THE WEATHER
Rain tonight and Thursday; slightly warmer tonight with lowest about 35 degrees; colder Thursday.
TEMPERATURE AT EACH HOUR

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LODGE ASSAILS PLAN OF BORAH FOR NEW WORLD CONFERENCE

Calls Proposal for International Economic Parley 'Useless'

REFLECT OPPOSITION OF THE PRESIDENT

More Than Twenty Senators Behind Lodge in Attacking Project

FRANCE MUST CHANGE POSITION ON ARMAMENTS

Fight to Center on Ground the Amendment Is General Legislation

By Associated Press

Washington, Dec. 27.—Administration Senators under the lead of Chairman Lodge of the Foreign Relations Committee, began in the Senate today a determined fight against the proposal of Senator Borah, for a new international conference in Washington to discuss economic conditions and disarmament.

Senator Lodge, who was said by his colleagues to have ascertained the views of President Harding and his administration advisers, opened his attack as soon as the Senate began work on the Borah proposal, which is in the form of an amendment to the annual naval bill requesting the President to call an economic and armaments conference.

Alludes to France

The foreign relations chairman recounted the difficulties of further armament limitation encountered at the Washington arms conference a year ago, and declared that in view of the attitude taken by other powers it would be "useless" to attempt to limit land armaments unless it were established beforehand that France had changed her position.

More than a score of Republican Senators in informal conference today before the Senate reconvened decided to oppose the amendment offered by Senator Borah to the Naval Appropriation Bill, which would request President Harding to call an international economic and disarmament conference.

The conference determined that Senator Poindexter should open the fight by making a point of order against the Borah amendment, on the ground that it is general legislation in an appropriation measure. If the point of order should be overruled, administration leaders said they planned to fight the proposal on its merits, and as a last resort to present modifications limiting the proposed economic conference in such a way as to give satisfactory protection against embroilment in the affairs of Europe.

The whole field of American relationships to Europe, particularly as they involve the problems of economic rehabilitation and disarmament, was opened to debate in the Senate when work was resumed on the naval appropriation bill after the Christmas recess.

Naval Bill Amendment

The immediate vehicle which brought the troubles of the European Powers once more to the front on the Senate floor was an amendment to the naval bill, introduced by Senator Borah, and requesting President Harding to call an international conference in Washington to consider methods of restoring "sound business and financial conditions" and to seek an agreement for further limitation of naval construction.

After a week of conferences, Administration leaders indicated that they could not support the proposal in its original form, and negotiations were proceeding for modifications to make it acceptable. Meantime a definite break had developed within the ranks of the Senate irreconcilable group, of which Senator Borah has been a leader since the League of Nations fight. Senator Johnson and others took the position that a conference like that proposed would embroil the United States hopelessly in European politics.

Expect Harding Decision

In some quarters it was expected that the views of President Harding would be made known in a decisive way before the debate had proceeded very far. Both Mr. Harding and Secretary Hughes have been consulted about the Borah proposal and many Senate members were looking to Chairman Lodge, of the Foreign Relations Committee, and Senator Watson, of Indiana, another of the Administration leaders, to disclose fully the attitude of the executive branch of the Government toward the possibilities of a new international conference on American soil.

World Crisis in Brief

Senator Lodge opened fight in Senate on Borah amendment to naval bill calling for a new international conference. More than thirty Senators already oppose the Borah proposition, which is also regarded unfavorably by President Harding.

British mission sails for America to adjust debts. Chancellor of Exchequer Baldwin is hopeful for early settlement of British obligations to United States.

Statement by Chancellor Baldwin that Bonar Law is soon to make important reparations move.

BRITISH ON WAY TO ADJUST DEBTS

Mission Sails to U. S. With Hope of Funding Heavy Obligations

REPARATION MOVE HINTED

By Associated Press

London, Dec. 27.—The British financial mission to the United States, headed by Stanley Baldwin, Chancellor of the Exchequer, sailed for New York this morning on the liner Majestic. Besides the Chancellor, the party included Mrs. Baldwin and daughter; Montague C. Norman, governor of the Bank of England; Rowe Dutton, financial adviser, and P. J. Gigg, of the Treasury.

