

DELAY IN RETURN OF ROADS EXPECTED TO QUIET SHOPMEN

Dominions Oppose New Anglo-Jap Pact Fringe of War in Caucasus Pan-Moslem

PALMER'S PREDICTED DROP IN H. C. L. DEPENDED UPON TO EASE HIGHER PAY NEED

U.S. MEDIATION FOR ARMENIANS REFUSED BY FOE

PROCLAMATION OF PEACE AWAITS ONLY INVENTORY OF GERMAN DOCK ASSETS

TOKIO'S FACING ISOLATION IF IT LOSES ENGLAND

Pressure Heretofore for Prompt Adjustment Was Based on Supposition President Would Turn Lines Back to Owners January 1; New Contracts for Material Will Have to Be Made.

Kalil Bey Who Nominally Controls Tartars, Tells Americans His Hordes Prefer Force.

Paris, Dec. 25.—(By The Associated Press.)—The final date of the repeatedly postponed exchange of ratifications of the treaty of Versailles now depends upon the speed with which the allied missions in Germany can verify the German figures of available floating dock tonnage demanded by the allies as compensation for the sinking of the German whips at Scapa Flow...

Russia and Germany Not in Condition to Form Triple Alliance; Trade Bond With America.

Washington, Dec. 25.—President Wilson's proclamation returning the railroads to private control March 1 lends a new aspect to wage problems now before Director General Hines.

12,000 Armenians Hemmed in and Bound to Starve if They Survive Winter Battles.

N.D. COLLATERAL EXCUSE TO SHUT NEBRASKA BANK

Japs Bewildered by War Made False Steps and Alienated Australia and Canada.

Pay Demands of 500,000 Pending. The only wage demands now before Mr. Hines are those of the 500,000 shopmen who were refused a general increase of 25 per cent last summer...

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PRESIDENT SIGNS EDGE BILL; MRS. WILSON DRIVES OUT TO PRESENT GIFTS

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Washington, Dec. 25.—The national capital officially and privately spent a quiet Christmas. All departments of the government were closed and congress was in the midst of its two weeks holiday recess.

Nakhichevan, Caucasus, Dec. 17.—(Delayed)—Tartar troops have surrounded the Armenian district of Zangezur and the 12,000 Armenians still there, even if not defeated in battle, are most certain to starve before spring.

BOWERY DINNERS IDLE; NOBODY TO FEED AT SOME DOWN-AND-OUT FEASTS

Tokio, Dec. 25.—(Delayed)—Japan is greatly worried at the present time over the possibility of England's refusal to renew the Anglo-Japanese agreement which expires in 1921.

Coal Strikers Refused to Go Back; Open Shop Established. Tacoma, Dec. 25.—John J. Hewitt, treasurer of the Wilkeson Coal and Coke company of Wilkeson, at 8:30 tonight from Tacoma telephoned Governor Louis H. Hart, appealing for troops to be rushed to Wilkeson because of fighting which is reported to have broken out between union and non-union miners who are ex-service men.

A combined attack is under way in this mountain country by Tartar bands and is being made on three sides. Tartar irregulars are encamped along the railroad connecting Erivan with Tabriz through Nakhichevan. This road has not been operating since British troops withdrew from the latter place.

BURGLARS FREED BY SIX VISITORS TO COUNTY JAIL

Everywhere in the world, one hears talk of some future Japanese-German-Russian alliance. I have pretty thoroughly searched for even a faint suspicion of some such affair, but have not located it on the island.

Shipping Lines BY U.S. FADE; FOREIGN SHIPS FOR SALE. Washington, Dec. 25.—The shipping board has under consideration the sale of all former German passenger ships, with the stipulation that the vessels be run under the American flag, it is announced.

The prime minister of Armenia has stated that he cannot ride four miles from the capital in safety, owing to the boldness of the numerous bands nearby. To the south of Nakhichevan, Tartars armed with Lewis machine guns and officers of Turkish troops, are massed at Skihil, only 32 miles from Tiflis.

IRATE CITIZENS ROIL PARADE OF SHACKLED REDS

Japan, in truth, might just as well have access to American markets and gain American business co-operation. We would absorb the big end of its silk, which represents 30 per cent of the total of its industries, and most of its tea.

Booze Thieves String Up Butler by Thumbs; Take \$20,000 Worth. Chicago, Dec. 25.—Ten disguised whisky robbers used motor trucks to take away whisky valued at from \$10,000 to \$20,000 from the summer home of C. H. Ackert, broker, at Lake Forest, a Chicago suburb.

The Tartar movement is under the nominal control of Kalil Bey, but Enver Pasha, whose headquarters are in Baku, and who is the real commander in Trans-Caucasia.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS RUSE BY WHICH TO LULL DEPUTIES.

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Demonstration for Political Prisoners in Fifth Avenue Fades. New York, Dec. 25.—The Christmas day celebration of the League for Amnesty of Political Prisoners met with disaster when the police, soldiers and irate citizens broke it up.

On a recent visit to Lincoln, the county attorney at Halsey applied for a requisition for President Riddings, but his application was found defective.

ON POINT OF TRUCE IN BALTIC; LEAGUE IS NOW PROPOSED

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Ranch Hand Killed While Feeding Cattle. James Clark, aged 61, was accidentally killed at the ranch of Harold Loomis, near Simms, Thursday. While loading hay he fell from the load and the wagon wheels passed over his body.

SIR ED. CARSON APPEALS TO ULSTERITES TO BE CALM

England Leans More to U. S. England, too, probably feels the need of close friendship with America, (Continued on Page Two)

Bull Fight Ban Off in Mexico; Carranza Signs Restoration. El Paso, Tex., Dec. 25.—President Venustiano Carranza, of Mexico, has signed a bill passed by the senate, permitting bull fights throughout the country, according to a dispatch from Mexico City published by El Ferialdo, a Mexican newspaper.

The Tartars have taken Nakhichevan and Sharur by force and will keep them by force if needed. Khalil Bey replied to Colonel Rhea, "We shall accept no decision of the peace conference that will deprive us of this territory."

KANSAS CITY WANTS DEMOCRATS.

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On Point of Truce in Baltic; League is Now Proposed. Dorpat, Dec. 25.—It is officially announced that the Estonian and bolshevik delegates in conference here have reached an agreement on the questions of frontiers and military guarantees. It is stated that they probably will sign what was designated as a "preliminary armistice."

Kansas City Wants Democrats. Kansas City, Dec. 24.—An effort will be made by Kansas City to obtain the democratic national convention for 1920, it was decided today at a meeting of the chamber of commerce.

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