

Abandonment of Dardanelles Campaign Is Indicated

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STORM TAKES LIVES OF TWO NEAR WRANGELL

WRANGELL, Dec. 20.—As a result of the terrific storm that has blown here since Thursday, Charles Yuccook, a well known native is dead, grave fears are entertained for the safety of his companion, George Kelly, and considerable damage is reported from various fishing camps.

LITTLE INTEREST IS SHOWN IN ANNEXATION ELECTION

The annexation election passed off very quietly today, only 24 votes being cast at 11 o'clock this morning. Very little interest in the result is being taken. The voters cast at that time were divided as follows: City, 10; Tide Flats section, 10; Gold Belt, 4; and the Nelson Park Addition, 0.

CITY OF SEATTLE BRINGS CHRISTMAS MAIL

Bringing 300 sacks of mail, 150 tons of freight for Juneau and 100 tons of freight for Treadwell, the steamer City of Seattle arrived at noon from the South. This is the first mail to arrive from the States for four days.

MRS. STRONG VERY ILL

Mrs. C. Clyde Strong is critically ill at Seattle, according to word received here today. She left here a week ago, for California, for the benefit of her health.

The Rev. John A. Buchanan, pastor of the Presbyterian Church at Thane, returned today on the City of Seattle from Ketchikan, where he delivered a lecture on "Color Photography" before the Ketchikan Lyceum.

THE WEATHER

For the past 24 hours, ending 3:00 p. m. today: Sunday, December 19. Maximum—40. Minimum—33. Cloudy—Rain. Precipitation—45 in.

BANK BANDITS ESCAPE; ONE SHOT TO DEATH

PORT TOWNSEND, Dec. 20.—Swimming across the swift Snoqualmie river and taking to the thick of the woods, the three surviving members of the gang of four bandits that held up the State Bank at Duval Sunday morning, after the capture of the fugitives was thought certain, no attempt was made to find the body of the fourth robber, who was shot and killed while he was clinging to a post in the middle of the Snoqualmie river, all efforts centering on the search for the other three bandits.

CHAMPION ENLISTS.

SASKATOON, Dec. 20.—John O'Leary, Seattle lightweight and champion of Canada, and William Madden, his manager, enlisted Saturday for the front.

HI GILL TO TRY AND BEAT ENEMIES

SEATTLE, Dec. 20.—With the hats of Councilman O. L. Erickson and former Councilman Austin E. Griffiths in the Seattle political ring as active candidates for the mayoralty, Mayor Hiram C. Gill told friends yesterday that he would seek re-election.

AMERICAN NOTE TO AUSTRIA IS TO BE LAST ONE

CHICAGO, Dec. 20.—That a peace pact in the baseball league war was actually signed at the conference in New York last week and that only the details remain to be worked out at the meeting in Cincinnati Tuesday between representatives of the Federal circuit and members of the National Baseball commission was the statement made here today by a man financially interested in the peace terms.

MECHANIC TURNS ROBBER; IS SHOT; DIES IN HOSPITAL

SEATTLE, Dec. 20.—John B. Woelfle, a mechanic, died yesterday of wounds inflicted by F. C. West, a laundry driver, whom he sought to hold up. Woelfle leaves a wife and two babies, the oldest whom is 20 months.

"BILLIE THE HORSE" DYING NEAR KNIK

SEWARD, Dec. 3.—William Elliott, better known all over Alaska as "Billie the Horse" is now lying very dangerously sick in a cabin near Knik and is expected to die, and yet he refuses to take a dose of medicine rather die alone than suffer what he thinks would be the humiliation of accepting charity. Tom Finnegan, who arrived with the mail last evening, says that men went out to the cabin to bring him in where he could get good treatment but that he refused point blank to accept of the offer and he still remains in the cabin in what is thought a very serious condition. Billie has been in almost all the camps of the territory and is very well known.—Gayey.

COPENHAGEN—Feld Marshal von Mackensen was twice wounded during the Serbian campaign, according to letters from Berlin. A bullet fired by a Serbian sharpshooter at Belgrade went through his arm and two days later a spent ball struck him in the shoulder.

