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THE WEATHER
Portland and vicinity—Sunday, rain; moderate westerly wind; low clouds.
Oregon—Sunday, rain west, rain or snow east portion; moderate westerly winds.

ENGLAND'S ELECTION COALITION LANDSLIDE

Lloyd George and Supporters Return to Power With Overwhelming Majority; Count So Far Gives Them 518 Seats to 169.

Asquith and Henderson Among Those Who Fail of Re-election and Irish Defeat Dillon, Sending Prof. De Valera Instead.

LONDON, Dec. 28.—Out of a total of 687 parliamentary seats the coalition gained 518, the opposition 169. Announcement of this effect was made at 7 o'clock tonight.

John Dillon, Redmond's successor as Nationalist leader, was defeated by Professor De Valera, who has a majority of 4392 votes. De Valera took a prominent part in the Dublin Easter rebellion. Ex-Premier Asquith also has been heavily defeated.

By Lowell Mellett
London, Dec. 28.—(U. P.)—Great Britain registered one of its greatest political surprises in years today.

In the midst of a nationwide celebration of President Wilson's presence, with almost unanimous applause for his "radical" sentiments and with press and public men endorsing his views, election officials counted the ballots cast a fortnight ago and found the country had voted in a solid Tory parliamentary majority.

With only 11 districts unreported to-night, the results were:
Coalitionists 471, Sinn Feiners 76, Laborites 64, Unionists 46, Liberals 37, Irish Nationalists 5, National party 2, Socialists 1.

Of International Significance
The coalitionists included 354 Unionists and 127 Liberals, who, with the other 46 Unionists, constitute a working majority and make Premier Lloyd George—whose personal popularity was largely responsible for the result—dependent upon the Tories for legislation.

The election has an international significance because of the influence it is likely to have on British peace deliberations.
The victors were openly surprised at the measure of their success. While they brought the full power of their smooth election machinery to bear against Herbert Asquith, leader of the opposition, no one had predicted his defeat in a district he had represented for 32 years. They did, however, predict the defeat of the labor leader, Arthur Henderson, inasmuch as he was a candidate in a new district.

Smoother Road Ahead.
At the premier's office this statement was given to the United Press:
"The sweeping nature of the victory is a pleasant surprise. It insures reconstruction of the government along a course much smoother than was anticipated."
The sensation of the election was the (Concluded on Page Three, Column Two)

Farm and Stream Yield Wealth of \$362,882,000 In Oregon During 1918

Production of Wealth Represents Per Capita Equivalent of \$400; Livestock Output Leads With Grain Next in Line.

By Hyman H. Cohen
Approximately \$400 worth of products for every man, woman and child in Oregon was produced within the state during the year just ending; bringing the total production of the farms to \$362,882,000. This is far the highest aggregate that the Beaver state has ever shown.

Last year's great showing wherein the soil and waters of the state produced \$322,063,000 worth of products, was considered remarkable. And yet it was eclipsed in 1918 by over \$40,000,000.

The year's record was one to be proud of, not only because of its volume, which brought prosperity to most of Oregon's farming and rural population, but because this showing was made in the face of adverse climatic conditions and a depleted labor market over which factors the state had no control whatever.

Prince Eitel Is Satisfied to Be Civilian; Would Avoid Publicity

Caretaker Says Palace Was Like Grave on Christmas; Would Like to Serve Wilson.

By Frank J. Taylor
Berlin, Dec. 28.—(Delayed.)—(U. P.)—Prince Eitel Friederich, the sole remaining representative of the Hohenzollern family in Germany, wants no publicity. He desires to the utmost to live the life of a simple German citizen, if that be possible. He declined today to be interviewed when I approached him.

Sends No Greetings
The prince declined even to send Christmas greetings abroad. Through his secretary he declared:
"I regret to disappoint you, but I have avoided all interviews. Mine, as well as my father's and brother's positions are too precarious to say anything. I do not know what is coming. I am going to remain completely out of politics. I want to be a simple civilian."

Wasman Has Good Word for Wilson
He said he then returned to his office and worked on an inventory of the palace, which he is preparing for the new government.

"I don't know what I will do if a president is elected," he remarked. "I may become the president's caretaker instead of the kaiser's."
"I would like to be a caretaker for President Wilson. I think he is the most just man alive."
"I do not think the allies ought to punish the kaiser."

Canada Approves Aerial Highways Over Continent

Montreal, Dec. 28.—Official approval was given today by the Canadian government to the proposed two main aerial thoroughfares and several subdivisions forming the Canadian link in the chain of airways which join the British possessions throughout the world into one big charted system.

The Canadian "All Red Route" connects St. Johns, Newfoundland, the gateway of the trans-Atlantic air routes, with Victoria, B. C., and includes Quebec, Montreal and Ottawa, following the main Pacific airway.

