

BRITONS TRO OUT WAR BOGEY AGAIN

Berlin Comment Provokes Hot Rejoinder From London on Persian Episode.

BURGLARS' ARSENAL FOUND

Plot of Daring Criminals Causes Imaginative to See Nihilist Cause. Liberal Leaders Think Veto Struggle Already Won.

BY T. F. O'CONNOR (Special Cable to the Chicago Tribune, copyright 1911, by the Tribune Company). LONDON, Dec. 31.—The Christmas truce, so far as internal politics are concerned, still exists. Most of the Cabinet Ministers have left London and are slowly recovering from the gigantic fatigue of the general election.

Germany War Scare Revived. Winston Churchill has enough to occupy him in the heavy tide of disasters, especially in the Lancashire coal mine and in the widespread panic caused by the Russian murders in Houndsditch.

For instance, England's strong intervention in Persia to prevent the illicit gun-running and highway robbery elicits snorts from the Anglophobe Berlin journals that England is trying the same game in Persia that France did in Morocco.

The innocent observations of Lloyd-George that he has sufficient money from the taxes to spend plenty of money in maintaining the English navy supremacy, produces a wild outburst from the professional German navy scammers.

England herself pays little attention to these professional ravings, but quietly eats plum pudding, goes to the pantomime and now and then wakes up to scream against the undesirable aliens.

Arsenal Found in Houndsditch. The Houndsditch murders continue to be the main topic, largely owing to the discovery of a complete arsenal of the usual materials of the bomb-throwers.

As to the coming Parliament, the wearing in starts on the last day of January. The fixing of so early a date is one of the many signs that the Ministry means business and still hopes to bring the struggle over the veto before the coronation.

Chancellor Lloyd-George, in an interview with the French Journalist, scouts the idea of a second conference or of another election and speaks of the veto struggle as practically closed by the last decisive election.

Veto Struggle Ended. Sir Charles Dilke, who, as an independent member, takes a more detached view and who is a shrewd and experienced politician, also agrees that the veto struggle is over and that the Lords will accept the ministerial bill. Dilke also anticipates that Irish home rule will be the first business after the passage of the veto.

In the meantime the Ulster Orangemen are playing their old game of threatening civil war. They make bellicose speeches, recommend the drill and the purchase of the arms and bogus advertisements in the German papers ask for a supply of cheap guns. All inquiries by the police fail to materialize either the drill or arms, and the whole thing is shown as a ridiculous attempt to frighten public opinion in England.

If the gates had temporarily been lifted from realms below. It was not until well after 1 o'clock that the frivolous crowds began thinning out. A cortege of taxicabs drew up at the various cafes to carry off the disabled from the battle of popping corks.

Some Women Need Whole Sidewalk. The spectacle of people being assisted home was not an unusual one. Richly gowned women, in several instances, set out from grills aloft with their male escorts, only to double the distance home by repeated earrearing from one side of the sidewalk to the other.

EX-MINNVILLE MERCHANT DIES IN PORTLAND DEC. 26, AGED 67 YEARS.



Gustavus W. Miller, who died at his home in Portland, December 26, aged 67 years, was until a few years ago a prominent merchant of Minnville, Or. Mr. Miller was born in Bremen, Maine, October 26, 1843. When a young man he lived at Lawrence, Mass., working in the cotton mills there. In 1871 he moved to Iowa with his family and engaged in farming. Two years later he came to Nebraska. In 1903 he came to Minnville, Or.

Mr. Miller was a member of the Ancient Order of United Workmen, Oddfellows and Knights of Pythias. He was also a member of the Congregational Church. He is survived by a wife and three sons—Fred, George and Chester Miller, all residents of this city.

7 INSPECTORS OUSTED

ESCAPE OF CHINESE OFF OF MANCHURIA IS CAUSE. Customs Officials at San Francisco Blamed by Collectors Though Absent at Time.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 31.—(Special.)—As the result of the investigation into the escape of Chinese from Manchuria on December 4 of 15 Chinese, Collector of the Port, Frederick S. Stratton, has ordered seven inspectors either to resign or submit to a reduction to the rank of laborers. For the same offense Inspector Charles Freund was recently dismissed.

An entire men named by Stratton are: William H. Rohrbacher, Joseph C. Foley, Fred Probst, Charles G. Reay, Harry G. Jones, William H. Spillman and J. Williams.

In but one case, that of Rohrbacher, was any one of the discharged men on duty at the Manchuria on the night of the escape, but Chief Clerk Harry E. Farmer states that in some of the other cases, circumstantial evidence concerning other transactions was strong enough to win dismissal.

