

EL PASO'S WETTEST CHRISTMAS; THIS CITY'S CENTER OF STORM WITH SNOW AND RAIN MINGLING

EL PASO will have the wettest Christmas in history this year. The rain has been falling since last Saturday, almost continuously though not heavy until this morning.

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During the rainfall this morning, snow began to fall and the phenomenon of the great white flakes falling to the water-soaked earth in the midst of the heavy patter of rain caused much curiosity.

The city street forces are all out working where possible to prevent the rain doing any more property damage than can be helped.

Street Cars and Trains Delayed. Traffic on many of the street cars has been delayed Thursday morning by the heavy rain.

Only one accident, and that a minor one, was reported as the result of the rain. This occurred about 8:20 a. m.

Manuel Levario was arrested Wednesday night, charged with theft from the person and carrying a pistol.

Louise Wingo Hobbed. Louise Wingo, the 12-year-old son of T. M. Wingo, was held up by two masked men Tuesday night at 11:40 p. m.

GREEK LEPER IS DEPORTED; COST TO U. S. IS \$10,000. St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 24.—It cost the United States approximately \$10,000 to deport a Greek leper, Anastasio Lelozos, who was discovered in St. Louis.

ONE HUNDRED TEXAS COUNTIES GET MORE THAN THEY PAY STATE. Austin, Tex., Dec. 24.—According to figures compiled by tax commissioner A. L. Love from the records of the comptroller's department covering a period of six years, it is disclosed that approximately 100 counties in Texas have received more money by way of school appropriations than they have paid into the state treasury in taxes for all purposes.

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FLOOD DAMAGES FARM DISTRICT Sweeps Away Houses in Santa Cruz Valley of Arizona.

Tucson, Ariz., Dec. 24.—Dozens of ranch dwellings in the Santa Cruz valley have been swept away by floods, the result of recent heavy rains, which converted the normally shallow Santa Cruz river into a torrent a mile and a half wide.

An open cut a mile long containing 15 centrifugal pumps and other machinery costing \$500,000 which served the Tucson Farm company project went under water Wednesday afternoon.

Flood Tears Through Bisbee. At Bisbee, where the town is built on a deep canyon, between the mountains and inundated portions of the business section.

Main Line Traffic Stopped. Main line traffic on the Southern Pacific railroad was stopped Wednesday night when the Rillito river overflowed.

Southwestern Railroad Damaged. The San Pedro river west of Bisbee was a mile wide Wednesday, the El Paso and Southwestern railroad tracks were washed out in several places.

GERMANS EXPEL INVADING FOE (Continued From Page One.) tacks in the neighborhood of Neaport. At Bischoff we took 220 prisoners on Dec. 22.

French Recaptured, Abandoned. A trench, kept under continuous fire by the enemy, was lost by us, but was recaptured in the evening. The trench was abandoned after this successful counter attack because parts of the trenches had been almost leveled by the enemy's fire.

Report Russians Reported. To the east we have assumed the offensive and are advancing from Mendenburg and Soldau (in east Prussia). We have repulsed the Russians after several days' fighting at Mlawka (northwest Poland) and the Russian positions at Mlawka again are in our hands.

Russians Reported at Tomaszow. The Russians suffered heavy losses on the right bank of the Vistula river, in the district of Tomaszow, near Lublino. The Russians attacked fiercely several times, but were repulsed by the Austro-German armies with heavy losses.

AUSTRIAN TORPEDO SLIGHTLY DAMAGES FRENCH CRUISER. Paris, France, Dec. 24.—An Austrian submarine fired two torpedoes at a French armored cruiser in the strait of Otranto, according to a communication issued today by the French minister of marine.

WOULD MAKE KAISER'S SON THE RULER OVER HUNGARY. Petrograd, Russia, Dec. 24.—It is reported here in diplomatic circles that Germany is pushing the candidature of prince Eitel Friedrich, second son of emperor William, for the throne of the kingdom of Hungary, which is expected to be independent from Austria after the war.

