

THE WEATHER
Unsettled, probably rain or snow to night and Tuesday.

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TRENCH RETAKEN BY ROUMANIANS

After Many Disasters They Rally and Defeat the Teutons.

BULGARIANS CAPTURE IMPORTANT BRIDGEHEAD

Austrian Aeroplanes Make a Successful Raid Hitting Three Hangars.

(By United Press)
Petrograd, Dec. 11.—It is announced that the Roumanians regained the positions along the Ploesti and Masul highway. They vigorously countered after the Teutons took their trenches Saturday.

Paris, Dec. 11.—It is announced that four German aeroplanes were destroyed south of the Somme. Inter-mittent cannonading is reported in that section.

Athens, Dec. 11.—King Constantine formally protested to the allies against the continued blockade of Greek ports.

Sofia, Dec. 11.—The Bulgarians captured the Western Cernavoda bridgehead and announced that their forces had crossed the Danube into Romania near Sibiria, and captured Kalapasi. Several enemy Macedonia attacks were repulsed.

Berlin, via Sayville, Dec. 11.—The Austrian war office announced that naval aeroplanes raided enemy stations in Helgona, and batteries at Sobha. Three hangars were struck. All the raiders returned unharmed.

Berlin, via Sayville wireless, Dec. 11.—It is announced that the Roumanians are strongly resisting pursuit. The German campaign has proceeded despite the rain, mud and dynamited bridges. They captured several thousand prisoners. The French Argonne positions are partially destroyed. Seven enemy aeroplanes were wrecked.

I. E. CONN COUNTED THE FRENCH RINGS CORRECTLY

Last week F. M. French & Son made a window display of 1367 rings of all kinds, shapes and colors, which attracted a good deal of attention during the few days they were in the window. A ring was offered for the first correct guess, and 333 tried their heads at it. Most of them made an actual count of the rings, or tried to. Only two had the exact figures. I. E. Conn, of Main street, and Miss Mary Walker, daughter of C. W. Walker; but Mr. Conn was first, being number 14, and Miss Walker the 25th. L. F. McClain, who made the first guess was within two of the right number. The smallest guess was 525, and the highest 2300, evidently merely guesses.

Marshfield—Coos Bay R. R. Co. incorporates for \$5,000 to build and operate a railroad in Coos County.

POULTRY SHOW WILL OPEN WEDNESDAY A. M.

Plans are all complete for the opening of the Central Willamette Valley Poultry Show in the Armory next Wednesday morning. A continuous string of entries have been coming in and the indications are that the show will be by far the largest ever held in the valley. Harry Collier of Tacoma, Washington, one of the best known poultry judges on the coast has been employed to do the judging. All breeds of fowls will be on display. Seventeen Silver Cups together with large cash prizes are being provided for the winners.

BROKEN ARM RESULT OF COLLISION ON ELM ST.

Automobile and Buggy Coming Together Causes Accident to Mrs. Doko.

As the result of an accident, yesterday afternoon on South Elm street Mrs. Elmira Doko has a broken arm, and her son with whom she was riding a few bruises. Mr. Doko and his mother were riding south along the street on their way to his home, when they approached a buggy, with an auto driven by Geo. Caldwell back of it. This was about at Tenth street. Mr. Caldwell turned out and passed the other buggy, running into the Doko wagon, which was upset and Mr. Doko and Mrs. Doko were thrown out upon the ground, Mrs. Doko striking in such a way as to break one of her arms. Mr. Caldwell assisted her to the home of her son, only a block or two away, where the bone was set and she is doing well. Mr. Doko's bruises were not serious, but he received a bad cut on top of his head.

SUBMARINE AT ASTORIA

(By United Press)
Astoria, Dec. 11.—Commander Howe, of the United States Monitor Cheyenne, conferred with the Astoria naval base committee regarding submarine station possibilities. The Cheyenne and three H-type submarines are here, scheduled to sail to San Pedro for target practice, investigating all possible sites en route. The engines of the submarine H-3 are disabled.

CITY NEWS

The Charity Canvass—

Associated Charities will hold a meeting in the Commercial Club this evening at 7:30 to transact important business. Several of the committee selling tickets Saturday met with good success, but there is still much work to be done. The supply of clothing is coming in very slowly, donations of men's apparel being especially light.

Dr. Moore Here—

Dr. James Moore, of Eugene, Dist. Supt. of the M. E. Church, is in the city today.

Vaudeville Coming—

Manager Meyers is getting his vaudeville lined up for after the first of the year. Albany will be favored with one night a week of Hippodrome vaudeville. The players who will be seen here are on their way back from engagements in Australia, and are better talent than is seen on the regular bill. The season will start soon after January 1.

