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## HOPES OF PEACE GIVEN IMPETUS BY ACTION TAKEN AT VIENNA

### Austria-Hungary Informs the Powers That the Balkan Difficulties Are Ap- proaching Satisfactory Solution

London, Dec. 23.—Further relaxation in the international tension was brought about today when Austria-Hungary informed the other European powers that she considers the Balkan difficulties approaching a satisfactory solution. She says this is the result of Serbia's action in apologizing for the incident connected with the treatment of the Austro-Hungarian consul at Pristina and also her acceptance of the proposed arrangement to give her port facilities on the Adriatic without territorial possession.

Besides these assurances from Vienna another helpful factor in the situation was the audience given by Emperor Francis Joseph to the new Servian minister, M. Jovanovitch, when both cordially expressed hope for the speedy re-establishment of complete friendship between Vienna and Belgrade.

The peace conference resumed its sittings at St. James palace this afternoon.

Athens, Dec. 23.—The governor of Tenedos, in dispatches yesterday, reports that the Turkish battleship Torgut Reis, the cruiser Medjidieh and three destroyers appeared at 11 o'clock Sunday morning before the entrance to the Dardanelles. The warships remained under the protection of the forts. The destroyers advanced and fired 29 shells, on Tenedos, where the Turkish inhabitants tried to hoist the Turkish flag and put off in boats to welcome the warships.

The small force of Greek bluejackets on the island fired on the multi-deckers, killing three of them and wounding 12. The Turkish shells did no damage and the destroyers quickly retired into the Dardanelles.

The Greek squadron, anchored off Lemnos, was notified and steamed in pursuit of the enemy, headed by the admiral's flagship. The governor of Tenedos has been ordered to institute martial law. Admiral Countouriotis, in a dispatch to the government, expresses the opinion that the Turkish flagships Kheyr-Ed-Din-Barbarossa together with the battleships Messudieh and Assar-i-Tewfik, must have been disabled in the last naval engagement, as otherwise they would have accompanied the fleet today, because the flagship and the Messudieh are the only Turkish warships armed with quick-firing guns.

The Turkish fleet yesterday attempted a sortie. Their torpedo destroyers bombarded the island of Tenedos. The war office has issued a report of successive attacks and forced the Turks to retire all along the line. The report adds that reinforcements are constantly being sent forward to aid the Greeks in their campaign against Janina.

New Elements Introduced.  
London, Dec. 23.—According to the Daily Telegraph the contention of the Turkish delegates is that the admission of Greece into the peace conference introduces an unexpected element which is likely indefinitely to prolong the proceedings because of the necessity of settling difficult problems like Crete and the fate of the Aegean islands. The Turks argue that when the armistice was arranged they did not haggle about the revictualing of the fortresses because they supposed that they had to deal only with Bulgaria, Serbia and Montenegro and that peace would be concluded quickly. Instead of this nothing has been done and the admission of the Greeks to participation in the conference has resulted in keeping the delegates further from their goal than ever. In the meantime the situation has changed, to Turkey's detriment, hence the demand for permission to repropose the demand for revictualing.

## VESSEL WRECKED AT SEA AND LIVES OF 22 MEN LOST

The Furness Line Steamer  
Florence Goes Down on  
the Ledges at St. Shotts—  
Five Survive.

Survivor Tells of Wreck.  
St. Johns, Newfoundland, Dec. 23.—Captain Barr and 21 sailors, who perished in the wreck of the steamer Florence Friday on the rocks near St. Shotts were followed in a desperate effort to save their lives, according to Mate J. Hedley and two members of the crew, who arrived at Trepassy almost exhausted, last night. Captain Barr and the entire crew, except those who survived, made a landing on a shelf rock, but the high cliffs made it impossible for them to escape, and the rising tide forced them to return to the ship. Later, Hedley and four of the crew made a landing. Before others could follow all the boats were washed away. Two other seamen, the only other survivors, are being cared for at a small settlement. Their condition is serious. The Florence disappeared before Hedley and his little band left the cliffs. Most of those drowned were washed to the rigging of the ship. The survivors stood on the shore unable to aid.