Jews of Roumania To Have Citizenship

Bucharest, via Paris, Dec. 28.—Premier Bratoin has promulgated a law conferring citizenship on the Jews of Roumania.

LET YANKS QUELL REDS PROPOSAL OF EUROPE

Those Favoring Intervention in Russia See Fine Chance for Comparatively Fresh American Army to Suppress Bolsheviki.

Say "Duty and Honor of Saving Russia" Could Well Be Passed on to General Pershing's U. S. Forces to Accomplish.

By Paul Scott Mowrer
Special Cable to The Journal and Chicago Daily News.
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PARIS, Dec. 28.—The question of the intervention in Russia, about the urgency of which I cabled last month in giving the main outlines of the situation, is now occupying the entire European press. It is understood that the allies will try to reach an agreement regarding this matter in the near future. M. Kokovtzev, minister of finance under the czar; M. Milyoukov, minister of foreign affairs under the first provisional government; Prince Lvoff, president of the first provisional government, and M. Noullens, the French ambassador to Russia, are all on their way to Paris to assist in the discussion.

These personages are all thought to favor intervention but the popular opinion in France and England. The soldiers are tired and not anxious to undertake a new campaign, the outcome of which no one can foresee. Gustav Hervé, who favors intervention, understands the fatigue of the allied forces and admits that a powerful army would be necessary. "The army," he says, "is at hand—"

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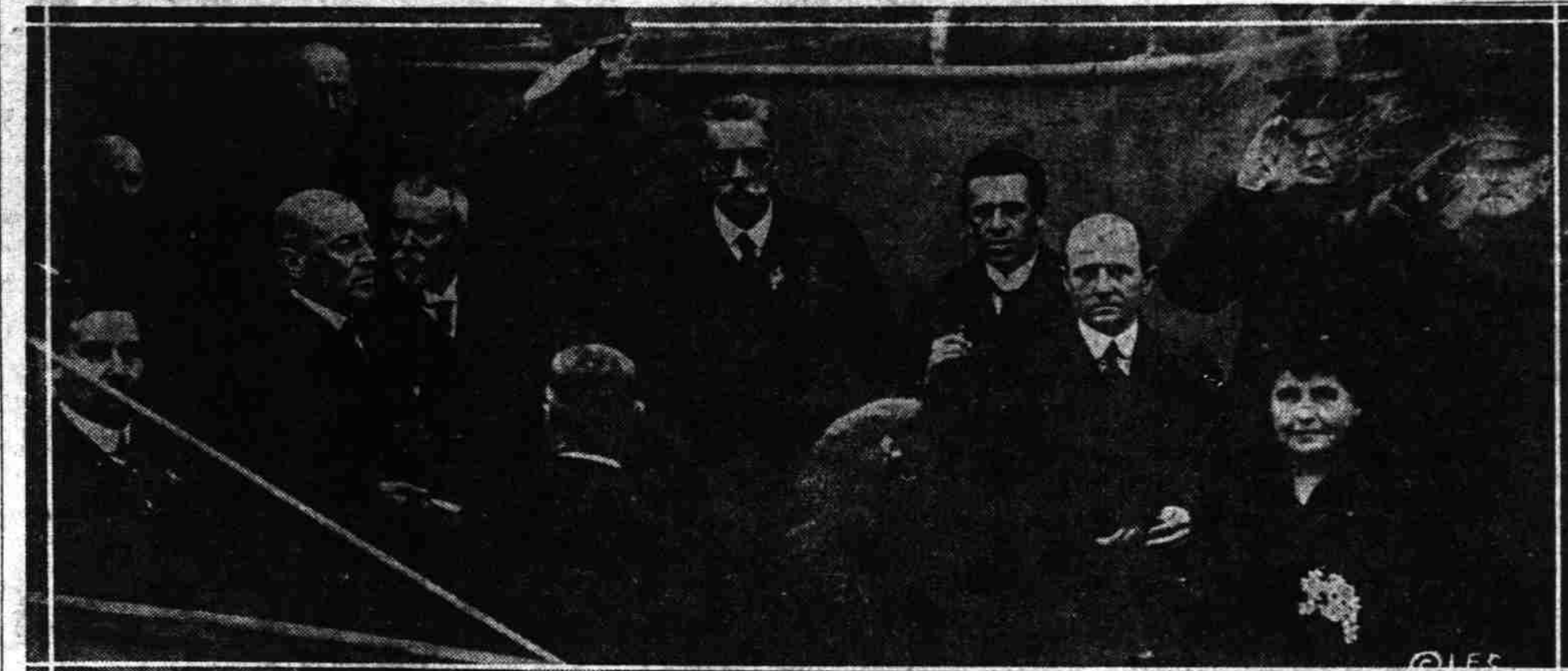
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PRESIDENT WILSON AND PARTY ARRIVING IN FRANCE

THESE two remarkable photographs show President and Mrs. Wilson upon arrival at Brest, France, where the American executive was tendered the first of a series of ovations that have featured his every appearance in France and England. In the upper photograph President and Mrs. Wilson are seen descending the gangplank of the U. S. transport George Washington, accompanied by General Pershing (at extreme right), General Harts, Admiral Grayson and others. Below the president is shown acknowledging the tumultuous welcome extended him as he set foot upon French soil.



