



BRITISH OPEN WAY TO FLANK GERMAN LINES

Capture Passchendaele on Railway Between Ypres and Roulers, Marking Another Advance by Allies.

RAILROAD PRACTICALLY CLEARED BY THE ALLIES

All Indications Point to Effort to Drive Germans From Belgium.

The War in Brief. France and Belgium—Allies vigorously offensive; British take Passchendaele; Germans maintain aggressive tactics at a few points. Russia—Slay advance in Pleshtokow repulsed; German capture of Lodz denied by Petrograd war office. The French artillery is relying successfully on all attacks. Operations in the Aisne and Champagne districts consist principally of artillery duels. The French have gained some ground in the Argonne. The allies were waging a vigorous offensive today in north France and Belgium. On the other hand, the Germans had not entirely abandoned their own offensive at all points. They were, at any rate, heavily bombarding the coast from the Ypres and Knippen. At a few other places they seemed to be attempting rather than merely to hold their own. Their efforts, however, were not to be compared with the constant and constant fighting along the Passchendaele road, the French, operating from south of Ypres, had nearly reached Roulers and Knippen. The French artillery had advanced their lines until they had practically cleared the railroad. All along the allied front there was similar activity. Every indication was that a concerted effort had been begun to press the Germans back to their own front. British warships off the Belgian coast were reported to have resumed shelling the German positions within their range.

RUSSIANS ARE STILL LOSING SAYS BERLIN OFFICIAL STATEMENT

It Also Denies the Claims of French Advances in Argonne or Anywhere Else.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Berlin, by wireless to London, Dec. 8.—"East and southeast of Lodz we are closely pursuing the enemy," stated the war office today, in its official report to the German public. "In addition to the heavy losses they suffered yesterday, the Russians are still losing at present. We have taken 1500 prisoners and 15 cannon. "On the western front it is untrue that the French have advanced in the Argonne region. There have been no French attacks there whatever. "We have been slowly gaining Sunday we captured Malencourt, taking 250 prisoners. "The French attack on our troops north of Nancy was repulsed. "Continued attacks by combined German and Austrian forces in the southwestern part of the Russian government of Piotrkow have finally repulsed the Slay advance. It was announced here today in an official message received from Vienna. "The line of the fighting was in the southwest of Russian Poland, near the Austrian frontier. "The Russian advance on the Nowogradow line was also said to be at a standstill.

Two Papers Print Delinquent Lists

County Commissioners Conclude to Give Business to Publications of Largest Daily Average Circulation. The two Portland daily newspapers having the largest sworn daily average circulation for the past year will carry the delinquent tax list advertisements this year. The county commissioners this morning made that order. For several years it has been customary for four papers, the Oregonian, The Journal, the Telegram and the News, to receive the work, but it was decided to follow the letter of the law this year and save the county's money. The papers that receive the contracts must agree to charge no more than the last year and no more than commercial rates. The board announced a policy of rotation for county work among papers that can qualify to receive it for the future. The board also passed a resolution making the duty delinquent county delinquent. The board will refer the matter to the legislature to work for an amendment to the present law governing advertising of delinquent tax lists which would clear up points of controversy as to type to be used, space to be allowed and maximum charge to be permitted for each unit of space used.

GERMAN ACTIVITY IN YPRES AND YSER MET BY FOES' ARTILLERY

Paris, Dec. 8.—"The enemy has become more active," said the Bordeaux war office official statement, received here today, in the Ypres and Yser regions. The French artillery is relying successfully on all attacks. Operations in the Aisne and Champagne districts consist principally of artillery duels. The French have gained some ground in the Argonne. The allies were waging a vigorous offensive today in north France and Belgium. On the other hand, the Germans had not entirely abandoned their own offensive at all points. They were, at any rate, heavily bombarding the coast from the Ypres and Knippen. At a few other places they seemed to be attempting rather than merely to hold their own. Their efforts, however, were not to be compared with the constant and constant fighting along the Passchendaele road, the French, operating from south of Ypres, had nearly reached Roulers and Knippen. The French artillery had advanced their lines until they had practically cleared the railroad. All along the allied front there was similar activity. Every indication was that a concerted effort had been begun to press the Germans back to their own front. British warships off the Belgian coast were reported to have resumed shelling the German positions within their range.

\$200,000 Load for Belgians Is Ready

Relief Steamer Camino Is in San Pedro Today Taking Southern California's Donations. Los Angeles, Dec. 8.—The offerings of southern California to the sufferers of war torn Belgium were being loaded today into the hold of the steamship Camino, which lay in San Pedro harbor. The ship was expected to clear late today for Rotterdam. She will carry 600 tons of foodstuffs, valued at \$20,000, contributed by southern Californians and 4500 tons, valued at \$170,000, offered by the northern and central sections of the state.

