

See G. L. Wood's article in Poultry Department concerning the Tacoma Show in January.



Rain tonight and tomorrow; southeast wind; humidity 92.

SANTA GLASS GIVES POSTMEN A HEAVY TASK

More Than 1,000,000 Letters and Post Cards Delivered in Portland During Present Week, Says Myers

CONDITIONS ARE NOW GETTING NORMAL AGAIN

All Previous Records for Outgoing and Incoming Mail Broken This Year.

More than 1,000,000 letters and post-cards were delivered in Portland during the present week, according to estimates made this morning by Postmaster F. S. Myers.

Conditions were almost normal at the postoffice today after the enormous Christmas rush. All previous business records were broken—that is, in the quantities of outgoing and incoming mail.

BRITISH AND FRENCH ATTACKS REPULSED, IS BERLIN STATEMENT

Machine Guns and Mine Throwers Captured in Battle Near Festhubert.

Berlin, via wireless to London, Dec. 26.—The repulse of French and British attacks in the western war zone was claimed in the official statement issued today by the war office here.

"In the eastern war theatre, it was declared, the situation was unchanged. "A Russian attack on Lotzen," concluded the communication, "was repulsed by our forces, which took 1000 prisoners."

"Success has attended our offensive on the right bank of the Pilica."

Austrians Claim Successes, Vienna, via Berlin and London, Dec. 26.—"Fighting continued Christmas day," announced the Austrian war office this afternoon, "along most of our battle front."

Our forces repulsed Russian attacks near Magyari in the Latorczka region with heavy losses to the enemy. The Slavs were driven toward Lislo.

"Between Wislok and Blala the Russian attacks, on Christmas eve, and the following day, the fighting continued with the utmost violence."

"On the Donajec river there has been no change in the situation."

Dryan Rabbit Hunt Proves Profitless

After He Gets Back Secretary of State Learns It Was Against the Law to Have Shot One Anyway.

Washington, Dec. 26.—Secretary of State Bryan spent Christmas hunting rabbits in Virginia. He did not see a single "cottontail." Returning to Washington today the secretary learned the Virginia law forbids rabbit hunting while the snow is on the ground, and throughout Virginia all day yesterday.

Powder Magnate Goes Under Knife

Rochester, Minn., Dec. 26.—Following a serious operation, the condition of T. Coleman Dupont, the powder magnate, is pronounced satisfactory.

Huge Boulder Drops Off Bluff at Oregon City

Hits the Southern Pacific Track a Few Yards Below Depot, but Nobody There.

Oregon City, Dec. 26.—Just 16 minutes before Southern Pacific train No. 17, southbound, was due at Oregon City this morning, a monster boulder, weighing several tons, crashed from the top of the bluff to the railroad tracks, a few yards south of the depot.

AMERICANS THREATEN TO BOMBARD TRIPOLI; DANIELS IS INQUIRING

No Report Comes From Morgenthau but Unofficial Accounts Tell of Threat.

Washington, Dec. 26.—Inquiry concerning the truth of a report that they threatened to shell the port of Tripoli, Syria, to quell a demonstration against British and French citizens, being taken away on an American steamship, was cable today by Secretary of the Navy Daniels to the commanders of the American cruisers North Carolina and Tennessee, at Beirut.

The latest report was that one of the cruisers requisitioned an American steamship at Tripoli to transport the British and French consuls and other foreign citizens and that a mob tried to prevent their embarkation. Several members of the steamship's crew were reported injured in the fight which followed.

The British war office has arranged to grant as many leaves of absence from the firing line as possible, because psychologists have determined that homesickness is an important factor in decreasing the vitality of armies.

Values of Wemme Land Estimated

Certain Property Assessed at \$250,700 Said to Be Worth at Least \$400,000 at the Present Time.

The property left by E. Henry Wemme, well known road enthusiast, who died December 17 in Los Angeles, to the E. Henry Wemme endowment fund to support the maternity hospital for the indigent, for which his will provides, is assessed at \$250,700, and in the estimation of Chief Deputy Assessor Funk is worth at present market values at least \$400,000.

Friends Can Keep Chapin From Prison

Governor West Says He Must Be Sure Injured Couple Are Well Provided For.

Salem, Or., Dec. 26.—"The governor's office is in receipt of a large number of letters from citizens of Portland, asking for a pardon for W. H. Chapin, recently convicted of larceny by receiving," said Governor West today.

