

Mortars Used Steadily as the Wet Condition of Trenches Makes Fire Effective.

AIRMEN ARE NOT STOPPED

Only When Aviators Cannot See Are Planes Inactive Despite Tempests of Wind, Rain and Icy Blasts.

By William Philip Simms.

Copyright, 1916, by the United Press. With the British Army in France. Dec. 16 .- (1'. P.)-This is a machine war. One realizes this more as winter swamps the earth with mud and wet The purely human element is balked -but the machines keep war grinding The infantry can't march-but auto buses shunt the men back and forth like magic. The scouts are almost paralyzed-but aeroplanes defy the elements.

The soldiers can't pass the mudholes between their line and the enemy and stick to trench work and trench mortar all day. So, when the com-munique reads: "There is nothing 'o report," it doesn't mean the front is silent-for the machine fighting never **Ceases**

Weather Checks Fighting.

Just now one of the wettest, chilliest, dreariest snowfalls on record seems bent upon ushering in a co. respondingly soggy winter. Huge flakes of snow, resembling monstrous goose feathers, and completely arrest ing aerial operations at times, limit the vision to scarcely 100 yards. But artillery and trench warfare

Nothing stops this. The worst possible weather can only cause a slowing up.

Even when the snow and fog provent all attempts at observation, there are always many charted points against which the artillery hammers. The trench mortar men have the exac range of the enemy trenches in front.

Wat Trenches Crumble.

The freezing weather and thaws are very damaging to trenches which have a tendency to crumble and cave in. Thus it is the British Tommy's idea to keep the mortars busy, as few projectiles are wasted. Even if there are no casualties of the enemy, his trenches are usually damaged, the soft condition of the earth rendering explosions doubly effective.

Though the air activity was stopped in this part of the line during a snowstorm, the fact yet remains that the weather seldom completely suppresses the everlastingly alert airmen. Yesterday it drizzled almost all day and clouds seemed at times to be resting in the tree-tops. The day was dark and forbidding. Nevertheless, there were many war planes abroad and at least one German machine was brought down in a thrilling battle near Arras. Through tempests of wind, rain and cy blasts, the airmen got aloft stopping only when it was impossible to see.

PRESIDENT SEES



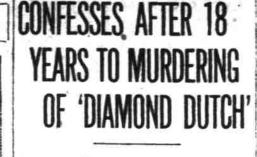
Richmond, Va., Dec. 16 .- Colonel C. | daughters are Mrs. Charles Dana Gib-D. Langhorne, father of the famous son, Mrs. William Waldorf Astor of eautiful Langhorne sisters, has cre- England, Mrs. Phyllis Brooks, who diated a trust fund of his \$1,132,175 es-tate for the benefit of his children. at her father's home, and Mrs. Henry Each is to receive one-seventh. The Phipps of Boston,

the foreign offices of Great Britain. France, Russia and Italy. Lloyd-George is expected to sum up and state to the world the allies' viewpoint next Tuesday. This will be the

first official sign from which President Wilson can gain a proper perspective as regards possibilities of a successful peace move in the near future. Other neutrals interested, Spain and

Switzerland, will follow his lead, In German embassy circles here there is great optimism over the peace outlook. It is pointed out that already a tremendous change has occurred in the attitude of the British officials and public. That Germany has started talk which will reach into the hearts and homes of every bellig-

erent country until demand for stopoing hostilities is irresistible, is the confident belief of Teuton sympathiz-DOOK ABOUT TO ers here. by the manner in which the Pacific CLOSE ON WAR CABINET DISCUSSES northwest has shown its approval of the dry laws, especially Oregon by



James Foley Tells Tacoma of the Minneapolis & St Louis rail-Suspected of Nome Crime.

Tacoma, Wash., Dec. 16 .- (U. P.)- transferred back to the Great Northconfessing, according to the police, to ern, with which road he had been afmurder committed 18 years ago at filiated, and subsequently went to the Nome, James Foley, 55, is in jail here Western Pacific. oday awaiting word by cable from the laska authorities.

