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LONG DELAY IN BUYING WOOL IS ADMITTED

Quartermaster Sharpe Says Purchasing Was Put Off for Several Months.

SOLDIERS SUFFERED AS DIRECT RESULT

Scores of Deaths Due to Lack of Warm Clothing Say Camp Commanders.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—Quartermaster Sharpe today admitted months of delay in buying wool for the soldiers uniforms and overcoats.

STORMS SHOW ADVANTAGES U. S. CONTROL

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—The advantages of federalized railroads were shown when in face of the storm McAdoo was able to wire all lines requesting them to move traffic by the most convenient and expeditious routes.

FLASHES

- VESEVIVUS ERUPTING. ROME, Dec. 29.—It is reported here that Vesuvius is in violent eruption. ZEPPELIN IS DOWNED. COPENHAGEN, Dec. 29.—The destruction of a Zeppelin off the Jutland coast is reported. It fell blazing into the North sea. STOLE CONFIDENTIAL PAPERS. LONDON, Dec. 29.—Ambrose Donovan, a laborer, was arrested charged with stealing confidential papers from an American naval gunner.

READY TO SPRINT, YOUNG FELLER!"



U. S. DESTROYER TAKES DIVER CREW ARE FIRST SUBMARINE PRISONERS SAILORS RESCUE DROWNING GERMAN

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—The American destroyer Fanning, aided by the destroyer Nicholson, is officially credited with the capture of the first German submarine prisoners.

ALIEN OF DRAFT AGE NOT SUBJECT TO WAR SERVICE

Is an alien of draft age (not an alien enemy) subject to draft? Is a man of draft age who has taken out only his first papers subject to draft?

RIVER AT FLOOD STAGE; MERCURY GOES ABOVE 65

The Umatilla river is at flood stage almost as high as last spring and though the crest has probably been reached, there has been a good deal of anxiety felt today lest damage be done.

READJUSTMENT IS LIKELY IN CREDIT BUSINESS OF CITY

One result of the war by Pendleton may be the readjustment of the credit business in the city. It may cause the merchants to cut out their long time credits which system has been one of the principal commercial liabilities of the city.

WINTER PRACTICALLY FREEZES FIGHTING ON BRITISH FRONT

WITH THE BRITISH, Dec. 29.—Winter has practically frozen all fighting on the British front. The lines are buried in snow and the communications are below freezing.

COAL SHORTAGE CAUSES DEATH

New York Reports 74 Victims of Pneumonia in 24 Hours.

CLATSOP REACHES RED CROSS QUOTA

PORTLAND, Dec. 29.—Clatsop county is the latest county in Oregon to make one hundred per cent in the Red Cross membership drive.

TURKO-TEUTONS BEGIN DESPERATE EFFORT TO RECAPTURE JERUSALEM

ALSACE-LORRAINE PLEBISCITE LATEST GERMAN CONCESSION

Reported German Delegates to Peace Conference Privately Agreed to Move. PETROGRAD, Dec. 29.—It is reported that German delegates to the peace conference have privately agreed to a plebiscite to determine the future disposition of Alsace-Lorraine.

JUDGE KING WILL SEEK SENATORSHIP

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—Delayed Great-Litovsk dispatches declare the peace discussions continue. "Special missions" are being considered.

Heavy Fighting in Progress from Jaffa Almost to Jordan; British Hold Firm.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—Four Turkish divisions, reinforced by Teutons from Russia and Rumania, began a desperate effort to recapture Jerusalem, Holy Land officials report.



Judge Will R. King, former member of the Oregon supreme court and present chief counsel for the reclamation service, is to seek the democratic nomination for United States senator, according to a report from Washington.

ALLIES FORCES ARE OUTNUMBERED 2 TO 1

Attempt to Turn British Flank Fails as Does Effort to Break Line.

PENDLETON MARINE IS ENJOYING LIFE IN THE TROPICS

Lewis Dewey Gervais, former high school student who is now with the marines at Santiago, Cuba, is enjoying his experience in the tropics and figures that Uncle Sam will keep him there for some time.

SMYTHE BROS BUY BIG SHEEP RANCH

For a consideration said to be in the neighborhood of \$2,000,000, Smythe Bros., prominent eastern Oregon sheepmen with headquarters in this city, this week purchased the sheep ranch and plant of Horst and Wheeler southwest of Arlington.

SOLDIERS GRATEFUL FOR GIFTS SENT BY LOCAL RED CROSS

Quite a number of the Pendleton women who prepared Red Cross Christmas packages for the soldiers and sailors are receiving acknowledgments from the recipients of their gifts and all show a strong tone of gratitude for the remembrances.

NATURALIZED GERMAN HELD FOR TAMPERING WITH TORPEDO WORKS

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Paul Hennig, a naturalized German employee of the Bliss torpedo works was arrested today charged with tampering with the delicate gyroscopic machinery of the torpedoes.

WOMEN TO COLLECT REVENUE

Recognition of New Voters Accorded by Official. NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Recognition of women voters was given today by King Klapp, collector of internal revenue in a Manhattan district by the appointment of women as deputy collectors.

HEAVY BLIZZARD RAGES IN EAST

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Zero weather with snow and winds brought another crisis in the fuel famine. The winter's coldest weather finds the city with no reserve supply of fuel. Snow is threatening to stop railroads. The situation is extremely critical here in all other eastern cities where blizzards are raging.

GOVERNMENT OWNERSHIP APPEARS TO BE CERTAIN

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—Rail executives believe the government intends to own as well as operate the railroads at the end of the war if not before. It is said the railroad stockholders want federal ownership. It is declared it would be impossible to unscrew the lines after the war.