



EMPEROR SUFFERING FROM PNEUMONIA

Physicians Say He Also Has Nervous Attack Due to Over-Exertion

MAY NOT RETURN TO FRONT

Dispatches Telling of Illness Are Sent From Berlin to Amsterdam

By Associated Press. London, Dec. 9, 3.05 P. M.—Emperor William is suffering from pneumonia, which is combined with nervous depression due to over-exertion, according to telegrams from Berlin forwarded by the Amsterdam correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph Company. The message adds that the German emperor's doctors have advised him not to return to the front.

National Rivers and Harbors Congress Opens Session in Washington

By Associated Press. Washington, Dec. 9.—The National Rivers and Harbors Congress began its annual convention here to-day with a large attendance of delegates from throughout the country. Many prominent speakers are on the program for addresses during the three days' sessions.

The convention was opened with an address by Secretary Bryan. A feature was the annual address of Senator Randell of Louisiana, president of the Rivers and Harbors Congress, in which he vigorously denounced the recent attacks on the river and harbor bill passed at the last session of Congress and the distrust which resulted in the practical defeat of the measure.

Storm Blows Big Profits Into Shoe Men's Pockets

The storm that gripped the eastern States was not one of those ill winds that blow nobody good for keen-eyed shoe merchants make a mint on the sale of rubbers. Out of five merchants conducting stores in Market street nearly 3,000 pairs of rubber shoes and arctics were sold since Monday morning.

ITALY MAY BE GIVEN TRENT

New German Ambassador Said to Be Authorized to Offer Gift

Rome, Dec. 8, 7.55 p. m.—"Prince Von Buelow, the new German Ambassador to Italy," says the Idea Nazionale, "comes to Rome authorized to negotiate the cession of the province of Trent to Italy in exchange for the maintenance of neutrality by Italy. It is asserted that Austria, on Germany's invitation, will proclaim the independence of Trent because a majority of the population is Italian, and after this is done that Italy will occupy Trent.

RETIREMENT WAS STRATEGIC

By Associated Press. London, Dec. 9, 3.55 A. M.—The situation around Lodz proves rather mysterious to the Petrograd correspondents of the London newspapers. They are disinclined to believe the retirement is a definite Russian reverse and believe that the movement away from Lodz will be eventually shown to have been dictated by sound strategic motives.

OBJECT TO PLACING OF MINES

By Associated Press. Stockholm, Sweden, Dec. 9, via London, noon.—The Swedish press is very indignant over the planting of floating mines along the coast of Finland, which has resulted so far in the loss of three large Swedish steamers and the drowning of upwards of forty men.

THE WEATHER

For Harrisburg and vicinity: Snow or rain this afternoon and tonight and probably Thursday; not much change in temperature. For Eastern Pennsylvania: Snow, rain to-night or Thursday; moderate east winds.

The Susquehanna River and all its tributaries will remain nearly stationary to-night and Thursday. A stage of about 1.9 feet is indicated for Harrisburg Friday morning.

General Conditions. The storm that was central off the Middle Atlantic coast, Tuesday morning, has moved on north-eastward. A secondary depression of slight energy is central off the South Carolina coast. The high pressure area from the Far Northwest now covers the greater part of the western half of the country, with its center over Montana. The storm off the North Pacific coast has not changed materially since last report.

Temperature: 8 a. m., 33. Sun: Haze, 7:15 a. m.; sea, 4:38 a. m.; Haze, 11:27 a. m. River Stage: 3.5 feet above low-water mark. Yesterday's Weather: Highest temperature, 37. Lowest temperature, 32. Mean temperature, 35. Normal temperature, 34.

