WEATHER FORECAST
Virginia: Fair and much colder Tuesday; Wednesday partly cloudy.
North Carolina: Fair Tuesday and probably Wednesday; much colder Tuesday.
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PARAGUAY, HER MEN ARMING, ACCEPTS MEDIATION OFFER

Nation Awaits Bolivian Response To Proposal Made By Pan-American Conference; Enemy Promises Early Reply

LEAGUE MEMBERS CENTER IN PARIS

Commanders of Army of Bolivia Ordered To Halt Their Advance and To Cease Attack on Paraguayans, Council Is Informed

(ASSOCIATED PRESS)

The men of Paraguay steadily turned from plough shares to swords last night while awaiting Bolivian response to the offer of mediation of the Pan-American conference for conciliation and arbitration. Paraguay has accepted the offer and Bolivia had promised a definite reply as soon as its president and congress have considered it.

Meanwhile Paraguay went ahead with her mobilization, enlisting thousands and starting them toward the front in the Gran Chaco almost as soon as they were in uniform. No further reports came back yesterday of clashes between the border forts were armed forces of the two nations lie in watchful readiness with a victory for each already written in blood.

The league of nations for peace were consolidating in Paris in readiness to take some suc hmove as the summoning of a special session of the council in event of fresh developments of a serious nature. Other nations and leaders have offered their good services to avoid war.

The double wall of censorship and distance prevented the outside world from learnin gof movements in the Gran Chaco, the vast area of potential wealth which is the bone of contention between the South American countries. This region between the Paraguay and Pilcomayo Rivers is almost uninhabited [illegible] few means of communication [illegible] there hostilities began [illegible] December 6 and broke out anew toward the end of last week.

The Bolivian Government informed the League of Nations that the commanders of its frontier forces had been ordered to halt their advance and to cease attacks on the Paraguayans.

Advance Ordered Halted

La Paz, Dec. 18.—(AP)—The commander of the Bolivian frontier forces has been ordered to halt their advance and to cease attacks on Paraguayan troops. This information was contained in the reply of the Bolivian Government to the President of the Council of the League of Nations, announced tonight but under date of yesterday.

Asuncion, Paraguay, Dec. 17.—(AP)—Paraguayans have rushed to arms by the thousands during the last 24 hours and many of them already have left the capital for the North. It was announced officials that of 50,000 volunteers who presented themselves yesterday to military headquarters, 30,000 were accepted and incorporated into the army as officers and soldiers.

Three steamers, carrying numerous forces combining both units of the regular army, many civilian volunteers and officers belonging to the military reserves, left during the night for an unnamed destination in the North.

In the city today, great crowds stood in line in front of the war office and the Military Academy awaiting their turn to be enrolled. Most of the men in the line were accompanied by their mothers, wives or sweethearts.

The minister of war ordered that all arms in possession of civilians be immediately turned over to the government. A sanitary service was organized.

Congress has been convoked for extraordinary sessions to take measures made necessary by the international crisis. President Guggiari remained at the government palace until late at night, discussing the situation with members of the cabinet.

Paraguay today accepted the offer of the Pan-American conference for mediation of its dispute with Bolivia. Foreign Minister Zubizaretta, in transmitting this reply, said that mobilization had been ordered "simply for defensive purposes."

Accepts Offer

Asuncion, Paraguay, Dec. 17.—(AP)—Paraguay today accepted the Pan-American conference 'an offer of mediation in the dispute with Bolivia. In transmitting this formally to Secretary Kellogg at Washington, Geronimo Zubizaretta, minister of foreign affairs, added that the government had ordered mobilization of the army, although "simply for defensive purposes."

The note said that this step was made necessary "by the grave circumstances created by Bolivia's conduct." This referred to attacks upon five Paraguayan posts and to the dropping of bombs from an airplane on Bahia Negra. These bombs, however, proved to be duds.

The note referred also to the Bolivian demand for reparations in advance of an agreement to arbitrate as a request for condemnation of Paraguay before the case had been tried. It added:

"This absurdity outrages the honest conscience of my country."