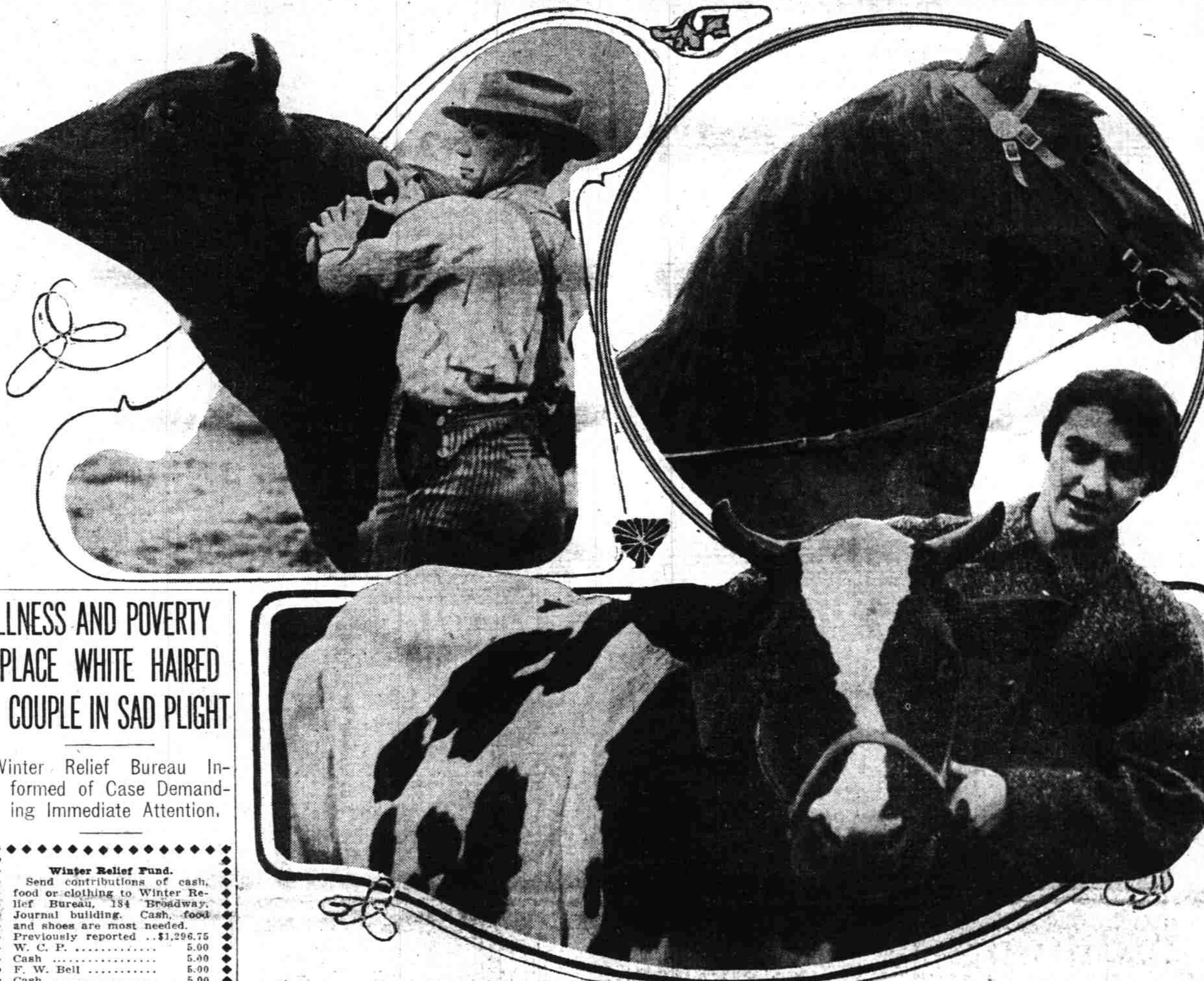
Earl of Annesly Is Killed in Aeroplane

German Shot Brings Down Plane in Which He and Lieutenant Beovier Were Flying Over Ostend Saturday. London, Dec. 8.—Countess Annesly celled word from the front today that the Earl of Annesly was killed while making an aeroplane flight over Ostend last Saturday. A German shot brought the machine down and either killed or fatally injured the earl. Lieutenant Beovier, who accompanied the earl, also lost his life.

Swedish Steamer and Crew Are Lost

Stockholm, Dec. 8.—Hitting a mine off the Finnish coast, the Swedish steamship Nora Sverige has been sunk. It was learned here today, with the loss of its whole crew of 20 men. W. W. Rockhill Critically Ill. Honolulu, Dec. 8.—It was stated at his hospital that W. W. Rockhill, ex-minister to China and ex-ambassador to Turkey, was critically ill.

