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WAR AIMS IDEAL, LLOYD GEORGE SAYS;

Private Railroad Executives Are Called in to Take Charge for Present; War Freight to Have Right of Way on All the Lines.

First Order Expected to Call for Pooling of All Freight, Equipment and Terminals; Drawing

BUTTE, Mont., Dec. 28.—(I. N. S.)—Parlor, lounge and observation cars on all transportation systems operating between St. Paul and the Pacific coast will be discontinued December 30, according to telegraphic advices received here today by Great Northern division officials from headquarters.

It is said the order will also affect trains operating westward from Chicago on all lines. The order is a result of federal con-

Washington, Dec. 28 .- (U. P.)-Director General McAdoo placed the existing war board of private railroad executive in charge of temporary operation of the allroad lines taken over by the govern-

The emergency operators include Fairfax Harrison, president of the Southern railway; Howard Elliott, offidal of the New York, New Haven & Hartford and chairman of the board of directors of the Northern Pacific Julius Kruttschnitt, chairman executive committee of the Southern Pacific; Hale Holden, president of the Eurling-Pennsylvania lines.

This was the only feature marking the important step the president has war. On the transportation system of the country depends largely what will the country depends largely what will happen to the kaiser in 1918, McAdoo says, and upon McAdoo's administration of the roads under federal control depends eventual government ownership, politicians declare.

Owing to the fact that the actual government operation of the roads is not to begin until January 1, so that convenience and economy may be accomplished in auditing, it is probable no sweeping order will be issued before

In a little office, off those occupied by the members of the interstate commerce commission today McAdoo took up his

minals, etc., that may contribute to at Washington. nmediate relief of freight congestion Sereafter shipments will not be conned to any one line, but to the one New Timber to Be great system. War freight will be given (Coucluded on Page Ten, Column Three)

One Mexican Bandit

Washington, Dec. 28.-(U. P.)-One of

GREATEST R.R. IN THE WORLD

W ASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—(U. can railways under Director General McAdoo, the greatest raiload in the world was formed today. Number of employes - about 1,-700,000, with an equal number in reated locomotive, freight car and other plants.

Miles of tracks operated-about Number of railroad companies

embraced-about 700. All cars in service-2,500,000. Capital stock and funded debt-

17,000,000,000. Gross annual operating revenues -84,600,000,000, Gross annual operating expenses

-88,000,000,000, Tons of annual freight-1,500,000,-

Passengers carried yearly-1,250,-

Plans for Central Organization U. S. Minister to Copenhagen Brings Report From Scandinavian Countries.

> An Atlantic Port, Dec. 28 .- (I. N. S.)-Denmark is heart and soul with the entente allies, but Sweden is alding Germany to carry on the world war in more ways than one.

Declaration to this effect was voiced oday by Dr. Maurice Francis Egan, for the past four years American minister to Denmark, who arrived here with Mrs. Egan on a Norwegian-American steam-

"Sweden," said Minister Egan, is furnishing Germany with metal and other war necessities in exchange for food, fuel and petroleum. The petroleum Germany is sending Sweden comes from Rou-

Dr. Egan says conditions in Denmark beggar description. The last coal he purchased for the American embassy cost \$100 per ton. Electricity, he said, was almost unobtainable and candles are in general use throughout Denmark. "Fuel is so scarce," said Dr. Egan "that the transportation lines of the country have returned to schedules which

were maintained 30' years ago." Dr. Eagan asserted that the embargo placed by the United States on shipments of coal, food and supplies to neutral countries would have to be lifted soon.
"Unless this is done." he added, "the ton, and Samuel Rea, president of the Danes will have to make a bargain with Germany-something which they are ex-

Succeed McNary

Washington, Dec. 28. - (WASHING-TON BUREAU OF THE JOURNAL.)-Will R. King will be a candidate for the Democratic nomination for United States senator to succeed Senator Mc-He will run for the six-year term without regard to the controvers; over the short term vacancy. He expects to make a formal announcement and declaration of principles about February first.

