

## FLEET TO RETURN VIA SUEZ CANAL

### Pick of Ships to Make Long Ocean Trip.

#### OFFICIALS DISCUSSING PLANS

### Proposed to Leave Some Vessels With Pacific Squadron.

#### DEPENDS ON DEVELOPMENT

### Department's Order to Be Based on Events of Next Six Months—Royal Welcome Is Promised on Arrival at Rio de Janeiro.

**OFF FOR RIO DE JANEIRO.**  
PORT OF SPAIN, Dec. 22.—The American torpedo-boat flotilla sailed for Rio de Janeiro at 8 o'clock this morning. The flotilla should have left yesterday, but was delayed on account of the late arrival of the supply ship *Aretusa* with provisions and other necessary supplies. All on board reported well.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The program of the return of the battleship fleet is a matter that has been discussed among the officials of the Navy Department, but as yet no decision has been reached, and will not be for some time to come," said Secretary of the Navy Metcalf today. The Secretary's remark was called out by a wireless message from the flagship *Connecticut*, stating that Admiral Evans had authorized the Associated Press to say it is his personal belief that the Navy Department's present intention to have the battleship fleet return by way of the Suez Canal next Summer or Fall. As the President through Secretary Lobb, previously had spoken to the same effect, it seems clear that Admiral Evans' statement was not suggested by any definite move so far determined upon by those supreme in authority. In naval circles the opinion prevails that at most only a squadron composed of such vessels as the *Yorck* to the Pacific shall have demarcated to be "the pick of the fleet," will be sent home through the Suez Canal, while the remainder will take the shorter route around the Horn.

It is not likely, however, that all 16 battleships will make the return voyage, as the desirability of a stronger fleet in the Pacific may be met by the retention of part of Admiral Evans' ships in those waters.

But like Admiral Evans, belief as to the returning via the Suez canal, the question of permanently reinforcing the Pacific squadron has not progressed beyond the discussion stage and its final determination hinges on developments of the next six months.

#### PLAN PICNICS AND BANQUETS

Rio de Janeiro Will Entertain Admiral Evans and His Men.

RIO DE JANEIRO, Dec. 22.—When the American fleet of warships reaches this port it will be accorded a royal welcome. It is not intended, however, that the welcome shall be demonstrative, but that all courtesy shall be paid the visitors as though the visit were expressly made to Brazil.

The fleet is expected here about January 11, and it will remain at Rio de Janeiro for 10 days. Admiral Alencar, the Minister of Marine, has issued an order for a division composed of the cruisers *Barroca* and *Tamandara* and the gunboats *Timbera*, *Tamoyo* and *Tirandentes* to hold themselves in readiness to meet the American fleet on the high seas and accompany it into the harbor. A number of fetes are being arranged, among which are dances, picnics and banquets. The Finance Minister will give a ball on Fial Island, in the Bay of Rio de Janeiro and the Minister of Marine has arranged for two excursions, one to the summit of Corcovado, a mountainous peak about two miles from Rio de Janeiro from which a magnificent view of the surrounding country can be had and the other to Tijuca Park.

The Brazilian government will give a banquet to the officers at which 500 covers will be laid in the grand salon of the Marine Arsenal at the harbor. A number of the Minister of Foreign Affairs, Baron de Roanço, and the Mayor of Rio de Janeiro, will entertain the American officers and Dr. Carlos Rodriguez, proprietor of the *Journal of Commerce*, will give a banquet to Rear-Admiral Robley D. Evans and the higher officers of the fleet. Other social events are being arranged to make the stay of the Americans here long to be remembered.

## ALASKA'S MANY NEEDS

### Governor Hoggatt Makes Annual Report to Secretary of Interior.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The "interest of a generous Congress in the development of the resources of this vast territory and in the welfare of its people," which contained liberal appropriations for mail, roads, cables, telegraph extensions, lighthouses, buoys, aids to navigation and

geological and coast and geodetic surveys, is bespoken by Governor W. B. Hoggatt, of Alaska, in his annual report to the Secretary of the Interior.

The Governor estimates the population of Alaska at 31,000, exclusive of 6000 or 7000 people of mixed nationalities employed in mines, canneries and railroad construction during the Summer.

