

**GALATZ AND FOCSANI APPEAR DOOMED TO CAPTURE BY TEUTONS**

Strong Forces Are Constantly Pressing Closer to Roumanian Strongholds.

**DEFENDERS ARE RETIRING**

Fierce Fighting Said to Be Engaged in Bayonet Charges Being Featured Frequently in Official Reports.

London, Jan. 6.—(U. P.)—Galatz and Focsani appeared tonight to be doomed to imminent occupation by Germany's forces, still pressing forward in Roumania. Galatz apparently was under bombardment from both sides, and Focsani is menaced by strong forces from the south and west. The Russian official statement gave some hint of the prodigious massing of men and desperate attacks which the Germans are executing here.

Despite the German success on this front and the danger of occupation of Galatz and Focsani, it was pointed out by military experts that the official statements from both sides apparently indicated a successful resistance by the Roumanians to what is probably the most serious German menace to the allies in Roumanian territory. The attempt to flank the Roumanian-Roumanian armies by a thrust eastward from the Salonika, Greece and Thracian valleys. The Russian statement detailed a slight withdrawal, but a later stoppage of the enemy advance. Some idea of the ferocity of the fighting over all this Roumanian and Dobruja territory is hinted at in the use twice in the Petrograd statement of the descriptive phrase "bayonet charges and prisoners." Previous Berlin statements have been profuse in such terms as "storming in hand-to-hand battles."

The Petrograd statement declared the Russian forces voluntarily abandoned Braila. The Berlin statement asserted the Roumanians the majority of the Roumanian factory establishments in that city, indicating that the Germans found the town of scant value to them.

Along the northern frontier of Dobruja the advantage in the fighting will be distinctly with the Russian defenders.

**British Report Successful**

London, Jan. 6.—(U. P.)—After a bombardment, British troops entered heavy trenches west of Arras, over a wide front and penetrated as far as the third line, bombing dugouts and heavily damaged defenses. General Sir Douglas Haig announced tonight.

The captured positions were consolidated, Haig reported.

Heavy artillery fire was reported in the neighborhood of Neberthe.

Thursday night and Friday our air forces bombarded enemy military positions with great results, the report said. "Aeroplanes also cooperated in today's artillery activity." British troops operating north of Beaumont Hamel seized two enemy posts during Friday night and held them in the face of heavy counter attacks, General Haig reported tonight.

**Miners' Wages Are Voluntarily Raised**

Dubois, Pa., Jan. 6.—(I. N. S.)—Voluntary increases in wages to approximately 38,700, were announced today by the Central Pennsylvania Coal Operators' association. The increases will amount to about \$3,400,000 yearly and become effective as of January 1, 1917.

The operators reserve the right to withdraw the increases should the miners strike. The present contract between the operators and miners expires April 1, 1918.

**Girl Kills Betrayer**

Fort Worth, Texas, Jan. 6.—(I. N. S.)—Claiming to have been enticed from her country home by promises of a gay city life, Miss Cattle Lee Meadows, 18, this morning shot and killed D. P. McAdams, a hotel keeper. Miss Meadows says McAdams, after getting her to the city, wronged her and took all the money she had.

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**PORTLAND BOY JOINS AMERICAN AMBULANCE**



Marion Kyle.

Marion Kyle, son of Mrs. George A. Kyle of 141 East Thirty-seventh street, and a junior at Stanford, leaves shortly for France where he will be one of 20 Stanford students to enter the service of the American ambulance.

The students are being sent by "The Friends of France," an organization financed by San Francisco people and will sail from New York for Havre early in February.

Mr. Kyle, who has been spending the Christmas holidays with his mother, will join his friends in San Francisco in a few days. He is well known in Portland, having been graduated from Jefferson high school in June, 1914. While abroad Mr. Kyle will, from time to time, supply "The Journal" with news letters of his experiences.

**Dr. Allen Says It Was Easy to Escape**

Man Accused of Causing Woman's Death Says He Left Prison While Acting as Trusty.

Hemet, Cal., Jan. 6.—(U. P.)—"It was easy for me to escape. I had been a trusty for some time and I walked out when a favorable opportunity appeared," said Dr. F. C. Allen today, following his arrest at San Bernardino by Constable Walker of Hemet upon a charge with the murder of Miss Anna Danielson of Minneapolis.

