City Makes Its Supreme Effort to Reach Its Quota For Red Cross Memberships

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RUSSIA CHAOTIC WHILE PEACE IS RUSHED BY HUNS

Opposition to the Bolsheviki Increasing as Reports of German Support of Maximalist Government Becomes Known; Ukranians Get Substantial Support, Is Report; Horde of Released Austro-German Prisoners

Petrograd, Thursday, Dec. 20.—Incessant fighting has occurred in many parts of Petrograd in connection with the efforts to check drunkenness and prevent the raiding of wine cellars. A mob raided one distillery where fifteen soldiers drank themselves to death. Fifteen persons were killed and wounded when an armored motor car attacked the distillery, which was set on fire. The fire department was prevented from extinguishing the blaze by rowdies and many persons were burned before the situation was brought under control.

The streets are running with wine in many sections where the soldiers are pumping wine out of the cellars to prevent disorder.

Opposition to the Bolsheviki apparently is increasing as reports of German support of the Maximalist government become more pronounced and the situation in Russia grows more chaotic while the Bolsheviki endeavor to arrange a separate peace with the central powers.

The Ukraine in its hostility to the Bolsheviki government has been joined by the Russian staff on the southwestern front and General Stcherbactcheff, the commander in Rumania, has been appointed head of the Ukranian forces reported to be marching against the Bolsheviki forces. Another report says that the Rumanians have joined the Ukranians while other dispatches declare that former Premier Kerensky is marching against Moscow and that Grand Duke Nicholas is raising a royalist army in the Caucasus.

German and Austrian officers released from Russian prisons are reported to have led the Bolsheviki in overpowering their opponents in Tashkent, the capital of Russian Turkestan while other released enemy prisoners, said to be two army corps, are near Petrograd. Officers of the central powers are said to be active in Petrograd, although this is denied by the Bolsheviki, who claim that the constitutional democrats are trying to put Russia under German control.

Meanwhile diplomats of the central powers are hurrying to begin peace negotiations with the Bolsheviki. On leaving Berlin, the German emissaries were urged by the populace to make "a strong peace."

Premier Lloyd George of Great Britain simultaneously with the publication of German peace feelers declares that the allies must defeat militarism and that a league of nations including the Prussian autocracy would be a farce. The Teutons must restore territory and repay losses. Great Britain entered the war to vindicate her honor and not to make annexations. The British premier sees trying months ahead but the antisubmarine campaign is becoming more effective and America's help will bring huge results.

Apparently undaunted by the heavy force the enemy has been using in attempting to break the Brenta-Piave line, the Italians are making counterattacks in an attempt to regain Monte Asolone. So far the Italians report they have been unsuccessful. On other sectors on this front the Italians have repulsed with loss strong Austro-German counterattacks.

Raiding engagements occupy the opposing forces on the northern end of the western front, while the artillery continues active in the Ypres and Cambrai sectors. In Lorraine the French have repulsed a heavy German attack north of Reillon about eight miles south of the Rhine-Marne

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THE WEATHER

For Harrisburg and vicinity: Fair to-night, with lowest temperature about 35 degrees; Saturday fair and colder.

For Eastern Pennsylvania: Fair to-night and Saturday; colder Saturday; moderate west to northwest winds.

River

The Susquehanna river and all its branches will remain generally ice-bound without any material changes in stages. A reading of about 4.5 feet is indicated for Harrisburg Saturday morning.

General Conditions

A disturbance from the Missouri Valley now covers the northern half of the country east of the Mississippi river, with its center over Ontario. It has caused light to moderate rains and snows on both sides of the northern boundary from New England and the St. Lawrence river westward to the Rocky Mountains in the last twenty-four hours.

There has been a general fall of 2 to 20 degrees in temperature over nearly all the country west of the Mississippi Valley river, including the western portion of the Lake Region, except in Northwestern Louisiana, Southern Texas, New Mexico and Arizona, where it is somewhat warmer.

