



## WINTER, 2 MONTHS LATE, HITS INTERIOR

### Balmy Weather Gives Way to Blizzards.

## GOLD STINGING IN CHICAGO

### Boreas' Grip Extends From Great Lakes to Texas.

## COAL MEN'S DESPAIR FLITS

### Below Zero Temperature Wave Is Sweeping Down on Windy City. Mercury Is Below Freezing Point All Over Middle West.

CHICAGO, Dec. 8.—(Special.)—Winter, more than two months overdue, after many false alarms, finally obtained a fairly secure grip upon the Northwest and the Great Lakes region last night and today.

According to custom, Chicago should have had heavy snows and zero weather early in November. Instead the days have been balmy, outdoor work has continued uninterrupted and the customary beggars to California and the Gulf Coast country has not set in. Two weeks ago, for instance, it was colder in Jackson, Miss., and other Southern points than it was in Canada. There have been snows in Mexico sufficient to stop the races at Juarez, but the Great Lakes region moved blandly along with Indian Summer weather.

Coal Men in Despair. There were no calls for help upon the charitable associations, and coal men and merchants with immense stocks of heavy garments were in despair.

Tonight the temperature in Chicago has sunk to 17 and is falling rapidly. That there is no joke about it is shown by what is coming from the Northwest. The temperature is 24 degrees below zero in Minnesota, 16 below at Q'Appelle, 16 below at Winnipeg, six below at Duluth, Minn., and adjacent points and six below at Huron, S. D., and in that territory. Moorhead, Minn., reports eight below tonight and prospects for much colder.

There is not much hope in the direct Middle West. At Des Moines and other Iowa points it is 12 above, but growing colder rapidly. Oklahoma is below the freezing point and Texas reports some minimum temperatures of 23 above.

Cold Covers Wide Territory. Cincinnati is within two degrees of the freezing point, while St. Louis has a minimum of 22 above. Snow is falling tonight in Lower Ohio, practically all over Western Michigan and portions of Wisconsin. Rain is reported along the lower Atlantic Coast, while snow prevails in Eastern Canada.

Dispatches from various points tonight report a drop in the temperature of from 10 to 30 degrees, ranging from the New England States to Western Canada. The Southeastern Gulf Coast country is also experiencing cold, rainy weather. Indications are for snow in the Mountain States and over the Northwest generally tomorrow.

In Chicago the day began with a blizzard, which was quickly dissipated by warm winds from the lake. There were snow flurries and fitful sunshine during the day, but tonight it settles down to clear weather. Moorhead, Minn., reports eight below tonight and prospects for much colder.

## ARGUMENT MADE FOR ROSS

### State Will Submit Answer in Supreme Court Soon.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—Arguments were made in the Supreme Court of the United States Saturday by William D. Guthrie, an attorney of New York, on behalf of J. Thorburn Ross, president of the defunct Title Guaranty & Trust Company of Portland, plaintiff in error, against the State of Oregon.

The purpose of the suit is to set aside the sentence of imprisonment in the State Penitentiary for five years, the fine of \$75,000 and imprisonment in the County Jail until the fine is paid, being a full term of 70 years. The answer of the State of Oregon will be submitted in a brief by Attorney-General Crawford, of that state.

## WILSON MAY MEET KING

### President-Elect and George V to Be Asked to Centenary.

OTTAWA, Ont., Dec. 8.—(Special.)—King George and President-elect Wilson are to be asked to take part in the celebration of the centenary of peace between Canada and the United States at Queenstown Heights, near Niagara Falls, in June, 1914. The project for inviting the King was taken up with Premier Borden today by members of the Cabinet of Ontario and Quebec. The invitations will be forwarded by the Dominion government.

## WEDDING WAITS FOR BRIDEGROOM

### BRIDE AND FRIENDS THERE; LAWYER IS MISSING.

### After Shopping Tour, Man Leaves for Few Minutes, but Has Not Been Back Since.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 8.—(Special.)—Harold Binney, a recent arrival in San Francisco, failed to appear for his own wedding, which was scheduled for Saturday night at the Palace Hotel. Miss Elizabeth Winchell, of Berkeley, the bride-to-be, waited patiently for the bridegroom. Then, in company with Binney's chauffeur, she began a search for Binney.

