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As the glow of a New Year tints the horizon of the world, permit us to express our appreciation for the part you have contributed toward making this the most successful year in the history of our business. May the joys of the Holidays and prosperity ever be yours.

## U. S. MAY BE FORCED INTO ALLIANCE

### DISPUTE OVER THE ARABIA IS STILL ON

ENGLAND DENIES THE STATEMENT THAT GERMANY MADE REGARDING NATURE OF VESSEL.

#### LANSING IS UNDECIDED

(By United Press) WASHINGTON.—Contradictory to Germany's contention that the steamer Arabia was a British transport, Great Britain, today informed the State Department that the Arabia was not in government service when submerged, nor that she had ever been in such service. It was admitted, however, that the Arabia carried some government passengers, "booked as ordinary passenger passengers at the expense of the government." England's note further said that there were no Asiatic workmen or soldiers on board. Germany has admitted sinking the ship, but claimed that there were Asiatics on board. The submarine commander believed her to be a transport. Lansing is undecided whether to transmit this information to Germany or to await further British reports on the number of government passengers aboard. The State Department will await this information before finally deciding the course to be taken toward Germany, pending submarine matters.

#### WHAT CHRISTMAS MEANS TO ME

(By Elias Grimes) Christmas means Peace, Happiness, Thankfulness, and Gratitude. Because Christ came upon this day, as a babe to save us from our sins when He became a man. I look forward to it to see what other people will get. I like to give presents because it makes others happy, and THEY know it will make me happy to receive them too.

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#### EXPRESSES THANKS FOR CO-OPERATION DURING CONVENTION

The Seaboard Medical Society concluded its annual session of three days in our city on Thursday afternoon. As president of this organization, wish to express my deepest appreciation and thanks to the mayor of Washington, the newspaper, the Chamber of Commerce, the proprietor and assistants of the Hotel Louise, the members of the Elks Club, Doctors H. W. Carter, John Rodman, E. W. Brown and Joshua Taylor and many of the good ladies and citizens of the city for aiding in making this one of the largest, most profitable and pleasant meetings in the history of this society. D. T. TAYLOR.

### MUCH MAIL IS TIED UP

(By United Press) WASHINGTON.—One hundred million pounds of mail is jamming the postoffices of the country. This is a twenty-five per cent increase over all previous records. Struggling through blizzards, mail trains are from twelve to twenty-four hours late. Secretary Burleson has ordered the railroads to impress their fastest freight cars in a heroic effort to bring Santa Claus on time.

### PEACE PLEAS FROM BRITISH PACIFIST

(By United Press) WASHINGTON.—A committee from New York arrived here this morning, bringing with them peace plea suggestions to the United States from Bertrand Russell, the British pacifist in London. The plea will be presented to President Wilson.

#### GREETINGS

At the close of the old year and the beginning of the new, we wish to express our appreciation of your patronage and our sincere desire for a continuance of our pleasant relations, at the same time extending our best wishes for your success and prosperity in the years to come.

COZZEN'S MARKET.

### SAY OFFICIALS PROFITED BY PEACE REPORTS

INVESTIGATION PROPOSED OVER WALL STREET TRANSACTIONS DURING LAST FEW DAYS.

#### MANY RUMORS CIRCULATED

WASHINGTON.—Administration men stated today that they will welcome an investigation by which Representative Wood proposes to ascertain if any high government officials or relatives profited by the Wall Street upset in stocks, attendant upon Lansing's two interpretative statements on Thursday. Many rumors were in circulation in the financial district of New York in explanation of the abruptness of the decline in market values and conditions responsible for the break. Most of these were baseless. One said a member of President Wilson's Cabinet, being in possession of the White House's secrets relative to peace overtures, had sold stocks short in heavy volume before the break and thereby made a coup. The rumor, however, that was heard more frequently than others and which was on the lips of most brokers and speculators was that Bernard M. Baruch, a prominent member of the New York Stock Exchange and large market operator as well as ardent supporter in President Wilson's campaign for re-election, had received from a member of the Cabinet early information of the peace overtures. Mr. Baruch is credited in Wall Street with having been a heavy seller of stocks for several days before the break and is said to have cleared a fortune.