Strong Man at Globe—

At the Globe tomorrow night Albany people will have an opportunity to see the strongest man in the U. S., E. A. Johnson, who does some remarkable feats in strength, open and above board. It consists of straightening common horseshoes to fitting 20 men. Tonight Johnson is at Oregon City, wrestling for the championship of the coast. The prize of admission will remain the same, this being an added attraction.

Underwent Operation—

Miss Lucille Diven, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. R. J. Diven, of the Grace Presbyterian church, was operated upon at St. Mary's hospital this morning. Dr. B. R. Wallace performed the operation.

Visiting the Andersons—

Miss Verdis Pugh, of Brownsville, has been the guest of Mrs. Carl Anderson the past two days.

BANDIT CAUGHT

(By United Press)
Pendleton, Dec. 11.—Harvey Bensene, an alleged bandit and fugitive from the county jail, was captured at Henry Hendrickson's ranch this morning. Sheriff Taylor found his trail near Hugh Bell's farmhouse after Bensene had burglarized the premises. He tracked him through the snow. He found Bensene in bed. He had applied for a job and received shelter.

BIG \$2,500,000 SWINDLE IN EAST

Prominent Financiers Do Up the Orphans and Widows of Philadelphia.

THEY SOLD STOCK ON WORTHLESS COMPANIES

Several Can Companies, Bank, Gas and Electric Companies Involved.

(By United Press)
Philadelphia, Dec. 11.—Federal postal inspectors today conducted a wholesale raid, arresting several men formerly prominent in Philadelphia financial circles. The officials declared they had discovered a gigantic swindle involving \$2,500,000 taken from widows and orphans. They sold worthless stock. Authorities said that the companies involved included the International Can, Electric Company, the Bachman Bank, Concord Can Company, Suburban Can Company, Gaston Gas Company, Georgetown Railway and Light Company and the Southern Gas and Electric Company.

WOMEN OFFICIALS HAVE VERY NARROW ESCAPE

Came Near Being Shut Out By Failure to Canvass the Votes.

(By United Press)
Unatilla, Dec. 11.—It is learned that Mayor-elect Laura Starcher and six women officials scheduled to take their office January first were nearly disqualified. Mayor Starcher suddenly remembered Saturday night that the council forgot to canvass the votes. He hurriedly summoned the council and counted the ballots just before the four day time limit expired. Mr. Starcher said, "If we let the women be disqualified we could never have gone home again. The world would be too small to hold the men officials."

TO HELP STARVING

Second Annual Ball Hopes to Clear Half a Million for Relief.

(By United Press)
Boston, Dec. 11.—Five hundred thousand dollars for relief of starving, naked and dying non-belligerents in warring Europe is the goal of the second annual National Allied Bazaar which opened in Mechanics Building here Saturday. The bazaar last year was given in Grand Central Palace, New York. Several hundred thousands dollars' worth of prizes have been donated by business houses all over the country and the patrons list of the bazaar contains such names as Lady Aberdeen, Winthrop Ames, Robert Bacon, August Belmont, Lady Colebrooke and others. The bazaar will continue until December 20.

ANNUAL ELECTION OF FIREMEN HELD TO-DAY

The annual firemen's election is in progress this afternoon with considerable of a contest on for some of the positions. There are sixty or seventy volunteer firemen voters in the city. The election is being held at No. 2's hall. W. A. Eastburn is being run for chief engineer without opposition. For assistant chief there are two candidates, Paul Dawson and Conrad Meyer. For three members of the board of control seven candidates were being run, as follows: Paul Miller, John Spooner, John Warner, Loren Travis, Paul Dawson, Sanford Archibald and Lyle Ficklin.

Banks—United Ry. bus with 30 men on old survey up Wilson river.

NO MORE TRAIN WRECKING FOR FREDDIE

Lyons Boy Declared Delinquent and Paroled to Parents in Bright Lad.

Freddie Ellsworth has decided that putting obstacles in the way of trains is not so much fun after all. The 11 year old son of Frank Ellsworth, who placed an eight foot 'car stake' on the track near Lyons on Dec. 1, was this morning declared delinquent by County Judge D. B. McKnight, and then paroled back to his parents. Judge McKnight gave the boy one of the best talks made by the Judge during his career as an official.

Freddie had an idea that he wanted to see the train bump, so, on the morning of Dec. 1 he went below town, found a car stake, a long foot by four used to hold lumber on the cars, and placed it on the track near a curve. Also near a gulch. Then he hid and waited.

When the engine struck the stick, which had been covered with fern, Engineer Castel heard the noise and heard something rumbling on the track. The train was stopped within about 200 feet, but not until it had gone over a trestle spanning a gulch. Had the pole turned and caught in the ties there is no telling what would have happened. Freddie was found nearby, watching the result of his work. A complaint was filed by the S. P. Co. and the boy brought to Albany this morning for trial.