SPECIMENS OF BLOODED ANIMALS WHICH WIN ADMIRATION OF CROWDS AT INTERNATIONAL LIVESTOCK SHOW



ILLNESS AND POVERTY PLACE WHITE HAired COUPLE IN SAD PLIGHT

Winter Relief Bureau Informed of Case Demanding Immediate Attention. Old age, illness and poverty—can you imagine a more appalling outlook, a more distressing situation. Yet old age, illness and poverty are all that have fallen to a white haired couple whose appeal for aid has been recognized by the Winter Relief Bureau as one of the worst received. They have been living in a tumble-down shack, devoid of the barest comforts. It is a damp, chilly shack because of the lack of fuel. It is a cheerless place because there is no food except the temporary relief provided by the bureau. Who will carry a message of peace and good will to these aged, unhappy folks? Who will brighten their lives with a friendly touch? Who will start the fire in their barren home and furnish some fuel to keep it going? Who

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Barrel Churn and Mince Meat

Are you keeping in touch with your opportunities by reading The Journal Want Ads? If you are not, now is the time to begin. MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS 34 FOR SALE—A solid mahogany Victor Victrola and 55 records; cost \$150 new, make me an offer.

HOUSEKEEPING ROOMS EAST SIDE PRIVATE FAMILY 74

TWO furnished H. K. rooms, \$2 per week; electric lights and water included; wood and gas for cooking.

DELICIOUS home made mince meat, purest ingredients, 50c quart, delivered.

LIVESTOCK

FOR SALE—One row six bales clover hay, 23 chickens, 1/4 acre carrots, one barrel churn.

SWAP COLUMN

TO EXCHANGE—Four months rent of 5 room cottage in Sunny-side for work of kalsomner and paper hanger.

Mayor Proclaims "Bundle Day"

Inasmuch as there are estimated to be a considerable number of families in this city who are destitute to a greater or less degree and as an earnest effort is being made by the people of Portland to see that no worthy ones are overlooked, it has been suggested that one day be set aside upon which every man, woman and child may have opportunity to give something to this worthy cause. Believing this plan to be feasible and an easy means by which all may have opportunity to give, I am setting aside Tuesday, December 15, as the date which shall be known as "Bundle Day." The plan to be followed on "Bundle Day" is for all who have anything to give for the aid of the worthy destitute of the city to take to any one of the charitable organizations of Portland their donations. These may consist of clothing, food or money—anything that will be of service in the effort to provide for all plenty to make life comfortable.

'BUNDLE DAY' TO AID NEEDY IS PROCLAIMED BY MAYOR H. R. ALBEE

Everyone Asked to Remember the Destitute by Making Donations. A "bundle" may be a ton of coal or a pair of shoes, or Christmas toys for children who otherwise would be without them. It may be one hundred dollars or 10 cents. It may be a truckload of vegetables or a basket of groceries. It will be the contribution of every man or woman or child whose heart softens with pity for hunger and sickness and grief. Charity begins at home. "Bundle Day" the mayor has proclaimed for local relief. Charity is kind. All who can will give. It may be little or much. The gift, for that which seems little to the prosperous will mean much to the needy. Charity is broad. None is omitted from the opportunity to give. Every organized effort is recognized. Every association that is helping the needy is a factor of "Bundle Day." The Winter Relief Bureau in The Journal building, Associated Charities, Salvation Army, Muts, Volunteers, Commons, Scadding House, churches—all that seek to do good will be recipients of the means of doing good on this big day. There are expected to be lines of

GERMAN CHILDREN TO RECEIVE CHRISTMAS PRESENTS FROM HERE

Special Train to Carry Gifts Brought by Christmas Ship to Genoa. (United Press Leased Wire.) Genoa, Dec. 8.—The American Christmas ship Jason, bringing presents for the children of war stricken Europe, arrived here today. The government furnished a special train to carry the presents to the children of Austria and Germany.

But Two Out of 36 Live Through Fire

Tank Steamer Vedra Burns at Sea While on Way From Mexico to England; Rescuers Save Only Two. London, Dec. 8.—Two survivors out of 36 sailors on the tank steamer Vedra, burned at sea, were landed today at Barrow, England. The vessel was bound from Mexican ports for Barrow and was sighted, already nearly destroyed by fire, off Walney Island. Rescuers put out at once and took off the two men who still survived. Both were terribly burned. The other 34 had perished. On Hand: \$103,030.817. New York, Dec. 8.—The Rockefeller foundation management announced it had on hand December 1, total funds of \$103,030.817.

