

Personal mention of those who come and go; paragraphs rich in human interest—such is the "More or Less Personal" column on the editorial page of The Journal every day.

It's All Here and It's All True THE WEATHER—Fair tonight and Sunday; cooler tonight; westerly winds. Minimum temperatures: Portland 42, New Orleans 36, Helena 32, New York 38, Los Angeles 50, St. Paul 32

LONDON ARMS AGAINST SINN FEIN ATTACK

Both Houses of Parliament Closed to Visitors for First Time; Wild Rumors of Plots Bestir High Government Officials.

By Earle C. Reeves London, Nov. 27.—(I. N. S.)—For the first time in living memory, both houses of parliament were today ordered closed to all visitors, and immediately afterwards the Irish office issued the official explanation that this remarkable step as well as other extraordinary precautions were "due to definite information" that there is a plot against the life of a "high official."

According to the Central News, many high British officials during the past week have received threatening letters and anonymous warnings, apparently from persons desiring to save these officials.

Sensational discoveries are said to have been made during the last few days concerning alleged Sinn Fein plots in London. Documentary proof is reported to be in the government's hands revealing a detailed plan for wholesale bomb explosions, including a scheme for motor transportation for the bombers to be sent from various parts of London.

The historic gray building at No. 10 Downing street, headquarters of the government and official residence of Premier Lloyd George, is thoroughly barricaded. A special force of guards heavily armed, stands in front and both ends of Whitehall are being patrolled by equally heavy guards.

Members of the cabinet, it is understood, did not request the barricading of the government headquarters, but the home office, which is responsible for the safety of the ministers, acted on its own initiative.

Secretary Hamar Greenwood, according to the Star, drives through London in a bullet-proof car.

The paper adds that all Irish radicals in England are known to the authorities and now are under strict surveillance.

SUIT IS ATTACKED BY MARY PICKFORD

Minden, Nev., Nov. 27.—(U. P.)—Mary Pickford, the motion-picture star, through her lawyers here, today made an effort to quash the suit brought by the state of Nevada to annul her divorce from Owen Moore.

Since obtaining a divorce from Moore, Miss Pickford has married Douglas Fairbanks. The state's suit to annul the divorce was filed on the ground that Miss Pickford falsely represented that she intended to make Nevada her home when she instituted her action in this state's courts.

David McNabb of San Francisco and W. A. McCarren of Reno were the lawyers representing Mary Pickford here today. They were ready to argue in support of her position.

The superior court had no jurisdiction in the case and that the state is not a proper plaintiff in such a proceeding.

Attorney General W. B. Fowler appeared personally for the state. There were no famous film stars present. It was understood, however, that both Miss Pickford and Douglas Fairbanks were keeping in close touch with the proceedings by telegraph and telephone.

It looks as if the arguments would be made before a "standing room only" crowd. They attracted almost as much attention as the appearance of Mary herself in the little town of Minden.

A large number of ranchers came to town last night with their wives in order to be present.

If the court refuses to quash the state's proceedings, the next step will be trial of the suit to annul the divorce.

Mont Blanc Loses Honors in Landslide; Rosa Highest Now

Geneva, Nov. 27.—Mont Rosa of the French Alps is the highest peak in Europe, following the biggest landslide in history, by which 600 feet of the summit of Mont Blanc, disregarding international boundaries, sped from the French peak into the Italian valley without injuring a single person.

Mont Blanc, in the Pennine Alps, was the highest peak in Europe outside of the Caucasus range on the Asiatic border. Its altitude was 15,781 feet, which gives it the laurels lost to Mont Blanc through this huge avalanche.

Mrs. M. L. Gisy Held On Larceny Charge

With bond fixed at \$500, Mrs. M. L. Gisy was held over the grand jury Friday afternoon by Municipal Judge Rossman on a charge of larceny. Mrs. Gisy is alleged to have stolen property stored in the garret of a house she rented from Mrs. L. P. Newton at 268 Eleventh street. Among other articles alleged to be missing are \$125 worth of hand-made baby clothing. R. L. Stuerhoff was held on \$200 bond as a witness.

Federal Tax Burdens May Be Increased To Meet Need

By Herbert W. Walker Washington, Nov. 27.—(U. P.)—The next congress may be confronted with the necessity of either increasing tax rates or providing for another issue of long term bonds, according to preliminary surveys of the financial situation made for members of the house ways and means committee by treasury officials.

Indications are chances are poor for even slight reductions of a few of the most obnoxious taxes. Some increased levies, particularly on non-essentials, will be recommended when congress convenes, according to reports at the capitol.

The probability of increases is not brought about through increased government expenditures, but due to the fact that the present rates are beginning to yield far less than during the years of big war profits.

