

SLEET STORM HITS WIRE SERVICE IN MANY SECTIONS

Wind's Maximum, 52 Miles, Not Dangerous to Crippled Greek Liner.

THE SENECA MAY GET THESSALONIKA TO-DAY

The storm that encircled trees and wires with sleet yesterday was not a howler, its best effort in velocity as it passed out to sea last night off Nantucket being fifty-two miles.

This will not materially interfere with the progress of the disabled Greek line steamer Thessalonika, crawling toward Sunday Hook and sought by the coast guard cutter Seneca, which started out after her early yesterday morning in answer to her wireless appeal for assistance.

At 8 o'clock last night the Thessalonika sent a wireless message to her agents saying that she was about 120 miles off the Hook, that all of her 300 passengers were well, that she was making about four knots and that her boiler room had been flooded again by heavy seas.

It is likely that the Seneca will fall in with her early this morning. The Postal and Western Union companies were hampered much by sleet wires, which broke in many places.

Communication was made even to nearby Albany by way of Cape Cod. The telephone wires were all in a tangle caused by the downfall of telegraph wires. The highest wind of the night at this port was thirty miles from the north at 10:15, when a fine snow began falling.

It was not the wind velocity of the storm that caused trouble but the sleet and ice. Sophie Spigler of Canarsie was killed by a train of the Canarsie division of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit because the motorcar was not at home.

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"Well, what's the charge?" demanded Desk Lieutenant Kauff, after a surgeon had bandaged the injured head. Mahieu decided that he would make a complaint against his friend charging him with entering his home while intoxicated with disorderly conduct.

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DR. MAXWELL MAY RETIRE AS CITY SCHOOLS HEAD

Suffered Breakdown Recently and Board of Education May Not Rename Him.

WIRT LIKELY SUCCESSOR

It was reported yesterday that the Board of Education, to which eleven appointments were made by Mayor Mitchell on Tuesday, will try to retire Dr. William H. Maxwell, who has been City Superintendent of Schools since 1898 and who was Superintendent of Schools in Brooklyn for three terms before that.

Superintendent Maxwell is 63 years old and he recently suffered a breakdown. There is an opinion in the board that he should be made superintendent emeritus at a salary of \$5,000 a year. The name most frequently mentioned as his possible successor is that of William Wirt, Superintendent of Schools in Newark, who has been in charge of public education as worked out in that city is now being tried here.

The Board of Education has not determined yet whether Dr. Wirt as superintendent would apparently be tantamount to a full inheritance of his system.

It is probable that the new board will take up at an early date the question of military training. Mayor Mitchell has announced that in favor of such training, as does William C. Hille, who may succeed President Churchill.

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MEDAL IS PRESENTED ARCHITECTS LEAGUE

Dinner and Reception Mark Completion of Interior Restoration of City Hall.

NEUTRAL EXPORTS OFF

George McAneny attained furthest south last night in his round of almost nightly dinners given by friends who regret his forthcoming departure from the city administration. The Architectural League had him as its guest of honor at India House, Hanover Square. For the league Grosvenor Albery presented him with a bronze medal designed by Daniel Chester French and inscribed: "To George McAneny in recognition of his helpful interest in architecture and the allied arts."

The dinner and a reception in the afternoon at City Hall signalled the completion of the Mayor's reception room, the last step—unless the Aldermanic chamber is included in the programme—in the restoration of the interior of City Hall to its original Colonial character, a work done largely to the efforts of the retiring President of the Board of Aldermen.

The entire building was thrown open to visiting painters, sculptors and architects yesterday, and Mayor Mitchell made a speech telling of his pride in the saving of City Hall from the Philistines.

"For all your services to the arts we represent we can give you to-night no great honor or reward," Mr. Albery said at India House. "That must come later in future days when you see the great things being done above the edifice of civic beauty whose foundations you have so quietly, patiently, yet mightily, helped to lay."

Mr. Mitchell with you and for you during these past six years our professions have learned to know your patience, broadness and steady sympathy. We have found in you a man who has always found time to hear, and in some miraculous way strength to encourage those who are in the line.