He reports extensive prospecting in the various mining districts, and says that loose methods followed in staking claims and maintaining titles to placer grounds have caused much litigation. The whisky peddler is stated to be the worst enemy of the natives, but the carrying capacity of the whites do are increasing.

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## LAWSON HAS NEW PARTY

### ROOSEVELT AND GOVERNOR JOHNSON HIS TICKET.

### Makes Statement After Visit to the President at White House—Candidates Haven't Accepted.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Thomas W. Lawson, of Boston, who on last Tuesday called on President Roosevelt at the White House and who subsequently said he probably "would make a statement to the public within a few days," will, according to an interview, to be published by the World tomorrow, soon launch a new political party. Its candidates for President and Vice-President, according to the plan as announced, will be Theodore Roosevelt and Governor John A. Johnson, of Minnesota. In his formal announcement, Mr. Lawson avoids any direct statement that his chosen candidates have acquiesced in his political programme.

### TAFT TALKS WITH MANAGER

### Reviews Recent Happenings in National Politics.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—A conference was held today between Secretary of War Taft and his campaign manager, Arthur I. Vorys, of Ohio.

Beyond the statement that he reviewed with Mr. Taft generally what had transpired in the field of politics since the Secretary's absence on his trip around the world, Mr. Vorys declined to talk. He will return to Ohio tomorrow, but in the meantime he expects to talk over the Taft movement with political leaders here.

Secretary Taft left Washington at 4 o'clock this afternoon over the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad for Cincinnati, where he goes to qualify as an executor of the estate of his mother, who died recently. The Secretary will return to Washington on Tuesday.

## PAPINTA'S WILL PROBATED

### Leaves Estate and All Her Property to Favorite Brother.

OAKLAND, Cal., Dec. 22.—(Special.)—The will of the late Mrs. Carrie Holpin, known throughout the world as Papinta, the famous dancer, was prepared for probate today. The will was executed June 8, 1905, and was witnessed by J. E. Rodgers and J. H. Wells. The greater portion of Mrs. Holpin's fortune was invested in a ranch in the Platt Gregory tract in Ignacio Valley, Contra Costa County, California.

This ranch, consisting of 1162 acres, a valuable tract, she leaves to her favorite brother, George W. Hipple. To this brother she also leaves all her beautiful stage costumes and stage paraphernalia, all her handsome jewelry and all the money, with the exception of \$500, she died possessed of. The estate left by her has a value of \$50,000.

## POWDER WORKS EXPLODES

### Towns Shaken and Windows Broken as by an Earthquake.

NANAIMO, B. C., Dec. 22.—The Hamilton Powder Company's works blew up this morning at Departure Bay, 45 miles from here. Damages, \$40,000. No one was killed or injured. In Vancouver, 35 miles away, houses were shaken so badly that it was believed an earthquake had occurred. Many persons rushed to the street in alarm.

The nearest building was the manager's house, a mile away. Its windows were smashed. Many panes of glass were broken in Nanaimo also.

## ARRIVES WHEN ALL HOPE IS GIVEN UP

### British Bark Castor Is in Straits of Fuca.

#### THIRTY-FIVE DAYS MISSING

### Tries Three Times to Cross Columbia Bar.

#### STORM DRIVES HER NORTH

### Vessel's Master, Who Has Been Waiting in Portland for News of His Ship, Leaves for Esquimaut. Bound North From Chile.

PORT TOWNSEND, Dec. 22.—(Special.)—The British bark *Castor*, long overdue at Astoria, has been sighted at the entrance of the Straits of Fuca, according to a despatch received from Tatonah. The vessel is on its way to Esquimaut, B. C.

Grave fears for the safety of the vessel had been entertained among shipping men since an attempt, 25 days ago, to cross the Columbia River bar was frustrated by the severe storms which prevailed at that time, and which forced the vessel to put off shore.

An abatement of the gale permitted another attempt to gain an entrance to the Columbia, but another storm caused the master again to seek safety. Since the last report no news of the bark was furnished, and the appearance of heavy storms in the interval created the impression that she had been wrecked.

Captain Don Campbell, master of the *Castor*, who has been in Portland for the past six weeks awaiting the arrival of the vessel from Valparaiso, left last night for Esquimaut, where the *Castor* was towed yesterday. Captain Campbell was much relieved when the news came that his vessel was in tow off Tatonah Island. The *Castor* came north from Valparaiso, Chile, to load wheat at Portland. She was in light ballast, and considering that she had been out for three years made a good run up the Coast. She appeared off the mouth of the Columbia November 16 and was unable to cross the bar. She came north, but she came up and displayed her signals, but was unable to make port. The last time she appeared was on December 3, and three days later a hurricane swept the entire coast.