"Why did I escape? Because I learned that the heirs of my wife, formerly Miss Danielson, were planning on having me tried as soon as I was released from prison. I never wanted the slightest portion of her estate, but I have a reason to believe that my arrest and conviction were inspired by a desire to shatter any claim I might make."

**Atlantic Liners Are Held in New York**

Fear of German War Submarine Said to Be Reason for Failure to Sail in Accordance With Schedule.

New York, Jan. 6.—(I. N. S.)—Three Transatlantic liners, the St. Louis, Espagne and Nieuw Amsterdam, which were held here with no definite hour set for sailings. According to preliminary announced schedules all should be well on their way across the Atlantic.

**Professor Giving Literary Lectures**

Professor Norman F. Coleman, head of the English department at Reed college, is giving a series of six lectures on "Some Ideals of Nineteenth Century Literature," at the local room of the Oregonian building, on Saturday, at 12:30 o'clock. A series of the best works of the literary masters of the century are being discussed in chronological order. The first lecture was given Saturday noon on Wordsworth's "Michael" (1800). The others, in the order given, are Shelley's "Prometheus Unbound" (1819), Tennyson's "Palace of Art" (1832), Browning's "Pippa Passes" (1841), Ruskin's "The Nature of Gothic" (1854), and Morris' "A Dream of John Ball" (1888). The lectures are open to the public and newspaper men are especially invited.

**To Vote on New Charter**

Alameda, Cal., Jan. 6.—(P. N. S.)—Alamedians will vote next Tuesday on a new charter, which provides for a city manager and council.

**HIRAM JOHNSON HAS A PROGRAM MAPPED OUT FOR LEGISLATURE**

Chief Executive Will Deliver His Farewell Message as Governor Monday.

**STEPHENS IS SUCCESSOR**

Retiring Official Will Start for Washington to Wrap Senatorial Toga Around Himself.

Sacramento, Jan. 6.—(U. P.)—Hiram Johnson will say farewell as governor of California Monday in his message to the state legislature.

He will tell the legislature what he wants done and then he will go to Washington and drape a senatorial toga about himself.

The legislature is strongly pro-Johnson and it is believed the governor's program will be carried through without alteration. Anyway, Johnson himself will not have the power of veto over any of the legislative acts. For he will have to quit the governor's office before any of the measures actually are passed.

Johnson will leave the helm of the state of California to William D. Stephens, lieutenant governor, who resigned from congress to accept the position he now holds.

The legislature meets Monday for three weeks to introduce bills. At the end of three weeks it will adjourn for a month, and then meet again to grind out the legislation.

Johnson will leave with the legislature a well defined program of important legislation. It includes tax revision, social insurance, county local option, rural credits and state marketing of farm produce.

Stephens has acted in accord with Johnson's policies since his appointment as lieutenant governor and has declared he will carry through Johnson's program when he becomes governor.

The same election which swept Johnson into the United States senate elected a number of state senators and representatives who are in harmony with his policies. Therefore, no such acrimonious controversies as marked the 1915 session are anticipated in the legislature when it convenes Monday.

**Medford Interested In Coming Election**

Medford, Or., Jan. 6.—City election will be held next Tuesday, January 9, to name a mayor and three councilmen and decide issues.

The chief issue centers in the two proposed plans for overcoming financial embarrassments of the municipality. One is the Hanson plan, designed to refinance the city in all its departments. The other, the Medynski plan, seeks only to remedy alleged defects in the paving assessment method. Parties of the two plans are waging an earnest campaign. Mass meetings are being held and public debates continuing.

H. O. Nordwick, owner of the Medford flour mills, is the third candidate to file for mayor. He represents neither plan, but promises to attempt independently to execute the conditions of either plan adopted by a vote of the people.

C. E. Gates is the business men's candidate, while F. W. Medynski, former councilman and author of one of the plans, is making his campaign on the plan issue. All the civic bodies, church organizations and the ministers are engaged in the contest.

**SWITZERLAND'S NEW PRESIDENT IN OFFICE**



Edmund Schulthess, president of the Swiss republic for 1917.

Berne, Jan. 6.—Switzerland's new president assumed the duties of his office January 1. He is Edmund Schulthess of Brugg, Canton of Aargau, former vice-president of the confederation, and an eminent lawyer and statesman, who has been serving as the head of the national department of public economy.

