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SEEKS TO LAND WORLD'S TRADE

Bank Of England Made Correspondent By Reserve Board

Gold Withdrawal Prevented By U. S. Change Of Policy

Washington, Dec. 25.—The federal reserve board, looking to the establishment of financial connections abroad through which it hopes to strengthen the position of the United States as a world banker and to maintain the American dollar as the standard of exchange, took its first step.

Under a section of the federal reserve act, the board authorized the appointment of the Bank of England as a foreign correspondent of the federal reserve bank of New York and announced that the eleven other reserve banks might participate in the agency relations.

Connections with other foreign governmental institutions such as the Bank of France, is foreshadowed, officials say, by the action. The Bank of England is the first foreign correspondent whose appointment has been authorized since the operation of the new financial system in this country.

Board's Statement.
In its statement announcing the action, the board said: "The federal reserve board has authorized the federal reserve bank of New York to appoint as one of its foreign correspondents and agents the Bank of London-England, under the terms of the federal reserve act. Section fourteen of the act permits any federal reserve bank with the consent of the federal reserve board to open and maintain banking accounts in foreign countries, appoint correspondents and establish agencies in such countries wherever it may deem best for the purpose of purchasing, selling and collecting bills of exchange and to buy and sell with or without its indorsement through such correspondents or agencies bills of exchange arising out of actual commercial transactions, so that a broad field of operations is possible under it."

DEMAND STRONG FOR NEW ARMY SYSTEM

Advocates of Compulsory Service Want Congress to Act.

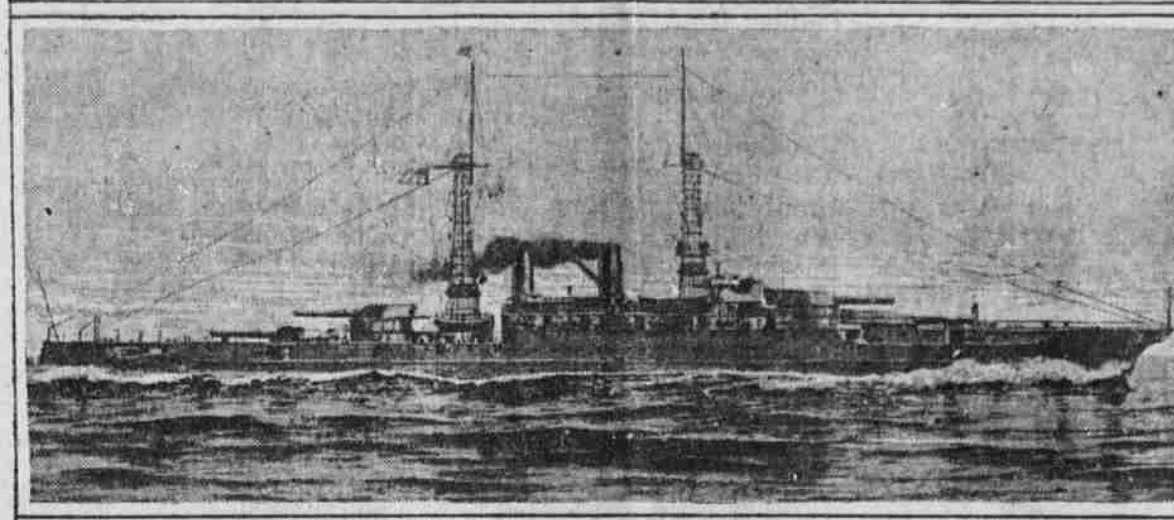
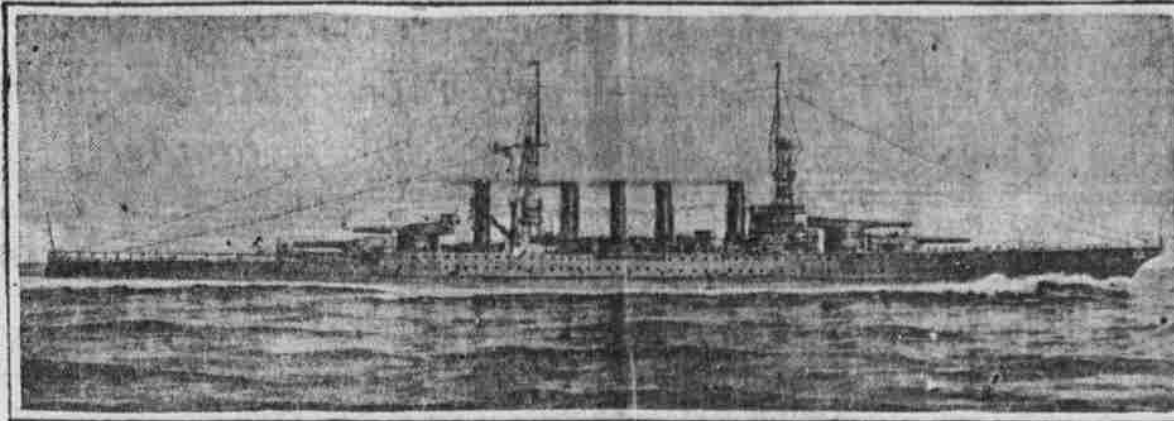
Washington, Dec. 25.—Now that it is certain the administration will be compelled to retain 75,000 national guardsmen on the border probably for months to come, a general demand for a "way out" is pouring in on the White House, the war department and congress.

