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OREGON WEATHER Tonight and Wednesday fair, continued cold, southerly winds.

THE WATER QUESTION.

A matter to be most sincerely desired is the finding of some basis of agreement between the city and the local water company whereby a greater supply of water can be available at a lower rate before another summer season.

CHRISTENING THE FARM.

The Oregon farmer can swell his annual receipts by using good printing and by occasional advertising in the weeklies of his county, says D. W. Morton, dean of the new school of commerce of the University of Oregon.

A farm letterhead should carry the name of the farm, the name of the owner, the location of the farm, and perhaps a small picture of some feature of the place, says Dean Morton, who regards the farmer as a business man with a substantial investment upon which he should make every effort to pay interest.

"It gives a farmer a certain business standing if he has a neat letterhead of good stock, and it improves the value of his farm to have a name and something of an individuality," he said. "There is some initial expense in having a picture taken and a cut made, but the publisher of the nearest country paper will attend to the details and afterward will do the printing reasonably."

"If the farmer raises high-class animals, his letterhead may contain a picture of a prize animal with its record; or if he has a stock farm, a picture of a bunch of stock; or if he has the best house or barn in the neighborhood, a picture of that; or a picture of a grove or a stream is usually effective on stationery. There are few Oregon farms not worth naming, and few that do not provide something worth a permanent picture."

"Advertising rates are very low in Oregon country papers, and a farmer at a cost of from 10 to 50 cents may often sell a horse, a second-hand machine, or some other thing about the place he does not need by putting a small advertisement in his weekly paper."

"A farmer's advertising should of course conform to the best advertising standards; it should be very definite and absolutely truthful."

T. R. MAKES PLEA FOR PREPAREDNESS

Chicago, Jan. 11.—Asking the bull moose national committee, in session here today, to drop all purely partisan considerations, Colonel Roosevelt today wired the members a plea for preparedness. In it he declared the country faces a great crisis and that the nation has fallen far short of its duties for the past 18 months.

The message was read by the committeemen and scores of other bull moose leaders at a conference preliminary to the committee's executive session.

"There is a crying need that we disregard all but vital issues affecting our national life," wired Roosevelt, "and strive wholeheartedly for a sound Americanism which shall insist that every man within our borders be an American and nothing else."

"We must do justice to our own people at home, and insist that they have justice when they are abroad. We must insist upon a most thoroughgoing preparedness to protect our rights against all attacks by any aggressor. Such preparedness is the best guarantee of an honorable peace. We must ever remember that there can not be such preparedness in things material unless there is also that preparedness of soul and spirit which alone renders a nation fit to perform its high and difficult duties in national life."

Reading between the lines, some committeemen said that the message squared with George W. Perkins' attack upon President Wilson last night, particularly the part referring to "justice when they are abroad." They held that in this Roosevelt had indicated an intention of making, if necessary, a direct attack against the Wilson foreign policy, and, likewise, that he had indicated a stand for a broader preparedness program than the present administration seeks.

THREE WOULD BE SEATTLE'S MAYOR

Seattle, Jan. 11.—With but one more week to file for candidates in the coming municipal election, Seattle faces the greatest paucity of candidates since the direct primaries were adopted.

There are only three candidates for mayor, Mayor Gill having filed for re-election yesterday afternoon.

The others are Oliver T. Erickson, president of the city council, and Austin E. Griffiths, former councilman and chief of police.

With three councilmen to be elected, only four candidates have so far filed. These include Judge Wm. H. Moore, former mayor of Seattle, and R. H. Thompson, former city engineer for many years. Councilman Fitzgerald has filed for re-election and State Representative F. H. Renick is the fourth aspirant.

It is generally conceded that a higher class of candidates have filed this year than ever before in the city's history and this has tended to scare away smaller fry. In 1914 there were ten candidates for mayor and 27 for the council.

INVESTIGATE ALLEGED HOSTILE TALK OF CONSUL

Berlin, via Wireless to Sayville, Jan. 11.—Germany is investigating alleged hostile statements of American Consul Higgins of Stuttgart, according to the newspapers today.

Several days ago, statements, apparently inspired in the German press, accused Higgins of being British in all except his birth. Because of this alleged situation they demanded his recall.

ADVERTISEMENT BRINGS LEAP YEAR PROPOSALS

New York, Jan. 11.—Advertisements announcing his willingness to hearken to maidens' proposals this leap year have already netted Clinton P. Smith, of Flushing, L. I., 40 "satisfactory returns."

Something Else. "Is loving a verb?" "No; it's just plain nonsense." Having made this reply to his daughter's question, Mr. Grinch looked a few dangers.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch

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SEND RELIEF TO BELEAGUERED ARMY

London, Jan. 11.—British soldiers going to the relief of beleaguered Kut-El-Amara, England's Mesopotamia base, are now within 17 miles of the town, according to the best available information today.

