

## REAL WARFARE IN TRENCHES PLANNED

### Senator Chamberlain Proposes Object Lesson for Congress.

#### POSITION NEAR WASHINGTON DESIRED

#### Demonstration of Actual Operations in Field Would Enlighten Members of Lawmaking Body.

Washington, D. C.—Congress will have an object lesson in preparation for modern warfare, if Senator Chamberlain, of Oregon, chairman of the senate committee on military affairs, succeeds in carrying out a plan he has conceived to illustrate graphically the problem of national defense.

When congress reassembles the senator will propose that a division of regular troops or of regular and National Guard troops be assembled at the nearest suitable point to Washington. He would have these troops when mobilized dig trenches and otherwise fortify a defensive position.

Although the position would not be defended by troops and no men would be under fire at any time, the Senator is of the opinion that the attack would furnish a more valuable object lesson than an ordinary maneuvers or sham battle.

Mr. Chamberlain believes that after witnessing the mobilization of a division and an attack of this character senators and representatives would return to Washington better prepared to legislate for the equipment and training of an army required by modern conditions of warfare.

Here are some of the issues which would be illuminated by such an object lesson:

First—The training, organization and discipline necessary if a division is going to dig itself in properly and otherwise prepare for the defense of any position it may hold.

Second—The difficulties attending the defense and attack of a position and the training and discipline absolutely essential if such defense or attack is to be made.

Third—Effect of high explosive shell and grenade fire and what it means to have to face it.

Fourth—Our lack of heavy field guns needed to smash infantry trenches.

Fifth—How difficult it would be for us to mobilize one complete division, which is the smallest complete division of an army.

"I am constantly impressed with the difficulty of creating a thorough understanding of the necessity of providing adequate National defense," said Senator Chamberlain.

"He reads how battles are fought nowadays in Europe, but they are of the preparation to fight such battles."

## Chinese Editor Is Assassinated in San Francisco Banquet Hall

San Francisco—Wong Yuen Yung, former editor of the Asiatic News, a paper published at Shanghai, is the official organ of Chinese favoring a return to the monarchical form of government, was shot in the back and killed while attending a Chinese Christmas banquet here Saturday night.

The assassin escaped and was unrecognized.

Wong had taken his Christmas dinner in a private dining-room with C. Y. Kuo and C. T. Loh, both Chinese commissioners to the Panama-Pacific exposition from Chili province, China.

In the adjoining banquet hall hundreds of prominent Chinese were seated at dinner.

Wong left his companions for a moment to light a cigarette at the cashier's desk. Just as he was about to return to his table an unidentified Chinese fired two shots, both of which took effect. Wong fell and crawled to the room he had left a moment before. He was dead when medical aid reached him.

The assassin threw his weapon to the floor and dashed down a long stairway to the street, where he was lost to view in a dense crowd of Chinese and sightseers.

#### German Attack Costly.

Paris—"Information received regarding the fighting on December 21 between Ypres and Armentiers indicates that the Germans sustained a loss of more than 8000 men without gaining any ground." "The fighting was most severe and a large quantity of asphyxiating gas was used, but the English lines remained intact."

"The attack is thought to have been the prelude to an offensive or to test the strength of the English front."

#### Silk Hosiery Worn More.

Washington, D. C.—A report of an investigation of the hosiery manufacturing industry by the Department of Commerce was transmitted to President Wilson by Secretary Redfield. Americans were found to be wearing silk hosiery more and more, and as a result cotton hosiery manufacturers are making less profit than silk manufacturers. American manufacturers were reported to be making a profit of nearly 12 per cent on capital invested.

## 90-MILE GALE WITH LIGHTNING, SNOW AND RAIN SWEEPS EAST

New York—One of the weirdest storms the East has seen in many years—rain, hail and snow, accompanied by thunder and lightning and a gale that reached a maximum velocity of 90 miles an hour—descended from the northwest early Monday. It indirectly caused seven deaths in this city, carried down telegraph poles, damaged shipping, crippled railroad traffic and caused considerable property damage.

