



1—Biggest bell in United States, brought from England for the Wanamaker store in Philadelphia, and put up to ring in the New Year. 2—Model of the proposed war memorial to be erected in Copley Square, Boston. 3—Carl Schuneman of St. Paul, Minn., new assistant secretary of the treasury, succeeding James McKenzie Moss.

NEWS REVIEW OF CURRENT EVENTS

Doings of Congress Prior to Adjournment for Christmas Holidays.

By EDWARD W. PICKARD

CONGRESS adjourned Wednesday night for the holidays, and will not reassemble until January 3. Though the house was quite busy in the week preceding the recess, most of the interest centered in the senate. Tuesday night the house river and harbor bill was put to a vote, and despite the bitter attack that had been made on parts of it, the measure passed by the overwhelming vote of 57 to 9. Those voting in the negative were Couzens of Michigan, Frazier of North Dakota, Howell and Norris of Nebraska, Lenroot of Wisconsin, Willis of Ohio, Republicans; and Blense of South Carolina, Ferris of Michigan and King of Utah, Democrats. As passed by the senate the measure carries appropriations of \$75,000,000, almost \$10,000,000 in new projects and surveys being added in the closing hours of debate. Therefore it went to conference, but with a certainty that the differences would be adjusted.

For the Middle West the item of great interest is that providing for completion of the Illinois river link of the lakes-to-the-gulf waterway by the construction of a channel in the river nine feet deep and 200 feet wide from Utica to its mouth. A clause was inserted which specifies that the measure shall not be construed as authorizing water diversion from Lake Michigan.

"This gives Illinois a gateway to the ocean," Senator Deneen asserted. "We will be on the longest waterway in the world, running from the Gulf of Mexico to the St. Lawrence river. The Illinois provision satisfied the senate and I am sure it will satisfy the house."

Aside from the Illinois improvement, the most important items in the measure include an authorization of \$12,000,000 for beginning the improvement of the Missouri river between Kansas City and Sioux City; an agreement for the purchase of the Cape Cod canal for \$11,500,000, and \$4,000,000 authorization for the construction of the intracoastal waterway from Jacksonville, Fla., to Miami.

Sensors Gooding of Idaho and Pittman of Nevada attempted to tack on a long and short haul rider but were defeated and said they would bring up that measure at a later date.

SENATOR HARRIS of Georgia on Monday introduced a resolution for investigation of charges that federal appointments in the South are commonly bartered and sold by Republican national committeemen. This went to the judiciary committee, and Senator Ernst of Kentucky moved that the resolution be broadened to include similar charges against Democratic leaders and to inquire into the extent of the disfranchisement of Negroes in the South with a view to the enforcement of the Fourteenth amendment to the Constitution. This naturally didn't please the Democrats at all, and the matter was referred to a subcommittee.

THE case of Frank L. Smith of Illinois, appointed by Governor Small to fill out McKinley's unexpired term, kept the senate on tiptoe. Smith was presumed to have accepted the appointment, though he did not appear to present his credentials, and Democrats and Republicans alike, with some exceptions, were ready to throw him out when he should show up. Watson of Indiana, assistant Republican leader of the senate, said: "Smith can come down here if he likes, but in my opinion the senate will take summary action in his case and without delay." McNary of Oregon said: "There are too many votes against seating him ever to permit him to take the oath," and this was echoed by various others. Ashurst of Arizona declared he would call up his resolution disqualifying Smith as soon as his date of appointment was presented to the senate.

It is to avoid the possibility of an extra session of congress that the Republican leaders are lining up against Smith and in favor of an immediate vote on the Ashurst resolution without too much debate. Adoption of the resolution would send the whole matter to the Reed committee, taking it off the floor until supply bills and other important legislation can be disposed of.