Wrinkled of face and with gray hair, wearing overalls and a tattered over-coat, Foley walked into police headuarters last night and addressing the lesk sergeant, said: "I guess I'm land. what you'd call a murderer, pardner." Continuing his story, Foley said:

Was Never Suspected.

"You're the first living soul besides myself who knows it. I ain't never eren been suspected, but you're talkng now to the man that shot 'Diamond Dutch' cold one summer night about 18 years ago on the old sandbar at Nome. My God, pardner, but this has been preying and eating on my mind all these long years. Finally today I jest couldn't stand it no more so I come up to this courthouse to give myself up.

"I aln't crazy." Foley assured the officer. "I'm not feeble-minded and Pastor Declares Perfunctory I'm not drunk. I told you what I done; now take me

Story Checks Up.

was questioned by Deputy Secrist, an old-time Alaskan, who declared the names and dates of Foley were accurate.

Foley said that following an argument, "Diamond Dutch" shot his partner, "Dublin Mickey," and that in re- night. venge he then killed "Dutch" with his we flaunt it. six-shooter. He made his get-away on Seattle boat next day.

MANY ARRESTS MAY BE MADE ALONG BORDER

town of Bachiniva during the past sympathetic touch and a plan for helpmonth, is consolidated with the Acosta band, guarding the wounded at Quere- more important than the most needed

Damaged field pleces and machine guns captured on Santa Rosa hill in the attack on Chihuahua City are being repaired at the machine shops of the Mexican Northwestern railway. A large body of Villistas has swung touch, and has permitted the energy, around Chihuahua City to the south, sutting communication north of Santa its own people to be diverted through

latter town. Many varying reports of bitter jealousy between General Murgia and lem of charity." General Ozuna and other Carranzista commanders, are reaching the border. At the Mexican consulate here, Mexican officials state they have no in-

formation as to whether any active from the main auditorium by vertically campaign is under way against Villa.

CARRANZA MEN MIX AND MANY ARE KILLED WHEN TRAIN WRECKED "Art of Giving."

Russell Climbing to Top With M. & St. L. Former General Manager of the North Bank Road Is Made Vice President of Important Line.

James Russell, formerly general manager of the North Bank system in Portland and recently general manager of the Denver & Rio Grande at Den-

Police He Was Never Even olis way, with headquarters at Minneap-

London, Dec. 16 .- (U. P.) - The long delayed settlement of the Irish ques-When he went to the Rio Grande as higher things, and it was not long Itishmen was nearer today than it before his promotion to the general ever has been since the futile passage

By J. W. Pegler.

northwest, and particularly in Port-

CHARITY AS DISEASE may be expected at any day. MATTER OF REPROACH appointment-as there was when Sir Edward was first included in Asquith's BOYD SAYS REV. J. H. coalition cabinet. Nor was there any riticism over Lloyd-George's retaining of Henry Edward Duke as chief

Obviously the premier's action was on Relief Agencies Are Con-Ireland.

yesterday, in which he cited the fact fession of Mal-Adjustment that Ulster men and nationalists were the most amiable of companions on the

"Charity is a disease," declared Dr. dication of impending events. John H. Boyd, speaking at the Rose Bonar Law's acquiescence in this de-City Park Community church last bate yesterday shows in what direction "It is a shame to us and yet the wind is blowing. It was pointed

out today that denials of any Irish set-'It is chiefly a sign that the strong tlement made when Lloyd-George was have planted their feet on the necks forming his cabinet by Sir Edward of the weak and have deprived them of Carson and John Redmond should be their right of shelter, warmth, cloth- discounted, because it was necessary ing and food. at that time on account of the delicate

Charity has become institutionalpoints of adjustment, that no hint of ized. The hungry and the shelterless the agreement be given out, must go to perfunctory agencies that

classify them as only so many stomclassify them as only so many stom-achs and alimentary canals; as though State Poultrymen they were savages or beasts instead of human beings to whom a kindly and ing them to help themselves are far