St. Johns, N. F., Dec. 23.—Twenty-two of the 27 members of the crew of the Furness line steamer Florence, from Halifax, N. S., for St. Johns, lost their lives in the wreck of the vessel on the ledges west of St. Shotts during a northwesterly gale last Friday. Five exhausted survivors who reached land in a boat brought the news to Trepassy last night. The steamer carried no passengers.

Captain Barr of the steamer and all his men reached shore after the vessel.

## SEARCH FOR THE LOGUE SLAYERS IS NATION WIDE

Descriptions of Men Seen  
Loitering About Diamond  
Merchant's Office Are  
Sent Broadcast.

Chicago, Dec. 23.—A country wide search for two men, believed to be the slayers of Joseph H. Logue, the diamond merchant who was murdered in his office last Friday, has begun. One is 30 years old, five feet ten inches tall and weighs 175 pounds; he wore a sweater jacket with a large roll collar, blue trousers and dark cap. The second has a long peaked nose and face and wore dark clothes and shirt. These men were seen loitering for several hours in a hall near Logue's office just before the murder. Two of the 10 suspects arrested were released and the others will probably get free.

Member of Red Cross.  
New York, Dec. 23.—William G. McAuliffe, vice chairman of the Democratic national committee, announced yesterday that he had received notice of his appointment by President Taft to membership in the board of incorporators of the National Red Cross society, to fill a vacancy caused by the resignation of Admiral Dewey. The appointment was ratified by other members of the board at a recent meeting.

Convicted Negro Is  
Lynched by a Mob  
Baton Rouge, La., Dec. 23.—When Sheriff Parker went to the court house of West Baton Rouge today he found the body of Norm Cadore, a negro, swinging from a telephone pole a short distance from the jail. The negro had been convicted of killing Joseph Norman, a plantation manager, three weeks ago. Cadore's attorney had taken steps to file an appeal. It is presumed this inspired the lynching.

To Accompany Arctic Expedition.  
Washington, Dec. 23.—Ensign Fitzhugh Green, United States navy, has been detailed to accompany the "Crocokland expedition" to the Arctic, which sets out next July, and he will act as topographer and physiographer. The latest Arctic enterprise purports to establish the existence of, and to survey, a body of land commonly called Crocker Island, which Explorer Peary reported he had seen in 1906 from Cape Thomas Hubbard, at a distance of 196 miles across the ice. Adjoining territory will be explored and mapped.

Idaho Man Is Dead  
From Broken Back  
Salt Lake, Dec. 23.—Ephraim Crofts, a farmer of Burley, Idaho, died at a local hospital of a broken back last night. While unloading sugar beets at his home Crofts fell across a plank and fractured his spinal column. He is survived by a widow and seven children. The body will be sent to Burley for burial.

## INDIA VICEROY IS INJURED BY BOMB

Hurled From House Top  
as Procession Was  
Passing

## ATTENDANT IS KILLED AND ANOTHER INJURED

Baron Charles Hardinge Has  
Close Call While Entering  
the New Capital of Delhi  
at the Head of Magnificent  
Procession.

Delhi, India, Dec. 23.—Baron Charles Hardinge, viceroy of India, was wounded and an attendant of his killed by a bomb hurled at the viceroy from a house top as he was entering the new capital in state today. The bomb struck the howdah, or basket, of the viceroy's elephant, killing the attendant instantly. Another attendant was seriously injured. Baroness Hardinge is suffering from the shock. The viceroy was making his entry in state into Delhi as the last of the ceremonies in connection with the transfer of the capital from Calcutta to Delhi. A large gathering of troops, officials and Punjab chiefs was present. The splendid elephant procession just left the railway station when the bomb was thrown. It was hurled by a man standing on a house top and struck the howdah in which the baron and baroness were riding. The attendant holding the parasol over the royal pair was instantly killed and the baron was wounded in the shoulder. At the hospital it was found the wound was slight. The ceremonies were interrupted only a few minutes.