Temperature: 8 a. m., 24.
Sun: Rises, 7:26 a. m.; sets, 4:39 p. m.
Moon: First quarter, to-day.
River Stage: 4.4 feet above low-water mark.

Yesterday's Weather
Highest temperature, 37.
Lowest temperature, 33.
Mean temperature, 35.
Normal temperature, 32.

British and German Peace Aims Are Made Known to the World

GREAT BRITAIN WANTS:

Complete restoration by the enemy of occupied territory, together with compensation for the cost of the war.

Disposition of German colonies to be settled by the Peace Congress, future trustees of those countries taking into account the sentiments of the people themselves.

Jerusalem to remain in Christian hands.

GERMANY WANTS:

Disposition of Alsace-Lorraine left to a plebiscite of the inhabitants.

England to pay Germany for lost African colonies, money to be used for restoration of Belgium, Serbia, Rumania and northern France.

Russian provinces bordering the Baltic, Black Sea and Prussia to become independent under a German plan.

Poland independent state under Austrian authority.

Disarmament, freedom of the seas and conference to be left to peace conference.

Rumania, Serbia, Montenegro retaining original boundaries with right of access to sea being granted Serbia.

Turkey to remain intact.

Peace Move by Teutons May Be Propaganda, Belief of Washington

Washington, Dec. 21.—"It looks like German propaganda."

This is the way a high administration official characterized purported "German peace terms" which reached Washington to-day through neutral diplomatic channels.

There is said to be nothing particularly new in the outline of "Christmas peace terms." The State Department knows nothing "officially" about the so-called terms.

Most of these propositions have been discussed by German statesmen heretofore.

Officials are not all agreed that this latest made-in-Germany peace program is another outbreak of Teutonic propaganda. Because of the degree of control Germany has now secured on the eastern front and the virtual certainty that Russia will not again become a serious factor in the war regardless of political developments, some officials and diplomats are inclined to feel that possibly Germany may be willing to make important concessions on other fronts, thus striking a balance with her gains in the eastern theater.

Children Find Body of Clinton Black in 10 Inches of Water in Camp Hill

School children playing along a creek, in Long street, Camp Hill, were terrified last evening to see the body of a man, partly undressed, lying in the water which was not more than ten inches deep. Calling loudly they summoned Mr. Yetter and Mr. Kimmel, who live nearby, and they responding immediately, recognized the dead man as Clinton Black a well-known resident of Camp Hill, who lived with members of his family in Market street, near the Lutheran Church.

Securing a sled these men had the body hauled to the late home and where Coroner Deardorf, of Mechanicsburg, was instantly summoned. Inasmuch as the deceased had deliberately removed some of his clothing and forced himself into the shallow water, Coroner Deardorf was convinced that it was a case of suicide and so announced.

Friends of Mr. Black say that he had been despondent recently. He was unmarried and lived with his two sisters, Edith and Fanny, and another sister, Mrs. Lemer. The funeral will be held from the home on Monday next, the Rev. Dr. Wigle holding services.

Mr. Black was 56 years old. He was employed a number of years in the Harrisburg post office and the last position he held was with the Elliott-Fisher Typewriting Company.

PRUSSIAN HOSPITALITY

COMPLETE PLANS MADE FOR PARK EXTENSION WORK

Shreiner Goes to New York to Compare Plans With Brunner

George A. Shreiner, state superintendent of public grounds and buildings, went to New York to-day to pass upon details of the plans drawn for Capitol Park improvements and the landscaping of the extension made by Arnold W. Brunner. Upon his return the plans will be taken up with the board in charge and work will be started in the spring.

"Everything is in excellent shape now for an early start. Mr. Brunner sent word to me that he was ready and I expect to spend to-morrow going over the details with him," said Mr. Shreiner to-day. "In a short time we will be able to take up actively work in Third and Walnut streets and to plan the Circle."

