

WORRY GROWS IN EUROPE OVER FRANCE'S GOLD

Four-Nation Parley Foreseen to Seek Solution of World Problem.

PARIS, Dec. 31.—French financial experts are convinced that the New Year will bring France, the United States, England and Germany together for an official conference seeking a solution for the mal-distribution and under-production of gold for monetary purposes.

Arrangements for this conference are said to have been made during the visit of George Harrison, Governor of the federal reserve bank of the United States. Harrison conferred with Montagu Norman, of the Bank of England, and officials of the French and German states banks in Paris and Berlin.

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New Gold Fields

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This crisis, according to gold students, lasted until 1896 when new gold fields were found in South Africa and world business became brisk again.

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RADIO, AVIATION ADD TO INDUSTRY TOTAL

Goods Worth \$69,000,000,000 Made in U. S. Plants in 1930.

By United Press

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—Airplanes and the radio contributed rapidly growing additions to American industry during 1930, it was shown today by the census bureau's survey of manufacturers for that year.

Workers in the 206,556 American plants produced goods worth \$69,000,000,000 last year and wage earners in these establishments received \$11,421,000,000, an average of \$1,313 per worker for the year.

The production of aircraft and parts showed a total value of \$61,000,000. Wages paid in this industry were \$18,000,000. The value of manufactured radio sets increased to \$31,000,000.

WOMAN TAKES POISON

In Serious Condition at City Hospital After Suicide Attempt.

In an effort to commit suicide, Mrs. Ruby Evans, 22, of 1122 Harlan street, took poison Tuesday afternoon in an apartment at 826 North New Jersey street. She was found lying in the hall of the building by another resident. She is in serious condition at city hospital.

McQueen Named Game Warden

Everett McQueen, former state policeman who had charge of the car parking at the statehouse until retired by the Democratic regime, has been appointed game warden by the state conservation department, it was announced today. He will operate in Marion county.

EVANS' E-Z-BAKE FLOUR AT ALL GROCERS

Saves \$18 on Yule Card Stamps; Hyde Assailed

By United Press

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—Arthur Hyde, agriculture secretary, today sought an official ruling upon the character and status of Christmas cards he sent under a government frank, a practice which Senator Thaddeus H. Caraway (Dem., Ark.) has insisted was an abuse of free postage privileges.

"I have never franked a personal Christmas card in my life," Hyde said. "Sufficient proof that the cards are official and not personal can be adduced from the fact that Senator Caraway received one."

The cards, Hyde said, went to agricultural colleges, farm papers, breeders' associations and similar destinations.

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CITY JOBS CHANGE

Transfers and Appointments

Are Made by Moore.

Several new appointments and transfers in his department were announced today by City Engineer A. H. Moore.

Earl Johnson was promoted from junior field aid to senior field aid to succeed Horatio Johnson, resigned.

Arthur L. Johnson, draftsman, was named to succeed Johnson.

E. M. Davis was transferred from the fire prevention department to succeed Hunt.

Arthur L. Braun was promoted from junior to senior inspector.

Arthur L. Braun, 2211 College avenue, class regular inspector following the resignation of Fred C. Clegg, 200 Park avenue, who became deputy sheriff.

A. Klapner, Samuel DuShane, James D. Morris, and Samuel Patten were promoted from temporary to regular inspectors.

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The code was adopted by the 1929 legislature. It almost completely revises old statutes and resulted in the killing of hundreds of laws that were considered antiquated or inadequate to cope with present day needs.

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