#### Before the Recorder.

The following cases were tried before the recorder yesterday afternoon: John Phillips, intoxicated, costs. Jone Jones, intoxicated, \$1 and costs. Sam Orndell, colored, speeding, \$2 and costs. Henry White, colored, larceny, four months on the roads. Clem Chapman, colored, vagrancy, ordered to leave town.

Mr. M. C. Root, of Bonneton, was in the city today attending the funeral of Mrs. Maggie McGowan.

#### A SPECIAL CASE OF NEED, THAT DESERVES IMMEDIATE ATTENTION

All of the cases, reported in the Daily News during the last few days, have been provided for. A citizen of the rural districts, however, this morning reported one which shows more dire need and suffering than any of the others mentioned. An old man and his wife are living about six miles from the city in a small shack. They are close to seventy years of age. The man's hands and feet are drawn up with rheumatism or some other ailment. At any rate, he is unable to use them. They depend solely upon assistance that kind-hearted persons may give them.

### CHARITY FUND IS NOW \$192.20

Contributions for Associated Charities Continue to Come in Rapidly.

Contributions to the Associated Charity fund took a big jump yesterday. The money raised will be used for the relief of those in want during the coming year. Much more is needed. The following has been raised to date:

Previously reported	\$124.50
Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Fowle	24.00
J. F. Buckman	6.00
A. D. McLean	5.00
Mrs. Wm. Bell	1.00
C. M. Campbell	1.00
J. M. Harrington	3.00
J. D. Fowle	12.00
S. F. Allgood	2.00
W. D. Woolard	3.00
William Rodman	5.00
Colored citizens	3.70
Cash	1.00
H. H. Satterthwaite	1.00
M. F. McKeel	5.00
Total	\$192.20

### CHOIRS ASKED TO MEET TOMORROW

Will Practice Christmas Carols at Elks Hall for Community Tree. The various choirs of the city churches are requested to meet at the Elks hall at three o'clock tomorrow afternoon to practice carols for the Community Christmas tree. Also children of the second and third grades, who sang under Miss

### GIFTS ARE BROUGHT TO SOLDIERS IN FRANCE

HUGE TRUCKS EMPLOYED IN CARRYING THOUSANDS OF PRESENTS TO THE MEN. OBSERVE DAY OF PEACE

(By United Press) With the British armies in the field, the Christmas season is about to arrive in the trenches. Supply trains, bearing man-killing explosives for use yielded the right of way to huge trucks, driven in a business-like way by Kris Kingleid in khaki, who are strapping gifts up and down the entire line, proving that the milk of human kindness is stronger than the red wine of war. When Santa finishes his job, no one will be forgotten. Even those "Tommyes" without families have received their Christmas puddings, chocolates, cigars, Christmas cards, cakes and trinkets. No action of importance is expected on Christmas day and there seems to be a mutual understanding between the armies that Christmas is to be given over to peaceful celebration.

First Presbyterian Church. Rev. H. B. Seagriff, Minister. Services at 11:00 a. m. and 7:30 p. m., conducted by the pastor. Subject of morning sermon, "God's Greatest and Best Gift to the World." At night Mr. Seagriff will continue his expositions of the Book of Revelations, lecturing on "The Woman and the Dragon."

Sunday School at 9:45 a. m., B. G. Moss, Supt. There will be special Christmas music at both the morning and evening services. The public and all strangers and travelling men cordially invited to all the services of the church.

Glasgow, are urged to be present. This will be the last rehearsal of the songs and it is hoped that everyone will attend.

#### PRESIDENT WILSON PLANS OLD-FASHIONED CHRISTMAS

WASHINGTON.—President Wilson is preparing for an old-fashioned home Christmas at the White House. There will be a Christmas tree for the children of the family, including Josephine Cothran, the President's grand-niece, who arrived at the White House last night with her mother, Mrs. Anna Cothran, of Philadelphia, and Ellen McAdoo, granddaughter of Mr. Wilson. The family party will include Secretary and Mrs. McAdoo, Miss Margaret Wilson and relatives of Mrs. Wilson. More than 100 turkeys will be distributed tomorrow by the President to employees of the executive offices. On Christmas day he and Mrs. Wilson expect to deliver presents to a number of poor families.