Mr. Shreiner to-day sent a letter to Mayor Keister calling attention of the city's chief executive to the work which it is planned to have the state and city assume together. This will include the widening of streets, creation of future building lines, the new highway through the park extension and the relocation of the bridge at State street.

Says He's Dead, but He'll Serve in Army When He Gets Out of Jail

Howard Averill, a drafted man of local district No. 1, Bradford county, who caused it to be reported that he had been killed shortly after registration last summer, and who has been posted on the draft books as dead, has been arrested and is in jail in Elmira, N. Y., according to dispatches received at state draft headquarters here to-day. Averill, it is alleged, constructed a very circumstantial story of his own death and saw to it that local newspapers published the accounts. The sheriff of Elmira wants to know what to do with him and Major Murdock has wired that the man be turned over to the United States authorities.

Ten Cases Listed For Argument Court Session

As the day for the regular argument court session comes on Christmas the ten cases listed by Prothonotary Henry F. Holler will be heard next Wednesday. The list follows:

Emma Habbyshaw vs. Frank B. Musser, motion for new trial; Commonwealth of Pennsylvania vs. Mike Karspes, motion for new trial; William Jennings, now to the use of the American Casualty Company of Reading vs. Charles E. Anderson, rule to repoint committee ad litem; Harry D. Sholl vs. Hershey Chocolate Company, motion for judgment n. o. v.; Bowman & Company vs. S. Z. Shope, motion for judgment for want of a sufficient bill of particulars; Commonwealth vs. George W. Watson, rule to increase maintainence; Commonwealth vs. Charsles W. Beiset, rule to show cause why the sum of $300 deposited with George A. Hoverter, alderman, should not be paid to Kate E. Lark; Commonwealth of Pennsylvania vs. Tioga Building and Loan Associations of Philadelphia, motion for judgment for want of a sufficient affidavit of defense; in the matter of the contested election of Newton W. Miller, motion to dismiss; Elizabeth W. Moeslein vs. Sarah J. B. Smith, motion for judgment for want of a sufficient affidavit of defense.

'GET TOGETHER' MOVEMENT GROWS ALL OVER STATE

Newspapers and Publishers Endorse Program of Harmony Among Republicans

From many parts of the state come letters of endorsement of the "get together" movement within the Republican party started by the Harrisburg Telegraph when on Wednesday of this week, it published the views of a large number of influential Republican newspaper editors throughout Pennsylvania.

The Lancaster New Era publishes the full list of interviews and letters and publishes the following editorial:

"The expressions of opinion from Republican state newspapers on the political situation as affecting the next gubernatorial campaign, as found in another column, should meet with the hearty approval of all Republicans who can place the general party good above factional ad-

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Navy Yard Needs 2,000 Skilled Workmen

By Associated Press

Washington, Dec. 21.—The aircraft factory at the Philadelphia navy yard now completed and in operation, needs immediately 2,000 skilled workmen of all kinds to bring it up to capacity production. There are places for machinists of all grades, sheet metal workers, wire workers, wood workers and many women also can find employment. The Navy Department urges that skilled workmen of all kinds register with the board of labor improvement at the yard.

The new plant will product only a portion of the flying boats needed for the Navy, but will be used extensively for experimental work on new types of seaplanes.

Gunman Gets 15 Years For Killing of Eppley

By Associated Press

Philadelphia, Dec. 21. — Vincent Sgueglia, alias Jacob "Butch" Mascia, a New York gunman, was last night convicted of second degree murder for the killing of Policeman George A. Eppley in the Fifth ward political fued on September 19, and was sentenced to fifteen to twenty years imprisonment.

Mascia was one of eighteen alleged gunmen brought here for election work. He and several others blackjacked James A. Carey, whose leadership of the ward was opposed by Mayor Thomas B. Smith, who is under bond on conspiracy charges in connection with the case. Policeman Eppley saw the assault and in attempting to arrest Mascia was shot.

