

GERMAN GOVERNMENT HEADS RESIGN

HUNS WILL ELECT PRESIDENT SUNDAY

FORMER EMPEROR SHAKING WITH CHILL—SPECIALIST CALLED—MOVES MADE TO QUIET GERMAN POPULACE

ESTHONIAN GOVERNMENT, MENACED BY BOL-SHEVIKI, THROWS ITSELF ON PROTECTION OF ENTENTE

(By Associated Press).

PARIS, Dec. 19.—The German government, headed by Premier Ebert, has resigned as a result of Tuesday's events, according to a Stuttgart dispatch, via Zurich.

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 19.—The German government has decided to convoke a conference of representatives of all the states of the former empire on December 29th, to elect a president of the German republic, according to a Berlin report Wednesday. Steps have been taken to prevent further outbreaks on the part of the people.

AMERONGEN, Holland, Dec. 19.—The former emperor has been confined to his bed since Sunday with a severe chill. His indisposition has brought about a renewal of his old ear trouble, necessitating the calling of a specialist.

LONDON, Dec. 19.—The Estonian provisional government controlling the territory covered by the former Russian Baltic province of Esthonia, has placed the republic "under the common protection of the entente powers, pending the decision of the peace conference." The Esthonian troops are having great difficulty in standing off the bolsheviks.

JAPAN CONCORDS WITH MR. WILSON

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 19.—Japan is in entire sympathy and accord with President Wilson's peace aims according to three correspondents of Japanese newspapers here on route to the peace conference at Versailles. The men in the party are R. Onishi of the Jiji Shimpo of Tokio, M. Tsucaya of the Osaka Asahi, and R. Shimazaki of the Tokio Asahi. They declared the Japanese peace delegation will arrive in San Francisco about December 27.

ONLY TWO INFLUENZA CASES AT HOSPITAL

There are now only two cases of the influenza at the Isolation Hospital and these are reported to be getting along nicely. No new cases have been reported in the city and the general situation seems to be clearing up as rapidly as it possibly could. W. J. Steinmetz is still very sick at his home.

ANTI-GERMANS ARE NOW HOLDING ODESSA

ODESSA, Dec. 19.—The troops under the command of the anti-German Ukrainian leader, Pettura, took possession of Odessa on last Sunday.

LOCAL BOY TELLS OF LIFE ABROAD

A letter received from Lieutenant J. E. Nail, a well known Klamath Falls boy, written on the 19th of November from France, gives an interesting description of his experiences and travels. He has been enabled to visit a large number of the historical places of interest in Paris and other cities. Paris, he believes, is the darkest city on earth with the lights all extinguished as a protection against air raids. Describing the various nationalities represented in the troops there, he declares the Australians are the most distinctive of the lot. With their odd costumes they resemble big bunches of stag hounds. Nail expected the armistice to be signed on the day this letter was written.

HOOD RIVER AGAIN IN GRIP OF FLU

HOOD RIVER, Dec. 19.—Owing to the rapid increase in the number of influenza cases here the county health officer has again entered the ban on all public meetings with the result that many functions arranged for Christmas will have to be abandoned. During the past two weeks influenza has made serious inroads on classes in the schools in this city, and on Friday the disease spread to the teaching staff, four of the faculty of the high school being compelled to remain at home. On the same day more than 50 per cent of the students of the high school were absent, suffering from various stages of the disease.

THOUSANDS OF CASUALTIES TO BE GIVEN YET

MOST OF CASUALTIES SHOULD BE REPORTED BY LAST OF NEXT WEEK, ACCORDING TO PERSHING'S ESTIMATE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—More than 40,000 casualties that have not yet been reported by name are on record at the central record office of the A. E. F. General Pershing informed the war department in response to a cabled query sent December 11. These casualties are classified as follows:

Killed in action, 390; died of wounds, 275; died of disease, 353; died of accidents and other causes, 51; wounded severely, 39,371.

General Pershing estimated that the work of forwarding these names will be completed by December 20, for the deaths and by December 27 for the severely wounded.

In response to another query, General Pershing revealed the casualties in the 30th division totalled according to the records in hand November 23rd, 7623, classified as follows: Killed in action, 1166; died of wounds, 283; died of disease, 15; died of accidents and other causes 5; severely wounded, 1181; wounded, degree undetermined, 805; wounded slightly, 3973 and missing or captured 193.

The 30th is known as the "Wild Cat" division and is made up of North and South Carolina and Tennessee troops.

FLU STILL MYSTIFIES NATION'S BEST MEDICOS

SEATTLE, Dec. 19.—Eminent physicians in America and Europe do not know what influenza is or how to treat it successfully, according to Dr. Thomas D. Tuttle, state health officer, on his return from a conference of public health officers in Chicago.

