

FLU INCREASE CLAMPS LID ON CITY AGAIN

REPORT ON SINKING OF HUN FLEET UNFOUNDED

SUGGESTIONS OF DISPOSALS ARE PARIS PASTIMES

BY FRED FERGUSON (United Press Staff Correspondent.) PARIS, Dec. 21.—Report that the American commissioners have decided to advocate the sinking of surrendered German fleet is "pure bunk," according to high official information to the United Press.

SUICIDE EVIDENCE CONFLICTING

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 21.—Arrangements for the funeral of Frank Gibbons were made for his wife before his death was learned. Police say she confessed she bought poison for her husband and arranged for a minister to preach the sermon.

INFLUENZA MAKES JUMP TO 65 CASES

The past 24 hours has shown the greatest number of influenza cases yet reported since Pendleton started enforcing the quarantine, and the total number of homes under quarantine in the city has jumped to 45. The new cases number 24, while but three have been released from quarantine in the same time.

- Following are the new cases: Virgil Turner, 212 Day; Marvin Kib, 511 Blain; Ben Hickman, 208 Cobble; E. L. Sewell, 415 Chestnut; J. J. Gibson, 501 Maple; William Jeppe, 213 Stonewall Jackson; E. J. Murphy, 311 Perkins; T. H. Bullock, 206 Perkins; Mrs. Nace Matthews, 409 W. Court; A. C. Peterson, 209 Perkins; Frank Greulich, 712 Cobble; Alfred Lyons, 214 Garden; Ady Rose, 628 Thompson; Jos Zacharias, 397 Willow; W. J. Clarke, 101 Jackson; Frank Rogers, 212 E. Webb; 207 Aura Street; Earl Tollock, 600 Jackson; J. Walter McCormack, 525 Madison; E. T. Walker, 122 Cottonwood.

OVER \$3000 SAVED BY PATRIOTIC SOLICITORS IN U. W. W. CAMPAIGN

The cost of the United War Work campaign in Umatilla county last month was \$198.59 as shown by the report of M. B. Chesman, secretary of the Umatilla County Patriotic service league. Under the rules of the national campaign committee, the league was permitted to use 10 per cent of the county quota of \$34,000 for expenses, which would have amounted to \$3400. The three principal items in the above expense account were for stenographer, stationery and postage.

LODGE URGES THAT NATIONS DEFER VITAL DISCUSSIONS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—Calling President Wilson's league of nations idea "unplausible and impracticable," Senator Lodge, republican floor leader, today seriously questioned its practicability as a working plan to keep world peace. An attempt to form a league now, Lodge said, can only "embarrass the peace that we ought to make at once with Germany."

SPAIN UNANIMOUSLY ENDORSES LEAGUE

PARIS, Dec. 21.—Spain, to the last, has favored a league of nations, Premier Romero today declared in an interview with the United Press here "Spain unanimously recognizes that project is the only salvation of the smaller nations," said the premier, who came to Paris to confer with Wilson.

3000 MEMBERS IS PENDLETON ESTIMATE

Three thousand Pendleton people have this afternoon answered the Red Cross Christmas Roll Call, according to an approximate estimate made by the committees in charge. This leaves 1000 memberships to be turned in by next Monday as Pendleton's share in the 10,000 memberships expected in Umatilla county is 4000.

LEST WE FORGET

Porter Royer, Pilot truck farmer who was exempted from military service, refused to buy Fourth Liberty Loan bonds to support the boys who donned their country's uniform. CENTRAL LOYALTY COMMITTEE.

BAN TIGHTER THAN BEFORE; ALL GATHERINGS, INCLUDING CHURCH MEETINGS STOPPED; STORES TO BE VENTILATED

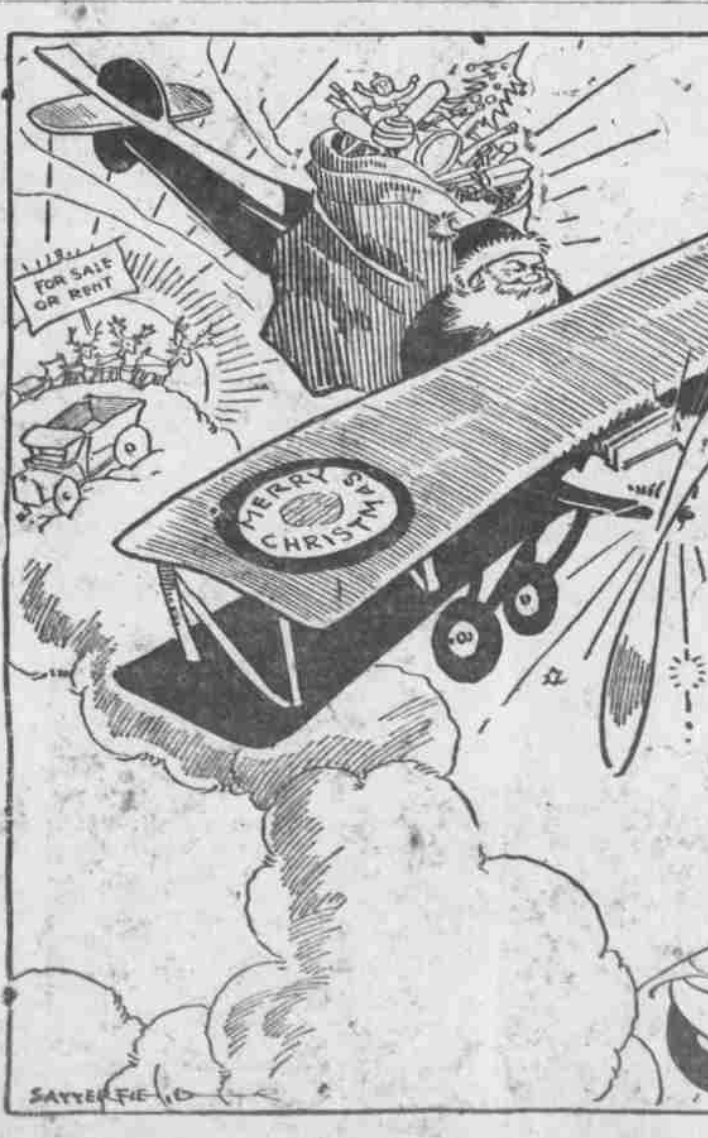
By the terms of the following proclamation issued by Mayor J. L. Vaughan at noon today the influenza ban is again clamped on Pendleton, this time tighter than before. The action was taken because of an increase in the number of cases here, there being 22 new cases reported today.