But the Turks, outnumbering them two to one, block their path and surround the town.

British reconnoitering forces are in contact with the Turks six miles east of Kut-El-Amara, according to official dispatches today. The main British force has been unable to advance on account of bad weather and has halted in the vicinity of Sheikh Saed.

No news of the fate of the garrison has reached here since dispatches told of the danger to the British as a result of Saturday's fighting in that region. Hence it is regarded possible that a decisive battle may already have been fought.

Not since the memorable siege of Ladysmith, South Africa, during the Boer war, have the British been in such a dangerous predicament, so far from home, as they find themselves in at Kut-El-Amara. Therefore anxiety, if not genuine alarm, is felt for the expedition.

The latest advices indicated that the relief forces of Generals Aylmer and Campbell are in contact with the Turks in the bend of the Tigris river, east of Kut-El-Amara. The weather, however, is impeding the British progress. Though no details of the situation have been received, it is believed the Turks who encircled the British right wing threw heavy forces between the Kut-El-Amara garrison and the Tigris. If that is the case, the relief forces must fight their way eastward through this force.

Meantime, officials are hopeful. Kut-El-Amara is undoubtedly provisioned to withstand a long siege, inasmuch as it served as the base for the recent unsuccessful British Baghdad sally. Moreover, the British improved the town's Turkish defenses when they captured it, and it is believed to be impregnable against the light artillery that the Turks have drawn from Baghdad.

CLAIMS KILLING OF MRS. LEE ACCIDENTAL

Portland, Jan. 11.—Albert Gabel steadfastly maintained today that the fatal shooting of Mrs. Minnie Lee Sunday night was accidental. The coroner's jury last night discovered that Mrs. Lee was shot only once. This upsets the strongest single circumstance on which the state might press a murder charge. Gabel maintained that, in his play he put the .22 calibre rifle against Mrs. Lee's breast and pulled the trigger, believing the safety lock on. He insisted that he shot only once. After a preliminary investigation, the coroner declared that there were two bullet holes in Mrs. Lee's breast. The second was discovered to be only a powder burn.

Gabel is held in jail pending a grand jury investigation.

For good bargains in furniture, see Helmer's. 640

Coffee

If your coffee is poor try blaming the coffee; the best cook can't make good coffee if you buy poor.

Schilling's Best—made right—won't taste bitterish, for the chaff is taken-out; won't be muddy—it is evenly ground; won't be weak—all its rich aroma is sealed-in by the airtight tins. These tins are revolutionizing the coffee business.

It takes less Schilling's Best; that makes it economical.

Schilling's Best

MASON TELLS WHAT WAR MOVES MEAN

New York, Jan. 11.—The British are in a better position to carry on the struggle at Kut-El-Amara, Mesopotamia, than the Turks encircling them, because of having more advantageous communication.

General Aylmer has unobstructed use of the Tigris from the base at the Persian gulf. The Turks can not move down the Tigris because Kut-El-Amara blocks their path, and they must move supplies over marshy land while rain is increasing their difficulties.

Aylmer began his relief march Thursday from Imam Ali Gherbi, 60 miles southeast of Kut-El-Amara, and it is believed he has reached Sheikh Saed, midway between the two points. The Turks must move from their base to attack him, and once they do, they will be hampered by communication problems. Aylmer undoubtedly will be able to penetrate to Kut-El-Amara, but he may be compelled to move cautiously, fearing that if he rushed in he, too, would be bottled up. It is possible he will need reinforcements before continuing to Kut-El-Amara and Bagdad and thus accomplish the purpose of the campaign.

AUSTRIA JUSTIFIES SINKING OF LINER

Berlin, via Sayville, Jan. 11.—Justification for torpedoing the Italian liner Porto Said was given in Vienna dispatches today, which declared an Austrian submarine sank her after she had tried to escape and to ram the undersea boat.

"The submarine first ordered the Porto Said to stop, but she attempted to escape," said the message. "Then she ran up a white flag and stopped."

"When the submarine approached, the steamer suddenly veered, in order to ram her. The submarine fired and hit her, after which she again stopped and began lowering her boats."

"Then the submarine stopped firing. Upon approaching, the submarine found that boats were pulling away without heeding those who were swimming. The submarine halted the boat containing the captain and threatened to shoot him if he did not return and save these people."

"The submarine found two persons aboard the steamer, one of whom was wounded. The latter was taken aboard the submarine and bandaged, and then transferred to the captain's boat. Only then was the Porto Said torpedoed. While the submarine was still aiding those aboard the ship the submarine was shelled by enemy torpedo boats and yachts."

London dispatches December 17 reported that the Porto Said had been submerged, but carried no details. She was a 5,300-ton vessel.