FRATERNAL NIGHT AT STOUGH TABERNACLE

All Societies Which Are Not in the "Booze-hoisting" Class to Be Guests of Honor

68 MORE GO DOWN TRAIL

Evangelist Again Raps the Clubs Which Sell Liquor For "Respectable Drunks"

All the fraternal secret orders of the city that are not booze-hoisting organizations will be guests of honor to-night at the tabernacle. Reservations of seats have been made according to the numbers asked by the different bodies. Most of the lodges will march from their halls in companies and others who come individually will be directed by the door-keepers to their respective seats.

The Harrisburg Foundry and Machine Works men and the Elliott-Fisher Typewriter Company employees will also have sections reserved for them. A big night is expected, with probably more men in attendance than on any previous night.

To-morrow will be "patriotic night." All the G. A. R. posts, veteran societies and other national organizations will find places reserved for them. Friday will be another big night, when the local high schools and those from neighboring towns will put enthusiasm into the services and probably outdo the special high school night of several weeks ago.

Stough Very Likely to Stay. The full program of special nights for this week and the requests made by several other bodies and classes of

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BODY OF GENERAL BEYERS DISAPPEARED UNDER WATER

Pretoria, via London, Dec. 9, 3.45 a. m.—The circumstances which led the government to announce that General Christian Beyers, the rebel leader, had been killed, were made public here to-day. It appears that during a sharp engagement on the bank of the Vaal, Beyers with some others endeavored to cross the river. They were fired on and Beyers was seen to fall from his horse. His body drifted down the stream and then disappeared under water. A search is being made for the body. General Beyers was the only important leader still at large.

NOBEL COMMITTEE WILL NOT SIT

London, Dec. 9, 5.29 a. m.—It is officially announced that the parliamentary Nobel committee has resolved not to sit this year for the distribution of the peace prize, says a Reuters Telegram Company dispatch from Christiania, Norway.

13 MINERS KILLED BY DYNAMITE EXPLOSION

14 Men Were Being Lowered in Cage When Accident Occurred

By Associated Press. Scranton, Pa., Dec. 9.—Thirteen mine workers were killed in the Diamond shaft of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Company here to-day when a box of dynamite being lowered into the mine with fourteen men exploded, wrecking the descending cage and dropping the victims to the bottom of the shaft. The one man who escaped alive is Martin Belinski, a driver boss.

The accident occurred when the men were going to work and at a time when the entrance to the mine was crowded with men waiting to be lowered to the various levels. There is always a scramble among the men to get on the carriages and for this reason the number of men who were on the cage and their identity was not known for several hours after the accident.

The carriage hands descended to about 100 feet from the bottom of the shaft when from some unknown cause the dynamite exploded. The cage was tipped to pieces and all the men were dropped into the water and mine refuse at the bottom of the shaft. The escape of the driver boss is considered almost miraculous by the mine officials. Bodies Badly Mangled. It was an hour before the first of the victims' bodies was recovered. Nearly all the victims were badly mangled and some were torn to pieces, showing that they were instantly killed by the explosion.

NEWS OF THE WEEK PAY BIG DIVIDENDS \$3,200 Distributed to 382 Members; Officers Elected by B. and C. Dept. The Beneficiary Association of the Bridge and Construction Department of the Pennsylvania Steel Company paid its annual dividends to each of the members yesterday. About \$3,200 was paid, the average amount to each one being \$9.

THE CHRISTMAS CLUB CHECKS ARE GOING OUT THIS WEEK

COME RIGHT ALONG WITH US AND WE'LL SHOW YOU HOW TO SHOP EARLY, PROFITABLY AND SATISFACTORILY



FORCES AT NAGO ARE BEING STRENGTHENED

Firing Across American Border Causes Wilson to Take Action

By Associated Press. Washington, D. C., Dec. 9.—No aggressive action on the part of the United States is contemplated in the sending of additional troops to Naco, Arizona. An official statement was issued to-day at the White House.

Alumni Endorse Brooke; Claim Attack Is Unjust. Special to The Telegraph. New York, Dec. 9.—George Brooke will remain as head coach of the University of Pennsylvania varsity football team until his contract with the Quaker institution expires next fall, if the popular opinion of Red and Blue graduates will keep him there.