Charles Butters, head of Butters & Co., a wealthy mining man, and his secretary, Arthur Gowan, with two ladies were waiting for the bridegroom. Binney arrived from New York Friday afternoon and took a suite at the Palace. Miss Winchell went to the hotel Saturday afternoon. She and the prospective bridegroom spent several hours shopping, and the parlor of Binney's suite was littered with boxes and bundles.

Shortly after dinner Binney left the hotel, saying, Miss Winchell said, he would be back in a few minutes. After waiting for three hours for him to return, the girl became anxious and made inquiries at the hotel office.

At 11 o'clock that night Binney's chauffeur arrived at the Palace and had a long talk with Miss Winchell and Gowan. The chauffeur left for a well-known fashionable cafe, saying he would try to induce Binney to return to the hotel, but in a short time he returned without the bridegroom. He had another long conference with Miss Winchell and Mr. Gowan.

It is said that Binney met Miss Winchell on the train en route from the East. He is said to be a widower with two children living in New York. He is a member of the law firm of Dickinson, Brown, Reagan & Binney, of New York.

Binney's friends told the house detective at the Palace Hotel that he had been recently in a New York sanatorium on account of overwork and excessive use of coffee.

## DEAF BOYS WILL SCOUT

### Company Formed at State School at Vancouver, Wash.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Dec. 8.—(Special.)—A company of Boy Scouts, from the State School for the Deaf, is being organized and will be the third company of St. Luke's Boy Scouts, organized by Rev. E. B. Collier, rector, and Chaplain Lloyd, of the Second Field Artillery, of Vancouver Barracks. There are 20 of the deaf boys in this company and all of the orders and instructions will be given to them in sign language, as well as in hearing. The boys are enthusiastic over the new company and are greatly pleased that they will be in a position to enter the competition for medals and prizes, though they are heavily handicapped. They will endeavor to do the same drilling, go through the formations and learn as much of the first aid to the injured instructions as the boys that hear.

## CITY RUNS PICTURE SHOW

### Biggs, Cal., With Municipal "Movies," Reports Venture Success.

CHICO, Cal., Dec. 8.—The trustees of the town of Biggs, a short distance south of Chico, have taken the initiative in Northern California in providing a municipally controlled and owned motion picture show. The venture is financed by the city and has proved a success. The show is conducted by an appointed official and the admission fee of 10 and 15 cents is put back into the business, providing especially selected films and pictures of educational interest.

The promoters of the plan believe it can be made profitable on broader lines and it is reported that the plan on a larger scale will be invoked in Chico and Oroville, with the addition that clean dramatic playlets will be added to the motion picture programme. Surplus funds from the entertainments will be devoted to the school supply funds of the communities.

## OLD-TIME GUN IS USEFUL

### Otto C. Dekum's Strong Right Arm Falls Night Prowler.

A muzzle-loading shotgun that had not contained a charge for many years was used by Otto C. Dekum Saturday night to cower a thief who was sneaking around his premises at 1747 Rodney avenue. The weapon was one year old and which Mr. Dekum shot ducks 20 years ago on the lake where the Union Depot now stands, and had been stored in the barn, where it came handy when he heard the intruder.

Mr. Dekum, who has been the victim of thefts recently, was just closing his barn when the prowler appeared. Grabbing the old gun, he covered and marched to the street. There he turned and dashed at his captor, but Mr. Dekum shot out a fist and he went down unconscious. When he regained consciousness he was let go with a warning.

## School Attendance Record Broken.

CENTRALIA, Wash., Dec. 8.—(Special.)—The Ostrander School has closed its third month, with another record for attendance. With 60 pupils in attendance, many of them small children who walk a long distance, it is believed that this is one of the most remarkable showings ever made in educational work in the state of Washington.

## NEED OF NEW PARTY LEADER IS VOICED

### Republicans Consider Borah and Hadley.

## MEMBERS CHAFING AT DELAY

### Reorganization to Place Old Generals in Ranks.

## LA FOLLETTE TOO EXTREME

### Idaho Senator's Declaration That Party Is in Advance of Former Heads Agreed to—Definite Policy Is Essential.

BY HARRY J. BROWN. OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Dec. 8.—Notwithstanding the general agreement here yesterday among Governors and others who have been considering plans for reorganizing the Republican party that no steps would be advisable for the present, and perhaps not for at least a year, the subject will not die in Washington.