The situation is admittedly serious. Most of these guardsmen want to come home. The officials at the war department admit that Mexican border service, instead of having aided the military service, has "shot it full of holes."

As a result, the advocates of some sort of compulsory military service now are outspoken and they include nearly every high ranking officer in this city.

It was said officially today that after congress resumes its sessions next week the general agitation to have it adopt some concrete plan to meet the needs of the army will come to a head. All existing preparedness laws, so far as the army is concerned, are admittedly failures. The army heads and all of the various civilian preparedness organizations realize this and a concerted movement to secure support for one broad gauge plan will be worked out here in a series of conferences which will commence next month.

GIGANTIC PROJECTED AMERICAN WARSHIPS WILL OUTCLASS WORLD'S GREATEST VESSELS



UPPER—U.S. BATTLE CRUISERS NOS 1164. LOWER—U.S. BATTLESHIP COLORADO AND CLASS

To permit the people of the United States to see what the projected battle cruisers of their navy will look like and to show the features of the new battleships of the Colorado class, the secretary of the navy has had prepared the accompanying drawings of the new vessels.

With the picture of the battle cruiser (upper picture) is shown that of the new projected battleship of the Colorado, Maryland, West Virginia and Washington. They will be vessels of 32,600 tons, with twenty-one knots speed and carrying eight sixteen-inch

guns each. There will be twenty-two smaller guns besides four anti-aircraft guns and torpedo tubes. Big as these ships will be they will be outclassed by the three still never built battleships already authorized the ships of the Nos. 49, 50 and 51 class.

BAKER TO INVESTIGATE ALLEGED ROUND ROBIN

Washington, Dec. 25.—"Because Secretary of War Baker has assured me he will make an investigation of the treatment accorded Ohio troops on the border, particularly the Eighth Ohio, I shall do nothing about the story which reached Washington until I hear from him."

This statement was made by Senator Harding of Ohio, who presented Governor Willis' protest to Secretary Baker when he read the report that the originator of the round robin signed by many Ohio guardsmen on the Mexican border, is to be court martialed.

"It would be very discourteous," said Senator Harding, "for me to take any further action at this time, and I propose to wait until I hear from

Secretary Baker as to whether the treatment accorded the Ohio troops has been proper.

It had been announced by General Bell, commander at El Paso, that Private Richard Dickson, who circulated the protest letter, would be subjected to general court martial.

Kaiser's Christmas Greeting.
London, Dec. 25.—A dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph from Amsterdam says Emperor William sent the following Christmas greetings to all the German armies and to Germans at home: "Honor to God above, peace on earth and to man, happiness, God bless the third war Christmas of all those away in the field and to those at home in our dear fatherland."