It is expected the mission will return about the end of January.

In a statement to the Evening Standard today Mr. Baldwin pointed out that under the present arrangements Great Britain's payments to the United States would amount to between £60,000,000 and £70,000,000 annually.

"We hope to fund this debt," he said, "and get the burden of interest eased. If it is successful, I hope America will be kind to a much more important mission which Mr. Bonar Law is shortly to undertake."

Refers to Reparations

The Evening Standard says this latter refers to a reparations settlement.

The Chancellor added that it is of supreme importance to Europe that America should have her way as regards Europe's financial problem.

Mr. Baldwin's statement follows:

"My mission concerns our I. O. U.'s held by the United States and is a delicate one. We are in the position of debtors. We must tread warily. Nevertheless I hope to persuade the United States Government to come to a permanent settlement on the terms of our debt to America of something like 850,000,000 pounds.

"At present a law of Congress provides that this must be repaid within twenty-five years at 4½ per cent interest. This would mean an annual payment by Great Britain of between 60,000,000 and 70,000,000 pounds, a very heavy item in our budget. We hope to fund this debt and get the burden of interest eased, but of course the last word is with America.

Set Example to Europe

"If we can effect a settlement on such a matter we shall set an example to Europe, an example which might well be an augury for the settlement of even greater international problems than this one.

"If I am successful, I hope America, having seen the result of one mission, will be kind to the much more important mission which Mr. Bonar Law is shortly to undertake (the word 'reparations' was here parenthetically inserted by the newspaper), and which is more difficult than mine.

"It is of supreme importance to Europe that America should have a say in the many perplexing matters now engaging the attention of statesmen."

Washington, Dec. 27.—(By A. P.)—Prof. Jeremiah W. Jenks, of New York, who was a member of a commission of experts invited by the German Government to consider measures which it might take for stabilization of the mark, called on President Harding today and discussed with him the European financial situation. He returned to New York directly after concluding the interview.

The President was said to have indicated interest in the exchange situation which has resulted from the continuous fall in value of the German monetary unit. The report of the commission on which Dr. Jenks served as American member has been adopted in part by the German Government and the Reparations Commission.

GERMANY SUBJECT TO TREATY PENALTY

Paris, Dec. 27.—(By A. P.)—The notification to the Allies by the Reparation Commission that Germany had defaulted in the delivery of telegraph poles and lumber, provided for in the schedule of payments and deliveries on reparations account, fixed on May 19, 1921, is regarded in Constantinople official circles as making applicable the article of the Treaty of Versailles authorizing the Allies to proceed to take reprisals and put into force economic and financial measures as a penalty.

The matter will come up before the conference of Premiers next Tuesday, when Premier Poincare will propose that the Allies in turn formally register Germany's default but reserve the question of the applicability of the penalties clause of the treaty.

The French Government will maintain at the Premiers' meeting that Germany's failure to deliver the lumber and telegraph poles must be regarded as evidence of her determination to resist of carrying all her reparations obligations.

The government experts declare that Germany could easily spare the 50,000 tons of nitrates which France asked for in part payment of reparations. Their information is said to show that the quantities produced largely exceed German requirements of agriculture and ordinary chemical uses. The French officials therefore believe that Germany prefers to accumulate reserves of nitrates for possible use in the making of explosives.

VON MOSCHZISKER MAY GET POST SOON

Chances Favoring Him for Early Nomination to Supreme Court

Washington, Dec. 27.—(By A. P.)—President Harding is expected to send to the Senate soon the nomination of a successor to Justice Pitney, of the Supreme Court, who has tendered his resignation, to take effect January 1. Retirement of Justice Pitney will create the fourth vacancy on the Supreme Court bench which President Harding has been called upon to fill.