Mr. King was formerly a member of the Oregon supreme court and now at Fuhlssbuttel. His first order is expected to call for holds an important legal position with coling of all freight, equipment, ter- the United States reclamation service

Made Available

That a large tract of timber near the mouth of the Willamette river will be opened up soon was indicated today Pays Death Penalty opened up soon was indicated today when the Grant Smith-Porter-Guthrie company filed application with the public service commission for the construction of a logging railroad at Holbrook. our Mexican cattle thieves who mur- The road will be about five miles long dered Lee Sharp and Clarence Sellers, and will lead to the edge of a heavily Americans, near Piedras Negras, has timbered section. It is understood that een executed and the others have been a sawmill may be constructed by the compnay, although no definite information has been given out.

Two Hours of Street Fighting Precedes Surrender of Bolshevik Forces, According to Dispatches Reaching Tokio.

Taken From Barracks; Foreign Consuls Assured There Will Be No Further Trouble.

Tokio, Dec. 28 .- (U. P.)-Two hours street fighting preceded the surrender of the Bolsheviki forces in Harbin to Chinese troops, according to a foreign office dispatch today. Nearly 2500 Bolsheviki were under

arms in the city. They refused orders of the Chinese commanders to withdraw from the residence section, but were finally overwhelmed by the Chinese sol-The Chinese disarmed the Russians,

and stored all arms and munitions, tak-ing considerable supplies from the Russian barracks. Foreign consuls were notified there would be no further trouble. Harbin has been torn with factional strife for

weeks and Chinese intervention was decided upon after vain protests by representatives of all nations in that city.

Of 53 Put Into Commission Since 1914, Only 13 Now Re-. main in Service.

With the French Armies in the Field, Dec. 28.—(U. P.)—Germany's Zeppelin program, announced with boastful pride in 1914, stands a dreary failure today. Accurate figures available to the United Press show that of 53 Zeppelins put into commission since 1914: Thirty-five have been totally de-

Two have been badly damaged and put permanently out of commission. Two possibly destroyed, now missing. One badly damaged, temporarily out of commission in December.

Thirteen remaining in service, eight of

which are detailed to the North Sea, two to the Baltic and three as experimental or school ships. Raids over France, England and Belgium have cost the Germans 17 Zeppelins, 8 having been accounted for in England, 5 in France and 4 in Belgium. Accidents by fire, wind and lightning, have destroyed at least 8 in Germany. Zeppelin numbers, according to accurate calculations, started with the "L-1" and ended with "L-57." Numbers between 25 and 30 have not yet been employed, leaving 53 to be accounted for. "L-1" and "L-2" were destroyed before the war. The first fell in the North sea and the second was accidentaly burned

In addition to her Zeppelins, Germany has had in commission since the beginning of the war at least 13 airships of the "Schutte Lanz," "Gross" and "Parseval" types. Of these, possibly seven remain in service, two, however, as non-combatant instruction ships.

Conscription for Ireland Considered

London, Dec. 28 .- (I. N. S.)-The question of extending conscription to Ireland will be seriously considered by parliamentary leaders when parliament reconvenes after the Christmas heli- the work. It is estimated that there are 200,000 Irishmen of military age in Ireland,

General Pershing Suspends Leave Of Absence of Officers and Men, **Much Speculation Caused by Order**

With the American Army in France, aparently was lost when the Germans push was started, "but coming back—Dec. 28.—(I. N. S.)—General John J. pushed back General Byng's troops well, providence guided me across the Pershing, the American commander in around Cambrai, according to unofficial thief, today issued a general order suspending further Paris leaves of absence for both officers and men and cancelling the future leaves already granted. There was considerable speculation in semp over just what the order means. Officers who were expecting a furlough to spend New Year's day in Paris were merely told that leave was cancelled without substituting any other place for

reports reaching here today. He is road. That's all that saved me." classified as "missing." One other American medical officer-

lieutenant-returned to his unit with the American forces today after an unforgettable period with the British at Cambrai. He hasn't yet ceased thanking his lucky stars that he escaped the Ger-

"It was as quiet as walking to church With the American Armies in France, forward," he told the United Press, Dec. 28.—(U. P.)—One American surgeon speaking of just before Byng's great (Conclude on Page Ten. Column Five)

Surprise Attack Complete

The young Ohio lieutenant was one of many American medical officers lent to the British, and just back today in his billet. Sitting in the tiny room of an ancient French house where he is hilled leted, he told his story.