TO FLUSH STREETS OF PHOENIX WITH BOOZE

Phoenix, Ariz., Dec. 25.—One thousand gallons of contraband liquor taken from bootleggers since Arizona went dry two years ago will be poured into motor sprinkling trucks belonging to the city of Phoenix and will be used to flush the city streets on Wednesday.

Under the prohibition amendment enacted two years ago no provision was made for the destruction of liquor seized, but a bone dry amendment was enacted by the people in the November election and provides

for the destruction of liquor wherever found.

Deputy sheriffs will ride on the booze filled water wagon to prevent thirsty citizens from catching the contents in pitchers or buckets.

Willis to Practice Law.
Columbus, Dec. 25.—That Governor Frank Willis, upon his retirement, will form a law partnership at Delaware with former Adjutant General Benson W. Houga, is rumored at the state house.

SUICIDE USES ARTIST XMAS CORD EXPIRES

Duluth, Minn., Dec. 25.—With a cord taken from another man's Christmas package, Gust Nelson, aged 55, hanged himself in the lobby of a hotel here while five men stood by waiting for the police to arrive. Nelson is said to have been depressed because he was alone on Christmas and without fund.

Cincinnati, O., Dec. 25.—Henry F. Farney, seventy-one, widely known author and painter, died here in a hospital. He had been ill for several weeks of ailments incident to advancing age. Mr. Farney won world-wide recognition as an artist of unusual merit by his paintings of famous Indian chiefs.

NO LET UP OF WAR IN ROUMANIA

German Armies Continue to Gain Ground.

TEUTONS ATTACK BRIDGEHEAD

Not Much Fighting Characterized the Third Christmas of the European War on the British and French Fronts—Incomplete Reports Show Many Prisoners Taken and Much Ammunition Lost by Turks.

London, Dec. 25.—The Third Christmas of the European war passed without much fighting on the British and French fronts, where virtually only the artillery was active and the men were feasted and entertained as far as was compatible with steamer business of war.

Roumania's first Christmas as a participant in the war witnessed heavy fighting on the Roumanian front. Ground was yielded by the Roumanians at some points under the pressure of the Germans and north of the Buzeu-Rimnik road a height was lost by the Roumanians.

In the northwest corner of Dobruja province, the sector to which the Russo-Roumanian retreat has taken them, the army of Field Marshal Von Mackensen has begun to attack the bridgehead of Matchin, after Isakische on the eastern bank of the Danube, was captured. In addition to announcing evacuation of Isakische, the Russians admit the occupation of Tul-tcha.

British mounted troops, with the co-operation of aircraft, carried a strong position at Maschaba, twenty miles distant from Kharish, which was captured on Thursday.

Incomplete reports, say the statements from London, show that 1,130 prisoners were captured and a large quantity of arms and war material taken.

POPE'S PLEA FOR PEACE

Refers to Message of Bethlehem at Christmas Reception.

Rome, Dec. 25.—Pope Benedict made a plea for peace in his address at the Christmas reception to the sacred college. Referring to the message of Bethlehem the pope said that good will amongst men was the essential condition toward obtaining "that just and durable peace which must put an end to the horrors of the present war."

The pope urged those in power to bear the voice of the sacred college appealing to them to arrest the destruction of the peoples and to open their ears to the admonition of "the Father of the Christian family seeking to pave the way to justice and peace."

OHIO HAPPENINGS

Hotel Clerks Meet.

Cleveland, Dec. 25.—A three-day convention of the Ohio Hotel Clerks' association began in Cleveland today, attended by hotel clerks from every part of the state. The executive board comprises Walter McDonald, Columbus, president; H. D. Chadwick, Somerset, secretary; F. M. Hopkins, Fostoria, and R. A. McCarthy of Cleveland. The convention opened with a business session and will close Wednesday night with a ball.

Moon Eclipse Coming.

Columbus, Dec. 25.—The observatory at the Ohio State university announces that there will be a total eclipse of the moon in the morning of Jan. 8. The moon is nearly full on the evening of the seventh. The eclipse begins just before 1 o'clock and will last until 2:29.

Quarrelled Over Presents.