Freddie is a nice appearing boy, bright and likable. It is not thought that he had any idea of what he was doing, and did not realize the seriousness of what might happen. But after his experience and the fine talk given him by the Judge, Freddie promised to be more thoughtful in the future and was allowed to go back to his home.

MODERN PROBLEMS

New York Legislature to Attack Cost of Living Problem Jan. 3.

(By United Press)
Albany, N. Y., Dec. 11.—Many matters now claiming the attention of the people will be brought up for consideration in the senate and assembly convening January 3. One of these is the high cost of living. The Wicks investigation committee, it is expected, will make a report and recommend legislation which will lighten the burdens of the consumers. Efforts will be made to secure legislation which will provide market facilities in New York and other large cities with a view of eliminating the middlemen. An act of this nature will be urged by John J. Dillon, State Food and Market Commissioner.

It is expected bills will be introduced to carry out the recommendations of Charles H. Strong, Governor Whitman's investigator of the management and affairs of the State Board of Charities. Strong recommended a reorganization of the State Board, favoring a commission of nine, instead of the present unpaid board of 12. Strong also recommended the abolition of the office of Fiscal Supervisor of State Charities, created during the administration of Governor B. B. Odell. On the other hand petitions from charitable societies will be sent to the legislature urging that no change be made in present form of the board.

The mayor's conference representing many cities of the state has started a new campaign for home rule legislation. The mayors ask for a constitutional amendment which will meet the demand for genuine municipal home rule by delegating to cities definite power to legislate on local matters and by prohibiting special local legislation in the state legislature.

State Engineer Frank M. Williams will urge the enactment of legislation which will establish a large canal traffic bureau. The object of the proposed bureau is to attract freight to the canal.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Fortmiller returned last night from a visit in Portland.

G. C. Robinson, of Lebanon, is in the city.

Lester Waugh and J. W. Graham, of Toledo, are Albany visitors.

V. B. Price, of Corvallis, was in the city Saturday evening.

GEORGE'S ENERGY AFFECTS ENGLAND

Believed He Has Completed Smashed British Conservatism.

IS NOT A TOOL OF LORD NORTHCLIFFE

Instead Has Appointed Two of Northcliffe's Worst Enemies to Cabinet.

(By United Press)
London, Dec. 11.—Lloyd-George suffered chill as a result of working 20 hours daily, and is confined to his bed. Despite his illness the whole nation feels the effect of his energy. The public believes that British conservatism is smashed. Some of the newspapers charged Lloyd George with being a tool of Lord Northcliffe. He stopped these rumors when he named Lord Balfour and Lord Cecil as cabinet members. Lord Northcliffe is said to hate both.

MAN ARRESTED FOR FORT PITT BOMB EXPLOSION

Three Other Men Wanted For Complicity; Perhaps a Munition Plot.

(By United Press)
Pittsburg, Dec. 11.—James Reed, age 26, alleged German, has been arrested in connection with the explosion of the Fort Pitt works of the Aetna Chemical Company, in which three were killed. The officers pursued Reed in an automobile. He was overhauled several miles away. The Federal officers are hunting three men suspected of complicity in bomb plots. Reed was employed in an Okdale plant when it was dynamited a few months ago.

N. W. STOCK SHOW WAS A GREAT SUCCESS

The Northwest Stock Show closed at Portland Saturday evening. It was an immense success, attracting national attention. Undoubtedly it was of great advantage to the stock industry in this part of the U. S., one of the most important here, an industry that is progressing rapidly. One of the features was a big banquet of stock men and their wives at the Multnomah Hotel. Linn county people attending were Hon. F. H. Porter, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Pfeiffer, F. W. Cochran, F. W. Bryant and C. R. Ashby.

Salem—Northwest Fruit Products Co. has used 1,000 tons cull apples making sparkling beverages.

North Bend—Another shipyard promised here.



Wallace Reid, who will be seen with Cleo Ridgley in "The Selfish Woman" at the Globe tonight.

NEW DEMURRAGE RULES BY PUBLIC SERVICE COM.

Rate Will Be Increased on January One to a Maximum of \$4 a Day.

The Democrat has received from the Public Service Commission of Oregon a copy of their new rules, orders and regulations relating to demurrage and reciprocal demurrage, and the prompt transportation of Oregon and intrastate freight (in carload lots) to be effective January 1, 1917.

Under the new ruling a graduated charge is made instead of a \$2 a day flat rate. The regular 48 hours of free time remains. Four dollars will be the maximum charge. With it is a system of credits. The scale of charges is the same against carriers as against shippers, \$2 first day after 48 hours, \$3 second day and \$4 third day and each day and fraction thereafter. Sundays and legal holidays are excluded.

It is believed this will have a decided effect in relieving the car shortage.