Mail Is Being Used by Association to material comforts. Gather Votes of Members and Count "The church is the organization that should handle the subject of charity Will Be Made Soon. but the church has allowed itself to Medford, Or., Dec. 16 .- The annual divested of this service which it lection of officers of the State Poulalone can give with gentle and kindly try association began by mail Decem-ber 5 and will conclude with the of-

the generosity and the leadership of ficial count by Election Commissioner Rosalia, and the bandits are holding the the channels of a multiplicity of insti-Hardesty of Eugene on December 19. At the same time the place of holding tutions, when if these qualities were concentrated we could solve the probmined. Medford is a candidate for that honor. The forecast to date indicates

The Rose City Park Community that it will be accorded that distinction. church attempted to give a "winter picnic" and got away with it. Long It has already begun preliminary work of preparing for the accommodation of tables were placed in rooms separated between 300 and 400 visitors and the care of 750 contesting thoroughbred sliding partitions. Each family brought birds. Ga laden basket and dinner was made

The same forecast indicates that resident E. J. McClanahan will be community affair. Miss Dagmar Inez Kelly sang a number of selec-tions, accompanied by Miss Ruth Zanchosen to succeed himself and C. F Williams of Salem probably will be reello, and T. S. McDaniel spoke on the elected secretary. During the period of the annual poultry show the new



"When the Mountains Call," Making Hit in Indiana and Extension of Time Has Been Granted.

ound so much attraction in the motion picture film, "When the Moun tains Call," that the North Bank road.

loyd-George's Efforts to which arranged for the picture, has Unite Opposing Factions consented to an extension of its stay in Indiana from six weeks to several Seems to Be Bearing Fruit. months.

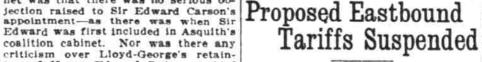
The film is being shown under di rection of the extension department of Indiana university. Lectures, further

describing the joys of mid-winter sports in mid-summer, are being given at Kokomo, Rushville, Connersville, tion is now visible. An amicable union Evansville, Shelbyville, South Whitley, superintendent, his friends predicted of the Ulsterites and the southern Garrett and Indianapolis, in connection with the film,

The film takes the tourist from Portland to the crest of Mount Adams. The scenic features of the Columbia river are brought out, as well as the

fisheries and the fruit orchards of ing the Dublin revolt, which outward-White Salmon and the Hood River ly were a failure, nevertheless have valley. steadily and quietly progressing. Secretary Bittner of Indiana univer-They have now reached a stage where sity has written W. D. Skinner, traffic a definite favorable announcement manager of the North Bank, that the

film is making a sensation wherever One of the things most noted in comit is shown. ment on the personnel of the new cabinet was that there was no serious ob-



The interstate commerce commissecretary for Ireland in the cabinet. ion has suspended until March 1 the account of Duke's efforts to reunite eastbound transcontinental freight tariffs, which were to have gone into effect December 30. Advices to this Major Redmond's appeal in commons effect have just been received from Joseph N. Teal, who is now in Wash-

ngton arguing rate questions before the commission western front. was the first open in-The tariffs newly suspended carried advances on coast rates of about 10

"Chicken Mose" Rosenstein, alleged to have engineered the murder of Barents per 100 pounds. The commission is now conducting a general in-vestigation of transcontinental rates, chant, was arrested here today by deone of the hearings having been held tectives. Rosenstein is wanted in here this week, and it is supposed the New York for conspiracy to commit body deemed it wise to hold up all murder. The killing of Baffe in 1914 advances until final adjustment could was one of the sensational murders of be made

the New York gangsters' wars,

HARD IN SANDS ON

Heavy Breakers' Threaten to

Eureka, Cal., Dec. 16 - (U. P.)-WIE

he huge breakers off Humboldt Bay

slowly, but surely, pushing the strand ed United States submarine H-3 closes

toward the shore, naval men admitted today that unless a line is immediate

the may break up on the shore.

made fast to the ill-fated vesse

The submarine is holding its own

The craft rode the surf through the

Early today men from the coast-

lask of getting a hawser to the subma-

rine in an effort to tow the vessel

short distance out or at least stay its progress toward shore until the naval

salvage vessel Arapahoe, under com-mand of Lleutenant John Newton, for-

to take charge of the rescue work.

mer, commander of the H-3, arriver

Providing the hull is intact there

seems to be little doubt that the ves-sel can be pulled into deep water. If

the hull is leaky and has shipped was

Rosenstein Is Captured.

