

REAL WARFARE IN TRENCHES PLANNED

Senator Chamberlain Proposes Object Lesson for Congress.

POSITION NEAR WASHINGTON DESIRED

Demonstration of Actual Operations in Field Would Enlighten Members of Lawmaking Body.

Washington, D. C.—Congress will have an object lesson in preparedness for modern warfare, if Senator Chamberlain, of Oregon, chairman of the senate committee on military affairs, succeeds in carrying out a plan he has conceived to illustrate graphically the problem of national defense.

When congress reassembles the senator will propose that a division of regular troops or of regular and National Guard troops be assembled at the nearest suitable point to Washington. He would have these troops when mobilized dig trenches and otherwise fortify a defensive position.

Although the position would not be defended by troops and no men would be under fire at any time, the Senator is of the opinion that the attack would furnish a more valuable object lesson than an ordinary maneuvers or sham battle.

Mr. Chamberlain believes that after witnessing the mobilization of a division and an attack of this character senators and representatives would return to Washington better prepared to legislate for the equipment and training of an army required by modern conditions of warfare.

Here are some of the issues which would be illuminated by such an object lesson:

First—The training, organization and discipline necessary if a division is going to dig itself in properly and otherwise prepare for the defense of any position it may hold.

Second—The difficulties attending the defense and attack of a position and the training and discipline absolutely essential if such defense or attack is to be made.

Third—Effect of high explosive shell and grenade fire and what it means to have to face it.

Fourth—Our lack of heavy field guns needed to smash infantry trenches.

Fifth—How difficult it would be for us to mobilize one complete division, which is the smallest complete division of an army.

"I am constantly impressed with the difficulty of creating a thorough understanding of the necessity of providing adequate National defense," said Senator Chamberlain.

"People read how battles are fought nowadays in Europe, but they are of the preparation to fight such battles."

Chinese Editor Is Assassinated in San Francisco Banquet Hall

San Francisco—Wong Yuen Yung, former editor of the Asiatic News, a paper published at Shanghai, as the official organ of Chinese favoring a return to the monarchical form of government, was shot in the back and killed while attending a Chinese Christmas banquet here Saturday night.

The assassin escaped and was unrecognized.

Wong had taken his Christmas dinner in a private dining-room with C. Y. Kuo and C. T. Loh, both Chinese commissioners to the Panama-Pacific exposition from Chili province, China.

In the adjoining banquet hall hundreds of prominent Chinese were seated at dinner.

Wong left his companions for a moment to light a cigarette at the cashier's desk. Just as he was about to return to his table an unidentified Chinese fired two shots, both of which took effect. Wong fell and crawled to the room he had left a moment before. He was dead when medical aid reached him.

The assassin threw his weapon to the floor and dashed down a long stairway to the street, where he was lost to view in a dense crowd of Chinese and sightseers.

Oregon Goes to Militia.

San Diego, Cal.—The battleship Oregon, "the bulldog of the Navy," will be turned over to the California naval militia at San Francisco on February 15, according to orders received Monday by Commander Reeves from Secretary of the Navy Daniels.

The militia will not have an opportunity to handle and fire the 13-inch guns on the Oregon, in Commander Reeves' opinion, because of the heavy cost of operating these big pieces and of the long course of training required.

Silk Hosiery Worn More.

Washington, D. C.—A report of an investigation of the hosiery manufacturing industry by the Department of Commerce was transmitted to President Wilson by Secretary Redfield. Americans were found to be wearing silk hosiery more and more, and as a result cotton hosiery manufacturers are making less profit than silk manufacturers. American manufacturers were reported to be making a profit of nearly 12 per cent on capital invested.

90-MILE GALE WITH LIGHTNING, SNOW AND RAIN SWEEPS EAST

New York—One of the weirdest storms the East has seen in many years—rain, hail and snow, accompanied by thunder and lightning and a gale that reached a maximum velocity of 90 miles an hour—descended from the northwest early Monday as the aftermath of a Christmas fog. It indirectly caused seven deaths in this city, carried down telegraph poles, damaged shipping, crippled railroad traffic and caused considerable property damage.