Amount to Be Raised Is \$1,347,-098.27, According to Budget Estimate Adopted by Commission at Meeting Today.

Troops Are Disarmed; Supplies Half Million Is Set Aside for Construction: Labor Council's Attempt to Have Hospital Fund Retained Fails.

> The county tax levy for 1918 will be approximately 4.5 mills, a slight reduction from that of 1917, which was 4.75. The amount of money to be raised for county expenses next year is \$1,347, 098.27. A levy of 4.4 mills on an assessed valuation of \$305,613,030 will yield \$1,344,697.33. A levy of 4.5 mills will produce \$1,375,258.63.

between those figures. The board of county commissioners today adopted without change the tentative budget as advertised. The vote was unanimous on all items except the \$500,000 appropriation for roads. Chairman Holman again went on record as favoring an appropriation of approximately \$400,000.

Will Reimburse School District It was decided by the board to take out of the general fund next year \$1500 money advanced in advertising the Na-tional Education association last spring and also \$12,000 when the strong grain warehouses from Gaston to and also \$12,000 with which to erect an

A delegation from the Central Labor requested that the \$100,000 set aside last year for a county hospital be retained in a special fund and immediate explosion in the mill did not cause steps be taken towards building a new

Half Million for Roads advice of District Attorney Evans that this should revert to the general fund. As a result there are now no funds available for a hospital. As finally adopted the budget con-

tains an item of \$500,000 in the general find for road construction and maintenance during the year 1918. The total tax levy for Portland next year will be approximately 28.45 mills, an increase of nearly 1 mill over 1917.

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PORTLAND IS PLAN

Younger Business Men Will Gather Statistics on Cargo and Facilities in City.

Portland is to have a port survey. The survey is considered an essential preliminary to a determined community ampaign for ship lines.

It will be undertaken by a group of Portland's younger business men whose plans, already well advanced, contemplate the employment of trained traffic engineers for the technical features of

The survey will involve listing. general, the inbound and outbound cargo commodities of the Portland district, together with as much as can be said about transcontinental transchipments.

The manufacturing industries producing and consuming cargo must be at a flying school on December 20, it was measured and possibilities of future de-What the port has in the way of fa-

cilities for the prompt and economical handling of goods and what it requires must be catalogued. A considerable amount of the infor-

Commerce in either organized or unorganized form.

The shipping program contemplates a move to consolidate the port and dock ons in order that the work of the two agencies may be unified. As the port commission is a body created by act of the legislature and the docs

commission is a body created by the municipality, tedious and difficult legislative adjustments are necessary in order to bring about the consolidation. The same group is considering the es-tablishment of an organization for the financing of industries. marked, glancing around with satisfacion at his comfortable quarters. "It's

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PARCEL POST WATERROUTE IS PROPOSED

P.)-A parcel post water route between Seattle, Portland, San Francisco and Los Angeles, for the purpose of relieving railroad congestion, is to be established soon, according to Superintendent Hoscoe C. Knox of the Northwest railway

No plans for sending parcel post matter between Seattle, Portland, San Francisco and Los Angeles by water route have been received by the Portland postoffice, Postmaster Myers said this morning.

"If such plans were adopted perishable matter and special delivery parcel post peakages would still be sent by rail," he said. "It is not probable that a water route between Portland and Seattle would be established. There is no great congestion in the mails between these

The exact amount of the levy will be State Marshal Uncovers Organized Effort to Destroy Grain Warehouses in Oregon.

