

SIX ARMY TRANSPORTS BRING U. S. SOLDIERS

Nearly Ten Thousand Landed on Atlantic Coast.

NUMBER SICK OR WOUNDED

Arrivals Include Montana Man Whose Life in Action Was Saved by His Bible.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—The United States army transport Henry R. Malory arrived today with 1461 American soldiers from Bordeaux. Nine hundred and one were sick or wounded. The units aboard were headquarters, sanitary and ordnance departments, headquarters company, supply company, band and detachments of Batteries A and B of the 148d Regiment, Field Artillery, comprising 19 officers and 452 men, and headquarters of the 65th Field Artillery Brigade, comprising three officers and 85 men. The sick and wounded comprised 32 officers and 88 men, of whom 39 are bedridden, six tubercular, one mental case and 854 requiring no special attention. The transport Manchuria from Brest, carrying 153 officers and 4093 men, also arrived today. She carries 13 officers and 52 men of the 84th Field Artillery, 84 officers and 861 men of the 118th Field Artillery, 51 officers and 1452 men of the 115th Field Artillery, 10 officers and 93 men of the 31st Division, 10 officers and 66 men of the 106th Ammunition Train, 18 men headquarters company, 524 Infantry Brigade, 19 casual officers and 966 sick and wounded.

Liner Megantic Arrives. Another arrival was the White Star liner Megantic from Liverpool, among whose 310 passengers were a number of American, Australian and Canadian army and naval officers and Y. M. C. A. and Red Cross workers.

An Italian Trade Commission, composed of Colonel Hugo Pissarello and Lieutenant Angelo Fanelli also was aboard. Among the wounded was Private Earl House, of Caldwell, Mont., who exhibited the remnants of a Bible which he declared saved his life after he went "over the top" early in November. When a German sniper sent a bullet toward his head the book deflected its course and only a flesh wound resulted. While lying in No Man's Land awaiting the stretcher bearers, House had the satisfaction of seeing his "buddy" bring down the sniper.

Boys Welcomed at Hoboken. The troops from the Mallory were given a stirring welcome in Hoboken, N. J., where they debarked for Camp Merritt, near by. The soldiers marched through gaily decorated streets, lined with cheering throngs.

The United States transport Bultenzorg arrived in port shortly after noon from St. Nazaire with 68 officers and men. There were two officers and 55 men from the 12th anti-aircraft battery and one officer and six men from the medical detachment of the 12th and 12th anti-aircraft batteries. The Bultenzorg was formerly a Dutch ship. Brigadier-General John W. Hay, commander of the 58th Brigade and Brigadier-General Robert E. Steiner, of the 62d Brigade, were among the officers who returned home on the Manchuria.

Many Show Decorations. Among the other notables who arrived were Sergeant Amado Tomassetti, of Rochester, N. Y., a member of the 4th machine gun battalion, who wore the croix de guerre with two citations for smoking out a German dugout after going "over the top" and capturing three German Captains and a Colonel. Corporal Herbert Freeman, 22 years old, of Montevallo, Alabama, a member of Company D, 167th Infantry, one of the most profusely decorated heroes aboard the transport, wearing not only a distinguished service cross, but the croix de guerre, the Legion of Honor, the Croix de Chevalier and the Croix de Guerre. He was captured at Chateau Thierry on July 26, and for gallantry in action was decorated by General Segonne, of the French army.

Captain Philip B. Paul, of Boston, a Dartmouth man, who fought as a dismounted cavalry officer at the head of a company of negroes, returned wearing the croix de guerre. NEWPORT NEWS, Va., Dec. 20.—The transports Martha Washington and Mercury came into port today bringing home from France 3720 officers and men, including 699 wounded.

Troops to Remain While. The units included the 118th Field Artillery, the 102d, 103d, 104th and 106th casual companies, First Marine Aviation Force headquarters company, 116th Field Artillery, and 123 detached officers and non-commissioned officers of the 38th (Cyclone) Division.