Sir Guy Fleetwood Wilson, financial member of the council of the governor general of India, took the viceroy's place in the procession which proceeded through the new imperial city to the Durbar camp, where a great crowd of rajahs and other Indian chiefs was gathered. Sir Guy took a position in front of the vice royal dais and read a dispatch from the baron saying he was not seriously injured. The baron is popular and the attempt on his life has aroused intense indignation among the natives and the British. For a long period there has been a lull in the native agitation and the assassination of British officials.

The attack by the fanatic therefore came with great unexpectedness. The viceroy's elephant was an enormous animal. The driver sat between the ears guiding him in the usual native way by tapping on the forehead with a steel spike. Owing to the lowness of the houses, the assassin stood on one of the roofs only a few feet from the viceroy and vicereine. The bomb, which was evidently intended to explode by concussion, burst with terrific force. The assassin escaped.

Heard Mother-in-Law  
Was Coming; Shot Himself  
Denver, Colo., Dec. 23.—With a letter from his mother-in-law, announcing her coming for the Christmas holidays, gripped in his hand, Kenneth K. Kane, a railroad clerk, aged 49, fired a bullet through his brain last night. In the same hand with the letter was a postcard from Kane's sister, wishing him a Merry Christmas. Upon the table beside the body were packages, neatly tied with ribbon, and addressed to the different persons for whom they were intended as presents.

A neighbor overheard Kane say, "I don't see why we can't have this Christmas to ourselves."



Father Time allus steps along purty lively, but he certain exceeds his speed limit between Thanksgiving and Christmas. It never seems 't occur 't Andy Carnegie 't pension anybody that needs 't money.

## CITIES CANNOT IMPOSE TAX ON A TELEGRAPH CO.

Decision Given by United  
States Supreme Court In-  
volves Act of Congress of  
1866.

Washington, Dec. 23.—Cities must not tax telegraph companies for sending messages if companies have accepted the terms of the act of congress of 1866, making them governmental agents under certain circumstances, according to a decision today by the supreme court. In the case of D. G. Williams, agent for the Western Union Telegraph company at Talladega, Ala., who was fined \$25 for sending a message without the company first having obtained a license for such business, it was held that the tax was invalid.

## FIRE IN CITY HALL OF LOS ANGELES

Los Angeles, Dec. 23.—Fire, starting from defective wiring, broke out on the fourth floor of the city hall here yesterday, and threatened to destroy the entire building. Nearly all of the fire departments in the city were called, and the entire building was flooded. The main damage is in the city engineer's office, where valuable maps and documents were water soaked. The anxiety of city officials was increased by the fact that the safe of the treasurer's office contained \$6,000, 000 in money and securities. It is not thought the damage will exceed \$10, 000.

## Withdraws Border Forces.

El Paso, Tex., Dec. 23.—Ignoring the demand made by the United States government that a specified number of troops be kept at all important points along the border, the Mexican government within the past week has practically withdrawn its border forces into the interior. The Juarez garrison, which was requested to be maintained with 1000 men has been reduced to 400. At Agua Prieta, Naop, Nogales, Ojinaga and other border points, Mexican federal troops are being rapidly withdrawn.

## AN AUTOMOBILE TRIP OVER ALASKAN TRAIL

Seattle, Dec. 23.—The first automobile trip over the winter trail between Dawson and Whitehorse, at the head of navigation in the Yukon, has been completed by Governor George Black of Yukon territory, and Chester A. Thomas, Klondike manager of the Guggenheims. The journey of 350 miles was made in 26 hours running time. The temperature was 15 below zero.

## Theater Fire at Brussels.

Brussels, Dec. 23.—A film caught fire during a cinematograph performance last night, at Barraquis, near Menin. The flames spread with great rapidity, causing a dreadful panic. Twelve persons were killed and 20 persons injured. Many of the victims were women and children who were trampled to death or hurt in the stampede to escape from the building.

## MORE TRAGEDIES OF SEA REPORTED

Mobile, Dec. 23.—The British schooner Georgiana, with 10 passengers and a crew of four, foundered off Lucas, Jamaica, trying to make that port during a November gulf storm, and all on board were lost, according to dispatches received. The British schooner Cartagena has not been heard from since Nov. 17 and it is believed that the vessel with her crew of seven also has gone down.