Yet the chance for maintaining peace was declared worth another effort and therefore the conference was accepted. In conclusion the note asserted that Bolivia had not responded to an offer of mediation made by the president of Argentina, although Paraguay had accepted this promptly.

Washington, Dec. 17.—(AP)—Official advices that Paraguay will agree to the mediation of its dispute with Bolivia

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Kansas City Society Women In Crusade Against Liquor Sales

Kansas City, Dec. 17.—(AP)—Five attractive and smartly dressed young women, some of them described as socially prominent, have joined authorities in the crusade against liquor selling started here with the wrecking of a saloon last Monday by a modern Carrie Nation.

Without revealing the identity of the young women, police announced today that the volunteers, escorted by plainclothesmen from outlying stations, had obtained drinks at six establishments and gathered evidence upon which prosecutions will be brought.

At 65 places visited the women were refused liquor. Sergeant Elmer Duncan, head of the raiding forces, explained that bootleggers were taking few chances since the cleanup started, but that the amateur dry agents had been able to throw at least six bartenders off their guard.

Many women have offered their services to the police in the war on liquor since Mrs. Maud Wilson used an ax to smash fixtures in a neighborhood saloon where she said her husband and daughter had been served drinks. Some have asked if it would be "all right" to use axes to clean up their own neighborhoods.

"Go ahead," they were told, "but the police department naturally does not advocate the destruction of property."

CHECK IN PROGRESS OF KING'S RECOVERY NOTED BY DOCTORS

Strong Optimistic Spirit Still Prevails, However, Despite Setback

London, Dec. 17.—(AP)—A check in the improvement which King George had been experiencing for two days was reported in the official bulletin tonight.

The doctors' report said that his majesty was somewhat restless during the afternoon and that the progress "recently noted has not been continued during the last few hours."

While the words of the bulletin as usual were distinguished by reserve, the disappointment over their intent was not sufficient to dispel the strong optimistic spirit which has prevailed at the palace since Saturday when the sick monarch began to show improvement.

Tonight's bulletin was issued at 8:15

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TANGLED DEBATE IN SENATE OVER FUNDS TO CARRY OUT DRY LAWS

Proposal To Increase Prohibition Enforcement Chest From $13,500,000 To More Than $270,000,000 Defeated By Three Votes

WETS AND DRYS LINE UP ON SAME SIDES

Additional Money Advocated By Senator Bruce, of Maryland; Party Ties Fairly Well Defined When Time Comes To Ballot

Washington, Dec. 17.—(AP)—Prohibition got the Senate into a somewhat tangled debate today with the unusual spectacle of both wets and drys agreeing that a great deal more money ought to be appropriated to enforce the liquor laws.

When it came time to vote, however, the lineup was fairly well defined along party lines and the proposal to increase the prohibition enforcement fund from $13,500,000 to more than $270,000,000 lost by three votes, 38 to 35. It drew its chief support from wets and drys in the Democratic membership, while Republicans were almost a unit in standing by the original figure.

The increase was advocated by Senator Bruce, of Maryland, a Democrat wet, whose success in slipping the big figure into the Treasury-Post Office appropriation bill gave the Senate some amusement last week. When the House and Senate conference reported, however, the original figure of $13,500,000 was restored.

Fireworks Set Off

Having opposed the reduction in conference on the ground that more money was needed to enforce prohibition satisfactorily Senator Harris, Democrat, Georgia, opened the fireworks in the Senate by asking that the conference report be disapproved. His challenge brought several senators to their feet eager to air their views and the while business did not end until upwards of a dozen members had engaged in the argument.

Of the [illegible] who voted against acceptance of the conference report, 32 were Democrats. They were joined by three Republicans, Senators Jones, of Washington; Norris, of Nebraska, and Brookhart, of Iowa, none of whom took part in the debate. Except for Senators Shipstead, of Minnesota, the lone Farmer-Labor member; Reed, of Missouri, and Kendrick, of Wyoming, Democrats, all of the 38 voting for the conference were Republicans.