Two names, those of Governor Miller, of New York, recently defeated for re-election, and Chief Justice Robert von Moschzisker, of the Pennsylvania Supreme Court, have been most prominently mentioned as possible successors to Justice Pitney. It is reported, however, that Governor Miller has indicated that he is not a candidate for the appointment.

Chief Justice von Moschzisker recently was in Washington for a conference with the President, and his friends confidently predict that he will be selected.

APARTMENTS TO SUIT EVERY PURSE and meet every requirement may be found quickly by consulting the Apartment column on page 28.—Adv.

FOG WRAPS CITY IN PALL OF GLOOM

This picture showing the west plaza of City Hall gives an idea of how the heavy mist gripped the city. The statue of Stephen Girard looms up fairly plain, but Broad Street Station, which he is facing, is dimmed to view, even at that short distance

NATION'S TRIBUTE TO PASTEUR HERE

Memory of Famous Scientist Honored on Centenary of His Birth

HARDING SENDS MESSAGE

President Harding and former Presidents Wilson and Taft joined today, through written messages, in a remarkable demonstration here in honor of Louis Pasteur, a trail blazer in science, who was born one hundred years ago today.

Notable physicians and other men of science from many parts of the country assembled in the Academy of Music this afternoon to do honor to the immortal Frenchman who made preventive medicine possible.

"America has been one of the first nations to apply Pasteur's work to practical use," wrote President Harding, whose message, like those of Mr. Wilson and Chief Justice Taft, was broadcast to 300,000 radio users.

The building of the Panama Canal was made possible, the President asserted, because Pasteur's doctrines enabled a successful fight against yellow fever.

"The health of a people is essential to the progress of a nation," the President said in closing, "for without health there can be no prosperity."

Woodrow Wilson wrote, in part:

"It is Pasteur's immortal distinction that he not only broadened the thought and enlightened the practice of the great medical profession in the treatment of certain diseases, but also erected barriers against all disease and so conferred an inestimable benefit upon mankind."

Taft Sees Divine Progress

Chief Justice Taft's tribute was that, "Pasteur was one of the greatest benefactors of the human race in all history. Nothing tends to show the Divine progress in man so much as such proved capacity to unlock the secrets of the Divine law in his own creation, life and death."

Dr. Etienne Burnet, sent to this country as the special representative of the French Government at the centenary here, was fogbound off New York this morning on the liner La Savoie. He is to be a speaker at a dinner in the Bellevue-Stratford this evening, where the final part of the Pasteur program will take place.

Ambassador Knew Scientist

France herself spoke at the exercises in the person of Jules Jusserand, the French Ambassador. He had known the great scientist personally and gave a compelling, sympathetic outline of Pasteur's contributions to mankind.

Pasteur's dominant note was "Truth above all," the Ambassador said, as he sketched the great Frenchman's tireless work in the laboratory, his constant checking of theories, his fearless attacks on principles that fuller knowledge made obsolete.

"Before he attempted his cures of the most dreaded human diseases, he had proved the benefactor of the silk, beer, wine and vinegar industries, of the sheep and chicken farmer and of many others, giving, of course, as the higher scientific minds will ever do, as your Franklin ever did, his discoveries as a gift to his country and to the world," said M. Jusserand.

"Speaking, years before the end of Pasteur's career, the great English scientist, Lister, calculated that his discoveries had probably balanced for France the indemnity which she, working, unflinchingly, honorably, wanting to make good her word and signature, had paid to Germany after the war of 1870. All countries had, of course,

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MRS. PENNYPACKER LEFT ESTATE TO 4 CHILDREN

Daughters Share Equally $20,000 in Will of Governor's Widow

Mrs. Virginia Earl Broomall Pennypacker, widow of Governor Pennypacker, whose will was probated today, left her estate, equally divided, to her four children.

Mrs. Pennypacker, who died on December 12, at the Pennsylvania Hospital, left an estate valued at $20,000. She was seventy-seven years old.

