

# KING OF RIVERS AMONG GREATS IN WORLD

## Golden Stream Largest Flowing Into Pacific.

### LENGTH IS 2300 MILES

## Closing of Waterway to Navigation Is Warning of Southward Thrust of Ice Winter.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 9.—(Special)—The closing of the Yukon river to navigation because of ice noted in a press dispatch late in October, serves the double purpose of bringing annually to the attention of states and Americans one of the greatest of rivers, which to the majority is probably little more than a name, and of warning of the winter which will soon grasp the shores and straits of the Great Lakes.

Bulletins from the National Geographic society.

The Yukon, despite the general failure to recognize it as such, is one of the great rivers of the world. It is more than 2300 miles long and is both the longest and the largest river flowing into the Pacific in the western hemisphere, surpassing by a considerable margin its nearest competitors, the Columbia and the Colorado.

Volume of Water Tremendous. Though the discharge of the Yukon has not been accurately measured, it is its tremendous volume of water rather than its length that causes it to be ranked as a great river. It is, of course, far outdistanced by the vast Amazon, greatest of rivers, and the Congo, second in length, but the Yukon has been estimated to have three-fourths of the volume of discharge of the Mississippi, and it is estimated to discharge the same amount of water which it pours into the sea is probably among the half dozen greatest.

To Alaska heretofore having no highway to its interior, the Yukon has been indispensable. Because of its length, the only way to the mouth, ocean steamers cannot enter the river; but at the harbor of St. Michael, just north of the mouth, freight is transferred to shallow draft, stern-wheel river steamers which ascend the stream not only throughout the breadth of the river but several hundred miles into Canada.

The Yukon, flowing through Alaska roughly from east to west, divides the territory into northern and southern halves. Large areas along the banks of the river and its tributaries, as well as at considerable distances from the stream can thus be served by boats. The principal objectives of the river steamers, however, are the gold mines, which are scattered throughout the mouth, and Fairbanks, the metropolitan city of the Yukon, at the head of navigation on the Tanana, a tributary of the Yukon.

Existence Long Unsuspected. The Yukon is an international river, rising nearly 500 miles within Canada, and its source divides in a great arc to the north and east. Although the river is more than 2000 miles long, 800 of its source is in the lake, it is within 25 miles of the salt water to which it makes such a roundabout journey.

The existence of such a large river as the Yukon in the far north was long unsuspected. A Russian lieutenant, Zagoskin, entered its mouth by boat in 1842. It was first discovered by several hundred miles. The Hudson's Bay company had discovered its headwaters in Canada, but the two bits of information were not pieced together.

The existence of the river as a stream of great magnitude and length first became really known in 1846, when the daring and romantic project of installing land telegraph wires between America and Europe across Alaska, Behring strait and the wastes of Siberia. Robert Kennicott, in connection with this enterprise, blazed the Yukon trail by descending the river in 1846. It was the first steamer to ascend the stream in 1869.

The Yukon really came into its own with the discovery of gold in the Klondike in 1896. The Yukon is not alone in being a great river that remained in comparative obscurity because of its far northern situation. It is the Mackenzie—a stream of hardly less magnitude—which is also now beginning to feel the thrilling grip of frost. It flows almost unbroken through a little known wilderness until the discovery of oil along its banks brought it into the limelight. And in the eastern hemisphere, three rivers, worthy to be classed among the mightiest streams of the earth—the Ob, the Lena and the Yenisey—pour hundreds of thousands of gallons of water into the Arctic each second in a mighty but losing battle against the congealing power of cold.

## OIL SAMPLE KEROSENE

## U. S. Bureau of Mines Reports on Spokane Product.

SPOKANE, Wash., Dec. 9.—Samples of oil submitted to the United States bureau of mines at Washington for analysis as having come from an "oil spring" in the basement of a residence in this city, have been pronounced by the bureau as containing kerosene mixed with vegetable oils. It was declared in a telegram received by the Chronicle from its Washington correspondent today.

