

MOFFATT TUNNEL PIERCES GREAT DIVIDE

COOLIDGE HOLDING NEW ARMS PLAN AGAINST REFUSAL

Prepares to Meet Rejection by France or Other Nations.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—President Coolidge has a second disarmament plan ready if France or other nations defeat his present proposal.

He will not insist on the five-power pact limiting auxiliary naval craft, suggested in his memorandum to Great Britain, France, Japan, and Italy, though he will support it so long as there is hope.

The reserve proposal calls for a three-power treaty with Great Britain and Japan limiting cruisers, destroyers and submarines, to the present 5-5-3 ratio on capital ships, the United Press learned today.

Coolidge has good reason to believe the second plan would succeed—at least with certain British reservations providing periodic tonnage revision, because of French nonadherence to the pact.

OLD-TIMERS TELL OF 'ABE' LINCOLN

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he laughed. He is commander of the George Thomas Post 17 G. A. R., and is not only a Civil War veteran, but also the son of one. His father, Wesley M. Gainey, fought in some of the same battles with him. Gainey first saw Lincoln December, 1862.

First Glimpse

"That was when Lincoln reviewed the Army of the Potomac at Falmouth, Va., across the river from Fredericksburg," said Gainey. "I had been in the army only a few months, having joined shortly after my fifteenth birthday anniversary. At the time the rebels were occupying Fredericksburg, and my boyish brain was full of patriotic excitement. One morning they lined us up for review and we traveled down the line that Gen. A. E. Burnside, his staff of perhaps 100 officers and President Abraham Lincoln would appear.

"Presently they came into view, traveling slowly down the lines, all on horseback. Lincoln rode a bay, and somehow looked big and awkward on his mount, and I remember I was unimpressed."

"Three years later the man had loomed so large in my thought that being in Washington in March, 1865, about three weeks before his assassination, I made a number of attempts to see Lincoln, and succeeded in doing so twice.

"My father was lying in a Washington hospital, recovering from bullet wounds received in the Battle of the Wilderness, and I, waiting to take him home, visited many places in the capital city. I remember of attending a play in Ford's Theater, where, as you know, Lincoln received his mortal wound.

Heard Sad News

"The play I saw was the one just preceding 'My Cousin,' which Lincoln was attending when shot. Afterward, when news of his assassination came to me, I had a particularly vivid mental picture of the tragedy."

"Upon both occasions when I saw Lincoln in Washington he was standing, informally chatting with visitors in the White House. I was then 18, but still possessed of a boy's self consciousness, and I did not approach him or try to shake his hand. I was satisfied to just look at him, and it seemed to me he had gained enormously in impressive dignity since the first time I saw him. A fortnight later, when I had returned to my home town and word came of his death, I simply couldn't reconcile the news with that strong, vivid face I had so recently seen."

At Same Table

W. D. Wilson, 1054 Congress Ave., also an octogenarian, a Statehouse policeman, was but 10 years old when Lincoln took supper at the home of Wilson's father, Dr. William H. Wilson, at Westminster, Ill. "Lincoln was in town to engage in a debate with Stephen A. Douglas, in their campaign for the Senate," said Wilson. "I sat at the same table with them and listened to their conversation relative to this, but, like so many others, I was not impressed with Lincoln's long, lanky appearance. 'Why, Mother, that man looked just like a farmer.' I remember of telling my mother. He meant more to me later, when I enlisted, March, '62."

Col. Oran Perry, superintendent of the Soldiers and Sailors Monument, living at 1220 Central Ave., is one of the few old men who shook hands with Lincoln, and had conversation with him. This was when Perry was a soldier near Darnestown, Md. Perry was under the command of Colonel Hackleman, of the 16th Ind., and Lincoln, who was a personal friend of Hackleman and designated him as "my best friend in Indiana," seemed especially interested in discussing the colonel with Perry.

Emotions Boil

This was in October, '61. "I hurried back to camp to tell the colonel all about it," remarked Perry. "My emotions were at the boiling point. I had heard adverse partisan press criticisms of Lincoln's appearance and I was anxious to report. 'Why, Colonel, that ape story is all a lie, for Lincoln has the best face I have ever seen on a man.'"

