



## SOUTH POLE IS REACHED BY AMUNDSEN

### Cables Tell of Norwegian's Success in Dash to Antarctic

#### DECEMBER 14-17, 1911, DATES

#### Explorer Sends Word of Discovery From Tasmania, on His Way Home.

#### ACHIEVEMENT IS HAILED

#### Lieutenant Shackleton Comments on Other's Feat.

#### SPOT LONG SOUGHT FOR

#### Scandinavian's Victory Over Ice and Gates at Southern Extremity of Globe Marks New Feat of Present Century.

(Special Cable to The Portland Oregonian and New York Times.)  
CHRISTIANA, Norway, March 7.—(Special.)—I have received the following message:  
"HOLM, Tasmania, Thursday, March 7, 1912.—Pole attained, 14th-17th December, 1911; all well."  
"ROALD AMUNDSEN."  
(Signed) LEON AMUNDSEN.

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(Special contributed to the New York Times, London Chronicle and Portland Oregonian.)

LONDON, March 7.—Analyzing the somewhat brief cable to hand, announcing Captain Amundsen's attainment of the South Pole, one, from previous experience, would assume that the journey was done with extreme rapidity and under very favorable conditions as regards the weather. Captain Amundsen has attained the geographical South Pole, the long-sought-for spot, and that finishes record-breaking as far as the ends of the earth are concerned. Examining that the latitude of Amundsen's winter quarters was 74 degrees 44 minutes, that is, only 476 geographical miles from the South Pole. This place was named Bay of Whales by me on my expedition and was formerly known as Nelson Blight.

Start in October Probable.  
If Amundsen did 25 miles a day and reached the South Pole on December 14, he would have started south about the beginning of November, but it is more likely that he did not travel at that rate, especially for the first 100 or 200 miles, so we may assume that he started for the Pole about the beginning of October.

There is no indication in the cable whether Amundsen followed the route of my expedition in reaching the pole, but it is more probable that he found a new route and an easier one up to the plateau which lies about 9000 to 11,000 feet above sea level. He may have had good weather.

#### Observations Probably Taken.

The words of the cablegram, "Pole attained, December 14 to 17" evidently means that on reaching the geographical pole, so that no uncertainty might exist as to its exact position, he waited three days, taking noon observations so accurately to determine his position.

The advantages of taking three days of continuous observations at the Pole are as follows:  
Assuming that an explorer took a noon observation of the altitude of the sun and found that he was at the pole, a degree of uncertainty would still exist because of the declination of the sun, which completes the circle with hardly any perceptible rise or fall. If an observation is taken for the second day at the same spot, and the difference of declination of the sun in its north or south path corresponds with this observation of the third day, he may safely assume that his position is accurate.

#### REPORTS IN LONDON CONFLICT

Mrs. Scott's Without News From Explorer Husband.

LONDON, March 7.—While intense interest has been aroused in the results attained by the South Pole expedition under command of Captain Roald Amundsen, the Norwegian explorer and Captain Robert F. Scott, of the British Royal Navy, respectively, which are returning from the Antarctic region, dispatches received here on the subject are conflicting.

Captain Amundsen has arrived at Hobart, Tasmania, on the steamer Fram, and according to the first word from

## BABIES SAFEGUARD AGAINST BURGLARS

### GEM THIEF SAYS ALL CROOKS RUN FROM WAILS.

#### Police Ineffective, He Says—Best Way to Recover Stolen Goods Said to Be by Advertising.

SPOKANE, March 7.—Anti-trace evidence is the best protection against burglars, says James Burke, now under arrest at Missoula, Mont., who confessed to the robbery of \$11,000 in jewels from the Thatcher residence at Pueblo, Colo., and the theft of gems worth \$5000 from B. L. Gordon, of Spokane.

"Babies are better than watchdogs or the police," said Burke to Mr. Gordon, who returned from Montana today with a portion of the recovered jewels. "When the baby begins to cry, the burglar had better beat it. The police never get anybody except by accident. The day after I robbed the Gordon home, I walked down the street in Spokane with Chester Edwards, detective, and another policeman and discussed the robbery with them."