Major-General H. C. Hodges, returning for home assignment; Brigadier-General Julian A. Penn, who commanded the 38th Division, and Major-General Winters, of the Medical Corps, were aboard the Mercury. Most of the troops will remain here over Christmas.

MERCY CAMPAIGN WAXES

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Tonight the street corners in the downtown section will be given over to the Elks Lodge, at Broadway and Washington; the Ad Club, at Sixth and Alder; the Rotary Club, at Sixth and Morrison; and the Progressive Business Men's Club, at Broadway and Morrison.

Each of these organizations will have entire charge of its own programme, with novel stunts and special speakers. The Elks will display for the first time their banner of 100 per cent membership in the Red Cross Christmas roll-call. Arrangements for the street features were made at the suggestion of Miss Gotta Wasserman, state executive secretary.

Churchgoers Will Be Asked to Join. Tomorrow, notwithstanding the fact that it is Sunday, the campaign will go forward on the assertion that "the better the day the better the deed." It will be enrollment Sunday in all churches throughout the state. In Portland 100 soldiers of the spruce division will visit all churches, securing memberships among the congregations. Several ministers have already apprised headquarters of their determination to enlist their congregations to 100 per cent.

Territories assigned to Red Cross canteen workers today are announced by Mrs. Ferdinand E. Reed, commander, as follows: Mrs. E. N. Howe, Heutnant, Fifth to the river, Washington to Taylor; Mrs. R. S. Stearns, lieutenant, Fifth to Tenth, Washington to Taylor; Mrs. Henry Rothschild, Fifth to the river, Washington to Pine; Mrs. Grace E. Fairbanks, lieutenant, Fifth to Tenth, Washington to Pine. Members of the canteen who are now serving in the house-to-house canvass are ordered in

for downtown duty. Canteen workers are to report to their commander at 9 o'clock this morning, room 400 Oregonian building.

Guardmen Will Sweep City. Preparations are well under way for the participation of the Multnomah Guard regiment which has been ordered by Colonel Campbell to Red Cross duty tomorrow. At a luncheon tendered by State Chairman W. E. Coman to Colonel Campbell and his staff, held yesterday at the Arlington Club, final details were settled upon. The guardmen will sweep through the city with thoroughness, and it behooves all Red Cross members to have their emblems displayed in the window.

The call is also for all men in the city who are former members of the Guard," said Colonel Campbell, "to report to their old companies for duty at this time, on account of the extreme urgency of the Red Cross need. The Multnomah Guard has taken upon itself a tremendous responsibility and will need the assistance of all citizens who have been identified with the regiment.

With reference to the outer-state situation, Campaign Manager Witham last night admitted that little improvement had been shown. He has asked all lodges in Oregon to pass resolutions for 100 per cent membership and has given complete charge of enrollment Sunday to Mrs. Sadie Orr-Dunbar. Every minister in the state has been urged to solicit his congregation for complete enrollment.

Government Island 100 Per Cent. Multnomah County's first 100 per cent record, for any specified district, is claimed by Government Island. According to the figures compiled by County Manager Fixott that district completed its task early yesterday.

City Campaign Auditor Bortzmeier is certain that some Red Cross solicitor encountered the meanest man in America sometime yesterday, when a leader of a piece was paid in an act of payment for a membership. The spurious coin has been nailed to one of the pillars of Liberty Temple, with Auditor Bortzmeier's terse caption flaunting above it—"For the Red Cross, from a counterfeit American."

Both state and city have lagged, admit officials, but three full days remain in which to redeem the situation. Into those days, by dint of every effort the campaigners are urged to push through the assistance of other units which have been summoned to aid, the leaders expect to force the remainder of the membership task.

COTTAGE GROVE LEADS LANE

Eugene Has Yet Nearly Half of Red Cross Quota to Fill.

EUGENE, Or., Dec. 20.—(Special.)—With 4000 new members reported up to tonight, Lane County has yet nearly half of its self-reported Red Cross quota to fill in the Christmas membership campaign.

