

SEVEN DAYS OF NEWS THE WORLD OVER

Peace Notes.

As a result of the conference between Secretary Hughes, Mr. Balfour and Admiral Baron Kato, at which the naval question was thoroughly canvassed in the light of the Japanese reservations, the greatest confidence was expressed in authoritative Japanese circles that an accord eventually would be reached.

Informal "conversations" between leading members of the various delegations attending the armament conference, are providing the most effective way of getting results, and to this method of assuring a "meeting of minds" is being ascribed credit for much of the success which has been gained by the conference thus far.

The British admiralty announced recently that it had ordered the cessation of all work on the four battle ships of the super-hood type. The shipbuilding firms were notified not to incur any further liabilities on new naval construction until further notice from the admiralty.

China is opposed to the renewal of the Anglo-Japanese alliance, and also desires the nullification of the Lansing-Ishii agreement, it was stated authoritatively the other day at the headquarters of the Chinese delegation to the Washington conference.

Discussion of the Far Eastern problems, which for the moment are in the foreground of the arms conference, were advanced by the "Big Nine" to the point of an agreement that a general exchange of views on China's program should precede any consideration of specific points.

The allied reparations commission, which arrived in Berlin from Paris recently seeking first hand information, notified the German government that the allies insist that January and February payments on the indemnity be paid as ordered.

The Washington conference has turned to consideration of Far Eastern questions with almost the same momentum with which it tackled the question of naval armaments. It was the Chinese delegates who led the way this time. In brief, China desires guarantees for her territorial integrity and political and administrative independence.

Instructions forwarded to Admiral Kato by the Japanese government at Tokio are reported to call for several material changes in the American proposal for reduction of naval armament.

Washington.

Postmaster General Hays, in communications just sent out, urged postmasters to begin preparations for the Christmas rush. He suggested the possible use of school buildings as distributing centers for Christmas mail, and granted permission to postmasters to offer the public facilities for wrapping and tying packages during the rush.

Approval of advances aggregating more than 3½ million dollars for export, agricultural and livestock financing, was announced recently by the war finance corporation.

The senate amendment proposing to increase the maximum inheritance tax rate from the present 25 per cent on estates valued at 10 million dollars or more, to 50 per cent on those of 100 million dollars or more, has been knocked out of the tax revision bill by house and senate conferees.

A protest against the refusal of eastern and western railway systems to follow up their reductions on steel and iron products to north Atlantic ports, by concurring in similar reductions to southern ports, has been filed with the interstate commerce commission by eleven United States senators from the Middle West.

Eggs, Secretary Davis says, are "going sky high," and, likewise, turkey. These two commodities, contrary to the general trend of foodstuff prices, are being boosted prior to holiday demands. Mr. Davis asserted, by the cupidly and short-sightedness of the storage warehouse people.

Domestic.

Roy Gardner, who was captured by Herman F. Inderlied, a mail clerk, in a mail car at the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe railway station at Phoenix, Ariz., will not be tried for the attempt to rob that car, but will be sent to Leavenworth, Kas., to finish serving sentences which were hanging over him when he escaped from the federal prison at McNeil Island, Wash.

A demonstration of persons opposed to the Porto Rican administration of Gov. E. Mont Rely was broken up by New York police reserves when the governor landed from the steamer Tanamou. Banners carried in the crowd referred to the governor as an "autocrat," to Porto Rico as "America's Ireland" and to the Rely administration as "mongrel rule."

Representatives of twenty religious bodies have just met in New York and determined to call a world conference on faith and order in Stockholm, Sweden, in 1924. It is stated that one purpose in deciding upon Stockholm is a concession to the great Lutheran bodies, and especially to such as retain the episcopate.

Radical changes in the rules of the grain exchanges to comply with the Capper-Tincher act are being prepared, it was announced, following a meeting of representatives of leading exchanges of the country recently before Chester C. Morrill, assistant secretary of agriculture.

Will Turner, negro, charged with an attack on a young white woman at Helena, Ark., was taken by a mob from a sheriff's posse while being removed to Marianna for safe keeping, and after being shot to death, his body was burned in the city park.

Twenty-five persons were injured. Two of them probably fatally, in Chicago the other morning when two 5-car elevated trains, loop bound from Oak Park, were wrecked in a rear-end collision at the Crawford avenue station.

Property damage, estimated at \$10,000, was caused by a tornado which struck about five miles east of Marshall, Tex., the other day. So far as could be learned, no one was injured.

Southwest.

After eleven hours of deliberation, the jury trying Frank Stout, taxi driver, charged with the murder of Clyde Walpo, a young farmer whose body was found under a culvert near Emporia, Kas., declared it could not reach an agreement and was dismissed by Judge W. C. Harris.

Twelve persons were killed, thirty or more injured and considerable property damage done by two tornadoes which struck in widely separated parts of Arkansas the other night. One storm near Mena, in the extreme western part of the state, wiped out a family of eight persons.

C. M. Cureton, attorney general of Texas, has accepted appointment as chief justice of the supreme court of the state, succeeding Justice Nelson Phillips, resigned.

The Oklahoma corporation commission has sent a telegram to the interstate commerce commission protesting against the omission of cotton seed oil and cotton seed meal from the list of farm products in the proposed reduction of freight rates.

Lee Pitts, negro, was whipped by masked white men at Amarillo, Tex., five minutes after being liberated from the county jail. The negro was arrested for alleged relations with a white woman, to which he pleaded guilty.

Foreign.

A sharp outbreak of rioting by rival factions in the Seaford district of East Belfast occurred recently. Detachments of police were hurried to the scene and machine guns were used against the rioters. There were several casualties.

Wilhelm Frythropol, former German minister to Salvador, has arrived to assume his new post of minister to Panama and the Federation of Central American Republics. He will present his credentials shortly.

Six more deaths and scores of wounded have resulted from renewed fierce rioting at Bombay, India., the initial outbreak of which featured the arrival of the Prince of Wales for his tour of India.

Thirteen Mexican revolutionists were killed recently in a battle and four more were executed after a summary issued courtmartial near Algaones, twenty miles west of Mexicali, capital of the northern district of Lower California.

The heavy run on all the Chinese banks continues. All efforts by the officials and the foreign banks failed to induce Sir Francis A. Aglen, inspector general of the imperial maritime customs, to release the 14 million taels trust fund to save the situation.

The steamer Maria Luisa, fifty-four tons, founded off the Zombales Coast, near the entrance to Manila Bay, and fifty persons are missing. Rescuers saved eighty-six passengers and members of the crew. It is believed that all the missing are Filipinos.

THINK IT OVER

Are you going to stay home all winter, or will you seek the comforts and benefits which the delightful, semi-tropical climate of the South affords.

Geographically, the South is not as far away as it seems, but climatically (in winter) it is about as far away as it could be—and in the right direction, too—for balmy breezes, sunny skies, moonlit bays, tropical flowers and foliage are the order of the day in the winter time in the Southland.

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