

## TROOPS ARE CALLED OUT TO QUELL FEUDS

### GOODFELLOWS' PLANS READY FOR CHRISTMAS

Five Organizations Finance Gifts of Useful Things to Many Bismarck Folks

93 MEN TO TAKE PART

Committees Will Visit Families, Taking With Them Personal Touch of Goodwill

Bismarck's Santa Claus will arrive via the North Pole route and N. P. No. 8 Friday afternoon. While here he will be guest of Henry Halverson. He is anxious to visit crippled and sick children from Friday to Monday, and appointments may be made through Mr. Halverson.

Plans for the lightening of hearts of Bismarck children who might otherwise be sad on Christmas day were all complete today.

Five organizations—the Elks, U. T. C., Masons, Knights of Columbus and the Rotary club—will finance the effort. They will furnish 31 teams of three men each—93 in all—to visit the homes of families and leave good things for Christmas.

The entire program has been worked out in detail so that every boy and girl in Bismarck may feel the magic touch of Christmas cheer. The streets will take on the Christmas air when Santa Claus arrives Friday afternoon to remain until the big Community Christmas program at the Auditorium on Tuesday evening.

Distribution of gifts will be made Friday and Saturday. Names are being furnished by the Red Cross and the Salvation Army. The 93 men who will visit the homes will take with them the personal touch of an individual expression of goodwill at Christmas time.

The city commission has granted use of the Auditorium for the Community Christmas program next Tuesday evening. This will be entirely in charge of the Salvation Army, with the organizations named above furnishing the money and candies. There will be a big Christmas tree on the stage and a program will be rendered. Gifts will be distributed as the children march out of the door.

Because of voluntary offers of individuals to contribute to the Goodfellows fund it was stated that persons desiring to do so may hand their donation to R. S. Bergeson, secretary of the Rotary club. No solicitation will be made, however, the program being underwritten by lodges, Rotary and a few individuals.

Close Cooperation Through close cooperation of the Community Christmas committee, the Salvation Army and the Red Cross there will be no duplication of Christmas gifts to the less fortunate families. The committees will give chiefly clothing or other useful articles while the Salvation Army will distribute baskets of food on Saturday.

Ensign Homer has placed the Salvation Army kettles on the street for donations for the food baskets. The silver dropped in the kettles has been rather disappointing thus far, but Ensign Homer hopes that within the next two days many people will contribute a mite to help fill up the food baskets.

Brisk holiday business was reported in the Bismarck stores. Not only were there many Bismarck shoppers but they came from many towns around. Beautiful gifts were to be found in a score of stores.

The Christmas tree business was reported greater this year than before. Bismarck wholesale houses have distributed 7,000 Christmas trees in the Slope territory.

Postoffice Busy The postoffice is just about the busiest place in town now, with the rush of Christmas mailings. Those that mailed early—and there were many of them—received a real vote of thanks. There are two extra helpers in the office and there will be an extra parcel post wagon for four or five days. The office will observe holiday hours Monday, being open from noon to 1 p. m., but one full delivery also will be made. The "Santa Claus special" on the Northern Pacific, from St. Paul to Mandan, is relieving the regular N. P. trains of much of the Christmas business, and making it possible for the trans-continentals to get in and away from a station in much quicker time.

### SERVES SUMMONS BY AIRPLANE

San Jose, Cal., Dec. 20.—Robert Byers, a traffic officer while riding in an airplane served a summons on Dominic Bifore, yesterday for speeding.

Byers who was making the flight with an aviator friend, noticed an automobile he said, which was speeding. Pulling a summons from his pocket, he had the airplane speed down and he dropped the paper in front of the automobile.

Bifore stopped and picked it up. In flight, the wing of a sparrow makes 13 strokes per second.

### MEANS BATTLING SEAS AND FLEAS AROUND WORLD IN MOTORBOAT



ABORIGINALS OF PALM ISLAND, OFF THE AUSTRALIAN COAST, "ALL DOLLED UP" IN HONOR OF THE GOWEN PARTY.

Thirty-five thousand miles around the world in a motorboat! This is the remarkable record just completed by Mr. and Mrs. A. Y. Gowen and their crew of eight in the Spejacks. This is the first installment of Mrs. Gowen's story, as told for the Tribune.