The following are named to succeed the seven: William H. Deary, Abe L. Oliver, John F. Bonard, Peter Crowell, Emanuel E. Vargas, David W. Dow and Ben D. McGowan.

An entire reorganization of the Customs Service is being planned. ASTORIA SELLS 10,500 SEALS. ASTORIA, Or., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—The officers of the Astoria Reading Club report that of the 11,000 Red Cross seals sold which with a cash donation of \$1.10, makes a total of \$127.10 to be used by the Visiting Nurses' Association of Portland to aid it in its work for the prevention and cure of tuberculosis in Oregon. Last year only 6000 seals were sold in Astoria, showing a gain this year of over 100 per cent.

Overheated Stove Causes Fire. PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 31.—An overheated stove, a Coroner's jury found today, caused the fire in the Friedlander leather factory 10 days ago when 12 firemen and one policeman were killed by falling walls. No one is blamed.

NAVARRO TELLS ABOUT MAL PASO

Rebels Dislodged From Hill After Stubborn Fight With Federal Army.

DRIVEN INTO MOUNTAINS

Federal General Admits Loss Is About Equal—Rebels Found Well Supplied and Number About 400—Ojinaga Fears Attack.

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 31.—Twenty-seven killed, three missing and 28 wounded, the report of casualties during the fighting at Mal Paso on December 25, when that strategic point of the revolutionists in the state of Chihuahua was taken by the Federals.

Of the dead, 13 were Federals and 14 revolutionists. The three unaccounted for were Federals. Of the wounded, 24 were wounded, including a lieutenant-colonel. The number of revolutionists injured is unknown, as they were carried away by their comrades.

The force set out at 7:45 o'clock and arrived at its destination at 9:30 A. M. after repairing the wire at kilometer 160. At this point we saw an outcrop of the enemy and succeeded in capturing his horses.

At the village of Cienega at about 2:30 P. M. the rebels, located on a hill near or 200 yards from the wire, suddenly opened fire upon the advance from some rocks and trees. I ordered the men on the right under Major Eduardo Lopez to march to the enemy, and charged Lieutenant Victor M. Moran with the protection of the left and center. The enemy was dislodged after a stubborn resistance which they occupied and was forced to retreat to the mountains. This gave us possession of Mal Paso.

Rebels Pursued Through Canyon. "A detachment of our troops followed the rebels through the canyon and returned without meeting any further resistance. Colonel Cordillo reports that the revolutionists are encamped in the vicinity and that they have plentiful supplies of food and fresh meat and are well mounted, but that he could not judge their numbers. Judging, however, from the stubbornness of their resistance throughout the three hours of fighting he is led to believe they were about 400 strong.

Colonel Cordillo reported further that owing to the lateness of the hour when the combat ended, he made camp. He could only say positively that there were 14 of the rebels, but he said also that there were many wounded. The latter, however, were carried away by the rebels.

Government officials said tonight that there was absolutely no truth in the report from El Paso that the Federal troops lost 600 men in an engagement at Casa Colorado.

Ojinaga Expects Attack.

A special to El Paso, from Marfa, Tex., published today says that the revolutionists are increasing in numbers in the vicinity of Ojinaga and that already there have been four encounters between them and Federal troops, the most serious of which have occurred at El Mulato, a nearby town on the Rio Grande, where there are said to be about 500 rebels who are provided with arms and provisions.

Ojinaga, garrisoned by some 200 men, is in daily expectation of an attack by revolutionists, who have been sent to surround the town for several days. Among the rebel leaders operating in the vicinity are Bruno Hernandez, a Cuban newspaperman and Jose de la Luz Zote, who fostered an anti-government propaganda during the recent election.

BILLION MARK SET HERE

(Continued From First Page.) list of "million-dollar cities," as it is an accepted fact that the totals in bank clearings represent only 50 per cent of the actual transactions in a community. It was a banner year for the Portland postoffice. The business of each succeeding month showed a large increase over the corresponding months of the past year. The clearing for December last night totaled \$24,878,611. The sale of stamps in 1909 aggregated \$778,852.73. The gain made in the 12 months was equal to 19 per cent.

Aside from the formal transfers of the O. R. & N. and Oregon-Washington properties to the O-W. R. & N., extraordinary transfers exceeded in valuation those made in 1909 by nearly \$4,000,000. With the railroad transfers added to the regular business, the totals for the year were \$100,056,900, as against \$26,485,977 in 1909.

