

REVOLUTION TO OVERTHROW NEW MONARCHY

Long Looked for Revolt in Chinese Province Breaks Out at Last.

DR. SUN SAID TO BE BACK OF MOVEMENT
Government Troops Dispatched to Scene of Revolt Will Arrive in Two Weeks.

Pekin, China, Dec. 24.—A revolutionary movement under the leadership of Tsai Ao, formerly military governor of Yunnan, has broken out. The Chinese government has sent 20,000 soldiers to quell the revolt. The troops have been sent from Sze Chuen province in western China, bordering on Tibet. The uprising started at Yuan Nanfu in Yunnan province. Tsai Ao is a bitter opponent of the monarchy, which is to be restored.

The government troops of Yunnan province have not joined the revolt, the latest advices indicating that they are loyal. The neighboring provinces are not affected.
Dr. Sun Back of Revolt.
Tsai Ao recently resigned a bureau chiefship at Peking, alleging his health had failed. He returned secretly to Yunnan where he had been the most prominent leader under Dr. Sun Yat Se, the first provisional president of China, who of late is reported to have been conducting a revolutionary propaganda.

It will require about two weeks of marching through the mountains for the troops from Sze-Chuen province to reach Yunnan.

Report Expected.
New York: Announcement from Peking of the outbreak of a revolutionary movement in Yunnan province follows shortly the receipt of private reports that Chinese provinces, including Yunnan, had declared their independence of the rule of Yuan Shi Kai. The other provinces named in the previous reports were Kwangtung, Kiangai, Kweichow, and Sze-Chuen.
It is from the last named province that today's dispatches state troops have been sent into Yunnan, which lies just to the south of Sze-Echuen and is the southwestern most province of China. The area of Yunnan is about 146,500 square miles, and it has a population estimated at 12,000,000.

HOOSIER POET SENDS CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 21.—James Whitcomb Riley, who is in Florida for the winter, has sent the following Christmas message to the people of Indiana:

Christmas means love. We cannot picture it without seeing the spangled Christmas trees, girt with the faces of gleeful youngsters, glad parents and happy bodies returned home from town or far metropolis. It sounds like bells, and crackling logs and shouts of children. And even our old round-shouldered sorrow-ridden planet, with his eye knocked out on his cheek, pauses to smile from sea to sea, and love is everywhere rejuvenated.

ENGLAND WON'T STOP HOSPITAL SUPPLIES

Washington, Dec. 24.—A statement was issued by the British embassy here tonight denying that Great Britain had extended to hospital supplies of all kinds its prohibition against the shipment to the Teutonic countries of such supplies made of rubber.

Difficulties encountered by the American Red Cross in obtaining permits for the passage of hospital stores have been brought to the attention of the state department, and yesterday it was learned that the department had communicated with the London foreign office, seeking to facilitate the dispatch of large quantities of goods accumulated at the New York office of the Red Cross. Officials of the society say they have been unable to obtain permits for the shipment of supplies of any description to any of the Central Powers.
In view of the statement of the British embassy, it is hoped this situation is the result of some misunderstanding, which may be cleared away.

BARGE IN DISTRESS.
Seattle, Wash., Dec. 24.—The barge Callao, stripped of her sails and drifting south toward the rocks on the Washington coast, was reported in distress tonight 12 miles southeast of Cape Beale, Vancouver Island. The coast guard cutter, Snohomish, was dispatched from Neah Bay to the Callao's assistance.

Christmas Brings Signs of Prosperity

St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 24.—Community Christmas Tree celebrations were held tonight in many of the cities of the central and northwest. Wants of the poor were well taken care of in every community. Reports from the Dakotas, Minnesota and Wisconsin tonight indicated individual efforts to supplement organized charities in supplying gifts and food. Added evidence of the prosperity wave prevalent over the northwest was given in reports from merchants in various localities, indicating increases in gift purchases this year from 20 to 30 per cent over those of a year ago. The greatest increases were shown in larger cities, including Minneapolis, St. Paul and Duluth.

BRIDAL COUPLE JOIN THE THRONE

President Wilson and Mrs. Wilson Participate in Christmas Celebration.

Hot Springs, Ark., Dec. 24.—President and Mrs. Wilson participated in an old-fashioned Christmas celebration tonight. It was their first appearance in the public part of the hotel since they arrived Sunday to spend their honeymoon.

