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BOSTON, Dec. 21.—The controversy between the directors of the First Church of Christ Scientist, and the trustees of the Christian Science Publishing society, were before the state supreme court today on a petition for an injunction to prevent the directors from removing the trustees, pending determination of points at issue. Hearings was set for tomorrow. Reference was made to letters calling upon Trustees Herbert W. Eustace and Paul Harvey to resign. In the letter to Eustace it was asserted that Eustace and his associates had mismanaged the publishing society to such an extent that the Christian Science Sentinel, Christian Science Journal and Christian Science Monitor had lost 70, 75 and 80 per cent of circulation respectively in 1920 and 1921; that net earnings had fallen from \$500,000 a year to "less than nothing," and that no profits had been turned over to the treasurer of the church since March, 1919.

The trustees in their petition assert the charges in the letters are either frivolous and baseless or insufficient, but that under the circumstances they do not desire to remain in office. The court is asked to discharge the trustees from their trust and appoint their successors after an examination of their stewardship.

King's Bill Turned Down.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—The senate naval committee today again declined to take up the resolution of Senator King, democrat, Utah, providing for the suspension of work on all capital ships now under construction.

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Sousa and His Success

Rather an interesting study in heredity and American influences is the career of John Phillip Sousa, bandmaster, who again is visiting Portland. His father, Antonio, was born and educated in Spain, though of Portuguese family, and was a musician from boyhood. Sousa himself is an American, born at the national capital, and like his sire has followed the lure of music since ever he was a child. It is apparent then that a congenial devotion to music the famous bandmaster has added a master touch typical of his native country, expressive not only of patriotism but of that safety and light-hearted pride which characterize his home audiences.

Sousa was reared in an atmosphere of vigorous band music. His father, a runaway at twelve, had served in British naval bands over the world and had, if tradition speaks truth, followed our own flag in the Mexican war, doubtless as a musician. Music to him first of all meant military air, and his career in this country began when he joined the Brooklyn navy yard band in 1850. Later he entered the United States Marine band as trombonist and, naturally enough, it was to that organization the son turned in his fifteenth year. In time he was to lead it, and to become the foremost bandmaster of the nation, resigning only to organize his own band and express himself through such a unit. All folk who have faith in themselves will be comforted by the fact that John Phillip Sousa, in those earlier days, composed and sold two of his marches, the "Washington Post" and the "High School Cadet" for the thrilling sum of \$35.

The tremendous success of Sousa as a musician is not far to seek. More than any other composer, and wholly without pausing to cheapness, he expresses the popular taste. Critics who willingly admit his superiority as a band leader sometimes cavil at his marches as not sufficiently classical, not entirely in harmony with the elder precepts. The public reserves to itself the right of approval or disapproval and the verdict of the public has been known these many years. His marches throw back the band, and straighten the shoulders, and about happily in one's ears, and quicken strange but pleasurable emotions of buoyant gallantry. It would seem that this is the chief function of a march, and that Sousa sends his shafts of tune straight to the target not once but many times. He has visualized the American spirit in band music.—Portland Oregonian.

Sousa's band at Page tonight.

CENTER MAY PLAY ALL STAR TEAM

FORT WORTH, Texas, Dec. 21.—Arrangements for a football game December 31 between Centre college and the all-college stars of the southwest continued here today despite the announcement from Dallas yesterday that a previous contract with the Texas A. and M. precluded such a contest. Local promoters said their money was on deposit and plans had been accepted by both sides. Tickets were placed on sale today.

5 ESKIMOS KILLED IN SHOOTING FRAY

EDMONTON, Alta., Dec. 21.—Five Eskimos, three men, a woman and a child, were slain and a fourth wounded in a shooting affray at a point 20 miles east of the Hudson Bay post on Walker Bay, Kent peninsula, August 1, news of which reached here today in reports from the Tree river detachment of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police which is stationed north of the Arctic circle.

ZEPPELIN WILL BE BUILT TO U. S. TO REPLACE ONE LOST

PARIS, Dec. 17.—(By the Associated Press)—The council of ambassadors has granted permission to the United States to contract for the construction of a Zeppelin at Friedrichshafen, Germany, of a Zeppelin of the L-7 type. This decision marks the end of diplomatic negotiations, which have proceeded between the allied powers and the United States since July last.

The application for the construction of a Zeppelin grew out of the destruction in Germany of five big dirigibles, one of which had been allotted to the United States during the peace conference. The United States based its application on the grounds that it was entitled to another airship under Germany's reparations agreement. The council of ambassadors referred the matter to the principal allied powers and several notes are said to have been exchanged.

It is said that construction of the new Zeppelin may be started in January.

2 ASTORIA BOYS ARE BURNED TO DEATH

ASTORIA, Ore., Dec. 21.—Two boys, Harold and Hilding Helgren, aged 12 and 10 respectively, were burned to death Monday night when the Helgren home in East Astoria burned. The boys had gone to bed and were the only occupants of the house when the fire was discovered.

Henry Helgren, the father, had gone to a neighbor's house to help thaw out some water pipes. When her husband was gone longer than she expected, Mrs. Helgren also went to the neighbor's home. A few minutes later their home was discovered to be in flames and rescue of the children was impossible.



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The very seriousness of the part in life that Charlie plays in the production, that of foster-father to a two-weeks old baby, makes it one of the most deliciously humorous pictures which he has ever given a joy-loving public. It is full feature length, running six reels, and is comedy of such high rank that it is universally known as First National's six reels of joy.

Buster Keaton's late comedy, "The Haunted House," a Pathé News, and "Betty" Brown in popular numbers at the big Wurlitzer are all added feature offerings for holiday diversion.

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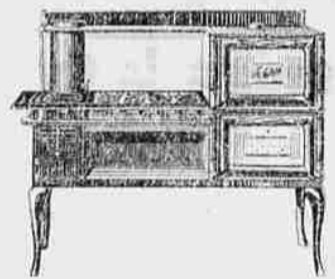
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