The phenomenon of thunder and lightning in the midst of driving snow awakened New Yorkers at the height of the storm about 7 o'clock.

Twenty-five persons aboard 15 canal boats driven ashore off Sandy Hook were rescued by the coast guard crew. A large sprang a leak and sank 12 miles east of Ambrose Lightship. Seven Erie railroad engines loaded with automobiles sank in the East river.

The deaths in the city resulting from the gale all occurred while the blind-

### DAVID STARR JORDAN



Dr. David Starr Jordan, president of Leland Stanford, Jr. University, suggested to President Wilson that a conference of national courts be called to act as a voluntary court of arbitration to receive and consider any plans that may be advanced looking toward peace in Europe.

ing snow storm was at its height. A fireman was fatally injured while responding to an alarm. A woman was run over by a streetcar. Another woman collapsed and died in the street while battling the gale on her way to church. A flagman at Totenville, Staten Island, was blown in front of a train and killed instantly. A bicyclist in a heavy rain ran into an automobile at Mineola and was fatally injured. His wife, who was riding with him, also suffered injuries from which she may die. An aged man fell on an icy pavement in Newark and died of a fractured skull on his way to a hospital.

### Five Provinces Revolt.

San Francisco—"The punitive expedition against Yuan Shi Kai" is the name selected for the organized revolutionary party reported to be active in China against the return to monarchical government and the coronation of Yuan Shi Kai as its emperor. This information was contained in a cablegram received here Tuesday by Tong King Chong, president of the Chee Kung Tong (Chinese Republic Association) from the headquarters of the movement at Shanghai. From the same sources came the first news of the declaration of independence from the rule of Yuan Shi Kai by Yunnan province and the reported revolt of four other Chinese provinces.

#### Marshall's D. C.—Desiring to conform to an amiable Indiana custom of allowing no Christmas go by without a tree, Vice President Marshall sent his chauffeur to Virginia to bring one. Later the vice president was advised that his chauffeur had been arrested for speeding, and the vice president's secretary, Mark Thistlewaite, went to the rescue. The vice president had his tree in the apartments in the Willard, but he said that he would advise his chauffeur next time not to be such a hurry about it.

#### Santa Will Build Home.

New York—Christmas day brought the announcement that architects have been commissioned to prepare plans for a monument to Santa Claus in the form of a building which will serve as headquarters in this city for the International Santa Claus association. The structure will exemplify the spirit of Christmas. The plans will provide for a hippodrome auditorium, where children's plays will be given, and a hall for the free exhibition of new toys to encourage the toy-making industry in this country.

#### 4,000,000 British Goal.

London—The House of commons Thursday passed bills prolonging the life of the present parliament eight months and increasing the strength of the British army to 4,000,000 men. Both were passed without division.

The army bill was passed in committee of the whole after 4 hours' sitting.

The newly authorized secretary of the war office, advised the house, will be the largest army ever raised in this country.

#### Kaiser is Slightly Ill.

Berlin—(By wireless to Sayville, N. Y.)—Emperor William has postponed his trip to the Western front on account of a slight inflammation of the cellular system."

The emperor's illness also is called "zellgeweben zuehdung," or "bindegewebent-zuehdung." In English this is sometimes called "cellulitis." It is an inflammation of cellular tissues somewhat similar to erysipelas.

## WALL STREET HAS MERRY YULETIDE

### Exchanges Profit Immensely by Boom in All Stocks.

#### ALL GET SHARE OF GREAT PROSPERITY

#### Humblest Employee Is Gladdened by Rich Turn in Events—Big Tree Given to Manhattan Poor.

New York—Christmas season in the financial district offered many striking and happy contrasts to the same period a year ago, when Wall street had barely emerged from the gloom precipitated by four and a half months of suspended activity on the Stock Exchange.

Banks, trust companies, private banking houses, brokerage firms and institutions of all kinds have profited generally by the boom in stocks, which began with movements in "warbrides" early in the year and sent those and kindred securities to prices undreamed of a few months before.