PROCLAMATION. WHEREAS, influenza has recently again spread in the city with alarming rapidity and has proven fatal in several instances, it, therefore, behooves the City of Pendleton and its inhabitants to adopt such measures as will check the further spread of this dangerous disease.

ONLY AUSTRIA'S FOOD N. P. IS GUARANTEED SITUATION SERIOUS \$30,000,000 A YEAR

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—Germany is in no danger as to food now, according to state department information. The chief difficulty is one of distribution. The Austrian food situation, however, is serious. The American government will make neither costly nor extensive food adjustment, German propaganda "waits" for assistance.

SANTA TRAVELS FAST TODAY



TO MEET ISOLATION PROBLEM IS BRITAIN'S ONLY REQUIREMENT

GERMANS ELECT PRESIDENT OF REPUBLIC ON DECEMBER 29

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 21.—A conference which will elect the president of the German republic will assemble December 29, according to a Berlin dispatch today.

BROCHDORFF SELECTED, NOT VON BERNSTORFF

Copenhagen, Dec. 21.—Count Brochdorff of Rantzau, minister to Denmark, has been appointed foreign minister, a Berlin dispatch today announced.

DECLARES COMPETITION FATAL

LONDON, Dec. 21.—The newspaper National warns the British it would be suicidal to enter naval building in competition with the United States, declaring if there be any naval supremacy it will be American, not British.

OFFICIAL PRESS LEAGUE

LONDON, Dec. 21.—The chronicle, regarded as Lloyd George's personal organ, today prominently displays a special dispatch from Geneva, urging that the need of the league of nations is evidenced by the situation in Galicia and Ukraine.

ADVANCE STATESMEN DECLARE SEA FREEDOM DIFFERENCES TO BE CLEARED UP BY CONFERENCE

STATE HOSPITAL IS FREE FROM EPIDEMIC

There are no serious influenza cases at the Eastern Oregon State Hospital and thus far no deaths have occurred at that institution from the epidemic. A number of patients are suffering from what would ordinarily be classed as grip but there have been no serious cases in the institution. No quarantine is in force at the hospital but Superintendent McNary states that visiting is taboo excepting in cases where relatives are called to visit patients on account of sickness. The population at the institution today is 525.

POLITICAL LABOR PARTY LAUNCHED

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—A movement has been launched for the organization of a political labor party throughout the country. It started in response to "spontaneous demand of the working people of New York City," declared Thomas J. Curtis of the Central Federated Union.

BRITISH PAPERS LIKE WILSON'S INTERVIEW

LONDON, Dec. 21.—British newspapers regard President Wilson's interview with the Paris correspondent of the Times an unusually clear statement of allied peace aims, and as effectively disposing of any misunderstanding that may have existed between Britain and the United States. The Times says, "The interview shows the desire of a man to whom the majority of citizens of all freedom-loving countries are looking as the most powerful factor in making a righteous and durable peace. He has been represented as anti-British, desiring to secure a predominant political, naval and economical position for his country. These legends are baseless."

LANDS AT DOVER

LONDON, Dec. 21.—When President Wilson comes to England, he will find at Dover the Evening News today stated.

PARIS CAPITULATES TO HOLIDAY SPIRIT AFTER FOUR YEARS OF WAR SACRIFICE

PARIS, Dec. 21.—Dressed with the most distinguished gathering in history, Paris has joyously capitulated to a holiday spirit. Big German and Gothic bells to the stone age, Santa Claus is premier. The city is illuminated by night and is gay with boning by day. The victory flag has been added to the usual Christmas decoration. People appear to have forgotten the war, so far as they are concerned peace has already been signed. Songs regarding Wilson and Clemenceau are being sung at theaters and music hall wherever R. R. O. signs are common. Parisians by their four years of terrible sacrifices have earned the right to be gay and are making the most of that right.

4225 IN COUNTY ENROLLED IN R. C.

Reports received in Pendleton from nine districts outside of Pendleton for Umatilla county give a total of 4225 this morning as enrolled in the Red Cross. A few of these districts are still working and will go over the number reported before night.

Table listing districts and their enrollment numbers: Adams 241, Fruitvale 132, Ferndale 421, Helix 284, Milton, will get 100 more today 715, Stanfield 200, Umapine 292, Umatilla, 50 more today 150, Pilot Rock, will reach 300 786, Athena, 50 more to come 348, Freewater, 100 more to come 344, Alacham 81, Weston, more to come 400, 4225

J. W. W. TRIAL ADJOURNS

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 21.—The trial of J. W. W., charged with conspiring to oppose the draft, will be adjourned and defendants will spend the holidays in jail.

THE WEATHER FORECAST

Tonight and Sunday fair.