

U. S. WARNING SEATES STIR IN ENGLAND

Message is Compared With President Cleveland's Venezuela Note.

Representations Made in a Friendly Spirit, Newspapers Point Out.

Statement Reached British Office Today—Will Take Time to Answer.

By Associated Press. LONDON, Dec. 30.—Foreign Secretary Grey returned to London from the country today. His coming was followed in the afternoon by a meeting of the cabinet and which before a full muster of his majesty's ministers there was discussed the protest of the United States government concerning the existing restrictions on American commerce.

The note of the American government has only just reached the British government and it is likely to occupy the attention of the ministry for a considerable time. In the meantime it is understood that Walter H. Page, the American ambassador, will be invited to go over the entire question with Foreign Secretary Grey.

LONDON, Dec. 30.—The American note protesting against the British treatment of American commerce, and insisting upon an early improvement, came as a complete surprise to the British public, as there had been virtually no intimation that any friction had arisen between the two governments.

The placards posted by the evening papers were given over exclusively to the American note, and the papers gave it the largest headlines they have given any news item during the past week. Consequently the British people regard this as one of the most important occurrences of the whole year. Nothing of the kind since President Cleveland's Venezuelan message produced such a sensation.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—Administration officials and all officials in diplomatic Washington were deeply interested today in reading London views of the American note, but there were no actual developments in the situation. Some of the neutral diplomats here have been supplied with an official memorandum summarizing the contents of the paper and Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, British ambassador, has received a copy. It was stated officially, however, that it would not be published here.

Watch Party.

Dent Hive 733, Lodge of the Modern Macabees will hold a Watch Party Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. J. W. Lowery, at 309 Third St. All members and their friends are urged to be present.

UNEMPLOYMENT BLAMED ON CAPRICE OF WOMEN

Speaker Says Fashion's Demands Hamper Manufacturers Because They Do Not Know What to Make Until Last Minute.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 30.—American women who demand new styles of shoes, hats, dresses and coats with each recurring season are largely responsible for the conditions which have thrown thousands of workmen out of employment, according to Miss Juliet Stuart Poyntz, of Boston, who delivered an address at yesterday's session of the national conference on the unemployed.

Miss Poyntz, who has made a study of the causes of unemployment, declared that caprice on the part of women who refuse to wear last year's dresses and hats, and who are continually demanding new kinds of shoes, has had quite as much influence recently in depressing the industrial world as the war. Manufacturers cannot provide steady employment for their people, she said, because they never know what to make until the last minute.

Miss Poyntz said the labor unions could help conditions by discontinuing the practice of drawing sharp lines of demarcation between the trades. There are ever so many little unions, she said, which the workmen themselves admit do more harm than good. The members of these unions are required to do only the kind of work under which they are registered, and risk of being expelled if they do any other.

40 FRENCH LAWYERS ARE KILLED IN BATTLE.

PARIS, Dec. 30.—A tablet has been placed in the court of appeals in Paris, on which are inscribed the names of 40 attorneys practicing in this court, who have fallen in battle.

SEWING FOR SOLDIERS.

Japanese Maidens Working on Garments For Fighters.



Photo by American Press Association.

Falls On Ice Dies Day After

PETER BRENNEN PASSED AWAY TODAY AS A RESULT OF INJURIES.

FUNERAL TO BE HELD ON FRIDAY—INTERMENT AT HOLY CROSS.

Mr. Peter Brennen, an aged resident of the city, died this morning at 9:30 o'clock at his home on Ogden avenue as the result of injuries received in falling last evening. Mr. Brennen, who is aged 90 years, was walking in the yard at his home when he slipped on the ice, displacing his hip in falling. He was given medical attention, and it was thought, while serious, the accident would not result fatally. However, this morning he was seen to be suffering greatly from the shock of the occurrence, his death occurring in a few hours.

Deceased was a native of Ireland and had been a resident of Fairmont for many years. He is survived by three sons, William, John and Thomas, well known residents of the city. The Misses Margaret and Kathryn Brennen are granddaughters of the deceased.

Funeral services will be held from St. Peter's Catholic church on Friday, but the hour has not been made known. Interment will be made in Holy Cross cemetery by Undertaker Musgrave & Sons.

Soldiers Leave the Colo. Strike Zone

By Associated Press. WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—Troops of the 12th U. S. Cavalry on patrol duty in the Oak Creek district Route Co., Colorado, since last May was ordered today to return to its home station at Fort Meade, South Dakota. Orders for the gradual withdrawal of the other federal troops sent into Colorado to quell mining disorders are in preparation.