Among the important features in the year of progress and prosperity was the enormous stride made in municipal improvements. The city made a great record for hard-surface paving. Nearly 76 miles of paving was completed at a total cost of more than \$4,000,000. To the first of the year just closed, 164 miles of hard-surface paving had been laid. It is seen that 12 miles more of paving was completed in 1910 than had been in use altogether up to 1910.

Water System Improved. The city water system was improved and enlarged at an expense of nearly \$2,000,000. With the completion of the new Bull Run pipe-line and two large reservoirs, the city's water supply will be increased from a daily capacity of 22,000,000 gallons to 45,000,000 gallons. Fifty-seven miles of street grading was completed during the year. The sewer system was extended at a cost of \$570,000. Plans for the present year will result in more extensive work in sewers, water mains and street grading.

More than \$250,000 was expended during the year for new school buildings, additions to buildings and general improvements. The budget for the present year includes the expenditure of \$350,000 of new buildings and improvements in addition to \$500,000 for the Lincoln High School.

All Past Records Eclipsed. Business of the local Postoffice was greater last year than during any year since the office was opened. But despite increase of work, and the fact that only eight additional clerks and three assistant clerks were allowed during the year, Postmaster Merriock and his corps of assistants handled the business better than in 1909. This was especially notable in the receipting of mail during the Christmas rush. The holiday rush of 1909 showed more space for registered mail than in any year since the office was opened. This was especially notable in the receipting of mail during the Christmas rush. The holiday rush of 1909 showed more space for registered mail than in any year since the office was opened.

Many Employees Are Veterans. Total number of employees 1910, including rural carriers, special delivery messengers and substitutes, 424; 170 clerks, five unskilled laborers, 31 contract clerks. The latter oversaw dispatching, sorting, mounting, Tabor, Rose City Park, Montavilla, and Sellwood stations, and at 24 other numbered stations. Clerks employed at numbered stations during the year, 3600; others receive up to \$400 the year.

The difference between contract clerks and regular clerks is that contract clerks are engaged in business of their own but regular clerks are confined to Government duties. Total number of clerks, 206. The regulars are regularly authorized carriers in the Portland Postoffice, and ten auxiliary carriers. The latter are paid 30 cents the hour; regular carriers, \$600 the year, since the organization of the third, and so on, until the sixth year, when they receive \$1200, the maximum.

More than half of the carriers in the local Postoffice are veterans of the war, having been employed six years or more. Besides all these, there are a few substitute clerks and carriers. Receipts for 1909 and 1910 are: 1909, \$7,012,790; 1910, \$7,234,871. January, \$701,279; February, \$701,279; March, \$701,279; April, \$701,279; May, \$701,279; June, \$701,279; July, \$701,279; August, \$701,279; September, \$701,279; October, \$701,279; November, \$701,279; December, \$701,279. Totals, \$778,852.73 and \$924,878.61.

Half-Billion Mark Passed.

Passing the half-billion mark by a healthy margin, the Portland Clearing-House Association had the most prosperous year since its organization in 1894. The total for 1910 reached \$517,171,367. The aggregate of clearings in the first year, 1894, was \$23,025,870. The gain made in 1910 was \$124,145,477.38, or 53.3 per cent.

Indicative of the growth of Portland since 1894, is the increase in volume of bank clearings over the years. In 1894 clearings were approximately \$53,000,000, and ten years later, 1904, annual clearings exceeded \$100,000,000. From 1894 to 1910, the volume of clearings increased each year, until clearings reached \$350,000,000 for 1907. The year 1908 showed the effects of the flurry of 1907 and there was a slight decrease in the total amount of clearings.

1911 May Set Higher Mark.

At the end of 1909, clearings were \$531,028,890.61, an increase of more than 25 per cent over 1908. The year 1910 was the banner 12-month period in the history of the association. From present indications, it is expected 1911 will show a large increase over 1910. By comparing totals by months for 1909 and 1910, it is shown the business of every month last year exceeded the volume of business for the corresponding months of 1909. The comparative statement follows:

Table with 2 columns: Month and Amount. Rows for 1909 and 1910 totals and monthly breakdown.

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Through the medium of this newspaper we wish you a Happy New Year; also we desire to express our appreciation to loyal thousands for a large and entirely satisfactory Holiday business

Store closed all day Monday; on Tuesday morning, January 3d, our great Clearance Sale will begin; this is a very important sale, including as it does the Hart Schaffner & Marx Clothes, boys' suits and overcoats; Manhattan and Cluett shirts; underwear and kindred lines at price reductions so radical as to insure the most decisive results; watch the newspapers Monday evening and Tuesday morning for the particulars in detail

is unknown, but is supposed to have been caused by a defective flue. Revenue Cutter's Crew Paid. ASTORIA, Or., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—The crew of the revenue cutter Manning was paid off today by Deputy Collector Parker, about \$4000, being distributed among the officers and men. The cutter disburses here about \$5000 a month for wages, fuel and supplies.