Cottage Grove district, of which C. M. Adams is chairman, is leading the county for proportionate results with more than 600 new members to its credit. Eugene, according to W. F. Gilstrap, county chairman, has been lagging, but picked up somewhat today, when more than 300 pledges were turned in at headquarters.

Nine thousand members by Christmas is the mark which the county committee has set as the goal for its work.

TRUCKS PARADE TONIGHT

BETWEEN 350 AND 400 MACHINES WILL BE EXHIBITED

Oregon's Preparation for Handling Transportation Situation to Be Demonstrated.

Some three miles of trucks, mobilized to demonstrate Oregon's preparedness to help solve the transportation problem, will traverse the principal downtown streets of Portland tonight. Assurances have been given that between 350 and 400 trucks, expected to be the largest fleet ever assembled in a Western city, will be in the line, which will form at Twelfth and Yamhill streets at 8 o'clock.

The parade will be staged under the auspices of the highway transport committee of the National Council of Defense, for which Julius L. Meier is chairman for Oregon, Washington and Idaho. Photographs of the parade will be sent to Washington, D. C. Vehicles in the line will include 150 to 200 trucks owned by dealers, fleets in operation by business concerns, floats and a number of automobile stages, according to members of the committee in charge of the parade. A fleet of spruce division trucks also is expected to participate. A spruce band and the Multnomah Guard band have been invited to march.

The route of the parade will be as follows: Form at Twelfth and Yamhill streets, proceed east on Yamhill to Fourth, north on Fourth to Morrison, west on Morrison to Tenth, north on Tenth to Alder, east on Alder to Fourth, north on Fourth to Stark and west on Stark to Tenth, where the parade will be disbanded.

Seattle Engineer Recommended.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Dec. 20.—Representative Miller of Washington recommends R. H. Thomson of Seattle, for appointment to succeed the late Logan Waller Page as director of the United States Office of Public Roads. Mr. Thomson was for 18 years engineer of Seattle.

SAFETY FIRST. Avoid the crowds of the department stores and do your Christmas shopping in comfort and safety at the specialty stores. You pay no more, and secure better service. Ben Selling LEADING CLOTHIER. 1000 Commercial Street at Fourth.

YANKS LOSE 21 BALLOONS

FINAL AIR BATTLES DESCRIBED IN OFFICIAL REPORT.

American Aviators, Attacked by Enemy Craft, Forced to Jump and Abandon Machines.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—During the last allied offensive, between September 26 and November 11, 21 American balloons were lost. A report on the Eleventh Balloon Company was attacked four times on October 6 and that Lieutenant J. A. McDevitt and G. D. Armstrong, attached to this company, were forced to jump twice to escape enemy attacks. Lieutenant W. J. R. Taylor, Sixth Company, and Lieutenant E. T. Durr, J. Higgs, Seventh Company, also made four jumps each. American officers in all during the offensive making 30 parachute jumps.

Freight Cars Are Delayed. Derailment of nine freight cars of extra freight train No. 2801, at Drain, Or., on the Southern Pacific, was reported today by the Railroad Administration headquarters. The accident happened at 11:40 A. M. and delayed passenger traffic slightly. One car jumped the rails near a switch and carried over six others, while two left the rails, but did not overturn. Wrecking crews from Roseburg and Eugene were sent to the scene.

Influenza on Decline. WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—Although influenza still prevails in virtually all Army camps at home, a report today by the Surgeon-General showed a decline in the number of cases for the week ending December 13 as compared with the preceding week. Total cases were 2630, a decrease of 426.

Family Has Influenza. Mrs. John C. Shillock and son, who have been seriously ill with the influenza at the family home, 583 East Forty-second street, North, are convalescing. Mr. Shillock has been stricken with the malady and although his condition is not alarming he will not be able to leave his home for 10 days.

A Christmas Hat

that any man would be glad to live under— \$5 If you don't know his size, buy him a hat order.



