

DEATHS AND MUCH DAMAGE DONE BY STORM

SOUTHERN ATLANTIC STATES SWEEP BY CYCLONE

WIRES ARE DOWN, RAILROADS RUN BLIND

Richmond Reports Twelve Dead—Soldier Killed at Camp Wheeler, Georgia—Many Fires Reported.

RICHMOND, Va., Jan. 12.—At least twelve persons are reported dead and thousands of dollars worth of damage done from the gale which swept the Southern Atlantic states, leaving reports of death and damage. Wires are down and elsewhere have stopped communication of the full extent of the damage.

Seven are dead at Cowarts, Alabama.

A soldier was killed when the storm wrecked tents at Camp Wheeler, Georgia. Many fires are reported in several localities.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—A storm of cyclonic proportions hit here this morning after sweeping the Southern Atlantic states, leaving reports of death and damage. Wires are down south of Richmond and railroads are operating blindly.

The center of the nationwide storm has expanded and extended from the upper lakes to the St. Lawrence valley and south to the seaboard. Intense cold is predicted until Monday.

SIX KILLED AND FORTY WOUNDED IN ALABAMA

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Jan. 12.—Six were killed and forty wounded by the tornado at Cowarts. Seven were reported killed east of Dothan, and one at Troy. Georgia points reported a heavy property loss but no casualties.

POPE IS READY TO MAKE NEW PEACE MOVE

CALLS ATTENTION OF AUSTRIA TO PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

ROME, Jan. 12.—It is understood here that the Pope, through his Austrian representative, has called Emperor Karl's attention to President Wilson's speech and suggested that he consider meeting its terms.

The Vatican refuses to comment on the rumor.

Unofficially it is rumored the Pope will eventually rather together the threads of the Allied and Teuton statements and endeavor to weave a fabric as a groundwork for peace.

High School Football Team Given Banquet

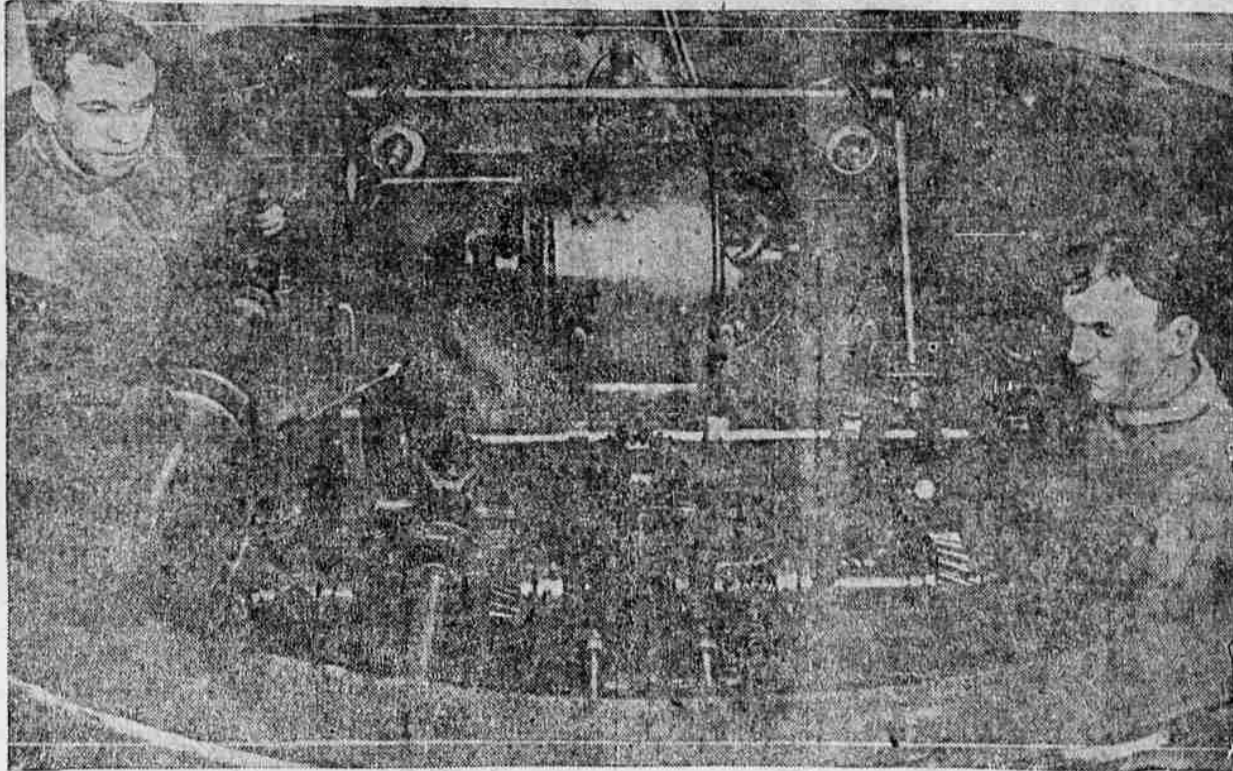
J. G. King Promised Boys Banquet If They Beat Baker—Frank Carroll Elected Captain