The phenomenon of thunder and lightning in the midst of driving snow awakened New Yorkers at the height of the storm about 7 o'clock.

Twenty-five persons aboard 15 canal boats driven ashore off Sandy Hook were rescued by the coast guard crew.

A barge sprang a leak and sank 12 miles east of Ambrose Lightship. Seven Erie railroad barges loaded with automobiles sank in the East river.

The deaths in the city resulting from the gale all occurred while the blind-

DAVID STARR JORDAN



Dr. David Starr Jordan, president of Leland Stanford Jr. university, suggested to President Wilson that a conference of neutral nations be called to act as a voluntary court of arbitration to receive and consider any plans that may be advanced looking toward peace in Europe.

Dr. Jordan was fatally injured while responding to an alarm. A woman was run over by a streetcar. Another woman collapsed and died in the street while battling against the gale on her way to church. A flagman at Totenville, Staten Island, was blown in front of a train and killed instantly. A bicyclist in a heavy rain ran into an automobile at Mineola and was fatally injured. His wife, who was riding with him, also suffered injuries from which she may die. An aged man fell on an icy pavement in Newark and died of a fractured skull on his way to a hospital.

Five Provinces Revolt.

San Francisco—"The punitive expedition against Yuan Shi Kai" is the name selected for the organized revolutionary party reported to be active in China against the return to monarchical government and the coronation of Yuan Shi Kai as its emperor.

This information was contained in a cablegram received here Tuesday by Tong King Chong, president of the Chee Kung Tong (Chinese Republic Association) from the headquarters of the movement at Shanghai. From the same sources came the first news of the declaration of independence from the rule of Yuan Shi Kai by Yunnan province and the reported revolt of four other Chinese provinces.

Marshall's Tree Costly.

Washington, D. C.—Desiring to conform to an amiable Indiana custom of allowing no Christmas go by without a tree, Vice President Marshall sent his chauffeur to Virginia to bring one. Later the vice president was advised that his chauffeur had been arrested for speeding, and the vice president's secretary, Mark Thistlewaite, went to the rescue. The vice president had his tree in the apartments in the Willard, but he said that he would advise his chauffeur next time not to be such a hurry about it.

Rocks Rolled on Town.

Rome, via London—The following official statement was issued Monday: "Along the Tyrol-Trentino-Carnia front there has been an intense artillery engagement. The enemy also rolled enormous boulders on the village of Loppio, in the valley of the Anige, from overhanging cliffs, without causing serious damage."

"Our artillery shelled numerous columns of munitions stores on the march."

Edison Offers Plans.

New York—Thomas A. Edison, at a recent meeting of the naval consulting board at the Brooklyn navy yard, offered to furnish the board with plans and specifications for a laboratory of physical research to cost \$1,400,000, to be used in the development of naval inventions.

LA GRIPPE EPIDEMIC COSTS MANY LIVES

Death Rate in Philadelphia Is Alarmingly Large.

EXTREMES OF YOUTH AND OLD AGE HIT

Health Officers Warn Public to Keep Away From Crowded Places—Many Industries Crippled.

Philadelphia—The death rate from the epidemic of la grippe now sweeping the state has been so high that Samuel G. Dixon, state health commissioner, issued a statement at Harrisburg Saturday calling attention to the seriousness of the situation and cautioning the public that if the disease is to be avoided "sacrifices must be made."

"Keep out of crowded places," Dr. Dixon says, "as one person having the gripe may give it to a carload of passengers."

In this city 550 burial permits were issued during the first three days of the week, the majority of the deaths being due directly or indirectly to la grippe. This is more than double the ordinary death rate. It is estimated that nearly 15,000 persons in Philadelphia alone are suffering with this disease, which has been particularly fatal to the very old and very young.