GREAT CONCOURSE OF STOCKMEN WATCHES JUDGING OF THOROUGHBRED ANIMALS BY AN EXPERT AT BIG INTERNATIONAL EXPOSITION

Oregon Possesses Kind of Fodder That Produces Beef People Want When They Have to Pay 30 Cents Per Pound for it, Famous Authority Says. Attracted by the judging of the thousands of cattle, hogs and sheep on exhibition at the Pacific International Livestock show, breeders and livestock men from all parts of the coast gathered today at the Union stockyards where the show is being held this week. The big pavilion where fat cattle in carload lots and singles are being passed on was the center of attention and Professor H. R. Smith, of the Agricultural College of Minnesota, chief cattle judge, gave many helpful suggestions as he inspected the animals. As each heifer or steer was looked over, and graded, the famous livestock authority would give his reasons and explain how the best results can be gained in connection with preparing animals for the market. In Oregon, he said, with plenty of alfalfa, wheat and barley, the best kind of beef should be produced, he declared. "Unlike the middle west, where corn is cheap, you in the west have plenty of alfalfa, wheat and barley for feed," he said. "Corn is liable to produce fat in patches, while your feed will create a fine grained meat, and a blended product. Oregon Ideal Piece. "In these days of 30 cents a pound steaks, people don't want fat. They want meat and with properly bred stock and your feed they can be produced. "The ideal beef animal is one that fattens early in life, produces the maximum of fat, at the lowest possible cost. Throughout the day, short talks such as the one preceding punctuated his work, and stockmen who had come to take a cursory look at the judging remained to listen to instruction. In fact, Frank Brown, one of the pioneer breeders of Shorthorn pure bloods, came to be so interested in Smith's remarks and the line of cattle being shown that he resigned as judge of the sheep and shouldered the job on Thomas Brunk of Salem, who is judging hogs also. Students from the various western colleges completed their judging late last night, and the name of the winning team, it was said, would be announced sometime this afternoon. Judging of the fat stock will conclude tonight, and tomorrow morning the first sale—that of the premium win-

MINERS' EXECUTIVE BOARD RECOMMENDS MEDIATION PROPOSAL

It Is Believed Vote of Striking Colorado Miners Will Be to Accept Wilson Plan. (United Press Leased Wire.) Denver, Colo., Dec. 8.—Vice President Hayes, of the United Mine Workers of America, today read to a special convention of Colorado miners here the recommendations of the mine workers' executive board. The recommendations follow: "The convention delegates referred the matter to a committee of seven and instructed the committee to report this afternoon. It was expected that the executive board's recommendations would be adopted overwhelmingly. If so, it means the strike will be declared off, and advised all miners to seek their former places in the mines and to those who are refused employment, we shall render assistance to the best of our ability and shall provide every legal protection to those of our members who are being persecuted by hirelings of organized greed."

GERMANS SAY U. S. MAKING 'DUMDUMS'

Ambassador Complains to State Department About 58,000,000 Rounds of Buckshot Cartridges for British. Washington, Dec. 8.—Charges that two American concerns had manufactured 58,000,000 rounds of "buckshot" cartridges for use by a new style of dum-dums, for use by British troops, were filed with the state department today by the German embassy. Accompanying the charges were numerous photographs and samples of the cartridges.

REGULATION OF BUSINESS OVER, SAYS MESSAGE

In Reading Message to Congress President Digresses From Original Form to Say Program Is Complete.

WAR IN EUROPE TOPIC OF MUCH OF MESSAGE

Warns Against U. S. Losing Self-Control in Regard to Militarism.

By John Edwin Nevin. Washington, Dec. 8.—Departing from the prepared text of his carefully arranged address to congress, President Wilson this afternoon delivered a direct message to the business interests of the country. In effect, he declared his administration had completed its business legislative program and that, hereafter, business interests would have a rest from restrictive and corrective legislation. The statement was unexpected. For a moment it seemed as if the point of his declaration had been lost on the audience. But many senators and representatives, who had been sitting slumped down in their chairs, suddenly sat up, showing by their attitude they realized the great importance of his utterances. It was evident to congress that President Wilson had written "finis" on his so-called regulative program. The announcement was taken to mean that business may proceed, secure in the knowledge that if it shapes its affairs to existing laws, it will not find itself confronted with sudden changes resulting from new laws. Almost at the start, the president digressed from the set address as originally furnished the press of the nation. He declared the business program of congress has been completed, and business now knows where it stands. "The goal of last lies clear and fair before business," said the president. "It is the road to unclouded success. It is the road that every honest man, every man interested in the welfare of the nation, may walk in perfect safety. What we have done in our own land and for our own people we have done for the best. "What chiefly strikes us now, as we look back on the past year, is the full text of President's Message on page 11.