Gordon recovered about \$500 worth of jewelry from Burke, who also told him where more of his loot was hidden in Spokane and this also has been recovered.

Burke told Mr. Gordon that he passed under the name of Fred C. Lang and stopped at the best hotels while operating in Spokane. He declared that an advertisement in the newspaper is more effective in recovering stolen goods than all the detectives in the country.

"We only get from 20 to 25 per cent of the value of the goods, anyhow," he said, "and we would just as soon deal with the owners at those figures as with a fence."

## EAGLES CARRY OFF LAMBS

### Mohawk Valley Man Scores Game Laws of State.

#### EUGENE, Or., March 7.—(Special.)—The eagles are carrying off my lambs and kids until the increase this year will be next to nothing," declared Tom Seavey, who is in the city from the Mohawk Valley.

"No less than 12 of my young animals have been taken, and there is nothing I can do, for the law protects the eagles. I don't dare shoot one, even if it is carrying off my property. Why last summer, Myron Craig, a young farmer living over in the Camp Creek neighborhood, shot one of these birds and the game warden arrested him. The killing of the bird cost him \$25.

Since the state passed the law protecting the eagles, the hawk multiplied in this part of the country, and are getting bold.

## FLAGPOLE GOES BY RAFT

### Longest Stick Ever Prepared Takes Unique Trip to Fair.

ASTORIA, Or., March 7.—(Special.)—The large, high flagpole presented to the Centennial committee by the Whitney company, to be erected in the City Park, which was later presented to the committee having charge of the 1915 exposition at San Francisco, was towed by the launch Phoebe today to Stella, where it will be placed in one of the Hammond Lumber Company's piling rafts to be taken to San Francisco. The stick is to be erected on the exposition grounds at the Bay City and will be the longest single-stick flagpole in the world.

## SUFFRAGE IS UP IN OHIO

### Constitutional Convention Votes to Submit Question to Voters.

COLUMBUS, O., March 7.—The fourth constitutional convention of Ohio, in session here today, adopted a proposal to amend the present state constitution so as to permit women participation in all elections.

## DR. ABRAMS GETS DECREE

### New York "Affinity Party" Suit Verdict is for Husband.

NEW YORK, March 7.—(Special.)—A proposed "affinity party" and other irregularities of his comely wife were a verdict this afternoon for Dr. Alexander Abrams in his suit for divorce from Mrs. Amelia Fendler-Abrams, herself a physician.

Dr. Abrams charged his wife with acting improperly with Henry M. Wolf, a wealthy San Francisco merchant. Formerly Mrs. Abrams lived at 139 Madison avenue told of big dinners and other affairs in the house whenever Wolf would come here from his Western home.

## PREFERENCE BILL PASSED

### Michigan House Would Make Measure Effective Immediately.

LANSING, Mich., March 7.—The House of Representatives today passed a Presidential preferential primary bill to take effect immediately.

## ROOSEVELT WINS PARTIAL PRIMARY

### Action in Kansas City Is Protested.

## LOCAL "MACHINE" IN CONTROL

### Taft Forces to Hold Separate Convention Later.

## QUARTER OF VOTE POLLED

### Presidential Ballot Declared to Have Been Conducted Illegally and Contesting Delegation Is in Prospect.

KANSAS CITY, March 7.—The Presidential preference primary held in the Fifth Missouri District today was abandoned to the Roosevelt followers by the Taft men, who resented the tactics of the city "machine" and refused to have anything to do with the affair. The result was that Roosevelt received 2565 votes to 230 for President Taft, 55 for Senator (La Follette) and 6 for Senator Cummins. This was the vote in the district as a whole. In Kansas City, where Mayor Brown was renominated by the Republicans with 4277 votes against his opponent's 922, Mr. Roosevelt received 1926 and Mr. Taft 227.

#### "Steam Roller" Methods Charged.

It was freely charged that "steam roller" methods were being used by the municipal ring, and the vote for Mayor is quoted in support of that contention. The municipal faction took charge from the start.

The primary, with the Presidential preference feature, was called by the Congressional committee and was to select delegates to the Congressional convention to be held in Kansas City Tuesday next. This convention will elect two delegates to the National convention.