WOMAN DEFEATS HUSBAND IN CITY CLERK ELECTION

REPUBLIC, Dec. 9.—The city election yesterday passed quietly. There were two tickets in the field, the Citizens' and the Nonpartisan. The Citizens' won, with the exception of one candidate, that for clerk, in which Mrs. Eva B. Cale beat her husband, J. C. Cale, incumbent, by thirty-three votes. Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Cale formerly lived at Port Angeles.

CARRIGAN AND OLTS WIN SHOOT TROPHIES

A. C. Carrigan won the White Flyer trophy for the first time and Orville Olts won the DuPont trophy at the shoot of the Juneau Gun Club held on their range in North Juneau Sunday. The shooters were King Olts, Dickinson, Murphy, Goldstein, Baburn, McBride, Carrigan, Fry, Truesdell, Carter and Fisher.

LANEISMS SPARKLE IN REPORT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—Among other gems contained in the annual report of Secretary Franklin K. Lane, of the interior department, is the following, the keynote of which is development:

"It is not a figure of speech to say that every American has in his heart that he is in a small sense a discoverer; that he is joining in the revelation to the world of something that it was not before aware of, of which it may some day make use. Men work for what they think worth while and if they find their joy in proving that land has coal or will raise wheat, or that refractory ore may be reduced at a practicable cost, and tell about it proudly, they may be serving themselves, but they are also serving the world. A clerk in a store or a mechanic in a mill may not consciously engage in any enterprise which makes this appeal, but when he learns that the government of which he is a part has within a year opened a town on the shores of the North Pacific which has now nearly three thousand inhabitants and has driven a railroad nearly forty miles inland toward the Arctic Circle—on its way to the coal fields of the Matanuska and the gold fields of the Tanana—he has a feeling that he, too, is participating in making this new world. One might say that this was nothing more than sentimental pride, but there is a truer and perhaps more dignified word for this and it is quality. It is an expression of the American instinct for improvement. We have a passion for going into the unknown for answering puzzles that are put to us. Our imagination is challenged by difficulties and the result has been a century of growth, which, in its magic and its largeness, casts a spell upon the mind.

"Alaska Territory, containing nearly 400,000,000 acres of land, is now a great body of the public domain, is heavily mineralized and is a land of unknown possibilities. One gold mine there has recently erected a mill of 5,000-ton daily capacity, with ore in sight to run the mill fifty years at least."

VIRGINIANS BID WELCOME TO WILSONS

HOT SPRINGS, Va., Dec. 20.—When President and Mrs. Wilson arrived here Sunday morning, to spend their honeymoon, the guests at the inn gave them a hearty and cordial welcome. A parade in which the musical instruments were in pans and makeshift tom-toms. President Wilson said he would stay here for several days.

THIRTY GUESTS WERE AT WEDDING

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—Mrs. Edith Bolling Galt, member of a prominent Virginia family and a descendant of Pocahontas became the bride of Woodrow Wilson, the President of the United States, Saturday evening. The ceremony took place at Mrs. Galt's home on the fashionable district, at 8:20 o'clock, the service being read by the Rev. Herbert Scott Smith, rector of St. Margaret's, the church which Mrs. Galt attended. The Presbyterians church which the President usually attends, also was present.

Thirty guests were present. With the exception of Dr. Cary Grayson, the President's physician, Joseph P. Tumulty, secretary to the President and Miss Gertrude Gordon, the bride's intimate friend, the guests were all relatives of President Wilson or Mrs. Galt, by blood or marriage.

MINING MATERIAL ON THE "EVANS"

SEATTLE, Dec. 20.—With 28 passengers and a cargo including several hundred tons of mining machinery and lumber for the Alaska Juneau mine at Juneau, the steamship Admiral Evans sailed North at 7 o'clock this morning.

WAS MRS. LINCOLN'S NEPHEW

SPRINGFIELD, Ill.—Albert O. Edwards, a nephew of Mrs. Abraham Lincoln, and for 18 years custodian of the Lincoln homestead here, died suddenly today.

BRITAIN'S POSITION REPEATED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—Further arguments in support of Great Britain's restrictions upon commerce at the expense of American trade were submitted to the State Department by the British embassy in a memorandum made public today with a letter of transmittal to Secretary Lansing from Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, the British ambassador.

WITHDRAWAL OF FEDERAL LEAGUE IS PROPHECIED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—The United States' "last word" to the Austrian government, over the Ancona case, went forward to Vienna today. Government officials do not expect Austria to recede from her position.