"The trouble appears to have grown out of a real estate transaction, through which a man and his wife, well known in years, lost their savings. I am more interested in seeing this old couple provided for in their declining years than I am in having Chapin go to prison."

Forty Reported Buried in Landslide

Rome, Dec. 26.—Word was received that a landslide, due to heavy rains, had engulfed part of the neighboring village of Valmontone, killing 50 persons.

NOW COMES FATHER'S SANTA CLAUS



BULLET DIRECTED AT HIGHWAYMAN HITS PASSENGER IN CAR

Slag Glances Fros Pavement and Crashes Through Car Window, Wounding Man.

If Walter E. Askey recovers from the wound inflicted last night by a misdirected bullet from a detective's revolver the recovery will be almost without precedent, according to the Drs. Rockey, who are attending the patient at Good Samaritan hospital.

The British war office has arranged to grant as many leaves of absence from the firing line as possible, because psychologists have determined that homesickness is an important factor in decreasing the vitality of armies.

FLYING GERMAN GIVES ENGLISH TOWNS BAD SCARE; NOBODY HURT

Hostile Christmas Visitor Escapes in Fog; No Bombs Are Dropped.

This melody, after being variously diagnosed, was discovered finally to be an epidemic of nostalgia. The soldiers themselves have to contribute to some extent to this plan for maintaining their efficiency.

FILIPINO PLOT NIPPED IN THE BUD; 10,000 WERE IN CONSPIRACY

Eight Ringleaders Arrested at Manila and Native Gatherings Are Dispersed.

Manila, Dec. 26.—Eight Filipinos were under arrest here today, and the arrest of more was considered likely, in connection with what appears to have been a concerted attempt at a local native uprising Thursday.

NEW RECORD PRICES OFFERED FOR CEREALS BY EXPORT INTERESTS

Club Wheat Brings \$1.27 per Bushel With Other Varieties at Usual Differential

Christmas presents are still being delivered to wheat and barley holders of the Pacific northwest in the shape of new record prices.

Daughter Is Born To Queen of Italy

Both Queen and Princess Are Doing Well Says Announcement at Rome—This Is Fifth Child of Royal Pair.

Rome, Dec. 26.—A daughter was born to the queen of Italy today. Both the mother and child were doing well this afternoon.

GREAT BRITAIN COMBATS HOMESICKNESS BY GRANTING THE SOLDIERS SHORT LEAVES OF ABSENCE TO VISIT LOVED ONES AT HOME

Despondent Men Recover Quickly After Seeing and Greeting Home Folks, and Are Ready and Willing to Return to Fighting at the Front. Must Pay Own Way.

Their normal virtues were restored and their efficiency showed a wonderful improvement. This lesson, learned in South Africa, the British are putting to use in the present war.

INSURANCE AGAINST WAR WITH NORWAY

Lloyds of London, Makes Rate Five Per Cent, Which Shows There is Bare Possibility of Trouble.

Christiania, Norway, Dec. 26.—Considerable surprise and some uneasiness is being expressed here at news that Lloyds of London is charging 5 per cent to insure against war between Great Britain and Norway within a year.

NO CONFIRMATION OF SEA FIGHT RUMOR

Chilean Destroyer Reports Battle Between British Cruiser and German Warships Off Valparaiso.

Buenos Aires, Dec. 26.—The Chilean destroyer Lome's wireless reports Friday of a battle off Valparaiso between the British cruiser Newcastle and German vessels remained without confirmation today.

BANKS OF THE BZURA STREWN WITH BODIES OF ATTACKING ENEMY

Petrograd Reports Say That Russian Lines Are Holding Firm.

The Kaiser's forces launched assault after assault against them in massed formation, but each time they were beaten back. The banks of the Bzura and Rawa rivers were covered with their corpses.

DAUGHTER IS BORN TO QUEEN OF ITALY

Both Queen and Princess Are Doing Well Says Announcement at Rome—This Is Fifth Child of Royal Pair.

Rome, Dec. 26.—A daughter was born to the queen of Italy today. Both the mother and child were doing well this afternoon.

INSURANCE AGAINST WAR WITH NORWAY

Lloyds of London, Makes Rate Five Per Cent, Which Shows There is Bare Possibility of Trouble.

Christiania, Norway, Dec. 26.—Considerable surprise and some uneasiness is being expressed here at news that Lloyds of London is charging 5 per cent to insure against war between Great Britain and Norway within a year.

