

END OF ARMAMENT INCREASE IS ASKED

Immediate Stop of Preparations for War Embodied in League Plans

ADOPTION HELD DOUBTFUL

By the Associated Press

Geneva, Dec. 14.—An agreement among the powers to put an immediate stop to the growth of armaments is contemplated in the present League of Nations plan for disarmament as presented by the disarmament committee at today's session of the assembly here.

There are countries with the most powerful armaments in the world outside the league," said Mr. Fisher, "and disarmament can begin only when it is universal."

First Agreement Not Ratified

Disarmament Act Test of League

BRIDGE EXPERTS MEET

Session Today of Construction Engineers

Plans preliminary to the construction of the proposed Philadelphia-Camden bridge over the Delaware river

There are numerous important details for the board to work out, prominent among which is the question of traffic conditions.

The next step will be the opening of bids for boring on both sides of the river. Scaled proposals will be opened at the meeting of the commission Friday afternoon.

By a Staff Correspondent

Atlantic City, Dec. 14.—With a fifty-mile northerly blowing off shore, sweeping the Boardwalk bare, Senator Penrose, sitting in the sheltered seclusion of his hotel, made arrangements this morning to confer with President-elect Harding on the subject of the cabinet and administrative policy.

King Is Intermediary

URGES SHIP BOARD BE REORGANIZED

Divorce Emergency Fleet and Name Men With Experience, Suggests Gillen

By the Associated Press

Washington, Dec. 14.—Reorganization of the shipping board by divorcing it from the Emergency Fleet Corporation and the selection of men experienced in various lines of the shipping industry

The suggestions were offered at the request of Chairman Walsh, who, when Mr. Gillen testified before the House committee in New York, asked him to submit a report tending to correct the conditions and evils surrounding the shipping board and the Emergency Fleet Corporation.

Mr. Gillen said the chairman of the board should be a man experienced in large executive work, and that the other six members should be men of known experience in rail transportation, admiralty law, and other matters having to do with shipping and transportation.

Among other suggestions were: Reorganization of present operators of government ships from 176 to fifty—entailing a saving in overhead expense and preventing confusion.

Readjustment of sales contracts made and to be made by reducing the tonnage to a market value.

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POLICEMAN NAMED IN CROOK'S PLOT

True Bill Is Sought Against Patrolman De Lange in Alleged Conspiracy

HABEAS CORPUS IS ASKED

An indictment against Patrolman Harry S. De Lange, of the Fourth and Race streets station, and against William Healey, civilian, was presented to the grand jury for action today.

The move is the first step to hasten the cases of the men attached to the police department who are alleged to be implicated in the crime plot to permit hold-ups and banditry in the district controlled by De Lange.

No indictment was presented for action in the case of Thomas McElroy, another patrolman from the same district, who, it has been hinted, also is implicated in the alleged crime plot.

Healey was arrested, brought to Philadelphia, and confessed, giving full details, McElroy was implicated by suspicion, but direct or conclusive evidence was not forthcoming against him, either in the Healey statement, or at the hearing at the Central Station later.

Mayor Moore has taken a direct personal interest in the determination of charges. He has declared the patrolmen, if guilty, will be punished to the limit. But, he also has said, he will stand back, McElroy to the limit, if case McElroy's innocence is established.

IDENTIFIED AS ROBBER

Suspect Later Held Without Bail by Magistrate Carney

After being identified as the man who robbed Edward Thomas, a Negro, twenty-five years old, of Twenty-first street near Jefferson, early last evening, Harry Ford, twenty-six years old, of Sixteenth street and Ridge avenue, was held without bail by Magistrate Carney this morning.

White on his way to his home last evening, Thomas was attacked near Seventeenth street and Ridge avenue. His assailant knocked him unconscious and then robbed him of \$25.

Detectives Deromy and Moffitt arrested Ford.

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SEE NO ACTION NOW ON SCHOOLS CHIEF

Little Hope Held Out for Agreement of Board at Meeting Today

MANY MEMBERS ARE AWAY

There is little hope that a new school head will be elected at the regular December meeting of the Board of Education this afternoon.

Disunion has marred the recent meetings of the board over the choice of a successor to Dr. John P. Garber as superintendent. John Wansmaker and Dinmer Heeber, on the special committee chosen to recommend a new head, are opposed by two other members of the committee, Joseph W. Catherine and William Rowen, who say they will fight for an immediate decision.

Another reason why no progress is expected at today's meeting is that several members are not expected to be present, due to absence from town and illness. Simon Graf, the president, has been sick at home for some time, and has Mr. Wansmaker and Mrs. William E. Lingelbach, Walter George Smith is in Europe and it is thought that Avery D. Harrington and David H. Lane will be able to attend. Dr. Edward B. Martin is in Harrisburg.

Candidates' names will in all probability be brought up at the meeting, but it is considered likely there will be sufficient opposition to delay a choice.

In spite of many reports to the contrary, Dr. Chesman A. Herrick, principal of Girard College, is still allowing his name to be considered. Yesterday the finance committee of the board authorized two temporary loans, totaling \$1,500,100, to meet deficits.