A big and gaily decorated Christmas tree, filling one end of the lawn, was presided over by a dusky Santa Claus. Before it, dispersed 15 negroes, whose antics and musical efforts kept the president and every body else almost convulsed with laughter.
Mrs. Wilson wore a black silk dress, on which was fastened a diamond brooch given her by the president.
It was near midnight when the party broke up, with hearty exchanges of Christmas good wishes.

FARM MANAGERS TO MEET IN FARGO NEXT MONTH; BIG PROGRAM

Fargo, N. D., December 24.—The seventh annual meeting of the Farm Managers' Association will be held in Fargo, Jan. 19. The program will consist of a discussion of the most equitable systems of leasing farm land and the most profitable methods of handling live stock and the increasing crop yields by various systems of soil and crop management will receive especial consideration.
Speakers from North Dakota and Minnesota who have made a special study of certain phases of farm management and who have been successful in working out profitable systems will give addresses. Methods of marketing farm products and the relation of live stock farming to the profitable marketing of farm crops will be discussed. All of the discussions will be focused on making each acre return the maximum profit.

TRY TO ESCAPE; CAR OVERTURNS

Los Angeles, Dec. 24.—Endeavoring to make their escape after running down and seriously injuring a woman, according to police reports, Charles Herron, a motion picture actor, was killed and his two companions, James J. Gormby, a chauffeur, and Duchala Dalton, an animal trainer, were injured here tonight when their automobile overturned. Gormby was placed under arrest at the Emergency hospital.

10,000 BASKETS GIVEN TO POOR

Chicago, Dec. 24.—Chicago's biggest Christmas in years began at midnight tonight. At Grant Park on Lake Front, a 30-foot community Christmas tree, with a star on its top-most branch, shed rays of light on the watchers and in the crowded tenement districts, self-appointed Santas climbed backstairs and left baskets of good things to bring Christmas joy. Christmas baskets distributed were estimated to number more than 10,000.

PROMINENT STOCKMAN KILLED.
Grand Junction, Colo., Dec. 24.—Clyde Bailey, 25, prominent stockman, was shot and instantly killed at Thompson's, Utah, today, as he alighted from a train. Marvin Turnbow, a fellow passenger, of Moab, Utah, who was taken into custody, told the police Bailey had estranged him from his wife. Both men were armed.

HENRY FORD ILL; LEAVES FOR HOME

Physicians Order Complete Rest and No Worry for World's Peace Advocate.

PARTY TO CONTINUE ACCORDING TO PLAN
In Statements Issued Ford Says, "The Newspapers Have Power to End the War."

Stockholm, via London, Dec. 24.—On account of his serious sickness, Henry Ford has been compelled to abandon his trip. The remaining members of the expedition will continue on to Copenhagen and the Hague with the idea of carrying out Mr. Ford's original plan for a permanent arbitration board. The committee has issued the following statement: "The illness of Mr. Ford while not dangerous, is serious. His doctors assert there is no organic disease, but urgent need for rest. The doctor is hopeful that the relief from responsibility for the expedition will speedily restore him to normal health."
May Return Later.
Before leaving the party, Mr. Ford said: "If I am well enough, I will surely join the expedition later. I am confident it will continue the same without me and that it will do much toward bringing about peace."

Satisfied With Trip.
Christiania, Norway, Dec. 24.—The Norwegian liner Bergsford, with Henry Ford on board, sailed for New York this morning.

Mr. Ford said before leaving Bergen that the peace expedition will continue under the auspices of the Woman's International Peace association.
Before leaving Christiania for Bergen, Mr. Ford wrote the following statement for the press: "I am satisfied with what has been accomplished in Christiania. Peace has been given publicity. Newspapers have power to end the war, for it is through publicity that the gospel of peace is spread."
"Norway is like every other country. The people are all right."

TEST CASE ON OLD INDIAN LAND LAW

Minneapolis, Dec. 24.—The constitutionality of the Clapp act of 1906, which permitted mixed blood Indians to sell their lands was attacked by the government in federal district court today in a test case in which titles to approximately \$15,000,000 worth of lands on the White Earth Indian reservation in Minnesota are involved.
Should the act be held unconstitutional, all deeds made by the Indians, including mixed blood, would be invalid. Judge Page Morris, before whom the case was argued, expects to render a decision next month, but believes the last word in the case will come from the United States supreme court.
If the court decides the act unconstitutional and orders land returned to Indians, congress probably will be asked to reimburse purchasers.