By Mrs. Jean Gowen As told to Alexander Herman for NEA Service

Traveling round the world in a 98-foot motorboat is good sport. But it would be easier if the earth were smaller and the seas smoother. If ever I do it again—which I don't expect to—I will insist that another woman be taken along. On the Spejacks there were nine men. All of them were as helpful as could be. But they weren't women.

However, we didn't think about such trifles when we began planning our trip more than 18 months back. My husband hadn't taken a vacation in 14 years. His doctors ordered him away for a long rest. Before we realized it, we had talked ourselves into undertaking something that had never been accomplished before—a voyage around the world in a motorboat!

We left New York, cruised down the coast and made our final preparations for the jump-off from Miami, Fla. Most important of these—to me—was bobbing my hair. The men insisted it would make me a better sailor. Perhaps they were right; I was seasick only once. But now I'm going to let my hair grow long again.

Everything was ready by Aug. 21, 1921, and away we sailed. The excitement began after we left Panama and took the long jump across the Pacific. We counted on getting gas and water at the small island of Tikea. When we got there after 22 days we found the gas. It had been sent by special steamer.

But there was no fresh water. For five days we had nothing to drink but coconut milk. It wasn't half bad, but we couldn't get accustomed to the cohiba bugs that came with the nuts. They made life intolerable. And then the natives presented us with two live pigs and several chickens. We had to take them on board. But they, like the cohibas, were infested with the little bugs that would put the most hungry flea to shame.

We couldn't get rid of pests until we put out to sea, pushed the pigs and the chickens overboard and fumigated the ship. Finally we reached Tahiti—4000 miles from America. With its fresh water, and several Americans, it sure did look good to us.

Before we left, we had a wedding on the boat. The day was stormy and the couple, Americans stopping at Papeete, were pretty sick before the ceremony was over.

### THE WEATHER

For twenty-four hours ending at noon: Temperature at 7 a. m. . . . . 6 Temperature at noon . . . . . 16 Highest yesterday . . . . . 40 Lowest yesterday . . . . . 6 Lowest last night . . . . . 1 Precipitation . . . . . 0 Highest wind velocity . . . . . 36

### WEATHER FORECAST

For Bismarck and vicinity: Generally fair tonight and Thursday; warmer tonight.

For North Dakota: Generally fair tonight and Thursday; warmer tonight and east portion Thursday.

Weather Conditions The weather is fair in all sections except in the northern border states where light precipitation occurred due to lower pressure areas over the Great Lakes region and over the Canadian Rockies. Temperatures are higher over the northern Rocky Mountain region but somewhat below the seasonal in the north-central states.

ORRIS W. ROBERTS, Meteorologist.

### "DRY" AGENTS ARMED, MOVE UPON TOWN

Threats to Tar and Feather Agents Answered by Authorities

Minneapolis, Minn., Dec. 20.—Sixteen armed prohibition enforcement officers are enroute to Gibbon, Minnesota, today under orders to stamp out moonshine traffic and arrest liquor law violators, following open threats to "tar and feather" federal agents who attempted to raid several soft drink parlors there, it was announced here today.

M. L. Harney, local field chief of the prohibition enforcement forces, described the case as one of "a town in open defiance" and gave drastic orders to his agents, instructing them to overpower any person attempting to stop them and to search the four soft drink bars in Gibbon thoroughly.

Gibbon is a town of six hundred population and is located about 70 miles southwest of Minneapolis. According to Mr. Harney, two of his deputies went to Gibbon Sunday night with four search warrants. They raided one bar, Mr. Henry said, but encountered stiff resistance, and by the time they were ready to leave the saloon, half the population of the town was assembled in the street.

Some of the crowd in the street when the agents appeared shouted: "Get that pair," "Ride 'em out of town on a rail," and "kill 'em," the agents reported. They made no attempt to go on with their raid, but returned to Minneapolis.

"That town is going to be cleaned up," Mr. Harney said today in announcing that he had ordered the armed forces to Gibbon, "if any of its citizens are violating the law."

