

BRITISH RULER RALLIES AFTER HARD SETBACK

Physicians Again Hopeful of Winning Bitter Fight Against Death

King George Gains Strength During Course of Six Hours of Sleep

LONDON, Dec. 4.—(AP)—A somewhat more hopeful view of the condition of King George was taken late tonight after fear during the evening that he had lost ground in his 15-day fight against congestion of the lungs and pleurisy.

It was understood that as the result of the natural sleep which he obtained last night and early today he was actually better and stronger than he was on Sunday or Monday. Six hours of sleep which he had last night was the best repose in several days.

Although his temperature rose to 100.2 during the day and persisted tonight, it was thought possible that the increased discomfort of the day and the higher temperature may be part of the anticipated fluctuating symptoms in the illness.

The forenoon bulletin said that anxiety concerning his Majesty's weakened heart must continue and tonight's message informed the nation that its sovereignty was "rather less comfortable."

King "Less Comfortable" Bulletin Indicates "The rise in temperature, noted in the afternoon reports, persists, and as a result the king is rather less comfortable. Otherwise, conditions remain unchanged."

For the first time since the king was stricken, all five of the physicians who were in attendance were in consultation together at the palace this afternoon. Before their arrival, the king signed an order in council delegating to six of his subjects, three of whom are members of his immediate family, most of the powers, duties, and routine labors that appertain to the crown.

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WHAT CAN GOOD WILL MEAN? SALVATION ARMY ASKS FUND CHRISTMAS KETTLES APPEAR

Mothers and little children; victims of circumstance—the humble heroes who bear much of the world's weight of woe; the men, women and children to whom the brilliant lights of a happy Christmas season will shine dimly... is Christmas all that it seems to be?

Will the cheerful chorus of "peace on earth, good will toward men" reach into the empty larders of Salem?

Will it brighten the glow of the hearthstone in homes where privation makes mockery? Will it comfort the sick and the sorely distressed? "Yes! Yes! A thousand yeses!" answers Captain Earl M. Williams and his corps of Salvation Army workers, who have set themselves to the big and important task of spreading Christmas into every home in Salem, no matter how lowly it may be.

"No fooling," says Captain Williams, "there are hungry mouths to feed and chilled bodies to cover this Christmas. The condition in Salem, of course, could be much worse than it is. But the need for winter relief is greater this year than ordinarily owing to the unemployment situation. Really, an extra effort must be made."

So, on Friday morning, Christmas tripods and good will kettles will make their appearance on the streets, attended by the lassies of the Army with their tinkling bells ringing out a message of practical sympathy and love to the passerby.

The Statesman has pledged its support to this worthy undertaking and will report each day the progress being made in the community toward swelling the Army's Christmas fund.

Stories of some of the typical cases that will be attended by the kindly Army workers will be published as they are reported by Army folk. "Receiving stations" will be set up at Army headquarters and in the Statesman office, where checks or other gifts for the army fund may be delivered by mail or in person. The Salvation Army headquarters may be reached through postoffice box 423.

Please mark all checks or other gifts "for Christmas fund."

The Christmas cheer fund is wide open! Who will be first to "come across" for the cause? Maybe it will be some big hearted member of the American Legion—some chap who remembers that the Salvation Army helped to win the old war when their help was needed as it now needs help.

PLAN LAST AIRWAY BEACON IN COUNTY RALPH COOLEY IS CHIEF OF-KIWANIS

Project Puts Salem Definitely on Air Route; Is Fifth Beacon

Arrangements for establishing the last of a series of Pacific airway beacons in Marion county, on the J. W. Baxter property five miles south of Salem, near the Pacific highway, the highest point on the route in this county, have been completed by S. S. Boggs, airways extension superintendent for the U. S. department of commerce, the Salem chamber of commerce was advised Tuesday.

At this point the airways extension bureau will install a 52 foot tower equipped with a 2,000-watt power revolving light and reflectors. Work on installation of the five airway beacons in Marion county will be started within a few months, and the entire series will be in operation next fall. The beacons will include one near Aurora, West Woodburn, Brooks, the Baxter place, and Looney butte near Jefferson.

Selection of the Baxter location for the beacon nearest Salem, is considered here to be highly favorable in view of the proposed location of the Salem airport east of the city. An air line from this beacon to the one at Brooks will run directly over the proposed site of the local airport.