Senator Barkley, Democrat, Kentucky, declared during the debate that while he favored enforcement and enough money to carry it out satisfactorily, he was opposed to the Bruce figure. He

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Gold Mining Camp's City Government Is Arrested On Charges of Conspiracy

Open Defiance of Prohibition Laws Alleged In Leadville, Colorado

Leadville, Col., Dec. 17.—(AP)—Alleged open defiance of the prohibition laws in this gold mining camp high up in the mountains brought the arrest today of ten city officials and others on Federal indictments charging conspiracy.

Among those arrested were Mayor R. J. McDonald, Boughlan Platt, councilman; William Lampkin, alderman; Dennis O'Neil, city marshal; John Yammick, night police captain, and several alleged liquor sellers.

About half of the bench warrants, naming more than a score of Leadville citizens, had been served tonight by U. S. Marshal Richard Callen, who arrived this morning from Denver with three deputies.

The indictments were returned by a Federal grand jury at Pueblo, which last week questioned 18 Leadville officials and citizens about reports that saloons and gambling houses on Harrison avenue, the historic main street

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Rothstein Signed Will Unknowingly, Nurse Testifies

New York, Dec. 17.—(AP)—While police sought one of the men charged with Arnold Rothstein's murder in Cuba and Federal officials prepared for trial of an alleged agent of the narcotic syndicate Rothstein is believed to have financed, a hospital nurse testified today as to the manner in which the contested Rothstein will was signed.

On November 6, last, the nurse said, Rothstein lay dying after an operation in which doctors had failed to recover the assassin's bullet in his groin, and a blood transfusion. Weak and irrational, he lay in a seeming coma, and in this condition Maurice Cantor, his attorney, brought a last will for signing, she testified.

"Rothstein didn't know what was happening," said the nurse, Miss Elizabeth Love, whose name appears on the document as a witness.

"Cantor put a fountain pen in Rothstein's left hand, took hold of the hand and wiggled it and made a mark on the paper."

After the mark was made on the will,

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'Modernized' Monarchs Seek Refuge From Irate Afghans

London, Dec. 17.—((AP))—The British government is keeping close watch on Afghanistan where King Amanullah and his progressive Queen Souriya were reported today to have sought refuge in a Kabul fort from a rebellious army. It is not likely that the British will interfere because all reports of the trouble ascribed it to rebellion against Western reforms introduced by the king since his return from a triumphant European tour early this year.