In addition to leaving each of her children one-fourth of the estate, she also left each a package of jewelry.

The beneficiaries are Eliza, Anna, Josephine and Bevan Aubrey Pennypacker.

The one-fourth share for Josephine Pennypacker, the oldest daughter, is left in trust and at her death the money is to be distributed under the intestate laws.

In a codicil Mrs. Pennypacker set aside the packages of jewelry, most of which consists of diamonds. Their value is not given.

The will of James Wiehelm, who left an estate of $4000, also was probated.

Letters were granted to administer the estate of Jennie B. Singer, 253 Zeralda street, valued at $10,400.

Can't "Tote" Gun

DR. PENN GASKILL SKILLERN
Sharon Hill physician, arrested for carrying a revolver. His weapon was taken from him today by Magistrate Renshaw

DR. SKILLERN CAN'T TOTE PISTOL ABOUT

Sharon Hill Physician Signs Own Bail Bond of $500 to Keep Peace

"CONCEALED" IN HIS BOOT

Although he was held up by a bandit on Christmas Day and a man was shot and killed on his farm some time ago, Dr. Penn Gaskill Skillern, lineal descendant of William Penn, cannot carry a pistol.

Dr. Skillern, who lives in Sharon Hill, was arrested yesterday because an automatic protruded from one of his riding boots while he was walking near Ninth and Walnut streets.

He was arraigned before Magistrate Renshaw in Central Station today, charged with carrying "concealed deadly weapons" and held in $500 bail to keep the peace, but was permitted to sign his own bail bond.

Today's hearing was the second in the case. The first was held yesterday.

Magistrate Renshaw desired to consult his Blackstone to ascertain whether the law governing concealed deadly weapons could also apply to those which were not concealed.

It appears, however, that the judge didn't find the paragraph pertaining to the charge, for, at any rate, he did not return the weapon to the physician after the proceedings ended.

Daughter in Court

The Police Court was filled this morning when Dr. Skillern, accompanied by his daughter, Miss Violet Skillern, arrived.

Dr. Skillern was attired in a long black coat, a black suit, brown buckskin gloves, a brown soft hat and carried a gold-headed cane.

Miss Skillern wore a black tailored suit, black turban hat and white gloves. Her neck was encircled with a brown fur.

Neither the physician nor his daughter could obtain a seat when they arrived and both stood for several minutes as the grind of the regular cases of the day started.

Finally, when a big patrolman faded gradually out of the room, leaving a spacious seat, Dr. Skillern courteously waved to his daughter to take it. Later Dr. Skillern managed to get a seat beside her.

He was not the least piqued by the proceedings and seemed to be more interested in the machinery of the court than in his own particular case.

Two bootleg cases were called before the case of Dr. Skillern. In disposing of a bootleg case, the magistrate said, "Perhaps you'll be in better spirits next time and not be so stiff."

Calls Judge Quite a Comedian

This brought a laugh from Dr. Skillern and a broad smile from his daughter.

"The 'judge' is quite a comedian," he remarked.

The smile was still lingering on the face of the physician when he was called to the stand.

"You say you carried this pistol for protection," the Judge said by way of opening the proceedings.

"Yes, I did," replied the doctor.

"What do you mean by protection?" Dr. Skillern elaborated a little to bring his point home.

"Yesterday I rode my horse to the blacksmith shop to get a shoe put on. While there we talked over various topics and then I remembered that I had business in the central part of the city.

Forgot Gun Was in Boot

"You are straying a little," commented the Judge.

"Not in the least. I proceeded to the central part of the city, forgetful of the fact that my pistol was in one of my boots."

"What happened then?"

"The rest is known. A policeman approached and arrested me on the charge of carrying concealed deadly weapons. This struck me funny as my pistol was not concealed. I thought, also, that I was within my rights in view of the lawlessness which prevails.

"Were you ever attacked?" asked the magistrate.

"I was held up on Christmas Day at Sharon Heights," replied Dr. Skillern, "and then I decided that I should have some kind of protection.