Chicago, Dec. 16. -- (1. N. S.)

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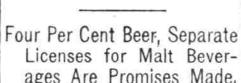
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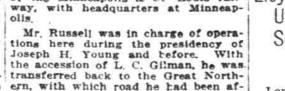






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lwaukee. Wis., Dec. 16 .- Stunne



managership was announced, Mr. Russell has many friends in the of the home rule bill in 1914. Lloyd-George's negotiations follow-

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low receipt of all the central powers peace proposals by their enemies. He is giving a tremendous amount of study to all angles of the situation, before him Germany's quasihaving official terms, a mass of confidential information from the American emavailable information as to the any communication which would re-grounds upon which the allies would flect the attitude of the United States. enter a conference looking to terminating the war.

Especially is he interested in learning the contents of Premier Lloyd-George's speech to parliament next

Attitude Is Made Clear.

He has made it clear to those in his don, Paris and Petrograd not later than confidence that he would take no steps toward mediation until sure it would be successful. Until that time comes, "anything said or done immediately by this government, not only would not help the movement toward peace, but the present administration: would actually retard it," say his closest friends.

For that reason the president has consulted Secretary Lansing, seeking facts as to the psychological moment further in every possible way, the for this government's intercession with peace movement. The plan adopted an offer of services to the warriors. was believed to be the only policy Administration men believe the trend this government could follow without toward this phychological moment will develop soon.

The last of the peace proposals should be on the cables by night, a peace. state department official said. It was pointed out there had already been one sudden change of plans as to dispatching of the proposals.

Interchange of Opinion Under Way. the allied governments is expected to develop at once on receipt of the German proposals. According to advices from London, confidential interchange of opinion is already under way among

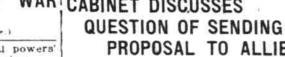
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Many Years.



PROPOSAL TO ALLIES

Washington, Dec. 16 .- (I. N. S.)-Here are the measures to be advo-Germany's offer to discuss peace terms with her enemies will be forwarded to cated by the state brewers: Reduction of the amount of alcohol the entente allies immediately. It in beer from 7 per cent to a new tembassy at Berlin, and every atom of will not be accompanied in transit by perate basis of 4 per cent, to reduce drunkenness War against the distilleries, by the

President Wilson has reserved for later consideration the question sending within the next two or three malt liquors. days an urgent request that the peace Demanding of saloon keepers that

offer be not treated lightly. hey make their saloons respectable. It is expected that the text of the Violation of this edict will mean the note will have been received in Lonprosecution of dive keeping saloon men by the brewers themselves.

Sunday morning. The decision to take the punch out Attitude of Administration of beer by reducing the alcoholic con-This statement was authorized at the tents is absolute, and affects all beer White House at the close of the longbrewers in the state for home conest session of the cabinet held during sumption.

The decision of the brewers, however, is a little late, for at a confer-"The conclusion reached by the president and cabinet members should ence of temperance organizations of

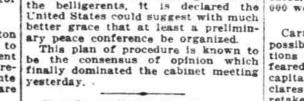
not be construed that the United the state, while the brewers were in States is not ready to support and session, a campaign was organized for a legislative referendum of state prohibition.

was believed to be the only policy proposed and we will tell you our causing diplomatic complications which would be disastrous to the purterms.' After this further exchange between

pose of all who are working for Other Neutrals Are in Accord The representatives in Washington

of the neutral countries are said to be in entire accord with President Wilson. The notes will go and a re-General discussion by officials of ply is expected from the entente group asking Germany, "What are your terms?"