FRENCH GENERALS ARE TRANSFERRED TO RESERVE. Paris, France, Dec. 24.—130 p. m. A number of generals, according to a headquarters dispatch, have been transferred at their own request from the active to the reserve army. Most of them are broken in health owing to the hardships they have endured.

NEGRO IS HELD BY POLICE AS SUSPICIOUS CHARACTER. Walter Tatum, a negro, is being held by police here on an invention of his record while in El Paso.

THINK CARRANZA WILL MAKE MONTEREY HIS CAPITAL. Brownsville, Texas, Dec. 24.—The Constitutional forces at Monterrey are being rapidly increased, and it is reported here from apparently authentic sources that Gen. Carranza will soon make his headquarters in Monterrey.

EDITOR OF MEXICAN HERALD RELEASED BY GEN. CHAO. Washington, D. C., Dec. 24.—Paul Hudson, editor and publisher of the Mexican Herald, has been released from custody through representations of the Brazilian minister to Gen. Manuel Chao, governor of the federal district. Hudson was charged with political activity.

WEST COAST WANTS PEACE; FORTIFICATIONS DESTROYED. On Board U. S. S. San Diego, Mazatlan, Mex., Dec. 23, by Wireless to San Diego, Cal., Dec. 24.—The interest in any further fighting along the Pacific coast has died out, and the soldiers are selling their arms and ammunition.

TELEPHONE EXCHANGE SWAMPED; PEOPLE STOPPING IN THE STREET; RAIN MAKES THIS NECESSARY

ON account of the rain, Madam and Miss El Paso are doing their shopping by telephone. All records of telephone calls were broken Wednesday at the Tri-State Telephone company's plant.

The city did much of its Christmas shopping by telephone, the general manager of the company says. His estimate for today, if it is accurate, will double the number of calls that have ever been received on the switchboard at the Texas street plant since the El Paso exchange was established, 75,000 being the record until Wednesday.

WILL TO LEASE AMERICAN CARS. Will Secure Equipment For His Railroad From U. S. Lines, If He Can. Contracts for the leasing of 400 box cars, together with a considerable amount of passenger equipment.

CARRANZA AIDS SALAZAR TO ARM (Continued From Page One.) were killed or taken prisoners by Gen. Gaviira. A further victory is reported by Carranzistas over Cal Rios, in the neighborhood of San Felipe.

TWO AMERICANS AND ONE BRITON HELD INCOMMUNICADO. Brownsville, Tex., Dec. 24.—George E. Davis of Los Angeles, E. R. Holm of Mexico City, and M. H. Burnham, a wealthy British subject, are being held in Matamoros incommunicado.

FIRE DEPARTMENT VETERAN SAYS AKOZ QUENCHED HIS RHEUMATISM. Lieutenant Thos. J. Kelly of San Francisco Praises New Remedy. Lieutenant Thomas J. Kelly of engine 22, San Francisco fire department, who during his twenty-one years' service as a fireman, has fought in nearly every big fire that has menaced the city.

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CLIFTON ROAD IS WASHED OUT Heavy Rains Do Much Damage to Road Between Lordsburg and Clifton.

Lordsburg, N. M., Dec. 24.—A severe wash out on the New Mexico and Arizona railroad brought southbound trains here from 11 to five hours late and during the Christmas rush traffic was congested.

Prescott Gives Phoenix World's Largest Christmas Tree; Is Set Up in Plaza. Phoenix, Ariz., Dec. 24.—Phoenix is to have one of the largest Christmas trees in the world this year.

SAYS U. S. WILL HAVE A WORLD WIDE MARKET. Phoenix, Ariz., Dec. 24.—"The United States must have a worldwide market, and will get it under the Democratic administration," said vice president Thomas R. Marshall Wednesday.

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS POUR IN AT WHITE HOUSE. Washington, D. C., Dec. 24.—Christmas presents are increasing the white house mail enormously. All members of the president's family are receiving them, but none will be opened until Christmas.

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