"Did you have any other reason?"

"Some time ago a man was shot on my farm."

Dorothy Must Stay in Asylum

Boston, Dec. 27.—(By A. P.)—Judge Braley, of the Supreme Court, yesterday dismissed the petition of John D. Gardiner, of Baldwin, L. I., for a writ of habeas corpus to release his niece, Dorothy Gordon, from the McLean Hospital for the Insane at Waverly. Gardiner's petition was the latest move in the long battle for control of the girl and her $400,000 es-

SON OF MILLIONAIRE MARRIES SECRETLY

Sir Derrick J. Wernher, "Poor" Man, Weds Russian

New York, Dec. 27.—(By A. P.)—Sir Derrick Julius Wernher, son of the late Sir Julius Wernher, who was said to have made more than $50,000,000 in the South African diamond fields, and Miss Theodora Romanov, a young Russian, were married here secretly two weeks ago, the bridegroom admitted today. Both he and his bride denied rumors that she is of royal blood.

Sir Derrick, who said he was in the advertising business, first attracted public attention when his father published in English and continental newspapers a notice that he would pay no more bills for the young man. The son was said to have accumulated debts totaling $200,000 at Eton and Oxford and $375,000 more at the races in Europe.

When Sir Julius died it was learned he had left his son $6000 a year until he reached thirty years when the annuity was to be increased to $12,000. Sir Derrick said he was a "poor" man.

DR. GEO. G. ROSS DEAD

Prominent Surgeon Succumbs After Illness of Three Weeks

Dr. George G. Ross, of 1721 Spruce street, prominent surgeon, died at 11 o'clock this morning in the Lankenau Hospital after an illness of three weeks. His condition had been critical for several days.

The surgeon was a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania and a member of the surgical staffs of the Lankenau, Methodist, Germantown and University Hospitals. He was fifty years old.

Dr. Ross was a cousin of Charlie Ross, trace of whom was lost after he was kidnapped from his home in Germantown forty-eight years ago.

ORVILLA BARN BURNS

$20,000 Fire Loss Thought to Be Incendiary's Work

Lansdale, Pa., Dec. 27.—Believed to be of incendiary origin, fire shortly before midnight last night destroyed a large barn on the farm of William Hare, of Orvilla, above Lansdale.

Two horses, several hundred ducks, geese and chickens and two turkeys were roasted and farm machinery and all the crops in the barn destroyed.

The theory that the barn was fired is given rise to because the flames had gained such a headway when the fire was discovered.

There are no electric lights in the barn and members of the family had not been near the barn since early in the evening. The loss is estimated at $20,000. State police are investigating.

TRIES TO KILL MAN HELD FOR ATTACKING DAUGHTER

Father of Girl Is Disarmed, but Other Held for Court

An attempt to kill the man who is said have made an attack upon his daughter led to the arrest of Antonio DeMaulo, Ninth street near Tasker, and his appearance before Magistrate Renshaw today. The magistrate allowed him to sign his own bond to appear when wanted and released him after hearing his story.

Mitchell Condes, the man he attempted to kill, was held by the magistrate without bail for court.

DeMaulo went to the police station when Condes was being held, it was testified at the hearing, and attempted to shoot him. Policemen took the gun away from him and arrested him on a charge of carrying concealed deadly weapons. His daughter is Mary DeMaulo, fifteen years old.

"FLORIDA SPECIAL," VIA PENN.-ATLANTIC COAST LINE De Luxe train from Jan. 1 (no extra fare). Choice of 4 other thru trains gives schedules and accommodations as desired. 1009 Chestnut st.—Adv.

HEAVY FOG BEGINS TO LIFT FOLLOWING DAY OF DARKNESS

Street and Store Lamps Glow as Mist Overhangs City and Environs

TRANSPORTATION IN ALL FORMS IS SLOWED UP

Densest Pall of Winter to End Tonight With Storm and Cold Wave

The winter's heaviest fog lay over the city today like dark night, delaying railroad trains, ferries and trolley service.

