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Big Storms Day After Tomorrow

Observer Insists Atmospheric Turmoil Is at Hand

(By United Press)
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 17.—Professor Albert Post, scientific observer and forecaster of Washington, is standing pat on his prediction that a general meteorological turmoil will affect the earth during the period beginning to-day. He said the storms would strike the Pacific coast about December 19th, and that earthquakes would accompany the storms.

Protocol Signing Delayed by Huns

Trying to Hedge On Compensation for Sinking of Fleet

(By United Press)
PARIS, Dec. 17.—It was learned to-day that disagreements have arisen between the Allied and German experts as to the amount of compensation Germany will be able to pay for the sinking of the Scapa Flow fleet. These coming up unexpectedly may prove serious enough to delay the signing of the protocol. The supreme council has decided to grant Austria a loan of \$70,000,000. Each ally will be asked to contribute. The council also decided that all German

customs will be paid in gold in the future, this being found necessary because of the varying rates of exchange and decreased value of paper money. The United States heretofore has been the only nation paying in gold.

Final Note Sent Germany

(By United Press)
PARIS, Dec. 17.—The peace conference expects to submit a final note to Germany this week fixing the time limit for signing the protocol.

Dame Ladybird and Her Friends

[Written by Ethel Allen Murphy for the United States School Garden Army, Bureau of Education, Department of the Interior.]

Madame Ladybird Tells About the "Ant's Cows"

Part I

Then Madame Ladybird began to talk in a singsong voice like a spieler in a sideshow.

"That's a nice garden you have on your hat. The flowers and the fruits, though, are a little different from the ones I've known. I've been all over it, and there's not an aphid in sight. I met an ant on my way. She was disappointed because she wanted to get some aphids for her tribe.

"The aphids, you know, are the little green or white bugs that live on plants by sucking their juices. Did you ever see them? Well, you shall, by and by. Some people, not very politely, call them plant lice.

"These aphids belong to the suckers among plant enemies. They suck out the plant juices and turn them into a delicious sirup called honeydew. I'm fond of them, myself. All my family are, too. We eat the aphids. My babies thrive on honeydew as human babies do on milk.

"The ants—they don't eat the aphids. They drink the honeydew.

"Ants are very efficient insects. Efficient—that's a great word in your world, eh? Well, we're that, in our world, too. The ants, now, take captive these aphids. You'd say the aphids are the cows of the ants. The ants milk the aphids by stroking them with their feelers, and the aphids give out little drops of honeydew.

"Why, some of these ants actually keep the aphids over the winter time down in their nests. In spring they bring their cows out to pasture on the plants. Sometimes the ants build little cowsheds, eh? What's the matter? You're going through, that's all."

STOCK IS AFFLICTED WITH STRANGE DISEASE

According to the Elko Free Press, W. A. Keddie of Fallon, accompanied by one of the university stock specialists, has gone north to the Keddie ranch, where sixty head of cattle are reported to be suffering with a strange disease. The reports sent to Mr. Keddie are very meagre and he says he cannot understand and is going to investigate.

The cattle afflicted are all ages and both poor and fat, and he believes that their sickness is likely due to poisonous plants in the hay that is being fed them. They have just been placed on the winter feeding grounds and full winter rations given them and he is inclined to think that some plant in the hay is the cause of the trouble, as the symptoms described by the men in charge are strange.

Read the Appeal for the latest in world events.

Capital Topics

(By United Press)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—An unofficial committee on conciliation is at work in the senate in an effort to compromise the treaty controversy. The committee, composed of one Republican and one Democrat, is seeking to negotiate a basis upon which ratification can be arranged. They are ignoring Senator Lodge, Republican Leader, and Senator Hitchcock, the Democratic leader.

Lane to Resign

(By United Press)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—Secretary of the Interior Lane in a formal statement made today contemplates resigning from the cabinet. He has not yet sent in his resignation to the president. The statement was issued following reports that he had laid his resignation before the president because of differences with the president and other cabinet members.

Wants Newspapers to Cut Size

(By United Press)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—The house postoffice committee has appealed to the newspaper publishers of the country to make an immediate reduction of 10 per

cent in the size of their publications because of the paper shortage. The committee declared that such action is necessary to prevent "destruction of a large number of newspapers in smaller cities and towns and irreparable injury to communities served by them."

