

NEWS OF GENERAL INTEREST IN IDAHO

Important Occurrences Of The Past Week From Cities In Our State

Project Expected to Win.
Lewiston.—That both the United States drainage engineers and the British authorities will report favorably on the reclaiming of 80,000 acres of overflow land along the Kootenai river in Idaho and British Columbia is believed by real estate men of this district.
This assurance is based upon information received from Senator James H. Brady, who has been active in supporting the work. Charles G. Reeder, one of the largest land owners of the Kootenai valley, was recently in conference with Senator Brady and stated that the matter of international cooperation had been taken up with Premier McBride, Mr. Ross, Minister of Lands, and Mr. Young, the drainage engineer.

Mineral Exhibit at Kellogg.
Kellogg.—One of the best collections of minerals in the entire state is to be given a permanent home in the Y. M. C. A. quarters here, Earl V. Shannon, a local collector, having consented to place his exhibit in the building. Cases will be secured and the collection displayed in the lobby, where it may be seen by visitors to the city.
Shannon has had charge of the exhibit of the state minerals for the Panama-Pacific exposition, and his collection includes ores and mineral specimens generally from all parts of the world.

Broxon is Alexander's Aide.
Boise.—It was announced here that C. O. Broxon, managing editor of the Capital News, has accepted the position of private secretary to Governor-elect Moses Alexander.
Broxon was the progressive party candidate for state treasurer at the last election. He has been prominently identified with the third party movement, as well as with politics generally in this state. It was the exposure made by his efforts that resulted in the recent state probe, causing the confession of the former state treasurer, Allen.

PROGRESSIVES ARE HOPEFUL

Third Party Plans for Next General Campaign.
Boise.—Political interest is centered in this state on the announcement of leading progressives that the progressive party proposes to keep up its fight and in the next general election campaign will be found with a more complete state organization than it had during the last campaign.

The party is legally a party because it cast a 10 per cent vote at the last election. A proposed change in the primary law raising the per cent to 20 might change its status. The normal strength of the party is 10,583. Two years ago the state ticket received a vote of 15,000.

The people of Idaho are waiting with not a little interest for report of the examination into the affairs of the state treasury which was looted to the extent of \$93,000 to be made public. The trial of Fred M. Coleman, ex-deputy state treasurer, charged with the embezzlement of \$22,000 of this amount, has been set for December 28.

Accountant Gleason is now engaged in compiling a report covering the entire four years of Allen's administration. It is said that this report will be of a somewhat startling nature and will place the new legislature in possession of the facts in connection with the systematic steal that was carried on in the treasury department during that period of years.

Old-Time Miner Dies in Fire.
Hagerman.—Edward Taylor, who 30 years ago was one of the most widely known placer miners, met a tragic death when his shack caught fire and he was burned to death.
Mr. Taylor was one of the oldest miners on the Snake river and had mined years before the burlap system was ever used on the Snake river, but had done little of the work during the past 15 years. He was about 77 years of age.

Idaho Beats Oregon College.
Moscow.—The second annual triangular debate between Idaho University, Oregon Agricultural college and Washington State college students at several points, aroused much interest here. The debate here between Idaho University and Oregon Agricultural college resulted in victory for Idaho.

Idaho Deputy Killed.
Pocatello.—In an unsuccessful attempt to break jail, Charles Moore, accused of selling liquor to Indians, shot and killed Deputy Sheriff Taylor here.

BRIEF WAR NEWS

Since the capture of Lodz there were no marked developments the past week in the eastern battles, although fighting of a more or less violent character is proceeding. The opposing headquarters assert the advantage fell to their respective armies.

As an offset to the Russian assertion of having checked the advance of three of five German columns invading their territory, the Germans say that their cavalry has repulsed the Russian horsemen on the east Prussian frontier; that in north Poland the German operations are developing and that in south Poland the Russian attacks have been unsuccessful.

It is admitted in Berlin, however, that the Russian resistance is by no means broken, although, according to the German estimate, in the battles preceding the evacuation of Lodz the Russians lost 150,000 men, including the 80,000 previously reported captured, while the German losses, it is said, were light.

In the battles around Lodz, in Russian Poland, the Russians suffered greater losses than they did in their defeat at Tannenberg, east Prussia, according to the statement issued by the German official press bureau, announcing the evacuation by the Russians of the city of Lodz.

The town of Lodz suffered little damage during the fighting. Some suburbs and factories beyond the town sustained property losses, but the interior of the place was almost undamaged. The Grand Hotel was not harmed, and the electric tramway is now running as in times of peace.

In the western theatre of war the Germans claim that French attacks in Flanders were repulsed, while the Paris Communique declares the west bank of the Yser was cleared of the enemy north of Ypres. Le Perthe and Lagurie forest regions, where the French claim the advantage, the German statement declares the attacks were without success. In the Argonne the Germans assert an important position was gained by the explosion of a mine.

Despite the German claims rumors of big British gains which have not been announced are reaching London.

GENERAL DE WET



General Christian De Wet, leader of the attempted revolution against the British in South Africa, who was captured.

The Canadian and territorial forces are declared to have fought with the utmost bravery. Their advances may be measured by yards, but advantages have been gained by direct storming after German trenches have been blown up.

