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Generally fair and warmer tonight;
lowest temperature about 21 degrees;
Saturday somewhat warmer.

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NEW RULE TO CURB SUBMARINE BEFORE NAVAL COMMITTEE
Great Britain Proposes Establishment of Definite Ratio for Airplane Carriers
FIVE-POWER AGREEMENT ON UNDERSEA WAR PLANNED
France Glad to Discuss Status of Submarines

British-French Rivalry Bars Economic Agreement
Financial Conference Improbable, as It Would Tend to Aggravate Quarrels Already Widened at Washington

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Washington, Dec. 30.—Members of the Administration are colder now to the proposal of an economic conference than they were before the clash between Great Britain and France over submarines was revealed.

WILSON DEMANDS SHOWDOWN FROM MITCHELL ROW
Requests P. R. T. Head Submit Definite Plan for Operation

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A definite statement in writing of the terms and conditions under which the P. R. T. Company is willing to purchase the Philadelphia elevated was requested of Thomas E. Mitten today by Richard Weglein, president of Council.

Debutante to Wed
W. C. PEW WILL WED SISTER OF HIS BROTHER'S BRIDE

Well-Known Families Are Linked by Second Romance
The announcement today by Mr. and Mrs. William J. Elliott, 31, South Second street, of the engagement of their daughter, Miss Hannah Marjorie Elliott, and Walter Crocker Pew, of Bryn Mawr, would seem to indicate the existence of a strong personal charm between the younger generation of the two families.

MAYOR 'FIRES' MEN IN PAY OF CITY AND OF PIER BUILDERS
Third Man Dismissed From Department of Wharves for Concealing Fact

Charges Reported Admitted
The two men who are alleged to have confessed are Harry J. Reinhart, an assistant engineer, and Charles E. Fessler, an inspector, who were detailed on the work of the superstructure of Municipal Pier No. 4, South Wharves, which is being erected by the city.

VARE'S MAN GETS \$1,600,000 STATE ROAD CONTRACTS AS "BOSS" LOSES PHILA. WORK

Protege of Senator Crops Up as Builder and Grabs Big Plums
GOVERNORSHIP NOW HAS HIGHWAY ANGLE
New Executive Will Name Man Who Will Give Out Bids for Millions
CONTRACTOR EISELE AND HIS BACKERS ARE MYSTERY
Bank, Offered by Political Followers of Leader, Put O. K. on His Financial Status
TOM SMITH HIS SURETY
Sadler, Seeker of Toga, Gave Lucrative Contracts to Local Man

By the Associated Press
Washington, Dec. 30.—Decision on the American proposal to outlaw entirely the use of submarines against merchant craft is awaited from three of the "big five" Powers—France, Italy and Japan.

Want No More Clashes
Neither Power will wish to repeat the experience of this gathering at Washington. The same reasons which make the calling of another conference upon submarines seem futile to Mr. Hughes, operate against the calling of one upon economic conditions.

Important Problems Unsettled
An understanding between England and France will be attained slowly if at all. And until one is at hand no reasonable approach can be made to the German reparations problem, the land disarmament problem, the Near East imbroglio and all the other questions which are before the world.

Girl Awakens Family as Fire Threatens Home
Members Flee to Street in Night Clothes as Flames Spread
Seven-year-old Sylvia Perlberg, awakened by smoke in her home at 424 Emily street early today, screamed to awaken her mother, who roused other members of the family. They rushed to the street in their nightclothes.

CONTRACTORS MAY FACE PROSECUTION AS BRIBERS
Two employees of the Department of Wharves, Docks and Ferries have been fired, it was announced today, for having been on the private payroll of a contractor doing municipal work.

TWO GIRLS VICTIMS IN THUGS' ATTACKS
One Young Woman Blackjacked and Cut in Vacant Lot by Two Boys

YOUTH ROBS BENEFACTRESS
Two young women were attacked by thugs last night, and another woman, who had befriended a youth, was robbed by him of money and jewelry valued at \$200.

Formal approval of this proposal was given by Great Britain yesterday during its brief consideration which followed agreement in principle by the Powers to the first article of the Root resolutions reaffirming existing rules of naval warfare and their strict application to submarine operations against merchant craft.

CONTINUOUS FLIGHT RECORD SMASHED
FLAMES THREATEN CENTER OF BRISTOL

Lt. Edward Stinson Remains in Air 26 Hours 19 Minutes and 35 Seconds
Two Hours' Stubborn Fighting Saves Hotel and Nearby Homes
FIRE, which destroyed Alexander Brothers' provision store and restaurant on Mill street, Bristol, threatened the business district of the town for nearly two hours today. It was brought under control by the town's volunteer fire department.