CHICAGO UNION MEN OBJECT TO "SCABS" MAKING COFFINS. Special to The Telegraph. Chicago, Ill., Dec. 9.—The principal topics of debate at this week's meeting of the Chicago Federation of Labor were funerals. It ended by the members of the Federation adopting a resolution which required all to provide for burial in union-made coffins.

MINISTERS VISIT PRISONERS. Berne, via Paris, Dec. 9, 2.40 a. m.—After protracted negotiations, in which John W. Garrett, representative of the United States with the French government at Bordeaux, took part, France and Germany have consented to Switzerland sending a Swiss Protestant clergyman to visit the prisoners in the detention camps in France and a Catholic clergyman to the camps in Germany.

CHOLERA IN GERMANY. Rotterdam, Dec. 9, via London, 10.50 a. m.—The Berlin board of health, according to information reaching Rotterdam, reported thirty-six cases of cholera in Germany during the first week of November, especially in Galicia, the cholera is spreading rapidly. Eight hundred and forty-four cases were reported during the first week of November, in which period there were 351 deaths.

GRAND CROSS FOR MYRON T. HERRICK

Former American Ambassador to France Honored by President Poincare

New York, Dec. 9.—The Grand Cross of the Legion of Honor is on its way across the sea from the President of France to Myron T. Herrick, in recognition of Mr. Herrick's services to the French people while American ambassador to France. Mr. Herrick was decorated yesterday with a red ribbon, emblematic of the cross, by the captain of the steamship Rochambeau, acting on wireless orders from the French ambassador at Washington, who said he was acting under instructions of President Poincare.

JACKSON PRAISES CITY'S RAILWAYS. Addressing the delegates to the Pennsylvania Street Railway Association convention to-day on "Co-operation and Confidence," Dr. John Hopkins, manager of the Wilmer, Vincent and Appell theaters in this city. The Rotary Club will get all the profits of the Orpheum next week for the relief work in Belgium through the kindness of Mr. Hopkins who is a Rotary member. Mr. Hopkins went personally to New York Monday to make sure that the "Rotary Week Show" would be as bang up as his managerial genius could make it.

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SITUATION AT NAGO BECOMES SERIOUS. That the situation across the border from Naco Arizona, is fast becoming serious, is evidenced by a dispatch received from Washington this afternoon which intimates that the American troops and artillery are being placed in readiness to fire on the Mexicans if such action becomes necessary. The dispatch says that Secretary Garrison has instructed the commanders at Naco not to fire across the border unless orders from Washington are given to do so.

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Declares Harrisburg's Trolley System One of the Best in the State

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DEFEAT INFLICTED ON GERMANS IN RUSSIA; ALLIES GAIN IN WEST

Offensive Movement of British and French More General Than at Any Other Time; Germans' Right Wing Reported Turned in Galicia; Losses to Kaiser's Forces Said to Be Enormous

Important advances of the allied troops in their new effort to throw back the German invaders in France are reported to-day by the French war office. In the east, according to a statement of the Russian military authorities, a serious defeat has been inflicted on the Germans in the Galician campaign.

The French statement of to-day is one of the most optimistic of any which has been issued since the Germans settled down in trenches across France and the long siege began. It indicates that the offensive movement of the allies is even more general than had been disclosed previously. Although the announcement gives few details, references to the capture of entrenched positions and the blowing up of a French trench by Germans tends to show that the engagements now in progress is being contested furiously. The statement refers to the advances of the allies from Arras southward along the Aisne, on the heights of the Meuse, in the Argonne and in the Vosges. Roughly speaking, this takes in all of the line from the Belgian border across France and into Alsace.

CONCENTRATE FINEST FORCES. Concerning the battle in Flanders, where the Germans have undertaken an attack which may mean a new attempt to break through to the French coast, there is little further news. The Germans are reported to have concentrated in this region their finest forces from the armies in the west.