### ENGAGE CONDUCTOR

Minneapolis, Dec. 20.—Henri Verbrughen, who has been conducting the Minneapolis Symphony Orchestra for the past two months, has been engaged as conductor of the orchestra for three years, beginning next fall, it was announced today. M. Verbrughen who succeeds Emil Oberhofer who resigned, announced that he has called his resignation as director of the State Conservatory and the state Symphony Orchestra to New South Wales.

### AVOID FIRES AT CHRISTMAS TIME

BY JOHN PLANT

Chief Engineer of Chicago Fire Prevention Bureau DON'T decorate your tree with paper, cotton or other inflammable material. Use metallic tinsel and other impregnated decorations. Set the tree securely so it cannot be tipped over. DON'T use cotton to imitate snow. Use powdered mica or asbestos fiber.

DON'T permit children to light or relight candles while parents are not present. Use electrical illumination for the tree if possible.

DON'T allow trees to remain inside buildings after the holidays. Many fires occur annually in January from this cause.

DON'T place a lighted candle in the window. It is a very pretty custom, but highly hazardous.

DON'T merely depend on having a bucket of water about while the Christmas tree is lighted. Equip yourself with a 10-gallon water pump or one of the good chemical extinguishers available at reasonable prices.

### STORM VICTIMS RECOVER FROM HARD BATTLE

Week May Elapse Before Some of Them Can be Taken Home

FOUND ON ISLANDS

Sailor Swims Through Icy Waters to Land and Saves Raft

Sault St. Marie, Mich., Dec. 20.—A week may elapse before all of the survivors of the ill-fated tug Reliance are able to travel to their homes so intense was their suffering from cold and hunger after their tiny craft was disabled and abandoned at the Lizard islands, it was said here today.

The twenty persons who reached here last night were under care of physicians and will remain at a hospital and hotel until fully recovered. Walter Longacre was in a serious condition with both hands and feet frozen.

The thirty-six on board the Reliance when she was disabled have been accounted for. Seven reached the Soo Sunday, two were in a Canadian lumber camp, three still were aboard the tug Gray which was engaged in taking off Lake Superior light keepers for the winter, twenty were recuperating here and four lost their lives.

Yesterday's arrivals suffered great hardships before they were found Monday on one of the bleak islands near the Canadian shore.

The first day after the wreck brought the death of three of their companions—Captain John McPhearson, Fred Regan and Gus Johns, who were swept overboard as they tried to launch a life boat. Only one of the boats got away safely. It carried the eight men and one woman who reached the mainland last week.

The following day it became apparent the Reliance could not long withstand the pounding of the high sea and a raft was constructed of barrel staves and a stairway torn from the tug. The storm still raged fiercely. Little hope of landing on the raft was entertained until William Gow, a fireman, swam 75 yards to the islands, through the icy waters, and stretched a line along which the raft was pulled. It was a perilous trip, even for the 75 yards, and only three persons could board the raft at a time. The entire day was required for the party to disembark.

On land they still faced dangers as great as those on the lake. The temperature was below zero, there was no shelter and only the scantiest food supplies.

They existed for five days on a few cans of meat, two slices of bread each and scraps of water turned out early today to repel four robbers who attempted to raid the Hanover State Bank and forced the bandits to flee with their work unfinished.

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### VILLAGE POSSE SCARES BANDITS

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### CONGRESSMAN TO PRESENT EVIDENCE ON WAR FRAUDS

Daugherty Impeachment Proceedings Takes New Angle Before Committee

Washington, Dec. 20.—Unless Representative Woodruff, Republican, Michigan, was prepared to lay before the house judiciary committee today, as a result of examination of certain department of justice documents, evidence with the impeachment proceedings brought against Attorney General Daugherty an early windup of the proceedings appeared certain.

Opportunity to examine certain papers in the department relating to alleged war funds was granted Mr. Woodruff at his request on appearing before the committee yesterday as a witness called on its own initiative after the withdrawal of Representative Keller, Republican, Minnesota, from a prosecution of his impeachment charges against the Attorney General. The papers he desired to examine, he said, related to the Wright-Martin case. Representative Johnson, Republican, South Dakota, also appeared before the committee yesterday but stated the charges he had made in the house relating to alleged war funds had been directed solely at the war department.