"I speak for all those who believe that the sense of beauty is not only a God given faculty but an essential element in the pursuit of happiness; given to rich and poor alike, and which we are now making, but this must be done by methods similar to those which have given success to the European countries formerly supplying these markets."

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HUSTLE OR LOSE BIG TRADE, HE SAYS

Prosperity Due to War, Other Chances Wasted, Warns National City Bank's Expert.

PRICES MUCH HIGHER TOO

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Dec. 29.—What is to be done by American business men about holding export trade after the war? This question was put to the American Association for the Advancement of Science this evening by C. P. Austin, statistician of the foreign trade department of the National City Bank of New York.

Mr. Austin presented figures showing a marvelous growth in exports, but which also proved that the increase was almost wholly to the European belligerents and that the United States is neglecting to foster trade with countries not at war.

He suggested that the belligerents may cut off their trade with us after the war, in which case American manufacturers will have a hard row to hoe, with increased capital invested in their businesses.

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"Nothing succeeds like excess"

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Equitable Building Corporation 120 Broadway

FIRE EMPTIES DOZEN HOUSES.

Flames Damage Five Story Building in Pearl Street. Fire in the five story building at 322 Pearl street, between Frankfort street and Peck's slip, drove the dwellers in a dozen houses into the street late last night and sent a big glare of light up from the shadows of Brooklyn Bridge.

The flames made fast headway through the floors of the building occupied by G. W. Galloway, dealer in cylinder, engine and signal oils, and went on up to the lofts of the Bots Marking Ink Company and L. Hummel & Sons, machinists.

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MISSING WITH CHAPLAIN'S \$17.

City Hospital Worker Had Benefactor's Check for \$100 Also. The police sent out a general alarm last night for John Kersey, a helper at the Metropolitan Hospital, who has not been seen on Blackwell's Island since he left the hospital yesterday to take a \$100 check and \$17 in cash to a New York City bank for Father A. P. Young, the Episcopal chaplain.

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JACKIES LOCK UP OFFICER.

Christmas Dinner Disappoints Men and They Inter-Lieutenant. PORTSMOUTH, N. H., Dec. 29.—Court-martial proceedings are expected to follow the escape of fifteen or more Jackies aboard the United States survey ship Leonidas on Christmas night, when Lieut. Holland was seized and locked in the ship's canteen for more than two hours while a refrigerator filled with food supplies was ripped from its fastenings and tossed overboard.

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WOMAN STARVED; HAD \$50,000.

Mamaroneck Recluse Died of Pneumonia Brought on by Want. MORTON VANDON, N. Y., Dec. 29.—Coroner Livingston of New Rochelle after investigating the death of Mrs. Sarah Heckler, a widow of Mamaroneck, who was found dead here with diamonds and bank books worth \$50,000, decided to hold a hearing to determine the cause of her death.

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Mrs. Sousa Aids Boy Fiddler. Mrs. Sousa had the lad come to her house yesterday to meet the mighty John Philip Sousa. Max promptly told Mrs. Sousa when asked about his ambitions that he has but one—to play in Sousa's band.

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BACK DISMISSED TEACHERS.

Meeting To-night in Ridgely Park to Fight for Davis. HACKENSACK, N. J., Dec. 29.—The townspeople of Ridgely Park have rallied to the support of Walter G. Davis, principal of the Ridgely Park High School, as against the recent action of the Board of Education in deciding, by a vote of 5 to 4, that he was guilty of charges of inefficiency, which were carried with him by the Citizens' School Committee.

This association has called for an indignation mass meeting in the Municipal Building to-night, when plans will be discussed for a petition against the decision of the board to the State board.

Mr. McNeill said he stood ready to start a fund for the principal with \$1,000 and many leading citizens have offered goodly sums.

Three petitions are now in circulation in Ridgely Park to Principal Davis's behalf—one for the citizens, one for the graduates and one for the pupils.

TAKING NITRIC ACID FROM AIR

James B. Duke Plant Starts to Market Product on Saturday. Nitric acid produced from the air will be put on the market next Saturday by the Southern Electro-Chemical Company, according to an announcement by James B. Duke, president of the company.

