

ARIZONA: Friday fair south Saturday unsettled, probably snow north portion warmer.

Average price of copper for the week ending Dec. 2, 1920, .1575. Average week ending December 15th, .15200.

U. S. BUSINESS DISCUSSED BY HARDING WITH FIELD, WRIGLEY

President-elect Seeks Information Regarding Method of Improvements

HERRICK IS VISITOR

Taft Will Reach Marion Today to Talk Over Plans About World Peace

MARION, Ohio, Dec. 23.—World peace and American business conditions were foremost again today in President-Elect Harding's consultations about the policies of his administration.

The plans for an association of nations he discussed with Myron T. Herrick of Cleveland, who was American ambassador to France at the beginning of the world war and who has been suggested persistently as a possible selection for a similar post under the next president.

Business conditions were taken up by the president-elect with Fred Upham, William Wrigley and Marshall Field, all of Chicago. Upham, who is treasurer of the Republican national committee, also discussed various organization questions left over from the campaign.

Others who saw Harding during the day included Mrs. Harriet Taylor Upton of Warren, Ohio, vice chairman of the Republican national committee, and Harry M. Daugherty of Columbus, member of the Republican campaign committee.

Cope Expedition Sends Last Word For Year and Half

LONDON, Dec. 23.—Dr. John L. Cope, commander of the British imperial Antarctic expedition, has sent the following from Port Stanley, capital of the Falkland Islands:

"Sailing from here December 20 with full equipment and dogs. Hope to land at Graham's December 25. All the party well. Expect to hear from us in 18 months. Goodbye."

Women, Held in Asylum Ten Years, Charge Two Doctors With Perjury; Ask Damages

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Suits for \$7,000,000 compensation for ten years' detention in the asylum for the insane at Kings Park, Long Island, were instituted today by Miss Phebe M. Brush and her sister, Ada D. Brush, against Drs. William B. Gibson and Walter Lindsay of Huntington, who they charge, were responsible for their confinement. The action, in which each sister demands \$250,000 from each physician, was brought in the West Chester county supreme court.

LAST CHANCE TO SHOP BEFORE CHRISTMAS

EVACUATION OF FIUME STARTS AS CLASH BETWEEN ITALIANS AND D'ANNUNZIO FORCE LOOMS

Fiume Situation Assumes New Angle When Serbian Officers Take Charge of Former Wrangle Forces; Attack Made By Legionnaires on Italians Hastens Crisis

LONDON, Dec. 23.—The evacuation of Fiume by civilians has begun, according to a dispatch from Milan to the London Times. Already 100 refugees have arrived in Candria. The food situation in Fiume is considered almost desperate.

Serbian Troops Take Command. ROME, Dec. 23.—Serbian officers have assumed command of the troops of General Wrangel, who recently landed at Buccari, six miles southeast of Fiume, to operate against Fiume in case of a conflict with the Quarnero regency, says the idea Nazionale's Trieste correspondent.

According to the Giornale d'Italia, the regency has issued a decree which extends to Arbe and Veglia the Fiume constitution. The newspaper adds that this means virtual annexation and destroys the last hope of those persons who had expected that d'Annunzio would evacuate the islands.

Italians Fired Upon. ROME, Dec. 23.—The Tribuna says today that although Gabriele d'Annunzio repeatedly had stated that fraternal blood should not be shed, his legionnaires were the first to fire on the Italian torpedo boat destroyer Zeaffiro and that they also threw a bomb against a patrol of carabinieri, killing one man and wounding two others. These episodes have embittered the situation and demonstrates the possibility of even graver occurrences, the newspaper declares.

CLARA SMITH WILL BE BOUND OVER LATE TODAY FOR TRIAL ON CHARGE OF SLAYING HAMON

ARDMORE, Okla., Dec. 23.—Upon arrival here tomorrow afternoon Clara Smith will waive preliminary hearing and be bound over to the district court for trial on the charge of shooting Jake L. Hamon, former Republican national committeeman, according to Russell B. Brown, county attorney of Carter county.

Bond will be fixed at approximately \$10,000 and it will contain 65 signatures, the county attorney said. J. H. Mathers, county attorney-elect, of the firm of Mathers and Coakley, retained as counsel for Clara Smith, said tonight with regard to Governor Robertson's intention to seek a change of venue, that it was contrary to the state statutes for any other than the defendant to ask for a change. He said he felt certain that the defendant would ask that the trial be held at Ardmore.