BANK CLERK HELD IN CONSPIRACY CASE

New York, Dec. 24.—Frederick S. Lend, a National City bank clerk, charged with having furnished German agents with information concerning shipments of arms and munitions to the Allies, was held in \$1,400 bail for trial today by a police magistrate after pleading not guilty. Lend is a German subject. He was arrested on December 18 on a charge of grand larceny, it being alleged he had stolen confidential letters and papers of the bank and turned them over to Paul Kougel, now under indictment on charges of attempting to blow up the Welland canal.

FOUR ZIONISTS ARE HELD ON ARSON CHARGE

Fairfield, Ill., Dec. 24.—Ralph Shook and Mrs. Carrie Arri Withrow, a widow, and Ole Bradford, and Miss Eva Etherington, were bound over to the county grand jury today on a charge of setting fire to the Zion Baptist church near here, December 9.
The four were released on \$400 bonds each. The church building was discovered in flames soon after the congregation had departed, following an evening service, during which two couples were reprimanded by the minister for their behavior in church.

G. O. P. MAY CHOOSE ONE OF THESE TO HEAD COMMITTEE



Republican leaders declare that Representative Frank P. Woods of Iowa will not be re-elected chairman of the Republican national congressional committee. The honor is expected to fall upon either Representative William B. McKinley of Illinois or Congressman Joseph W. Fordney of Michigan. Both these men are millionaires, and are very influential in the councils of the party.

PLANS FOR NAVY ARE ANNOUNCED

Secretary Daniels Makes Public Special Report of Navy General Board.

Washington, Dec. 24.—Secretary Daniels made public tonight the original special report of the naval general board prepared in reply to a query addressed to the board when the administration determined last July to take up the question of national preparedness.

Critics of the administration five year building program for the navy have declared this report was suppressed in part by the navy department and if published would disclose the inadequacy of the government's plan.

The board's statement of policy holding that the navy should equal the strongest afloat by 1925 was published some time ago, but the first year's building program advocated under that suggested policy is now revealed for the first time.

Ships Asked For.
It contemplates an expenditure variously estimated at \$300,000,000 the first year, as compared with \$500,000,000 to be spent for new ships in five years under the administration plan. The report recommends the following building program for this year:
Four battle cruisers, four dreadnaughts, six scouts, 30 coast submarines, seven fleet submarines, 20 destroyers, six gunboats.
Auxiliary—One destroyer, two fleet submarine tenders, for fuel, oil ships, one supply ship, one transport, one hospital ship, one repair ship, one ammunition ship.
Air craft service—\$5,000,000 for the personnel, the report asks to be further increased as the new construction progresses.
Increased facilities for the navy yard and shore establishments generally also were asked.

SUBMARINE BASE AT ENDS OF CANAL

Panama, Dec. 24.—Major General George W. Goethals, governor of the Canal Zone, Brigadier General Clarence R. Edward and Rear-Admiral Albert W. Brand, commanding the Atlantic submarine flotilla at conferences being held here are said to be discussing locations for submarine bases at both ends of the Panama canal, with a view to bringing a larger underwater fleet to the isthmus.

SENDS GREETINGS TO AMERICAN NAVY

Washington, Dec. 24.—Secretary Daniels tonight sent the following Christmas greeting to all ships and shore stations of the navy to be broadcasted by the navy radio service to all parts of the world where American ships are on duty: "Rejoicing in the national spirit, I send Christmas greetings to the American navy from the American people."

LAND LOAN BILL IS PREPARED BY SUB COMMITTEE

Will Be Presented to Committee on Rural Credits on January Third

REGIONAL BANKS IN TWELVE DISTRICTS
Business Will Be Done Between Regional Banks and Co-operative Organizations.

Washington, Dec. 24.—A land loan bill which is expected to have the approval of the administration was completed today by a sub-committee of the joint congressional committee on rural credits. Senator Hollis was authorized to present the measure to the full committee on January 3rd. Already, it has been informally approved by practically the entire membership of the committee.
The bill would provide for a comprehensive farm mortgage credit system, under the control and supervision of a federal land bank board of five members, to be appointed by the president, with the approval of the senate.