"I went to the conference to ascertain what the disease is, and what treatment is most successful, and I came home fully as enlightened as I went," said Dr. Tuttle. "The fact that the disease is a mystery will be one of the outstanding features of a report now in preparation by a committee of eminent medical authorities."

DR. MERRYMAN LEAVING FOR LEGISLATURE SOON.

In preparation for his attendance at the State Legislature during the coming month, Dr. George Merryman of this city has now stopped his general practice and will accept no new cases. He expects to leave about the 1st of January for Salem.

KING GEORGE TO WELCOME WILSON.

LONDON, Dec. 19.—King George has cancelled arrangements providing that he should go to Buckingham palace for Christmas and will remain in London to welcome President Wilson.

GERMAN MINE EXPLODES MONTH AFTER ARMISTICE.

PARIS, Dec. 19.—A German mine planted in a bridge at Gulise has exploded, injuring twenty-five, according to a report just received. The explosion occurred more than a month after the armistice was signed.

SOLDIERS ARE GUARDING THE STREETS TODAY

THIRD OF QUOTA FOR COUNTY IS RAISED IN CITY—PROSPECTS OF OVER-SUBSCRIBING NOW EXCELLENT

The Red Cross membership drive is proceeding at a most satisfactory rate, according to County Chairman, George Walton, who reports 1330 members and \$1349.55 at the close of the day yesterday. This amount is almost entirely from Klamath Falls as definite reports from the outside districts have not been yet received. That these are generally over-subscribing their quotas by from fifty to one hundred per cent is indicated from the news received.

The city streets today have a more military aspect than at any time during the war as the boys who have returned from the various camps within the last few days have tendered their services and have charge of the street campaign. The task of getting by these stalwart huskies without buying a button is very difficult.

In the state at large, Union and Baker Counties were leading outside of Multnomah during the first days of the drive. Twenty-six thousand, one hundred and fifty dollars were taken in the first day.

FLU MASKS STILL IN VOGUE IN MEDFORD.

MEDFORD, Dec. 19.—The influenza ban was lifted Tuesday in the cases of churches, theatres and poolhalls, altho masks must be worn in all places. A number of arrests made for failure to wear masks included several prominent business men.

GOES TO THRALL

Jackson Kimball, local representative of the Weyerhaeuser interests left this morning for Thrall where he will spend a short time on business.

AIR MAIL NOW BETWEEN NEW YORK AND CHICAGO.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—Aerial mail service between New York and Chicago was inaugurated at 6 o'clock Wednesday morning when a De Havilland plane started from Belmont park, Long Island, piloted by a former army flyer.

Don't Sacrifice Your Bond

That a number of employees of the local mills have disposed of the Liberty bonds which they bought and paid for with hard earned money at a big sacrifice to sharpeners in this and neighboring communities, is the regrettable information coming from the most reliable sources.

It should be distinctly understood by every owner of a Liberty Bond, that this paper is backed by the strongest government on earth and that it holds a market value today and on all days so near its marked denomination that its forced disposal will mean no substantial loss to anyone. The market value on these bonds fluctuates slightly from day to day the latest quotation being 94. It has never been below this figure and it is going to be stronger as the nation recovers from the war.

The best advice that can be given to any bond holder is to hold on to this property like a leech, as it con-

WEST PRUSSIA NOW SCENE OF MUCH DISASTER

MILITARY PRISONS OPENED AND INMATES LIBERATED—FIGHTING IN STREETS FREQUENT. KRUPP DIRECTORS ARRESTED

ZURICH, Dec. 19.—Serious disorders have broken out in Danzig in West Prussia. The civil and military prisons have been opened and the inmates set at liberty. Much street fighting is reported.

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 19.—Three of the principle directors of the Krupp Munition works at Essen including Dr. Branssenberger, inventor of the "Big Berthas" have been arrested by the revolutionary committee, it is reported.

THE REAL STORY OF THE LIBERTY MOTOR.

DETROIT, Dec. 19.—It is now disclosed that the famous Liberty Motor, in its essentials, was developed in this country months before the war by the Packard Motor Car Company.

Uncle Sam made the Liberty Motor under patent license from that company and all rights return to auto concern with peace. The Liberty Motor one of the best in the world, and backed by quantity production possible in no other country, did much to discourage the Germans.

It has been commonly believed that two inventors locked in Washington hotel apartment, early in our war period, designed this motor in five days. Their work consisted of revisions and refinements on motor already developed by Packard Co. at cost of \$400,000.