In answer to this the German gov-ernment is expected to say: "Come into the conference we have



Britain Will Decide Answer. Washington, Ded 16 -(I. N. S.)freat Britain alone will decide the re-

peace proposals. This was made very plain in diplomatic circles here today. Keeps Her Children The action of the Russian duma, suggestions from Italy that the war must go on, and French opposition to peace In Perfect Health "excepting with the sword" have no material bearing on the situation, dip-

war and her allies will accept her de-cision in the view of the entire diplo-matic corps, as well as President Wilson and his advisers.

Duma Rejects Proposal. London, Dec. 15 .- (I. N. S.-The Russian duma has flatly rejected the

tiations, according to a Reuter's dispatch received here. The message said: "The duma has unanimously passed

the German peace proposal after a spirited speech by the minister of for-eign affairs."

Mrs. H. A. Ludwig

Seaside, Or., Dec. 16 .- Word was re-Ludwig was about 25 years old and was the wife of Professor Ludwig

Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsih is sold and his portrait appear on the yellow Oates natatorium. He has been en-Dr. Caldweil's Syrup Pepsin is soid in drug stores everywhere for 59 cents a bottle. To avoid imitations and in-effective substitutes be sure you Ret Dr. Caldweil's Syrup Pepsin. See that a fac-simile of Dr. Caldweil's signature Heinols. A trial bottle, free of charge, can be obtained by writing to Dr. W. B. Cald-ular among Seaside residents and summer visitors.

Waiters Return to Work. El Paso, Tex., Dec. 16.-(I. N. S.)- San Francisco, Dec. 16.-(U. P.)- terers of the northwest Many Carranzistas were killed in a The waiters' strike ended today. Sim- their purposes to attend

Murgula men retired to Chihuahua places today.

City. The battle between the two factions lasted all day. It occurred at Samal-ayuca, 30 miles south of Juarez. Bad feeling has existed between the Car-feeling has existed between the Car-commanders since General Away From Diver War against the distilleries, by the ranza commanders since General opening of a campaign for separate li-censes for the sale of spirituous and chief at Chihuahua City and General Gonzales threatened to depose him.

Strife Is Three-Cornered.

The civil strife is three-cornered and threatens eventually to wipe but all three factions. General Ozuna declares that Murgula has been sending him against superior forces of Vil-

listas in an effort to annihilate him, not sending reinforcements when needed. Murguia is a henchman of Obregon, while Ozuna is an adherent of General 230 passengers on board did Trevino, the deposed commander at

hihuahua City. The battle at Samalayuca followed sighted. street fighting in Chihuahua City be-

City for trial on charges of cowardice narrowly averted. for yielding to Villa when the bandit

property in Mexico has been confis- lies and who came here on furlough to cated, but he is reported to have \$200 .- | spend Christmas. Among them were 000 worth of diamonds in El Paso.

Consolidation Fails.

Carranza leaders have found it impossible to consolidate the rival factions in Chihuahua, and disaster is feared should Villa decide to attack the French Are Buying capital again. An adviser of Villa declares that the bandit is preparing to retake Jiminez, Parral and Torreon before again attacking Chihuahua City.

Santa Rosalia has been reoccupied by Villistas.

give him a free hand in dealing with tract with the Carranza government, promising horses, yesterday submitted a band in return full protection of all for- for inspection and 51 were passed by eigners and their property. He declares Captain Ross of the French army. The that Villa has 8000 well equipped men contract is an open one and pur-and is making his headquarters 200 chases will be made until orders are miles west of Chihuahua City, while a received to send no more animals to large force is moving southward to- the eastern receiving stations.

ward Torreon

been found necessary to disarm all delegates to the constitutional convention to prevent bloodshed at the sessions, which are being held behind closed

Carranza pesos, daily. They must feed paid. and clothe themselves on that and Car-ranza paper is worthless in Chihuahua.

Action to Relieve Car Shortage Taken

Sacramento, Cal., Dec. 16 .- (P. N. S.)