A banquet was given last night at the Foley hotel to the members of the 1917 football team of the La Grande High School by J. G. King, secretary of the Y. M. C. A. Superintendent Hampton, Principal McNeill, J. E. Falkerson, H. M. DuBois and J. W. Mason of the high school, Coach Chas. Reynolds, and the host, Mr. King, were present besides the team. Short talks were given by Messrs. Hampton, McNeill, Reynolds and Chennault. The election of a captain for the 1918 season was held and the boys elected Frank (Mike) Carroll captain. Mr. King before the game with Baker, which the locals won 35 to 7, promised them a banquet if they won.

HOUSE PASSES WOMAN'S SUFFRAGE AMENDMENT

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 12.—(Special.)—Woman suffrage by Federal constitutional amendment won in the House Thursday with exactly the required number of affirmative votes. While members in their seats and throngs in the galleries waited with interest, the House by a vote of 274 to 136 passed a resolution providing for submission to the states of the so-called Susan B. Anthony amendment for National enfranchisement of women. But for the promise of Speaker Clark to cast his vote from the chair for the resolution if it was needed, the change of a single vote to the opposition would have meant defeat.

UNCLE SAM'S NEW TWO MAN SUBMARINE CAN TRAVEL 200 MILES WITHOUT "COMING UP FOR AIR"



The men in the picture are the entire crew of Uncle Sam's newest submarine. The American two-man submarine invention may revolutionize this type of vessel, naval experts say. It can stay under water 72 hours and can travel close to three miles an hour submerged. In other words, it can dive and travel approximately as far as from Washington to Pittsburg before coming up. It is submerged by means of pumps in a few minutes.

Island City Boy Accidentally Shot

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Corvallis, Jan. 12.—(Special.)—While cleaning a revolver, Gilbert Hunter, a junior student, accidentally shot himself in the instep Wednesday night. The wound is not serious, but will confine Hunter to the house for several days. He is a member of Sigma Nu fraternity and a resident of Island City, Oregon.

DESTROYER HITS ROCK MANY LOST

ONE HUNDRED ON BOARD BRITISH DESTROYER BELIEVED TO HAVE PERISHED

LONDON, Jan. 12.—The destroyer Raccoon hit a rock and sank off the coast of Ireland. All on board are lost. It is believed one hundred perished.

East of Looe the British successfully raided trenches this morning, taking a few prisoners.

SENATORS DOUBT BAKER'S CLAIMS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—The Senate military committee changed the plan of investigating the construction of cantonments, and resumed asking Secretary Baker's claim of adequate army supplies. Senator Chamberlain said the commander of one camp told him his men were short several thousand blouses. Senator Chamberlain held it would be impossible to get legislation needed if Congress and the people accept Secretary Baker's statement that everything was fine.

SENATOR READY IS REPORTED IMPROVING

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12. (Special.) Senator Brady of Idaho, stricken with an acute attack of heart trouble Thursday, was slightly improved today and hopes for his recovery are entertained by his physicians.

Vote of Confidence.

CORVALLIS, Jan. 12.—(Special.)—The O. A. C. regents have publicly endorsed President W. J. Kerr and denied that he had practiced deception in getting his salary raised. The charge had been made that Dr. Kerr got his salary raised on the strength of the report that he had been offered the presidency of the Kansas Agricultural College and that he had never received such an offer. The board expressed their confidence in Dr. Kerr.