Attendance at all the public schools has been greatly reduced, and in several sections of the state schools and colleges have been forced to close.

Factories, department stores and other business houses have also been affected by the epidemic, and in many instances the number of employed obliged to remain at home had been so great as to curtail operations seriously. Hundreds of firemen and policemen are confined to their homes with the disease, while Philadelphia's rapid transit company reports 400 of its employees on the sick list.

Reports from Camden, N. J., are to the effect that there are at least 1000 cases in that city.

60,000 Are Ill in Chicago.

Chicago—Chicago doctors are working at high speed, many of them making more than 50 calls a day.

Chicago business is battling against the handicap of disablement of many employees and lack of full efficiency of many other thousands.

All this is due to la grippe, or to be more accurate, to relatives of the old-fashioned grip.

Although the epidemic is the most serious since 1891, it is remarkable because in no cultures yet examined by the health department has the organism of true la grippe been found.

Isolation of every victim of the epidemic—forcible isolation by employers, if necessary, of every employee who attempts to work while suffering from the grip—is urged by Dr. Karl Meyer, superintendent of the Cook county hospital. He said:

"I believe there are at least 60,000 persons seriously ill with la grippe in Chicago. We have from 40 to 50 cases that come to the county hospital every day. Because of the contagious nature of the disease, we attempt to take in only the most serious cases. The others simply receive first treatment."

"From 38 to 45 out of 400 nurse here are ill with la grippe. That indicates about the proportion of victims all over town. Many doctors have been or are ill.

"The epidemic is particularly dangerous because it might be followed by pneumonia or head infections. If the victim does not thoroughly conquer the germ he may become subject to chronic catarrh."

Henny Is City Attorney.

Santa Monica, Cal.—Francis J. Henny, who prosecuted the San Francisco graft cases several years ago, has accepted the position of City attorney of Santa Monica, tendered him by the newly elected commissioners. His salary has not been decided on. Mr. Henny has made his residence here for several months. In taking the position Mr. Henny agreed to devote five and a half hours each day to the city. He said that he accepted the offer because he desired to see what could be done with commission government.

Balloon Given to Militia.

New York—A large balloon for use of the signal corps or the coast artillery of the National Guard of New York, and courses of instruction in aviation for members of the militia of New Jersey, have been contributed to the National aeroplane fund. The balloon was contributed by Robert Glendinning, a member of the Aero Club, and the offer to train four members of the militia comes from John F. Sloane, an aeroplane manufacturer.

Klamath Falls Packing Plant Starts.

Klamath Falls, Or.—Klamath Falls has a meat packing plant that began operation this week. The plant is an extension of the operations of the Klamath Packing company, of this city, and, in addition to supplying Klamath Falls markets, it will ship to California points. An expert packer is in charge.

NORTHWEST MARKET REPORTS; GENERAL CROP CONDITIONS

Portland—Wheat—Bluestem, 97¢ bushel; forty-fold, 97¢; club, 94¢; red Fife, 92¢; red Russian, 92¢.

Hay—Eastern Oregon timothy, \$15 @17 ton; valley timothy, \$12@14; alfalfa, \$13.50@14.50; cheat, \$10@11; oats and vetch, \$11@12.

Millfeed—Spot prices: Bran, \$22 ton; shorts, \$23, rolled barley, \$29@30.

Corn—White, \$35 ton; cracked, \$36. Vegetables—Artichokes, \$1.10 doz.; tomatoes, California, \$1.25@1.50 case; cabbage, 90¢ cwt; garlic, 15¢ pound; peppers, 10 @ 12¢; eggplant, 10¢; sprouts, 8¢; horseradish, 8¢; cauliflower, 75¢@1.25 dozen; celery, 50¢ @90¢; beans, 12¢@15¢ pound; lettuce, \$2@2.75 crate; peas, 15¢ pound.

Green Fruits—Pears, \$1@1.50 box; grapes, \$5 barrel; cranberries, \$10@14.50 barrel.