Miss Etanche Price returned last evening from New Straightsville, O., where she had spent several weeks with her father, Mr. Harry Price who is seriously ill. Mr. Price's condition is not much improved.

NOTICE OWLS! There will be an installation of officers and social session on New Year's Eve, December 31, 1914. Come out and have a good time. W. H. RANDOLPH, Sec.

2 Masked Men Hold Up Texas Express Train

At Point of Pistol, Robbed Passengers in Two Coaches.

Stopped Train and Dropped Off—Officers Are Now in Pursuit.

By Associated Press. SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Dec. 30.—Two masked men boarded the west bound Sunset express on the Galveston, Harrisburg and San Antonio Railroad near Cline, Texas, early today and at the point of pistols robbed all of the passengers in the two rear sleepers. As they neared Spofford, Texas, the robbers gave an air chord signal for the train to stop after which they dropped off and escaped. A posse quickly organized by officers aboard the train started in pursuit. The two men swung aboard the rear sleeper as the train was leaving Cline.

Official War News

By Associated Press.

PARIS, Dec. 30.—The official announcement on the progress of the war given out by the French war department this afternoon reads as follows:

"In Belgium we have won a little territory in the region of Neufport, opposite Poldols and to the north of Lombardzyde. The enemy subjected St. George to a violent bombardment. This is the position we are putting in a state of defense. We have captured a German point of support southeast of Zombek between Bezelidre and Pascaendelle.

"From the Lys to Oise there is nothing to report. In the valley of the Aisne and in Champagne the enemy has manifested another burst of activity, which has taken the form particularly of a violent artillery fire, to which our heavy artillery replied effectively.

"In the Argonne we have made slight progress in the region of Fourge, Paris. Between the Argonne and Moselle there has been cannonading along the entire front, but particularly severe along the Heights of the Meuse.

"In the Vosges, the enemy delivered a attack against our position at Latete (r. Faux. This was repulsed. In Upper Alsace we are consolidating our positions. Our heavy artillery refused to silence the howitzers of the Germans bombarding Upper Alsace."

VIENNA, Austria, wireless to London, Dec. 30.—An official communication given out by staff headquarters admits a retreat by the Austrians in Galicia. The statement says:

"The Russian army which about a week ago commenced an offensive movement against those of our forces which had crossed the Carpathians has been reinforced with supplementary troops and fresh divisions in such a manner that it is necessary for us to withdraw our troops along the entire front and in the plains of Gorlice north of the Carpathians. The situation in the north has not been influenced thereby.

"In the Balkan theatre of war the Montenegrins showed great but unsuccessful activity."

BERLIN, by wireless to London, Dec. 30.—The official communication given out today by the German war office says:

"In the western theatre of war we are still fighting for the hamlet of St. Georges to the south of Neuport, which we were compelled to evacuate owing to surprise attack. Storm and cold have caused damage to the positions of both sides in Flanders and in Northern France. On the rest of the front the day passed quietly.

"In East Prussia the Russian cavalry was driven back in the direction of Pilska, four miles from the Russian frontier, and south of the Niemen river.

"In Poland, on the right bank of the Vistula, the situation remains unchanged. On the western bank of the Vistula the offensive to the east of the tributary, Bzura, continues.

"For the rest, fighting on and to the east of the Rawka branch continues, as well as at Inowloz and in the region to southwest of this place. Reports from outside sources give the impression that Lowicz and St. Skiernewice are not in our possession. We captured these places more than six days ago. Inowloz is situated far behind our front."

Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Nuzum and Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Farley went to Pittsburgh this afternoon for a few days visit.

50,000 Soldiers Taken By Russia In This Month

Fifteen Thousand Austrians Captured in Last Nine Days.

Entire Army is Now in Full Retreat Over the Carpathians.

LONDON, Eng., Dec. 30.—Since their latest offensive commenced in December the Russians have taken 50,000 Austrian prisoners and captured many guns, according to the Russian official reports, and it, as was estimated, Austria had between three and four army corps on its re-entry into Galicia, it must have lost more than a third of the number in killed, wounded and prisoners. The state of the roads, which are deep in mud, has prevented the Russians from making the pursuit as effective as it might have done could the Cossacks have found a firm footing for their horses.

In Southern Poland the Russians record successes, while in Galicia they have apparently inflicted a defeat on the Austrians almost as serious as that which Emperor Franz Joseph's troops suffered in Serbia.

15,000 Taken in Nine Days. PETROGRAD, Dec. 30.—(Via London.)—The retreat of the Austrian army in Galicia, along the Lisko-Sabok-Dukla-Zmigrod front, is described officially here as more and more precipitate and disorderly. The retreating forces are estimated unofficially as numbering about 175,000 men.