Twelve Regional Banks.
The country would be divided into twelve districts, each with a regional bank, having a capital stock of \$500,000, to be issued in ten shares for purchase by the public. Any stock not taken within ninety days by private capital, or by local organizations, contemplated by the bill, would be subscribed by the federal government.

Business would be done directly between the regional banks and the local bodies, which farmers would be authorized to organize in the form of co-operative farm loan associations, or joint stock banks, charters for which would be passed on by the land bank board. Applications for loans approved by the local organizations would be recommended to the regional banks of the district.
Reduce Interest Rates.
The banks would be authorized to loan out of capital stock or to sell bonds to obtain sufficient funds to make the loans, and the farmers would be charged as interest, the interest on the bonds, plus 1 per cent. In order to reduce the rate of interest, the bill will provide they must be acceptable by the banks as security for the deposit of public funds.

Payment of the mortgages by borrowers would be made on the installment plan running for a period of not exceeding thirty years.
ST. LOUIS GETS ITS FIRST SNOW STORM
St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 24.—St. Louis experienced its first snow storm of the year today and tonight. Seven inches of snow have fallen between 8:00 a. m. and 8:00 p. m. The government weather bureau predicted the snow would continue to fall through the night and for some time tomorrow, with the temperature dropping below the freezing point. The storm was general throughout Missouri, Indiana and Illinois, so the weather bureau reported.

MORAN MAY MEET JESS WILLARD

New Orleans, La., Dec. 24.—Local fight promoters who had arranged for a 20-round bout for the world's heavyweight championship March 4th between Jess Willard, the title holder, and Fred Fulton of Rochester, Minnesota, announced tonight that Frank Moran of Pittsburg probably would be substituted for Fulton. A telegram was sent tonight to Tom Onies, Willard's manager, advising him to have Jack Curley of New York sign Moran for the fight.

MRS. PAYNE PASSES

Milwaukee, Wis., Dec. 24.—Mrs. Louise Payne, widow of Henry C. Payne, postmaster general under the Roosevelt administration, died today at a local hotel.

Government May Control All Wireless

Washington, Dec. 24.—Recommendations that the government regulate and operate all radio coast stations within the jurisdiction of the United States and establish a practical monopoly for transmission of all government business are included in the annual report of Capt. W. R. G. Bullard, superintendent of the navy radio service, made public tonight.
The board of radio organization, the report adds, is preparing amendments to existing laws to work out a scheme, which will be submitted to the secretary in a special communication.

TO HOLD ALIENS NOW IN ARMY

Great Britain Will No Longer Release Alien Adults Who Have Enlisted.

Washington, Dec. 24.—The state department has been informed that the British military authorities no longer are willing to release adult aliens regularly enlisted in the British army.
In some cases of Americans under age, Great Britain probably will continue to respond to appeals from their relatives and friends made through the state department, but where Americans over 21 years of age have enlisted, even though they falsely pretended to be British subjects, they will be held for service.

WILL INVESTIGATE SINKING OF BOAT

Washington, Dec. 24.—The state department today began an inquiry into the sinking in the Mediterranean of the liner, Wasaku Maru, by ordering the American consular agent at Port Said, Egypt, to gather and forward all details.
Prompt action followed unofficial reports that the vessel had been torpedoed by an Austrian submarine, without warning, thereby endangering the life of an American citizen who was on board.
Should official verification of the reports be received the matter will be made the subject of further diplomatic correspondence with Austria-Hungary. The officials made no attempt to conceal the fact that the sinking of the Wasaku Maru under the alleged circumstances would seriously complicate the circumstances over the sinking of the steamer, Ancona, which already has threatened breaking off relations.

FRICK TO PAY ALL CHILDREN'S LOSSES

Pittsburg, Dec. 24.—Joy prevails in the hearts of Pittsburg school children tonight as the result of the announcement late today that H. C. Frick, millionaire magnate, had agreed to pay in full all the accounts of the 41,000 children depositors in the Pittsburg Bank for savings which was closed last Wednesday by order of the state department of banking. The deposits amount to \$167,136.68, and payment will be made in cash just as soon as the necessary arrangements can be completed, which will probably be about January 3rd.