News From at Home and Abroad

CHILEAN EMBASSY IN WAR TIMES

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—Senor Don Aldunate, the Chilean ambassador, is now facing the biggest job of his life. German agents have concentrated their efforts on his country. Chile is to be made the center of German propaganda in South America—as a guarantee against German failure should the Argentine republic succeed in casting out the Teuton workers.

Far removed from intense South American politics—yet in intimate touch with the situation, the ambassador has had trust upon him the job of advising his nation on a political course that will alter the country's entire history—which ever way the decision is made. Ambassador Aldunate—with his numerous staff—have just installed themselves in one of the capitol's palatial residences, at 2223 R street. There, in the quietness Sheridan circle neighborhood, will be decided the tremendous policies that effect all western democracies, unless perchance, the ambassador, like American envoys abroad before we entered the war—has already made up his mind on whether Chile is in the path of the Kaiser's world scheme.

Count Luxburg's messages indicated Chile must be brought to German sway.

CAPTURED SOLDIERS KEEP SILENT

LONDON, Dec. 10. (By Mail.)—General Byng's successful tank advance on Cambrai was due, in the last analysis, to the steadfastness of forty British Tommies.

The morning before the advance was scheduled the Germans made a raid on the very sector behind which 350 tanks were mobilized for the attack. Forty unwilling Tommies returned from the raid with the Boche.

When this was known at Byng's headquarters, gloom descended on the camp like a winter fog on London. "Will they put the Germans wise?" was the question on the lips of all the staff and "if they do we're lost," was their own reply.

Next morning's triumph proved the men had kept their mouths shut during the usual German examination of prisoners.

A high British officer, discussing the incident, said the slightest tip about the tanks to the Germans would have meant the total collapse of the tank offensive.

LONDONERS SING DURING AERIAL ATTACKS

LONDON, Dec. 10. (By Mail.)—The ground floors of many office and apartment buildings are thrown open for public shelter during air raids, and on raid night many of the shelter seekers console themselves by singing popular songs.

The other night in the United Press building there came floating up from below the appropriate strains of "The End of a Perfect Day."

PRESIDENT PLAYS GOLF IN BLIZZARD

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—The recent blizzard in the East did not interfere with President Wilson's daily round at golf.

Finding the course covered with snow, the President secured a number of red golf balls, easily spotted by "caddy," and enjoyed his usual game.

Secret service men following him are not over-enthusiastic about winter golf.

Compulsory Food Regulation Discussed

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—Stringent regulations of American food consumption, and compulsory wheatless and meatless days were considered at a conference between Hoover and Congressional leaders here today.

PORTLAND BOY CONDUCTS AN AIR RAID

GEORGE KYLE DROPS BOMBS ON GERMAN MUNITIONS PLANTS

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY, Jan. 12.—A French communique says five American corporals, including George Kyle, of Portland, Oregon, conducted a daylight raid over Rombach Ludwigshafen recently, destroying munition plants and railway depots back of the German lines. They are awaiting transfer to the American aviation corps.

They were heavily shelled. Kyle dropped eight bombs on the Ludwigshafen plants in a rain of fire.

To Regulate Securities WASHINGTON, Jan. 12. (Special.)—Regulation of the issue of practically all private securities will soon be proposed by the government.

READING MAY BE NEW ENVOY



LORD READING.

Lord Reading, lord chief justice of England, has been asked to become the new British ambassador to America to succeed Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, according to dispatches from London.

TROTSKY BACKS DOWN, CONTINUES CONFERENCE

Rather Than Have Onus of Discontinuing Negotiations, Continues Conferences for a Month at Brest-Litovsk

PETROGRAD, Jan. 12.—The Teutons formally announced the acceptance of Trotsky's proposal to continue the Russian-German armistice another month. The first truce expired today.

Bolsheviki Prepare for War

PETROGRAD, Jan. 12.—The Bolsheviki are preparing for the resumption of war. Mobilization of men up to 32 years old is expected soon; all officers' leaves of absence have been stopped. They are confident, however, the Germans will not attack the Russian lines. German officers are vainly seeking to stop troop fraternization with the Russians as the Slav propaganda is filling the German soldiers with their ideas.

AMSTERDAM, Jan. 12.—Foreign Minister Trotsky is determined to place the onus of breaking off peace negotiations with the Germans.

