

# Protectorate in Mexico by U. S. is Planned

## Report Has it that President Taft has Sent President Madero Ultimatum

### ASQUITH THINKS BALKAN PEACE IS CLOSE AT HAND

#### PREMIER OF ENGLAND OPTIMISTIC TURN OF MIND

Declares That Result of the Peace Negotiations in London Will be One of the City's Proudest Laurels—Turkey Will Insist That the Greeks Stop Fighting and Allow the Re-ventualing of Adrianople

LONDON, Dec. 20.—The peace envoys were the guests at the Lord Mayor's luncheon before they were presented to the king, speaking at the luncheon, Premier Asquith said: "I am an optimist. I believe that the negotiations will be successful. The outcome will warrant posterity in regarding the peace treaty of London one of the city's proudest and most valuable laurels."

Advices received from Constantinople indicate that Turkey will insist that the Greeks stop fighting and the allies permit the re-ventualing of Adrianople. This will result, it is predicted, in the resumption of war before Christmas.

Messages from Sofia say that the Bulgarian parliament will not sanction peace unless Bulgaria gets Adrianople.

#### Suffragettes Are Walking

WAPPINGER FALLS, N. Y., Dec. 20.—Four suffragettes who are walking to Albany, left Fishkill this afternoon. Tonight they will be guests at the annual village dance here.

#### Taft Is Traveling

ASHLEY JUNCTION, S. C., Dec. 20.—President Taft's special, en route to Panama, stopped here today. The president appeared on the rear platform.

### GOING TO RENO

Evelyn Thaw Is on Her Way to the West

United Press Service BALT LAKE, Dec. 20.—Evelyn Thaw passed through here today, presumably en route to Reno. She refused to be interviewed. She said she was going to California.

### TO SPEND XMAS IN CALIFORNIA

#### MANY KLAMATH FALLS PEOPLE GO SOUTH FOR THE HOLIDAYS. OUTGOING TRAINS ARE CROWDED TO CAPACITY

Quite a number of Klamath Falls residents are planning to spend the holidays in San Francisco and other California points, and for the past few days every outgoing train has carried a number southward.

The exodus today includes the following: Miss Bessie Applegate, Mrs. Schurz, Franklin Fish, Mr. Moreland and Mr. Hancock.

Among those who will leave tomorrow are Charles J. Ferguson, Rosister L. Mickel, H. N. Wood, Mr. and Mrs. Wilson, Miss Claudia O'Laughlin, James Henley, Ernest M. Bubb, Mrs. William Powell, Mrs. H. J. Winters, Mrs. Hotchkiss, Leland Mosier and Ord Arnold.

#### Bryan Is Silent

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 20.—William Jennings Bryan stopped here today to briefly visit with his son. He is en route to New York to confer with Wilson and Sulzer. He declined to be interviewed.

Jac. Pringle, a well known electrician, left Thursday for Wisconsin, to spend the holidays with his parents.

### COUNTY COURT TO ASK BIDS

#### SALE OF THE OLD COUNTY COURT HOUSE SITE HAS BEEN DEFINITELY DECIDED UPON—MAJORITY VOTERS FAVOR SALE

The old county court house will not be offered for sale until the new board of county commissioners is convened. This decision has been reached by the county dads.

The replies to the letters sent out by the board indicates that the great majority of people in the county favor selling the property, so it is probable that early in the new year bids will be called for.

### MONEY HELD UP; ROADS DELAYED

#### CALIFORNIA ENGINEERS SAY THAT GREAT HIGHWAYS IN STATE MAY NOT BE COMPLETED FOR GREAT EXPOSITION

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 20.—Declaring that the building of \$1,000,000 of surveyed state highways are being held up because of lack of funds, due, in turn, to the fact that the \$10,000,000 4 per cent bond issue is not selling, Engineer A. B. Fletcher of the state highway commission today feared the big coast road would not be finished in time for the 1915 exposition. Thus far only \$2,000,000 of the issue has been sold, while the surveys aggregate more than \$2,000,000. On account of the slow sale of the bonds Fletcher said it was probable the legislature would be asked to raise the interest rate to 5 per cent.

Mrs. James L. Estes left Thursday for Bryant, Ill., to visit relatives.

### LOCAL DEBATERS GET PRACTICE

#### QUESTION TO BE ARGUED IN ASSEMBLY JANUARY 10 IS TAKEN UP IN PRELIMINARY DEBATE AT HIGH SCHOOL

A preliminary debate on the question: "Resolved, That Life Imprisonment with a Restricted Power of Pardon, would be a Desirable Substitute for Capital Punishment in Oregon," was held Thursday afternoon at the high school for the benefit of the team to represent the local school in the State High School Debating League.