Ben Selling Leading Hatter Morrison at Fourth

FISH SALES INCREASING

LECTURES AND DEMONSTRATIONS CREATE DEMAND.

Mrs. Evelyne Spencer Tells of Her Work With United States Bureau of Fisheries.

"People in San Francisco and the bay cities do not know their own fish," says Mrs. Evelyne Spencer, who returned yesterday for the holidays. "I have been informed by big fish men who are in position to know that our lectures and demonstrations have doubled the sales of fresh fish in the markets of San Francisco."

Mrs. Spencer now is representing the United States Bureau of Fisheries and her specialty is lecturing on and cooking the cheaper and less-known fish in order to carry out the slogan of the bureau of "eat more fish." Dan Kellner had Mrs. Spencer demonstrating fish as an aid to the municipal fish market and when her work in this city was through, the Bureau of Fisheries employed her. Since she has been in California a number of fish packers have offered her a position.

"Housewives in San Francisco are scarcely acquainted with their mackerel, their shad, the sardine and similar fish which, properly prepared, are as good as salmon. They are ignorant of the Tuna fish tribe, such as the skipjack, the boneta, and these and other excellent fish go begging. They know sardines when canned, but are not familiar with the uncanned fish."

BAKER MURDER IS MYSTERY

Officers Unable to Locate Slayer of Ira Langley.

BAKER, Or., Dec. 20.—(Special.)—District Attorney Levens and Deputy Sheriffs Pierce, Preston and Heninger returned today from Rye Valley, where they have been investigating the murder of Ira Langley, prominent cattleman. The officers are convinced that the murderer approached the scene of the crime on horseback, having followed the creek bed for two miles and then climbing the steep bank of the creek and lying in wait for his victim. Stubs of four cigarettes and an empty shell indicated that he had lain in wait for some time.

Mr. Langley, accompanied by Quincy Cartwright and Tony Justus, were driving a herd of cattle when the former was killed. His companions helped him from his horse and his last words were: "All that I have belongs to my wife and children." The officers have no clue as to the identity of the murderer and the motive for the crime is a mystery.

Read The Oregonian classified ads.

NEW SHOW TODAY MARGUERITE CLARK WHO ECONOMIZES EVEN ON HER HEIGHT, AS "LITTLE MISS HOOVER" A Royal Entertainment of a Patriotic Little Woman Who Believes That Uncle Sam is Worth Supporting in Peace As Well As in War. JUST LIKE GOOD FOOD—YOU'LL RELISH THIS. ALSO Photograph and Mutt and Jeff. COLUMBIA FOR ONE WEEK

The Portland Hotel "In the Heart of the City" The Prize Steer of the Pacific International Livestock Show was purchased by The Portland Hotel and is now being served in appetizing fashion. The Portland Hotel Under Management of Richard W. Childs. Arrange to take your Christmas Dinner at the Portland. Dinner, \$1.50—Dancing 6 to 8 Music in both dining-room and grille.

Keep the family together. Go to see Marguerite Clark in her newest Paramount Picture "Little Miss Hoover" Other Paramount Pictures starring Marguerite Clark are "Out of a Clear Sky", "Uncle Tom's Cabin", "Prunella", "Rich Man, Poor Man", "Seven Swans." Consult the Amusement Advertisements for the theatres showing Paramount and Arcraft Pictures. FAMOUS PLAYERS—LASKY CORP.

NEW SHOW SUNDAY Private HAROLD PEAT A PHOTODRAMA BASED ON HIS OWN BOOK— Two Years in Hell And Back With A Smile in "PRIVATE PEAT" A Paramount-Aircraft Special

LIBERTY LAST TIMES TODAY AND Cecil B. DeMille's Special Production "THE SQUAW MAN" and the MUTT AND JEFF Cartoon are being shown for the last times. An all-star cast, including Elliott Dexter, Theodore Roberts and others of equal importance. LIBERTY