## BOY MURDERER IS GIVEN SENTENCE

Buffalo, Dec. 23.—J. Frank Hickey, convicted of the murder in the second degree for the murder of Joseph Joseph, the 7-year-old Lackawanna boy, was today sentenced to the penitentiary for an indeterminate time, the minimum of which is 20 years and the maximum life. Hickey confessed to killing another boy.

## CASTRO MAY NOT BE PERMITTED TO LAND

Washington, Dec. 23.—Whether Cipriano Castro, former president of Venezuela, will be permitted to land in the United States, is being considered by officials of the government. It is reported he has started from Paris to New York. He may be prevented from landing, as an undesirable alien.

## DERELICT PICKED UP AT SEA BY A FISHING VESSEL

Abandoned Schooner Towed  
Into Boston Harbor—Fate  
of Members of the Crew Is  
in Doubt.

Boston, Dec. 23.—With the six members of the crew of the three-masted schooner Henry L. Talton missing, the abandoned and water-logged vessel arrived off Cape Cod in tow of the steamer Swell, which picked up the derelict 35 miles to the southeast of Highland Light. The Talton was bound from Windsor, N. S., for New York with lumber. The Swell's crew of 15 men will share in one of the biggest Christmas presents, through salvage money, that ever has been divided among fishermen here.

## JAPANESE COAL MINERS CAUGHT BY EXPLOSION

Tokyo, Dec. 23.—Over 200 Japanese coal miners are entombed and probably dead as a result of a terrible explosion in the Ubari colliery at Sapporo, on the island of Hokkaido. Of the men in the galleries of the pit at the time, only three were brought to the surface alive, and officials fear all the rest perished.

## ELIMINATION OF THE NEGRO AS AMERICAN SOLDIER TO BE URGED

Washington, Dec. 23.—The proposal to eliminate the negro as an American soldier is the topic slated for consideration when the conference of ranking officers of the army is held on Jan. 8. Some officers favoring the plan will urge it on the ground that Filipinos are said to resent the sending among them of black troops, and there are signs of dissatisfaction in Hawaii.

## NEW VARIETY OF WHEAT IS FOUND

Washington, Dec. 23.—A new variety of Durum wheat, which promises to be valuable for cereal growers of the northwest, has been reported by the department of agriculture. It comes from Benzenhook, southeastern Russia, where it originated at the Russian government's experiment station. Frank N. Meyer, agricultural explorer of foreign seed and plant introduction division of the department, discovered the new wheat. He describes it as being a new and valuable variety of black-bearded Durum, having very long, open ears. It is called Teiskata, and is extremely hardy, having survived winters when other wheat was killed or severely injured.

## ARGUES FOR DEFENSE AT DYNAMITE TRIAL

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 23.—"Organized labor never did and never will approve of such a nation-wide reign of violence as has been charged here," asserted Clifford S. Langsdale, in arguing to the jury at the dynamite conspiracy trial. He spoke particularly in behalf of W. Bert Brown and William J. McCall. "It has been shown by the government," he said, "that James B. McNamara was in Salt Lake City, blowing up a hotel there, at the time it is charged he was in Kansas City talking to Brown and McCall."

## Desperado Not Oregon Man.

Santa Ana, Cal., Dec. 23.—The young man who shot and wounded three others during a battle with a posse here after he had attempted to assault a young woman is not Joe Matlock, formerly of Eugene, Ore. J. D. Matlock, former mayor of Eugene, accompanied by his son Edward Matlock, arrived here yesterday and upon viewing the body of the young bandit declared it was not his son. The local authorities are now convinced that Ira Jones and Joe Matlock were not the same person, and the body will be buried today under the former name.

## CONTEMPT CASE BEFORE THE COURT

Stipulation Entered In-  
to in the Case of  
A. R. Cruzen

## ADMITS CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN PAPER

Filing of the Stipulation  
Eliminates Examination  
of Many Witnesses—The  
Sheridan and Broxon Case  
to Follow Cruzen.