CALIFORNIA TO HAVE COLD NIGHT

San Francisco, Jan. 11.—Boreas and his principal assistant, Jack Frost, invaded California today and, as a result, the mercury dropped rapidly until it reached 38 degrees. But this is not the worst, according to Weatherman Willson, who predicts colder weather tonight and tomorrow, with danger to orange groves in southern California.

Heavy snow in the Sierras delayed the Overland Limited more than 12 hours last night, and railroads are having trouble in clearing the big drifts.

Extra engines have to be put on the big transcontinental trains in order to make headway through the mountains, and the snow clearing facilities along the lines are taxed to the limit.

SUBMARINE GETS BRITISH STEAMER CLAN McFARLANE

London, Jan. 11.—The British steamer Clan McFarlane has been sunk by a submarine, according to official announcement today. Thirteen perished when the McFarlane was sunk and 24 were rescued. She was a 4,800-ton vessel.

Demaray's Drug and Stationery Store. For the New Year Blank Books, Filing Devices, Office Supplies.

SAYS AMERICANS LACK PATRIOTISM

San Diego, Jan. 11.—Americans lack real patriotism, according to Rear Admiral Wm. F. Fullam, commander of the Pacific reserve fleet, in an address before the women's branch of the Navy league at Hotel del Coronado.

"We have never been as patriotic as we ought to be and no nation has more reason to be patriotic," he said. "We have spasms of patriotism, but they don't last very long. Four out of five of us can not sing the national air. And, by the way, that's one of the things we teach daily to the recruits of the army and navy."

"Consider the frequency of wars. We have fought England twice, France, Morocco, the Indian wars, the war with Mexico and the Spanish-American war. There have been 39 years of war in 139 years since 1776—one year of war for every three and a half years of peace. If the business man expected an earthquake every four or five years, wouldn't he insure against it? Having a strong navy is only like holding an insurance policy."

Fullam said the war of the revolution was the most costly per capita because it lasted so long, and lasted so long because the colonies had no army.

"We think we are patriotic, but we're not half as patriotic as we had been, and would be if the boys of this country were not brought up in a namby-pamby sort of a way."

SEATTLE IN GRIP OF WINTER WEATHER

Seattle, Jan. 11.—With a sharp north wind blowing at a velocity of 20 to 40 miles an hour, Seattle today was in the grip of the severest winter weather in seven years. At 8 o'clock the thermometer registered 14 degrees above zero. It was nine below the lowest temperature of the winter.

A number of public offices did not open on account of the storm and inadequate supply of water with which to heat the boilers.

Throughout the northwest the wind wrought much damage. At Bellingham the thermometer dropped to 10 degrees above.

Seller's kitchen cabinet at Helmer's. 640 Envelops, 5c per package, 20c per 100.—Courier Office.

PORTLAND MARKETS

Wheat—Club, 99@1.01; bluestem, 1.03 1/2@1.06. Oats—No. 1 white feed, 26@26.50. Barley—Feed, 26.25@27. Hogs—Best live, 6.85@6.90. Prime steers, 7.50@7.90; fancy cows, 6.25; best calves, 7.50@8. Spring lambs, 8@8.25. Butter—City creamery, 30. Eggs—Selected local extras, 33. Hens, 16@18; broilers, 16@18; geese, 9.

Fanny Dickens. Fanny, the sister of Charles Dickens, was one of the first students entered in the old Royal Academy of Music when it opened its doors at Tottenham street in 1823, and at that time the students lived at the academy city along home for the week end. "Every Sunday," Dickens told Forster, "I was at the academy at 9 o'clock in the morning to fetch her (Fanny), and we walked back there together at night." And the Sunday itself the two spent in the Marshalsea prison, where their father and mother then resided, owing to Mr. Dickens having failed to propitiate his creditors. "While her father was still in prison Fanny won a prize at the academy, and the future novelist, then engaged in posting labels on blacking pots at 7 shillings a week, was present to see her receive it.—Westminster Gazette

STOMACH MISERY QUICKLY VANISHES

Your money back if you want it in the way in which C. H. Demaray, the popular druggist, is selling Mi-ona, the great dyspepsia remedy.

This is an unusual plan, but Mi-ona has so much merit and is so almost invariably successful in relieving all forms of indigestion that he runs but little risk in selling under a guarantee of this kind.

Do not be miserable or make your friends miserable with your dyspepsia. Mi-ona will help you. If it doesn't, tell C. H. Demaray that you want your money back and he will cheerfully refund it.

A change for the better will be seen from the first few doses of Mi-ona and its continued use will soon start you on the road to perfect digestion and enjoyment of food. Mi-ona has been so uniformly successful that every box is sold under a positive guarantee to refund the money if it does not relieve. What fairer proposition could be made.

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