-Members of the machine gun com-pany attached to the Second infantry. California National Guard, stationed in this city, have voted against taking the federal oath under the national defense act. The company went on record as a number of railroads. This step, it is believed, will go far toward reducing the existing car shortage. I want the form the National Guard.

the dry laws, especially Oregon by making the state bone dry after an ex-perimental period with the partially dry statutes, the State Brewers' asso-ciation today took radical steps to back fire the Anti-Saloon league agitation to make Wisconsin dry. Here are the measures to be advonext year during the annual meeting. Tillamook Taxpayers

Away From Divers Vote \$25,000 Road

Steamship Chicago Reaches New York Bay Ocean Project Received Favorably From Bordeaux, Four Days Behind But Proposal to Spend \$1000 on Lit-Schedule-Warned by Wireless, tle Nestucca Road Voted Down,

New York Dec. 16-(I N S)-Tillamook, Or. Dec. 16 .- Several Dodging through the Atlantic, far off hundred taxpayers of the county ather course, to avoid a German raider | tended the annual budget meeting here that was supposed to be in the vicinity. Friday. Only a few changes in the the French liner Chicago arrived today items published by the county court from Bordeaux four days overdue. The were made.

not A proposal to divert funds from the breathe easily until the friendly Bay Ocean project was unsuccessful. shores of the United States were The meeting voted, instead, to remove all restrictions from the appropriation When wireless warnings of the sup-

and recommended the expenditure of tween troops of Ozuna and Mufguls. posed presence of the German raider and recommended the expendit Reports say General Trevino is under were received on December 6 a panic arrest, awaiting removal to Mexico among the steerage passengers was Little Nestucca road continu A suggestion to expend \$1000 on the Little Nestucca road, contingent on

Aboard the Chicago were 20 soldiers took Chihuahua City. All of Trevino's who have been fighting with the alment, was defeated and the money ordered spent in hard surfacing existing roads. Some opposition to the continuation

two American members of the French flying corps, George Rockwell and William Frey. salary was carried.

The proposed county library measure was defeated.

Soldiers Injured in Wreck.

Washington Horses Palestine, Texas, Dec. 15.-(1, N. S.) Eight members of the lowa Field Artillery were brought to a hospital here today suffering from injuries Walla Walla, Wash., Dec. 16 .- The French government again is buying received when two coaches of the

The informant declared Villa is horses in this section. William L. train bearing them home left the track planning to ask the United States to Russell of this city, who has a con- one mile north of Grapeland, Texas. rance for furnishing It is believed more of them are dangerously hurt.

> Minister's Son Gets War Medal. Toronto, Ont., Dec. 16 .- (U. P.)-Company Sergeant Major Layton, son of the Rev. J. Layton, Oakland, Cal, has been awarded the "distinguished conduct" medal for attacking with his

company two of the enemy's trenches, displaying great courage and mate-rially assisting important British advances.



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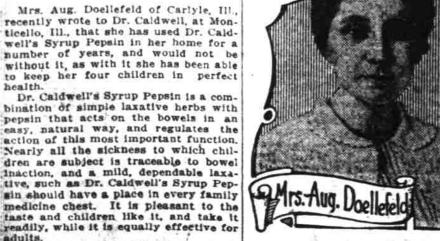
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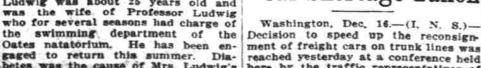
lomats say. England is financing the

offer of Germany to enter peace negodoors.

resolution against the acceptance of



ceived in Seaside of the death of Mrs. H. A. Ludwig in San Francisco. Mrs.







American bankers arriving here to-night from Chihuahua City say that Comport soldiers in Chihuahua City William Hale Thompson of Chicago, Carranza soldiers in Chihuahua City would forfeit their salaries for the are dangerously near a revolt. They first quarter of the year 1917 to aid in

are nearly freezing in the cold snap tiding the city over the serious finanthat has struck that part of Mexico. cial crisis it now faces. The mayor said being clad only in the thinnest cotton. he would refuse to draw a salary while They are paid 50 cents silver, or two lower priced city employes remain un-