Woman Not Held. KANSAS CITY, Dec. 23.—Jake L. Hamon, late Republican national committeeman from Oklahoma, left no will and reports that there is a document naming Miss Clara Smith as a beneficiary are erroneous, as far as he can ascertain, according to a statement tonight by Fred Ellis of Ardmore, Okla., attorney for Mrs. Jake L. Hamon, the widow.

Symbols of American Observation of Christmas Relics of Nature Worship Days, Geographic Society Discovers

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Symbols of American Christmas observance, the Christmas tree, candles and mistletoe, are relics of nature worshiping days adapted to the principles of Christianity, says a bulletin issued today by the National Geographic society tracing the origin of these Yule-idle customs. They have to do with the pagan theory of the rebirth of the sun, the bulletin says, the tree coming down from Arayan ancestors, the candles from Teutonic sun worshippers, and the mistletoe from the Druids.

House Committee Hears Opposition to Shepard-Towner Maternity Bill

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Opposition to the Shepard-Towner maternity and infancy bill, which proposes federal aid in co-operation with the states for mothers and infants in homes and hospitals, was heard today by the house interstate commerce committee. H. B. Anderson, of New York, representing the Citizens' Medical Reference Bureau, which opposes compulsory medicine, declared the measure would be used to "promote prejudiced and misleading propaganda."

STRIKE IN BALTIMORE. BALTIMORE, Dec. 23.—A general strike in the clothing industry in Baltimore, affecting about 6000 workers will be called to begin January 1, Hyman Blumberg, local business agent of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers' Union, said today.

ST. JOHNS, N. F., Dec. 23.—Two firemen were killed and four injured in a fire which destroyed the Star Theatre today. One of the walls collapsed, burying the six men. The loss was placed at \$50,000.

Prisoners Cheer Up When 'Xmas Cook' Appears

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 23.—Inmates of the county jail here were smiles of anticipation today despite the prospect of spending Christmas day behind stone walls and iron bars.

His presence, jail officials said, assured prisoners a Christmas dinner unsurpassed "on the outside."

Annually at the holiday season Leroy, nomadic cook, comes to San Francisco from the lumber camps or mines, "cooks broke" and requests that he be jailed, lest he do "something desperate," officers said.

Premier Glottini, speaking in the chamber concerning the situation in Fiume, begged the nationalist deputy, Federzoni, who had interrogated the government, to consider the Fiume question from all points. The premier said the work of the government must always be inspired by a desire for internal peace.

He added that the government would not allow anyone to suggest to soldiers and sailors that they desert; that it would not allow armed bands in the name of Fiume to occupy territories that were not Italian and that it would not permit actions to disturb the internal life of the country.

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Santa Claus Use Airplane Tonight

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Santa Claus on his visits to the homes of American children tomorrow night will be compelled to resort almost completely to an airplane or some similar new-fangled conveyance, for the weather bureau tonight forecast a snowless Christmas for almost the entire United States.

"Fair and cold," was the weather forecaster's prediction for almost the entire portion of the country accustomed "in the good old days" to a "white Christmas." The only snow of sufficient depth for the sleds of the Christmas Saint, the bureau said, would be in Wisconsin, northern Michigan, northern New York and northern New England, where snow fell early in the week and has not melted. There may be some snow in the northern Rocky Mountain region, it was said, but elsewhere the fall will be confined to flurries.

The Pacific coast was excepted from the forecast for fair weather for the charts and maps of the weather bureau showing that rain and generally unsettled weather might be expected west of the Rocky mountains.

OFFICIALS ARE DENOUNCED IN COAL PROBE

Senator Calder Charges War Department Permitted Fuel Profiteering

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Senate investigation of the coal industry was suspended today until next Wednesday, but sharp criticism of the National Coal association and the government departments came up on the senate floor when Senator Calder of New York, chairman of the investigating committee, brought recent disclosures into debate.

The New York senator gave notice that the committee would proceed next to clear up charges by George H. Cushing, managing director of the American Wholesale Coal association, that government officials had personally participated in coal profits during the period of shortage last fall.

Senator Calder, speaking on the senate floor, said the war department had enabled coal men to make \$8,000,000 in profits by buying 2,000,000 tons of coal during the stringency and reported that D. W. Wentz, president of the National Coal association, took \$75,000 in commissions for purchasing a part of the quantity.

Senator Pomerene, Democrat of Ohio, demanded that the committee refer the matter to the department of justice if it found that Colonel Wentz sold coal mined by himself for \$3.50 a ton while the government paid \$1.50 for its fuel.

Senator Edger, Republican of New Jersey, said that in fairness to the senatorial president, the senate should note that he advised the war department against making the purchases and did not sell the government his own coal.