Brest-Litovsk reports that in order to remove the Teuton's pretext that they be forced to discontinue negotiations if switched to neutral soil, Trotsky announced his acceptance of the German demands to continue deliberations here.

The Ukrainian delegate said he would act independent until the formation of a Russian federation of states determined the status of Ukraina.

ARMY BANK ROBBED, FOUR ARE KILLED

FOUR CIVILIANS SUSPECTED OF SERIOUS CRIME AT CAMP FUNSTON

(United Press) CAMP FUNSTON, Jan. 12.—Kearney Wornell, a wounded survivor of the bank attack, recovered consciousness this afternoon and insisted a man dressed as a captain executed the murder and robbery.

CAMP FUNSTON, Jan. 12.—Military officers suspect four civilians who were noticed leaving the camp with a suit case, of robbing the army bank last night, killing four men and wounding another with hatchets. While the soldiers are not under suspicion they are not allowed to leave the camp until all quarters have been inspected.

Police dogs followed the trail of the four men to the railway station.

Knights of Columbus to Start Big Drive

The Knights of Columbus drive for the soldiers abroad and in the cantonments will start Monday. Union and Wallawa counties are asked to give \$5000. The money will be used to provide huts and entertainment at the front to which all soldiers, no matter of what creed, will be welcome.

The following letter shows how the work is regarded by army officers: The Knights of Columbus, Camp Lewis, Wash.

Gentlemen: I desire to express to you my appreciation of the great work which your association is doing among officers and enlisted men of this command. Your several buildings erected in this cantonment and maintained by your association are sources of great comfort and benefit to the members of the command, and the work which you are performing is extremely commendable and deserves the support of every patriotic citizen.

Wishing for you in the future the unlimited success which you deserve, I am,

Very respectfully, (Signer) FRED S. FOLTZ, Belg. Gen. N. A. Commanding, January 5, 1918.

Red Cross Dance

The Red Cross benefit dance at Zuhlers Hall on Monday night will be under the direction of the entertainment committee of the Red Cross. The chairman of the committee, Mrs. E. Polock, and the following ladies, will act as patronesses: Mrs. M. K. Hall, Mrs. George Cochran, Mrs. T. J. Goodhue, Mrs. L. A. McAllister, Mrs. H. C. Grady and Mrs. J. J. Carr. The punch table will be in charge of Mrs. Oscar Neale, assisted by a number of the younger set. The music will be excellent. A large attendance is expected.

STEAMER HAD BATTLE WITH SUBMARINE

LUCKENBACH REACHES PORT CRIPPLED AFTER SEVERE ATTACK

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—The steamer Luckenbach, reported sunk, has reached port badly crippled. The ship had a four hour battle with a submarine during which enemy shells exploded in the gun crow quarters, burst a fire main and put an aft gun out of commission.

Unique Plan For Armenian Relief Drive

A unique plan to conduct the Armenian Relief drive in this city next week has been drafted by the local and county officials. County chairman H. L. Underwood announces that next Thursday each business house, each professional office and each manufacturing establishment will be asked to do its own solicitation. The plan will work out this way:

Any given store or office manager will solicit his own firm only on that day, getting such donations in cash as each employs and the firm itself can and will give to these starving people. Friday morning these donations will be turned in to the treasurer's office at the Y. M. C. A.

As cash is especially required, it is presumed that the donations will be generally small as to amounts, but liberal in numbers. The aim is to get as many 100 per cent firms in La Grande as possible. One dollar for each employ, and more if possible, and a gift from the firm itself will make any establishment 100 per cent generous. From time to time more will be explained concerning the contest.

LEGISLATION TO ENFORCE WHEATLESS, MEATLESS DAYS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—It is announced that legislation will be introduced in both houses simultaneously to give authority to compel wheatless and meatless days and require the miller to get more flour out of wheat.

Imperial Potentate Coming.

PORTLAND, Jan. 12.—Imperial Potentate Charles Overbye, of Minneapolis will arrive in Portland on Sunday, January 20, for the purpose of participating in the greatest ceremonial ever staged in the Northwest by the temples of the Order of the Mystic Shrine. Shrine men in all sections of British Columbia, Idaho, Washington and Oregon, are already heading toward Portland and it is expected that the attendance will be enormous. The meeting is considered the most important since the Imperial Conclave at Seattle several years ago.