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COLD HOLDS SWAY THROUGH STATES

Winter Crowned Supreme Spreads Misery Through East—West Hurt Little King Winter, stubborn because he cannot extend his mantle of snow to Coos Bay, has been taking out his spite by sending to us a heavy frost; the heaviest experienced this year. On Sunday night the thermometer went down to 26 degrees, raised to 27 on Monday night and Tuesday stepped up still another notch. But even at this Coos Bay has experienced but very little of the cold wave that has swept through the North and has held sway through the East.

NORTHWEST SHIVERS PORTLAND, Or., Dec. 17.—In general with most other parts of the United States, the northwestern states today were experiencing the coldest temperatures of the year, although in central and southeastern Idaho the mercury had started on the up grade. A slight moderation in temperature generally was predicted within the next 24 hours. West of the Cascade range, the cold was not severe. In Portland the mercury reached the lowest mark early Tuesday at 25 degrees above zero. At Seattle it was 28 degrees and Spokane reported a minimum of 16 degrees.

21 BELOW ZERO OMAHA, Neb., Dec. 17.—The coldest weather of the present winter prevailed in this part of the country the first of the week. Norfolk, Nebraska, reported the temperature 21 degrees below zero. Seven degrees below was the minimum in Omaha.

POOR SEEK SHELTER CHICAGO, Dec. 17.—Charitable organizations were overwhelmed today with appeals for aid as a result of a cold wave which swept the Great Lakes region this week. The temperature dropped 31 degrees to zero in twelve hours. All municipal lodging houses were packed with homeless men last night.

17 BELOW. DULUTH, Minn., Dec. 17.—Duluth shivered yesterday in a north wind that brought street thermometers down to 17 degrees below zero, the lowest of the season.

RATIFY SEA SAFETY. WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 17.—The London Safety at Sea convention was ratified by the Senate with amendments to satisfy its opponents.

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NEWS OF WORLD'S GREATEST WAR DAY BY DAY

HAVRE BELGIAN CAPITAL

One Section of French City Set Aside for Unhappy Kingdom. (By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) HAVRE, Dec. 17.—The little branch postoffice in the district of Ste Adresse, Havre, is now the most important in the world in the view of stamp collectors. It falls within the section of the city temporarily made over to Belgium as its capital, and as such is on Belgian soil. A letter posted there, even if destined only for another part of Havre, must carry the full foreign postal rate of 25 centimes, or five cents.

WAR HITS MONTE CARLO (By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) LONDON, Dec. 17.—Because of the war, Monte Carlo is to have a limited season this year, opening some time in December. Formerly it was customary to begin the gambling season on November 15, and long before then the frivolous world of sport and fashion had gathered here, and by December gaiety was at its height. Out of the 800 employees of the Casino nearly 300 are now serving France with the colors. The rest have been retained in the service of the company at temporarily reduced rates.

VACATION FOR SOLDIERS

ALDERSHOT, Eng., Dec. 17.—As the result of recent orders given by Sir John French, the families of regular troops stationed here have been delightfully surprised by visits from relatives direct from the front. These men are given leave from the trenches and most of them elect to spend the time with their families. Wives of sergeant majors, who despaired of seeing their husbands before the end of the war, have been surprised by the receipt of telegrams from seaports informing them of the home coming. These husbands arrive looking as spick and span as when they marched away to the war, for the men are selected from the regiments which have been moved to the rear of the battle line to give the soldiers a chance to clean up and receive fresh uniforms. It is expected that later whole units will be given holidays and the soldier in the trenches, according to one officer just returned from the front, has no rosier anticipation than the prospect of an afternoon at a football game followed by an evening at a music hall.

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SOLDIERS ISSUE PAPER

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) PARIS, Dec. 17.—"The Echo of the Argonne" is the title of a new French periodical edited from the trenches in the depths of the Argonne forest where the French and the Germans have disputed the ground yard for yard for more than three months. It makes its debut with the announcement of a successful skirmish in which the "blue devils", the chasseurs, defeated the Germans once more in the Haussy forest, tells of the victory of the Russians in Poland and the progress of the Allies in the north. The leading article, double headed and in fat face type, announced the forthcoming distribution of 14,000 briar pipes in the trenches.

WAR HASTENS CUPID

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) BERLIN, Dec. 17.—"War marriages" will materially increase the number of marriages for Berlin this year. When the war broke out, many officers and in some cases privates of the reserve and landwehr decided to marry on the eve of their departure for the front, with the result that August, 1914, shows a total of marriages for Berlin of 5793 as against 1309 for the same month of last year. In the mobilization week, August 2-8, 3941 marriage contracts were made, of which the largest number was due to the outbreak of the war. The first seven months of 1914 showed 11,620 marriages as against 11,629 in 1913.

It is believed here that the number of marriages in Berlin due to the war is not far below 4500. Some of them had been planned for the autumn and winter seasons, and it is expected that for this reason the average for these months will fall below normal. This has already been demonstrated by the records for September, in which month 1570 marriages took place as against 1832 for September, 1913. For 1914, up to and including September, the number of marriages is 18,436 as against 14,761 for the same period of 1913.