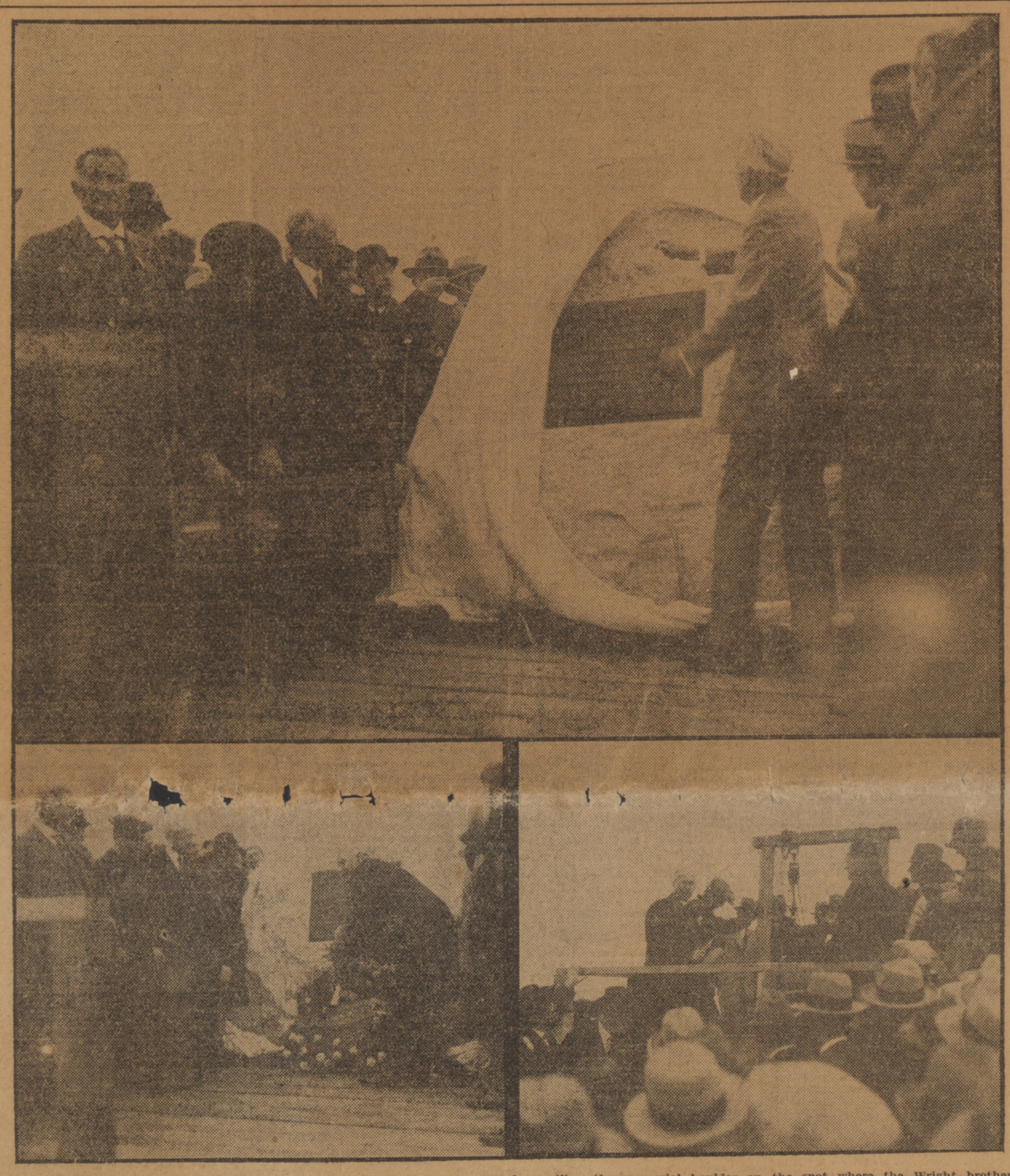
Queen Souriya

Queen Souriya has sought abolishment of the confinement of Purdah and of polygamy for her sex, while her dictatorial consort has proscribed for his followers many departures from ancient customs and religious acts, designed to bring them into conformity with the modern world. News from Moscow in connection with the rebellion is awaited with particular interest since the Bolsheviks from time to time have evinced strong interest in Afghanistan. It is recalled that King Amanullah included Moscow in his grand tour.

There is no tendency here to blame Moscow for the Kabul troubles—which have been simmering for some time, but British officials fear that Soviet agents may make the most of them to extend their influence in that section of Asia.

FLYING WORLD HONORS WRIGHTS WHERE SEAGULLS YIELDED THEIR SECRETS TO MAN 25 YEARS AGO

Scenes At Kitty Hawk Wright Celebration



Top picture shows Senator Hiram Bingham, of Connecticut, in the act of unveiling the memorial boulder on the spot where the Wright brothers made their first airplane flight. Lower left shows the placing of a wreath at the foot of the boulder in memory of Wilbur Wright. At the right is shown the ceremony of laying the corner stone of the National Memorial to Aviation on Kill Devil Hill. Orville Wright can be seen on the stand facing the camera. (Photos by Borjes, Virginian-Pilot staff photographer.)

Orville, Living, Acclaimed Upon Return To Kill Devil Hills; Wilbur, Dead, Cherished In Memory By Thousands Attending Celebration

MONUMENT UNVEILED AT SPOT OF FLIGHT

Dignitaries From Federal and State Governments and Representatives of Foreign Nations Unite In According Homage To Inventors

By RALPH POOL
(Staff Correspondent.)