Six other New York gunmen are awaiting trial as accessories to the killing.

ANOTHER SMALLPOX CASE

City health authorities to-day discovered another case of smallpox when it was found that Joseph Mercer, colored, 1307 Wallace street, was suffering from the disease. Mercer is a laborer at the Central Iron and Steel Company. A number of employes have already been vaccinated.

PROPOSAL THAT QUEBEC SECEDE IS INTRODUCED

Provincial Legislature Hears Echo of Recent Failure to Approve Conscription

By Associated Press

Quebec, Dec. 21.—A proposal that the province of Quebec secede from the confederation of Canadian provinces was expressed in a motion introduced into the provincial legislative assembly to-day by J. N. Francoeur, deputy for Lothiniere. Quebic is the only province which voted against conscription at the recent election.

The motion will be debated on January 8. It follows:

"That this house is of the opinion that the province of Quebec would be disposed to accept the rupture of the federation pact of 1867 if, in the opinion of the other provinces, it is believed the said province is an obtacle to the union and the progress and development of Canada."

Serbian Mission Received by President

By Associated Press

Washington, Dec. 21. — Serbia's military mission was received here to-day with much ceremony. Escorts of cavalry and a party of American officials, headed by Secretary Lansing, met the commissioners. Later the mission was received by President Wilson and presented an autograph letter from King Peter. To-night the President will entertain the mission at a state dinner.

Virginian Turkeys Sell Here at 35 Cents a Pound

Turkeys were selling in the city at 35 cents, live weight, this morning, and the vendors were making rapid sales despite the high prices. The Christmas price is an advance of two or three cents over the price that prevailed for the big birds at Thanksgiving time.

Dealers this morning said they are getting the Christmas supply of turkeys from Virginia. Turkeys from this vicinity are scarce, it was said.

Dressed turkeys are hard to find. Where the Christmas feast "piece de resistance" has usually been found, proprietors report themselves without the birds this Christmas.

Council to Hold Special Session on Ash Problem

A special meeting of council will be held this evening to pass finally the ordinance authorizing Commissioner Morgenthaler to advertise for bids for horses, harness, wagons and an auto truck to be used by the city for municipal ash collections. The ordinance was introduced at the regular session on Tuesday and the special meeting called at that time so that the bids for the equipment can be opened January 1, and contracts awarded. The total cost of the teams and truck is estimated at $15,000 and will be provided for in the 1918 budget. This will be the first definite step toward the organization that the ash collection work. It is understood bids will be asked for twelve two-horse wagons, six carts, thirty horses, and sets of harness.

CITY COMBED FOR RED CROSS MEMBERSHIPS

Many Who Have Already Subscribed Again Come to Aid of Organization

GOVERNOR INTERESTED

Twenty-five Members in as Many Minutes Is New Record

ONLY 551 TODAY

A total of 551 memberships for the Red Cross Christmas Membership Drive, was announced up to noon to-day. The week's total is 20,666 signed applications. "We expect some big contributions to-morrow," said Mercer B. Tate this afternoon.

Throughout the city to-day members of the Red Cross canvassing teams were making strenuous efforts to secure the nearly 10,000 memberships required to make up Harrisburg's 30,000 quota.

That this could be done very easily if the people of Harrisburg would co-operate with the campaigners is a certainty.

For example:

If every possessor of a Red Cross service flag on which there are no small crosses would buy one additional membership, the 10,000 would nearly have been secured.

There are innumerable service flags on which only the large cross apperas. Each additional small cross means an additional membership.

It was noticed to-day that blank spaces in many city blocks are being closed. On some city streets there is a continuous display of service flags from the windows. On other streets and blocks there are wide-open gaps between flags, but these gaps are being closed up.