In the year 1914, when the war broke out, he was Dr. Arthur Hoffman, of St. Gall, also a German-Swiss, who was the nation's chief executive. Dr. Giuseppe Motta, a representative of the Italian-speaking Canton of Ticino, succeeded him for 1915, and a French-Swiss, Mr. Camille Descomet, has been holding the president's office for 1916. This arrangement illustrates the careful consideration which is shown to each region of the Alpine republic, and this is also the reason why the Swiss nation, formed by a German-French-Italian-and-Romansch speaking population, are a peacefully and harmoniously united people.

Mr. Schulthess was born in year 1868 at Villnachern near the Baths of Schinznach, in the Canton of Aargau, but raised in the nearby town of Brugg. He received his education in the excellent schools of his native canton, and after studying law at Strassburg, Munich, Leipzig and Berne, he settled down at that profession at Brugg. He started his political career at the age of 25, and rapidly advanced until he was elected into the Federal Council on July 17, 1912.

The vice-president-elect is Dr. Felix Calonder, of Trins, Canton of the Grisons, where the Romansch language is still spoken by a fair part of the population. Dr. Calonder was born in the year 1863. He, too, is a brilliant politician and, like all the present members of the federal council, a lawyer by profession.

If the suggested peace conference should be held in Switzerland, which is geographically possible, in view of the country's geographical position and her self-sacrificing activity on behalf of her suffering neighbors, the two newly elected men will play particularly prominent roles.

Mrs. Morrison Dies.

Astoria, Or., Jan. 6.—Mrs. Nellie Morrison, wife of a prominent local groceryman, passed away here today following an illness of several weeks. She had resided in Astoria many years.

**MURDER OF MODEL GOES INTO RECORDS 'UNSOLVED MYSTERY'**

Police Satisfied That Bernard W. Lewis, Suicide, Killed Beautiful Girl.

**FRIENDS DENY CHARGES**

Parents Say They Are Prepared to Clear the Name of Son by Carrying Investigation Beyond Police.

Philadelphia, Jan. 6.—(U. P.)—The motive that prompted Bernard Wesley Lewis, once petted Pittsburgh society youth and Yale graduate, to beat and strangle to death Maizie Colbert, beautiful stoking and concert model, passed tonight into the column of unsolved mysteries.

Despite efforts of friends to prove that Lewis did not murder the gay little café butterfly—that he did not even know her—captain of Detectives Tate remains satisfied that the young man was guilty.

"Lewis had studied law and knew his rights," said the detective head. "If he had committed suicide from fear he would have left a note. He would have spared his parents their anguish."

These words, so far as the police are concerned, seem to close the story of the pretty country girl who had gone to the city to "see life," had held men of wealth and prominence in the palm of her hand, and then—paid the price.

The circumstantial evidence that was against Lewis would have convinced the jury in any court, in the opinion of the police.

Parents of the dead man deny this. They say they are preparing to take up the trail where the detectives dropped it—to clear, if possible, his name of any trace of the crime.

Suicide Letter Written Dec. 17.

Pittsburg, Pa., Jan. 6.—In a letter to James S. McFayden, one of his friends here, Bernard W. Lewis, whose suicide in Atlantic City occurred as he was about to be arrested in connection with the murder of Maizie Colbert, wrote on December 17 that he planned to commit suicide. He asked McFayden to take care of his wife, Mrs. Laura Lewis, and his daughter, Betty.

The letter in part reads: "Before you get this letter I will have paid for my mistakes. You were one real friend upon whom I could rely. This is my last request to you. Please, so long as you live, see that no harm comes to Laura and Betty and tell Betty about all the pitfalls I'd do this for you if the tables were reversed and I ask you in God's name to look out for Laura and Betty. I am only a wreck now, but they must have some peace and happiness. Laura is a wonderful woman, and I am paying to-night for wrecking her life."

Private funeral services will be held here tomorrow for Lewis, whose body arrived today and is at the home of his father.

**Naval Base Agent Visits at Marshfield**

Marshfield, Or., Jan. 6.—Captain Cunningham, representing the Naval Base commission, arrived here this evening to investigate Coos bay as a place suitable for a naval base.

Information of his coming was wired ahead and members of the Chamber of Commerce and others are prepared to furnish all information, and show him about the harbor.