Kill Devil Hills, N. C., Dec. 17.—Today was Orville Wright's day at Kill Devil Hills.

Where 25 years ago, there was general skepticism over the possibility of human conquest of the air, today at Kill Devil Hills, where a throng of 3,500 had gathered to pay homage to the conquest of the air, Orville Wright was guest of honor. The crowd applauded every mention of Orville Wright's name.

Speakers who included the leading dignataries of the nation, and representatives of many foreign countries, paid tribute in person to Orville Wright; heaped encomiums upon him. And in no less measure, they paid homage to his brother, the late Wilbur Wright, who jointly was inventor of the airplane, but who did not live to receive, in person, the recognition which a grateful nation, at last awakened, paid to his brother.

But Wilbur Wright was not forgotten. When the throng assembled cheered the living, it did not forget the dead. A wreath of white carnations, laid at the foot of the marker which commemorates the first flight, bears testimony to the fact that Orville Wright's part in humanity's latest conquest over the forces of Nature—a conquest which was incomprehensible a quarter of a century ago—has become an accomplished fact, and recognized and appreciated by his countrymen and the world. Wilbur Wright was remembered, while his brother was applauded.

Several events occurred to mar the day. The principal of these was the sudden death of Allen R. Heuth, of Ashbury Park, N. J., one of the leaders in the move to perpetuate the glory of Kill Devil Hills. Mr. Heuth died from a heart attack while returning from the celebration aboard the Kitty Haw-Point Harbor ferryboat. Another was the near-drowning of Woody Hockaday, of Washington, who fell overboard from the ferry and was pulled out of the water in an exhausted condition. Numerous auto accidents also were reported, but nobody was seriously injured.

But, nevertheless, it was a great day. Representatives of many foreign nations joined with an official delegation from the United States to record, in fitting fashion, the triumph of the Wrights, on the twenty-fifth anniversary of their proof that man could fly.

Accompanied by some 200 representatives of the United States and foreign lands, delegates at the recent International Conference on Civil Aeronautics in Washington, Orville Wright journeyed from Norfolk to the scene of that experiment which proved that man was not chained to the earth, and confounded scientific investigators of the time who had declared that sustained, free flight by a human being, was impossible.

The party left Norfolk shortly after 8 o'clock this morning in nine Norfolk Southern Railroad busses. On arrival at the North Carolina line, a nhour later, Mr. Wright, dismounted, and was greeted by Governor Mocan, of North Carolina, as spokesman for his State. In the party that extoded greetings also were Frank Page, chairman of the North Carolina Highwy Commission; Josephus Daniels, Secretary of the Navy in the Wilson administration, and officials of the Kill Devil Hills Memorial Association who included W. O. Saunders, Elizabeth City, president, and Dudley Bgley, of Moyock, N. C., and State Senator Silas Whedbee, of Hertford, N.C., regional vice presidents.

After a brief han-shaking between Mr. Wright and the asembled dig-

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Several Thousand Actors Hunt for Jobs In New York

Theater Business Experiences Bad Year; Many Reasons Advanced

New York, Rec. 17.—(AP)—Thousands of actors and actresses—the exact number is in dispute—tramped the streets of New York through cold rain today, drearily hunting for jobs.

In what is generally described as the worst year the theater business in New York has even experienced, 61 productions of the 104 that opened were forced to the wall between August 1 and December 15.

Nine shows, the majority of which had been running hardly long enough for the odor of fresh paint to have evaporated from their scenery, closed in New York Saturday night, and today more than 100 players who had had parts in them joined in the hopeless march from one theatrical agency to another.

In addition, five producers this week are taking advantage of the clause in the actors' equity contracts that permits them to close their shows because of bad business the week before Christmas without paying their actors. This is the first time a situation like this has arisen on Broadway, old timers say.

John Golden, who produced "Lightnin'," said he did not believe that more than 3,000 of the more than 10,000 members of actors' equity were working.

Reasons advanced for the situation run all the way from the preponderance of sex players to the popularity of the radio that keeps people at home. One hears it said that the cost of tickets is ruining the business.