Location of the airway as indicated by these beacons puts Salem definitely on the route of the airway, and will relieve the department of the necessity for either routing through Silverton, where there is already an airport, or establishing a government emergency landing field here.

Mr. Cooley expressed his appreciation for the honor and asked the club's cooperation in making the new year one of real success. Mr. Cooley said that the northwest convention of Kiwanis next summer in Salem would be the outstanding event of the year for the local club.

Mr. Tully responded to a call for a short address following his election. A vote of appreciation was given Charles W. Wirtz, retiring Kiwanis president. The club voted to hold a ladies' night on a suitable evening of the week between Christmas and New Year's.

Harry Levy, representing Associated Charities, urged Kiwanians to be liberal in their gifts to this worthy work. E. S. Bragg, vice-president, presided.

SLIM FIGURE CAUSE OF SLIM SPUD SALE

CHICAGO, Dec. 4.—(AP)—Pursuit for the elusive slim figure is depressing the potato market nearly 25 per cent, Governor H. C. Baldrige of Idaho, declared today at the opening session of a two day conference on potatoes of the agricultural council of the central west shippers advisory board here. Growers from all parts of the country are attending.

One of the major problems of the conference is increased consumption to reduce the large surplus of production. "Practically the entire reduction in consumption is chargeable to women," Governor Baldrige said. He declared individual consumption has dropped from an average of three and three quarters bushels to three bushels, a surplus of 80,000,000 bushels remained out of last year's production of 361,000,000 bushels according to E. S. Shepherd, an Idaho member of the advisory board. The surplus for 1928 will be 96,000,000 bushels, it was estimated.

Commercial alcohol makers provide one of the best markets for potatoes at present, Shepherd said, while livestock breeders, food, paste and starch makers also use large quantities.

Military honors were accorded George P. Griffith, world war veteran and former department commander of the American Legion of Oregon at his funeral Tuesday afternoon, burial was at Mt. Crest Abbey mausoleum. A firing squad of national guardsmen and the drum corps of Capital Post, No. 8, participated in the American Legion burial ritual directed by Douglas McKay, commander of the local post.

The funeral procession was led by the draped casket, and the pallbearers, chosen from the legion members, were Dr. W. W. Loomis, William Himes, Dallas, Brasler, G. Small, Karl Huges, Ralph Thompson and James Young.

FARM AID BILL IS SUBMITTED BY SEN. McNARY

Equalization Fee is Omitted From Present Agricultural Proposal

Measure Would Provide for Board; Other Business Comes Up

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4.—(AP)—Congress was given an actual start on its work today with the receipt of President Coolidge's annual recommendations for legislation and immediately many of the old fighting issues of the last session and of the last campaign were rushed headlong into foremost portions of the program.

A new farm bill, without the McNary-Haugen equalization fee principle was introduced by Senator McNary, republican, of Oregon, who said it dovetailed with the president's recommendations. It would create a farm board to aid in handling the crop surplus.

The Kellogg peace treaty, calling upon the world to renounce war as a part of national policy, was submitted to the senate, with a plea by the president that it be ratified before he retires from office next March 4. A place has been made for it on the foreign relations committee's calendar for early action.

Move Made To Change Swing-Johnson Measure Boulder dam came in for comment by the president, and no sooner had his message been read, than Senator Phipps started a move to amend the Swing-Johnson bill in such a way as he believed would meet expert and presidential requirements.

The house ways and means committee hastened away soon after the president's message, with a plea by the president that it be ratified before he retires from office next March 4. A place has been made for it on the foreign relations committee's calendar for early action.

The range of legislative activity covered many other subjects, although neither senate nor house held extended sessions. After the Coolidge message had been read, both adjourned out of respect for members who had died in recent months, but in committee rooms as well as cloak rooms business actually was well under way.

Thousands of men and women, most of them from the poorer classes, stood mournfully and at times menacingly outside the offices of the Gazette Du France today. The newspaper was a subsidiary of financial companies organized in all the large cities and the crowds were clamoring for reimbursement of lost "investments."