SENATOR HEFLIN of Alabama broke loose Monday with a speech in which he repeated the old story that Jess W. Smith, confidant of Harry Daugherty when the latter was attorney general, did not commit suicide but was murdered. He asserted that Smith was slain to prevent exposure of a plan whereby Secretary of the Treasury Mellon was to be reimbursed for a loan of \$5,000,000 to the Harding-Coolidge campaign fund by contributions forced from bootleggers and brewers. "Jess Smith knew so much that it was desired to get rid of him," declared Hefflin. "We were conducting a general investigation of the whole thing. It was rumored, also, that Jess Smith grew exceedingly nervous over it and that he had made up his mind to make a clean breast of it all, but Jess never lived to make that clean breast. He died. He was murdered."

"Sounds like delirium to me," was Secretary Mellon's only comment when told of Senator Hefflin's attack.

PRESIDENT COOLIDGE let it be known that he will not approve appropriations for the construction of additional cruisers for the navy at this session of congress. This followed on the action of the house naval affairs committee in submitting formally the Butler bill authorizing the building of ten light cruisers with the unanimous recommendation that an appropriation be made at once for the completion of the three cruisers already authorized in the 1924 building program. It was stated at the White House that while acknowledging the need of more cruisers if the fleet is to be rounded out as a balanced unit in comparison with other major powers, the President feels the present naval construction bill is heavy enough for the American public to stand at this time. He is insistent that the present airplane carriers, the Lexington and the Saratoga, together with fleet submarines now building, should be completed before cruiser building is begun.

FIVE bills revising postal rates were passed by the house. One is for restoration of the one cent rate for private post cards; another authorizes transmission of business reply cards, the return postage of not more than two cents to be paid by the original mailer when the card is returned. A third bill amending the postal act would fix at one cent an ounce the rate on publications when mailed as second-class matter by others than the publisher or his agent. Another would provide for an additional charge on first-class matter mailed with insufficient postage.

EFFORTS of the house and senate conference committee to agree on legislation to regulate radio broadcasting were futile and the matter was deferred until January 4. If no agreement is reached next month the house conferees purpose to move the passage of an emergency resolution suspending the granting of broadcasting licenses pending regulatory legislation by the Seventieth congress.

REPRESENTATIVE BLACK of New York, author of a pending bill under which the United States would relinquish its extraterritorial rights in China, sharply attacked the report of Silas H. Strawn on conditions there. He said Mr. Strawn's utterances since he returned from China have not only created a wrong impression here and in China as well, but have "worked irreparable harm to the American cause in China," and compelled President Coolidge to point out that they express merely Mr. Strawn's personal opinion and not the policy of the administration.

LITHUANIA'S Socialist government having been overthrown by the military and Catholic parties, that country now has a president-dictator in the person of Antona Smetona, former head of the republic. Professor

Waldemar is premier and foreign minister. Doctor Grenius, the ousted president, and several hundred Socialists and Communists were arrested. The radicals declare the parties of the right are influenced by England, which seeks to unite the Baltic states into a federation against Russia. Smetona says he is going to have the Lithuanian constitution revised and it and the country Americanized. The unofficial state of war with Poland continues.

AS WAS forecast last week, the German cabinet could not maintain its majority in the reichstag, therefore Chancellor Marx and his ministers submitted their resignations. These were accepted by President Von Hindenburg with the understanding that the cabinet would continue to function until after the new year.

Gernbny is about to get back a small piece of the vast colonial holdings she lost in the war. The council of ministers of Portugal has voted to return the territory south of the Rovuma river, known as the Klona triangle, this being a part of the former German East Africa that was allotted to Portugal by the treaty of Versailles.

POPE PIUS, in an allocution in private consistory, made a strong attack on the Fascist state which has aroused much comment. The pontiff, while expressing thanks for the escape of Mussolini from assassination, dealt harshly with the duce's followers for depredations and deeds of violence against the persons and property of Catholics. The government refuses to be drawn into a controversy with the pope because, it says, the past acts he referred to have not been repeated in recent weeks and the orders of the government for the preservation of order have been severe.