The affirmative side was supported by the members of the team, Forrest Pell, Edwin Cox and Annie Hales. Arguments against the question were given by Helen Forrest, Claire Heald and William Hagebolein. Some salient points were brought out by both sides to prove their contentions.

The question is the one for debate in the league this year, and the local school will have the affirmative side when it meets Ashland high school. This debate will be held at Ashland January 10th.

### ARCHBALD GETS TIME EXTENSION

#### ACCUSED JUDGE'S DECISION TO TAKE STAND IN HIS OWN DEFENSE RESULTS IN MORE TIME BEING GIVEN HIM

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 20.—The sergeant at arms of the senate declared today that the Archbald defense would be given at least three days more to present testimony. The decision to put Archbald on the stand caused the extension of time.

### DIAMOND BROKER IS MURDERED

#### BODY IS FOUND IN HIS OFFICE. SKULL IS CRUSHED AND HANDS TIED BEHIND HIS BACK—NO CLUE TO SLAYER

CHICAGO, Dec. 20.—J. P. Logue, a diamond merchant, was found dead today in his office in the McVickers' building. His skull was crushed and his hands were tied behind his back. He had a gag in his mouth. The safe was locked. There is no clue to his slayer.

Mrs. William Powell will go to Sacramento tomorrow to remain for the holidays.

Banquet Committee Appointed At the regular meeting of Prosperity Rebekah Lodge No. 104, I. O. O. F., last night three candidates were initiated. The following members were appointed to serve on the banquet committee for January: Flora Emmitt (chairman), Chary Johnson, R. A. Emmitt, W. F. Johnson, Ivy North, E. D. North, F. L. Armstrong, Belle Smith, Anna Leach, Lydia Houston, Helen Houston, Nellie Summers, S. T. Summers, Anna O'Farrell, Ivan Daniels, Altha Daniels, Maud Guthridge, Richard Guthridge, Lillian Stille, Elsie Stille.

### PEACE ENVOYS STILL LOAFING

#### NO FORMAL SESSION IS HELD, BUT PEACE TERMS ARE DISCUSSED INFORMALLY BY THE DELEGATES

LONDON, Dec. 20.—There was no formal session of the peace envoys today, but they consulted informally at their hotels. Lord Grey presented the delegates to King George this afternoon. A courier from Constantinople is expected to arrive tomorrow.

#### Report Denied

PARIS, Dec. 20.—Constantinople dispatches say that there is no confirmation of the Greek report that Halli Pasha, the Turkish vice admiral, and four officers have been killed.

### MORE BOXES IN THE POSTOFFICE

#### CONVENIENCE OF PATRONS IS CONSIDERED BY UNCLE SAM. BOXES TO BE INSTALLED AROUND THE LATEST TYPE

One hundred additional lock boxes are to be installed in the postoffice next week for the convenience of the postoffice patrons. The boxes arrived Thursday, together with other furniture needed to handle the increased volume going through the local office. The boxes are the latest type adopted by the postoffice department, and they automatically lock themselves when closed.

### SCHOLARS ARE ON A VACATION

#### HIGH SCHOOL IS CLOSED UNTIL JANUARY 6TH—PRINCIPAL FAUGHT ADDRESSING PUPILS ON THE YULETIDE SPIRIT

The Christmas vacation commenced at the Klamath County High School this afternoon, and the students are excused from study until Monday, January 6th.

An impressive talk on the true spirit of Yuletide and the present day spirit, as it manifests itself, was given by Principal W. E. Faught at chapel this morning.

### LABORITES SEE WOODROW WILSON

#### GOMPERS AND MORRISON URGE THE CREATION OF A DEPARTMENT OF LABOR—CONFERENCE WITH PRESIDENT-ELECT

TRENTON, N. J., Dec. 20.—President Gompers and Secretary Morrison of the American Federation of Labor conferred with Woodrow Wilson today. They urge the president-elect to favor a law creating a department of labor.

### STORM IS TERRIBLE

#### North Dakota Visited By Worst Storm

FARGO, N. D., Dec. 20.—The most terrific snow storm in years is raging throughout the state. There are five and six foot drifts here, and the railroads are crippled.

### HONORS GIVEN TO AMBASSADOR

#### FAMOUS OLD STREAM GUARDS ESCORT BODY FROM WESTMINSTER ABNEY TO VICTORIA STATION—START WEST SATURDAY

LONDON, Dec. 20.—Prince Arthur of Connaught, representing the king and queen, many notables and 5,000 Americans attended the Beld memorial at noon today in Westminster Abbey.