The general impression is that the allies, with artillery and occasional infantry attacks, are preparing the way for a general offensive and in doing so are meeting with the usual stubborn resistance from the Germans, who are firmly established in entrenched positions. The advance, if it is possible, must therefore be slow, as General Joffre, the commander-in-chief, is not likely to sacrifice the lives of his men in an attempt to storm fortified works.

The Servians continue to announce successes of their troops, who are said to have been led by King Peter and his two sons. The Austrians tried to stem defeat by sending a force from Belgrade southward against the Serbian right wing, but this army, like that which is retreating westward, suffered heavy losses after repeated attacks.

Kaiser Reported Recovering.
Amsterdam.—Emperor William has made so much progress toward recovering his health, telegrams received here from Berlin say, that he will be able to leave the capital for the battle front.

Germans Defeated South of Cracow.
Petrograd.—Austro-German attempts to smash the Russian line south of Cracow have failed completely, the war office announced here.

GERMANS MENACE REAR OF WARSAW

Active Offensive Operations Have Begun North of the Vistula.

Berlin, by wireless to Sayville, N. Y.—Occupation of the city of Przasnysz by the German forces which have been advancing on Warsaw from the north, recently reported unofficially, was said definitely by the official press bureau to have been accomplished.

"This is the most important factor in the latest developments from the eastern theater of war," the press bureau statement continues, "and while in itself it is not important, it shows that the Germans have begun active offensive operations north of the Vistula. Przasnysz lies on the direct line of communication between Willenberg, East Prussia, and Warsaw.

"This shows that the advance is directed against the fortified line along the Narew River. If this line were broken, the Germans would be in the rear of Warsaw, which would exercise a deciding influence on the Polish campaign.

"News from South Poland and Galicia makes it clear that, notwithstanding certain successes achieved by the Germans and Austrians, severe resistance is being encountered everywhere.

Truce Declined by Czar.

Berlin.—The proposal of Pope Benedict for a truce among the warring nations during the Christmas holidays is said by the official press bureau to have been declined by Russia.

The German press bureau previously announced that Germany was willing to agree to a Christmas truce, provided the other nations at war gave their assent.

ALLIES NOW CONTROL YSER

Germans Complete Evacuation of West Bank of Waterway.

Paris.—The French official bulletin, given out in Paris, says French troops now occupy the west bank of the Yser canal. Artillery engagements, all of them resulting more or less advantageously to the French, are reported in the region of Arras, near Nampeel, on the Aisne, in the region of Perthes, near the forest of La Gruerie, on the heights of the Meuse, and in the Vosges. The text of the communication follows:

"It is announced that two German attacks at the extremes of the front have failed. One was to the northeast of Ypres and the other against the railway station at Aspach (Alsace)."

An important advance by the French troops in the forest of La Pretre, in France, and the repulse of three violent German infantry attacks to the southeast of Ypres, Belgium, were the outstanding features of the official communication issued earlier in the day.

Dresden Arrives at Punta Arenas.
Buenos Aires.—The Argentine government has received word that the German cruiser Dresden, which escaped destruction by Vice Admiral Sturdee's British fleet off the Falkland islands, has arrived in Punta Arenas, in the strait of Magellan.

Roumania Believed Ready.
Athens.—The Nea Hellas says there is reason to believe that Roumania will declare war on Austria before the end of December.

AUSTRIANS DEFEAT RUSSIANS IN GALICIA

London.—The following official communication, issued in Vienna, has been received here:

"In west Galicia the south wing of the Russian army was defeated at L'imanovo and compelled to retreat. We are pursuing the enemy. All attacks on the rest of our battle front failed, as did the previous ones.

"Our forces which crossed the Carpathians, after numerous battles, again continue an energetic pursuit. In the afternoon we took Neu Sandec. Our troops again have entered Graibow, Gorlice and Zmigrod. The enemy has completely evacuated the Zemplin country.

"In the east Carpathian woods, which is some distance from the main zone of operations, the enemy was nowhere able to gain important ground. In general our troops hold the passes in Bukowina, along the line of the Sucasawa valley."

Italy Firm With Turkey.
Rome.—Italy has reiterated her urgent demand for satisfaction to the Sublime Porte for the forcible removal of G. A. Richardson, the British consul at Hodeida, from the Italian consulate, where he had taken refuge, and for his immediate liberation.



HOLIDAY SUGGESTIONS FOR HIM

About 200 dozen neckties—all in the newest colors, some reversible, narrow and wide ends, fore-in-hands, beautiful combinations of colors in silk knit ties-- 25c to 50c

Initial Handkerchiefs in Handsome Decorated Boxes

Box contains six-- \$1.00

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Latest Styles In Stetson Hats

\$3.50

Latest Styles In Astor Hats

\$2.50

Our Pre-Holiday Suit and Overcoat Sale is still on in full force. We must reduce our stock, are our orders from the head office at Boise--

\$12.50 Suit or Overcoat	Now	\$8.75
\$16.00 Suit or Overcoat	Now	\$11.50
\$20.00 Suit or Overcoat	Now	\$13.75
\$25.00 Suit or Overcoat	Now	\$18.50

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Without reference to business, but merely as an expression of good will, we wish you to accept our season's greetings; we desire to express our hopes for your health, and prosperity, and happiness, in the year that lies before us. For our own success we are grateful to the people of this community.

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