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ON BOARD THE U. S. S. MARYLAND, Dec. 4.—(AP)—This battleship has crossed the tropics and President-Elect Hoover today appeared in blue serge once more while the officers and sailors shifted from their tropical whites to blue uniforms. Other members of the party dug out the tweed suits and sweaters which they had laid away soon after sailing from San Pedro.

The ship now is in cool bracing weather, caused by the Humboldt current sweeping up from the icy waters of the sub-polar regions of the Antarctic. Mr. Hoover is thus enjoying spring weather only ten degrees south of the equator. He spent a restful and refreshing day and feels fit and fine.

Mr. Hoover anticipates with eager pleasure his visit tomorrow to Peru, the second South American republic on his good will itinerary. Radiograms received on the Maryland indicate that the Peruvian government is prepared to greet him with the highest official honors and with great manifestations of the traditional friendship of its officials and people for the United States.

The president-elect this morning inspected the turrets of the battleship and saw the mighty 16-inch guns elevated and swung about in practice, although they were not fired. Officers of the battleship accompanied him and explained the details of construction and use. Mr. Hoover while at sea inspects each day some part of the Maryland which is new to him.

The magnitude of this proud ship of the navy which now is voyaging upon a mission of peace may be realized by the fact that it would require three months of daily inspections for one to see everything it holds.

NEWBURYSPORT, Mass., Dec. 4.—(AP)—Mayor "Bossy" Gillis regained supreme tonight while his enemies were making preparations for a long, cold winter. The Mayor's candidates for city council were victors in the election today.

MAYOR Gillis was released from the Salem jail, where he had been sent for two months for operating a gasoline station illegally and cutting down utility trees without a permit, just in time to enter into the final round of the election campaign. He urged the voters to elect city councilors who would aid them in his policies. The voters responded today by electing to the city council the six men whose candidacies had been endorsed by the mayor.

After a torchlight parade here Saturday, when the mayor was welcomed home from jail, "Bossy" promised a hot time for his opponents, and tonight another torchlight parade was staged.

Dan Cupid Triumphs



Reported engaged from time to time during the past year, Miss Florence Trumbull, daughter of Connecticut's governor, has finally announced her engagement formally to John Coolidge, son of President and Mrs. Coolidge. The wedding is scheduled to take place at Plainville, Conn., next summer. Florence and John are shown above.

French "Investors" Lose Millions of Francs When "Company" Goes On Rocks

PARIS, Dec. 4.—(AP)—A gigantic swindle, resulting in losses to "investors" of perhaps \$20,000,000, echoed in the chamber of deputies today and reached toward the cabinet. Two arrests have been made and authorities declare that the case may equal the operations of Ponzi in the United States.

The affair got into the chamber of deputies when M. Chastenet, socialist member from Isere, interrogated Premier Poincare as to "what measures he intended to take to prevent similar occurrences in the future," the member adding that he stood ready to name two cabinet ministers who were closely interested in financial companies of a character "not unlike that which has just collapsed."

M. Poincare refused to discuss the status of his involved ministers. He did, however, say that sternest supervision was being created for the control of such projects.

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392 IS TOLL TAKEN BY FIERCE TYPHOON

MANILA, P. I., Dec. 4.—(AP)—A basis of reports received through various official sources the bulletin today placed the fatalities from the typhoon, which raged through central islands of the Archipelago last week at 392 and the crop and property damage at 70,000,000 pesos (about \$35,000,000).

Reports reaching here said the inhabitants of the islands of the devastated area are facing famine. Commander W. B. Sillies Jr., of the destroyer Perry who investigated the north and east coasts of the island of Samar reported that 100,000 persons must be fed in that region. The situation is also acute on the island of Leyte. The governor of that province has asked 10,000 pesos and 2000 sacks of rice for immediate relief.

Red Dress Worn By Lady Astor In Parliament

LONDON, Dec. 4.—(AP)—Lady Astor created quite a stir in the House of Commons today by appearing in a dress of a new shade of red with a hat to match instead of her usual quiet black attire.

The Laborites immediately raised a cheer which caused members of the cabinet to turn around and all sides of the house then joined in cheering good-humoredly. Meanwhile Lady Astor sat demurely with downcast head.

The Labor cheer was renewed moment later when George Lansbury, Laborite welcomed her as the latest recruit of the "Army of Reds."

