

Table with weather forecast: Unsettled Monday, probably rain; Tuesday partly cloudy and cooler. Thermometer Readings: 5 a. m. 35, 1 p. m. 49, 6 a. m. 35, 2 p. m. 50, 8 a. m. 35, 4 p. m. 53, 11 a. m. 41, 7 p. m. 45, 12 m. 45, 8 p. m. 45.

PRESIDENT OF PORTUGAL ASSASSINATED AT LISBON

AUSTRIAN MILITARY TRIBUNALS EXECUTE 11,400. Amsterdam, Dec. 15.—The supreme military tribunal at Vienna has announced that 11,400 persons were sentenced to death by Austrian military tribunals during the war and executed, according to a Berlin dispatch to the Handelsblat.

PARIS PAPERS TURN SPOTLIGHT UPON WILSON. Paris, Dec. 15.—Paris newspapers, in discussing this afternoon the Sunday activities of President Wilson, note that he joined vigorously in the singing at the American Presbyterian church. The president wore a black morning coat, grey trousers and a high hat.

ITALIAN CASUALTIES IN WAR TOTAL 1,500,000. New York, Dec. 15.—Italy, with a population of only 36,000,000 and with 5,500,000 men called to the colors, suffered approximately 1,500,000 casualties in the war. Gen. Emilio Gugliemetti, military attaché of the Italian war mission, announced in an address at Red Cross rally here tonight.

BURLESON IN PLOT, CABLE HEAD CHARGES. New York, Dec. 15.—Clarence H. Mackay, president of the Commercial Cable company, charged, in a statement issued here tonight, that Postmaster General Burleson was implicated in a "plot" to bring about government ownership of all wire communications and incidentally enable the Western Union and Bell Telephone companies to sell out to the government at a high price.

WILL STRIP OFFICERS WHO MAY BE ARRESTED. San Diego, Cal., Dec. 15.—To make certain that the uniform of an American army officer shall not be disgraced by being placed in a cell, the military authorities have sanctioned a plan proposed by Chief of Police S. P. McMullen. In case of arrest for the violation of any law, a discharged army officer would, upon being taken to the police station, be divested of his uniform and given a suit of overalls.

SYMBOLIC SYSTEM ADOPTED IN CHINA. New Haven, Conn., Dec. 15.—China has adopted a system of symbolic writing, which is expected to revolutionize elementary education of that nation and reduce existing illiteracy. It was announced here today by Edward C. Loberstein, who has been in conference with the Yale-in-China home office.

Sinn Fein's Strength Outstanding Feature of Election in Ireland. Belfast, Dec. 15.—The feature of Saturday's elections in nationalist Ireland was the strength shown by the Sinn Fein. It is reported here that Cardinal Logue and Archbishop Walsh both supported the Sinn Fein.

Marshal Foch to Be Member of French Peace Delegation. Paris, Dec. 15.—(Havas)—The Echo de Paris says that the French delegates to the peace conference will be Premier Clemenceau, Marshal Foch, Foreign Minister Pichon, and Leon Bourgeois, former premier. Adds that the general commission for Franco-American war matters, probably may be named.

Germans Scan Carefully President Wilson's Views. Berlin, Dec. 15.—Dispatches reporting the arrival of President Wilson in Paris are displayed prominently by the Berlin newspapers. The president's utterances are being scanned carefully. Newspapers which formerly were foremost in attacking the president's policies, now laud that they were deceived.

U.S. NAVY GUARDS IN FIGHT AT TAMPICO

American Gunners Aboard Ward Liner Kill Mexican Customs Guard Captain and Wound Soldier. New York, Dec. 15.—In a clash on November 29 between the armed navy guard of the American steamship Monterey and Mexican customs guard at Tampico, one Mexican, said to have been captain, was killed; a Mexican soldier mortally wounded, and a chief gunner's mate, named Berry, in charge of the American guard less seriously hurt.

Members of the armed guard and officers of the ship refused to discuss the incident, but details were learned from passengers on board at the time. According to them, the fight occurred shortly after 5 a. m., after members of the navy guard went to the rescue of Berry, who had been attacked. The Americans had first responded to the call without arms, but upon the Mexicans opening fire, they secured their weapons and responded in kind.

The fight, passengers said, was brief, the Mexicans running away as soon as the Americans opened fire, leaving their dead and wounded. Later, officials of the port took the matter in hand, the passengers asserted, and a demand was made upon the captain of the Monterey that the armed guard be delivered up to them pending an investigation. This the captain declined to do, his action being supported, it was said, by officers of two American gunboats in the harbor. Later the matter was disposed of by a decision to leave the entire subject to diplomatic settlement.

