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The big battle between the Germans and Russians over the frozen Tirul marsh southwest of Riga continues unabated. Further progress for the Germans along both sides of the Aa River is reported by Berlin, which claims an advance over a front of about six miles and the capture of Russian positions together with fourteen officers and 1,714 men and 13 machine guns.

Petrograd admits that southwest of the river the Russians have had to fall back a third of a mile, but says the attacks by the Germans on the marsh were repulsed.

Aside from this battle the fighting in the various theaters continues to be carried out mainly by the artillery and small reconnoitering and raiding parties. In Rumania the extremely cold

weather has virtually put an end to the operations for the moment. The lively fighting has taken place on the famous Dead Man Hill in the Verdun region of France, but no details of it have been made public. Reciprocal artillery duels, which have reached considerable proportions at several points, are being carried out from the Swiss frontier to the North Sea.

The British troops, under the defense of the Realm Act, will soon requisition such foreign securities held in Great Britain as may be required when the country's financial position.

The British labor conference at Manchester, which met there for three to one, has gone on record as being against an immediate offer of peace proposals.

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The memorial stated that ever since the beginning of the war men and women have been hungering for a kind of diplomacy. The phrase in the president's speech that it peace is to be permanent and that it must be won without victory was praised particularly.

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As Anthony Surinick, aged 13, was coasting down hill at Plymouth, Pa., the ground caved beneath him and he plunged into a quarry in which he was coal mine. He was seriously injured.

Ten persons were injured, two seriously, when a Pennsylvania Railroad train jumped the tracks of the Pittsburgh & Erie division at the McClintockville yards and crashed into a work train on a siding near Oil City, Pa.

SMUGGLED 300 POUNDS OF MANUFACTURED RUBBER.

Five Members of Crew of Belgian Steamer Janland Arrested.

New York, Jan. 25.—Five men, members of the crew of the Belgian steamer Janland, in service of the Belgian relief commission, were arrested here today and 300 pounds of manufactured rubber alleged to have been smuggled into the country were seized by officers of the United States customs neutrality squad. The men arrested, and five others who were in custody, are charged with conspiracy to defraud the United States through evasion of customs regulations.

\$250,000 FOR A NATIONAL SANITARIUM FOR LEPERS.

Appropriation Bill Has Been Passed by House and Senate.

Washington, Jan. 25.—A bill appropriating \$250,000 for a national sanitarium for lepers, already passed by the house, was passed today by the senate. The institution is to be administered by the public health service and officers engaged in the work will be given pay and a half.

### New Railroad Bill Framed

DESIGNED TO SUPPLEMENT THE ADAMSON LAW.

BY SENATE COMMITTEE

Provides Penalties for Any Railroad Employee Who Has Quit Work Trespassing on Railroad Property to Prevent Operation of Trains.

Washington, Jan. 25.—After several weeks' consideration, the senate interstate commerce committee tonight agreed on the substance of railroad legislation which it will recommend to supplement the Adamson law. Another meeting will be held tomorrow and Chairman Newlands expects to introduce the measure this week.

### Woman Suffrage Bill in the House

GIVES RIGHT TO VOTE AT PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS.

AND LICENSE QUESTION

Approved By Mr. Higgins of Coventry Appropriating \$104,000 for the State Board of Health—\$4,000 for Executive Officer.

(Special to The Bulletin.)

Hartford, Jan. 25.—There was another deluge of bills in the house Thursday, and it is expected the vote will be repeated on Friday, the last day for the introduction of new business. All of which indicates a session of the usual length.

### Condensed Telegrams

The Cunard steamer Saxonia arrived at New York from Liverpool.

Alderman Lawrence O'Neil was unanimously elected Lord Mayor of Dublin.

Fire destroyed the Griggs & Ball four mill at East Aurora, N. Y., at a loss of \$100,000.

B. A. Eckhar, of Chicago, was elected a director of the Erie Railroad to succeed George W. Perkins, resigned.

The National Security League's congress of constructive patriotism opened its three-day session at Washington.

Gold coin to the amount of \$1,300,000 was withdrawn from the sub-treasury for shipment to South America.

A joint resolution providing for universal women suffrage in Ohio was introduced in the Senate by Senator Holden.

United States Senator Robert L. Owen, of Oklahoma, was run over and slightly injured by an automobile at Oklahoma City.

A suggestion was made in Vienna that the Austrian Government issue "mortgage bonds" as a means of raising more money for war.

Captain Walter D. Wiley, of Thomaston, Me., and 13 of the crew of the schooner Fannie Palmer, which was abandoned 500 miles east of Gibraltar on Dec. 6, arrived at Boston.

A new plant at Esistingon, Pa., to cost between \$5,000,000 and \$7,000,000, was authorized by the directors of the Westinghouse Electric Co.

A check for \$42,360.27 was received by James Spitzer, treasurer of the American relief committee for widows and orphans of the war in Germany.

During October, 59 telephone companies earned \$2,976,258 and expended \$1,438,858, according to a report issued by the