All morning trains from the north and south steamed into stations from a half hour to an hour late. Street cars and automobiles were halted. City lamps glowed strangely, and stores and offices in the business sections were fully lighted. Thousands of the city's toilers suffered considerable personal inconvenience. Pedestrians were halted by the unavoidably jammed traffic.

The mist spread over the entire city and its environs, along the Delaware River to the bay, and across South Jersey.

But warnings, sent out from Washington, predict a storm of marked intensity late today which will sweep

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Weatherman Tells Just Why Is a Fog

The mixing of warm, moist air currents with currents of cold air is generally the cause of heavy fogs, Weather Forecaster Bliss explained.

It is possible that a current of cool air is circulating a short distance above the earth, said Mr. Bliss, and this, coming in contact with the warm air driven toward the coast by the storms in the Atlantic, produced the fog.

There are, however, other causes, such as air currents in contact with the warm ocean, and it is difficult to determine which is responsible.

ONE MAN INJURED IN AUTO COLLISION

Newspaperman Hurt and Three Others Badly Shaken Up

In a head-on collision between two automobiles at Fifteenth and Chestnut streets early this morning, Gordon Jost, twenty years old, of 1904 Pine street, a newspaperman, suffered a fractured rib, and three other young men escaped with a severe shaking up. They are Francis Williams, of Chestnut Hill, who was riding in Jost's car; Daniel Kelly, nineteen, and Dennis Ryan, both of Ardmore, who were the occupants of the second car.

Jost blamed the smash-up on Kelly, who he said was driving his car in such a manner that he couldn't avoid colliding with him. Kelly was arrested as intoxicated. Jost was treated at the Hahnemann Hospital and then went to his home.

Held for Stealing Auto Robe

Charged with the larceny of an automobile robe belonging to Samuel Brownstein, of 4015 A street, Jack Nelson, seventeen years old, of Front and Christian streets, was held under $400 bail for court by Magistrate Renshaw today. Detective Ferries testified he had caught the youth in the act of taking the robe from the automobile at Juniper and Arch streets.

LAST-MINUTE NEWS

LAFFERTY, RESTORATION BUREAU CHIEF, TO RESIGN

It was announced today that E. J. Lafferty, chief of the Bureau of Restoration of the State Department of Public Welfare, will resign that office on January 1. Dr. J. M. Baldy will take charge and will name his own chief to succeed Mr. Lafferty.

BRISTOL EDITOR DIES FROM SKULL FRACTURE

Eugene J. Warren, editor and publisher of the Bucks County Independent, of Bristol, Pa., died today in a Newark, N. J., hospital from a fracture of the skull. Witnesses say Warren fell in front of a cafe and struck his head.

PRINCETON MAN STRANGLED TO DEATH

MIDDLETOWN, O., Dec. 27.—Herbert S. Urmy, twenty-two years of age, of Bellevue, Pa., said to be a graduate of Princeton University and a member of the Princeton Club of New York, was found dead in his room in a boarding house here today with the cord of a bathrobe knotted around his throat.

THREE POLICEMEN 'FIRED' FROM FORCE DIES OF PNEUMONIA

Charged With Intoxication, They Admit Taking a 'Couple of Drinks'

DISREGARDED WARNINGS

Three patrolmen, each admitting he had "a couple of drinks," were dismissed from the force for intoxication today by the Civil Service Commission Trial Board.

"You received a warning and failed to heed it," Clifton Rogers Woodruff, president of the board, told Patrolmen Harry Friend, Thomas Collins and John F. Kelleher.

Friend lives at 1704 South Front street and was attached to the Third and Dickinson streets station. Collins lives at 1827 Ritner street and was a foot traffic patrolman at Sixteenth and Walnut streets. Kelleher lives at 118 Green street and was a member of the foot traffic division.

"The administration of city affairs and especially that of the police force for a year back has been very seriously injured through the actions of a number of police officers," said Mr. Woodruff.