The current depression, treasury officials believe, will cut a big hole in the yield of access profits tax, which has brought in a large percentage of the government revenue.

Government expenditures continue high because of the tremendous war debt of the country, the interest of which amounts to nearly \$1,250,000,000 a year.

Secretary of the Treasury Houston has estimated that for 1921 the government departments will need \$4,000,000,000. Republican congressional leaders hope to reduce this total by a billion.

This would make revenues of \$3,000,000,000 necessary. The belief prevails in the reports reaching congressmen that the present taxes soon will not be yielding at the rate of \$3,000,000,000 annually.

LEAGUE ACTS ON DISARMAMENT

By Henry Wood Geneva, Nov. 27.—(U. P.)—The League of Nations commission on disarmament has authorized Sir Cecil Hurst to draw up a tentative plan permitting the league to exercise the most effective control over traffic in war materials.

The "third commission" has named a sub-committee of 10 to draft the final project for an international tribunal which will be presented to the league assembly within a fortnight. The commission has decided to retain the amendments to the Brussels court and start with the project of jurisdiction by agreement. This will be changed to compulsory jurisdiction only if public opinion demands. When the assembly adopts the final draft it will immediately establish the international court or ask the governments to call an international convention to inaugurate it.

Lord Cecil, in an interview, declared the covenant of the league is nebulous, that it is "a great experiment," and "in no way ironclad." It merely consists, he said, of the broad principles of a scheme which can be modified and amended most readily.

"The assembly has done far more than I expected," he said. "It has taken larger views and made greater efforts to accomplish its work. Before it adjourns it will have reached decisions on such questions as an international court, started the machinery for universal disarmament, perfected its organization, and held its members, formulated a typhus campaign and will, I hope, have assisted in solving the Polish and Armenian difficulties."

Regarding the question of mandates, Cecil holds the view they are virtually perpetual and irrevocable, but that the recipients are bound by certain rules. He said that mandates should be regarded as deeds of trust and not as guardianships. They may be revoked.

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Soldiers Rushed to Mingo; Strike Is Escaping Control

Charleston, W. Va., Nov. 27.—(I. N. S.)—The new United States troops will arrive in Mingo county this morning. They are being sent to the strike zone on the request of Governor John J. Cornwell, who says he took this action following urgent representations from the Mingo county authorities. The soldiers are being sent from Camp Sherman at Chillicothe, Ohio, and will be in command of Major R. S. Binford of the Nineteenth infantry.

The situation in the Mingo strike district appears to be beyond control of state and county authorities and the governor says he feels that the time has come for stern discipline being enforced in Mingo county.

Headquarters of Smuggling Ring Found in Japan

Tokio, Nov. 27.—(U. P.)—Japan's promises of an investigation of alleged smuggling of Japanese into the United States bore fruit today when police announced the discovery of a smuggling agency with headquarters in Kobe. They declared they had found this agency was smuggling workers in large numbers out of Japan to the United States.

When the congressional immigration committee visited the Pacific coast to study the Japanese question the committee announced in a session at Seattle that it had secured evidence of a widespread Japanese smuggling plot operating in many cities, among the most important of which was Kobe.

HILL ROADS FIGHT TO HOLD UNION STATION

Great Northern and S. P. & S. Lines Ordered to Discontinue Use of Tracks by Northern Pacific Terminal Company.

Determined effort is being made by the Great Northern railway to obtain a contract permitting operation of its passenger trains into the Union station and to gain use of the terminal for all S. P. & S. trains, it was intimated today by railroad officials.

Mayor Baker, by announcing several

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Army vs. Navy---Which?

HERE'S another army-navy struggle and it's a beauty contest. These photographs show the reigning belles of the army and navy sets in Washington this season. Above is Miss Dorothy Gowan, daughter of Colonel and Mrs. J. B. Gowan and the most prominent of the army debutantes. The other is Miss Marjorie Gelm, daughter of Captain and Mrs. G. E. Gelm, most prominent debutante in navy circles.



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MIDDIES WIN OVER CADETS; SCORE, 7-0

Out of 23 Games Played in 30 Years, Each Team Has Won 11; One Has Been Tie; Many Notable Personages Are Present.

By Jack Velock Polo Grounds, New York, N. Y., Nov. 27.—(I. N. S.)—Navy's sturdy midshipmen defeated the Army, 7 to 0 here today. The game was one of the hardest fought contests ever staged by the service teams. Navy's victory evens up the score in games played over a period of 30 years. Each academy has now won 11 games.

The battle today was witnessed by a monster crowd of more than 35,000 spectators. It was a happy and colorful crowd and by far the noisiest that has witnessed a football game in the East this fall.