DRIVES SICK MAN FROM BED
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CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCH DIRECTORS OUST TRUSTEES
Publishing Society Heads Appeal to Court Against Removal

Mayor Issues Statement
The Mayor issued the following statement: "The Mayor said he had given ample warning as to the administrative attitude to his employees, especially inspectors in public work, who took money from contractors."

ROBBERS PLY OPEN BIG SAFE
Sharon, Pa., Dec. 30.—City A. P. S. Robbers early this morning pried open a four-ton safe in the office of the J. B. Knox Company, Sharon, Pa., and obtained \$700 in cash and \$1000 in checks, according to a police report.

POWERS AGREE UPON U. S. PROPOSAL TO LIMIT AUXILIARY CRAFT TONNAGE
WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—The American proposal for the limitation of naval auxiliary craft to a maximum of 10,000 tons displacement was understood to have been virtually agreed upon today at the morning session of the Arms Conference Naval Committee.

Would Restrict Submarines
As adopted in substance by the Naval Committee and sent to sub-committee for final drafting, the first Root proposal sets out new rules of visit and search of belligerent craft, must restrict in operations against merchant ships and couples, with this declaration that submarines must be covered by these resolutions.

By the Associated Press
Minneapolis, N. Y., Dec. 30.—The Larssen monoplane, piloted by Lieutenant Edward Stinson, which this morning broke the world's continuous flying record of 24 hours 19 minutes 35 seconds, made in France in June, 1920, by Lucien Bossu and Jean Bernard, descended shortly after 11:15 A. M. to the ground at the end of the 24-hour flight.

Estimate of Engineers
The estimate submitted by the engineers at our last meeting figured that the operation by P. R. T. of through Frankford trains to West Philadelphia with Market street delivery, would carry 11,000,000 passengers in exchange for the \$2,700,000 which city would carry if operated to terminals at Front and Arch streets.

FAIRMOUNT PARK LAKES THROWN OPEN TO SKATERS
Clear and Snappy New Year's Day Is Weatherman's Guess
Concourse and Hunting Park Lakes in Fairmount Park were opened to skaters today for the first time this season.

ELLEN TERRY SPURNS TITLE
Noted Actress Declines Proffered British Honor
London, Dec. 30.—Ellen Terry has asked permission to decline the proffered honor of "Dame Commander of the British Empire," according to the Mirror.

WAS DRIVING WHILE DRUNK
Chance Meeting With Joy-Riders Lands Gloucester Man in Jail
Charles Robinson, of Gloucester, N. J., was sentenced to two months in jail by Recorder Stackhouse today to Camden for driving an automobile while under the influence of liquor.

NEEDS AND HAS—EQUIPMENT
Further, it is remarkable that he should be able to prove to the State Highway Department (and the highway officials) what he supplied this proof.

CHILE BREAKS NEGOTIATION WITH PERU OVER TACNA
Declares Latter Nation Precludes Recourse to International Law
Santiago, Chile, Dec. 30.—(By A. P.)—Chile has broken off negotiations with Peru regarding the dispute over the provinces of Tacna and Arica, declaring that further exchange of views is useless.

STUDENT-DOCTOR SAVES AND WILL WED FIRST CASE
Cupid Worked Fast After Harry Martin Entered Hospital to Die
Cupid has been shooting his darts around the College of Podiatry, in Philadelphia, since last May, when Harry J. Martin, Jr., a designer, who lives at 1041 Irving street, was taken to the hospital apparently dying of pneumonia.

PEACE DOVE FLITS TO MARS
Man Tries to Halt Family Quarrel; May Recover Before Long
The traditional fate of the peace dove overtook Harry Fuller, 2923 South Henninger street, when he interposed as Marvin Jordan, of the same address, was choking Mr. Jordan last night, according to Fuller's testimony.

ALCOHOL ON CITY'S HANDS; MAY GIVE IT TO HOSPITALS
Seized in Raid, and Law Doesn't Provide for Its Disposal
The city has a grain alcohol problem on its hands which City Solicitor Smith hopes to settle by having the liquid distributed among municipal hospitals.

FEARS OPERATION—SUICIDE
Man Gets in Bathtub, Covers With Blankets and Takes Gas
Worried because he had to have an operation performed, Henry Harrisman, seventy-six, 527 East Harrison street, committed suicide last night.

GUARDS CLOSE PARK LAKE SKATING
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FAIL TO FIND GOUGERS
Federal Probers Report Merchants Are Keeping Prices Reasonable
An investigation of retail prices in this city is being made by agents of the Department of Justice. This action follows the request of the Attorney General for an inquiry into conditions which are keeping the cost of living up.

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