Much of the advance registered by those and other mercantile issues has been forfeited and countless "paper profits" have evaporated into thin air. Nevertheless, Wall street has been, and still is, busy and its attendant activity and prosperity are being shared by all from the humblest "runner" to the mightiest captain of finance.

Many of the financial institutions and banking houses distributed gifts or bonuses among their employes. Gifts averaged 10 to 15 per cent of annual salaries, and one trust company, long known for its generosity, gave as much as 50 per cent.

All the exchanges took up subscriptions for their employes and individual disbursements were larger than a any time of present years. Last year, the Stock Exchange, for good and sufficient reasons, refrained from asking its members to subscribe to the Christmas fund, but drew on its private funds.

Celebrations, formal and impromptu, were held on all the exchanges. The Produce Exchange, following its usual custom, had an enormous Christmas tree on the trading floor, for poor children of Lower Manhattan, who received gifts of toys and more material things, such as clothes, shoes and other articles of apparel.

Some idea of the extent to which Wall street profited by the general prosperity of the country, may be gathered from the fact that thus far this year sales of stock aggregate more than 173,000,000 shares, against barely 47,000,000 for the corresponding period last year, while bond sales total more than \$917,000,000, against \$455,000,000.

#### Baseball War Is Ended; Federal League Quits Play Entirely

Cincinnati—The "baseball war" which for more than two years has been in progress between the Federal League and organized baseball, the National and American circuits and all minor leagues conducted under supervision of the National commission and the National association of Minor Leagues, ended Thursday night. Shortly before 8 o'clock members of both organizations signed the peace protocol which brought to an end the career of the Federal League as an active baseball organization and restored harmony in major league ranks.

Two major league clubs will change hands as the result of the bringing about of peace and two new faces will be seen among the Major League magnates in the future.

Charles Weeghman, who has been president of the Chicago Federals, will purchase the controlling interest in the Chicago National League team.

Phil Ball and his associates, who were connected with the St. Louis Federal team, gains control of the St. Louis Americans.

The agreement gives immunity to all men who have jumped their contracts from both the Major and Minor leagues of organized baseball as well as all other Federal League players.

#### Cousin of King Killed.

New York—Herman Merchowitch, 40 years old, second cousin to King Peter, of Serbia, who had been employed for years as a porter in a furrier's establishment, died here Thursday from a fractured skull, received in an altercation with an Austrian and the latter's son. The younger man, who is under arrest on a charge of murder, is accused of knocking down the Serb, whose head struck the pavement. Merchowitch was the son of Prince John, of Serbia, who came to this country and became naturalized.

#### French Call Off Cruiser.

Washington, D. C.—French embassy officials, although lacking official word of the activity of the cruiser Descartes in West Indian waters, believe that she has been ordered to cease searching American ships on the high seas, and that no further search or seizure would be made until diplomatic correspondence over the Coamo, Carolina and San Juan incidents is closed. They point out that the American note probably was not delivered in time to reach the Descartes before Pursar William Garde was taken from the Cortiqueen.

#### Big Water Melon Is Out.

Cleveland, Ohio—Directors of the Grassell Chemical company Wednesday cut a war melon by declaring an extra cash dividend of 5 per cent and a special stock dividend of 10 per cent, in addition to the quarterly dividends of 1 per cent on both common and preferred stocks.

The combined dividends on including the special dividends, would be approximately \$3,000,000.

## HIGH DIPLOMAT SEEKS AMICABLE ADJUSTMENT OF ANCONA AFFAIR

Washington, D. C.—Pending receipt of Austria-Hungary's reply to the second American note regarding the sinking of the Italian steamship Ancona, Baron Erich Zwiadinek, charge of the Austro-Hungarian embassy, is conducting or forming a basis to conduct informal negotiations with Secretary Lansing looking toward an amicable settlement of the controversy. An intimation to that effect was received at the State department Wednesday after the charge had conferred at some length with the secretary.

It is understood Baron Zwiadinek is attempting negotiations similar to those conducted by Count von Bernstorff, the German ambassador, following the sinking of the steamship Arabic. It is considered improbable, however, that such negotiations can develop to the next formal stage until after receipt of the important communication from Austria-Hungary, which is expected some time within

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#### No Lowering of Apple Standards.