It is reported unofficially from Berlin that Emperor William, whose illness was announced yesterday, is suffering from pneumonia and nervous depression. The emperor is quoted in Berlin as having told his troops recently that victory would come to Germany because "our nerves are stronger than those of our enemies."

SERIOUS DEFEAT INFLICTED. The Russian war office states that a serious defeat has been inflicted on the Germans in one of the three war areas in the east. It is announced that in the region of Cracow, Galicia, the Germans were put to rout, their right wing being turned and that they are still being pursued. German losses are described as enormous. It has been suggested in London that the Russians would content themselves with remaining on the defensive in Poland following recent German successes there and that, sending reinforcements into Galicia, they would attempt to invade Germany from the south, across the Silesian border.

FALL OF LODZ NOT ADMITTED. Although Russia has not yet admitted the fall of Lodz, the official announcement contains the suggestion that the fighting in that vicinity has been less in her favor than is said to be the case in Galicia. It is stated that in the battle near Piotrkow, a Polish city, twenty-five miles southeast of Lodz, they were only partially successful. To the north, engagements are in progress to the east of the border of East Prussia. A previous official statement from Berlin spoke of the presence of Russians on German territory about thirty miles west of the frontier.

According to current reports in Rome, Germany does not look to Italy as a possibly ally and is heading all her efforts to keep that nation out of the war. It is said that Prince von Buelow, the former German councillor, now serving as ambassador to Rome, has been authorized to arrange the cession by Austria to Italy of the province of Trent. This province, formerly Italian territory and populated largely by Italians, has been in possession of Austria for a century.

Attacks by the allies and counter-attacks by the Germans in the west apparently have not thus far made essential changes in the positions of the opposing armies. The Germans have resumed the offensive in Belgium with force. In the Argonne also hard fighting is in progress.

RAIN DAMAGES PROPERTY. Fort de France, Martinique, Dec. 9.—A torrential rainstorm visited Fort de France last night. The city was inundated and there was much damage to property. No lives were lost.

FORMER CONSUL SENTENCED TO DEATH. London, Dec. 9, .52 P. M.—Nicholas Ahlers, former German consul in Sunderland borough was to-day convicted by the Durham Assizes of high treason and sentenced to death.

POINCARRE RETURNS TO PARIS. Paris, Dec. 9, 3.50 P. M.—President Poincare and Premier Viviani arrived in Paris to-day from Bordeaux. Foreign Minister Delcasse and members of the diplomatic corps were to follow them later in the day.

According to a dispatch from Philadelphia late to-day, Miss Anna Conway, a public school teacher, who was shot and killed by a petty officer of the Battleship Illinois, in Philadelphia, early to-day, was a sister of Conway, who played baseball with the Harrisburg Tri-State team early in the 1914 season.

Washington, Dec. 9.—Rear Admiral Fletcher, commander of the Atlantic fleet, impressively told the House Naval Committee to-day that the United States navy is unprepared to cope with the most powerful navy in the world. He mentioned no country. "You can safely say," he said, "that we are not prepared for the worst emergency that might arise to protect ourselves from the greatest force available."

Philadelphia, Dec. 9.—Stocks closed steady: Cambria Steel, 40; General Asphalt, 33; General Asphalt, pfd., 66; Lake Superior, 12; Lehigh Navn., 75 1/4; L. V., 65; P. R. R., 52 3/4; Pha Electric, 23; Pha Company, pfd., 53; Pha Rapid Transit, 11; Reading, 69 1/4; Storage Battery, 47 1/2; Union Traction, 29 1/2; United Gas, 82 3/4.

MARRIAGE LICENSES. Charles Ephraim Baker, Wyneshoro, and Anna Rebecca Hall, Chambersburg. Levin Y. Martin and Harriet M. Brincker, city.