Salem, Or., Dec. 28.-As a result of investigation, into the cause of the fire at Carlton early Sunday morning, when a flouring mill and warehouse were burned with a loss of \$20,000, State Fire of the general fund next year \$1500 Marshal Wells said Thursday night, that reimburse school district No. 1 for ney advanced in advanced i

The fire marshal has notified the fedindustrial school for delinquents on the eral authorities, who are continuing the old county poor farm on the Canyon investigation; he also placed considerable evidence in the hands of the district attorney and sheriff of Yamhill county. Fire Was Started

The facts show clearly, he said, that the fire at Carlton was set, and that the

flour mills are warned to be constantly It was determined, however, on the on the alert and in no event to permit as this department has knowledge that a machine is being used to make a quick get-away."

The evidence disclosed involves sevral persons with German names. He has instructed Deputies Gilbert Allen, H. H. Pomerov and George W. Stokes to their special branches of work. continue their investigations.

Escaped in Automobile In another warehouse at Carlton, deputy state fire marshalf found a large quantity of explosives and 55 feet of fuse and a coat and pair of shoes. It is the theory of State Fire Marshal Wells that these things belonged to the man who set fire to the flour mill and that he had intended to return to the warehouse and repeat his trick there, but was evidently scared away by quick discovery of the fire in the flouring mill. As the shoes were made to order and the coat bears a tag of cleaners, the state fire marshal expects soon to learn the identity of the owner. Mr. Wells has evidence showing that the person who fired the mill made his escape in an automobile, going toward McMinnville.

1917 Crop Close to That of Last Year

Washington, Dec. 28 .- (I. N. S.)-The world's production of wheat in 1917 was 1,864,000,000 bushels or 96.1 per cent of the world's 1916 crop and 85.1 per cent of the five-year average 1911-15, according to a cable this afternoon to the department of agriculture from the International Institute of Agriculture at

In 1917 the yield of potatoes was ,119,000,000 bushels, or 136.4 per cent of the 1916 crop and 114.8 per cent of the five year average 1911-1915.

ROLL OF HONOR

at a flying school on December 20, it was learned today.

Washington, Dec. 28.—(L. N. S.)—The death in action, December 23, of an American soldier, and the wounding of another were reported to the war department this afternoon by General Pershing. Both were members of the engineers' corps. Five deaths from natural causes were also recorted.

CORPORAL RUSSELL W. SPRAGUE, next of kin, Mrs. Sherman G. Sprague, mother, 15 California avenue, Middleton, N. Y. CORPORAL CHARLES G. HEWETT, next of kin Mrs. Betty A. Hewett, mother, Rockland,

PRIVATE JOHN H. HAMMEL, quartermas-ter's corps, December 25, meniogitis, Mrs. Bertha fammel, mother, 3438 Louisiana avenue, St. cuis, Mo Louis, Mo
PRIVATE JAMES G. TRAILL, engineers' corps, December 25, pneumonia, J. Traill, father, 1202 Fourth street, Bakerstield, Cal.
FRIVATE JOHN GOLEMAN, infaniry, December 25, meningitis. Mrs. Elizabeth Coleman, Long Diand City, N. Y.
RRIVATE ERIC O. SAYRE, sero squadron, December 23, broncho-pneumonia, David O. Sayre, father, Waterbury, Nob.
PRIVATE CARL FAUSNAUGH, infaniry, December 26, broncho-pneumonia, Dava Fausnaugh, father, Bichwood, Ohio.

Paris, Dec. 28.-(I. N. S.)-Marshal Joffre is now an "immortal." - Mem-bers of the French academy today voted by a large majority to take the famous soldier into the group known as "im-mortals."

Next Draft Call Will Be Made Up From Questionnaire Claschapter there of the American Red Cross sification, Provost Marshal Announces From Washington.

