

POLISH ARMY MOVING TOWARD BERLIN TAKES CITY BUT FIFTY MILES DISTANT

MEN ARE TAKEN FROM NORTHERN PACIFIC TODAY

Rescue Ship Mallory With Wounded Aboard Due in New York This Afternoon

FOUR MEN LANDED THROUGH THE SURF

Doughboys Not Alarmed by Plight When Ship Went Aground.

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—A breeches buoy was rigged this morning for the removal of wounded soldiers from the American hospital transport Northern Pacific, aground on Fire Island. Boats also will be used if the sea dies down. The position of the steamer was perilous last night, but is now greatly improved.

A train, with steam up, is waiting near the scene of the wreck, to rush the wounded men to hospitals. A fleet of 21 rescue vessels stood by all night. The Northern Pacific has been ashore 29 hours, but the morale of the Americans aboard, many of them bedridden, was not impaired through the wind increased last night, filling up seething masses of water all around the stricken ship. Khaki clad doughboys gathered on the decks. As darkness blotted out the transport they were still facing the drenching spray. Cheerful messages were sent out this morning, such as: "We are as comfortable as if at home."

When a surfboat from the life-saving station pulled out to the ship in a sea that twisted the little craft around like a match, the Yankees lined the rail to "kidd" the life savers.

Captain Connelly, in one message to the newspapers, said: "Notify relatives of returning soldiers and crew they need have no fear for their safety."

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—Wounded soldiers are being transferred from the Northern Pacific to the transport Mallory, the sea having subsided sufficiently to permit this, according to a wireless received here. The Mallory is scheduled to dock at Hoboken this afternoon.

LANDED THROUGH SURF

FIRE ISLAND, N. Y., Jan. 2.—Four soldiers were brought ashore from the stranded transport by coast guards in small boats after a perilous trip through the surf to the transport.

Private Albert Litchner, the first to be ashore, said:

"All the boys are happy and feeling fine." Litchner said there was no panic or excitement when the transport struck. "We were all asleep when the shock came. The boys thought we had reached a dock. The men crawled out of their berths and were much interested when they learned the ship was aground." Litchner said the four men who came ashore were volunteers in rescue work.

Using Trolley Boat. A trolley boat fastened by a pulley on wheels to a double cable extending from the ship to the beach made frequent trips, bringing 13 or 15 to safety each time. This life saving device was rigged this morning by Captain Tuttle of the coast guard, who rode through a strong surf to the stricken steamer, carrying the lines.

On his return, four soldiers, who tried to help him back through the breakers. Red Cross army medical corps workers received the men as they landed. All were taken to Bayshore where a railroad train and a great number of private automobiles were waiting to take the men to New York.

Captain Connelly declared he would not attempt to send any but ridden men unless forced to by a sudden change in conditions. Twelve nurses came ashore on one life boat, five remaining to care for the wounded.

FIRST DALLAS MAN RETURNS FROM WAR

THE DALLAS, Jan. 2.—Wearing the gold bar which denotes six months service overseas, Nicholas G. Ward is the first Wasco county man to return here from service abroad. He enlisted in the aviation corps when the United States declared war against Germany and was trained at Kelly field. After qualifying as an airplane gunner he was sent overseas early last summer and was in training there as a flyer when the armistice was signed. Returning to this country with one of the first contingents, he was mustered out at Camp Lewis this week. Mr. Ward formerly was clerk of the Hotel Dallas in this city.

FIVE PACKERS CONTROL 750 COMPANIES

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—Five leading packers have interests in 750 concerns, Chairman Colver of the federal trade commission declared before the house inter-commerce committee.

The "big five" actually control 65 of these concerns dealing in meats and other food commodities. They hold minor interests in others which would lead to their control eventually, Colver said.

A. V. EASON DIES OF INFLUENZA TODAY

A. V. Eason, aged 27, well known Vansycle farmer, died this morning at his home, 623 Johnson street, from the influenza. Deceased was born in Sprague, Wash., and has been around Pendleton for the past four and a half years. He was at one time employed in the Pendleton Roller Mills and recently has been farming the Johnson farm at Vansycle.