NEITHER Brazil nor Argentina is said to like the plan which Secretary of State Kellogg suggested to end the Tacna-Arica dispute, and now it is understood Peru has offered an alternative scheme, which probably has no chance of acceptance by Chile or Bolivia. According to a La Paz paper, this is Peru's offer:

1. Peru will remain in possession of Tacna and the city of Arica, including Morro castle, which protects the harbor.
2. Peru and Chile, in common agreement, without demanding any pecuniary or territorial compensation, will cede to Bolivia all territory south of Tacna and Arica as far as the River Camarones.
3. Chile will retain possession of the Chilena nitrate field.
4. Bolivia will remain in possession of the port of Vitor, which is the only one that exists in that zone.

DELAYED for a day by foggy weather, the five United States army airplanes, New York, Detroit, San Francisco, San Antonio and St. Louis, began their pan-American tour Monday auspiciously. The start was from San Antonio, Texas, and the first jump took the planes to Laguna Madre, near Brownsville. Wednesday afternoon they took off for Tampico, with the intention of going thence to Vera Cruz and then to Mexico City for the Christmas holidays. The 20,000-mile tour will take the planes to scores of Central and South American cities and will last more than four months. Maj. H. A. Dargue commands the squadron. The other aviators being Capt. A. B. McDaniel, Capt. Ira C. Eaker, Capt. Clinton F. Woolsey, and Lieuts. B. S. Thompson, C. McK. Robinson, M. S. Fairchild, J. W. Benton and L. D. Weddington.

RELATIONS between the United States and Panama have not always been pleasant of late, but a newly signed treaty submitted to the senate for approval will improve them.

In one of its most important articles Panama agrees to consider herself in a state of war in case of a conflict in which the United States should be a belligerent.

Under this treaty, Panama agrees to co-operate with the United States in the protection and defense of the Panama canal. Complete control of radio and other communications, aircraft and aviation, transit of the canal, and other questions involved in the national defense is lodged with the United States.

THE KITCHEN CABINET

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Life is a challenge and its laws
Are rigid ones and stern;
The splendid joy of real applause
Each man must nobly earn.
It makes us win its jewels rare,
But gives us pause, if we're unfair.
—Edgar Guest.

EVERYDAY GOOD THINGS

When one has a small family and a recipe makes too much to consume before spoiling, this dozen doughnut recipe will be welcome:

Doughnuts.—Cream two tablespoonfuls of shortening with one-half cupful of sugar, add one beaten egg, three cupfuls of flour sifted with three teaspoonfuls of baking powder and one-half cupful of milk. Set out to chill, then roll one-half inch thick and cut with a large cutter.

Banana and Cheese.—Cut peeled bananas into two-inch lengths, roll in beaten egg, then in grated cheese and fry in deep hot fat. These are delicious served with broiled bacon or baked ham.

Mock Mince Pie.—Take one cupful of bread crumbs, one cupful of raisins, one cupful of sugar, one cupful of cranberries cut into halves, one salt spoonful each of cinnamon, cloves, allspice and nutmeg, one cupful of hot water, one-half cupful of ringer, and one tablespoonful of butter. Turn into a tin lined with flaky crust and bake with a top crust.

Pumpkin Pie.—Beat two eggs, add one-half cupful of sugar, a cupful of thick, well browned pumpkin, a pint of rich milk, one-half teaspoonful each of salt and ginger, a few drops of lemon extract and a dash of nutmeg, cinnamon and cloves. Bake in a moderate oven an hour.

Indian Pudding.—Measure two quarts of milk, two-thirds of a cupful of corn meal, one cupful of sugar, one teaspoonful of salt, one cupful of raisins, one cupful of finely chopped suet, nutmeg, cinnamon and two tablespoonfuls of flour. Scald one quart of the milk, add the corn meal mixed with a little cold milk and cook until smooth. Add the rest of the ingredients, beating the egg and pour into a deep earthenware bowl. Sprinkle the top with the flour; the suet will come to the top and form a beautiful brown crust when it is baked. Stir several times during the first hour of cooking.

Something Different.

Those who enjoy sweet potatoes will like this combination: Fry rounds of sweet potato and apple and serve a round of apple on each round of potato.