Governor Belongs Many Times

Before going to Washington to attend an important meeting, Governor Brumbaugh sent to Red Cross headquarters a substantial check more than covering the membership of himself and Mrs. Brumbaugh in the local Red Cross chapter. The Governor and Mrs. Brumbaugh joined the chapter last May the first time. They also joined chapters in Wayne, Me., Philadelphia and Atlantic City.

"I consider it absolutely the duty of every real American citizen, and every real American citizen's wife, to belong to the Red Cross," said the Governor. "I have seen service flags in Harrisburg windows bearing half a dozen of the small crosses; and I have been pleased at this evidence of patriotic endeavor. I consider this a most appropriate time for a mem-

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One Hundred Per Cent. Club to Be Organized With Great Membership

Returns from all Red Cross workers are expected to be received at headquarters Christmas night, at least.

To-morrow the Harrisburg One Hundred Percent Club will come into existence.

The Hundred Percent Club is open for membership to those families, firms and various business organizations every member or employe of which is a member of the Red Cross.

There will be two insignias of membership, for window display.

The large placard bearing the legend "100 per cent." and one Red Cross is for families and business organizations. The placards bearing 100 per cent. and two Red Crosses are for additional display where every family or business place in a city block has 100 per cent. Red Cross membership.

Red Cross Drive Nets Heavy Enrollment in All Parts of Country

By Associated Press

Washington, Dec. 21.—Mobilized Red Cross workers engaged in the Christmas drive for 10,000,000 new members are obtaining heavy enrollments in every section of the country, reports received at the national headquarters here to-day indicate. The quotas assigned to many cities have been exceeded in the first three days of the campaign and workers have set higher figures for objectives.

The Atlantic division, including the states of New York, New Jersey and Connecticut has obtained 850,000 new recruits, while Pennsylvania already has passed the half million mark.

10,000 Halifax Pupils to Have Long Vacation

By Associated Press

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 21.—An indefinite vacation has been granted to nearly 10,000 pupils in the twenty-five public schools here because of the widespread damage to school buildings resulting from the explosion of an ammunition ship in the harbor on December 6. It was estimated to-day that the loss on these structures would exceed $1,500,000.

The 200 teachers deprived of regular employment, volunteered in a body to assist in general relief work G. K. Butler, supervisor of education, said it was impossible to determine when sessions might be resumed.

LONDON MAIL ISSUES AMERICAN EDITION

By Associated Press

Paris, Dec. 21.—The London Daily Mail yesterday began the publication of an American edition from the offices of its Paris edition. The new edition will be for Americans in France and will carry special cables and a page of mail news.

PLAN NEW SYSTEM FOR MANAGEMENT OF CITY SCHOOLS

Superintendent May Have Powers Increased Until He Is Virtually Manager

CENTER RESPONSIBILITY

New Rules to Be Brought Before Directors For Endorsement

To carry out seven important recommendations in the report on the survey of the city school district made by the New York Bureau of Municipal Research, the special committee on the revision of school board rules this afternoon presented a report asking permission of the directorate to have the new rules printed before being submitted to the board for final action.

The seven recommendations which are being provided for in rules being drawn by the special committee follow:

Abolition of all standing committees.

Creation of the office of purchasing agent.

Creation of the office of superintendent of buildings.

The employment of a competent accountant.

Enlargement of the powers of the city superintendent in the selection, dismissal, assignment,

Preparation of a schedule of teachers.

Giving full authority to the city superintendent in all matters pertaining to the examination, promotion, transfer and discipline of pupils.

Prperation of a schedule of business for each meeting of the board.

Part of the rules have already been prepared, it is understood, and the special committee is working on the additional ones which will be needed. It is said that the duties of the persons to fill the new offices will be designated in much the same

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ARGENTINA WILL BREAK WITH HUN, GENERAL BELIEF

New Evidence of German Trickery Presented in Publication of Telegrams

BUENOS AIRES INDIGNANT

Luxburg Tries Vainly to Embroil United States and South America

By Associated Press

Washington, Dec. 21.—Declaration of war against Germany by Argentina was regarded as almost certain in Latin-American diplomatic circles to-day as the result of new evidences of German trickery disclosed simultaneously in Washington and Buenos Aires last night by publication of another series of telegrams between the notorious Count Luxburg and the Berlin foreign office.