#### Same Voting Booths Used.

In Kansas City the Presidential primary was held in the same voting booths as was the city primary to name the city Republican ticket, which the Taft supporters asserted to be illegal.

Leaders among the Taft advocates here advised the Taft men to stay away from the polls today. It is announced that the Taft men will hold a separate convention on Saturday to select their representatives to the National convention.

## Hungarian Cabinet Resigns.

### BUDAPEST, Hungary, March 7.—The Hungarian cabinet, headed by Count Karl Kuhn-Hedervary, resigned today in consequence of the refusal of the Austrian government to recognize the Hungarian claim to control the calling out of the joint army reserves.

## PRISONERS LOCK IN THEMSELVES

### KEEPERS CANNOT OPEN DOORS OF JAIL CELLS.

#### Effort Made to Tear Down Building From Inside—Police Decide on Starvation Cure.

SAN DIEGO, Cal., March 7.—Ninety prisoners arrested as a result of the crusade for the enforcement of the street-speaking ordinance in San Diego literally locked their keepers out of the City Jail this afternoon and by united efforts attempted to tear out their cells and break down the concrete building.

The solid steel doors leading to the two big cellrooms had been closed and locked by the jailers to keep the prisoners from making too much noise. When this was done the prisoners used strips of tin from their cups in plugging up the locks, making it impossible for the jailers to open the cells.

Thus, they are tonight entrenched against the police. The police have decided to starve the prisoners into submission. A crowd of nearly 1000 persons gathered in front of the jail tonight.

## "TURKEY TROT" STIRS RIOT

### Youths Begin Wiggly Dance at Town Ball Causing Fight, Arrests, Trial.

TACOMA, Wash., March 7.—(Special.)—Portland, Seattle and Tacoma may tolerate the "Turkey Trot" dance and allow it to be presented at fashionable gatherings, but not so with the suburban town of Jovita, Pierce county, Washington.

This developed in Justice Graham's court today. Paul and Edward Reinke and Carl Weaver were on trial for creating a disturbance at Jovita last Saturday night. There were several exciting features to the disturbance and five young men other than the defendants were involved in the outbreak of the small riot that followed the introduction of the "Turkey Trot" into the chaotic confines of Jovita's ballroom.

A dance was in progress at Jovita Hall. The Reinke youths, Weaver and several companions joined in the festivities and decided to show little Jovita something new in the way of terpsichorean stunts. With what society editors might call great eclat they put on the "Turkey Trot." There were objections. Then the riot started and witnesses were still telling about the fight when court closed tonight. The court will continue taking testimony tomorrow morning.

## FINGER PRINTS BETRAY

### Tell-Tale Marks on Stolen Ornament Lead to Arrest.

CHICAGO, May 7.—Finger print evidence was introduced today in Municipal Judge Beller's court in the hearing of John C. Hartzell, charged with the theft of a valuable ornament, said to be the oldest piece of hammered gold in the world, from the Haskell Museum of the University of Chicago.

It was stolen February 21. Finger prints were found on the glass case from which it was taken. A photograph of the finger prints was taken and Hartzell later was arrested at Urbana, Ill.

## SENATE RATIFIES AMENDED TREATIES

### Monroe Doctrine Not to Be Arbitrated.

## ALIEN QUESTION IS RESERVED

### Drastic Changes Make Re-submission Necessary.

## TEST VOTE IS 42 TO 40

### Final Ratification Accomplished by 76 to 3—Traditional Treaty Making Power of Senate Preserved Intact.

WASHINGTON, March 7.—Stripped of the clause which, it was contended, would invade the constitutional treaty-making power of the Senate, and with many other limitations added, the general arbitration treaties between the United States and England and France, proposed by President Taft and Secretary Knox, as forerunners of universal peace, were ratified by the Senate today by a vote of 75 to 2.

The Senators who voted against the ratifications were Lorimer, Martine and Reed. The latter two are Democrats. President Taft tonight, before leaving for his speaking trip to Toledo and Chicago, did not comment upon the Senate's action. It is known he had hoped to see the treaties ratified unamended. He had declared publicly, however, that certain amendments would not be objectionable.

#### Re-submission Is Necessary.

Virtually the treaties now are "up in the air," and in their modified form they must be referred to England and France.