Baked Ham.—Cut off the surplus fat from the outer part of a thick center cut of ham and chop it fine—sprinkle it over the top of the ham. Cover with quartered apples—any good baking apple—sprinkle with a half cupful or more of brown sugar and bake as usual.

Raspberry Lacto.—Take one quart of buttermilk, one and one-half cupfuls of sugar, one-fourth of a cupful of raspberry sirup and one egg. Separate the yolk and white of the egg and beat separately, mix and freeze; when half frozen add the juice of one lemon.

Ice Box Pudding.—Take one pound of vanilla wafers, one can of pineapple (a large can), one cupful of nutmeats, one-half pound of butter and four eggs. Cream the butter, add the sugar and one egg at a time until all are well blended. Put the nutmeats and wafers through the meat grinder. Prepare in layers and set in the ice chest for twelve hours.

Koumiss.—Take one quart of milk, one and one-half tablespoonfuls of sugar, one-fourth of a yeast cake, and one tablespoonful of warm water to dissolve the yeast. Heat the milk to lukewarm, add the sugar and dissolved yeast cake. Fill sterilized bottles to within two inches of the top, cork and shake. Invert bottles and keep them in a warm room for ten hours, then put in a cool place. Let stand in a cool place two days, shaking occasionally, then it is ready to use. Do not make more than is used at once as it does not keep longer than three days. This fermented milk is used in cases of extreme nausea, where food has not been retained in several weeks; it is also given where nourishment is needed in such form and plain milk is not agreeable.

Spiced Drop Cookies.—Take one-half cupful each of white and brown sugar, three-fourths of a cupful of lard and butter mixed, two and one-half cupfuls of flour, two eggs, one teaspoonful of soda, one teaspoonful of baking powder, one cupful of raisins and one-half cupful of boiling water. Makes two dozen large cookies. Drop from a teaspoon on buttered sheet.

Apple, Raisin Roly Poly.—Roll out a rich pastry very thin. Add two good-sized apples chopped, one-half cupful of raisins and roll up. Place in a deep baking dish, add one cupful of brown sugar, two tablespoonfuls of butter and one cupful of boiling water. Bake in a moderate oven one hour.

Nellie Maxwell

Contrasting Furs Among Paris Fads

Popular Astrakhan Is Featured by Both Furriers and Couturiers.

Old favorites among the expensive furs, Russian sable, mink, squirrel and beaver—this latter fur handled quite originally with vague stripes formed by the rich shading of the skins—form an important part of every Paris collection of fur coats, says a Paris fashion correspondent in the New York Times. But interest in fur trimmings centers this year in two furs that are being featured by both furriers and couturiers—astrakhan with its allied furs such as caracul and Persian lamb, and Hudson seal.

The clothlike pliability and delicate gradations of coloring possible with baby lamb have served Redfern well in a lovely straight coat of this fur in light gray with a 12-inch border of narrow strips cut in rick-rack points, shading from pale gray to a dark blue-gray at the hem. This same zig-zag pattern is repeated on the velvet lining of the coat, where it also shades from light to dark.

Both astrakhan and Hudson seal are effective when used as a trimming on the season's newest cloth and velvet wraps of the semifuller order, but Grunwaldt uses it just as successfully on a straight coat of moleskin, the Hudson seal being applied as a foot border coming up narrowly in scallops at the back of the coat, but mounting toward the front until the highest points reach nearly to the waistline. Seal collars and cuffs add a final touch of chic.

Fur-lined coats are the latest weapons used by the couturiers to dislodge the fur coat by its persistent popularity. Very often the fur lining, being chosen merely for its needed warmth, has no relation to the fur used as a trimming on the coat. Striking examples of this peculiarity are the coats of ziblikasha or broadcloth in such



Camel-Hair Cloth Trimmed With Beaver Collar and Cuffs.

shades as oport, trimmed probably in astrakhan but lined in chipmunk, calfskin or any of the short-haired, less expensive furs.