If a wagon hadn't broken down on a muddy road, Mrs. Mah Romaine, 82, living at 414 St. Clair St., might have seen Lincoln. "I was but a young girl and the

Many Reservations to Hear Reed



Interest in the speech of Senator James A. Reed of Missouri before the Indiana Democratic Editorial Association Tuesday evening is shown by the large number of reservations already made.

"It is unfortunate that we have had to limit the number to 600, as there is every prospect that more than twice this number will apply," said Marshall Williams, secretary of the Democratic committee, who is in charge of the ticket sales.

The dinner will be held in the Riley room at the Claypool at 6 p. m.

Thomas McCullough of the Anderson Bulletin, president of the editorial association, will deliver the address of welcome. Brief talks will be made by Mrs. A. P. Flynn, Logansport, vice chairman of the Democratic State committee; Charles E. Greathouse, national executive committee member from Indiana; Mrs. James R. Riggs, Sullivan, Indiana's woman member of the national executive committee, and State Chairman R. Earl Peters.

occasion was a Lincoln rally," remarked Mrs. Romaine. "There was a whole wagon load of us girls and although we were disappointed when one side of the wagon broke down and we couldn't get to the rally, I certainly didn't realize then how important an occasion it was missing."

Maj. D. I. McCormick, superintendent of the flags at the Statehouse, is another octogenarian, who has memories of, but did not see Lincoln. "I can remember how important it seemed that my father was to be awarded a picture of Lincoln," remarked McCormick. "A number were given out to those contributing money for sanitary supplies during the war. My brother in Oklahoma still has the picture."

LEAGUE DISAVOWS ACTION IN CHINA

Declares Pekin Regime Still Recognized.

GENEVA, Feb. 12.—League of Nations officials today denied reports published in London that the league was seeking to establish liaison with the Cantonese Nationalist government in China.

The League Assembly, it was explained, recognized the "shadow government" at Pekin that elected its representative to league membership. Until a majority of the assembly officially recognized the Cantonese, the United Press was informed that it would be impossible for the league officially to recognize the existence of the South China government.

BRITISH TROOPS ARRIVE

Three Hundred American Marines Already at Shanghai.

SHANGHAI, Feb. 12.—The first contingent of British troops dispatched because of fear of the British government that lives and property in the international settlement were menaced, arrived at dawn today. A force of 300 American Marines already was here when the British arrived.

Reports from the south today said the Cantonese Nationalists, who hope to capture Shanghai, had suffered a reversal in battle with Sun Chuan-fang, Chinese defender of Shanghai.

Practically all varieties of medicinal plants and herbs grow in Jugoslavia, which country exports them extensively.



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SIX NEW SLEUTHS ASSIGNED TO AID VICE 'CLEAN-UP'

Sergeants in 'Civies' to Watch for Gambling, Liquor Violations.

Police Chief Claude F. Johnson today assigned six new sergeants to plain clothes duty in the downtown section between noon and midnight and warned gamblers and bootleggers they might as well pack up and leave town.

Johnson declared war on gamblers and rum sellers Monday and police raiding parties have been busy each night this week.

"Every possible move to thwart the police in the clean-up will be met," Johnson said. "If the gamblers take out a charter for a club we have plenty of men who will join the club. They might just as well close the doors and move out, for the city is going to be 'illy white,' clean of gambling and illicit liquor. "Booze handlers will be given so much attention that even if they bar the doors and dump the evidence before our men get in so much profit will go into the sewer that business will be unprofitable."

Police squads will carry tools to open catch basins under sinks and save for evidence any liquor dumped into sinks, he said.

Lieutenant Claffey, Sergeant Barge and Patrolman Curran raided the home of Vencil Batke, 1017 N. Warren Ave., Friday night and found a still and three gallons of whiskey, they said. Batke was charged.

A set of dominoes and \$125 was seized in a raid of the cigar store of James Clones, 29 Kentucky Ave., who was charged with keeping a gambling house. Ten men in the place were charged with gambling.

ASK BOXING BOARD IN NEW MEASURE

Commission Law Would Aid Indiana Colleges.

Anticipated revenues of at least \$100,000 annually would be added to the coffers of institutions of higher learning in Indiana if a boxing bill to be introduced soon in the House of Representatives is favored.

The bill provides for the creation of a State boxing commission of three members. They will receive \$10 per day, when functioning. A full time secretary will be employed, whose salary will be set by the budget committee. Total annual expenses of the commission are not to exceed \$10,000. All matches will be under their supervision and they will collect 10 per cent of the gross receipts. Surplus over expenses will go to State universities and normal schools.