METZ DEFENSES BOMBARDED BY GUNS OF FRENCH

Great Enthusiasm in Paris Over Reported Advance of Republic's Troops Upon German Territory.

GERMAN ATTACKS IN BELGIUM REPULSED

Entrenched Line at Lihons Is Scene of Desperate Struggle; French Victors.

The Kaiser's forces launched assault after assault against them in massed formation, but each time they were beaten back.

THE WAR LINE-UP

France and Belgium.—Fog forces halt in fighting in extreme north; the allies speak of no gains elsewhere but claim repulse of German counter attacks.

Germany.—French bombardment Metz's outer defenses; Gallie progress claimed in upper Alsace.

Russia.—Warsaw defenders resisting constant attacks; renewed German offensive in northern Poland admitted by Slavs; Russians on the offensive on Pilica river; the czar enroute from Moscow to the front.

Austria.—Repulse of Russian invaders claimed; French submarine reported destroyed in attack on Pola naval base.

England.—Fresh raid by German aviator leads to elaborate precautions against aerial attacks; confirmation lacking of South American coast fight between cruiser Newcastle and German warships.

INSURANCE AGAINST WAR WITH NORWAY

Lloyds of London, Makes Rate Five Per Cent, Which Shows There is Bare Possibility of Trouble.

Christiania, Norway, Dec. 26.—Considerable surprise and some uneasiness is being expressed here at news that Lloyds of London is charging 5 per cent to insure against war between Great Britain and Norway within a year.

NO CONFIRMATION OF SEA FIGHT RUMOR

Chilean Destroyer Reports Battle Between British Cruiser and German Warships Off Valparaiso.

Buenos Aires, Dec. 26.—The Chilean destroyer Lome's wireless reports Friday of a battle off Valparaiso between the British cruiser Newcastle and German vessels remained without confirmation today.

BANKS OF THE BZURA STREWN WITH BODIES OF ATTACKING ENEMY

Petrograd Reports Say That Russian Lines Are Holding Firm.

The Kaiser's forces launched assault after assault against them in massed formation, but each time they were beaten back.

THE WAR LINE-UP

France and Belgium.—Fog forces halt in fighting in extreme north; the allies speak of no gains elsewhere but claim repulse of German counter attacks.

Germany.—French bombardment Metz's outer defenses; Gallie progress claimed in upper Alsace.

Russia.—Warsaw defenders resisting constant attacks; renewed German offensive in northern Poland admitted by Slavs; Russians on the offensive on Pilica river; the czar enroute from Moscow to the front.

Austria.—Repulse of Russian invaders claimed; French submarine reported destroyed in attack on Pola naval base.

England.—Fresh raid by German aviator leads to elaborate precautions against aerial attacks; confirmation lacking of South American coast fight between cruiser Newcastle and German warships.

Thirteen Tons of Cotton for the Austrians

Appeal on Behalf of the Soldiers Wounded in Battle Brings Ready Response.

Rotterdam, Dec. 26.—The Holland-American liner Sommseladyk arrived here today with 13 tons of cotton on board for use in Austrian hospitals. Extra clerks were put to work to expedite the shipment's transfer by parcel post to Vienna and Budapest.

This cotton is the shipment sent from the United States following publication of the story by Correspondent William G. Stephenson of the United Press concerning the shortage of the supply for medical use in the Austrian military hospitals.

ZEPPELIN FLIES OVER NANCY, DROPS BOMBS THAT KILL 2, HURT 20

Property Damage to French Frontier Town From Aerial Attack Said to Be Small.

Paris, Dec. 26.—A German Zeppelin dropped bombs in the French frontier town of Nancy this afternoon, killing two civilians and wounding about 20. It was said the property damage was small.

INSURANCE AGAINST WAR WITH NORWAY

Lloyds of London, Makes Rate Five Per Cent, Which Shows There is Bare Possibility of Trouble.

Christiania, Norway, Dec. 26.—Considerable surprise and some uneasiness is being expressed here at news that Lloyds of London is charging 5 per cent to insure against war between Great Britain and Norway within a year.

NO CONFIRMATION OF SEA FIGHT RUMOR

Chilean Destroyer Reports Battle Between British Cruiser and German Warships Off Valparaiso.

Buenos Aires, Dec. 26.—The Chilean destroyer Lome's wireless reports Friday of a battle off Valparaiso between the British cruiser Newcastle and German vessels remained without confirmation today.

BANKS OF THE BZURA STREWN WITH BODIES OF ATTACKING ENEMY

Petrograd Reports Say That Russian Lines Are Holding Firm.

