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The Weather
Occasional rains today and Wednesday, temperatures unchanged; Max. Temp. Monday 53, Min. 45; river -2.7 feet, rain 1.16 inch, south wind.

Thousands Feared Dead, Philippines Flood

First New Traffic Regulations Voted

Wallie's Move Doesn't Solve British Crisis

Renunciation Only Makes Situation Tougher for King, Is One View

Baldwin Strategy Seems Aimed at Gag Rule on Edward's Friends

LONDON, Dec. 8.—(Tuesday)—(P)—King Edward's determination to wed Wallis Warfield Simpson remained unshaken early today, intimates said, despite the American born divorcee's public offer to give up the monarch to save his throne.

Although the public renunciation of her claim to Edward's love roused a wave of popular sympathy, friends of both said the crisis of Britain's empire was no nearer to solution.

The monarch, in the privacy of the Port Belvedere lodge, seized upon the additional time won from Prime Minister Stanley Baldwin to strive for some course of action that would satisfy both his love and his duty to the throne of his fathers.

Baldwin's Speech
Sheds More Light

Even before the king's favorite issued her determination in Cannes offering to sacrifice her love to Edward's empire, all England knew from Baldwin's speech that the king was resolved to marry her, without, however, making her England's queen.

"Mrs. Simpson's statement," a high quarter said, "has not solved the crisis. Only action by the king himself now can terminate the situation."

Mrs. Simpson told the world of her readiness to sacrifice her love purely on her own volition, a high source in the realm said, and members of the king's staff at Belvedere professed ignorance of it until it was read to them by newspapermen.

This chapter in a romance enacted on the stage of empire won great public sympathy for the commoner whom the king would make his wife.

Some of Mrs. Simpson's critics openly stated they believed her latest act was deliberately calculated to make the king's position "most difficult" should he renounce her—by arousing public sympathy for her cause.

Abdication Held
Only Solution Now

Because British law does not permit a so-called morganatic union which would make Mrs. Simpson the wife of Edward but not his queen, and because Baldwin has asserted his refusal to introduce legislation making such a marriage possible, many followers of the romance felt ultimate abdication may be Edward's only way out.

It was believed the Duke of York, who would be next in line (Turn to page 2, col. 5)

School Census at Albany New High

ALBANY, Dec. 7.—School district No. 5, which comprises the city of Albany, has the highest census in its history this year, according to figures just compiled by Dan Brennenman, clerk of the school district. The taking of the census was completed over a week ago but the checking has just been finished. The total census this year is 1651. Of this number 834 are girls and 817 boys.

Pastor's Home Looted While He's in Pulpit

Taking advantage of church service hours, a burglar broke into the home of Rev. A. S. Henderson, 1155 Mission street, between 6:45 and 8:45 p.m. Sunday, and stole more than \$300. Rev. Henderson and his family were attending services at the church of which he is pastor, the First Church of the United Brethren in Christ.

Sticks To Guns On Royal Issue



STANLEY BALDWIN

Renunciation Note Issued by "Wallie"

Situation Is Unhappy and Untenable; Willing to Withdraw, Asserts

CANNES, France, Dec. 7.—(P)—(By Trans-Atlantic telephone)—In a dramatic gesture of sacrifice, dark-eyed Wallis Warfield Simpson tonight volunteered to give up her love for King Edward VIII so that he may retain his throne.

The official statement, after an immediate solution to Britain's grave constitutional crisis, was signed by Mrs. Simpson herself and given out after the one-time Baltimore belle had talked several times by trans-channel telephone to King Edward.

It was read by Lord Brownlow, gentleman-in-waiting to the king, to an international coterie of newspaper reporters summoned to the Majestic hotel in Cannes.

"The following is an official statement by Mrs. Simpson," he said, by way of prelude. Then he read the signed paper:

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Marb' Board Plan to Reach Council

Center Street Is Voted Through Artery; Lane Program Approved

30-Minute Parking Given Support, Ordinance Up Next Meeting

WHAT CITY COUNCIL DID LAST NIGHT
Failed to receive marble board ordinance.
Enacted first of traffic regulation reforms.
Refused to repeal or modify ban on poultry dressing plants.

Proponents of the marble board backed down last night and withheld their legalizing ordinance from the city council at a meeting which found the galleries packed in large part by representatives of opposing church and similar organizations.

The council relented after once denying the citizens' delegation the privilege of the floor and listened to brief statements in opposition to permitting the return of the marble boards, made by Dr. B. Blatchford for the First Methodist church men's Bible class, Rev. E. S. Hammond for the Salem Ministerial association and Rev. Dean Polidexter of the Leslie Methodist church.