NORTHCOTT TO BE JOINED BY MOTHER SOON

Alleged Accomplice of Youthful Murderer Starts South for Trial

Fight Against Extradition is Abandoned; Woman Denies All Guilt

CALGARY, Alta., Dec. 4.—(AP)—That she had no intention of making any confession was the last statement made by Mrs. S. Northcott before leaving for the United States late today. She had been in custody here for the past six weeks awaiting extradition to the United States on a charge of being implicated with her son in the "chicken ranch" murders at Riverside, Calif.

Today she left in custody of Sheriff and Mrs. Sweeters of Riverside. Mrs. Northcott said just before the train pulled out that she would "certainly not" give out a confession along the lines that her son, Gordon Stewart Northcott, was reported to have given to the American authorities while being transported from Vancouver to Los Angeles.

"What do you think of your son's confession," Mrs. Northcott was asked.

"You should not believe the things you see in the papers," Mrs. Northcott replied. Defendant Appears in Excellent Health

The woman in custody looked to be in the best of health, far better in fact, than had been reported in the extradition proceedings. She abandoned her fight against extradition in order to join her son.

Mrs. Northcott is indicted in Riverside county specifically for the murder of Walter Collins, 12 years old. It is claimed by the California authorities following the evidence of Sanford Clark, 15 year old nephew of Gordon Stewart Northcott that after striking Walter Collins with the ax herself handed the weapon to Clark and told him to hit "so that we will all be in it."

Sheriff and Mrs. Sweeters, with their prisoner, will reach Vancouver Wednesday evening. They will stay in that city overnight and proceed south on Thursday morning. It is probably that a deputy attorney from California will meet him when they reach the United States border, Sweeters said.

NOT GUILTY PLEA ENTERED

Youth Continues to Tell Wild Tales to Everybody But Judge RIVERSIDE, Calif., Dec. 4.—(AP)—Gordon Stewart Northcott, accused of the murder of four boys, was bundled into an automobile here by Los Angeles officers (Turn to Page 2, Please.)

Alleged Threats Puts Broadacres Boaster In Jail

J. C. Tedder, 46, of Broadacres, was brought into justice court here Tuesday charged with having threatened to kill his wife. He was jailed in default of \$2,000 bail, and given time to consult an attorney.

A tale of his striking her, threatening the children and boasting that "no officer will ever take me in," was recounted by Mrs. Tedder. The boast that he was too good for any officer to arrest had the effect of landing him in jail several hours earlier than he would have arrived otherwise, according to the version of the story recounted in justice court Tuesday afternoon. A criminal complaint was sworn out late Monday against Tedder. Walter DeLong, constable, was given the warrant and instructed to make the arrest.

"All right, I'll go out and get him in the morning," he promised.

"He says no officer will ever bring him in at all," DeLong was told.

"Is that so? If he feels that way about it I'll go right out and bring him in tonight," He did.

17 SHOPPING DAYS TILL CHRISTMAS

CHICAGO, Dec. 4.—(AP)—H. Baldwin of Pleasanton, Cal., showing superior 62, won the grand championship for Hereford bulls in the breeding cattle division today. The junior championship for bulls in this class went to Ken Maryl ranch company of Lileton, Colo., showing Lord Braemar, superior 63 was also senior champion bull.

The grand championship blue ribbon for the best Berkshire sow in the breeding swine division went to Rieck Brothers of Macleay, Ore.

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JUST seems to be no end to the demand for tables and shelves, while cold weather indications make it highly advisable to look a little out for the automobile radiator. Like that—from pillar to post—jumps today's subject matter for Tabloid Interviews, assembled by Statesman reporters.

G. W. SMALLEY, head janitor in the Salem schools, said: "It seems that we never will get through building tables and shelves for the different schools. I have one man busy on that job alone and he is plenty busy. He has built 15 tables so far this year, besides numerous shelves and cabinets that the teachers have requested."

LOUIS BECHTEL, real estate man, said: "You would be surprised at the number of people from California who are coming to this state and city right now. That in spite of the time of year, I don't know why it is, maybe because there is lots of sickness in California right now. Anyway, they are looking forward to Oregon for one reason or another."

T. M. HICKS, Salem abstractor: "The insurance is becoming more and more popular. Three large loan companies now operating here insist upon this form of title protection, I believe that this is the eventual method of handling all titles."

