

RUSSIAN CHRISTMAS IS BEING OBSERVED

Celebration is Along Modified Lines of Custom, Owing to War Burden of Nation.

SIEGE WARFARE IS BEGUN

Germans in Poland Are Sapping and Using Steel Shields for Protection—Lost Trenches Are Retaken by Czar's Troops.

PETROGRAD, via London, Jan. 7.—Russia is celebrating Christmas today. War's shadow has failed to darken the customary Christmas spirit, which is more variously and intensely manifested in the Russian capital than elsewhere in the world.

ABERDEEN LOOKS GOOD

BARNES MAY PLACE TEAM UNDER BALLARD FRANCHISE.

Guarantee Sufficient to Insure Stay of From Three to Five Years Asked in Terms by Bill Magnate.

ABERDEEN, Wash., Jan. 7.—(Special.)—John S. Barnes, to whom the Northwestern Baseball League has offered the Ballard franchise will bring his team here, provided Aberdeen is interested sufficiently in the matter to form a company and will take up a certain amount of stock.

Military Gains Encourage.

But if some homes are empty of the material accoutrements of Christmas, the spiritual and religious side of the Christmas life has been given an unusual impulse by the Russian military successes in the Caucasus and the higher community of interests of a national war.

TURKS REPORT SUCCESSES, TOO

Victory by Russians Is Not Conceded by Ottomans.

LONDON, Jan. 7.—Neither Turkey nor Germany has conceded the defeat of Turkish armies in the Caucasus, as claimed officially in Petrograd. As further details of the fighting in Armenia are received in London, it would appear that this reported Turkish disaster was as complete as that suffered by any force since the outbreak of hostilities.

GERMANS BEGIN NEW MOVE

As this proved to be part of a diversionary move, the German offensive in the Caucasus has been broken.

IMMIGRATION BILL HITS

SENATE AMENDMENTS ARE LOST ON VOTE OF HOUSE.

Exclusion of Africans and Exempting of Belgians Opposed—Joint Conference Then Follows.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—The immigration bill prescribing a test of literacy for aliens coming into this country was sent to a conference committee of the House and Senate today by the House, after a vigorous debate over the amendments written into the measure by the Senate.

ALIMONY IS ONE FACTOR

Prospect of Loss Cited by Court and Divorce May Be Hastened.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 7.—Superior Judge Graham, when asked today for a continuance in a divorce suit, inquired of the attorney if any children were involved. He received a negative reply.

With the coming of night we left the trenches with misgiving. It was biting cold and the moon showed the level

fields all too clearly. We had become used to bullets, but as we crept across the fields we were startled into haste by abrupt exploding tenaces.

PARIS REPORTS VIOLENT ACTIVITY

of Enemy on Ridge Dominating Steinbach.

AVIATORS DRIVEN AWAY

Allies' Artillery Said to Have Had Better of Encounters Between Sea and Lys—Advance in Woerze Regarded Important.

PARIS, Jan. 7.—The following official communication was issued by the War Office tonight: "Reports were received tonight of violent German attacks in the region of Lassigny, in the Argonne, at the crossing of the west of the Four de Haute Chevauche, in the region of Verdun, and on the ridge which dominates Steinbach. All these attacks have been repulsed."

BRITISH REPORT OPTIMISTIC

Destruction of German Morale Part of Campaign of Attrition.

LONDON, Jan. 7.—Optimism prevails in the report of the official British observer at the Western front, given over here today. He says the small expeditionary force that took the line in August is becoming a great army, and that slowly the initiative has been passing into the hands of the allies.

BRITAIN CONSIDERS PAY

DAMAGES MAY BE OFFERED FOR SHOOTING OF AMERICANS.

Punishment of Canadian Militiamen and Absolute Compensation is Requested by Washington.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—The United States Government today sent a formal note to Great Britain through Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, the British Ambassador here, requesting the punishment of those guilty of the killing of Walter Dorsh, a Canadian citizen who was shot by British soldiers in the course of the violation of the Canadian game laws.

MRS. C. WINGARD PASSES

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The British public is commenting widely upon what is termed the apparent unwillingness of both governments to disclose facts which would enable the formation of a more definite idea of the nature of the controversy.

CARDINAL NOT ARRESTED

GERMANS DENY MERCIER EVEN IS UNDER SURVEILLANCE.

Amsterdam Newspaper, However, Reiterates That Guards Were Placed Outside Palace Doors.

THE HAGUE, Netherlands, Jan. 7, via London.—The German military government in Belgium today officially denied the report published in the Amsterdam Tjld that Cardinal Mercier, Archbishop of Malines, had been arrested.

PAUL C. MURPHY

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Islands means nothing more or less than education for independence. What will be the result if you strike out this preamble? Only one thing—we will believe that we have been deceived. Answering a question by Senator Weeks, Mr. Quezon said it was possible that after the bill and the preamble an independent power they did wish, however, he said, to have the right to decide for themselves.

VILLA TO ATTACK TOWNS

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were approaching Victoria early today, apparently under the impression that the city was weakly garrisoned. They were met by the Carranza troops and after eight hours of fighting retreated, with General Caballero's forces pursuing them.

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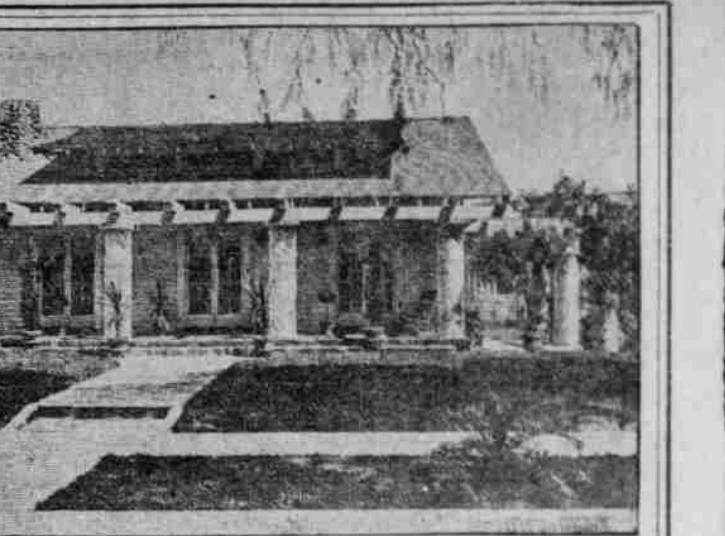
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