### FOOD RIOTS IN GERMANY

(By United Press) LONDON.—Serious food riots in Dresden, in which the police and soldiers were used by authorities to quell the attack of over a hundred women, were reported today from Rotterdam telegraph dispatches. The riots occurred Sunday, Monday and Tuesday and three policemen were seriously wounded.

### CHILDREN WILL HAVE CHRISTMAS PROGRAM AT ST. PETER'S CHURCH

The children's annual Christmas service of St. Peter's Episcopal Sunday School will be held tomorrow afternoon at the church at 5 o'clock. The offering will be for Thompson Orphanage, Charlotte, N. C. The children will also carry gifts of clothing, fruit, etc., to be sent to the orphanage. Notice was given to that effect on last Sunday and it is hoped that all will remember it. A beautiful program has been prepared and everybody is invited to attend. A short address will be made by Rev. M. C. Daughtrey.

Returned from Edward. Mrs. J. W. Reid, who has been spending a few weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. Latham at Edward, has returned home.

ADVERTISE IN THE DAILY NEWS

### ALLIANCE NECESSARY TO BRING PEACE

UNITED STATES MAY HAVE TO BIND HERSELF WITH OTHER NATIONS OF THE WORLD. REGRET ALLIED VIEWS

(By United Press) WASHINGTON.—The United States may have to enter what has previously been regarded as "an entangling alliance," if the present peace negotiations get down to the point of international enforcement and peace guarantees, was admitted by the State Department today. Secretary Lansing held that a discussion of such problems was a bit premature, but indicated that this government had considered the possible necessity of an alliance if essential to a peace agreement and to make it binding. The State Department manifestly regretted the allied interpretation of Wilson's note for the effect that he had said both sides were fighting for the same thing. It is pointed out specifically in the note, leaders state, that both sides named the things for which they are fighting and that their statements of their purpose agreed with each other.

In the matter of a possible alliance, it is held that the United States will naturally link herself with the pan-American nations, at the same time, probably joining with certain European nations in an agreement which this country might previously have considered as "entangling."

Visiting Her Parents. Miss Lillian Woolard is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Woolard.

"CHRISTMAS WITHOUT 'CHRIST'"  
Come and hear this special Christmas-tide sermon by EDWARD B. JENKINS, Pastor of FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.  
SUNDAY NIGHT, 7:30 P. M.

WE HAVE JUST RECEIVED FROM THE U. S. TREASURY A new supply of new crisp \$1.00 and \$5 Bills and will take pleasure in supplying any of our friends with these, or with gold, for their Christmas requirements. Cordially wishing to all a joyful Christmas and a happy and prosperous New Year.

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JNO. B. SPARROW, Cashier

TODAYS PROGRAM —AT— New Theatre

Paramount Feature "THE SOUL OF KUBA-SAN" Presented in 5 reels —WITH— MYRTLE STEEDMAN

ADMISSION . . . 5c and 10c Matinee daily at 4 p. m. Night show starts at 7:45

Have You Been Prosperous the PAST YEAR?

Share your prosperity with those less fortunate and make these Christmas a happy one. The Associated Charities was organized to keep in touch with and assist all needy persons of the city. Make your contribution to the Association through the Daily News or any of the following persons.

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MISS MATTIE WISWALL, Secretary  
MISS RACHEL RUMLEY, Supt. J. B. SPARROW, Treasurer.

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Give "Him" What He Expects

Every man and boy looks forward to Christmas morning to provide him with a renewed supply of SHIRTS, HOSIERY, Neckwear, Handkerchiefs and the like, and the ones that come from this store are the kind he most prefers. If you can't think what to get him, make use of these suggestions: Hosiery, neckwear, Gloves, Suspenders, Bath Robes, Smoking Jackets, Bedroom Slippers and other Main Street, Washington, N. C.

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