MIDDIES IN SNAKE DANCE With the blowing of the final whistle, which ended the contest, the hilarious midshipmen swarmed onto the field 1500 strong and staged a joyful demonstration while Army's cadets stood and looked on in silence. The midshipmen rushed across the field and massed in front of the Army stand, after which they formed a gigantic snake dance and paraded under Army's goal, tossing caps over the crossbar as they passed between the goal posts.

"The Army fought gamely, but could not gain consistently against Navy's snappy defense. Nor could the cadets back puncture Navy's line for anything that resembled consistent gains. The Navy victory was a story of a heavy line wearing down a lighter one. For three quarters the teams fought on even terms and the ball seceded back and forth across the middle of the field. First Army would be held for down and forced to kick, and soon after the same thing would happen to

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BILBOA NAVY YARD SWEEPED BY FLAMES

London, Nov. 27.—(I. N. S.)—A tremendous conflagration swept the big Spanish navy yard of Bilboa last night, causing damage which cannot yet be estimated, according to a dispatch from Bilboa early today. The 14,000 ton Atlantic liner Alfonso XIII, which was launched last month, was entirely destroyed by the flames.

Robert Muzzy of Portland Captures Grand Essay Prize

To Robert T. Muzzy, freshman at Franklin high school, has been awarded the national grand prize of the W. C. T. U. in its health conservation crusade for his essay, "The Physical Effects of Tobacco," according to word received today by Mrs. G. L. Buland, in charge of the educational work of the W. C. T. U. in this territory.

When the lad wrote the prize-winning essay, submitted as one of thousands from all parts of the nation, it is said, he was a pupil at the Woodstock school and selected his subject from a number available to him.

Eamonn de Valera Attacked in Bitter Dissension of Irish

New York, Nov. 27.—(I. N. S.)—The family quarrel among Irish-American organizations has taken a new turn with a violent tirade against Eamonn De Valera, president of the "republic of Ireland," by John Devoy, in the Gaelic American. Devoy calls on the Irish parliament to remove De Valera, whom he describes as "a wrecker who models himself on Woodrow Wilson." The Irish are urged to "do with him what America did with Wilson."

Passports Refused To U. S. Committee On Irish Conditions

Washington, Nov. 27.—(U. P.)—The state department will refuse to issue passports to anyone in the name of the American committee on conditions in Ireland, it was said at the department today.

Headless Body of Man Gives Mystery

Roseburg, Nov. 27.—Coroner M. E. Ritter was called to Glendale today to investigate the finding of a man's body with the head cut off. The message stated that the body had been found by the railroad track near the Glendale station, evidently that of a transient who had been heading his way and fell beneath the wheels of a train.

Big Oil Operator Killed by Bullet

Ardmore, Okla., Nov. 27.—(U. P.)—With a bullet hole through the heart, the body of J. E. Lamb, prominent oil operator of this city, was found beside the Santa Fe railroad tracks near here today.

Well-Known Tennis Player Dies in N. Y.

New York, Nov. 27.—(I. N. S.)—Howard Taylor, 55, well-known lawyer and former intercollegiate tennis champion, is dead here today after an illness of several months.

Phil Gevurtz Faces Charge Of Fraud in Vancouver, B.C.

Vancouver, B. C., Nov. 27.—(I. N. S.)—John Stanley Bancroft, assistant manager of the Vancouver branch of the Merchants Bank of Canada, and Phil Gevurtz, broker and president of the Gevurtz Lumber company, were formally arraigned in court this morning. Bancroft is charged with stealing \$45,000 worth of Victory bonds, the property of William H. Day, head of the Day Lumber company, which were placed with the bank for safekeeping. Gevurtz is charged with obtaining money from the bank by a false statement.

The theft was discovered November 4. It took place since July 1. The men were constantly shadowed for three weeks. They were arrested last night when it was believed they were about to leave the city.

Gevurtz was formerly a resident of Portland, Or., where the parents of both men now reside. The two men were released this afternoon on \$25,000 bail each.

After being adjudged bankrupt June 11, 1914, with liabilities amounting to \$69,204, by Judge Wolverson of the United States district court, Phil Gevurtz left Portland and entered the lumber business in Vancouver.

The entrance into the bankruptcy court followed the failure of the L. Gevurtz & Sons, furniture dealers, which was preceded by heavy investments in the Multnomah hotel before its failure in 1914.

December 5, 1913, Gevurtz was arrested in the company of Grace Lancaster and held for the grand jury on a statutory charge. The charge was returned as a true bill, but the verdict by trial was not guilty.

COAL PRIORITY RULE REMOVED

Washington, Nov. 27.—(U. P.)—Because of the improved coal situation, the interstate commerce commission today removed all orders giving priority to coal movements, and all orders requiring open top coal cars to be moved exclusively to the mines.

Title for Land for Columbia Naval Base Delivered to U. S.