The nature of the country favors the Austrians in their retreat. The corridor-like valley and passes prevent the Russians from pursuing over parallel roads or harassing their flanks. Only six roads cross the Carpathians, two of which are little more than mountain trails. Owing to the broken character of this region the Russian cavalry is able to do little scouting, while the extreme cold renders aeroplanes useless.

The large number of prisoners taken, amounting in the last nine days to about 200 officers and 15,000 soldiers, with 40 machine guns, is believed here to indicate that the Austrians are not offering a stubborn rear guard resistance.

Prisoners' Feet Frozen. Isolated attacks by Germans in the region south of Skiernewice are reported officially to be continuing unsuccessfully. Russian military critics describe these attacks as a final effort, stating the great losses sustained by the invaders in the last week or 10 days are beginning to have an appreciable effect.

A period of inactivity apparently has set in along the front before Warsaw, between the Vistula and Pilica rivers.

The last three lots, consisting of 600 men each, of Austrian prisoners taken to Klev from Southern Galicia, contain numbers of men who are unaccounted for, but were made unfit for service by frozen feet. Most of the prisoners are between the ages of 40 and 50.

The Official Army Messenger says that 300 Slavs from Bosnia and Herzegovina encountered Russian soldiers near Tunoff.

German Prisoners Make French Roads

By Associated Press. ST. POL, via Paris—German prisoners of war worked cheerfully at the side of their armed French guardians in repairing the much damaged national highways in this region just to the rear of the colossal battle front. The prisoners are on the best terms with their captors who shared cigarettes whiffs from their pipes and other luxuries with their erstwhile foes.

The prisoners remained only a short time in this neighborhood. As soon as a sufficient number is taken to fill a train, the captives are dispatched to some town on the coast or in the interior, or embarked for Algeria.

Germans Abolish Belgian Flour Duty

By Associated Press. BRUSSELS, via Amsterdam and London, Dec. 30.—The German administration in Belgium to render less difficult the maintenance of the civil population has abolished duty on flour made from grain imported by American commission for the relief of Belgium. This duty was the same as that imposed in normal times and was added to the arbitrary price of flour established by German authorities.

Ice Goes Out. The ice started this morning and is now floating down the river. The rain has swollen the streams and the Monongahela is rising.

Quarry Work Starts Again. The quarry gang has resumed work. There is considerable material to be removed.

RUSSIANS HOLD GERMANS IN CHECK; TEUTONS STOP ALLIES BELGIUM MARCH

VISITING THE WOUNDED.

Princess August Wilhelm in a Hospital in Berlin.



Photo by American Press Association.

Dead Man Is Not Julian Ross

MRS. FRANK PAULETTA LOOKS AT BODY, BUT FAILS TO IDENTIFY IT.

SAYS POSITIVELY THAT IT IS NOT JULIUS ROSS OF CLARKSBURG.

Mrs. Frank Pauletta, of whom much has been written the past several days, visited the Cunningham morgue this morning and there stated that Jim Rochella, alias Julius Ross, alias John Ross, alias Frank Rachello, whose corpse is now lying at the undertaker's parlors, is not the Julius Ross with whom her name has been connected. She made a careful study of the prostrate form of the murdered man. This direct denial of the identity that had been established throws a crimp for the time being into the case.

Mrs. Pauletta lives on Water street in the First ward. She was at the Mayor's office this morning trying to get money for transportation to Clarksburg. Just why she wanted to go to Clarksburg is a matter of conjecture, since she has been living for a considerable time in this city. Mayor Bowen sent her to the county officials and it was then that she visited the morgue and told the officers that the dead man there said to be Julius Ross was not he, but another man.

Mrs. Pauletta was closely questioned, but it developed that she knew nothing of the murder committed at Kilmar and she was permitted to go.

Socialists to Care For Strike Children

By Associated Press. WHEELING, Dec. 30.—Socialist leaders here today declared that if the striking miners in the eastern Ohio coal fields were evicted from the company houses, they now occupy, the socialists would take care of all children under 12 years who may be affected. Five thousand children, it was stated at the socialist headquarters would be distributed among families in the cities of Wheeling, Stouenville and Parkersburg and if homes for a greater number are needed an appeal would be made to the national socialist organization. Long lists of children's names have been prepared and efforts are being continued to complete the census.

WHEELING, Dec. 30.—It was stated here today that a meeting of the coal operators of the Eastern Ohio fields would be held in Cleveland next Monday, at which a uniform plan for evicting miners from company houses would be considered. It was also stated that the operators would consider plans to operate their mines with non union miners.