It was said that the gunner's mate had gone ashore on an errand just before the Monterey sailed. Several blocks from where the ship was tied up was a saloon and as Berry was returning to his ship, passing in front of this saloon, he was called upon to "treat." When he refused to do so several Mexicans started after him. As the American agent (Continued on Page Two, Column Three.)

Erzberger Asks Blockade Against Germany Be Raised. London, Dec. 15.—(British Wireless Service)—According to dispatches received today from Amsterdam and other cities Maghjan Erzberger, the leader of the German armistice commission, has again complained of the severity of the armistice terms. He asks for the raising of the blockade, liberation of prisoners of war and immediate opening of the peace conference.

Wilson Violates Custom By Taking Own Wreath to Tomb of Lafayette. Paris, Dec. 15.—When President Wilson went to the tomb of Lafayette today he insisted on taking his own wreath, contrary to the custom here by which the florist delivers the wreath and the donor later makes the visit and leaves his card. The president sent Admiral Grayson to buy the wreath and after some difficulty in explaining to the florist, who could not understand why the traditional custom was being broken, obtained it and drove to the tomb.

Session of Conference Deferred Until January 1

Wilson to Confer Meanwhile With Leading Statesmen; May Visit Italy and Pope After Christmas. Paris, Dec. 15.—Plans for the re-assembling of the interallied conference and the meeting of the peace congress are gradually being matured. It was the first intention to have the interallied conference meet tomorrow or Tuesday, but owing to the inability of Premier Lloyd George and Foreign Minister Balfour to be here because of the British elections and the approaching holidays, the formal session will not be resumed until January 1.

It is likely that if President Wilson goes to Rome he will visit the quinal palace as the guest of King Victor Emmanuel. Afterward he will go to the American embassy, where he will be met by the rector and students of the American Ecclasiastical college. The rector will convey to the president Pope Benedict's desire to see him.

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Hold Informal Discussions. The merits of the questions and considerations to come before the conference thus far have developed only in their initial phases, discussions of them having been more or less informal. For the American delegates, the chief object to be achieved during the next fortnight is

CREW RESCUED FROM STRANDED ALLEN STEAMER

Corinthian, With Valuable Cargo, Pounding to Pieces in Heavy Sea on Ledge Off Brier's Island. St. John, N. B., Dec. 15.—The British steamer Corinthian, which struck on Northwest ledge at the mouth of the bay of Fundy yesterday a few hours after leaving this port for Glasgow with a valuable cargo, was reported today to be pounding to pieces in a heavy sea. All its company of 87, under command of Capt. David Tannock, are safe. It carried no passengers.

A few of the crew are reported to have reached Westport, N. S., and Freeport, N. S., in ship's boats. The rest, including Captain Tannock, have been taken off by the patrol boat Festubert and the Canadian government steamer Aberdeen, which left here yesterday in response to a wireless call for help. Owing to the heavy weather they did not reach the scene of the wreck until this morning.

It was believed here the vessel struck the ledge five miles off Brier's Island at low water during thick weather. The Corinthian carried a valuable cargo under British government orders. It included 120,000 bushels of wheat, a large quantity of airplane timber, deals, apples, condensed milk, lard, nails and a heavy consignment of boxed meats. She is owned by the Canadian Pacific Ocean Steamship Service, Ltd., but was built in Belfast, Ireland, in 1907 for the Allen line.

"Bill" Hohenzollern Has No Present Desire to Change Residence. Amerongen, Holland, Dec. 15.—The former German emperor continues to lead the life of a recluse. He is virtually cut off from all communication with the outside world. Reports that he was in constant communication with his former advisers are not true.

PRESIDENT ATTENDS SABBATH SERVICES

Wilson Goes Twice to Church in Paris, Pays Homage to Lafayette and Holds Conferences. Paris, Dec. 15.—President Wilson spent his first Sunday in Paris by going twice to church, laying a wreath on the tomb of Lafayette and having a brief conference with Premier Clemenceau and another with Col. E. M. House. In the evening he rested in preparation for the coming strenuous weeks of preliminary conferences.

Attends Presbyterian Church. In the morning, the president, accompanied by Mrs. Wilson and Admiral Grayson, and by secret service men, went to the American Presbyterian church in the Rue de Berry.

Visits Tomb of Lafayette. The president visited the tomb of Lafayette in the Picpus cemetery in the southeastern section of Paris. While returning home after the morning church service, no ceremony had been arranged at the cemetery and the president went accompanied only by Brig. Gen. Harts, a secret service operative and a French officer assigned to him as a personal aide.