He is survived by a wife and three children, a father, M. P. Eason of this city, two brothers, W. J. Eason, living in Harrington, Wash., and B. J. Eason, of Riverview, Wash., and one sister, Mrs. G. A. Jensen, living in Sprague, Wash.

The funeral will be held tomorrow at 2 o'clock from Folson's chapel. Interment will be made in Olney cemetery.

JACK O'ROURKE FALLS VICTIM OF INFLUENZA

Influenza claimed another victim here this morning in the person of Jack O'Rourke, popular Alexander bookkeeper for the past two years. Deceased passed away at St. Anthony's hospital this morning about 3 o'clock, after an illness of ten days. Mr. O'Rourke suffered an attack of the influenza about six weeks ago and had completely recovered apparently from its effects. A week ago Sunday he was stricken again.

Deceased was born in Brooklyn, N. Y. in 1887, being thirty-one years of age. He had a very interesting career, having traveled all over the world and serving with the British army during the Boer war at the age of 17. He carries a bullet wound in his leg as a result of the South African fight. He was connected for some years with the management of Cook's tours of the world and was stationed in London for the concern before coming west. He came to Pendleton four years ago and first conducted a collection agency.

He was married two years ago to Miss Pearl Taylor who survives him. A short service will be held at the grave at Olney cemetery tomorrow afternoon at 2:00 o'clock. The body is at Brown's chapel.

LEST WE FORGET

Joe Kremer, young Hermiston farmer of German blood, was a slacker in the Red Cross War Fund drives an dalso in the United War Fund Drive.

CENTRAL LOYALTY COMMITTEE

THE.

NO RECONSTRUCTION LIKELY THIS TERM

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—Turning into the "home stretch" of the present session congress will try to do some reconstructing before March 4th. But those who really want reconstruction measures, considered without delay are afraid this session will end empty of accomplishment. Congress has no construction program. The democrats would like to pass all necessary reconstruction legislation before March 4th, but their leaders frankly acknowledge they don't know what is necessary or wise. This republicans want no reconstruction done until after they come into power March 4.

WILSON WILL TELL ITALIANS OF PEACE PLAN

Will Reach People as He Did in France and England Says Correspondent.

NO REAL CONTEST WITH CLEMENCEAU

Peace Conference is to Meet at Versailles January 30.

ROBERT J. BENDER (United Press Staff Correspondent) ABOARD THE PRESIDENT'S TRAIN, Jan. 2.—Pursuing the same course followed in France and England, Wilson will talk directly to the people of Italy, as well as confer with their leaders. He will make every effort to clear up any possible misunderstandings entertained by the Italians concerning the peace program.

Summing up the work of the President in Europe so far, it is evident he has made the greatest progress toward lining up the allied countries in favor of a league of nations. He made it clear America will refuse to join any combination except a world league opposed to any "balance of power." He will insist upon a peace of justice. The leaders of the associated nations he has declared, will sit in conference as the peoples' representatives, not their masters.

No Fundamental Difference

LONDON, Jan. 2.—There is no fundamental discrepancy between the aims of Wilson and Premier Clemenceau, the Times declared in an article on Wilson's condemnation of the balance of power idea and Clemenceau's support of it. The newspaper announced its belief that both statesmen are working to the same ends but from different angles. Wilson is regarded as being intent on bringing permanent peace to the world.

Rome is Ready

ROME, Jan. 2.—Thousands flocked into Rome to greet Wilson, who is due to arrive tomorrow morning. The hotels are filled. The President will receive a reception as vociferous as that accorded him in any allied capital. He will occupy the lieutenant governor's apartment in Quirinal. There will be a gala reception Friday night. He will meet the pope and call on the Queen Saturday. Rome has been extensively decorated with the allied and American flags.

To Meet Jan. 30.