NEW MEMBER OF COMMERCE COMMISSION IS SELECTED

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 19.—Joseph B. Eastern of Massachusetts has been chosen by the President to succeed George Anderson as a member of the Interstate Commerce Commission.

WILL VISIT IN KANSAS.

Lawrence West and his sister, Miss Fay West, who reside on the Merrill road, left yesterday for Kansas where they expect to make an extended visit with relatives. Miss West has been employed in the office of the Western Union Telegraph Company for several months.

FARMER NEAR DEATH FROM SEVERE BURN

RANCHER ON KENO ROAD GRABS LIVE WIRE TO PREVENT FALL. INJURIES THOUGHT FATAL, BUT MAY NOW RECOVER

A narrow escape from death and the sustaining of the most painful injuries was the lot of George Ager, a prominent rancher south of here, Tuesday night, when he grasped a live electric wire, running to his transformer.

Mr. Ager has installed a big pump for irrigation purposes, and had climbed up to make some adjustment on the transformer, when he became overbalanced. He threw up his arm to steady himself, and unconsciously grasped the wire. His injuries were so severe that for a time his life was despaired of, but his physician, Dr. Merryman, this morning declared that his prospects were more favorable to his recovery.

BIGGER SALARY OF GOVERNMENT WORKERS URGED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Because the cost of living has increased 100 per cent since 1885 and average salaries in the customs service has been increased less than 12 per cent in that time, Secretary McAdoo asks congress to increase those salaries.

In a letter to Speaker Champ Clark just made public, Mr. McAdoo asks a minimum salary of \$5 a day for inspectors of customs with corresponding increases for examiners of merchandise, custom guards, openers and packers, weighers, deputy collectors, laborers and other employees.

The estimate for the next fiscal year for defraying the cost of collecting customs revenues is increased from \$10,000,000 to \$11,385,464.

Mr. McAdoo points out that the increased cost of living bears most heavily upon those receiving an annual salary of less than \$1400 and makes the point that since the war emergency has passed and they cannot be longer kept in the service by patriotic motives, unless they are better paid many employees are likely to resign and thus seriously cripple the customs service.

OREGON CASUALTY LIST TODAY

- Wounded Severely: Carey B. Tucker, Portland. Private Willard C. Holt, Hillsdale. Private Chester J. Seely, Portland. Private Simon Dennison Barron, Hillsdale. Private Irving B. Horner, Deschutes. Private Ray S. Petreguin, Melrose. Private Henry C. Lee, Eugene. Bugler Baltis Allen, Portland. Wounded, Degree Undetermined: Private Peter Marmeta, Comstock. Private John B. Singleton, Ruckles. Private Carl Sorensen, Portland. Private Clarence O. Laforge, Lebanon. Private Arthur P. Clough, Portland. Wounded Slightly: Captain John H. Rankin, Portland. Private Otto Parry, Myrtle Point. Private Orazio Bonaduce, Portland. Private Chas. A. Zielinski, Salem. Private R. Drake, Ashland. Missing in Action: Private Arthur W. Arms, Dayton.

AUTHORITY OF PEACE DELEGATES QUESTIONED

SENATOR LODGE WOULD KNOW WHETHER PEACE COMMISSIONERS ARE ASKING DESTRUCTION OF GERMAN SHIPS.

KING OF ITALY ARRIVES IN FRANCE. DISCHARGED SOLDIERS TO CARRY SIGNS OF HONOR ON SLEEVES.

WASHINGTON D. C., Dec. 19.—A resolution asking that the State department inform the Senate whether the American Peace Commissioners were advocating the destruction of the German war ships or other enemy property, and if so by what authority, has been introduced by Minority Leader, Lodge. The resolution was referred to a committee.

King Victor Emmanuel of Italy has arrived with his son, the Prince of Piedmont and has been welcomed by the French officials.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 19.—Secretary Baker has directed that each soldier honorably discharged be furnished two scarlet chevrons to be worn on his left sleeve as a recognition of service to his country. The chevrons will be the same size and shape as those for service abroad.

STRANGER DIES COMING FROM RESERVATION

Death by heart disease yesterday overtook a man named Matt Matson, while coming in on the train from Chiloquin. The deceased was about forty years of age and is reported to be a stranger in this district. Very little has been learned about him yet, according to reports from the undertaking rooms where his remains have been removed. It is expected that he will be buried here within a day or two.

HUNS PREPARE TO PAY WAR DEBTS

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 19.—Germany is already taking steps to raise money for the war indemnities which the allies are expected to demand. The German government's new taxation program, according to reports received includes two loans. One will provide funds for the indemnities. The amount to be asked has not been decided upon. The other will cover the cost of demobilization. Large sums, it is said, will be expended in peace work, including the employment of discharged soldiers.