Shipping men grew anxious over non-arrival within a week after the storm and her fate worried the men along the front.

## CHRISTMAS FOR EMPEROR

### Each Member of the Imperial Family Has a Tree.

BERLIN, Dec. 22.—Thirteen Christmas trees stand in the New Palace at Potsdam for the members of the Imperial family. There are two large trees on one side and six on the other, diminishing in size according to the age of those for whom they are intended. The two large trees are for the Emperor and Empress and the others for their six sons and daughters, the wives of Crown Prince Frederick Wilhelm and Prince Eitel and the two children of the Crown Prince.

The Emperor's Christmas programme begins after lunch on Tuesday, when he will walk through the Grand Park Sans Souci with several hundred marks in small coin, freshly minted in his pocket, bestowing five to 10 or 20 mark pieces upon poor persons whom he may meet.

It is never known what paths the Kaiser may take, but as it is an annual custom of his Majesty, plenty of the poor are distributed throughout the park.

The Imperial family gathers at 9 o'clock to give one another presents. The members of the Imperial family give but do not accept gifts from members of the household. The Emperor has been summing donors of Potsdam almost every afternoon since his return from England and has been selecting for Christmas gifts sporting guns, saddlery outfits, gold mounted or jeweled riding-crops and other articles for 20 or 30 ladies and gentlemen attached to his household. He also gives portraits with his autograph, especially framed in porcelain and jewels, of which he is exceedingly fond.

## MAKES NEW WORLD RECORD

### Texas Man Misses Target but Nine Times in 72,500 Shots.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Dec. 22.—A Toppertown today completed a ten day shooting series during which he shot at 72,500 targets and missed nine. This broke the world's record in several different ways, both as to the number of targets shot at and the number missed. Mr. Toppertown closed the exhibition in which he fired 72,500 shots, the final 600 targets and missing only one. Toppertown used a 22-caliber automatic rifle and the blocks were two and a half inches thick and were thrown into the air at a distance of 30 feet from the point where the marksman stood.

## NEARING ENTOMBED MEN

### Rescue Force at Ely Down to 500-Foot Level of Alpha Shaft.

ELY, Nev., Dec. 22.—The 500-foot level of the Alpha shaft, was reached today by the rescuing force seeking to save the

## EVENTS OF COMING WEEK.

The holiday season removes from the week most of the fixed sources of news, placing Congress in recess, largely suspending conventions and gatherings of the press, and generally reducing the news events that can be anticipated. The larger interest, therefore, will center on happenings abroad.

At St. Petersburg the trial of General Stoesel will continue with promise of more sensational disclosures.

In Berlin the trial of Herr Harden in his exposure concerning the now famous "coury scandal" will continue unless the efforts making to bring about a private adjustment are successful.

The Japanese Diet will assemble on Tuesday for its 24th session, and the number of extremely grave questions which will confront it promise to make the session one of unusual importance.

The situation in Persia, arising from the conflict between the throne and the constitutionalists, although now reported as being more reassuring, is still regarded as critical.

On Christmas eve the battleship fleet will depart from the port of Spain, Trinidad, and complete the first lap of the impressive voyage to the Pacific. In that ancient little port the 13,000 officers and men of the armada will celebrate Christmas with festivities and feasting aboard ship for all and a shore liberty for the lucky ones.

Politically, the only event of importance in a special meeting of the Republican Club of New York, called for Monday night to consider a resolution advocating the Presidential candidacy of Governor Hughes.

two men imprisoned on the 1000-foot level, and as all the indications point to the probability that the ground from there down is standing solid, it is expected that the work will progress very rapidly. The ground where the run occurred is still settling, however, and from time to time it will be necessary to fill in the space with cordwood. The entombed miners stated today that they have enough provisions to last for several weeks, but owing to the frequent runs of earth during the past three days it will probably be at least two weeks before they are rescued.

## CLOSED TO OUTSIDE WORLD

### IDAHO TOWNS SUFFER FROM SUNDAY LAW.

Telephone and Telegraph Offices Closed and Manager Arrested. Company Will Fight the Law.