Spokane—Refusal to sanction any lowering of the standards of grade and pack featured the annual conference here Thursday of Washington fruit growers.

The warmest fight of the day centered around an attempt to allow the putting of worm-stung apples into the valley, or No. 2, grade. The Yakima Valley delegation led the battle in favor of the plan, but was beaten by a vote of 160 to 20, the opposition being championed by the Wenatchee growers.

The fruit men also voted, 90 to 86, to exclude worm-stung apples from the "C" grade. In the heated debate that preceded the vote J. S. Sgrube, of Caver, leader of the Wenatchee delegation, said sentiment in his district was that two grades there would be only two grades of apples, and that the Wenatchee growers favored the establishment of a combination "C" to include both of the factory and "C" grades.

He urged that the development of the by-products industry, preferably by the growers themselves, would have to be depended-upon to handle the large tonnage of cull fruit.

#### Friend of President Wilson on Secret Mission to Theater of War

New York—Colonel E. M. House, confidential advisor of President Wilson, said Wednesday that he would shortly sail for Europe at the request of the President.

Colonel House declared the sole purpose of his trip would be to deliver to certain American ambassadors information regarding the government's attitude on various international matters now pending. He denied emphatically that his trip will in any way be a peace mission.

"I am going to Europe at the request of the President and the Secretary of State, for the purpose of taking information to some of our ambassadors," he said, "in order that they may have more intimate knowledge of this government's attitude regarding certain phases of international questions and in order to obtain from them their point of view on these matters."

"It is not advisable to bring home at this time any of our ambassadors from the belligerent countries. It has been found impossible to convey or obtain by cable or correspondence quite the correct atmosphere."

#### Got Ham Can Now Eat Horse Meat.

New York—Sale of horse meat for food will be permitted in New York after January 1, the board of health announces. Commenting on the revocation of the section of the sanitary code which prohibited the use of horse meat, Mr. Emerson said that, while the health department does not exactly recommend it, no harm can be seen in its use. "The horse never has tuberculosis, and almost never communicates a malignant disease to human beings," he said. "Hereafter old horses will be fattened for meat."

#### Coal Boom Expected.

Chehalis, Wash.—Reports of the possible building of a railroad through the Cascade mountains in the vicinity of the Cowitz Pass have aroused much interest here, owing to the ownership by Chehalis, people, and others, of valuable anthracite coal deposits in that vicinity. These holdings may be sold to Eastern coal operators who are looking for Western property for development. Many who have examined the high-grade coal is a large tonnage of district grade coal. No coal has ever been shipped from that field.

#### Wheat Output Closed.

The embargo on wheat shipments to Atlantic seaboard terminals is now practically complete, and as the larger part of the buying of late has been for shipment of that character, the result is a material subsidence of activity in the Northwest. Export operations have not entirely ceased, however, and it is said there is little buying against the possibility that the embargo will not be of long duration. There is also some trade for Eastern milling account, but in the country is of much smaller volume.

#### Autocrat.

"My father is a captain in the army," said the little boy in blue, "and whatever he says the men have to do it." "That's nothin'," retorted the boy in the red sweater. "My old man's a janitor."

#### On Its Heels.

First Father—What! Your son is an undertaker? Why, I thought you said he was a doctor.  
Second Paternal Relative—No, I said he followed the medical profession.—Harvard Lampoon.

## NORTHWEST MARKET REPORTS; GENERAL CROP CONDITIONS

Portland—Wheat—Bluestem, 97c bushel; forty-fold, 97c; club, 94c; red Fife, 92c; red Russian, 92c.  
Hay—Eastern Oregon timothy, \$15 @17 ton; valley timothy, \$12@14; alfalfa, \$13.50@14.50; cheat, \$10@11; oats and vetch, \$11@12.  
Millfeed—Spot prices: Bran, \$22 ton; shorts, \$23, rolled barley, \$29@30.