Brings in Big Knife. Squire J. Lane Parrish, of Worthington, was in the city today. He brought with him a big knife taken from Russell Smith. Smith is now in the county jail. Justice Parrish swore out a warrant for Smith's arrest.

Newspapers In England Admit A Decrease In Vigor Of The French And British

Kaiser's Soldiers Are Killed By Thousands On The Banks Of Bzura River

By Associated Press. LONDON, Dec. 30.—The soldiers of Emperor Nicholas still hold the main armies in check and continue to press their advantage according to dispatches reaching here. At the same time, they are harassing the Austrians who have been slung back over the Carpathian mountains.

ALLIES CLAIM SLOW PROGRESS.

In the western arena of the war the allies continue to claim slow progress but the offensive started about the middle of December had noticeably slackened, a fact which Berlin excepting the order issued by Gen. Joffre, the French commander in chief on December 17, as bona fide declared, means the failure of attempted allied advance. Even some of the British newspapers call attention to the marked decrease in the vigor of the French-British and Belgian thrust at the German line, but they add that the reason for this quiet soon will be disclosed.

GERMANS LOSE THOUSANDS.

The Bzura river to the west of Warsaw has now become the Yser of the east. On its banks the Germans have been sacrificing thousands of men as they did in Belgium on the Yser. The crossing which they forced at great cost has now been nullified according to dispatches from Petrograd, the Russians having driven the invaders back to the west bank of the river.

Three Children Burned To Death at Sunbury

SUNBURY, Pa., Dec. 30.—One of the four children of George Krum Lameburner of Grovania, Montour county, ran to a neighbor's house today and the mother went in pursuit to bring it back. When she returned to her home she found the house in flames and her three other children burned to death. The little victims of the blaze were two boys, aged 7 months and 5 years, respectively, and a girl aged 3.

Two Boys Injured By One Rifle Shot

MONESSEN, Pa., Dec. 30.—Theodore and James Powell, aged 10 and 8, respectively, sons of George Powell, were victims of a shooting accident while playing with a .22 caliber rifle, given to them as a Christmas present. The boys were playing in a room with the gun when it was accidentally discharged. The bullet passed through the younger boy's right hand, striking his brother in the back and lodging in the left lung. Theodore's condition is serious.

COUNTERFEIT COINAGE IS MINTED IN PRISON

Missouri Convicts Become Peevish When Bad Money is Passed on Them and Search Reveals Plant in Cell.

Voters Recall Mayor Who Served 4 Terms

SALEM, Mass., Dec. 30.—Mayor John F. Hurley was recalled by the voters in a special election today. Matthias J. O'Keefe, leather manufacturer, and candidate of the Better Government Association, defeating him by a vote of 2,465 to 2,829. It was the first recall election in New England.

In the campaign the opposition charged that Mayor Hurley had not enforced the liquor laws. He had served as mayor four one-year-terms and two years of a fifth term of three years.

Country Club Dance Tonight.

The Christmas dance will be an event at the Country Club tonight which will be largely attended. A special car will leave the city at 8 o'clock to carry the guests to the Country Club and dancing will begin on the arrival of the car.

Coal Men Form Organization

CENTRAL WEST OPERATORS HELD MEETING YESTERDAY IN THE CITY.

The Central West Virginia Coal Operators' Association was organized here yesterday.

The objects of the association are: First, The conservation of coal properties by improved methods of production. Second, Providing the best, safest and most approved means for mining of coal and the safeguarding of miners and other employes engaged in such pursuit.

The counties represented in the association are: Marion, Harrison, Monongalia, Lewis, Taylor, Barbour, Preston, Braxton, Randolph, Upshur, Mineral, Tucker, and Gilmer. Forty-three companies were represented at the meeting and are members of the association.

The directors by counties follow: Harrison and Lewis counties, A. Leasurung, J. Edgar Lang, Daniel Howard; Marion county, George T. Watson, C. H. Jenkins, and R. M. Hite; Mineral and Grant counties, J. G. Boyd; Tucker county, C. W. Calloredo's condition is serious.

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JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Dec. 30.—

Two moulds for making counterfeit half dollars were found yesterday in the cell of William Brandon, who is serving a five-year term for forgery in the state prison here.

Thirty half dollars were passed among the convicts on the Christmas holiday when they were given the freedom of the yards. Seven coins were found on Brandon when his cell was searched. When his term in the penitentiary expires he will be turned over to the Federal authorities.

The deputy warden of the prison said spurious coins first were passed among the various booths prisoners were allowed to set up on Christmas. One convict, who ran a grocery stand, received a counterfeit half dollar and notified the prison officers. An investigation followed.