Elyria, O., Dec. 25.—Henry Gater is in Memorial hospital with part of his jaw torn away with a bullet wound and his wife Flora is in jail, charged with the shooting. They quarrelled over who received more and the better Christmas presents.

Two Killed by Train.

East Liverpool, O., Dec. 25.—John G. Badley, twenty-two, and his brother-in-law, Frank Sampermeec, aged twelve, were killed by a Pennsylvania train which struck the buggy in which they were riding near Salem.

Father and Son Killed.

Elyria, O., Dec. 25.—James Sheley, forty, and his son, William Sheley, fourteen, were killed instantly when a speeder on which they were riding was struck by a Baltimore & Ohio passenger train near here.

Three Killed by Explosion.

Des Moines, Ia., Dec. 25.—John Nelson, his Faaborg and Christina Faaborg were killed, and thirteen persons were injured, three probably fatally when a gas plant in the Faaborg home near Kimballton, Ia., exploded.

Coal Famine in Chicago.

Chicago, Dec. 25.—With Chicago on the verge of the worst fuel famine in its history, Chicago railroads united with the coal dealers to make every effort to relieve the situation, which is becoming still more desperate. In many of the mines in Southern Illinois work has been ceased entirely because of a lack of cars.

Symptoms of It.

"Is there any insanity in Billy's family?"
"They all speak highly of Billy!"
Puck.

WALTER HUME LONG

Secretary of State For Colonies in New British Cabinet.

Killed by a Train.

Columbus, Dec. 25.—Found unconscious and badly mangled along the Hocking Valley railroad tracks, Arthur Weimer, twenty-four, laborer, died shortly after he had been taken to a hospital. One leg had been severed, the other crushed, and he sustained internal injuries. Weimer was unmarried. His father, Riley Weimer, lives at Springfield.

THE POT IS SIMMERING

Politics Loom To Fore At Columbus

Claim Hopple Will Be Next Speaker of House.

CONTEST LIKELY IN SENATE

Senator Lloyd of Franklin County said to have inside track for President Pro Tem—Vollenweider of Vinton County appears to have little opposition for Minority Leader in Upper House.

Columbus, Dec. 25.—This week Columbus will witness considerable political activity. The Republican state central committee meets Thursday and both Democratic and Republican parties will hold legislative caucuses Saturday.

Democratic house members practically concede the selection of E. J. Hopple, Cleveland, minority floor leader in the last senate, for the speakership. This will be the first time in several sessions for this position to go to a city member. Equally certain is Judge John R. Cassidy of Bellefontaine of being elected clerk of the house the office he held under the former Cox administration. W. W. Stokes of Dayton apparently will be speaker pro tem and majority floor leader.

In the Democratic senate caucus there will be more of a contest. The presidency pro tem and majority floor leadership may go to Senator E. C. Lloyd of Franklin county if he decides to become an active candidate. Other positive candidates are Lewis F. White of Sandusky county and J. H. Miller of Licking county.

W. H. Pealer of Richland county is believed to have good chances of capturing the clerkship of the senate. His rivals are Dwight L. Wachtette of Greenview, Ray Kennedy of Bluffton, Floyd Atwill, assistant clerk of the supreme court; Samuel J. Black of Upper Sandusky, and William Belme of Bryan.

Senator Otto E. Vollenweider of Vinton county appears to have little opposition for minority floor leader in the upper house, and Frank H. Reighard, Fulton county, present chairman of the house finance committee, is touted for the minority floor leadership of the lower house.

The Republican state central committee will meet Thursday to hear the report of the advisory committee of nine to the effect that a larger advisory committee, composed of twenty-five members, should be appointed.

Friends of Colonel Frederick Blenker, aged eighty, for sixty years third assistant sergeant-at-arms in the house of representatives, have started a movement to elect him honorary life sergeant-at-arms with freedom of the floor.

KILLS HIS STEPBROTHER

Miles, O., Dec. 25.—While the members of his family were eating their Christmas dinner, Samuel De Augustine, sixteen, shot and instantly killed his stepbrother, Samuel Flora, aged twenty-one, here. The two engaged in a heated argument. The latter claimed the former had abused his mother.

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