Reciprocal relations with other boxing commissions will be established and where a fighter is barred, disqualified or suspended in other States he will not be allowed to enter the ring in Indiana.

American Legion reports that the State are endorsing the measure.

In Peru a private company operates the postal system under contract with the government.

Develope Legal Ideas



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MISSING CARETAKER IS SOUGHT IN TORSO MURDER AT SOUTH BEND



Above: The bank of the St. Joseph River below South Bend, where the headless torso was found. Below: Left to right, William Rupert, Frank Dolde and Earl Ruppe, South Bend city firemen who discovered the body.

EYE - WITNESS RECALLS SHOOTING OF LINCOLN

Woman, 98, Inmate of Charitable Institution, Was at Theater When Fatal Bullet Was Fired.

DENVER, Colo., Feb. 12.—An eye-witness to the shooting of Abraham Lincoln in the Ford Theater in Washington on the night of April 14, 1865, told the United Press today, on the 11th birthday of the Civil War President, of how she watched John Wilkes Booth sneak up to the President's box and fire the fatal shot.

"I went to the theater that night with a Mr. Coombs, a bank inspector," related Mrs. Luther E. L. Deothe, 98, who is in a charitable institution here. "Our seats were in the parquet, right below the box in which Mr. Lincoln sat. The house was packed."

"I couldn't keep my eyes on the stage. I was a worshiper of the President, and I was looking at him when I saw Booth enter the box. I recognized him, as I had often seen him hang around in front of the Kirkwood Hotel with some other worthless, third-rate actors."

"The house was rather dark and I doubt if anybody else saw Booth approach the President, or recog-

Moon Defense by Lincoln Related

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Feb. 12.—An interesting letter in connection with Abraham Lincoln's defense of "Uncle Armstrong," in the now famous Armstrong murder trial, was unearthed today—the 11th anniversary of Lincoln's birth—by the archives division of the Secretary of State's office.

The letter was written by William H. Norris, convicted of the murder of which Lincoln's client was acquitted. Lincoln succeeded in discrediting testimony of Charles Allen, chief prosecution witness.

Allen testified he saw Armstrong strike the blow that killed Preston Metzger. He said the moon was shining brightly immediately overhead. Lincoln produced an almanac to show the moon was on the western horizon. This resulted in Armstrong's acquittal.

DEATH TO COMPETITORS

Butcher Slays Two Rivals in Business—Neighbors Terrorized.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Feb. 12.—Harry Gordon, 34, a rivalry-crazed butcher, killed two of his competitors, seriously wounded another and injured a fourth and so frightened the community that many people darkened their homes last night and others asked at the police station to be locked up for the night so they would be safe.

Bitter competition between Gordon and other butchers in the north side of Rochester had so embittered him against his rivals that he ran wild, and when he was done Harry Katz, 32, and Samuel Toiz, 40, were dead and Morris Klass, 35, and Jack Cohen, 40, injured. Klass was expected to die.

Lights in many houses were kept out until assurance had been given that the man had been taken into custody on a charge of first degree murder.

RELEASED ON BOND

Frank McDaniel, 33, of Richmond is at liberty today under \$500 bond placed here late Friday afternoon by United States Commissioner Fae W. Patrick. McDaniel was arrested by Federal prohibition agents in a raid on his home in Richmond. The man is charged with the sale of liquor. His case will be presented before the Federal grand jury which convenes Feb. 23.

Man Disappeared With Woman Who May Be Victim in Mysterious Death.

SOUTH BEND, Ind., Feb. 12.—A caretaker at St. Mary's Academy, who disappeared just before Christmas, was sought today to tell what he knows about the finding of a headless body of a woman in the St. Joseph River near here.

Ernest Rogers, the caretaker, dropped from sight Dec. 21, the same day that Mrs. Alice Van Dusen, his landlady, was last seen. Mrs. Van Dusen, the mother of three children, told them that she was going with Rogers to buy them some Christmas presents. Neither has been seen since.

Rogers is not accused of any crime, but police figure he may be able to throw some light on the torso murder.

Chemists at Epworth Hospital here are performing an autopsy on the torso of the woman found in the river to see if any traces of poison can be found in the body. The theory that she was the victim of an illegal operation has been abandoned.