Luxburg former German charge in Buenos Aires, in a message dated August 1, last informed his foreign office that President Irigoyen of Argentina had at last made up his mind to negotiate a secret agreement with Chile and Bolivia for protection against North America. Another telegram intimated an attempt would be made to include Peru and the plan was to be perfected according to Luxburg's communication of August 1, "before the conference idea is taken up again."

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LA PRESSE GOES TO TWO CENTS

Montreal's Great French Daily Abandons 1c Price, Because of Paper Cost

Montreal, Dec. 21.—The growing cost of white paper was brought home to Montrealers this week, when La Presse, the leading French daily in the city and the paper with the largest circulation in Canada, raised its rates from one cent to two cents a copy. La Presse has a circulation of around 130,000 daily, so that its paper bill must amount to a tidy sum in the year.

ITALIANS RECAPTURE POSITIONS

ROME, DEC. 21.—A CONSIDERABLE PORTION OF THE GROUND GAINED BY THE ENEMY ON TUESDAY IN THE REGION OF MONTE ASOLONE. ON THE NORTHERN FRONT EAST OF THE BRENTA RIVER, HAS BEEN RETAKEN BY THE ITALIANS, THE WAR OFFICE ANNOUNCES.

WILSON TO ACT ON TRANSPORTATION

Washington, Dec. 21.—President Wilson will send a message to Congress recommending enactment of legislation to meet the transportation situation immediately after the holiday recess. Until it has been received the President to-day requested that Senate Interstate Commerce Committee withhold making any investigation as provided under the Cummins resolution.

NAVY DELAYS MERCHANT BUILDING

Washington, Dec. 21.—The Navy's utilization of much of the country's shipbuilding facilities was cited by Chairman Hurley of the Shipping Board before the Senate Investigating Committee to-day as one reason for the slow progress of merchant ship construction.

FORBID LIQUOR TO MEN IN FRANCE

With the American Army in France, Dec. 21.—All alcoholic beverages except light wines and beers are denied to members of the American expeditionary forces in France by General Pershing in general orders issued to-day. Extraordinary measures are being taken to insure sobriety and a high moral standard in the Army and the officrs have been informed they will be held to strict accountability for the fullest compliance with the orders.

SUGAR SHORTAGE INVESTIGATED

Washington, Dec. 21.—The Senate investigation of the sugar shortage was resumed here to-day with George M. Rolph, director of the Food Administration's Sugar Bureau, on the witness stand. The committee was prepared to have Mr. Rolph explain in detail the effect the food administration's price-fixing activities had on the situation.

ALLIES HAVE FAITH IN PERSHING'S ABILITY

Washington, Dec. 21.—Direct assurances of the confidence of British and French commanders in General Pershing's ability and their satisfaction with the breadth and soundness of his preparations to make American arms effective on the Western front, have reached Washington with the return of Major General Hugh L. Scott.

NOTHING OF IMPORT, SAYS LONDON

London, Dec. 21.—To-day's official communication says there is nothing of interest to report.

3 MACHINES BROUGHT DOWN BY BRITISH

London, Thursday, Dec. 20.—The British war office to-night issued the following statement on aviation activities in France "Three hostile machines were brought down in air fighting Wednesday and two others were driven down out of control. One of our machines is missing."

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Ralph D. Snyder and Mary L. Hoffman, Loyalton; Harry A. Rittner and Lena E. Drayer, Steelton; James H. Gormley and Edna G. Wanbaugh, Harrisburg; David F. Botts, Hershey, and Myrtle E. Harris, Harrisburg; Harrison M. Brown, Steelton, and Esther D. Walmer, Harrisburg.