## CUSTODY OF CHILD WON

## Supreme Court Grants Writ of Habeas Corpus to Parent.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Dec. 9.—(Special)—The supreme court today granted a writ of habeas corpus to Obie L. Smith to gain custody of his daughter Marian, aged 3, who lived with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. William Fairburn. The King county court denied the writ.

## WAGNERS SENT TO ROCKPILE

SPOKANE, Wash., Dec. 9.—Spokane's threat to establish a rockpile for vagrants was made effective today, when five prisoners were given hammers and set to work. A sixth prisoner was set for the job, but at the last moment he refused to go. At present he is in a dark cell with prospects of a dose of bread and water until he relents.

# ENGLISH INTERESTS TO HELD IN GERMANY

## Negotiations Under Way to Refund Debt.

### STABILIZATION IS OBJECT

## British Government Decides to Act to Relieve Financial Strain in France.

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BERLIN, Dec. 9.—(Special Cable)—It is expected here the negotiation now in progress in London will result in a funded debt of 6,000,000,000 gold marks, to extend over a three-year period. This will be in addition to the 2,000,000,000 marks due for operations year.

I am informed the British government will make the German bonds, which will immediately relieve the French financial strain, the only deal in strictly London and Berlin. Louis Loucheur, French minister of the liberated regions, is in England in connection with the "Wiesbaden agreement which is being negotiated with Dr. Walter Rathenau, the British, under the new understanding of the general rearranging of reparations expected.

British Desire to Stabilize Mark. From a German closely connected with the present negotiations, and the even more important negotiations which, it now develops, preceded this open discussion, I learn that the German government decided at the end of October it would have to stabilize the mark.

Having reached this decision, the German government has been invited by the British to make an overture to inviting the Germans into conference. The latter pleaded for a moratorium, but the British, although agreeing to suspend the debt for a year, decided a funded debt was the only method that would prove acceptable to all parties.

## BREEDERS DINNER GUESTS

## Cattlemen at Chehalis, for Sale of Holsteins, Entertained.

CHEHALIS, Wash., Dec. 9.—(Special)—George A. Gue, well-known auctioneer of Chehalis, Yakima and other important centers, was tonight entertained at the annual dinner held last night in this city preceding the second annual sale of Holstein cattle at Chehalis. Nearly 100 attended the dinner, among the guests being Governor Hart, William Bishop, senator, and H. C. Davis.

## NEW BUS TO HAVE TRIAL

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 9.—(Special)—The trackless trolley bus will be tried out in Seattle within the next 30 or 40 days. Independent of the city council, a private utility committee. He said a representative of an eastern firm had promised to furnish out of these vehicles here for demonstration purposes.

## SALMON CRISIS IS FACED

Conservation of Fish Is Subject of Vancouver Conference.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Dec. 9.—Salmon conservation in the Fraser river and adjacent waters will be discussed at a meeting here tomorrow and Monday. Canadian fisheries commission will meet representatives from the state of Washington Monday.

## ESTACADA LEGION ELECTS.

ESTACADA, Or., Dec. 9.—(Special)—The Carl Douglas post, American Legion, has elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Commander, W. S. Davidson; vice-commander, Dr. R. G. McCall; adjutant, Lester Tompkins; finance officer, Elmer Anderson; sergeant-at-arms, Sam Barr; chaplain, L. W. Webber; chairman entertainment committee, Oral Sorenson; chairman membership committee, Roy Wilcox. The women's auxiliary elected: President, Mrs. W. J. Moore; vice-president, Mrs. Lester Townsend; secretary, Mrs. J. C. Smith; treasurer, Mrs. W. S. Davidson.

## Y. M. C. A. Boys Will Confer.

CENTRALIA, Wash., Dec. 9.—(Special)—H. K. Ghormley, secretary of the Y. M. C. A., announced today that February 10, 11 and 12 have been set as the dates for the annual southwest conference of older boys held in Centralia. About 200 boys will be in attendance from Mason, Pierce, Thurston, Grays Harbor, Pacific and Lewis counties. A local executive committee will be appointed immediately to make arrangements for the event.