SPOKANE, Wash., Dec. 22.—(Special.)—Wallace, Gardner and the Coeur d'Alene region in general are cut off from all communication with the outside world tonight, because of the Sunday rest law.

Word comes from Wallace that the manager of the Western Union telegraph office there was arrested today for holding his office open. His superiors will fight the order. No telephone is working in that region, so far as local operators are aware.

## LEWISTON IS CLOSED TIGHT

### Observance of Sunday Law in Force in Strictest Detail.

LEWISTON, Idaho, Dec. 22.—(Special.)—No Sabbath could find objections to Lewis today, for no stricter observance of blue laws has been recorded even in New England. Cigars, candy, newspapers, magazines, periodicals and drugs alone found sale today.

No violations were discovered by the police, despite energetic efforts to find infractions. In order to carry thirty members of the Sunday clubs will be formed, membership of which will be limited only to good-fellows, and these will have access to tobacco, cigarettes, choice vintage, cold brew and other comforts.

## Two Arrests Made in Boise.

BOISE, Idaho, Dec. 22.—(Special.)—The arrest of two saloon men for keeping open on Sunday has aroused much interest today. It was thought a concerted movement might be under way for some further attack on the Sunday rest law, but it could not be understood, as Boise has a city ordinance under which saloons have been kept closed for 18 months.

It does not appear after investigation that the two men arrested today, William County W. Johnson, represent any general movement. They were arrested by the city authorities.

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## PERKINS' TOGO IS CONTESTED BY MANY

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#### CAMPAIGN ON IN CALIFORNIA

### Congressman Hayes Active Anti-Machine Candidate.

#### INCUMBENT FEELING PULSE

### Has Already Served Three Terms and Doesn't Want to Fight for Re-election—At Outs With the Administration.

BY P. A. SINSHEIMER.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 22.—(Special.)—In California politics is a perennial puzzle. Having just elected a Mayor for San Francisco, the voters have turned their attention to the Senatorial contest which will be virtually fought out in the elections during the coming year. The Legislature will choose a successor to Perkins in January, 1909, but the issue will be to the front in every ward or township battle from now until that time. The campaign has already reached an active stage and a formidable list of candidates has come into the open.

Interest centers naturally in the candidacy of Perkins himself. Will he openly aspire to succeed himself? It is known that Perkins will run again if he can be elected, but if the signs point the other way when the time comes for a show down, the announcement will go forth that Perkins considers three senatorial terms enough for any man and has decided to retire. The senior Senator from California is confronted with the most active opposition he has encountered in his fifteen years in the upper house. He is not ambitious for battle. He has been Governor of the state, has represented California for almost three terms in the Senate and at his advancing age he feels that a stormy contest could end only in disaster.

#### Long List of Aspirants.

The darts directed at Perkins during the Roosevelt Administration have been keener than ever before. The Senator has not kept pace with the strenuous Executive and although every effort has been made to conceal the fact from the people of the state, they have had the truth firmly impressed upon them. Perkins has secured liberal appropriations for the state, but the abrupt parting of the ways forced by the clear cut policy of the Administration has revealed the Senator a disciple of the old regime. Perkins has been branded by the Administration journals of the state as a machine stalwart. He is accused of having given aid and comfort to the Southern Pacific interests during the time the President was busily engaged in bringing the Harriman corporations to book.

Congressman E. A. Hayes and ex-Governor George C. Pardee are active candidates for Perkins' place. Rumor is also gossip add to this list Victor H. Metcalf, Secretary of the Navy, ex-Mayor W. R. Davis, of Oakland, Francis J. Heney and Rudolph Spreckels. The use of Spreckels' name in connection with the Senatorial fight has been brought about by those who seek to cast odium upon the graft prosecution by insinuating that it is simply a play on the part of Spreckels for Senatorial honors. Although Spreckels has said nothing one way or the other, he has positively declared time and time again that he is not a candidate for any office and there is no reason to believe otherwise.

#### Hayes Fighting Machine.

Hayes has begun his campaign in Washington. He has introduced there a bill for the exclusion of Japanese laborers and to show that he is not animated by prejudice has introduced another measure providing for an American display at the world's fair to be held in Tokio. Hayes has gone further. He has come out openly against the reappointment of Arthur Flak who is Perkins' candidate for Postmaster at San Francisco. Hayes is urging his objections against Flak on the ground that Flak is too closely allied with Herrin and the Southern Pacific machine.