THE TEXAS GETS SILVER SHIP.

Model of De Ruyter's Vessel to Go to the North Carolina Canal. A silver model of the ancient battleship Zeven Provinciën standing four feet high was presented yesterday morning to the American States by the general manager of the Holland-America Line in commemoration of the work done by the Texas on May 26 last when the Holland-America liner Ryndam had a collision off Nantucket Lightship with the steamship Joseph Cuno.

The Texas and the South Carolina, then engaged in war maneuvers, rescued the Ryndam's passengers.

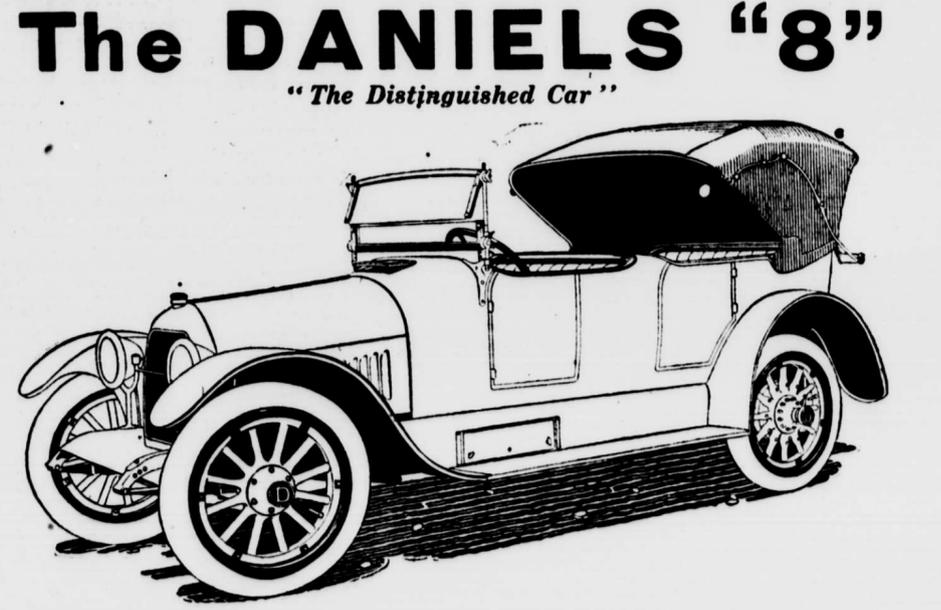
Another model has been made for the South Carolina, which will be presented when that vessel visits New York port. The Zeven Provinciën was flagship of De Ruyter, the famous Dutch Admiral of the seventeenth century.

RENEWS CONGRESS SEAT FIGHT.

Brown Charges Hicks's Votes Were Counted by Drunken Men. RICHMOND, Va., Dec. 29.—Ex-Congressman Lathrop Brown, through his counsel, Percy L. Housell, has served upon Congressman Frederick C. Hicks of Port Washington detailed charges of serious nature through which Mr. Brown hopes to upset in the House of Representatives the election of Mr. Hicks.

Mr. Brown's Republican opponent in the campaign of a year ago last fall, Last week, or more than thirteen months after the election, Congressman Hicks received his certificate of election from the Secretary of State.

Among the charges which Mr. Brown has just filed are those of a certain election board being too drunk to work properly; of poll clerks in a drunken sleep during the counting of ballots; outsiders improperly entering polling places election night; of unguarded ballots; the counting of improperly marked ballots; and that two men were permitted to do clerical work in polling places which under the law they had no right to do.



WITH the construction last spring of the original DANIELS EIGHT, a new era in automobile building was inaugurated. Cars of this quality and class had previously been built only at a prohibitive price.

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The lustrous finish and refined body lines of the new DANIELS EIGHT further commend it to the artistic judgment of the modern buyer of taste. THE 1916 MODELS, including closed types, combine the efficiencies of the eight cylinder car, with the refinement and beauty of finish and detail to be found only in the most expensive custom-made cars in this country or abroad.

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