Individual members of the party, while not quarrelling with the view that it may be well to defer action, are chafing nevertheless under the delay. Only the fact that they have nothing practical to suggest holds them within bounds. There is a naturally considerable embarrassment about the situation, for most of the old party leaders have been repudiated and President Taft has publicly announced that he does not desire to be the party leader. According to custom, President Taft would be the recognized party leader under most circumstances, for he not only is the Republican President now, but was the Republican nominee and party leader in the late campaign. The President realizes that he is no politician and that he is not equipped for directing the reorganization of the party, and his realization that some one else is better fitted for leadership has caused him to eliminate himself so that the men upon whom the responsibility ultimately rests will not be embarrassed.

Need of New Leaders Seen. It is apparent that the Republican party cannot hope successfully to reorganize under the leadership of the men who guided the party during recent years. Senator Penrose, the nominal Republican leader in the Senate, has been repudiated at home and is certain to be retired if he comes up for re-election. Senator Crane, his right-hand man, is to retire to private life on March 4, having had his fill of National politics, and ex-Speaker Cannon, of Illinois; Sen. Payne, of New York, and John D. Nelson, of Pennsylvania, the old Republican leaders, are all out of the question. They are impossible and are not being considered seriously by anyone. Cannon and Nelson have been relegated to private life, and Payne, while re-elected to the House, will represent a minority of his party in the next Congress. Moreover.

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## STORES TO IGNORE KLEPTOMANIA PLEA

### ALL TO BE PROSECUTED, DECISION IN LOS ANGELES.

### Detective Forces Increased, With Instructions That Social Position Will Save No One.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 8.—Kleptomania is no more in Los Angeles. It has been formally abolished by the managers of the larger department stores and retail establishments whose chief trouble from shoplifting proceeds from this fashionable ailment. This does not mean that there will be no more stealing from the heaped-up holiday counters, but merely that henceforth it will be plain larceny, not able to hide under the mask of temperament, and it will be vigorously prosecuted, no matter who the culprit is. Nick Harris, head of the detective agency for most of the downtown establishments, said today that in accordance with these instructions from the store managers, he had put on a larger force of detectives than ever before. Seventy-five have been added to the regular force in the last two weeks, 33 being hired in one day. By Christmas there will be a veritable swarm of them in the Broadway stores.

The policy of arresting and prosecuting all those detected in the act of stealing from counters proceeds largely from the habit of crooks of feigning kleptomania when caught. It is expected that the net will land many surprises.

## LIVING COST AGAIN ISSUE

### President-Elect Favors International Study of Causes.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—President-elect Wilson is quoted as in favor of the Sulzer-Crawford bill providing for an international conference on the high cost of living.

Representative Curley, of Massachusetts, presided over a meeting to discuss chances of passing the bill at which others present included Frank S. Gardner, secretary of the New York Board of Trade and Transportation, and Professor Irving Fisher, of Yale University.

It is understood the bill will have little opposition. Commercial, agricultural and scientific organizations and influential individuals were quoted as endorsing the movement for a world-wide study of the cost of living from England, France, Germany, Austria, Belgium, Holland, Denmark, Italy, Japan, New Zealand and the United States.

## SWIMMING WINTER SPORT

### Sunshine Tempts Bathers to Enjoy Plunge in Willamette.

Not only at Gearhart, where Multnomah Club members took a plunge in the surf, was swimming in order yesterday. Here in Portland a dozen or more boys braved the somewhat chilly atmosphere and took a swim in the Willamette. James D. Coffey of 1024 Third street reported watching the boys enjoying this rather unusual winter diversion from the end of Ross island.

The swimmers spent some time in the water and did not appear to mind the cold. One who watched might easily have imagined they were seeking relief from the heat of a sultry August day.

## HURRY—GET YOURS AND RUN.



## OUTLAW ROBS TRAIN IN VANCOUVER, B. C.

### 'Imperial Limited' Pullman Is Looted.

## \$308 AND JEWELRY SECURED

### Man in Black Mask Makes His Escape, Leaving No Clue.

## LAUNCH'S AID SUSPECTED

### Police Assert Desperado May Have Had Boat Awaiting Him at Point Near Buzzard Inlet and Search Is Instituted.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Dec. 8.—A train holdup that for boldness has never been equaled in Vancouver was perpetrated last night just as the Canadian Pacific Railway's "Imperial Limited" transcontinental passenger train, leaving Vancouver at 7:45 P. M., was passing out of the city limits.