NEW CABINET

(By United Press)
Washington, Dec. 11.—Ambassador Sharpe called that Premier Briand had started organizing a new French cabinet.

BERLIN HEARD FROM

(By United Press)
Berlin, Dec. 11.—The American Embassy received Germany's reply to the Belgian deportation protests. They were cabled to Washington, which also received explanation of the sinking of the steamer Lanau.

CITY NEWS

Seven Eclipses—

An Albany astronomer informs the Democrat that there will be seven eclipses of the sun the coming year, of which two will be total eclipses, at Albany. This eclipses past efforts for many years.

Married—

On December 11, at The Cottage, in Albany, by Rev. W. V. McGhee, Elmer B. Bennett and Miss Iva G. Hetrick were united in marriage. Witnesses, Mary Bennett and J. B. Hetrick.

Visiting Here—

Leo Howard, a former Albany boy, is in the city on a visit, now more than a boy.

Marriage License—

Elmer B. Bennett, 28, and Iva G. Hetrick, 17, both of Shelburn, were this morning granted a license to wed.

Answer Filed—

Defendant in the case of J. M. Brown vs. Hiram Parker, has filed an answer and cross bill to the complaint.

Here From Bend—

Chas. Redfield, of Bend, where he has charge of the big irrigation system watering 300 acres of land, representing nearly 2,000 people, is in the city on a visit with his father, F. M. Redfield, and sister, Mrs. J. M. French.

Dr. Matthews Coming—

Dr. Mark Matthew, of Seattle, pastor of the largest Presbyterian church in the country, has been engaged by the Albany Ministerial Association to give a series of lectures in Albany during the week of Feb. 5, 1917. The meetings will be held in the First Presbyterian church.

Big Christmas Present—

Among the big institutions that have had a big year in their business is the Western Union. The war has increased it enormously. Appreciating this fact the company has just notified all their agents that they will be given a Christmas present of seven per cent of their annual salary.

EIGHT HOUR TRIAL

(By United Press)
Washington, Dec. 11.—The Supreme Court agreed to hear the Adamson law arguments on January 8. The government attorneys asked for haste. The law is effective January 1. The Government and the railroads have agreed not to enforce the law until the court decides the case.

TROUBLE WITH CARRANZISTAS

Arrest of American Citizen For Military Trial May Be Serious.

TAKEN TO VICTORIA REGARDLESS OF PROTEST

Facts Reported to U. S. Government and Warning Given Carranzistas.

(By United Press)

Brownsville, Dec. 11.—Richard Solis, an American citizen, was arrested at Matamoros last week on secret charges and taken to Victoria for military trial, despite United States Consul Johnson's protests. The consul warned General Cabellero, the de facto Matamoros commandante, that the action will probably result seriously. He reported the facts to Sec. Lansing.

DISASTROUS BOYCOTT

(By United Press)
Portland, Dec. 11.—Several of Oregon's biggest poultry ranches are in imminent danger of ruin on account of the egg boycott. Big dealers and market experts received frantic letters asking for relief. Andrew Egalman, of the Mountain View Poultry farm, said the boycott was hurting only the poultrymen.

TRAIN HITS AUTO BUT OCCUPANTS UNHURT

Two occupants of a Maxwell automobile experienced all the thrills of a collision with a train near Monroe Saturday, and came off minus any injuries. Their car, however, was a total wreck.

According to one of the trainmen, the train was running north. The engineer saw an auto standing off to the right of the track ahead. All at once the car seemed to give a jump and landed right in the middle of the track, where it stalled. The engine hit the machine square, demolishing it and throwing it off in the right of way. The men were thrown out of the car unhurt.

The engineer stopped the train with in a car's length and went to the assistance of the men. They got up, a surprised couple. They stated that they had stopped in the road, never dreaming that they were near a track. They had to cross a little rise to get over the track and killed their engine at the top. They had the side curtains up and could not hear the train.

Eugene—Aggregate tax levy is 18.75 mills for county and 42.9 mills for city.

Salem—Bill prepared for teacher's retirement fund. Five per cent of salary is to be set aside for a term of years, when the state is to add \$2,000.

MRS. ANNA MARKS DIED HERE THIS MORNING

Mrs. Anna Marks died this morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. A. B. Westbrook, aged 82 years. Deceased came to Oregon from Iowa 43 years ago.

She has been visiting in Portland from last summer up to a short time ago, when she was stricken with paralysis. She was brought home last week and kept at the home of her daughter.

Mrs. Marks is survived by three children, Mrs. A. B. Westbrook, of this city; Mrs. M. A. Roberts, of Seio, and L. C. Stover, of Wolf Point, Montana. One sister, Mrs. Mary Clow, of St. Ignace, Wash., also survives.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Fort-miller Funeral Chapel. She will be taken to Shelburn Wednesday morning and buried in the cemetery at that place.