

Music was a thing of the soul—a rose lipped shell that murmured of the eternal sea, singing the songs of another shore.—J. C. Holland.

# SOUP'S SOUP BEST WEATHER HERE

## Worst Storm in Century Hits Britain

### Sea Walls Crushed, Shipping Damaged, by Terrific Gale of 60 Miles An Hour.

Losses to Total Millions

By DAVID M. CHURCH, International News Service Staff Correspondent.

London, Dec. 27.—Widespread destruction was being written into the history of the British Isles tonight by the worst storm in 100 years.

A terrific 60-mile-an-hour gale has been blowing for hours and the weather bureau forecast it would continue.

The German traveler Hohelust was sunk off the coast of Scotland, 11 of the crew being drowned, Lloyd's announced tonight.

No section appears to have escaped damage. Sea walls were crushed like egg shells, roofs were wrenched from houses, shipping was torn from its moorings, badly damaged and, at some ports, tossed high and dry on the beach.

Damage Totals Millions.

A compilation tonight of accredited reports showed that storm damage will total millions of dollars.

Floods were sweeping the Rhymney valley in South Wales. Homes were under water and inhabitants of the district were seeking refuge on higher land.

The Thames river overflowed its banks at numerous places, causing damage to homes and farms.

In Ireland the River Foyle was out of its banks and many homes were inundated.

The Cardiganshire coasts were hard hit and damage will reach a large sum, reports said.

Chaff roofs were impossible and sea walls were leveled. Aberystwyth was partly under water and residents of the town were isolated. The body of a man believed to be the captain of the French steamer "St. Cardoc" was washed up on the Cardiganshire coast. The body of another man was found among masses of wreckage strewn along the coast.

Water Covers Farms.

Reading, England, reported thousands of acres of land under water. At Hull, a ferryboat was blown ashore and passengers were rescued with great difficulty.

At the fashionable watering place of Ryde, on the Isle of Wight, a naval monitor was torn from its moorings and swept on to the beach. Smaller craft were tossed on the beach almost bodily.

Various steamers sent out radio signals of distress. Two yarmouth vessels were brought into port after a terrific battle with the winds and after lifeboats made futile attempts to rescue passengers.

The British steamer Sarthes, bound for South Africa, was taken into tow, and at last reports was returning to port with its engines disabled.

The British steamer Glen Eidan is ashore at North Foreland, England's most easterly land's end.

Chalk cliffs rise 200 feet above and shipping men say there is small hope for the vessel. The crew, wireless reports said, was balked in its attempts to launch boats to reach shore.

Landslides Numerous.

At Pontypool hundreds of tons of dirt had stopped all train traffic. Chalk cliffs fell on a train at Pontypool and four passengers were injured.

A hurricane and torrential rains swept Dublin. In Edinburgh trees were uprooted, roofs were carried away and street traffic was suspended.

In London air service was canceled and all sporting events were postponed.

## GUIDES BALK AT MOTOR CAR SLED

Berne, Switzerland, Dec. 27.—Even the hardest of Alpine guides refused to ride down a snow-covered hill in a newly invented automobile on sled runners.

No, the manufacturers of the new amusement device made the initial tryout by sending the sled-car down hill without passengers. The experiment was a success.

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## Burgess-Nash Store Closes Doors; Redmond Joins J. L. Brandeis Forces; Negotiations for Lease Continue

The Burgess-Nash store, which was sold to J. L. Brandeis and Sons and the Surplus Merchandising corporation of New York, at a receiver's sale December 11 for \$1,080,000, will not reopen for business Monday.

This announcement was made by George Brandeis at the close of the store's business Saturday night.

In his statement, Mr. Brandeis said that J. P. Redmond, who has been vice president of the Burgess-Nash store since 1914 together with a number of the Burgess-Nash employees, will join the Brandeis organization.

Mr. Brandeis said that he and his New York associates still may open a store on the Burgess-Nash corner, providing a satisfactory lease may be obtained. In that event, a stock of merchandise will be placed in the store, he said.

## Helpful to Omaha.

"Omaha is quite capable of supporting another store," Mr. Brandeis said in his statement. He said such competition would help in building Omaha and would help bring in out-of-town trade. Mr. Brandeis declared that with the improvement of the highways leading into Omaha this city will receive a larger patronage from Nebraska, Iowa and South Dakota. He said Omahans should welcome and encourage the recently constructed Yankee bridge.

"The J. L. Brandeis and Sons store has nothing to lose and much to gain

## Aquitania Battles Mid-Ocean Gale

### Radio Reports Giant Liner Making Only 9 Knots An Hour.

New York, Dec. 27.—The liner Aquitania, with many homecoming Americans aboard, tonight was battling her way slowly toward New York through a terrific gale in mid-Atlantic, radio messages to the Cunard line revealed.