Very original fur-lined coats are made with a long, straight undercoat of goatskin dyed light gray or tan, the goatskin used with the fur outside just as fur is ordinarily handled. Then over this coat is made a three-quarter length straight coat of matching kasha, open in front to leave a long vest of the fur showing, a vest of the same width as the border of fur left exposed on the skirt.

One-Color Gown Supreme, Observes Fashion Expert

The superiority of the one-color gown over multi-colored or glittering evening dresses was "conclusively demonstrated" during the recent brilliant season in Venice, according to Baron de Meyer, noted fashion authority, writing from Paris to Harper's Bazaar.

Describing "the most effective gown" seen at the now celebrated red and white ball, Baron de Meyer says: "It was of red crepe de chine, with many rows of heavy silk fringe, forming the skirt, and with a red scarf forming the bodice. A bunch of red carnations was pinned where the scarf was thrown over the shoulder, and matched the large red feather fan she carried."

Another striking example of the one-color gown that was cited by Baron de Meyer was a creation of silver tissue cut in various biases, forming intricate godets and squares.

Brilliant Bags for Evening

Bags to carry with evening frocks are either flat envelope or pouch-shaped and are made of pearls and brilliants set closely together in the form of intricate designs.

White Crepe de Chine Hand Painted Pattern



Showing a lovely sport frock in white crepe de chine with a hand painted pattern done in Pacific blue. The pattern represents ocean waves. The gown is fittingly fashioned along sailor lines, having a sleeveless middie blouse made with a sailor collar.

Jumpers of Lame Are in Fashion in Paris

A fashion from Paris which has caused a mild stir is the lame jumper. Velvet suits are in nearly all cases worn with a gold or silver blouse, which gives a very rich note to the mode.

The plain lames are the types mostly used. There is, however, a new striped lame which combines the new shades of wine, blue and green, following on the lines of the sports jumpers of Jean Patou. Others of plain lame combine velvet or crepe de chine as trimming; these trimmings are of the same color as the skirt.

Plaited frills are made for the collar, cuffs and hems, others have richly embroidered motives in beads or metal thread embroidery. One very original model had sequin embroidery, the whole effect being a coat of armor.

Even for evening wear the lame jumper is having a great vogue with little plaited or draped skirts of the same material. Other jumper dresses of crepe satin or velvet have lavish trimmings of lame; sometimes the jumper, which is of crepe satin or velvet, is trimmed with lame, while the entire skirt is of gold or silver cloth.

Beige Is Very Smart but Never Becoming

Beige is very smart in Paris now that the lighter, pinkier shades of bois de rose have become so usual. "Oh, very smart," says one of the leading French dressmakers. "Smart but almost never becoming."

That is something that Americans do not always realize in Paris—that sometimes even French women wear colors that are frankly not becoming, if in doing so they can outstrip other women in real smartness. Very often, too, even the unbecoming color may be made becoming by just the right makeup. Many of the now fashionable greens are unbecoming to most French women, because of their olive skins—but every wise Parisienne knows that that difficulty is overcome by just a little more of just the right shade of rouge.

There is one color that one or two of the very smart dressmakers are exploiting at present—a rather disagreeable light greenish mustard. Even lingerie is made of this distressing color.

Interesting Coats Are Shown by Paris Makers

Drecol exploits the full-length sport coat of light woolen mixture, or the Shetland cardigans sometimes trimmed in "lapin indien," the new fur resembling chinchilla.

Vionnet elaborates her coats with shawl collars and tiers, her dolman armholes often so loose as to reach the waist.

Molyneux again adheres to velvet and velveteen, made in similar or contrasting color to the dress worn with it.

Anna's midseason presentation contained many interesting models, exhibiting the black bolero in coats of both fur and fabric, and the martingale type of belt.

Brilliance in Shawls

Shawls worn by the fashionable in the New York parade make a color array that is something for a chorus to vie with in brilliance. They not only are those imported from Spain with their heavy embroidery or other striking importations from China and Japan, but are made from gorgeous weaves in metal cloths or woven with designs in brilliants.