By the terms of an amendment proposed by Senator Bacon, of Georgia, the Senate consented to the ratification of the treaties with the distinct provision "that" it does not authorize the submission to arbitration of any question that affects the admission of aliens into the United States, or the admission of aliens to the educational institutions of the United States, or concerning the integrity of the several states or of the United States, or concerning the question of the alleged indebtedness or moneyed obligation of any state of the United States, or any question which depends upon or involves the maintenance of the traditional attitude of the United States concerning American questions, commonly described as the Monroe Doctrine, or other purely governmental policy."

#### Treaties Impaired, Says Lodge.

As amended, the treaties provide that all differences with the exception of the subjects named in the Bacon amendment, (Concluded on Page 5.)

## JOHN D. IS SIXTY MILLIONS RICHER

### OIL SUBSIDIARIES GREATLY ENHANCED IN VALUE.

#### Rockefeller Quarter Interest, as Wall Street Figures It, Has Not Stopped Growing.

NEW YORK, March 7.—(Special.)—The United States Court unintentionally handed John D. Rockefeller a bonanza when it ordered the dissolution of the Standard Oil Trust for violation of the Sherman anti-trust law.

Since the \$100,000,000 corporation was divided into its 34 subsidiaries, there has been an appreciation in the market value of the shares of the various subsidiaries of approximately \$250,000,000. It has always been Wall street's understanding that the oil man owned about one quarter of the capital of the old Standard Oil and on this basis his share of the paper's enhancement of Standard Oil issues is \$60,000,000.

Standard Oil stock today sold at 95, its highest price on record. It is "tipped" to go to \$1000 a share.

#### WHITING, Ind., March 7.—The stock holders of the Standard Oil Company of Indiana met here today and voted to increase the capital stock of the Indiana corporation from \$1,000,000 to \$50,000,000.

## SIMPLE LIFE EXPLAINED

### Frugality, Honesty and Weak Stomach Kept Down Man's Expenses.

PENDLETON, Or., March 7.—(Special.)—Frugality, honesty and a weak stomach—this combination forms the explanation of why Assessor C. P. Strain's expense account of the State Assessor's meeting shows only 15 cents each for meals and 50 cents for beds.

Mr. Strain himself does not say as much, but his friends say it for him. They point out that the Assessor has always been a poor man, living simply and has never cultivated tastes but for "simplest fare, also they cite his record during his 16 years in office as a foe to graft in any guise. Since he is in the Assessor's office railroads and corporations have had to pay taxes commensurate with actual wealth, and he has been active in securing justice for poor men and rich alike and his career, they say, indicates a Puritan sense of honesty, which would not permit him to submit expenses a cent more than incurred. These friends also bring to mind the fact that last Summer Mr. Strain was afflicted for a long time with acute stomach trouble and is yet unable to eat heavily.

## LINER MINNESOTA IN PERIL

### Fire in Coal Bunkers Put Out After Two Hours' Fight.

SEATTLE, Wash., March 7.—Smouldering fire was discovered today in the coal bunkers of the Great Northern liner Minnesota, lying at her wharf here. The crew of the steamship directed several streams of water into the hold, from which great volumes of smoke poured, and after two hours' hard work reported the fire out.

The bunkers were full of coal loaded at Nagasaki and it is not known how long the fire had been smoldering before it was discovered. Officials of the steamship company say that no damage was done to the vessel or her cargo. Part of the coal from the heated bunker was discharged, and the Minnesota will sail for the Orient on time March 16.

## AROSEMENA TAKES REINS

### Possibility of Re-election Forfeited by Panama President.

PANAMA, March 7.—Pablo Arosemena resumed today the office of President of the Panama Republic in response to appeals of friends, who considered that he would not be chosen at the approaching Presidential election.

The resumption of office by President Arosemena before the expiration of the six months' leave of absence granted him by the Supreme Court, on February 1, excludes him from participation as a candidate in the Presidential campaign. The constitution of Panama provides that the holder of the office is not eligible for the succeeding term, but by taking leave of absence from the executive office for six months, Arosemena would have made himself eligible.