Police were also working on the theory that the body might be that of Mrs. Florence Holloway, 34, who disappeared Jan. 20. Search has been renewed for other women listed as missing in the hope that the identity of the dead person may be established.

Search for the head, arms and shoulders of the torso was renewed today with further dragging of the river and searching of the banks. Theodore Laskowski, 13, a school boy, told police he had seen a head floating in the river near the bridge of the Illinois, Indiana & Indianapolis Railroad.

A theory that the body had been dug from a recent grave and then thrown into the river was discarded when measurements of a peculiar hole in the ground near St. Marys showed it too small to hold the body.

EXPECT RATE DECISION

Unjust Charges on Shipments From Indiana Town Claimed.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—A decision is expected shortly on the complaint of the Florence (Ala.) Chamber of Commerce against the Illinois Central and Louisville & Nashville Railroads, charging unjust, unreasonable and preferential rates on grain and grain products shipped from Ohio and Mississippi River crossings and on flour from Mt. Vernon, Ind., to Florence, Ala. A rate of 29.5 cents a hundred pounds on shipments from Mt. Vernon, Ind., to Florence, Ala., is attacked as unreasonable and preferential to Memphis, Tenn., which has a rate of 29 cents.

On the House Sidelines



Two of the most interesting spectators of the work of the Legislature are Mrs. M. A. Holloway, wife of Representative Holloway of Farm-land, (left) and Mrs. William Bosson Jr., wife of one of Marion County's representatives.

Last Rock Cleared From Longest Boring in North America.

WORKMEN SHOW GLEE

Back Slapping and Hand Shaking Reign.

WEST PORTAL, Colo., Feb. 12.—The backbone of the North American continental divide was broken today.

The "grave-yard" shift of hard rock miners, augmented by tireless day workers who had refused to leave their posts, early today pierced the remaining thirty-one feet of rock, formally marking the opening of Moffatt Tunnel, the largest hole in America.

Penetration of the Rocky Mountain range followed long months of hard work and danger and involved the expenditure of more than \$10,000,000.

All precautions to prevent eagerness of miners from bringing disaster to the mammoth project was taken in the early hours of the morning, when guards were posted to prevent dynamiting of the last rock wall.

Officials joined the men in joyous cheering as the end of their goal neared. Muckers removed debris as if inspired by magic and the workers at the drill looked straight ahead with faces set in eager and strained determination.

At 6:25 a. m. an iron bar was thrust into the 30-foot hole drilled by the machine and ten minutes later the last foot of stone had been penetrated. The dream of Moffatt became a reality.

Men who had been at their posts since early yesterday opened wide eyes heavy from lack of sleep and embraced shouting companions. "Jimmy" Choig, resident engineer, youthful graduate of the University of Colorado, went about slapping the weary laborers on the back and gripped blackened, hard hands.

At the east heading of the tunnel, several blasts remain to be fired before all is in readiness for the final blast on Feb. 18, when President Coolidge touches the golden key in the White House setting off the charge.

DIETZ SEES FARMING ON THE WANE

Scientific Manufacture of Food May Be Necessary, Declares Writer.

With the population of the world tending to double each seventy years, we will soon stop producing food on the farm and go into the factory to manufacture it, declared David Dietz, science editor of the Cleveland Press, before the Men's Club of the First Presbyterian Church, Delaware and Sixteenth Sts., Friday night.

The Times frequently has published articles by Dietz, who is scientific writer for the Scripps-Howard newspapers and a fellow of the Royal Astronomical Society.

Science Frontier

Taking as his subject "The Last Frontier," Dietz pointed out that in the old meaning of the word there are no frontiers, but that today the scientists are the only pioneers.

Dietz illustrated his lecture with pictures, taken mostly at the Mt. Wilson Observatory, California, and the Desert Laboratory in Arizona, where he spent a year studying and doing research work for Scripps-Howard papers.

Referring to some of the photographs Dietz said: "The lesson of astronomy is that the mind of man can reach out to that farthest nebula. Thus there is no height to which we can not carry our civilization."

Because a thing has never happened, in science you can not say that it never will happen, he said.

Controls Train

An interesting feature of the program was his electrical demonstration. He stopped a toy electric train by use of the photo-electric cell, stating that this same principle can be applied to the operation of our railways. Another experiment demonstrated remote control by radio.

His equipment for this was a small radio sending station and another receiving station, where an electric bell was rung. To show how this principle can be applied more practically a charge of photographic flashlight powder was exploded.