FORMER FARGOAN DIES AT VALLEY CITY HOME

Fargo, Dec. 24.—Word reached this city yesterday morning of the death of Jay Martin Hummel, well-known North Dakotan, who passed away at his home in Valley City Tuesday from tuberculosis of the spine. Funeral services, it was learned late yesterday afternoon, will be held today.
Mr. Hummel was a former Fargo resident. He was born and grew to manhood here. For years he was in the drug business at Dazey, N. D., until just six months ago when he sold out and moved to Valley City. He was a member of Company "B," First North Dakota infantry volunteers in the Spanish-American war.
Mr. Hummel was 40 years old. A widow and three children survive.

NEW YORK'S CHRISTMAS

New York, Dec. 24.—Official celebration of Christmas began in New York tonight, when the lights were turned on in "Community Tree" and choirs sang carols. Charitable organizations completed preparations for the distribution of thousands of well filled baskets for the poor and none need lack a share in the holiday cheer.

NO CHRISTMAS TRUCE FOR MEN IN TRENCHES

Christmas Will Differ But Little for Fighting Troops From Last Year.

EXPECT LULL SOON IN WESTERN BATTLE
Terrific Clash in Balkans Is Looked for Within the Next Few Weeks.

London, Dec. 24.—Tomorrow the second Christmas of the great war will differ but little from its predecessor, judging from the visible signs of the past 24 hours.

Although there is small likelihood of an exact repetition of the strange truce of last year, here and there, it is probable that the opposing lines will come to some sort of an understanding which will permit each other to celebrate their one common day of rejoicing without undue annoyance.

Heavy Losses Reported.
The fighting around Hartmanns-Wellerkopf, which has been the chief incident in the recent news from the western front, has not yet reached a decision, but reports indicate that the four days' losses on both sides have been so severe that some kind of a lull is almost inevitable.

The news from Greece continues to presage a terrific clash in the near future, but most of the dispatches put the date of the conflict off until the new year.

Russians Near Teheran.
Events recently have developed rapidly in Persia with the Russians advancing on Teheran. The two chief centers of rebel activities in Persia already are in Russian hands and the rapidly with which the Russians are moving indicates the opposition with which they are meeting is weak.

The figures given out by Premier Asquith today show how heavy have been the British casualties during the war. These total nearly 500,000 without counting the men invalided on account of sickness.

Shipments Prohibited.
By a royal proclamation published tonight in the London Gazette the exportations to Switzerland that might be serviceable to Germany are prohibited unless consigned to an organization which corresponds with the Netherlands' over seas trust, with which the government has a similar agreement.

Russians Renew Attacks.
There has been a renewal of activity on the Bessarabian front, the Russians attacking the Austrian forces there, according to today's official reports from Austrian army headquarters received from Vienna. The official statement declares that Russian attacks were repulsed with heavy losses to the Russian troops.

Entertain Soldiers.
The celebration of England's second Christmas of the war is being devoted mainly to the soldiers. Several thousands of them have come from the front on leave. These men, with the large forces in the home camps and the thousands in hospitals, are being entertained at every town of the United Kingdom there is some celebration for soldiers and sailors. More than 1,500,000 packages have been sent to soldiers on the continent.

Need Special Trains.
Six special trains and four Channel boats have been employed for the last week to carry the army mail. Even the German prisoners in England are preparing for the elaborate Christmas celebration. At Donnington Hall, the place of confinement of a majority of the officers, so many packages are being received from Germany that the village postoffice has been compelled to enlarge its staff.

BERTHOLD DISTRICT IS BOOMING

Fargo, Dec. 24.—Hugh Miller, formerly I. M. C. A. boys' work director, accompanied by Mrs. Miller, arrived in the city this morning from the Berthold country, where he went four years ago to take charge of his claim which he drew in the Berthold allotment. Mr. Miller's claim is located six miles from the new town of Parshall.

Mr. Miller states that Parshall is a thriving town three years old with six elevators and out of which they have already shipped a half million bushels of grain, with another half million still to be moved.

He states that the railroad has been unable to cope with the situation and that in many places grain is piled on the ground. Land has jumped 50 per cent in price in that section and everybody is prosperous.

Mr. and Mrs. Miller will leave tomorrow evening for Mitchell, S. D., their old home where they expect to spend Christmas.

THE WEATHER.
Fair Saturday and probably Sunday; colder Sunday.