PARCELS POST STOPPAGE IS CONTROVERSY

BERLIN, Dec. 20.—Sweden has protested to Great Britain against stopping the parcels post service between Sweden and the United States.

BRITAIN ANSWERS

LONDON, Dec. 20.—The War Office stated today that much of the parcels post packages stopped while on the way from the United States consisted of rubber, directed to a German agency in Sweden.

LANSING PROTESTS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—The United States has protested to Great Britain against interference with parcels post shipments between this country and Sweden. Secretary Lansing announced today.

T. R. BABBLES AT WILSON AND HIS POLICIES

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—Under the title "Sins of the Wilson Administration," former President Theodore Roosevelt finds vigorous fault in the January number of the Metropolitan magazine with the Mexican policy and the submarine question, Henry Ford and other pacifists, and accuses President Wilson of appropriating to his own use the Roosevelt policies on preparedness.

The Colonel makes a further accusation that the President has made an "about face" by proclaiming on policy in Mexico, which is not to be feared in a military way, abroad, or in a national way at home, and another policy about Germany, which can control many votes in the United States, as well as take care of itself against the United States, on land and sea."

GARY BANQUETS MOOSE LEADER; POLITICS BUZZ

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—Political circles are buzzing over a dinner at the home of E. H. Gary, chairman of the United States Steel Corporation, at which former President Roosevelt was a guest, Friday night.

SEATTLE WOMAN DIES

SEATTLE—Mrs. Willey, wife of Capt. George J. Willey, a steamship owner extensively interested in Puget Sound and Alaska salmon canneries, died Saturday night in Minor Hospital, following an operation. She was a daughter of Clark Aldridge, a pioneer merchant.

PREDICTS WAR'S END

LONDON—Lord Derby, director of recruiting, in a speech Sunday predicted the war would terminate suddenly, and much earlier than is generally expected. Conscription for single men who fall to enlist under Lord Derby's present plan is gradually finding much favor with the British newspapers.

BOY BURNED TO DEATH

SEATTLE—Merton, the 6-year-old son of W. A. Gleason, a member of the Port Commission, burned to death when the Gleason home was destroyed by fire yesterday. The boy's parents were badly burned trying to rescue the child from the flames.

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SURRENDER OF VILLA IS IMMINENT

EL PASO, Dec. 20.—An agreement was reached, and the papers were being signed at noon today whereby the Villa faction concludes peace terms with the de facto government of Carranza. The Mexican conference was held between General Carranza, Carranza, and two former lieutenants of Villa, at the consulate in El Paso. Villa himself is now in Lares, having arrived suddenly this morning. The signing of the peace agreement eliminates Villa from Mexican affairs and final arrangements for his entry to the United States soil are being perfected.

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The paper suggests that no real attempt has been or is being made, to punish Germany, on land or sea.

AMERICANS AFTER SHEFFIELD STEEL TRADE

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Projects of American banking interests to capture Sheffield steel trade of the world became known, with the announcement of the establishment of two great new steel plants, each controlled by a separate banking group. Baltimore and New York financiers are promoting one of the enterprises which calls for the erection of a plant at Highlandtown, Md., a short distance from Baltimore.

Plans for the other plant were filed at Syracuse Monday by the Crucible Steel Co. and calls for the erection of steel mills in that city, adjoining the Souderton works, already owned by that company. Combined with the new plant, these will give Syracuse in the world for Sheffield grades of the largest and best equipped plant steel.

BUILDING WHARF AT FIDALGO BAY

FAIRBANKS, Dec. 9.—The Alaska Mining Corporation, of which E. D. Reiter is manager, developing copper properties on an extensive scale at Fidalgo bay, sent a big shipment of freight to the mine this morning on the Shamrock.

AMERICAN FASTER THAN COMING FASTER THAN THEY EVER DID BEFORE

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—The British limitation of American bonds continues on large scale. Recent steamship shipments averaging \$10,000,000 are expected to be exceeded on the succeeding two boats.

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GERMANS ARE THROWN BACK; LOSSES LARGE

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KING AND QUEEN OF BELGIUM HAD A NARROW ESCAPE

PARIS, Dec. 20.—Details of a narrow escape from death which the King and Queen of Belgium recently had, when German airmen threw bombs on the fishing village where the royal couple now reside, are printed today by the Petite Journal.

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