Senators Pomerene and Kenyon, Republican of Iowa, exchanged remarks as to "common honesty" involved in coal dealings, while Senator Calder charged that the coal association had influenced the Interstate Commerce Commission, manipulated geological survey figures on coal production and collected \$1,000,000 from its members to maintain for three years the organization, the activities of which he criticized.

Galveston Docks Swept By Flames as Oil Barge Fire Spreads; 2 Dead, 2 Injured

GALVESTON, Texas, Dec. 23.—Damage placed at \$400,000 resulted here this afternoon when a fire spread by an explosion aboard the oil barge Bolikow, swept a portion of the Southern Pacific docks. Two men are known to be dead and two injured. The Bolikow was a total loss, while the steamships El Occidente, Ashenburg and Hasinal were damaged. Part of the docks and a grain elevator conveyor also burned.

INTERNATIONAL DRIVE AGAINST BOLSHEVIKI IS GERMAN'S PLAN

Former Chief of Staff Says Lenine Was Sent to Russ Capital By Teutons

INTERVENTION URGED

General Hoffman Says Problem of Reds Is Now One That Concerns World

BERLIN, Dec. 23.—(By the Associated Press.)—General Wilhelm Hoffman, former chief of staff of the German east army, who played an important part in the Brest-Litovsk negotiations, declares in an interview published in the Berlin Russian Daily Rul, that Bolshevism, having ceased to be regional, is a world problem now which can be solved only by armed intervention by the great powers acting in concert. An international army under the leadership of Pershing, Joffre or Foch should occupy Petrograd, Moscow, and the Baltic coast, he asserts, before it is bound to fall before any well equipped and properly officered force.

With the occupation of Moscow, Trotsky and Lenine would be unhorsed and their 3,000 commissars overthrown and the members of the whole regime, General Hoffman predicted, would ask "safe conduct to pass the shortest way to oblivion." He feels certain that the Russian workmen would be glad to desert their present leaders at the first intimation that their overthrow was imminent.

Moscow must be spoken to in the language of Brest-Litovsk, not in the language of Lloyd George in London, the general continues. "To remodel Bolshevism is impossible. Intervention Necessary. Any entente attempt to incorporate Bolshevism in the European concert would be wrong. Any trade relations with Russia would only furnish a cloak for Red propaganda for Bolshevism aims will ever be a world revolution. Trotsky has studied the history of the French revolution and knows the use of the securae. Under his system no man can rise to power from the army; the appearance of a new Napoleon in Russia is out of the question. The crash of the Soviet regime would inevitably be followed by a reign of unparalleled anarchy. The only thing that remains is armed intervention by the great powers. As chief of staff of the east army during the war I directed the propaganda against the Russian army. The general staff naturally made use of every possible means to break through the Russian front. One of these means was poison gas; another was Lenine. The imperial regime dispatched Lenine to Russia from the Swiss frontier in a sealed car for a definite purpose. With our consent Lenine and his friends dispersed the Russian army. Von Kuehlmann, former German secretary for foreign affairs, Count Czernin, Austro-Hungarian foreign minister, and I then closed the Brest-Litovsk treaty so that we could throw our army against the west front. We were convinced that the Bolsheviki could not hold power more than three weeks.

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General von Hoffman says that the army commander later realized the danger and a plan was laid before the supreme command of the eastern army for the overthrow of Bolshevism, but events developed so rapidly following upon the assassination of Count von Mirbach, German ambassador to Russia, in Moscow, and the situation on the west front had become so critical that it was impossible to force the issue.

Volcano Asama in Eruption; One Village Entirely Lost; Loss of Life Believed Big

TOKIO, Dec. 23.—The activity of the volcano Asama is causing alarm. Violent explosions occurred in the crater Wednesday evening and the country for many miles around was strewn with ashes. Later a thick column of flame and smoke shot skyward and the entire crater was a blazing furnace.

Governor Urges Arizonans To Remember 3 Millions of Starving Armenian Children

PHOENIX, Dec. 23.—In connection with the approach of Christmas, Governor Campbell today issued a proclamation calling on the people of Arizona to remember the 11,000,000 orphaned children of the old world of whom he said 3,500,000 were facing starvation. The proclamation urged liberality in giving to the relief agencies raising funds for the children.

The towns around the volcano suffered from heavy earthquake shocks. The forests and several villages were set on fire. It was impossible to gain access to the fire zone owing to the lava streams. An area covering two miles at the foot of the mountain is reported to resemble a sea of fire. One village has been entirely burned out. It is feared that the loss of life has been large.