## \$24.70 DUE YOUNG GATES

### Son to Get Witness Fees Late Father Had Coming From Government.

WASHINGTON, March 7.—Charles G. Gates, son of the late John W. Gates, has written Chairman Stanley, of the steel trust investigation committee, asking him for the vouchers for the witness fees and mileage allowed his father for testifying.

The amount due Mr. Gates was \$24.70. His son says he would like to have the vouchers for "memorial purposes."

## DEATH PENALTY RETAINED

### Massachusetts House Rejects Bill That Might Have Saved Three.

BOSTON, March 7.—The anti-capital punishment measure, which might have saved the lives of three men under sentence of death, including Rev. Clarence V. T. Richeson, was defeated in the House of Representatives today.

## MUNITIONS OF WAR SEIZED AT BORDER

### Test Ruling Is Asked From Washington.

## NEUTRALITY LAWS INVOLVED

### Two Other Shipments Reach Rebels in Juarez.

## SOFT-NOSE BULLETS SENT

### Texas Dissatisfied by Position Heretofore Taken by Federal Authorities and Issue May Be Settled Finally.

EL PASO, Tex., March 7.—Shipments of arms and ammunition to the Vasquista rebels at Juarez alleged to be in violation of the neutrality laws were obstructed today by Colonel E. Z. Steever, commanding the United States troops on duty along the Mexican border.

A consignment of 60 carbines and 19,900 rounds of ammunition destined to James Smith, whom Colonel Steever, on advice received from operatives of the Department of State and Justice, characterizes as "a fictitious person," are being held at the United States immigration station, pending instructions from the War Department.

#### Previous Shipment Passed.

The shipment detained by Colonel Steever is one of three which have been made in two days, all of which have occasioned the greatest concern in Texas. On Tuesday a shipment of 200 rifles and 65,000 rounds of soft-nose bullets was made. This was manifested and passed by the customs officers, noting, it is said, under instructions from Washington. Before the shipment was allowed to pass, Colonel Steever was informed of the fact by Major Peter Murray, commanding the troops at the Santa Fe Bridge.

It is understood that Colonel Steever admitted lack of authority and, as the shipment had been passed by the customs officials, it was allowed to proceed.

## Arms Received by Rebels.

The arms and ammunition were distributed Tuesday morning among the men of the Vasquista army at Juarez. A shipment of ten old model Springfield rifles and 20,000 rounds of ammunition was made yesterday. This likewise was detained by the authorities, but finally was released on the advice of Colonel Steever.

The question of the transmission of arms and ammunition has been pending more than a year, it having arisen during the Madero revolution. It is understood that at that time the customs officials here were advised to allow all commodity shipments, whether munitions, clothing or food, to pass. This course was pursued and it occasioned considerable dissatisfaction among the people of Texas, especially the residents of El Paso.

Now that Juarez is opened by the Vasquistas, in command of General Antonio Rojas, the question again has arisen and there is much comment concerning the regulations governing transmission of arms and ammunition.

## DE LA BARRA IS CONFIDENT

### Public Opinion Counted On to Bring Revolution to End.

PARIS, March 7.—The belief that Mexico would emerge triumphant from its present internal troubles and would of friendship for the United States of America were expressed by Francisco de la Barra, formerly provisional president of Mexico, at a reception given in his honor this afternoon by the American committee.

On behalf of the committee, Paul DeLeroy-Beaulieu, of the French Institute, voiced the welcome to De la Barra. He pointed out that Mexico was the center of Latin culture in Central America. Referring to her "powerful rich neighbor, the United States of America," he said it was natural that the United States should have an important influence on the development of Mexico, but he supposed it would be in the interest of the equilibrium of Mexico and that the Latin character and originality of that country would be maintained.

Senor de la Barra, after paying a tribute to French genius, expressed the opinion that the present revolution in Mexico would cease, thanks to public opinion, which would see that peace was a necessity for the national life. He continued:

"The people of Mexico are capable of supporting and enjoying a healthy strong democracy. The geographical position of Mexico renders her position delicate. With a powerful and rich republic as a neighbor, she has grave problems to study and to solve. But I specially want to refer her to the high sentiment of justice dominating the attitude towards us of the people and the government of the United States."