It is reasonable to assume, Dietz asserted, that these same methods can be used on a larger scale, making possible radio control of airplanes, ships, the firing of bombs and other implements of warfare.

"Science is the desire to find the truth. It is this spirit that the world needs infinitely more of today," he said.

SKULLS HOARDER DOING TIME IN INDIANA PRISON

Negro Convicted at Crown Point for Removing Body From Grave.

DETROIT, Mich., Feb. 12.—James W. Coyner, declared by police to be a Negro ghoul, now serving time at the Michigan City (Ind.) prison for robbing graves of their bodies, was wanted here for questioning in connection with the discovery of four skulls, believed to be of white women, found in his former cottage home near the suburb of Ferndale.

The ghouls discovery was made yesterday by boy members of a Negro family named Wilson, who had moved into the house formerly occupied by Coyner. The suspect had lived alone during the three years he worked quietly at the Ford Motor Company. The skulls were in a trunk in the attic of the cottage.

Physicians who inspected the bones declared they possibly were of the Caucasian race, because several strands of long red hair were found. The hair was matted with substance believed to be blood, and if so there might have been a murder connected with the find, police said.

Names of several prominent Detroit and Pittsburgh women were found in a notebook, but no connection with the case had been discovered by police.

"Mrs. Esseltyon, Chicago Boulevard" and "Mrs. Harold F. Wardwell, Grosse Pointe," were two of the names contained in the book. The addresses are in Detroit and husbands of the two women could not understand why the names would be in the Negro's book. The wives are not missing.

The skulls were wrapped separately in newspapers and hidden beneath an army uniform in a trunk. Because they were not bleached or otherwise chemically treated, physicians declared they were not a part of a medical collection.

Mrs. James Scribner, Mrs. Arthur Little, Mrs. A. B. Frampton, Mrs. Frank Barrington and Mrs. William Porter Withrow were other names found in the notebook which was wrapped in a society page of a Pittsburgh paper.

SENT FROM CROWN POINT

Coyner Convicted of Removing Body From Grave.

MICHIGAN CITY, Ind., Feb. 12.—Warden W. H. Daly of the Indiana State Prison here, said today that Detroit authorities would be permitted to question James W. Coyner, colored convict, in connection with the discovery of four skulls found in his former home near Detroit.

Coyner, 34, was convicted at Crown Point, Ind., Nov. 29, 1926, on a charge of having removed a body from a grave and sentenced to imprisonment of from three to ten years.

Says Jerry Talbot Resembles Cousin

IONIA, Mich., Feb. 12.—Jerry Talbot, World War veteran, whose identity has been a mystery for eight years, may be her missing cousin, Floyd Aungst, according to Mrs. A. E. Rogers of this city. Mrs. Rogers saw Talbot's picture for the first time yesterday. She declared the resemblance to her cousin, who enlisted under an assumed name during the war and since has been missing, was "very striking."

RUDNER DEFENSE READY

Evidence in Behalf of Mellett's Alleged Slayer to Start Monday.

CANTON, Ohio, Feb. 12.—The end of the first week of the trial of Ben Rudner, millionaire bootlegger, charged with the reprisal murder of Dan R. Mellett, crusading editor, today found the structure of the prosecution's case complete. The defense will open Monday.

Evidence by which the State hopes to take Rudner's life in the electric chair was virtually the same as that which convicted Pat McDermott last December.

Steve Kascholk, main witness of the prosecution, linked Rudner with McDermott when he charged that the millionaire had hired him to kill the editor.

RATE SLASH UPHELD

Logansport Takes Lighting Suit to Supreme Court.

Right of the Indiana public service commission to reduce rates of municipal lighting plants was upheld by Judge Jere West, Crawfordsville, in a decision announced in the case of the city of Logansport.

The municipal plant refused to reduce rates at Logansport upon order of the commission and took the suit into court. Attorney General Arthur L. Gilliom represented the commission and won the case.

The city still refuses to reduce rates and has appealed the case to the Supreme Court.

HOLD INITIATION

The Tau Delta Sigma sorority will have formal initiation Monday evening in the Italian room at the Lincoln. Misses Alice Caveney, Gladys McCarty and Thelma Snyder will be initiated.

Canada has one golf course for every 13,393 inhabitants. In the United States there is one for every 25,793 persons.