The latest word received here was the laconic "very bad weather; proceeding slowly," which came at 3 this afternoon. An earlier message said the vessel "was in the midst of a whole gale," unable to make more than nine knots an hour. Cunard line officials interpreted "a whole gale" as "the worst kind of a storm the sea can produce."

## FARMER SUED BY WOMAN FOR \$45,000

Mrs. Marie Kusik, 40, residing with her husband in South Omaha, filed suit in district court for \$45,000 against P. Vackay Pavel, bachelor farmer living near Able, Neb., alleging that he is the father of four of her six children, 6 to 12 years old.

She says that soon after she came to this country with her husband, in 1911, she took a position as housekeeper at Pavel's farm and that he attacked her.

## INSURANCE BODY TO HOLD MEETING

Red Oak, Ia., Dec. 27.—The annual meeting of the members of the Swedish Mutual insurance association of southwestern Iowa will be held at the Lutheran church here on Thursday, January 8. The delegates will elect three directors for terms of three years and one director for a term of two years.

## "Kid" Wedge, Once an Omaha Fighter, Later a Harvard Student, Now Gets Religion and Will Be Evangelist

FREDERICK R. Wedge might still be a "ham-and-egg" prize fighter, knocking about the auditorium, no longer as a participant but as a preacher, and he delivered a gospel message to the fight fans assembled here.

Instead, dispatches from Berkeley, Cal., say he is about to enter the evangelistic field. He is a graduate student at the University of California.

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## McClintock Death Clue Uncovered

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#### May Have Hastened End

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Chicago, Dec. 27.—The McClintock death probe took on a sinister aspect again tonight when it was reported that the physicians who performed the examination of "Billy" McClintock's exhumed body had found solid food, generally considered fatal in typhoid cases, in the viscera of the body.

## McCoy Jury Has No Verdict Yet

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 27.—After being deadlocked for more than nine hours over the fate of "Kid" McCoy on a charge of murdering his "light of love," the jury trying the case was today apparently no nearer a verdict than when it went out yesterday.

Disheveled and visibly weary from the long hours said to have been spent in the bitter argument over whether the "Kid" should be adjudged not guilty or sentenced to death for his alleged crime, the jurors this morning sent word to Superior Judge Cralf that they had not reached a decision and wanted something to eat.

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## Transcontinental Tourists Wrecked Near End of Trail



With the end of their transcontinental tour almost in sight, party of tourists bound from New York to San Francisco, wrecked car near Cheyenne, Wyo. Wreckage caught fire, with the result shown above. Three of the tourists were hurt.

## Scores of Waifs Still Suffering, in Need of Shoes

"School Will Start Before I Get a Pair," Mourns Child; Pleas Must Be Answered.

If everyone could only realize the pitiable condition of several scores of tender, delicate kiddies in hovels they call home right here in Omaha, what an outpouring of money there would be into the Free Shoe Fund so that they might be supplied with the strong, warm shoes that mean so much to their health and comfort.

## RAIL BODY WILL HEAR TWO PLEAS

Lincoln, Dec. 27.—The state rail way commission will hold two hearings in northeast Nebraska next week.

On Monday at Wayne a hearing will be held on application of the Minneapolis & Omaha to curtail a passenger train each day on the Crofton branch and the Bloomfield branch. On Tuesday a hearing will be held at Banport on application of the local telephone company for increased rates.

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Shenandoah, Ia., Dec. 27.—American customs, a snowy Christmas and sub-zero weather are some of the things Mrs. James Cornelius, black-eyed Spanish bride from Honolulu, is having difficulty getting accustomed to. She and her husband are spending Christmas with his mother, Mrs. Marie Kelley, and his aunt, Mrs. Harry Allen and Mrs. W. C. Powers.

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## Year's Low Temperature Is Recorded

### Mercury Starts on Downward Course Early in Day; 15 Degrees Below Zero Forecast by Meteorologist.

#### Slight Relief Sunday

Cold weather records for this winter were broken at 7 Saturday evening when Meteorologist M. V. Robins announced that the mercury had dropped to 10 degrees below zero.

With this "excellent" downward start, the depths to be plumbed by the mercury before this morning were then uncertain, the weatherman said. It would, in all probability, fall from five to seven degrees more, however, he hazarded, placing it 15 to 17 degrees below zero.

## Frank Latenser Home Looted by Daring Thieves

The home of Frank Latenser, 3217 Puppleton avenue, was entered Saturday morning by prowlers who completely ransacked the place, departing with loot of unestimated value.

John Latenser, Jr., 3215 Puppleton avenue, discovered the robbery at 11 Saturday morning when he went to his brother's home to make sure that all was well. The Frank Latenser family have been visiting outstate. He found that the prowlers had left their marks from cellar to attic.

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