LONDON, Jan. 2.—The peace conference will open on January 30, according to the Fall Mail Gazette today.

LONDON, Jan. 2.—President Wilson has sent a message to Vice President Marshall assuring the people of the United States that he has arrived at a satisfactory agreement with France and Great Britain regarding arrangements for preliminary peace deliberations, according to information the Evening News claimed to have received today.

U. S. Naval Ships All to be Driven By Electric Power

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—All capital ships of the future navy will be electrically driven, "insuring their superiority over the vessels of other nations," Daniels told the house naval committee.

INFLUENZA SITUATION MUCH BETTER HERE; 27 FLAGS DOWN

Pendleton gained a lap on the flu situation today. Only 56 blue flags fly the breezes here today. But four new cases were reported today and "Doc" Breach tore down the "Danger" signs from twenty-seven homes. The new cases today are: J. W. Org, 613 W. Hurff. L. J. Goldman, 395 Perkins. C. C. Goodman, 511 Union. John Eilers, 725 Calvin. The quarantine was removed from the following homes: M. L. Thompson, 1015 Raleigh. Andy Rose, 629 Thompson. Orville Brown, Room 1, E. O. Bldg. Mrs. Lewis, 284 Willow. Andy Peeble, 701 W. Court. Carl Culbert, 108 Westwood. Frank Hamey, 411 B. Webb.

PESSIMISM FELT BY SOME AS TO PEACE MEETING

WILLIAM PHILIP SIMMS (United Press Staff Correspondent.)

PARIS, Jan. 2.—On the eve of formal conferences, the peace capital of the world is being swept by a battle between pessimism and optimism. Warned by Premier Clemenceau that the road to peace will probably not be strewn with roses, together with his admission that he is not opposed to continuation of armed alliances on land and sea, the opposition element in France is freely criticizing the premier's policy as dangerous. They predict long debates will be a feature of the deliberations.

BOLSHEVIK FORCES CLAIM BIG ADVANCE

LONDON, Jan. 2.—Bolshevik forces captured Efa, the capital of the White Guard, Thursday, a wireless dispatch from Moscow reported. They also captured Siltfan. The Lithuanian government because of bolshevik successes in western Russia, has been removed to Vilna. Ufa is an important city 200 miles north of Rosenberg and 75 miles east of Moscow.

LEAGUE PRAISED FOR WORK BY SOLDIERS

"Umatilla county has always been over the top in war efforts," writes J. W. Doane, sergeant first class, Medical Dept. 4th ammunition train, 15th regular army division, former Pendleton man, "because of the Umatilla county spirit, and the tireless efforts and the fair and dignified manner of the U. C. P. S. L. in conducting the drives." Sergeant Doane was a resident of Pendleton for two years, being a pharmacist at the Pendleton Drug Co., and has written to M. R. Chessman thanking the U. C. P. S. L. for the Round-Up pictures.

Another letter of the same purport has been received from Private Jesse S. Heard, who is in ward '76, base hospital, Camp Lewis. He says the boys in the hospitals were well remembered Christmas and all received many substantial, useful presents as well as being remembered with candies and smokes.

Rufford J. Price, who is on the U. S. & Wyoming, having gone from Weston, now that the war is over, would like to come home and believes he could do his bit for his country to better advantage at his old job of raising grain.