Oregon Numbered Among Ten committee that organized the new Red States That Have Furnished Their Full First Call Quota; Quicker Action From Railroads

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28. — (U. P.) — The next draft call, including deferred percentages of the first quota-will be made up under the questionnaire classification, Provost Marshal General Crowder announced today. There will be no further formal call, therefore, before February 15,

This means that men included in the deferred percent first quota, most of which quota is now in camp, will enjoy the benefits of questionnaire classification and will be drawn only if they come under class one.

Coincident with formal announcement f this order, war department officials "All owners of grain warehouses and said today that calling of the first inerement of the second draft would doubtless have to go over until March strangers to enter the buildings," said or April at the earliest, because of in-Wells. "They should also be on the ability to supply sufficient clothing until lookout for strangers in an automobile, that time.

The United States public reserve of the labor department today sent out a call for more men of engineering experience particularly in industrial lines, for the army and navy. Those who will serve will be card indexed, subject to call for

The provost marshal general's office today explained that medical examina tion of the men in the first class would (Concluded on Page Two, Column Pive)

Many Difficulties Overcome by Workers: Complete Success Appears Certain.

Red Cross Membership Drive Portland 67,966
State outside 124,149

Oregon total 192,115 Portland is not a slacker in the mat-

er of its Red Cross interest. This is

eing proven by the success of the

'gleaners' campaign," which opened Wednesday and is continuing with great success, such marked success, in fact, that there seems now little doubt but that the 100,000 goal will be reached At the end of the first 10 days of the campaign the committee had in bank \$60.436.21, a really creditable showing. officials believe, considering the fac that the city campaign was organized in a very short time, there was at all times a shortage of solicitors, the weather was such that women could not do what they otherwise would: the expenditure of time and effort to overcome the apathy thrown into the camwhose tenets do not agree with the plans and purposes of the Red Cross, and the fact that practically no work could be complished with the retail merchants and their thousands or employes during the Christmas wush. German sympathizers have been encountered in the city in much larger numbers than in the country districts. These are a few things pointed to as having made the Ampaign difficult. The original organization, with Rufus (Concluded on Page Fifteen, Column Two)

Joffre Already Put

Among 'Immortals'

Keep Up; Many Homes in Ruins

American Red Cross Undertakes Relief Work; Foreign Colonies Escaped, Cables Thurston.

Washington, Dec. 28.—(I. N. S.)—The earthquake that began to demolish Guatemala City Christmas night was still in progress at 6 o'clock last evening, according to cable advices to the state department this afternoon from American Charge Thurston.

Thousands are now homeless, he ca oled. The water situation is becoming serious and sanitary conditions are corespondingly affected. The foreign colonies have escaped.

Relief work has been taken up by I

which completed its organization just one day before the disaster. Cablegrams of sympathy were sent by the Red Cross today to the president of the republic and the president of the Cross chapter there.

'Shock Troops" Supported by Liquid Fire Used; May Still Dream of Breaking Through.

Paris, Dec. 28 .- (I. N. S.) -- German

quantities of liquid fire, are harassing

the French lines on the Verdun front at points where they are not under the fire of German artillery. The Germans are active on both sides of the Meuse river and the fighting is

in progress on ground made bloodily began his celebrated offensive. Whether or not the crown prince still clings to his dream of breaking through Verdun," the German activity

that sector indicates that it may be the scene of another drive. In Alsace the French lines have been reinforced and, in addition to artillery duels, minor infantry fighting is devel pping at fresh points. Rome, Dec. 28.-(I. N. S.)-Italian

sailors are now fighting with the infantry along the Piave river and are giving good account of themselves in engagenents with the Austro-German invaders. Dispatches received from the northern front today dwelt mainly with aerial and artillery activity. A great armada of Austro-German

airplanes bombarded the important railway junction city of Treviso and tried to break through to Verona, the Italian headquarters, but were driven off with the loss of nearly a dozen ma-Heavy cannonading continues between the Brenta and Plave rivers.