Corn—White, \$35 ton; cracked, \$36. Vegetables—Artichokes, \$1.10 doz.; tomatoes, California, \$1.25@1.50 case; cabbage, 90c cwt; garlic, 1.50 case; peppers, 10 @12c; eggplant, 10c; sprouts, 8c; horseradish, 8c; cauliflower, 75c@1.25 dozen; celery, 50c@90c; beans, 12@15c pound; lettuce, \$2@2.75 crate; peas, 15c pound.

Green Fruits—Pears, \$1@1.50 box; grapes, \$5 barrel; cranberries, \$10@14.50 barrel.  
Potatoes—Oregon, \$1@1.15 sack; Yakimas, \$1.15@1.25; sweets, \$2.50@2.75 cwt.

Onions—Oregon, buying price, \$1.10 f. o. b. shipping point.  
Apples—Spatzenberg, extra fancy, \$2.25 box; fancy, \$2; choice, \$1.25@1.50; Jonathans, extra fancy, \$1.50; fancy, \$1.25; choice, \$1; Yellow Newtown, extra fancy, \$2; fancy, \$1.75; choice, \$1 @1.25; Baldwins, extra fancy, \$1.50; fancy, \$1.25; choice, \$1; Russets, orchard run, \$1.

Eggs—Oregon ranch, buying prices: No. 1, 35c; No. 2, 28c; No. 3, 18c. Jobbing prices: No. 1, 38c; Oregon storage, 26@28c.

Poultry—Hens, small, 12 @12c pound; large, 13@14c; springs, 12@13c; turkeys, live, 18@20c; dressed, 23@24c; ducks, 12@15c; geese, 10@11c.

Butter—City creamery, cubes, extras, selling at 29c; firsts, 27c; prints and cartons, extra. Prices paid to producers: Country creamery, 24@27c; butterfat, No. 1, 31c; No. 2, 29c.

Veal—Fancy, 10@10c pound.  
Pork—Fancy, 6@7c pound.  
Hops—1915 crop, nominal.

Hides—Salted hides, 15c; salted kip, 16c; salted calf, 18c; green calf, 18c; dry hides, 25c; dry calf, 27c.

Wool—Eastern Oregon, 18 @20c; valley, 25@26c; fall lambs' wool, 25c; mohair, Oregon, 28c.

Cattle bark—Old steer, \$7 @7.50.  
Cattle—Choice steers, \$7 @7.50; good, \$6.75 @7; medium, \$6 @6.75; choice cows, \$5.25 @5.75; heifers, \$3.50 @4; bulls, \$3 @3.50; stags, \$4.50 @5.25.

Hogs—Light, \$5.95 @6.10; heavy, \$4.90 @5.10.  
Sheep—Wethers, \$6 @6.75; ewes, \$4 @5; lambs, \$6.75 @7.

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#### Odd Dream Adventure.

"Talking of dreams," said the jocosely-faced man, "the other night an incandescent bulb burst in our bedroom while I was dozing and dreaming that I was driving my auto along a country road. On hearing the explosion I got out, and when I woke up I was under the bed tinkering the springs with my wife's manicule set."—Boston Transcript.

#### The Call of the Links.

"Jock, man, I'll go ye a round on the links 'n' the mornin'!"  
"The mornin'?" echoed Jock, dubiously.  
"Ay, mon, the mornin'." I'll go ye a round if ye like."  
"Ay, weel!" said Jock. "I'll go ye. But I had intended to get marrit 'n' the mornin'."—Boston Transcript.

#### Worse Trouble Averted.

"They fight like cats and dogs."  
"Then you don't think it was a fortunate marriage?"  
"Oh, yes, in a way. If they hadn't married each other, each might have married somebody else, and made four people unhappy instead of two."—Boston Transcript.

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"We have just learned that Adam was the first man," said the Sunday School teacher to the infant class. "Now if Adam was the first man, can you tell me who was the first woman?"  
And the little chap at the end of the row declared confidently:  
"His mother!"—Philadelphia Record.

#### They Surely Do It.

"I don't see why everybody is so down on the war censors. Aren't they merely performing a consistent duty?"  
"How so?"  
"Well, what good is a censor unless he incenses the people?"—Baltimore American.

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