Knox Fails Again

(By United Press)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—For the second time in a week Senator Knox of Pennsylvania today made an unsuccessful attempt to get the senate to consider his resolution for the ratification of the peace treaty without the league of nations covenant.

Wets Bring Another Suit

(By United Press)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—The Rhode Island suit against the constitutional prohibition amendment and the Volstead law was filed with the Supreme court today.

New Collector for Arizona

(By United Press)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—The president today sent to the senate the nomination of Alfred Franklin of Phoenix to be internal revenue collector of Arizona.

News That's Up to the Minute

(By United Press)
LONDON, Dec. 17.—Dispatches from Berlin today said that forty-three were killed and more than 100 injured in a munitions explosion at Wilhelmshaven. The property damage was great.

But It Hasn't

(By United Press)
MEXICO CITY, Dec. 17.—It is learned that the Mexican government replying to the second American note demanding the release of Jenkins declares that since Jenkins was freed on bail Mexico presumes that "ill feeling" between the countries has disappeared.

Bolsheviks Gain Victory

(By United Press)
LONDON, Dec. 17.—A Moscow wireless received today said that Bolshevik

forces had captured Kieff and Kupvansk in Southwestern Russia from the anti-Bolshevik forces. Delayed dispatches Saturday reported that General Denikin had captured Kieff from the Bolsheviks early in the month. Kieff is the principal city in Ukraine and apparently has changed hands several times.

Was Insane at Time

(By United Press)
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 17.—Evidence that Edgar Woodcock, perpetrator of the alleged "fired" murder, was a neurasthenic was introduced in the trial today by the defense. Four doctors testified that Woodcock was insane when he killed Edward Kelly.

Newberry and 134 Aids Face Charges

(By United Press)
GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Dec. 17.—Calmer of all those involved in the indictments resulting from the investigation of the campaign against Henry Ford for the senate is Truman H. Newberry—the man about whom the whole fight centers.

Charges and counter-charges have been made and reiterated. Supporters of Senator Newberry have declared they are proud they were a help in the campaign to beat Ford, and assert they have not violated the law in contributing or seeking funds to meet the expenses of the campaign.

Senator Newberry, who beat Ford, millionaire automobile maker, after one of the bitterest campaigns ever staged in Michigan, was not new in politics when he entered the race. Although he had never before run for office, he had long been a telling force in Michigan politics and under President Roosevelt was assistant secretary of the navy for three years and finally secretary of the navy for three months.

When Newberry and scores of his aides were arraigned before Judge Sessions here December 8th, they stood mute, their attorneys explaining they had advised the defendants to stand mute as a plea of not guilty at that time would preclude the raising of technical questions later. Judge Sessions assented and set the trial date for January 27, 1920.

During the war, Newberry was commander of the third naval district. He

Applies for Letter

J. Poujade, Federal referee in bankruptcy, yesterday applied to the district court for letters of administration in the estate of the late John Saffell.

was one of the founders of the Michigan Naval Brigade and in the Spanish war he served successively as lieutenant, navigator and finally commander.

Newberry was born in Detroit, November 5, 1864. He was graduated from Yale University and entered business as a railroad superintendent of construction. In later life he was connected in the development of many of the city's industries and utilities. In Detroit social life Newberry maintains a high standing.

In the campaign in which he beat Ford, Newberry did not participate actively. He was still in the naval service at the time. His campaign was managed by many of his friends, most of them prominent in Detroit and other cities of Michigan. His campaign manager was Paul H. King, then head of the Red Cross in Michigan and now a referee in bankruptcy under federal court appointment.

Ford was a candidate for the senatorial nomination on both the Republican and Democratic tickets. He was named by the Democrats and faced Newberry in the general election.

For a time following Newberry's victory there was only a rumor that his nomination and election had not been altogether "above board." The rumor became more pronounced when in August, 1919, Earl J. Houck and Frank C. Dailey, special assistants to the attorney general, arrived in Michigan. Dailey had been active in investigating several alleged frauds in Indiana municipal elections and the inference was drawn that he and Houck were here to prove the Newberry election.