**Beavers Busy in Benson Park; Fall Trees to Make Dam**

About 50 beavers are busily engaged in felling coniferous trees and building an immense dam across Wahkema creek in Benson park, according to a report brought back Superintendent J. G. Conville by James Maguire, in charge of Benson park. Conville is to visit the park today with a building crew to protect the animals against trappers and preserve them and their work as some of the attractions in the natural park.

According to Maguire, the beavers are at work about 150 yards from Jomelli rock on the bottomland north of the O-W. R. & N. tracks. Several of the little animals are noted at work last year, but this year, according to Maguire, the number has greatly increased and the wood trees nearly cut in diameter are being attacked by the busy little creatures. The dam building goes on during the night, says Maguire.

**Funeral Services For Mrs. Linehan**

Relatives and Many Friends Attend Impressive Observances Thursday in Honor of Christian Church Member.

The funeral of Mrs. Hettie R. Linehan, who died suddenly at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. Harvey Johnson, New Year's morning, was held at the Finley residence chapel Thursday afternoon. She was a lifelong member of the Christian church, and her former pastor, Rev. E. S. Muckley, officiated, assisted by Rev. E. S. Brinkman, pastor of the English Lutheran church.

The funeral was largely attended by relatives and her many friends, and the many beautiful floral tributes gave expression to the high regard in which she was held.

Mrs. Linehan was born near Lexington, Ky., and came to Portland with her family about 13 years ago from Quincy, Ill., their former home. She is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Harvey Johnson and Mrs. Lloyd R. Smith of this city, and Mrs. E. Nelson Allen of Los Angeles, Cal., all of whom were present. Her husband, Daniel Linehan, passed away in this city about nine years ago, and an only son, Daniel Jr., some years ago in Quincy, Ill.

Interment was in Riverview. The pallbearers were John Montag, Oglesby Young, Dr. F. H. Dammasch, P. H. Stevenson, Dr. A. W. Moore and R. E. Bristol.

Funeral of Charles Christensen.

The funeral of Charles Christensen was held Saturday from the residence, 96 Nevada street, and interment was in Riverview cemetery, Rev. A. J. Montgomery, officiating. Mr. Christensen was in his fifty-eighth year, and is survived by his widow, Mrs. Eliza Christensen, and one son, Charles. The Edward Holman company had charge of arrangements.

McCabe Body Is En Route.

The body of Andrew J. McCabe, well known railroad contractor and former resident of this city, who died in Monrovia, Cal., January 2, will arrive in this city this evening. The body is on the way to Seattle, where funeral services will be held Monday, interment to be in Calvary cemetery.

Former New Yorker Dies.

Mrs. Mary Young died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. R. L. Bewley, 761 East Yamhill street, Friday night at the age of 73. Mrs. Young came to McMinnville in 1932, where she resided until three years ago, when she came to Portland. W. H. Young, her husband, died in McMinnville nearly five years ago. Mrs. Young was a native of New York state and resided in

**Two States Scoured For Masked Bandits**

Men Who Held Up Paymaster of Flaccus Glass Company in Tarentum, Are Being Pursued.

Pittsburg, Pa., Jan. 6.—(U. P.)—Western Pennsylvania and eastern Ohio were being scoured tonight for trace of the masked bandits who staged a new variety of automobile holdup in Tarentum, near here today and escaped with \$5000 constituting the payroll of the Flaccus Glass company.

The bandits, in a big car, ran into the light, open automobile in which Paymaster Daniel King and Chaffee Camello Turko were riding with the money. When King and Turko, at guard, stepped into the road to size up the damage the robbers slipped masks over their faces, drew revolvers and took the glass company's catchal. They speeded off to the westward.

**Suicide Attempted By Social Worker**

Los Angeles, Jan. 6.—(P. N. S.)—Miss Helen Wright, 22, a social worker of Jersey City, N. J., late yesterday stabbed herself in the chest with a butcher knife and after being rushed to the emergency hospital, seized a bottle of iodine and was stopped from drinking it only by the timely arrival of a nurse. She was said to have suffered a nervous breakdown several days ago, while en route east, and had to be returned to Pasadena.

**Slight Earthquake Is Felt in Montreal**

Montreal, Que., Jan. 6.—(I. N. S.)—Slight earthquake tremors were felt here early today. No material damage was done.

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