Seven abstracts of title to the 371 acres which Clatsop county proposes to give the government for a naval base near the mouth of the Columbia river were delivered to United States Attorney Lester W. Humphreys this morning for examination. This is the first official move the county has made in the process of turning the land over to the navy department.

Humphreys said that his office would begin at once to examine the title of each parcel of land to see if it is clear. "If I find all titles clear, I have no doubt that the formal transfer will follow soon after my report is filed," Humphreys said.

The land lies along the Columbia river between the mouth of the John Day river and Tongue point, from the shore line to the main ship channel. Several hundred give ample plants in buildings and the water area place for anchoring ships. Humphreys said trial of the Hazelwood creamery and cement cases, which are scheduled for the next two weeks, will delay this work for a short time.

HEAVY WINDS, HIGH TIDES AND RAINS AT COOS BAY

Marshfield, Nov. 27.—Heavy winds, high tides and a downpour of rain have combined to make rough weather for Coos Bay during the last few days.

Divers Recover \$12,000 in Opium

Honolulu, T. H., Nov. 27.—(U. P.)—Twelve thousand dollars in opium, thrown overboard by Japanese smugglers when they feared detection, was recovered by divers working in Honolulu harbor today.

Germany Has No Excuse For Her Acts During War

Berlin, Nov. 27.—(U. P.)—Germany feels that in her conduct of the war she was no more criminal than the allies and she is not seeking forgiveness for herself or others, according to Bernard Dernburg.

In a remarkable open letter to Foreign Minister Puerrydon of Argentina, who is attending the League of Nations meeting in Geneva, Dernburg stated that he could not condemn the sinking of the Lusitania without disloyalty to his country.

WILLING TO GIVE PROOF

Dernburg declared Germany is "willing to prove the measures and means used by Germany during this war, were neither in proportion nor kind worse nor more criminal than those used by her adversaries," and asserted that "we neither seek excuse nor ask forgiveness from others or ourselves."

In explaining why he addressed the letter to Puerrydon, Dernburg said: "You were the first to stress so sincerely and energetically the necessity for the league compelling all the great powers. You were also the only one to find encouraging words in recognition of Germany's loyalty in carrying out the

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MAN WITH BROKEN LEG LIES IN WELL

The Dalles, Nov. 27.—Searching parties Friday afternoon combed the upper Mill creek section southwest of The Dalles in an effort to find a man supposed to be J. A. Riddle, a ranch hand, who is injured and lying at the bottom of a well. A cry for help greeted Mrs. C. A. Adven of Portland Thanksgiving afternoon as she sought aid at a farm house after her auto became fast in the mud. Mrs. Adven said she was in a dense fog at the time, and despite the entreaties that came from nearby half a dozen times, she could not locate their source. The man cried to her that he was in a deep hole, with his arm and leg broken. Mrs. Adven and others searched the neighborhood for several hours without result. A number of abandoned wells are in the vicinity of where the accident is supposed to have occurred. Riddle is said to have been missing several days.

BOMBERS WREAK HAVOC IN CORK

Cork, Ireland, Nov. 27.—(U. P.)—A number of bomb explosions occurred today in the principal streets here. Immediately afterward several large shops burst into flames. The damage is estimated at 50,000 pounds. Witnesses declared the black and tan police prevented the fire engines from fighting the conflagration.

Kitchin Suffers Paralytic Stroke For Second Time

Washington, Nov. 27.—(I. N. S.)—Representative Claude Kitchin, Democratic leader of the house, suffered a stroke of paralysis while attending a business pertaining to his district at the postoffice department building today. Physicians were summoned and pronounced the attack a slight one. This is the second stroke Kitchin has suffered. The first one occurred on the floor of the house last spring following the delivery of a speech.

Bakers of Chicago Cut Bread Prices

Chicago, Nov. 27.—(I. N. S.)—Bread will be 1 cent per loaf cheaper in Chicago next Monday. Bakers have agreed to sell pound loaves that have been retailing at 12 cents for 11 cents, and pound and one-half loaves that have been selling for 17 cents at 16 cents.

Japanese Member Of Parliament Dies In Race for Train

Seattle, Nov. 27.—(U. P.)—Motokichi Takahashi of Tokyo, a member of the Japanese parliament, died suddenly on a Seattle street late last night while racing through the storm for a Portland train. He had been to a banquet here and with a companion started to walk to the station. Being late, they broke into a run and Takahashi was overcome. He came from Japan November 24 to study welfare conditions in the United States for the Japanese government.

E. B. Piper Reports Attempt by Robbers

Edgar E. Piper, editor of the Oregonian, reported to the police this morning that an attempt was made to break into his home at 770 Marshall street Friday night. The police were requested to watch the house tonight for fear the burglars may return.