W. S. S. DRIVE WILL KEEP UP DURING 1919

Fred Lockley and Henry E. Reed Will Be Associate State Directors With C. S. Jackson, Who Accepted Reappointment.

The thrift campaign will continue in Oregon during 1919. Announcement that the State War Savings organization will be reorganized was made on Saturday.
It was the sequel to the news a few days ago that the government will offer a 1919 series of War Savings certificates. C. S. Jackson has accepted reappointment as director for Oregon of the War Savings movement.

Plan Appeals to Investor.
Postmasters, bankers and county school superintendents will be the chief local factors in the thrift campaign reorganization, said State Director Jackson.
All who have served in last year's campaign enthusiastically and loyally, and there have been many such, he said, are invited to continue their interest and help. Not only will the government, more than ever, require the proceeds of the thrift effort to aid in paying the bills of the war, but the investment from the viewpoint of the investor will be continuously as attractive because sound and democratic.

The War Savings Stamps of 1919 will have a face value of \$5 each, the same as in 1918, but the new stamps will be of a different color and must not be confused. The rate of interest will be the same, 4 per cent, compounded quarterly. The purchase price will be \$4.12 during January, and will be 1 cent higher each month thereafter until December, 1919, when the price will be \$4.23 for a \$5 War Savings Stamp.
The maturity date of the 1919 W. S. S. (Concluded on Page Two, Column Two)

Dry Lose Votes in Minnesota's Recount

St. Paul, Dec. 28.—(U. P.)—With the recount practically completed in 11 of 86 counties on Minnesota's prohibition amendment, the "dry" sustained a loss of 42 votes compared with the official returns. The amendment lost by less than 600 votes in November. In the recount more than 100 "doubtful" ballots have been found to be passed upon by the courts. If the dry forces lose the recount they will start a battle in the coming legislative session to have the national prohibition amendment ratified.

Seaplane Falls Into Bay; Men Are Saved

W. Boston, Dec. 28.—(I. N. S.)—A seaplane with two naval aviators aboard fell into Boston harbor today. One of the aviators was taken to the Chelsea naval hospital. The aviators were rescued by officers in the Boston police force. The seaplane was a Curtiss model, owned by Ensign W. J. Shilling of Baltimore, and the other man was Quartermaster (First Class) Jacob Halvorsen of Flinkey, N. B. Both men were attached to the naval air station at Chatham. Neither was seriously hurt.



YANKEE WARSHIPS CONVERTED INTO TROOP TRANSPORTS

Two Battleships Have Already Sailed From Brest and Others Will Follow, Is Announcement by Secretary of the Navy.

Washington, Dec. 28.—(U. P.)—Fourteen battleships and ten cruisers are to carry men home from France, Secretary of the Navy Daniels announced today. Transformation of the cruisers into troop transports has been completed and the first has already left Brest loaded with returning soldiers. Two of the battleships have also sailed from Brest. The other vessels will be put into service as soon as alterations are completed, Daniels announced.
Battleships assigned to transport service are:
Ohio, Virginia, Rhode Island, New Jersey, Nebraska, Georgia, Connecticut, Louisiana, Kansas, New Hampshire.
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King George Gives Book to President

London, Dec. 28.—(I. N. S.)—King George gave President Wilson a book for a birthday present today. The king presented scarpins and cuff links to Admiral Grayson and other members of the presidential party. He even presented President Wilson's negro valet and Mrs. Wilson's maid.

Mule Is Cause of Strike in Mine

Martins Ferry, Ohio, Dec. 28.—(U. P.)—The Geoyford mine became idle today when 150 miners struck when an ex-sluder was refused the mule he formerly had.

GERMANS ARE HANDING OVER ARMY STORES

Payment of \$10,800,000 Made to American Army for Contingent Expenses of Army of Occupation; \$1,800,000 in Advance.