Papers That Scoffed At 'Wild Yarn' Send Men to Honor Wright

Veteran Reporter Describes Return of Inventor and Touching Reunion

(Probably no other person was so well qualified to describe the contrast between the skeptical reception 25 years ago of the news that Orville Wright actually had flown in a heavier-than-air machine and his acclaim yesterday, when he returned to the scene of his first flight at Kill Devil Hills, as Harry P. Moore, member of the staff of the Virginian-Pilot, who "scooped the world" on the story of the epoch-making event 25 years ago. Mr. Moore was present at the exercises yesterday and wrote the following article.)

By HARRY P. MOORE
Staff Correspondent

Kill Devil Hills, N. C., Dec. 17.—Twenty-five years ago today this reporter told a skeptical world that man had flown through the air and some of the nation's great newspapers scoffed at it and called it a "cock-and-bull yarn."

They sneered then, but today—a quarter of a century later—there were here, reporters from those same journals, and they were here because aviation is an actuality and a potent force in the life of man.

Orville Wright, the first man to fly a heavier than air craft came back today to Kill Devil Hills, the scene of his triumph of and the triumph of his late brother, Wilbur—to the place where 25 years ago, they proved to the world that it was possible for man to fly.

He stood on the same hills, the same sand and walked through the same marshes where he and his brother stood and walked a quarter of a century

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Falls Off Boat

Woody Hockaday, employe of the aeronautical division of the Department of Commerce, who fell overboard while returning from the ceremonial honoring Orville Wright at Kill Devil Hills, N. C., yesterday. He was not seriously injured.

Donor of Wright Memorial Tract Dies Aboard Boat

Allen R. Hueth Succumbs After Ceremony; Woody Hockaday Falls Overboard

With the Wright Celebration Pilgrimage, Returning from Kill Devil Hills, Point Harbor, N. C., Dec. 17.—Tragedy and near-tragedy accompanied the celebration today of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the first airplane flight by Orville Wright at Kill Devil Hills.

Allen R. Hueth, of Asbury Park, N. J., one of the three donors of the 500-acre Kill Devil Hills tract for the Wright Memorial National Park, where the national memorial to aviation will be erected, dropped dead of heart failure on the Point Harbor-Kitty Hawk ferryboat, returning from the celebration.

Woody Hockaday, of the aeronautics branch of the Department, attached to the United States Air Marking Commission, fell overboard from the Coach Guard supply boat AB-23 en route across Albemarle Sound to the celebration.

Talking to Davis

Mr. Hueth was talking to Secretary of War Dwight F. Davis on the bow of the ferry when he was stricken and sank to the floor. He was picked up and carried hurriedly into a cabin, but it was found that he had died instantly. He was about 50 years old.

Mr. Hueth had spent a busy day at Kill Devil Hills. With his associates, former Congressman Elmer H. Geran and Frank Stick, also of Asbury Park, whose dream of a great playground on the North Carolina coast he had shared, he had welcomed hundreds of visitors. When night came he departed on the ferryboat which runs between Kitty Hawk and Point Harbor, nearest point on the mainland. The strain of the day's activity and excitement proved too much for his heart.

The ferry ran aground on a sandy

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Six Days Remain For Shoppers To Wind Up the Job

Six more days remain for shopping before the curtain goes up on the greatest drama of the year, the day of days.

The streets are crowded now—street cars, buses, rival each other in handling the throngs. Stores and shops are acking their crowds in more heavy hour by hour. Shopping becomes a more tedious process. In another day or two it will resolve itself into a process of battling for position at the counters, unless forsighted folk hurry to get the business over with at once.

The mails are being crowded, too. Postmasters everywhere are urging the public to get the Christmas mailing done without more delay, so that there may be no congestion at the end of the season, and that there may be no disappointments because of Christmas parcels which cannot reach their destinations on time.

Six days—less than a week. And many people have much of their shopping yet to do. This is a warning. Those who delay are storing up trouble for themselves.