Hayes will make a bid for the support of the Lincoln-Roosevelt league, the organization recently formed in the state for the purpose of eliminating the Southern Pacific from politics. Hayes bucked against the machine at the Santa Cruz convention when he was a candidate against Gillett for the Republican nomination for Governor. History has recorded how Herrin delivered that convention to Gillett and since that day Hayes has been a double-dyed enemy of the machine.

#### Pardee for Vice-President.

Pardee has kept himself in the limelight, since his failure to secure a renomination for Governor, as the champion of reform. Pardee is immensely popular. He was one of the organizers of the Lincoln-Roosevelt League and has been active in keeping the waterfront of the bay shore free from railroad domination. Hayes and Pardee are fighting with the same weapons. Both have sought the favor of the President, but it is not recorded that either has gained anything material in this direction.

As a back fire to the Pardee movement, the Hayes forces have started a boom for Pardee for Vice-President with a

clear field for Hayes for Senatorial dignities. Friends of Pardee have told him that the Vice-Presidential boom is only a rainbow and he has not agreed to Hayes' proposition.

W. R. Day has a quiet little boom of his own. He was a reform Mayor and an ardent foe of the machine. His backing comes from a coterie of Oakland friends who think he will loom large in the future as a compromise.

#### Metcalf's Attitude toward the Senatorship is Very Much Like that of Hughes toward the Presidency.

Metcalf's attitude toward the Senatorship is very much like that of Hughes toward the Presidency. He is doing nothing in his own behalf, but has consented to place himself in the hands of his friends.

#### Heney Still a Democrat

It is not clear how Heney, a Democrat, can claim the support of a Republican Legislature. Heney could undoubtedly have the honor should he announce him-



George C. Perkins, for whose seat in the Senate Heney may be a candidate.

self as a Republican. He has really been associated more with the Republican movement than the Democratic, but has chosen to remain a Democrat at least in name.

## RESEMBLES AN ELOPEMENT

### SOCIETY WOMAN AND YOUNG MAN LEAVE FOR EUROPE.

### Circumstances Point Strongly to Their Having Gone Together, but the Husband Denies This.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—(Special.)—Harry S. Brenchley, a good looking young Briton, whom most horsemen and some horsewomen hereabouts have known for several years in various capacities, and most recently as a whip for Alfred Gwynne Vanderbilt, has disappeared. The young Englishman sailed for Europe on the Bluecher, December 7, under the name and style of H. Barker. On the same steamship sailed Mrs. Alfred E. Dietrich, the wife of a son of one of the denizens of Carnegie Hill, a Standard Oil man of many millions.

Broadway and Fifth avenue, it was learned, had been gossiping about Brenchley and the young woman for some time. Everybody except her husband seemed to have wagged a tongue over an intimacy which neither made any attempt to conceal.

A week before the Bluecher sailed, the young husband was called out of town. On the same day Brenchley took an apartment at the Hotel Chelsea in West Twenty-third street. So did the young wife. She was in company with a woman who was known at the hotel as Miss Warren. There was no Miss Warren with her when she took passage on the Bluecher.

The family of the young matron stuck loyally to her. They admit that she has gone to Europe. Everybody who she went with Brenchley. She is in Paris, they say, and her mother is with her, having sailed on the same ship. The young man, however, has not yet prepared to admit that his wife had eloped to Europe with Brenchley. He regretted he could not prove the story to be incorrect now, but hoped to be able to do so within 24 hours.

Mrs. Dietrich is worth several millions in her own right. She is what is known as "an accomplished horse-woman." She is 25 years old, the daughter of Major Glinter, a millionaire tobacco manufacturer of Richmond, Va. She was socially landed her voyagers today, her marriage to Dietrich seven years ago.

## SENATOR MALLORY DEAD

### End Came Early This Morning—Ill for Some Time.

PENSACOLA, Fla., Dec. 23.—United States Senator Stephen R. Mallory died at 2:58 this morning. After an illness caused by a general breakdown on November 20, with paralysis of the legs, he rallied somewhat, but early today began sinking rapidly and was unconscious tonight.