Told They Knew Better

"You men get good pay and you can look forward to a pension for your old age. Nevertheless you jeopardize yourself and your family and in spite of the publicity given to intoxication and the order that was sent out concerning the habit of drinking you flagrantly violate it.

"You have been on the force long enough to know better and although it is a mighty hard thing for the commission

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DR. MARSHALL ROBBED

Sneak Thief Gets Into Home of Noted Throat Specialist

Dr. George Morley Marshall, 1819 Spruce street, a throat specialist, reported to the police of the Fifteenth and Locust streets station that a sneak-thief broke into his apartment last night.

He got away with clothing valued at about $100. The clothing was hanging on a rack in the front hallway.

Thieves entered the apartment of Dr. L. Biddle Duffield, a dentist, of 1516 Locust street, last night and stole a set of platinum cuff links studded with diamonds. Dr. Duffield reported the loss to the police of the Fifteenth and Locust streets station. The links are valued at $700.

THE JOB YOU ARE LOOKING FOR MAY be found in the Help Wanted columns on page 27.—Adv.

WILBUR F. CRAFTS FIGHTER FOR THIRTY YEARS

Leader of Reform Movements and Long Picturesque Figure in Washington Lobbies

By Associated Press

Washington, Dec. 27.—Dr. Wilbur F. Crafts, for twenty-eight years superintendent of the International Reform Bureau, which he founded, and widely known because of his activities on behalf of prohibition and similar movements, died at a hospital here today of pneumonia. He was seventy-three years old.

Dr. Crafts, charged by opponents of legislation he sponsored with being a "reform fanatic," was for nearly nine years a picturesque figure in Congressional lobbies and committee rooms. By those in sympathy with his policies he was credited with having an influential part in enactment of legislation of laws to restrict the use of narcotics and of legislation of a similar nature. Outspoken in his criticism of Sunday amusements, Dr. Crafts sought to have them banned by legislation. He also endeavored to prevent the holding of the Dempsey-Carpentier bout in New Jersey in the summer of 1921. He was a prolific writer on moral questions.

After funeral services here tomorrow the body will be sent to Westerly, R. I., for burial.

Wilbur Fisk Crafts was the son of the Rev. Frederick A. Crafts, a Methodist minister, and was born at Freeburg, Me., in 1850. He was a Methodist minister for twelve years, a Congregationalist for three years, and since then a Presbyterian. He served as pastor of churches in Stoneham, Haverhill and New Bedford, Mass., Dover, N. H., Chicago, Brooklyn and New York and also has been a talented lecturer. He has done much work in connection with Sunday school institutes. Since he was twenty-three he has averaged one book a year, besides editing religious and reform publications and contributing to various other periodicals.

Dr. Crafts was best known by his connection with the International Reform Bureau, the headquarters of which are located in Washington and of which he was the founder and president. This organization is described as a "committee on resolutions" to carry out the reform resolutions of the churches to guard immigrants against drink, and to promote a world treaty to protect all uncivilized races against intoxicants and opium.

The bureau has more than 5000 subscribing members, each of whom is more or less of a local agent for the bureau, contributing not only his money, but

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M'KOIN GETS WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS; FIGHTS EXTRADITION

Former Mer Rouge, La., Mayor, Arrested in Baltimore, Seeks Release on Bail

HELD ON MURDER CHARGE IN CONNECTION WITH KLAN

Denies He Is Ku Klux Member, but Condones "Crusade" of Hooded Gangs

Special Dispatch to Evening Public Ledger

Baltimore, Dec. 27.—Dr. Bunnie McEwin McKeon will fight to the last ditch extradition to Louisiana, where he is charged with the murder of Thomas F. Richards and F. Watt Daniels.

They disappeared last summer and their bodies were found a few days ago in Lake La Fourche. Dr. McKoin, former Mayor of Mer Rouge, is under arrest here. Suspicion has rested on the Ku Klux Klan in the murders.