Young Auto Thief Shot by Officer in San Francisco

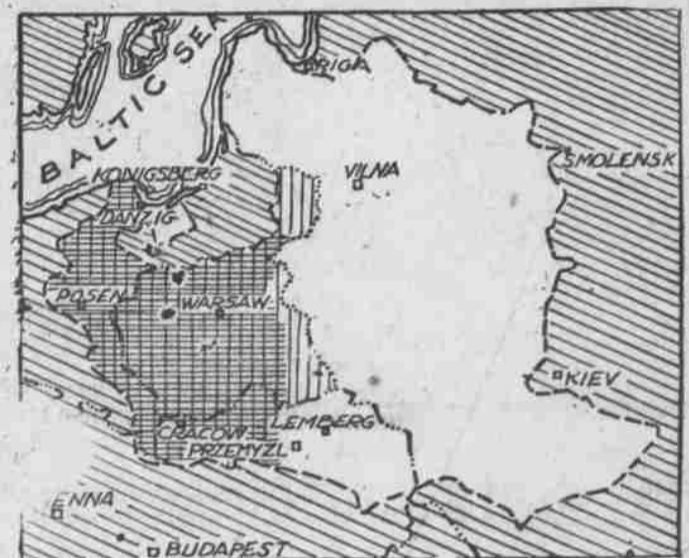
SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 2.—Edwin McElroy, 22, was killed early today by police officer Melvyn of San Bruno as McElroy was trying to escape with four companions after trying to break into a garage and steal an automobile. Two were captured. All five are youths.

He Joins the 48th Army

AMSTERDAM, Jan. 2.—Gen. Erich Ludendorff is living in solitude in a German town compiling his memoirs, the Kreuz Zeitung announces.

The paper asserts the general will clear up the question of the responsibility for the war, as well as the circumstances surrounding the Brest-Litovsk and Bucharest treaties.

EYES OF POLAND ON OLD EMPIRE



All territory outside of that ruled diagonally formed the old Polish empire when it was at its height. Area crossed is that in which the Polish race predominates, and this with the up-and-down-ruled district has been considered the territory of new Poland as it would be fixed up by the peace congress. Poland is born of the war. Poland was once a mighty nation. She had been juggled by European powers till nothing remained but a national consciousness—a desire to be a nation—and a few subject provinces. But Polish ambition is growing, and, with a government established and an army in the field, she looks to the boundaries that were once hers. The region in which the Polish people are in greatest numbers comprises 70,000 square miles in West Russia, Austrian Galicia and Posen, West Prussia and Silesia, but to the east, to the north and to the west, over an area of 300,000 square miles Polish are mixed with non-Polish people, so that it is hard to tell which are in greater numbers. It is this that makes it hard to fix the boundaries of the new Poland.

PICTURE SHOWS OPEN DESPITE FLU BAN; COUNCIL WILL MEET TO DISCUSS COMPLETE CLOSING

Acting Mayor John Vaughan has called a special meeting of the city council for tonight at 7:30 o'clock in the council chamber. All physicians and persons interested in the opening or complete closing of the city are requested to be at the meeting. If the council decides to make the closing general the order will apply. It is understood, to all stores, meat markets, etc., in the city. People will be requested to remain as much as possible in their homes and in their respective stores. All ordering will be done by telephone. The picture shows of Pendleton are open this afternoon and manager Guy C. Matlock says they will be open in the evening as well. This is in defiance of the closing order of the city board of health which went into effect the Saturday before Christmas. "I feel that I have been discriminated against by the order of the board of health in the closing of picture shows," Mr. Matlock, manager of the Pendleton shows, stated to the East Oregonian. "While many other businesses have been allowed to continue open without any restriction. "When the shows were open before, they were properly ventilated, and were the only properly ventilated buildings in town. No crowding was allowed and everything possible was done to keep the show room in a good sanitary condition."

Continuing Mr. Matlock said, "I feel that the picture show business is as legitimate as any other business in the town, and at the same time I am willing to co-operate in any effective way to combat the influenza epidemic. But I do not feel that it is effective or fair to ask the picture shows to close and to permit other businesses, stores and the like to remain open and have crowds congregating in them. If there is no danger of spread of the epidemics in these crowds, I fall to see how there can be danger in the picture shows. At the same time I am willing to abide by the laws and orders of the board of health if they are made in a way as to be applicable to all alike. I have at all times done everything in my power to help in combating the influenza, and will co-operate now in any effective way, but do not feel that I should be the only one to suffer in this."