Treasury Deficit Shrinking. WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—The United States treasury deficit to date this fiscal year is \$6,467,119, against \$25,935,610 at this time last year. These figures exclude Panama Canal debt transactions.

One of Life's Certainties. Exchange. One of the certainties of this life is that when you're late, the train won't be.

DAILY METEOROLOGICAL REPORT. PORTLAND, Dec. 31.—Maximum temperature, 45 degrees; minimum, 49 degrees. River reading, 8 A. M., 4.7 feet; change in 24 hours, rise of .04 inch; total rainfall since September 1, 10.24 inches; normal for same period, 12.24 inches. Deficiency, since September 1, -2.00 inches. Total amount of snow possible, 8.00 inches. (reduced to sea level) at 5 P. M., 30.27 inches.

WEATHER CONDITIONS. The atmospheric pressure has increased materially over the past half of the year, and also along the Atlantic Coast. A high pressure field is approaching the coast from the west, and another is moving southward from Alberta. Between these areas of high pressure, a low pressure, central over northern western Montana, while an extended low pressure area covers the southern portion of the Plains States. Precipitation has occurred locally over the North Pacific Slope, the Rocky Mountain region, and the Basin States. The weather is 15 degrees to 40 degrees colder in the Upper Mississippi and Missouri valleys, and is correspondingly warmer in the lake region. From Mexico to New Mexico, and in some Michigan, temperatures are 1 degree to 12 degrees above the normal, while throughout the greater portion of the remainder of the country the weather is warmer and drier than the season of the year. The greatest departures are in the Upper Mississippi and Missouri valleys, where temperatures are 15 degrees to 32 degrees below normal. Temperatures of

All Humors. Are impure matters which the skin, liver, kidneys and other organs cannot take care of without help. Pimples, boils, eczema, and other eruptions, loss of appetite, that tired feeling, bilious turns, fits of indigestion, dull headaches and many other troubles are due to them. They are all removed by Hood's Sarsaparilla, which purifies, enriches and revitalizes the blood and builds up the whole system.

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to degrees obtain in Northwest Montana and in Northern North Dakota, and of 20 degrees in Alberta. High, northwesterly winds have occurred during the day at the mouth of the Columbia River, but indications are for milder winds that will bring fair weather and lower clouds. Generally fair weather, with occasional light rain in Northwest Washington, Sunday, and snow or rain in Eastern Idaho. The weather will probably turn somewhat colder Sunday night or Monday.

Some Dreams Come True AL-VE-O-LAR DENTISTRY And the Awakening

It Does Away Entirely With Plates and Bridgework Unimpeachable Evidence Pus Poison

Many unfortunates who have pyorrhea, or pus teeth, imagine that it originated from a bad stomach. Some of the leading stomatologists of the world are of the opinion that this case this may be true, but in a large majority of cases the diseased (bad) stomach comes from pyorrhea. Swallowing pus is as certain poison as arsenic given in small doses. Though it can be his fate has thought to himself there must be some way out of this. Some pain, some day, will invent a plan by which missing teeth can be replaced satisfactorily without having to resort to the plate or bridge nuisance. They have even prayed for this emancipation. Some have dreamed that it had come true. Yet right in the face of our continuous daily press announcements for seven years that the Alveolar Method has done all this for us with about 30,000 people in the United States wearing Alveolar teeth with comfort and entire satisfaction some persons doubt it. IF IT SOUNDS TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE, THEN KEEP ON DOUBTING. YOU WILL SURELY GET IT. TO BE TRUE, THEN KEEP ON DOUBTING. YOU WILL SURELY GET IT. TO BE TRUE, THEN KEEP ON DOUBTING. YOU WILL SURELY GET IT.

Curious Pyorrhea (loose teeth) a disease given up by other dentists as incurable is another of our specialties. We cure it absolutely. It's a boastful statement to make, but we can do anything that is possible in dentistry, and what we do is always of the very highest class. Our booklets, Alveolar Dentistry, are free. Write for one if you cannot call. We have samples of our work to show at all times.

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Start That Boy in 1911 HOLMES BUSINESS COLLEGE TENTH AND WASHINGTON STREETS WINTER TERM OPENS TUESDAY, JAN. 3