The Capital News contempt case was called for trial this morning before the supreme court of Idaho, with a full bench. The trial of A. R. Cruzen, alleged in the complaint to be a stockholder in the paper, was taken up this afternoon at 2 o'clock, the cases pending against Richard Story Sheridan, owner and publisher, and C. O. Broxon, managing editor of the Capital News, to follow the trial of Mr. Cruzen, Mr. Sheridan, who has been on a business trip to Chicago and New York, did not reach Boise until 11 o'clock this morning, his train being almost 12 hours late.

A stipulation was entered into between the attorney general and counsel for Mr. Cruzen, on which the state virtually rests its case with the exception of rebuttal testimony. This stipulation is to the effect that certain of the stock of the Capital News was transferred and that Cruzen had claimed ownership in the paper to such an extent that he dictated its editorial, had a censorship on its editorials, that he had at one time come into control of ex-Governor Brady's interest in the paper, had entered into political deals and in fact was the "Man Behind the Throne," so far as the paper was concerned. The truth of the evidence was not stipulated, but merely that the witnesses would testify, if called, as therein indicated.

That Cruzen proposed to introduce evidence this afternoon to the effect he never at any time had a control in the Capital News and has not now such control as charged, was evident from the statement made by his attorney that he would be prepared to examine a number of witnesses in behalf of his client, but owing to the fact the stipulation has been entered into just before the case had been called this morning he asked that a recess be taken until 2 o'clock when he would be prepared to introduce his evidence and this request the court granted.

Taking of Evidence.  
That A. R. Cruzen, cited before the supreme court on the charge of contempt on the ground he is an alleged stockholder of the Capital News and controlled its policy, proposed to prove the allegation groundless, was evident this afternoon when the trial of Mr. Cruzen opened before the supreme court justices, with a court room packed by spectators in attendance. Chief Justice Stewart, Justice James F. Ailshie and Justice Isaac N. Sullivan were on the bench. The direct examination was conducted by A. A. Fraser, counsel for Mr. Cruzen, and the cross-examination by Attorney General D. C. McDougall.

## Managing Editor on Stand.

C. O. Broxon, managing editor of the Capital News, was the first witness called by the defense. He testified that he had been with the Capital News for about six years as managing editor; that he was on a salary and did not hold stock in the paper. He said that he controlled the editorial policy of the Capital News and entered an emphatic denial that Mr. Cruzen controlled the policies of the paper or had anything to do with these policies. He further denied that Mr. Cruzen dictated the articles or the editorials that have appeared in the paper, or that he conferred with Mr. Cruzen relative to these articles. He admitted he was friendly to Mr. Cruzen, and still is.

## On Cross-examination Mr. Broxon

said he was responsible for the editorials that appeared in the paper during the time that he has been engaged writing them. The proceedings this morning as transcribed by the court reporter are in full as follows: Justice Stewart—In the cases set this morning, the court will appoint Mr. C. H. Stotts as official stenographer to take down the proceedings in the cases. Justice Stewart—Gentlemen, are you ready in the case of State vs. Cruzen to act at this time? Mr. Fraser—We are ready that the state shall proceed with the case at this time. Mr. Bokart—As far as the defendants, Sheridan and Broxon, are concerned, Mr. Sheridan is not in the city, having been delayed on the late train, and we look for the train in at 11:30, and we would ask that the matter of Sheridan and Broxon go over until (Continued on Page Two)

Nothing tells a story better than pictures—photographs descriptive of a subject. The Capital News' big Annual to be published Jan. 1 will be completely illustrated. The views carried by it will tell the story of Boise, Ada county and Idaho has to be thankful for in opening the new year. Several solid pages of views, quarter pages and hundreds of single cut will fill the paper from end to end. They will be artistically displayed to advantage. Idaho's varied industries will be properly illustrated. Business blocks, street scenes, schools, churches, public buildings, factories, etc., will be shown. For the first time in the history of Idaho the state's beautiful new capital building will be shown to advantage, both exterior and interior, through photography in the Capital News' Annual. There will be irrigation and mining scenes; farm and orchard views; scenery that rivals the Alps; horses, cattle and sheep upon the farms of the state; dairying, lumbering, etc. A more complete review has never been issued in this state. As an advertising medium it will be the best offered and no advertiser can afford not to take advantage of it. Everyone should send the annual to friends outside the state. Orders for it should be placed early.

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