Action Is Deferred. It is understood that the city board of health will take no action this afternoon against Mr. Matlock for the opening of the picture shows contrary to the closing order. The matter will be taken up at the special meeting of the council this evening. They say there are several actions that can be taken against him. His license could be revoked; he could be arrested and fined. Whatever action is taken will be determined upon at the meeting.

FRED HASCALL WAS IN ARGONNE FOREST

Lester Hascall, Pilot Rock boy, war veteran in France, expects to be home by spring, according to a letter recently received from him by Fred Hascall, his father. Hascall is now at a small place called Blercourt, near Verdun, where he says the mud is up to your neck. Hascall reached the front the first of July 1918, and his company fired their first shot on July 8. After this he was in all of the fighting at Charley, Thierzy, Metz and Verdun and the last big American drive at Argonne Wood. The lad came through the struggle without a scratch and says he wouldn't have missed the experience for a million dollars. He closes with an expression of hope that to one here has the influenza. The letter is written at "La Foyer Du Soldat," November 27.

BRITISH SHIP GROUNDS AND MANY PERISH

LONDON, Jan. 2.—A British warship carrying 250 men has run aground in Stornoway harbor, Scotland. It is reported only 30 survivors have been rescued. The admiralty fears all others on board were lost.

100,000 ITALIANS DIE FROM ILL TREATMENT

ROME, Jan. 2.—One hundred thousand Italian prisoners died as a result of ill treatment, starvation or cold in German and Austrian prison camps, an official Italian inquiry disclosed. It was announced today.

100,000 ITALIANS DIE IN CAMPS OF ENEMY

ROME, Jan. 2.—One hundred thousand Italian prisoners died of ill treatment, starvation and cold in Austria-Hungary and Germany. It was revealed today by a committee that has been making an official inquiry into the matter.

FRANKFORT-ON-THE-ODER HAS BEEN OCCUPIED

Germans Alarmed by Polish Advance Take Steps to Check the Movement.

POLE ARMY WELL ARMED IS REPORT

Six German Cities Just Captured by Polish Organization.

GENEVA, Jan. 2.—A Polish army of between 30,000 and 40,000 men striking toward Berlin has captured Frankfort-on-the-Oder, only 50 miles from the German capital, the Polish agency in Lausanne was so notified by telegraph from Posen. Germans, the report said have mobilized troops in an effort to stem the invasion. The Polish forces consists of infantry, cavalry and artillery. All are well armed.

COUNTER MEASURE EXPECTED

BERLIN, Jan. 2.—The Polish army advancing along the railways toward Berlin has captured six German cities according to information received here. The Polish mobilization and advance has alarmed the German government. Counter measures are expected to be undertaken immediately.

TO OPPOSE POLES

BERLIN, Jan. 2.—Herr Nowak, newly appointed minister of the army, and navy, has ordered the arming of a large force of Germans to oppose the Polish invasion of German territory.

CAVALRY IS SPEEDY

The Polish cavalry is moving rapidly ahead of the main body. They are reported to have entered Posen, and Frankfort-on-the-Oder. The important railway stations of Bautzen, Quoson and Bromberg and reported occupied with only slight resistance.

KITCHEN WINS FIRST ROUND ON ZONE LAW

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—Chairman Kitchen of the house ways and means committee, won the first round in his fight to prevent revision of the postal zone law when the house adopted a rule to send the new revenue bill to conference with a separate vote on the zone amendment. Supporters of the amendment were so evidently out-numbered that they did not demand a record vote. They decided to wait until the conference report is returned to the house before making an organized fight.

EX-PRINCE WANTS TO GET BACK TO BERLIN

WIEHNENGEN, Holland, Jan. 2.—The ex-Crown Prince is trying to escape from his exile here. It is reported Baron Von Zubeida, a friend of the former crown prince is reported to have gone to Germany to ask the government's permission for Wilhelm to withdraw to Berlin. The ex-emperor is willing to do any work the government selects.

THE WEATHER FORECAST

Tonight and Friday fair; continued cold