After the memorial the body was taken to Portsmouth. The Cold Stream Guards escorted the body to Victoria station, where the archduke Natal is waiting to convey the body to New York. The start will be made tomorrow.

Mrs. Reid and Ogden Reid will sail on the Campania tomorrow.

Miss Edna Wells left Thursday for Ashland, where she will spend three weeks with relatives. She will return in time to assist in the extending of the assessment rolls.

### AMERICANS MUST BE PROTECTED IS THE KEYNOTE

#### SECRETARY EXPOS AMERICAN IS IN EXTREMIS

American Army Officer is Ordered to Be Ready to Protect the Lives and Property of Americans in Constantinople, Where the Muslim Masses Have Gotten on a Strike—Bald's Expectations Continue

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 20.—Secretary Knox said that President Taft's note had not yet been presented to President Madero, but was being prepared. He admitted that the note would be severe, and would demand greater protection for Americans. It was not stated whether or not the note would constitute an actual ultimatum.

Congressmen suspect that the text of the note was purposely allowed to leak out in order that Madero might take the hint.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 20.—It is believed that the United States will establish a postconsulate within thirty days over that portion of Mexico where American interests are located, unless President Madero accedes to the demands of the ultimatum sent by President Taft Thursday. The state department admits that efforts to reach a friendly adjustment.

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# Christmas Plans for Churches Announced

## Elaborate Entertainments are to be Given on Christmas Eve. Most of the Churches to Have Christmas Trees for Children of Sunday Schools

A certain Mr. S. Claus, alias K. Kringie, alias St. Nicholas, will be the busiest man in Klamath Falls Christmas Eve, for in addition to his annual call via the chimney route to every good boy and girl, he has also accepted engagements to officiate at the "Good Fellows" Christmas tree and at several of the churches where Christmas exercises will be held for the children of the Sunday schools.

Christmas trees. Elaborate preparations are being made for these entertainments in several of the Sunday schools.

The Yuletide exercises at Grace M. E. Church have been arranged by Frank M. Upp and George J. Walton. They have arranged a highly appropriate program, which follows:

Carol—"Christ is Born."

Prayer.

Hymn, "Joy to the World," congregation.

Words of Welcome, Dr. W. A. Leonard, superintendent of Sunday school.

Carol, "Hail Him."

Responsive reading.

Carol, "Tidings of Joy."

Recitation, "Grandest Event."

Recitation, "Christmas Outcast."

Ina Graham.

Carol, "The Song of Old."

"A Christmas Story," Mrs. Walton.

Solo, Louise Benson.

"O, Shout for Joy," Beatrice West.

"Alaska Christmas Tree," Mildred Lewis.

Chorus, "Hail the Messiah."

Recitation, Dorris Bell.

"Why He Came," Mrs. Arnold's class.

"For You and Me," Miss Momyer's class.

"Song of the Little Child," Melba Davenport.

"Little Hands Are Clapping," Miss Wood, Miss Lewis and Miss Peitz.

"The Gift of God," Scripture.

Chorus, "Gifts for Our King."

Recitation, Oida.

Recitation, Bessie Frye.

Recitation, Eula Frye.

Recitation, Constance Fisher.

At the Presbyterian church special plans have been taken to prepare for the happiness of the Sunday school

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### "Ham" Hamilton Gets a Twenty Day Jolt

#### Colored Bootblack is Found Guilty of Selling Liquor on Sunday and will Receive Mail in Bastille

J. H. Hamilton, colored, who was arrested several days ago on a charge of selling liquor on Sunday, was today found guilty by Police Judge Levitt. Ham was fined \$40, and in default of

payment he was given twenty days in the city bastille.

The complaint against "Ham" was made by Chief of Police Smith, who alleged that the negro sold whiskey on the Sabbath to "Doc" Lightbody.

### Young Allen to Go to Pen for 2 to 20 Years

#### Judge Benson Passes Sentence on Young Man Convicted of Forgery. An Appeal may be Taken

Robert Allen, convicted on a forgery charge, was this morning sentenced to serve from two to twenty years in the state penitentiary.

C. M. O'Neill, who defended the young man at his trial, asked the leniency of the court, and requested in behalf of Allen that an entry be made in the court journal permitting the defendant to reopen or appeal the case at a later date.

O'Neill hinted that Allen was made

the scapegoat for other parties, and he expressed his intention of having the matter taken up again as soon as he was able to discover evidence.

In sustaining the primary Judge Benson said that in view of the fact that Allen was convicted, it was beyond the power of the court to do anything but an administrative sentence of from two to twenty years, and he stated further that the sentence of parole was also taken out of his hands.