A single highwayman, disguised by a black mask, boarded the train as it was passing the British Columbia Sugar Refinery, a mile and a half out, entered the Pullman car and at the point of a revolver forced the passengers and the Pullman conductor to pass over their money and valuables. The man dropped off the train just before it arrived at Barnet, which is six miles from the city.

The total loss was \$308 in bills, two watches and one chain, one diamond ring and two English sovereigns, amounting to about \$10. The conductor contributed \$20 of the \$308.

There is no trace of the robber. The holdup was done in such a finished manner and with such nicely planned time allowance that only Pullman car victims were aware of the man's presence. Consequently, while passengers of that car crouched back from the menace of the robber's revolver, and he swiftly went through their pockets and traveling bags, the train continued merrily on its way.

## Passengers Not Spellbound.

The train conductor proceeded with his task of collecting tickets from day coaches, the tourist passengers made preparations to settle down for the night, members of the train crew paced through the cars and all seemed well. The engineer pulled the whistle cord as the train neared Barnet, and the robber backed out of the Pullman door, swinging over the rear railing and dropping off.

The passengers sat still, afraid to move. Seconds passed, then by an impulse they leaped to their feet and rushed forward through the train. One of them found the conductor and shouted out the news. He rushed up and jerked the signal cord and the train came to a halt at Barnet.

The conductor immediately dispatched a report of the affair to the Vancouver department of Canadian Pacific Railway police. They in turn notified the Vancouver police.

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## SOAPBOX SPEAKER ROUTED BY PRIEST

### FATHER O'HARA SUPERSEDES SOCIALIST SPEAKER.

### Law and Christianity Defended by Clergyman and Lively Debate Is Heard by Street Crowd.

Taking exception to statements made against the Catholic Church by a Socialist soapbox orator at Sixth and Washington streets last night, Father O'Hara, among the best-known of Portland priests, pushed his way through a crowd of shouting Socialist adherents and for more than an hour argued upon differences in belief between Socialists and Catholics.

"I am not opposed to street speaking when the speakers confine themselves to the bounds of moral decency," shouted Father O'Hara after he had dislodged the soapbox orator, "but when a man publicly denounces Christianity, morality and the institutions which stand for and represent moral decency I consider it my place to interfere as best I can. It is none of my business how much street speakers talk about bettering conditions for the laboring people—that is my desire also—but I do object to misrepresenting the facts regarding God and Religion. It is a fact that the Socialist speakers have seized upon a thousand and one false reports and rumors and are instilling them into the minds of the people as truths when they are founded on falsity. It is not right, it is not American."

Father O'Hara after making some explanations of Catholic teachings and doctrines, gave way to the Socialist speaker and lively debates between the two followed, the Socialist standing on the soapbox and Father O'Hara in the crowd of auditors.

## MASONIC APPLES SHOWN

### Rosy Fruit Bears Emblems Photographed by Nature's Process.

Three apples, on the rosy cheeks of which Masonic devices, one a Shrine, one a Knights Templars and one a lodge emblem, have been photographed by the sun, while the apples were on the trees, will be shown in the East this Winter, together with 16 perfect specimens of distinct varieties, all of which were grown in the Yakima Valley. The apples are being shown in Portland by Sydney C. Miller, of North Yakima, Wash., who will take them to Chicago.

As the representative of a Chicago fruit and produce company, Mr. Miller bought 160 cars of apples in the Yakima district this season, 25 cars of which were of the Arkansas Black variety, for which he paid \$1600 a car.

## DOG DIES SAVING OTHERS

### 'Shep' Visits Sleepers' Doors and Barks When Lamp Explodes.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Dec. 8.—(Special.)—More than the usual grief for a dog was displayed today at the burying of "Shep," belonging to John Vale, a lodging-house keeper, who lost everything in a fire yesterday morning.

"Shep" was the means of saving the lives of Vale and his wife and of the lodgers, seven in all. A lamp exploded in the hallway, where it was left turned down for the night, and the burning oil was thrown on the walls. The dog roused Vale and then ran from room to room, barking and waking the lodgers. He evidently became confused and was forgotten by those he saved, perishing in the flames.

## NOTED WOMEN TO ATTEND

### Democratic 'Victory' Reception to Be Held December 21.

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—Completion of the preliminary arrangements for a "victory" reception and breakfast which will be tendered Saturday, December 21, by the Woman's Democratic Club to Mrs. Woodrow Wilson and the Misses Wilson was announced tonight.