The outbreak of the war has also materially influenced for the better the legitimation of children born out of wedlock. In nearly all cases this was done by the father of the child marrying its mother. While in August, 1913, only 168 children were legitimized, their number in August, 1914, was 1648, of which number all but five were given a proper status before the law by marriage. In the first seven months of 1914 only 1499 children were legitimized as against 1492 for the same period in 1913.

AT THE HOTELS WEDNESDAY'S ARRIVALS Chandler Hotel. R. E. Butler, New York; M. C. Kiley, San Francisco; Armand Blum, San Francisco; L. H. Campbell, San Francisco; W. C. Fisher and wife, San Francisco; C. Schless, Beaver Hill; Claud H. Giles, Myrtle Point; George Gelsendorfer, Bandon; Mrs. Rosa Preece, Catching Inlet; L. T. Morgan, San Francisco; G. W. Starr, Coquille; O. A. Mintoyne, Coquille; N. J. Cornwall, Gardiner. Lloyd Hotel. A. Madden, Portland; H. Rhine, North Bend; A. L. Johnson, Gardiner; Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Wages, South Inlet; George Lenos, Myrtle Point; W. A. Milvin, Portland; Irwin Ross, South Inlet; J. C. Rhodes, South Inlet; R. C. Eastman, North Inlet. St. Lawrence Hotel J. B. Miller, Tillamook; W. E. Floyd, Florence; Claud Noble and wife, Lakeside; Miss Nelson, Dandon; W. O. Wood, Seattle. Blanco Hotel. Herman Cluchie, Myrtle Point; Henry Rhodes, Lakeside; James Fyburn, Myrtle Point; W. Button, Roseburg; Mrs. William Oldenburg, Stanfield; C. A. Corbitt, Coquille; E. J. Anderson, South Inlet; R. P. Stankovich, Delmar.

ENGLISH LACK JOBS

Lack of Employment for Men and Woman Cause Grief (By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) London, Dec. 17.—There is now less unemployment among male workers than there was before the war, due largely to the vacancies created in the industrial ranks by those who have joined the fighting forces. But there has been a very great increase of unemployment among women. In London alone 10,406 registered with the Central Body in the last four months as needing employment. In the same period last year only 586 were registered. Among dressmakers, laundresses and charwomen distress is keenest. For the relief of unemployed workmen two work-rooms have been opened in as many London boroughs and they are under the control of the Central Unemployed Body. It is estimated that the cost of running them will be 500,000 a year. Of this sum \$320,000 will be provided out of the Queen's Fund, the balance being met by grants from the local government boards.

BULLETS TO KILL MEN

German Reported to Kill One for Every 25 Shots in War (By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) LONDON, Dec. 17.—One of the things frequently noted by soldiers at the front in writing to relatives and friends is the extraordinary expenditure of bullets required to kill a man. A German report states that many German soldiers fired 4000 cartridges apiece during the first month of the war. An English observer estimated that 25 German shells are wasted for every man killed by them. In 1870 it was calculated that the Germans fired 150 bullets and six shrapnel shells for every wounded Frenchman. In the Russo-Japanese War it is said 3000 bullets were fired for every life lost.

HISTORY OF WAR

GENERAL JOFFRE'S HEAD-QUARTERS, Dec. 17.—Andre Tardieu, the foreign editor of the Temps, is attached as Lieutenant to General Joffre's staff. His duties require him to visit every part of the front and he has therefore extraordinary opportunities for seeing the actual operations of the war. M. Tardieu, it is understood, is assembling material for a history of the war.

HARD WORK ON CANAL

PANAMA, Dec. 17.—A hurry-up order has been issued by Governor Goethals for the completion of the Canal. The time limit set by Congress in July, 1916, and Col. Goethals is determined that the last of the finishing touches in every department from dredging to landscape gardening shall be completed ahead rather than behind time. Col. Goethals himself is setting a pace, and may be seen often at work in the Administration Building at Balboa late at night. Men and machines now on the isthmus are said to be working harder than at any time since the great work was started ten years ago.

SALTS FINE FOR ACHING KIDNEYS

We Eat Too Much Meat, Which Clogs Kidneys, Then Back Hurts and Bladder Bothers You Most folks forget that the kidneys, like the bowels, get sluggish and clogged and need a flushing occasionally, else we have backache and dull misery in the kidney region, severe headaches, rheumatic twinges, torpid liver and all sorts of bladder disorders. You simply must keep your kidneys active and clean, and the moment you feel an ache or pain in the kidney region, get about four ounces of Jad Salts from any good drug store here, take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days and your kidneys will then act fine. This famous salts is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and is harmless to flush clogged kidneys and stimulate them to normal activity. It also neutralizes the acids in the urine so it no longer irritates, thus ending bladder disorders. Jad Salts is harmless, inexpensive, makes a delightful effervescent lithia-water drink which everybody their kidneys clean, thus avoiding serious complications. Have your LETTER heads, bill heads, etc., printed at THE TIMES office.