The state highway department's recommendations for untangling business district traffic were adopted in general form by resolution and thanks voted to Chief Engineer R. H. Baldeck for his assistance.

Four-Lane Traffic Resolution Passed
The highway department authorized the highway department to lay out a four-lane traffic system on downtown streets, change High and State streets to parallel parking and shift the angle of parking on the streets to 45 to 30 degrees. Center street was made a through traffic artery at the High and Liberty street intersection and the Court and Commercial intersection was made a stop at the north end and south end signals, stationing of stop-and-go signals.

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Hotel De Minto Reopening Aim Of Mayor Kuhn

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A committee to reopen Hotel de Minto, relief station for transients, was named last night after Mayor V. E. Kuhn called upon the city council to meet a pressing need as evidenced by increased "panhandling" on the streets. The committee will work with either the Salvation Army or some other relief organization on a share-and-share basis in operating the station.

Alderman Frank P. Marshall, named chairman of the special committee, immediately issued a plea to church and other organizations to assist by donating foodstuffs as soon as arrangements to reopen the "hotel" are completed. Marshall will be assisted by Aldermen E. B. Perrine and Edwin C. Goodenough.

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Break Near in Marine Strike Says McGrady

Radio Operators, Ship's Officers Will Resume Negotiations, Stated

Progress in Other Large Labor Disputes Noted Throughout Nation

(By The Associated Press)
Peace moves gained momentum in the nation's major strike centers yesterday.

At San Francisco Assistant Secretary of Labor Edward F. McGrady predicted a "break" in the 59-day maritime strike on the west coast. Coastwise freight operators resumed negotiations with radio telegraphists and arranged to confer with the masters, mates and pilots union.

Developments tended to ease the situation in the Atlantic seaboard area. The marine engineers' beneficial association and the masters, mates and pilots organization announced at Washington withdrawal of their support of the strike of rank and file sailors. The two unions, however, decided to continue their own strikes.

At New York union longshoremen unloaded the French liner Normandie after French dock workers resumed unloading American ships.

Many of the 2,700 employees walked out of the San shipbuilding yards at Chester, Pa., in sympathy with striking seamen.

Glass Workers and Employers Confer
Officials of the Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass company and the federal Glass Workers' union met in a conference at Portland (Turn to page 2, col. 8)

One Injured When Auto, Truck Meet

Big Trailer Unit Toppled But Driver Unscathed; Pedestrian Is Hurt

A small sedan crashed into and caused a heavy Silver Wheel freight truck to overturn at the side of the Pacific highway one-half mile north of Woodburn at 9:1 p.m. last night, according to state police.

Jess P. Paschelle, 40, Portland, was taken to the Woodburn hospital for dressing of severe laceration about the head, face, arms and legs. The truck driver, Elmer R. Erb, Albany, was unhurt.

The crash demolished the sedan and damaged the truck and trailer heavily.

A pedestrian identified only as Mr. Carlson, received a knee injury when he walked against the side of an automobile driven by Paul Gronke, route three, at 9:30 a.m., yesterday. Gronke reported to police. He did not state the location of the accident.

G. Johnson, 1165 South High street, escaped unhurt at 12:10 a.m. Sunday when his automobile collided with a switch engine at Liberty and Trade streets.

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Many Carried Away By Cagayan's Rise; 54 Towns Inundated

Worst Disaster in History of Isles Indicated; Few Bodies Found So Far But Large Number Missing

Surge of Water Strikes Without Any Warning; No Word From District Beyond Ilagan; Sea Takes Toll

MANILA, Dec. 8.—(Tuesday)—(AP)—Thousands were missing in northeast Luzon island today and many of them were feared drowned in what authorities said may prove the most disastrous flood in the history of the Philippines.

Surging over the banks of the Cagayan river, the flood struck in the early hours of December 4, catching virtually all of the inhabitants of the heavily populated region unaware, said a report from the military commander of Isabela province.

With the surly waters still seething toward the sea, 20 bodies had been recovered today near the town of Cagayan, and the provincial commander expressed fear these merely prefigured a vastly greater death toll, that might be numbered in the hundreds or thousands.

At least 54 towns and hamlets were known to be inundated, and many more, nearer the north shore of Luzon, where communications were completely disrupted, were feared deluged. There was no word at all, the commander said, from towns north of Ilagan, about 85 miles inland.

"Thousands of persons," the commander reported, "were carried away as the flood waters swept toward Aparri and the sea. Aparri is at the mouth of the Cagayan."

Towns Inundated Over Wide Region
Traffic throughout the afflicted area was disrupted as high ways were washed out.