Stephen Russel Mallory was born in Florida in 1826. He was United States Senator from Florida from 1851 to 1861, and at the beginning of the war enlisted in the Confederate Navy as midshipman. After the war he went to college at Georgetown College, graduating in 1869. In 1873 he was admitted to the bar and served several terms in the Florida Legislature. He was a member of Congress from 1891 to 1895, and had been in the Senate since 1897. His term would have expired in 1909.

#### Stormy Trip Across Atlantic.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—The American liner *New York*, after a trip of high winds from Southampton and Cherbourg, landed her voyagers today. General J. Piennar, with his rank in the Boer war, but is now engaged in the task of the abolition of the slave trade in Africa, was one of her travelers.

## JERSEY VILLAGE STORK'S DELIGHT

### Roebling Holds Record as Baby Town.

#### DOCTORS AND NURSES ASK HELP

### Two-Year-Old City Has Birth Percentage of 96.

#### BABIES WIN POSTOFFICE

### Roosevelt Hears Story and Hurries Appointment—Hamlet of Workingmen's Homes Without Saloon—No Poor in the Town.

#### POSTOFFICE WON BY BABIES.

Champion baby city—Roebling, N. J. Age of city—Two years. Adult population—3000. Number of families—600. Birth percentage—96, two years. Best single day—42 births. Last two months—Birth every day. No saloons, no paupers, no diseases.

#### PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 22.—(Special.)

Roebling, N. J., has a postoffice of its own now, and the babies did it. Roebling is probably the champion baby town in America. The records show that 96 per cent of its families have received babies during the last two years. The greatest pride of the citizens of Roebling is based upon their record for the last two months. In this period the stork has not missed a day. There was one week in which the busy visitor was entertained in 42 homes, and two consecutive days totaled up nine calls each.

Local physicians and nurses whose presence was desired by those most interested, found the stork more nimble than they had counted on and recruits were called from adjacent cities and towns. The greatest rush will be over by Christmas, the doctors declare, and the proud mothers are planning for a baby show early in the new year that shall eclipse all baby shows ever held in New Jersey.

#### Roosevelt Is Delighted.

Roebling, having appeared as if by magic upon the Jersey map, Uncle Sam had made no appointments in its postal service and the citizens were still getting their mail from a rural carrier until recently. Then some one started a petition for a postoffice. In a place of sudden growth it was out of the ordinary, but the citizens were certain there would be business enough to make the office pay. A delegation of Roeblingites took the petition to Washington and presented it.

Then they called upon President Roosevelt, and in telling their mission they mentioned their babies. The President asked a few questions and was so delighted that he called a page and sent him out with a message. The consequence was that the appointment of L. S. Major as postmaster at Roebling reached the town ahead of the returning delegation. Oscar Adams has been appointed assistant postmaster.

Roebling's population is composed of 3000 adults. In all there are about 900 families. As has been said, the stork has paid visits to 96 per cent of these families in two years. In some homes the wonderful bird has left at intervals as many as three calling cards. In other homes these marvelous cards have been left in pairs and in a few cases three at a time.

#### Orderly Town of Homes.

Roebling is only two years old. It is a model town, erected by the great building concern from which it takes its name. The engineers who built the town were ordered to build a city of homes, which would attract high-class American merchants to settle, rear families and devote their thoughts to the industry in which their best skill was in demand. There are no saloons to tempt the mechanic to waste his money or to impair his faculties. Hence there are no neglected families, no ragged children and no starving wives and mothers. However, any man who wants to go to near-by towns and drink, but it will cost him his position if he creates disorder in the streets of Roebling when he returns.

## JAPAN BESTOWS HONOR

### Order of Rising Sun Given to Ex-Minister McCormick.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Executing the instructions of the Emperor of Japan, Viscount Aoki, the Japanese Ambassador, conveyed today to Robert S. McCormick, of Chicago, the decoration of the order of the first class of the Rising Sun. Mr. McCormick served as Ambassador of the United States to Russia during the war between Russia and Japan, and was in charge of Japanese interests from the time of the severance of the diplomatic relations. In handing the decoration to the former Ambassador, Viscount Aoki took occasion to refer to the warm gratitude felt by the Emperor of Japan and the people for the untiring energy Mr. McCormick had displayed in protecting Japanese interests. The decoration is the highest within the gift of the Emperor.