## TRAVELING MEN HAVE BANQUET.

CHEHALIS, Wash., Dec. 9.—(Special)—One hundred Southwest Washington traveling men banqueted last night at the Hotel-St. Helens. Tom Donegan of Seattle was toastmaster, and various responses were made. Officers were elected as follows: Frank Taylor, president; William Pittinger, vice-president; Ben Johnson, secretary; W. J. Foy, treasurer. Most of the newly elected officers live in or near Chehalis.

## EX-GRAND GOBLIN JAILED

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 9.—F. W. Atkin, deposed grand goblin of the Ku Klux Klan in this district, was held in \$5000 bail by Magistrate Benshaw today to await extradition proceedings to Atlanta, Ga., where he has been charged with confinement of funds of the order. Atkin gave bail and was released.

## CARLINE MERGER IS UP

Two Spokane Companies Agree to Consolidation Franchise.

SPOKANE, Wash., Dec. 9.—(Special)—Office of Spokane's two street railway have agreed to get together immediately in an effort to draw up a consolidation franchise. The first of the two companies is to settle the city's street railway

# NO MORE PACIFIC FORTS, SATURDAY

## Basis of Settlement Strongly Intimated.

### U. S. DELEGATION WON

## Trend of Optimism in Favor of Status Quo Solution Noted at Conference.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 9.—(By the Associated Press)—There is strong intimation that the question of Pacific island fortifications and naval bases will be settled by the Washington conference on a basis that maintains the status quo. Whether an informal understanding to this effect already has been reached has not been disclosed.

It is apparent that the trend of opinion in American circles is toward such a status quo solution. It seems likely that knowledge of this feeling in the American group is helping to pave the way for Japanese acquiescence. The Japanese have attached great importance to the question of Pacific fortifications and naval posts and the United States has insisted on their present condition warrants in American military opinion.

Question Big in Japan. Casual inquiries in military circles developed a strong impression that many army and navy experts regard the defense of Guam and Manila as of little practical value. The only other military defense which they do not exist among American Pacific possessions.

Bonus Case Is Debated. Washington Court Hears Arguments on Maximilian Claim.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Dec. 9.—The state supreme court today heard arguments on the Max Maximilian bonus case, in which counsel for veterans' claims urged a reversal of the former ruling of the court to the effect that the compensation claims could be denied where the applicant enlisted prior to April 6, 1917.

Montesano Wash. Dec. 9.—(Special)—A yield of 130 bushels of certified oats in the 40-acre plot of the University of Washington at Pullman, Wash., was completed this afternoon. The certification of the oats was completed this afternoon by the University of Washington. The oats were certified by the University of Washington.

## FEDERAL TO PAY \$350,000

Settlement in Mine Suit Approved by U. S. District Court.

COEUR D'ALENE, Idaho, Dec. 9.—(Special)—A settlement in the suit brought by the Star Mining company against the Federal Mining & Smelting company for an accounting for ore alleged to have been taken from Star ground near Mullan, Idaho, was approved by the federal district court here today. Under its terms the Federal company is required to pay the Star company \$350,000 for ore removed.

## SCHOOLS ARE TO RESUME

No Classes Held in Maupin and Juniper Flats Since Storm.

THE DALLES, Or., Dec. 9.—(Special)—County schools in the Maupin and Juniper flat districts of Wasco county were to resume classes today for the first time since the start of the storm. A number of Wasco county teachers came to the Dalles yesterday to attend the annual teachers' institute, which was to have been held here.

## COMMERCE EXPERT TALKS

Secretary of The Dalles Chamber Addresses Centralia, Body.

CENTRALIA, Wash., Dec. 9.—(Special)—E. F. Van Schoek, secretary of the chamber of commerce at The Dalles, Or., is to give a talk on the secretaryship of the Centralia chamber, left vacant by the recent resignation of O. C. Goss. Mr. Van Schoek attended yesterday's luncheon of the chamber here and told of the work that has been accomplished at The Dalles during the last few years.