Among the women of prominence who have accepted invitations to be guests of honor are: Mrs. Grover Cleveland, Mrs. Adlai E. Stevenson, Mrs. John A. Dix, Mrs. William Sulzer, Mrs. Judson Harmon, of Ohio; Mrs. Champ Clark, Mrs. Oscar Underwood, Mrs. William J. Gaynor and Mrs. Thomas F. Ryan.

## POLE LOCATORS TO MEET

### Geographic Society Will Fete Peary and Amundsen.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—The North Pole and the South Pole, through their respective discoverers, will meet here January 11 at the annual banquet of the National Geographic Society.

It will be the first meeting, at the same board, of Rear-Admiral Robert E. Peary, discoverer of the North Pole, who will be toastmaster, and Captain Roald Amundsen, who found the South Pole and who will be the guest of honor. The latter will be presented with the gold medal of the society.

## BERNHARDT 'SHOPS' EARLY

### Gifts for Granddaughter Receive Greatest Attention.

CHICAGO, Dec. 8.—Madame Sarah Bernhardt did her Christmas shopping here Saturday. She took most pains with the toy engine and dolls she bought for her great-granddaughter, Sarah Gross, who lives in London, England. She spent a large part of the day selecting gifts. Her purchases totaled nearly \$5000. "All my Christmas gifts this year will be from Chicago," she said.

## NEW SOCIAL CREED CHEERED IN CHURCH

### Complete Justice to Be Demanded.

## WIDE PROGRAMME OUTLINED

### Right of All to Opportunity of Maintenance Asserted.

## POVERTY TO BE ABATED

### Living Minimum Wage, Most Equitable Division of Products of Industry Possible to Devise Also in Platform.

CHICAGO, Dec. 8.—(Special.)—Cheers that greeted its first reading today insure the adoption tomorrow by the Federal council of the Churches of Christ in America of a new creed that contrasts strongly with the old style declarations of faith.

The new declaration of faith by the 32 Protestant denominations says that the churches must stand for the following:

Equal rights and complete justice for all men in all stations of life.

Protection of the family by the single standard of purity, uniform divorce laws, proper regulation of marriage and proper housing.

For the fullest possible development for every child, especially by the provision of proper education and recreation.

Abolition of child labor.

Women's Work to Be Regulated. Such regulation of the conditions of toil for women as shall safeguard the physical and moral health of the community.

Abatement and prevention of poverty. Protection of the individual and society from the social, economic and moral waste of the liquor traffic.

Conservation of health. Protection of the worker from dangerous machinery, occupational diseases and mortality.

Protection of the right of all men to the opportunity of self-maintenance, safeguarding this right against encroachments of every kind, and for the protection of workers from the hardships of enforced unemployment.

Suitable provision for the old age of workers and for those incapacitated by injury.

Industrial Arbitration Indorsed. The principle of conciliation and arbitration in industrial disputes. Release from employment one day in seven.

Gradual and reasonable reduction of the hours of labor to the lowest practicable point, and for that degree of leisure for all which is a condition of the highest human life.

Living wage as a minimum in every industry, and for the highest wage that each industry can afford.

The most equitable division of the product of industry that can ultimately be devised.

In commenting on the new creed, in the Olympic Theater, Rev. Walter Rauschenbush, of Rochester, N. Y., declared it was similar to the Progressive party platform.

Government Declared Wasteful. "If the inner truth were known," he said, "both these documents are the outgrowth of the same influence, working in the hearts of the people. When political parties and great corporations themselves have taken up social service problems, it is high time for the churches to do so.

"Ours is a great wasting Government. We have wasted our forests, our water rights, our lands, our child life and our motherhood, but the greatest of all has been the waste of religious enthusiasm due to denominational strife. As sectarianism declines the spirit of social service will decline."

The second quadrennial conference will conclude tomorrow night at the Hotel La Salle with a banquet given by the Chicago committee.

## INAUGURATION PLANS TOPIC

### National Chairman Will Appoint Committee While in Washington.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—William F. McCombe, of New York, Democratic National chairman, is expected to settle upon the organization of the local inauguration committee. Mr. McCombe reached the capital late Saturday and found nearly a score of Democratic leaders on hand, ready to consult with him about party affairs and inaugural plans. The Democratic chairman will take up the inauguration question tomorrow or Monday with District of Columbia committeemen and will probably determine upon the chairman for the general committee, which has charge of all affairs connected with the parade, ball and general festivities of inauguration day.