three starts. In 1911 against the Athletics he won one and lost two games. In 1912 against the Boston Red Sox he was unable to win losing two and tying one game. Against the Athletics in 1913, he won one and lost one.

His record as a world series pitcher was five won, five lost and one tied.

CAPPER DEFENDS FARMERS' BLOC

KANSAS SENATOR SAYS GROUP GIVING COUNTRY GREAT SERVICE.

The agricultural bloc was defended in the Senate last week by Sen. Capper, Republican, Kansas, one of its leaders as "really giving the country a greater service at this time than any other group of men."

The Kansas Senator said the bloc was seeking no special class legislation, and had no desire to "hold up Congress or anybody else." Its program, he asserted, was directed toward bettering the general welfare of the country.

Mr. Capper, referring to newspaper and other criticism of the bloc's activities, said the critic who had most astonished the country was Secretary Weeks, who attacked the bloc in a recent address in New York.

"In a general attack upon a Congress whose achievements are considered somewhat epochal," continued the Kansas Senator, "not only did the Secretary of War find nothing good to say of any of the legislative measures enacted at the extra session in behalf of the farming industry and approved by the President but he condemned much of it as unsound economically, one must infer, because it was introduced by the farm bloc."

"It may be said, and I think it should be said, that the country as a whole, as well as the President and the Secretary of Agriculture, and many other persons competent to pass on such matters and to speak with authority, hold quite the contrary opinion of Mr. Weeks. Many of these have said that the best thing the last Congress did was to pass those desperately needed measures."

The Senator entered a plea for the East and West to get together on what he said would be common ground, declaring that the interests of agriculture should be the interests of the industrial and financial sections, "for all are equally and vitally concerned since when agriculture is sick, business invariably will be found ailing."

Miss Julia Johnson left Wednesday night to spend her vacation at her home in Evansville, Minn.

PENNEY GIVES XMAS BONUSES

RECOGNITION OF FAITHFUL EFFICIENT SERVICE DURING YEAR.

Old Kris Kringle arrived on Christmas morning, with some substantial checks for the saleswomen and other women employees of the J. C. Penney Company.

They represented a bonus which this popular department store presented to its women employees in recognition of their faithful and efficient services during the past year.

All the women in the entire 312 J. C. Penney Company stores, comprising this Nation-wide institution, on Christmas, participated in a like evidence of the appreciation of the organization.

For the men employees there always is the opportunity to qualify for managers of new stores which the company is opening and to eventually become co-partners in the business. Thus their reward is well looked after.

The officials of the J. C. Penney Company frankly acknowledge that the success of their business is largely due to the loyalty and conscientious services of the women in the stores, many of whom have passed a number of years with their respective organizations.

This division of profits with employees is another evidence of the fact that the J. C. Penney Company is in fact, conducting all its business in accordance with the Golden Rule—those who help it, in turn, are being helped.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Dahlstrom of Starkweather were shoppers in the city Wednesday.

Miss Mary Walter, who is attending St. Catherine's college is home for the holidays.

Mr. Peterson of the State Band of Penn visited in Devils Lake Wednesday.

CHURCHES

St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Seventh & Uline Ave. Rev. E. J. Moede, Pastor.

Sylvester Ave. 8:00 p.m.—English Services. New Year's Eve.

10:30 A.M.—English Services, 11:30 A.M.—Sunday School.

METHODIST-EPISCOPAL Fourth St. and Hill Ave. 11:00 a. m., Public Worship.

12:00 noon, Sunday School. 6:30 p. m., Epworth League. 7:30 p. m., Public Worship.

Rev. Benjamin Babcock, Pastor.

BETHEL EV. FREE CHURCH Corner of Uline Avenue and Second Street

11:00 a. m., Morning Services in Norwegian. 12:00 Noon, Sunday School.

8:00 p. m., Evening Services in English. Wednesday evening, Prayer Meeting.

—Carl Fosmark, Pastor.

CATHOLIC Low Mass at 8:00 and 9:00 a. m. High Mass at 10:30 with English sermon.

—Father Edwards, Priest.

CHURCH OF THE ADVENT Cor. Hill Ave. and Sixth St. Second Sunday after Epiphany.

10:00 a. m., Church School. 11:00 a. m., Morning Prayer and Sermon.

—H. G. Walker, Rector.

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST SCIENTIST Kelly Ave., between 6th and 7th Streets

Services: Sunday morning, 11 a. m. Sunday School, 12:00 noon. Services: Wednesday evening 8:00. Reading room is open Monday, Wednesday and Saturday from 2:00 to 4:00 p. m.

SALVATION ARMY Monday—Coredette Class. Tuesday—Soldiers Meeting. Wednesday—Girl Guards. Thursday—Public Meeting. Saturday—Public Meeting.

Sunday—2:30 p. m., Sunday School. 6:30 Y. F. L. Meeting. Regular meeting at 8 o'clock.

Adjutant Ross Kirohner, officer in charge, and Lieutenant Marie Stebbens, assistant.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Farrington and 5th Streets 10:00 a. m., Delta Alpha Class. All young women are invited to come.

10:45 a. m., Meeting of the Session. 11:00 a. m., Morning Worship. 12:15 p. m., the Sunday School. 6:30 p. m., Y. P. S. C. E. 7:30 p. m., Evening Service.

—Rev. P. H. Case, Pastor.

ST. OLAF'S LUTHERAN 11 a. m., Norwegian Service. 12:00 noon, Sunday School. 6:00 p. m., Luther League. 7:45 p. m., English Service.

—Geo. O. Loftman, Pastor.

The Story of Our States

By JONATHAN BRACE XXXIII—OREGON



IT WAS the Spanish who laid claim to the discovery of our Pacific coast. In 1543 Perello possibly sailed as far North as the Oregon boundary. In 1579 Sir Francis Drake explored for England the coast considerably north of this. Other Spaniards made further explorations and Captain Cook, the English navigator, in 1783 landed at Nootka Sound and gave it its name. Thus both Spain and England laid claim to this region.

The American rights to this territory were based on the discovery of the Columbia river in 1792 by Captain Robert Gray, who sailed from Boston in the ship Columbia to open up fur trade. Many American fur traders followed and in 1811 John Jacob Astor, the head of the Pacific Fur company, established a settlement called Astoria at the mouth of the Columbia.

The real opening of the Northwest was the result of the famous Lewis and Clark expedition. By 1843 a decided flow of emigrants from the East travelled over the Oregon Trail from Kansas City to the Columbia river, and thus into Oregon. The trip over this route occupied about three months and the settlers generally travelled in large parties to withstand any possible attacks from Indians.

American settlers became so numerous that the United States actively laid claim to this region. Spain had been forced to withdraw any rights she may have had when Florida was ceded in 1819. This left England and America quarrelling over this section of the country. Final settlement, with definite boundaries between the United States and Canada, was made in 1846.

The Oregon territory was formed in 1848 and the State of Oregon was taken into the Union in 1859 with an area of 96,639 square miles. (By McClure Newspaper Syndicate.)

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