As the first move in the fight former United States District Attorney Robert R. Carman, who has been retained by the physician as his counsel, obtained a writ of habeas corpus asking for the release of Dr. McKoin on bail until given a hearing on the extradition charges. While the writ was returnable forthwith, the hearing was postponed until tomorrow.

About the same time there arrived here a telegram from Governor John M. Parker, of Louisiana, which read: "Hold Dr. McKoin for extradition. Papers will be forwarded. Many thanks."

"I intend to fight any effort at extradition," said Mr. Carman as he obtained the writ from Judge James P. Gorter, sitting in the City Court. "I do not believe that there is any prima facie charge of murder against Dr. McKoin at Mer Rouge. I believe that this is but a subterfuge to get him there to question him.

"Dr. McKoin did not flee from Louisiana after the trouble at Mer Rouge. He remained there for many weeks after the death of the two men. He was with his father thirty miles away from Mer Rouge from August until October, when he came to Baltimore at the request of Dr. Hugh H. Young, who offered to permit him to associate with him at the Johns Hopkins Hospital.

"The Mayor placed himself at the disposal of the District Attorney at his county seat, and was in communication with him for a long time before he left. There was nothing for him to hide, and he gave whatever information he had at his command."

Taken Back to Jail

Dr. McKoin, who is charged with participation in the Ku Klux Klan outrages, was taken from the Central Police Station to the office of State's Attorney Robert F. Leach, Jr., preliminary to appearing before Judge Gorter. When the habeas corpus hearing was postponed, he was taken back to the police station.

Dr. Young, who is a noted specialist, went to the courthouse and offered to produce bail for the former Mayor of Mer Rouge. Dr. Young went to the private office of Judge Gorter with Attorney Carman, announcing that one of his patients was lying upon the operating table at the hospital and was in a precarious condition. Immediate operation was necessary and the specialist requested a prompt hearing for Dr. McKoin, but the hearing was postponed at Mr. Carman's request.

An offer to deposit any amount of money in a local bank in an effort to secure the release of Dr. McKoin was made by the Central Savings and Trust Company of Mer Rouge in a telegram received by Dr. Young. The telegram read:

"The Central Savings and Trust Company of Mer Rouge will indemnify you to any amount you might incur as a result of the arrest of Dr. McKoin. The bank will deposit in any bank in Baltimore City sufficient funds to cover any bonds that you might pledge for Dr. McKoin."

The name of the bank official who sent the telegram to Dr. Young could not be ascertained.

In an interview with newspaper men after his arraignment before Justice Stanford in Central Police Court today, Dr. McKoin protested that he was unable to throw any light on the death of Daniels and Richards.

Held for Ten Days

Dr. McKoin was led into the courtroom between Detectives Porter and Quail, who took him into custody at the Branch Jail.

I have a telegram from Governor John M. Parker, of Louisiana, requesting me to hold for the authorities of Mer Rouge on the charge of murder," said Justice Stanford, reading a

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BROKEN ARM CAUSES AMUNDSEN TROUBLE

Arctic Explorer Spent Pleasant Christmas, However

Nome, Alaska, Dec. 27.—(By A. P.)—Captain Roald Amundsen, Norwegian explorer, now leader of an expedition to the North Pole, is having trouble with an arm which was fractured off Siberia when he took the Gjoa from the Atlantic to the Pacific Ocean through the Northwest Passage from 1903 to 1905.

Captain Amundsen, who is wintering here, has had an X-ray examination made of his arm.

Unable to hear from the schooner Maud, in which he left the States last summer, through the Fairbanks and Nome radio stations in Alaska, Captain Amundsen has sent a message through Stavanger, Norway, to the vessel, which is in the ice 300 miles from Wrangel Island, in the Arctic Ocean.

Captain Amundsen, who left at Wainwright, 100 miles southwest of Point Barrow, a plane in which he hopes to fly over the pole next summer, said he spent a pleasant Christmas.

When You think of Writing, Think of WHITING.—Adv.