Trenches to Combat Tanks Amsterdam, Dec. 28 .- (I. N. S.)lince the British have begun to use tanks on a big scale on the western

front the Germans have adopted a new style of trench. It was found that the tanks could easily cross a trench of ordinary size, meanwhile emptying its machine guns among the defenders. Information was received today that Von Hindenburg has ordered a widening of the most important German trenche facing the British and that some are being dug to a width of 16 to 20 feet. Violent Cannonading Reported

Berlin, Dec. 28 .- (I. N. S.)-Increasing iolence of the artillery firing along he Asiago plateau was reported today in the war office statement on operations on the Italian front. The cannonading was extremely violent in the vicinity of Tomba ridge, the report Rome Reports Success

Rome, Dec. 28 .- (I. N. S.) -- Capture Austro-German advanced post west of Canovodi Sotto and evacuation by enemy forces of an aviation camp near Congeliano, were announced by In the Lagarina and Giudicario valleys hostile patrols were repelled, the statement added.

Haig Gives No Details London, Dec. 28.-(U. P.)-Field Marshal Haig reported "nothing special" from the British front today.

Commerce Chamber Favors 6-Cent Fare

Salem, Or., Dec. 28.-The public serv ice commission, today received a letter from W. D. B. Dodson, secretary of the Portland Chamber of Commerce, stating that the board of directors of the Chamher favor granting a 6-cent streetcarfare to the Portland Railway, Light & Power Mr. Dodson said the committee of the

chamber had investigated the financial condition of the streetear company and had reported in favor of the 6 cent fare.

Henderson Demands That Principle of No Conquest Shall Guide Allies and Indorses Stand as Taken by Wilson.

Lloyd George Insists Purpose of Allies Is Not Imperialistic or Vindictive; France Rejects the Peace Bait Offered by Berlin.

A MSTERDAM, Dec. 28.—(U. P.) A -Russian peace negotiators have accepted Count Czernin's German terms as the "basis" for general peace discussions and will renew the conferences at Brest-Litovsk Wednesday next, secording to word from that city re-

ceived here via Berlin today. Gzernin asked for an immediate negotiation of matters affecting

Paris, Dec. 28,-(U. P.)-France will refuse to negotiate any German-contrived peace, such as the definite terms announced by Count Czernin provide, Minister of Foreign Affairs. Piction declared today in the chamber of

His declaration was received with g. eat applause.

London, Dec. 28 .- (U. P.) -The allies purposes in continuing the war are not mperialistic, nor vindictive, but for the future freedom and peace of mankind. Premier Lloyd George declared today in a letter to the Laborites' "war alms" congress.

of our war aims is constantly kept in view," the premier declared, "but st a declaration will only be issued in agreement of the allies. "The ideals for which we are not fighting are the same as those when

"The question of a fresh declaration

Britain entered the war. "I have never been more convinced than that the allies' purposes in con-tinuing the war are not imperialistic. nor vindictive, but to achieve the future freedom and peace of mankind." Lloyd George's letter followed an open-ing speech by Arthur Henderson, Brit-

ish labor leader, who declared that the

allies must definitely renounce any de

sire for conquest and urged a re-state-ment and ciarification of war aims.

Henderson moved adoption of Presi-(Concluded on Page Ten, Column One) \$50,000 Lost From

Mail Car in South

Columbia, S. C., Dec. 28 .- (L. N. S.)-Postal inspectors and detectives were today searching for \$50,000 which disappeared from a mail pouch while en route from the federal reserve bank at Richmond, Va., to a Columbia bank The package of money was receipted for at Hamlet, N. C., but it was missing when the mail arrived here. ranney consisted of \$5, \$10 and \$20 bills, it is stated. No clue to the money or where it was taken from the train has yet been unearthed.

The authorities refused to divulge the name of the railroad over which the shipment was made.

1917 IN REVIEW

The epochal transformation from a peace to a war basis has been the outstanding feature of the year at home.

What has been done in this regard by the government will be competently reviewed in next. Sunday's Journal. Additional articles will set forth in thorough and concise

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Next Sunday