The house judiciary committee made preparations today to wind up, before adjournment tonight, its investigation of impeachment charges made by Representative Keller, Republican of Minnesota against Attorney General Daugherty. A report probably will be made to the house however, until after Christmas holidays.

It was regarded as certain that the committee would report it had found no evidence to support the charges.

### CONCESSION MADE TO AID FARM CREDIT

Acceptances of Six Months Maturity to be Eligible For Rediscount

Washington, Dec. 20.—Bankers' acceptance of six months maturity, drawn by growers of staple agricultural products or Cooperative Marketing Associations, are eligible for purchase or rediscount by the federal reserve banks under a ruling promulgated today by the federal reserve board as a step in the direction of longer term credits for agriculture.

Officials declared the decision, which makes the agricultural paper eligible for rediscount for six months instead of three, "should be of material assistance to cooperative associations in financing the orderly marketing of crops."

Acceptances of six months have been asked for by many agricultural organizations, and the longer period is believed by officials to more nearly accord with the turnover period required by the farmers to market crops for whose production he has borrowed money.

TO OPEN INSTITUTION (By the Associated Press.)

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500 QUARTS OF BOOZE GONE

Poured Out of Windows of the Stutsman County Court-House

Jamestown, N. D., Dec. 20.—Sheriff Dana Wright of Stutsman county ended the existence of 500 quarts of nine-year-old Kentucky whiskey here this morning, when at the orders of the court the bottles were taken to the window of the court house here and smashed. Mourners at this ceremony were plentiful.

The whiskey has had a rather eventful history. It was captured in 1921 from three whiskey runners. Following capture it was loaded on a truck and started for Bismarck, but the state's attorney of Stutsman county got into action and prevented the passage of the liquor outside of the county.

Brought back here, and incarcerated in the Stutsman county jail, it was used as evidence against the captured booze runners, and then remained in the jail until its destruction today.

### BILL TO BAR TAX FREE SECURITIES BEFORE HOUSE

(By the Associated Press.)

Washington, Dec. 20.—By a vote of 118 to 52 the house today took up for consideration the Green resolution proposing a constitutional amendment prohibiting the further issuance of tax exempt securities.

### WILL FORCE STATEMENT FROM TURKS

Must Declare Openly, Policy Regarding Settlement of Straits Question

FACE CRITICAL DAY

Americans Believe Freedom Should be by Treaty Alone

(By the Associated Press.)

Lausanne, Dec. 20.—On the eve of what threatened to be a critical day in the life of the Lausanne conference, Ambassador Child last night had a long conversation with Ismet Pasha about the straits problem, which Lord Curzon yesterday declared must be disposed of immediately.

It has become known the American observers at the conference believe an international control commission associated with the League of Nations, as suggested in the allied plan for supervision of the Dardanelles is unnecessary. In other words the Americans believe freedom of the straits should be an actual freedom guaranteed by a treaty between Turkey and the other powers, and that it should not be a freedom limited by an international commission.

The American observers have so far on the conference floor limited themselves to statements of the most general terms on the Dardanelles question without suggesting as to how the straits should be kept open to commerce of the world and to the fleets of the powers. Neither have there been intimations of America's attitude toward an international board of control.

Allied leaders last night served notice that the Turks today must either flatly accept or reject the allied project for settlement of the straits question. Failure of the Dardanelles negotiations, it was believed, will hardly affect the other problems which the conference was called to solve.

The atmosphere of the last session on the straits problem was one of high nervous tension, with the fear expressed in some conference quarters that the reported American opposition to the straits commission plan was stiffening the Turks not only the straits question but also on vital questions like the customs tariff and minorities. Although there was uncertainty as to whether Ambassador Childs, the American spokesman, would voice the American views at today's meeting, every delegation here claims to be cognizant of the fact that the naming of an international commission meets the strong disfavor of the United States.

The meeting of the Near East conference this afternoon for consideration of the disposition of the Turkish straits, adjourned after a conciliatory speech by Ismet Pasha, head of the Turkish delegation.

While no arrangements were made for a further meeting, delegates leaving the auditorium said progress had been made and that there was no danger of a break in the negotiations.

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### BURT STEWART NAMED FOR MINOT OFFICE

Washington, Dec. 20.—Burt E. Stewart has been nominated by President Harding to be postmaster at Minot, N. D., it was announced today.