The two investigators worked quietly, visiting banks; inspecting records and

Japan and China at Straining Point

Boycotts at Foo Chow at Bottom of Trouble

(By United Press)
TOKIO, Dec. 17.—Following a meeting of the cabinet council, Torikichi Obata, minister plenipotentiary to China, was directed to make a strong protest to the Pekin government regarding anti-Japanese activities by Chinese, notably the Chinese students, which endanger the friendly relations between China and Japan. It is understood the protest particularly refers to the difficulties of the Foo Chow boycotts against Japanese merchandise.

Tokio Has Car Strike

(By United Press)
TOKIO, Dec. 17.—Thousands of reservists in training are being held in readiness to break the Tokio tram-car strike. This dispatch is the first word received in the United States of a street car strike in Tokio, though mail advices told of trouble between the Yokohama tramway company and employees, who demanded wage increases of 100 per cent.

Ask That Price of Gold Be Increased

Otherwise Many Mines Will Be Forced to Close

(By United Press)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—Gold mine owners and operators are clamoring to be permitted to boost the price of gold, fixed by law at \$20.67 per ounce. Agitation for the increase is intense. Secretaries Glass and Lane are giving the matter much thought and the United

States geological survey is preparing a statement. The need for increased price is described as "imperative." Officials have been told that many gold mines have closed in order to escape bankruptcy and it is predicted that more will be forced to shut down unless relief is afforded.

PIONEER JURIST DIES AT SUSANVILLE

Judge William A. Boardman, district attorney of Washoe county from 1870 to 1874, and one of the most prominent early day members of the bar in this state, died last week in Susanville. His death removed one of the real old timers of Western Nevada, a man who was on the Comstock during its boom days and resided at Washoe City during the time that, now almost forgotten city, was the county seat of Washoe county.

Judge Boardman served as district judge of the seventh judicial district talking to "small fry" politicians throughout the state. Their evidence was submitted to the federal grand jury sitting here, which, after a four weeks' session, returned indictments against Newberry and 134 of his associates.

The Senate Investigation

(By United Press)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—Politicians here and the country over are watching developments in the sensational Ford-Newberry election case with keen interest. Each party is seeking to benefit—Democrats by claiming they forced the investigation, and Republicans by asserting they welcome it.

Newberry, as is usual with new senators during their first term, has taken little active part in the proceedings of the senate. He has made no speeches of length and has only taken the floor at rare intervals to introduce a pension bill or a bill for a bridge of local improvement in his home state.

The committee on privileges and elections is expected to make the investigation for the senate. Senator Dillingham of Vermont is chairman. Other Republican members are: Kenyon, Iowa; Sherman, Illinois; Fall, New Mexico; Knox, Pennsylvania; Spencer, Missouri; Wadsworth, New York; Watson, Indiana, and Edge, New Jersey. Democratic members are: Pomerehne, Ohio (former chairman); Reed, Missouri; Walsh, Montana; King, Utah; Wolcott, Delaware, and Ashurst, Arizona.

from 1883 to 1886. He was a member of the state senate during the eighth and ninth session in 1877 and 1879. He maintained law offices in Reno up to the late '90s, when he removed to Susanville and was considered as the dean of Lassen county attorneys. He was born in the state of New York in 1842, coming to the Pacific coast in his young manhood.—Gazette.

Telegraphic Flashes

(By United Press)
WOODSTOCK, Dec. 17.—The Gray school house erected fifty-two years ago, and said to have been the first school building in Northern Illinois, was recently destroyed by fire.

Some Cheese

(By United Press)
BELVIDERE, Ill., Dec. 17.—A 4,000 pound cheese, said to have been the largest ever brought here, was delivered to a grocer in this city recently for the Christmas trade.

Painting of Bishop Welch Unveiled

(By United Press)
DELAWARE, Ohio, Dec. 17.—A painting of Bishop Welch, president of Ohio Wesleyan University, has been unveiled in the college chapel.

"The Legionaire" to Be Title

(By United Press)
BISMARCK, N. D., Dec. 17.—"The Legionaire" is to be the official title of the magazine published by the North Dakota branch of the American Legion. Miss E. N. Barry of Fargo won the prize for suggesting the name in a state contest.

Shortage of Office Room

(By United Press)
BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Dec. 17.—There is a shortage of office space here. Recently twelve physicians told officials they were unable to find a location.

What's In a Name

(By United Press)
LONDON, Dec. 17.—A woman litigant at Willesden with a Spanish Christian name and a Scotch surname, claimed to be Irish, but was born in England and had a Canadian husband.