EDWARD SCHUNKE, speaking to Salem Kiwanis club: "We are all going to enjoy an informal recital given at next Tuesday noon when Professor 'Tommy' Roberts gives us several of his large repertoire of piano numbers. This is a real musical treat."

E. E. BRODIE, publisher of the Oregon City Enterprise said: "I don't hesitate to tell you that this is the first printing establishment I can recall seeing with such equipment as this where three big cylinder presses were in operation at the same time. It's a mighty healthy sign."

M. D. VINYARD, Salem chiropractor, said: "I notice the telephone company has announced it is going to spend about \$1,000,000 in construction here in the near future. That's a mighty good sign for Salem. A company like that doesn't invest its money without investigating the situation very carefully, and if it's going to spend a sum like that here you can be sure the company has decided Salem has a real future."

F. O. JOHNSON, deputy county roadmaster, said: "I think we're in for some cold weather tonight. Yes, I think you'd better drain your radiator, anyway."

PATTY ROWLAND, three-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Rowland, said: "The naughty boy who took my brand new little red tricycle and got it for my birthday ought to bring it right back to me."

MARK POULSEN, city recorder, said: "My official position requires me to stay out of city politics except when I'm running, but I like to speculate on what is going to happen and sometimes I'm right."

MRS. R. J. McCUTCHEON, world champion woman bowler, said: "Bowling is being encouraged to an unusual degree in Salem, for the women as well as the men, by the well equipped, spacious rooms which have been provided, with a progressive management in charge."

COLD WAVE SWEEPS WESTERN SECTIONS

DENVER, Colo., Dec. 4.—(AP)—A large portion of the west glistened in the frost of a cold wave that entered in Montana tonight. Zero and sub-zero temperatures were the rule in many mountain states. The cold tended eastward into Kansas, Nebraska, and Missouri, although temperatures there remained above the zero mark.

The weather bureau reported Havre, Mont., had 32 degrees below zero shortly before 6 this morning, and Chinook, Mont., unofficially reported 46 below. There is no weather station at Chinook. The high pressure area responsible for the cold centered in Montana and northern Wyoming. Relief was predicted for tonight and tomorrow with the exception of southeastern Wyoming, where colder weather was expected.

Frigid temperatures were general throughout the Denver and Leadville reporting 12 above this morning. The temperature rose slightly during the day but began falling again at night fall.

Samoa Reaches Columbia River

ASTORIA, Ore., Dec. 4.—(AP)—The coastwise lumber steamer Samoa, damaged when she drove on and off rocks off Tillamook last night, was towed into the Columbia river today. Her lumber cargo was unloaded here. Preparatory to a trip up-river to Portland where she will be drydocked. The Samoa is owned by the Hammond Lumber company.

Silverton Mill Is To Be Moved

EUGENE, Dec. 4.—(AP)—The Oregon Machinery company of Eugene announced today that it had purchased the large sawmill of the Silverton Lumber company at Silverton, and will dismantle it at once. The mill, while in operation, had a capacity of 125,000 feet a day. The machinery and other logging equipment of the plant will be sold.

FOUR INDICTED IN KILLING ROTHSTEIN

NEW YORK, Dec. 4.—(AP)—Just a month after Arnold Rothstein, mystery man of Broadway's gambling haunts, was fatally shot, four men were indicted today by the grand jury for murder in the first degree.

The only one of the four whose name was made public was George McManus, the bulky brother of a police lieutenant, who had held his tongue despite assurances of immunity if he would tell who fired the single shot that killed Rothstein.

Another of those indicted was named in the true bill, but the name was not disclosed, presumably because he still is at large and officials do not want him to know he is suspected.

The two others indicted were described as Richard Ross and John Doe, although District Attorney Banton has said that their names are known to police and that they have a picture of one.

McManus, who has been held in the toms for the past week will be arraigned for pleading tomorrow. He surrendered to police last Tuesday after police had sought him from the moment they found his overcoat in the hotel room where Rothstein was shot.

When McManus is arraigned tomorrow, he will plead not guilty and his lawyer will move for permission to examine the minutes of the grand jury. In the expressed belief that they will show McManus to have been indicted on hearsay evidence.

The prosecution's case against McManus, and the nature of his defense is more or less common knowledge, but what evidence against the three others it has not been divulged.