Mr. Stewart is proprietor and manager of the Minot Hide and Tanning Company and is nominated to succeed Fred L. Anderson. The newly nominated Postmaster has been a resident of Minot since 1910, when he moved here from a farm 14 miles east of the city. He had then disposed of his farming interests there and since has been engaged in business here.

Mr. Stewart came to North Dakota, 1898 from Vienna, Ohio, his birthplace.

It would require 14 days to travel a mile at the pace of a snail. Sounds travels at the rate of 1,142 feet a second.

### WALLACE REID IS IMPROVING

Los Angeles, Calif., Dec. 20.—Improvement was reported today in the condition of Wallace Reid, motion picture actor, whose recent breakdown, according to relatives, followed his quitting the use of drugs and liquor.

The latest report issued from his bedside in a Hollywood sanitarium stated his temperature and respiration were normal and his pulse down to 100.

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Victims of Riders A big highway celebration and festival was held at Bastrop on August 24, and thousands of people from all parts of northeast Louisiana attended. The five victims of hooded riders attended the celebration, witnessed the baseball game between Monroe and Bastrop and then started home in the twilight of the evening in two automobiles. When they were midway between Bastrop and Merrouge, the hooded men galloped on horseback, or appeared on the highway in automobiles and seized the five Merrouge citizens.

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Search For Men Searchers for 24 hours tried to find the men who were kidnapped, and the day following the affair the elder Daniels and Andrews found their way back to their homes at Merrouge in a serious condition. Their stories gave little information in regard to the kidnapping.

For a while neither Daniels nor Andrews would discuss the case, but they finally told how they were kidnapped on their way to Merrouge by masked men and severely beaten. For several weeks Daniels was in a precarious condition because of his injuries, which in his case, were augmented by age.

Neither Daniels nor Andrews was able to identify any person in the mob, nor could they give any information in regard to Daniels' son, Watt, and Richards.

Daniels declared he recognized Arkansas and Mississippi automobile license tags.

Following the kidnapping, the Morehouse Parish grand jury was organized at Bastrop, the Parish seat of Morehouse Parish, and made an investigation of the kidnapping, but no indictments were returned. It was claimed many persons in a position to testify were afraid to submit testimony.

Detectives at Work Then Governor Parker announced his determination to use all the power of the state in the case. For the last three months have been investigating the case and making search for the bodies of Richards and Daniels, which were believed by some persons to have been cast into a lake in the vicinity of Merrouge.

That the bodies of both of the missing men have been located is the report current in east Louisiana. The finding is said to have been the cause for the sending of the National Guard into Morehouse Parish.

Unconfirmed reports reaching here declare detectives have discovered the bodies bound down by heavy wagon wheels in one of the lakes near Merrouge, and soldiers were sent to guard the work of dragging the lake for the bodies.

Petty Jealousies among influential families, arising through trade rivalries and social conditions, are believed to have been the origin of the trouble between various Morehouse Parish clans. Recently Dr. B. M. McKern, prominent physician, and Mayor of Merrouge, sought to "clean up" Merrouge of lawlessness. Mayor McKern, it is claimed, alleged himself with regard to Daniels' case, notice on a number of alleged law breakers that he and his officials proposed to enforce the law. McKern received warnings by letter that

Town Can't Get Rail Service: Appeals For Help

St. Paul, Dec. 20.—Christmas shoppers in Roseau are finding it difficult to make their choice of Christmas purchases because of the depleted stock of holiday goods as the result of irregular freight movements in that district, according to information received today by O. P. B. Jacobson, chairman Minnesota Railroad and Warehouse Commission.

Businessmen of that city in a telegram to Mr. Jacobson today appealed for assistance to expedite the movement of freight.

Mr. Jacobson replied that he communicated with the Great Northern railway officials in St. Paul who promise immediate remedial action.

### Public Invited

The public is invited to a meeting to be held tonight at 8 o'clock in American Legion hall when Dr. Olesen of the U. S. Public Health Service and other speakers of prominence will discuss vital matters of the public health service in the state.

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Morehouse Parish, Louisiana Split Over Factional Troubles

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Bodies Found in Lake Weighted Down—Ku Klux Klan Involved

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