

REMOVE 1,000 MEN FROM TRANSPORT

Heavy Seas Continue Pounding at Stranded Northern Pacific.

SOME WOUNDED ASHORE

By the Associated Press. NEW YORK, January 3.—Information that approximately 1,000 troops, including some of the wounded, had been removed from the American transport Northern Pacific, grounded at Fire Island, was received by Navy Department officials here at 10:30 a. m. today.

It is promised that a few of the soldiers remaining on board, and the work of removing these in small boats and with the breeches buoy was progressing favorably, it was stated.

Rescue in Pouring Rain.

FIRE ISLAND, N. Y., January 3.—With the first ray of light today regular parties left their improvised lodgings and assembled on the beach in the pouring rain, prepared to resume the task, abandoned yesterday at nightfall, of bringing the soldiers ashore.

Rescue by Submarine Chaser.

One hundred and fifty troops were removed shortly after 3 a. m. today, when submarine chaser No. 233 went to the leeward of the transport, took the soldiers aboard and conveyed them to the Malory, a transport with the rescuing fleet.

Propose Pontoon Bridge.

Because of the time required to land by boats and by the particular difficulty in handling the wounded, officers in charge of the rescue work today called for engineers from the Army and Navy to devise a plan to build a pontoon bridge from the ship to the beach.

Saved Lives of Seven.

Roy Arnett, a bay pilot, saved the lives of seven men who made an unsuccessful attempt to reach the Northern Pacific in a small boat yesterday afternoon.

Private Wallace Smith of This City Is Convalescing at Camp Meade.

CAMP MEADE, Md., January 3.—Coming out alive from battle over after he had nine pieces of shrapnel in his back and had received a bayonet thrust from a Hun, Private Wallace Smith, an eighteen year old soldier from Washington, on a visit to his home had the misfortune to fall and dislocate his right shoulder.

BLACK POPE TO RETURN.

ROME, January 2.—Father Vladimir Ledochowski, general of the Society of Jesus and known as "the Black Pope," has obtained permission to return to Italy and reside in Rome on the ground that he is a Polish citizen, according to the Italia. His arrival in Rome has been delayed because the Swiss frontier is closed.

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THE EVENING STAR does not print a forenoon edition. Its paid circulation in Washington suburbs is believed to be between two-and-one-half and three times that of the corresponding edition of its afternoon cotemporary in the same territory.

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Announcement was made today that the first meeting of the Senate and House conferees on the six-billion-dollar war revenue bill will be held Monday, when preliminary efforts to adjust differences growing out of amendments adopted by both houses will be made.

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LIFEBOATS REACH TRANSPORT STRANDED OFF FIRE ISLAND.



Transport Northern Pacific, which has been stranded on Fire Island, near New York. Photograph shows the first lifeboat to be launched successfully putting out from the shore to the stranded ship, not more than 250 feet away.

UNIVERSAL SERVICE STILL UNDETERMINED

Secretary Baker Tells Committee Military Policy Is Reserved Until Peace.

No decision has been reached by the War Department on the question of universal military service, Secretary Baker told the House military committee today, and he indicated that no definite project for a permanent military establishment would be presented to Congress until the peace conference had concluded its work.

INCREASE IN INFLUENZA CASES IS REPORTED

222 Is Total at Noon Today—19 Deaths—Relief Expected in Cold Weather.

Influenza cases reported to the health department to noon today totaled 222. This is an increase of 26 cases over yesterday, when 196 cases were reported.

MR. SHERMAN ATTACKS STAFF OF WAR OFFICE

Reception Says Cables Are Used for Await Word From Soldiers.

Senator Sherman of Illinois made a spirited attack on the Senate this afternoon upon the failure of the War Department to furnish information to anxious parents in this country of the whereabouts and welfare of their boys in the overseas Army.

SOCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL IMPROVEMENT IS TOPIC

Hearing on Betterment of Conditions Among Workers Held by Senate Committee.

The Senate committee on education and labor today opened hearings on a resolution by Senator Keayon of Iowa, approved December 11, directing the committee to report to the Senate methods of promoting better social and industrial conditions among man and woman workers.

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MANY WITHIN THE FIELD OF WAGE INVESTIGATION

Bureau Reports 15,678 Woman Employees in District—Cost of Living Study for Official Use.

A total of 15,678 women employed in the District of Columbia were employed in the field of wage investigation, according to the first annual report of the minimum wage board of the District of Columbia, filed with the District Commissioners today.

JAIL SENTENCES GIVEN IN ROADHOUSE CASES

Special Dispatch to The Star. BALTIMORE, Jan. 4.—The raids of federal authorities on several hotels and roadhouses in Prince Georges county last July, and again in November, terminated in the United States court here yesterday when Judge Rose imposed jail sentences on the proprietors of the establishments on the charge of violating the five-mile zone federal liquor regulations.

E. E. Brand's Case Develops Fact Ticket Agents Are Ignorant of Law.

Because of the failure of somebody in the railroad administration to notify ticket agents that clergy, men, inmates of national and state soldiers' homes, Sisters of Charity and others devoted exclusively to religious and charitable work are entitled to travel on the railroads for half fare, men holding the necessary credentials were today reduced to the cheaper rates.

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STEAMER ILLIN IS FLOATED.

NORFOLK, Va., January 3.—The Greek steamer Illin, which went ashore December 16 off Currituck, on the Carolina coast, was floated this morning by the government wrecking tug Resque.

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FOUR GREAT ALLIES TO CONFER JAN. 13

Will Decide in Paris on Terms to Be Imposed, Says Paper.

CONGRESS AT VERSAILLES EXPLAINS HIS POSITION

By the Associated Press. PARIS, January 3.—After the preliminary conference between the four great allied powers, which will open January 13, says the Journal, there will be a second conference, at which the other allied states will be consulted on questions interesting them.

The peace congress proper, the newspaper adds, will be held at Versailles. The debates will not be made public, but reports will be issued daily.

There is every likelihood, according to the morning newspapers, that the peace conference, or rather a preliminary conference between the four great allies, will open January 13. The secretaries of the conference will be Paul Dasta, French ambassador to Switzerland, and Philippe Berthelot of the French foreign office, it is said.

"This conference," says the Petit Journal, "will be held in a room to be imposed upon the vanquished peoples."

See U. S.-British Harmony. The view is now held in American official quarters that the attitude of the British leaders shows such coordination with the American viewpoint as will facilitate a mutual agreement before the peace conference.

Britain's Delegates Not Named. LONDON, January 2.—Announcements regarding British delegates to the peace conference and officials who will attend the British mission, the Associated Press learns, have not yet been decided on the composition of the peace delegation.

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OPPOSITION TO POLES HOPELESS.

BERLIN, Thursday, January 2 (by the Associated Press).—A protest against the "abject surrender to the Poles" which is advocated by Herr Ernst of the Prussian ministry, is printed by the Zeitung am Mittag today.

The minister, who has just returned from the border, declares that while the invasion by the Poles could have been prevented a fortnight ago, the situation is now hopeless.

The government members are in session today and are reported to be considering what action to take for the protection of German cities from the Poles.

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