British Reach Olpe. London, Dec. 15.—British troops rapidly are completing the occupation of the Cologne bridgehead and east of Cologne already have reached the town of Olpe, according to an official statement issued tonight. The statement reads: "Yesterday our advanced troops, completing their occupation of the Cologne bridgehead, reached the general line of Oberassel, Seelscheid, east of Holkepepp, Olpe, Solingen and north of Hilden."

New Jersey Republican Committeeman Resigns. Trenton, N. J., Dec. 15.—Former Gov. Franklin Murphy of Newark, a leading figure in republican state politics for a quarter of a century and a member of the republican national committee for 18 years, has resigned from the national committee because of his advancing years.

Gold Reserves Increase. Washington, Dec. 15.—Gold reserves of the federal reserve banks increased \$11,104,000 during the week just ended, according to the consolidated statement of the twelve banks as of December 13, business close. This increase served to increase the ratio of gold reserves against federal reserve notes in circulation as money from \$9 per cent to 39.5 per cent.

Use of Horse Flesh for Food in England is Increasing. New York, Dec. 15.—Use in England of horse flesh for food to such an extent that slaughtering regulations have been adopted was cited by the federal food board as indication of the necessity of continued conservation of meats in this country so as to help supply Europe's needs. Restoration of European cattle herds to their pre-war size is one of the paramount needs of the reconstruction period, the statement said, pointing out that this can be most speedily accomplished by increasing American exports of meats and fats.

Cordial Tone Noted in Welcome Given Wilson

Vote of Confidence for Future Linked With Thanks for the Past, Comments Paris Matin. Paris, Dec. 15.—The friendliness of the welcome given President Wilson and the cordial tone of the speeches delivered at the luncheon in the Palace of the Elysee are dwelt upon by the newspapers today. L'Homme Libre declares that Saturday's manifestations was a triumphant welcome to a great man.

In Full Agreement. President Wilson, in full agreement with all the allies, declares the Matin, wants a peace of justice and security. The welcome given him by the people of Paris, it adds, voted confidence in him for the future, while thanking him for the past.

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Three Die in Auto Wreck. San Francisco, Dec. 15.—Three persons were killed and two severely injured today near Millbrae, south of this city, when the automobile in which they were riding was struck by an interurban electric car. Two of the dead are Lieut. Walter G. Farnlacher of San Francisco, on leave of absence from Camp Lee, Va., and Chalmra Farnlacher, his wife.

"Vive Wilson" Blazoned in Lights in All Parts of Capital of France. Paris, Dec. 15.—The city probably was more brilliantly illuminated last night than ever before. Electrical devices erected in honor of President Wilson blazoned in all parts of the capital. The words "Vive Wilson" outlined in electric lights, were displayed at many vantage points while the coat of arms of the United States frequently was seen outlined in red, white and blue.

Thousands Inscribe Names on Wilson Visitors' Book. Paris, Dec. 15.—Thousands of names already have been inscribed on the great visitors' book in the entrance of the Murat mansion, Wilson's temporary residence. Not only have all the prominent men of the official world called and signed the book, but also the leaders of society. The names of scarcely any prince, duke or marquis is absent.

DR. PAES SHOT AT RAILWAY STATION. Executive Dies of Wounds Within Few Minutes; Assailant Quickly Slain by Crowd. London, Dec. 15.—Dr. Sidonio Paes, president of Portugal, was shot and killed by an assassin shortly before midnight Saturday while he was in a railway station at Lisbon, waiting for a train to Oporto. Advances from Lisbon reporting the assassination say he was struck by three bullets.

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Headed Revolt in 1917. Dr. Sidonio Paes was formally proclaimed president of Portugal in December, 1917, and was named president of the provisional government December 9, a few days more than a year before he was assassinated.

Biggest American Transport With 8,000 Men Aboard Held for Day Outside Sandy Hook. New York, Dec. 15.—Due to heavy fog which has hung over port for the past 24 hours, the American transport Leviathan, with more than 8,000 American soldiers and sailors from France, was unable to dock today.

W. H. McCord Returns From Rochester Hospital. W. H. McCord, head of the McCord-Brady wholesale grocery house of this city, who has been under the care of Mayo Bros. at Rochester, Minn., for several weeks, returned to Omaha yesterday very much improved in health.

Miss Mary Furay, Omaha Woman, Dies in St. Louis. Miss Mary Furay, daughter of the late John B. Furay, one of the real pioneers of Omaha, died Sunday morning at St. Louis of pneumonia, while on a visit with her sister, Mrs. Leo Daly. Her mother was a sister of the late Count Creighton.

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