## CROOK BUDGET ADOPTED

Market Road Appropriation Is Increased to \$15,000.

PRINCEVILLE, Or., Dec. 9.—(Special)—A meeting of the county court and the budget committee for Crook county was held yesterday at the

# PHONE SESSION OPENED

## REPRESENTATIVES OF INDEPENDENT COMPANIES HERE.

### Matters of Equipment and Improvement of Service Taken Up—C. E. Wells Presides.

The Oregon Local Telephone association yesterday opened its seventh annual convention at the Hotel Belmont hotel with representatives of 30 or more independent telephone companies in attendance. Matters of telephone equipment and improvement of service were taken up.

Robert H. Miles of Seattle spoke on office equipment, demonstrating a complete exhibit of up-to-date equipment which has been installed at the hotel by the Kellogg Switchboard & Supply company in connection with the convention.

M. J. Corwin of San Francisco spoke on protective devices. The association endorsed his speech by passing a resolution favoring the use of fuse protectors as a safeguard to telephone apparatus and to property from high tension electric wires.

Road Campaign Boosted.

CHEHALIS, Wash., Dec. 9.—(Special)—N. J. Tower was in Chehalis yesterday on business connected with the venture he and his associates recently embarked in, the opening of a wagon road on the Okanogan hot springs in the Cascade mountains in eastern Lewis county. The proposed road is now open to the Mami place, about 10 miles from Chehalis, on the creek, the outlet to Packwood lake. Mr. Tower is hopeful that the road will be completed by the end of the year, but at an early date it will be rushed along as fast as possible.

Montesano Lodge Picks Officers.

MONTESANO, Wash., Dec. 9.—(Special)—Montesano's chapter of the Order of the Moose, which elected the following officers last night: Cradle, Mrs. Inez Kurrie; vice-crader, Mrs. Ella Murphy; chancellor, Mrs. Anna Ely; secretary, Mrs. J. H. Melville; receiver, Mrs. Anna Kemmerling; marshal, Mrs. Lena Ely; insular, Mrs. H. H. Hester; physician, Clara Baller; physician, Dr. J. H. Fitz.

## BUCKLE ELECTS OFFICERS.

CENTRALIA, Wash., Dec. 9.—(Special)—Buckle, B. C. Krupp was elected to the following offices for the year 1922: Master, Herbert Normandin; observer, John Ramey; lecturer, Mrs. F. Lewis; chairman, Mrs. J. H. Hester; treasurer, L. F. Normandin; secretary, Mrs. D. G. Lilly; steward, Mrs. Donovan; assistant steward, Frank J. Lewis; lady auxiliary, Mrs. Hester; gatekeeper, William Adler; cereus, L. C. Haney; pomona, Georgia Bussey; flora, Agnes Hateman.

## CELEBRATE ELKS PARADES.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Dec. 9.—(Special)—The 19th anniversary of the founding of the Elks' lodge here will be celebrated Tuesday, December 20. The parade will be held at the school grounds. Although the parades were pulled off in a drizzling rain they were given with enthusiasm every day this week, minimizing the effects of buyers' week, but dealers express satisfaction.

## MASSONS TO CONFER DEGREES.

MONTESANO, Wash., Dec. 9.—(Special)—Wynocche Masonic lodge will confer degrees when the third degree will be conferred upon two candidates. The officers of the lodge will confer on the candidates and the local officers will confer on the candidates.

## TYPHOID CHECK MAY BE ADVISED.

MARSHFIELD, Or., Dec. 9.—(Special)—E. J. Evans, medical officer of health, may recommend general treatment of the people in the vicinity of Myrtle Point and Norway with typhoid serum, to check what appears to be an epidemic. Three new cases were reported today from Myrtle Point and one from Norway. Four cases deduced last week.

## HALL TO BE DEDICATED DEC. 15.

ALBANY, Or., Dec. 9.—(Special)—The community hall which has been erected at Crabtree, a town ten miles east of Albany, will be dedicated December 15. Dr. D. V. Poling, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Albany, will deliver the dedicatory address.

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