By Webb Miller
American Headquarters in Germany, Dec. 27.—(By courier to Nancy)—The Germans started today to hand over to the American commission millions of dollars worth of war materials under the conditions of the armistice. All these materials had been held in depots east of the Rhine. At the same time, a shipment of \$4,000,000 marks (\$10,800,000) from the Berlin government was paid out to the Americans for contingent expenses of the army of occupation. An additional \$3,000,000 marks (\$1,800,000) was paid on the army's estimate of 25,000,000 marks (\$62,500,000) needed for January expenses.
Today's initial shipment of materials included 40 brand new airplanes, which arrived from Berlin under guard of German soldiers. One hundred and forty others were reported to be en route. One hundred and fifty big guns and 7200 machine guns also were turned in.

91st Division Puts Hun to Rout With Vigor That Brings It Fame

Armistice Signing Day Finds Boys From Pacific Coast Rolling Back the Enemy Through Belgium, According to Letter from Major Frank C. McColloch of Baker.

"We fought almost continuously from September 26 to November 11 and in that time gained over 40 miles of ground, lost 50 per cent of our strength, captured 100,000 prisoners (nearly 10,000,000) and never gave up an inch of ground or lost a single prisoner. Our specialty (every division has a specialty) was in advancing so fast that we lost our artillery and then digging in and holding on while the Boche tried to shell us out. Eventually our artillery would catch us again and away we would go to repeat the performance.
"We were ordered to retire but we told them we had gone that far and intended to stick. And we could do these things because our men wouldn't stand for anything else."
Such is the enviable record of the Ninety-first division, composed of Pacific coast boys who received their initial training at American Lake, according to Major Frank C. McColloch of the Three Hundred Sixty-third Infantry, in a letter written near Thiel, 46 miles east of Dunkirk, to his brother, Claude C. McColloch of Portland. At the outbreak of the war Major McColloch, whose home is in Baker, was a student at Stanford university.
His letter continues:
"Wilson Is Army's Idol
"You perhaps wonder what the army thinks of Wilson. Well, if Wilson were to be king of England tomorrow and (Concluded on Page Three, Column One)

PRESIDENT WILSON FULL SUPPORT OF BRITISH

Lloyd George and Balfour Say Complete Agreement Between England and United States Attained as Result of Visit.

Wilson Reiterates Principles of His Peace Plans in Speech at Guildhall and British Leaders Join in Prolonged Applause.

By Robert J. Bender
LONDON, Dec. 28.—(U. P.)—Satisfied that he has obtained important result in his conferences with British statesmen, President Wilson feels there is no need to delay his return to Paris. He will leave for the French capital Tuesday morning, barring a change in the situation.
The president completed his conferences late today and had dinner with Premier Lloyd George. He left for his mother's former home in Carlisle tonight.

During his stay in London, the president feels he has had the opportunity to come in close contact with the people as well as their leaders. His Guildhall speech today reflected his confidence in the future. The speech was praised generally. Viscount Grey and the archbishop of Canterbury lauded it in private as "an epochal address."

Reach Complete Understanding.
Rear Admiral Grayson insists that the president shall rest at least two days in Paris before he goes to Italy.
Premier Lloyd George and Foreign Secretary Balfour, in an interview with American correspondents this afternoon, declared President Wilson's visit to London had resulted in a complete understanding between Great Britain and America. They expressed the greatest optimism in regard to future peace deliberations.

Success Due to Visit.
Balfour said the president's coming to England resulted in an understanding that otherwise would have been impossible and ascribed the foundations of a definite, lasting peace.

Lloyd George declared his belief that the president's presence was a momentous event in history, resulting in complete satisfaction to Great Britain and America, and assurance there would be no misunderstandings at the peace conference.

While neither Lloyd George nor Balfour went into details, they joined in (Concluded on Page Six, Column One)

OPPOSITION IN U. S. TO PRESIDENT HAS IMPERIALISTIC AIM

Regrets Situation Which, He Declares, Endangers Settlement of Vital Peace Problems.

By John F. Bass
Special Cable to The Journal and Chicago Daily News.
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Paris, Dec. 28.—The other night I dined with an official of one of the European governments.
"President Wilson's position in the peace conference," he said, "has been considerably weakened by the elections in America, and the political opposition which is interpreted here as being opposition to the program of peace advanced by him.
"Personally I regret this situation, because your president was the only man, owing to the position of your country, who could act as a negotiator between different countries. Therefore, any weakening of his power, I consider, makes less probable a settlement which will bring better and more friendly international world relations.
"I am a tool in the hands of my government and am being sent to America unofficially. My mission is to get into relationship with the leaders of the Republican party in order to get them to accept the imperialistic plan of expansion of my government. Personally I do not believe in this imperialism, but I recognize that the only substitute is an efficient league of nations which will police the world. Nevertheless I am going to America to perform my mission because I must."

Bank Clearings for Week \$27,859,286

Clearings of Portland banks for the week ending Saturday totaled \$27,859,286, compared with \$17,918,515.41 for the corresponding week of last year.