Potatoes—Oregon, \$1@1.15 sack; Yakimas, \$1.15@1.25; sweets, \$2.50@2.75 cwt.

Onions—Oregon, buying price, \$1.10 f. o. b. shipping point.

Apples—Spitzenbergs, extra fancy, \$2.25 box; fancy, \$2; choice, \$1.25@1.50; Jonathans, extra fancy, \$1.50; fancy, \$1.25; choice, \$1; Yellow Newtown, extra fancy, \$2; fancy, \$1.75; choice, \$1 @ 1.25; Baldwins, extra fancy, \$1.50; fancy, \$1.25; choice, \$1; Russets, orchard run, \$1.

Eggs—Oregon ranch, buying prices: No. 1, 35¢; No. 2, 25¢; No. 3, 18¢. Jobbing prices: No. 1, 35¢; Oregon storage, 26¢@28¢.

Poultry—Hens, small, 12 @ 12¢ pound; large, 13¢@14¢; springs, 12¢ @13¢; turkeys, live, 18¢@20¢; dressed, 23¢@24¢; ducks, 12¢@15¢; geese, 10¢ @11¢.

Butter—City creamery, cubes, extra, selling at 29¢; firsts, 27¢; prints and cartons, extra. Prices paid to producers: Country creamery, 24¢ @27¢; butterfat, No. 1, 31¢; No. 2, 29¢.

Veal—Fancy, 10¢@10¢ pound.

Hops—1915 crop, nominal.

Hides—Salted hides, 15¢; salted kip, 16¢; salted calf, 18¢; green hides, 14¢; green kip, 16¢; green calf, 18¢; dry hides, 25¢; dry calf, 27¢.

Wool—Eastern Oregon, 18 @ 25¢; valley, 25¢@26¢; fall lambs' wool, 25¢; mohair, Oregon, 28¢.

Cascara bark—Old and new, 3¢@4¢.

Cattle—Choice steers, \$7 @ 7.50; good, \$6.75 @ 7; medium, \$6@6.75; choice cows, \$5.25@5.75; good, \$5 @ 5.25; medium, \$4.50@5; heifers, \$3.50 @4; bulls, \$3@5; stags, \$4.50@5.25.

Hogs—Light, \$5.95@6.10; heavy, \$4.90@5.10.

Sheep—Wethers, \$4.75@6.75; ewes, \$4@6; lambs, \$6@7.60.

No Lowering of Apple Standards.

Spokane—Refusal to sanction any lowering of the standards of grade and pack featured the annual conference here Thursday of Washington fruit growers.

The warmest fight of the day centered around an attempt to allow the putting of worm-stung apples into the fancy, or No. 2, grade. The Yakima Valley delegation led the battle in favor of the plan, but was beaten by a vote of 160 to 20, the opposition being championed by the Wenatchee growers.

The fruit men also voted, 90 to 36, to exclude worm-stung apples from the "C" grade. In the heated debate that preceded the vote J. S. Sugrue, of Caver, leader of the Wenatchee delegation, said sentiment in his district was that eventually there would be only two grades of apples, and that the Wenatchee growers favored the establishment of a combination grade to include both the fancy and "C" grades.

He urged that the development of the by-products industry, preferably by the growers themselves, would have to be depended upon to handle the large tonnage of cull fruit.

Flour Takes Another Jump.

The strength of the wheat market in the Pacific Northwest has forced flour prices upward again. The advance is 20 cents a barrel in patents which puts wholesale quotation at \$5.20. Other domestic grades underwent a similar advance. Export flours are also higher at \$4.20@4.30. Millfeed is holding steady in spite of large stocks, as there is excellent demand. Wheat is decidedly strong in all the country markets. Bids on the basis of \$1 Coast were made for bluestem, but farmers asked \$1.02 and more.

Wheat Outlet Closed.