The Kaiser's forces launched assault after assault against them in massed formation, but each time they were beaten back.

THE WAR LINE-UP

France and Belgium.—Fog forces halt in fighting in extreme north; the allies speak of no gains elsewhere but claim repulse of German counter attacks.

Germany.—French bombardment Metz's outer defenses; Gallie progress claimed in upper Alsace.

Russia.—Warsaw defenders resisting constant attacks; renewed German offensive in northern Poland admitted by Slavs; Russians on the offensive on Pilica river; the czar enroute from Moscow to the front.

Austria.—Repulse of Russian invaders claimed; French submarine reported destroyed in attack on Pola naval base.

England.—Fresh raid by German aviator leads to elaborate precautions against aerial attacks; confirmation lacking of South American coast fight between cruiser Newcastle and German warships.

ZERO SKIPPED BY MERCURY EAST AND WEST

It Is 32 Below in Many Points in New York State, While St. Paul Has It 22 Below and Chicago 4 Below.

Even Washington Has Near-Zero Cold Spell

Heavy Snowstorm Visits the South and Is on Its Way Northward.

All Below Zero But Portland, Northfield, N. Y., Albany, N. Y., Syracuse, N. Y., Peoria, Ill., Boston, Davenport, Ia., Kansas City, Portland, Or.

Washington, Dec. 26.—The east and north were visited today by the coldest weather of the winter. The cold was extended as far south as northern Florida.

Zero weather prevailed at Omaha, Neb., Key West, Fla., was the warmest spot in the country, with the temperature 76 degrees above zero.

The temperature dropped here to 8 degrees above zero. Virginia, Tennessee, North Carolina and West Virginia were visited by heavy snowstorms yesterday.

32 Below in New York State, Little Falls, N. Y., Dec. 26.—The coldest weather of the winter prevailed throughout this section of the state today. At Herkimer, the thermometer dropped to 32 degrees below zero. Frost thermometers here registered 25 degrees below.

Poor Suffer in New York City, New York, Dec. 26.—Residents of Greater New York were shivering today in the coldest wave of the season. Municipal lodging houses and charitable organizations were swamped with applications for relief.

One Death in Chicago, Chicago, Ill., Dec. 26.—The coldest weather of the winter gripped Chicago today. The thermometer registered 4 degrees below zero at 2 o'clock. Patrick Hurley, found unconscious on the street, later died from exposure.

La Grande Welcomes Snow, La Grande, Or., Dec. 26.—Eaton county's snow falling bids fair to break. A snow storm beginning yesterday renewed today with vigor, and several inches of snow have fallen here. In the mountain the fall has reached much larger proportions. The snow means there will be no further diminishing of La Grande's mountain timber. The farmers took upon the snow as the savior of their winter wheat crops.

Grain Probably Saved, Gateway, Or., Dec. 26.—The weather has moderated after a long cold spell. Until Wednesday the temperature had not been above 20 degrees since December 12. December 18 it was six below zero; December 19, three below; December 20, five below. Although there was less than two inches of snow on the ground, it is not thought that the severe frosts has injured the grain.

Shows Good Spirit, Paris, Dec. 26.—Senator Gomot urged that Rheims, Lille, Arras, Liege and Louvain representatives be sent to the sea front to see how the war has ruined a city can be rebuilt in ten years.

TIPPLERS, OWLS AND CROSS-CUT SAWS

The name of the classification in which it appears today precedes each of these Journal Want Ads.

SWAP COLUMN 25 "CARPENTER works for vacant property."

FOR SALE MISCELLANEOUS 19 OVER 1500 Simons hand and cross cut saws, slightly damaged by water, now selling at a great reduce price. Also saws, all kinds of wood chopping tools with correspondingly cheap prices."

POULTRY AND FIBERS 37 "MAGPIES, tumbler, tipplers and owls for sale cheap."

HOUSEKEEPING ROOMS 8 WEST SIDE "SINGLE housekeeping rooms, \$7 each, \$10, \$12, furnace heat, free phone and bath."

FURNISHED HOUSES 28 "6 ROOM house, completely furnished, modern, \$5 most every respect. 1 1/2 blocks from Woodstock car, on 45; \$30 month, including water, light, gas, phone, garage."

If your name appear in either telephone directory, call Main 7173 or A 961 and have your Want Ad started. To secure proper classification in The Sunday Journal, have your Want Ad in early.