The embargo on wheat shipments to Atlantic seaboard terminals is now practically complete, and as the larger part of the buying of late has been for shipment of that character, the result is a material subsidence of activity in the Northwest. Export operations have not entirely ceased, however, and it is said there is little buying against the possibility that the embargo will not be of long duration. There is also some trade for Eastern milling account, but, on the whole, business passing in the country is of much smaller volume.

Odd Dream Adventure.

"Talking of dreams," said the jolly-faced man, "the other night an incandescent bulb burst in our bed room while I was dozing and dreaming that I was driving my auto along a country road. On hearing the explosion I got out, and when I woke up I was under the bed tinkering the springs with my wife's manicure set."—Boston Transcript.

The Call of the Links.

"Jock, mon, I'll go ye a round on the links i' the mornin'."

"The mornin'?" echoed Jock, dubiously.

"Ay, mon, the mornin'. I'll go ye a round if ye like."

"Ay, weel!" said Jock. "I'll go ye. But I had intended to get marrit i' the mornin'."—Boston Transcript.

Worse Trouble Averted.

"They fight like cats and dogs."

"Then you don't think it was a fortunate marriage?"

"Oh, yes, in a way. If they hadn't married each other, each might have married someone else, and made four people unhappy instead of two."—Boston Transcript.

Was She Motherless?

"We have just learned that Adam was the first man," said the Sunday School teacher to the infant class. "Now if Adam was the first man, can you tell me who was the first woman?"

And the little chap at the end of the row declared confidently:

"His mother!"—Philadelphia Record.

They Surely Do It.

"I don't see why everybody is so down on the war censors. Aren't they merely performing a consistent duty?"

"How so?"

"Well, what good is a censor unless he incenses the people?"—Baltimore American.

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Lost, Not Gone Before.

An elderly gentleman was observed acting rather nervously in a department store and the floorwalker approached him.

"Anything I can do for you?"

"I have lost my wife."

"Ah, yes, mourning goods two flights up," responded the floorwalker.

—Boston Transcript.

Qualified.

"Mr. Redink," said the boss, severely, "you got off yesterday afternoon under the plea of being sick. I saw you afterward going to the races, and you didn't appear to be at all sick."

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Making Coin Fly.

"I suppose you get some good business from the 400?"

"Oh, yes," said the New York merchant. "But the dizzy spenders are the ones who are trying to break into the 400."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Increased Consumption.

"Why do you insist that people are not like they were in your youth?"

"When I was young," replied Mr. Dustin Stax, "I burned the midnight oil. My boys burn gasoline 24 hours in the day."—Washington Star.

Just So.

It may be that there is no such thing as luck. Still, it is sometimes difficult to understand why one side of a street should be so much busier than the other.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Her Preference.

Sunday School Teacher—You must grow up to be good. Don't you want to be looked up to?

Little Emma Wayup—No; Pd rather be looked around at.—Judge.

The Autocrat.

My father is a captain in the army," said the little boy in blue, "and whatever he says the men have to do it."

"That's nothin'!" retorted the boy in the red sweater. "My old man's a janitor."

On Its Heels.

First Father—What! Your son is an undertaker? Why, I thought you said he was a doctor.

Second Paternal Relative—No, I said he followed the medical profession.—Harvard Lampoon.

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—Washington Star.

Do you believe in telepathy?

"I shouldn't like to see it carried to an extreme," replied Miss Cayenne. "If everybody could ascertain what everybody else is thinking about, so few of us would be on speaking terms!"—Washington Star.

One of the Ways.

She—An agent was around today with a machine for aerating bread without the use of baking powder, and I bought one.

He—Well, of all the ways of blowing one's dough!—Boston Transcript.

Let William Do It.

"That son of yours is a likely lad, Sam. Why don't you let him join in and help us to end the war?"

"What! my boy, Bill? Naw, naw. What I say is that there kaysner, 'e started the war, let 'im finish it 'isself."

Reverse Influence.

"So you voted for prohibition?"

"Sure," replied Uncle Bill Bottletop. "For years every ticket I voted for has been defeated. So I didn't take any chances."—Washington Star.

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