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Answer of Entente to German Peace Note Will be Made Today by English Premier

PRONOUNCEMENT MAY HAVE FAR FLUNG EFFECT

IN THE MEANTIME FRENCH TROOPS CONTINUE TO GAIN GROUND ON THE WESTERN FRONT IN VERDUN SECTOR

GERMAN LOSSES HEAVY

New Offensive Started Podius Have Captured Eleven Thousand Teutons and More Than Two Hundred Cannon and Machine Guns

LONDON, Dec. 19.—[illegible]

FRENCH GAINING GROUND.

LONDON, [illegible]

GROUP OF FRENCH GENERALS WHO ARE HOLDING GERMANS

No. 1, Joffre (sitting) and Castelnau; No. 2, Castelnau; No. 3, Joffre at right; No. 4, Castelnau; No. 5, Pétain; No. 6, [illegible]

Of all the armies which crossed to France in the Great War, one army escaped Joffre. General Pétain, hero of Verdun, is generally the most popular of French generals, and certainly the most of a soldier, a soldier's soldier. He is the man who, when the French lines were broken in Champagne, rallied the fugitives and led them back to victory. Castelnau, who is a cousin of Joffre, is a devout Catholic and a great soldier. He was wounded and taken prisoner in the early days of the war, but escaped from his captors and returned to his command. Castelnau is the man who, when the Germans were at the gates of Paris, rallied the French troops and drove the invaders back from the capital. Castelnau is a tall man, with a long face, a pointed beard, and a quiet, reserved manner. He is a great soldier, and his men have for him the greatest admiration and affection. Castelnau is the man who, when the Germans were at the gates of Paris, rallied the French troops and drove the invaders back from the capital. Castelnau is a tall man, with a long face, a pointed beard, and a quiet, reserved manner. He is a great soldier, and his men have for him the greatest admiration and affection.

LARGE PUBLISHERS ASKED TO GIVE UP SOME PRINT PAPER

FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION URGES DIVISION OF AVAILABLE SUPPLY

BIG FELLOWS OBJECTING

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—The Federal Trade Commission is conferring with publishers in an effort to collect the print paper [illegible]

GERMAN STEAMER LINES ANTICIPATE AN EARLY CONCLUSION OF PEACE

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Action indicating the earlier participation of an early peace was revealed here today when two big German transatlantic lines instructed their agents to make freight contracts for shipments from New York to Germany after the conclusion of peace.

TODAY'S CALENDAR.

Local forecast for today: Fair and warmer; light northerly easterly winds.

AT THE THEATRES

ARCADE—Gail Kane in "The Scarlet Oak," a Blue Mouse drama.

GRAND—"The Last of the Marsanys" is the play starred, also "The White Parker," a comedy and Universal Animated Weekly.

REGAL—"Just Twenty-Four Hours" starring Richard C. Travers and Marguerite Clayton, also "The Mayor's Fall From Grace," a comedy.

TODAY'S LOCAL CALENDAR

"Chimes of Normandy" a French attraction at the High School tonight.

Weekly meeting Miramar Lodge Knights of Pythias tonight at 7:30 o'clock.

Trades Council meets tonight at 8:00 o'clock at Labor Temple.

VIENNESE SOCIETY FORCED TO FOREGO DINNERS AND DANCES

VIENNA, Austria, Dec. 19.—Vienna and Austro-Hungarian society is experiencing a third dinnerless, dancelessness winter, and is even more prevented from going to the Riviera, Italy and Egypt, but measures [illegible]

WORLD HAS BARELY ENOUGH FOOD TO LAST UNTIL THE NEXT HARVEST

Unless Great and General Economy is Exercised Pinch of Famine is Said to be Likely Before the Close of the Coming Year

ROME, Dec. 19.—The International Institute of Agriculture has issued a report under the title "Shortage Threatens to Last Until Next Harvest."

The report says that [illegible]

OIL BARGE WRECKED ON JETTIES AT PORT ARANSAS, CARGO LOST

CREW OF TWO MEN BROUGHT SAFELY ASHORE BY LIFE SAVING CREW

RESCUE WORK DIFFICULT

PORT ARANSAS, Texas, Dec. 19.—[illegible]

WEATHER FORECAST.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—For East Texas: Tuesday fair and warmer. Wednesday partly cloudy, colder in northeast.

West Texas: Tuesday generally fair. Wednesday cloudy, colder in north.

CARRANZA DECLINES TO RATIFY PROTOCOL FOR BORDER CONTROL

CHARACTER OF FIRST CHIEF OBJECTION SUCH AS TO LEAVE SOME PROSPECT OF ADJUSTMENT

Mexican Commissioners Instructed Not to Cause a Break Between the Two Governments if it Can be Possibly Avoided

COMMISSIONERS SILENT

American Members, However, Are Reported to Still Have Hope of Reaching an Amicable Adjustment of the Controversy

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 18.—Carranza's representatives on the American-Mexican joint commission admitted to the American members today that the border protocol, agreed to by the conferees at Atlantic City, had not been ratified by the first chief. They supplemented the admission, however, with a declaration of Carranza's attitude, assuring the United States that the delay in its ratification did not signify rejection of the agreement.

The exact character of Carranza's communication was not made public but both sides apparently expect a continuance of the conference to discuss other matters. Two sessions were held today when adjournment was taken until tomorrow.

It is understood that Carranza is withholding ratification not because the terms of the document were found impossible, but because he feels that Secretary Lane's recent statement made its acceptance inconsistent without first defining the position of the Mexican government.

It is learned that the Mexican commissioners have been empowered to use their own judgment in phrasing the final document and that they were urged by Carranza not to cause a break between the two governments if it can be avoided.

The apparent attitude of the American commissioners tonight is that Carranza has made no insuperable objections to her further discussion, but some of the commissioners would talk for publication. All believe, however, that a satisfactory agreement will ultimately be reached.

It is understood the declaration relative to the investigation pursuant of bandits by Americans wounded the sensibilities of the first chief and that the message brought to Pani was practically a counter declaration of the policy of the Mexican government.

TRAIN SERVICE SUSPENDED

EL PASO, Texas, Dec. 19.—All trains except those carrying troops have been suspended between Chihuahua and Juarez owing to the shortage of locomotives and coal. Villa is understood to have taken a number of locomotives when he captured Chihuahua City recently.

SOLDIERS WARN NATION AGAINST UNPREPAREDNESS

GENERALS SCOTT AND WOOD DECLARE COUNTRY WOULD BE HELPLESS IF ATTACKED BY ANY WELL ORGANIZED FOE

URGE UNIVERSAL SERVICE

High Officers Brand Volunteer System as an Utter Failure, This Being Strikingly Demonstrated by Recent Border Mobilization

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 19.—The mobilization of the national guard for border service was described as a still, cold failure by Major General Scott and Wood before the senate subcommittee on military affairs today. Both officers confirmed the report of many, during the mobilization for the universal military service system.

General Wood, who commands the department of the east, said there got out of the militia thousand men from the ranks and to the hundreds who dropped for physical reasons. It has been a tragedy, he said, but will be worth all it cost if it will only profit by the experience, he said.

Generals Wood and Scott said the country is utterly defenseless against a well organized foe. General Scott, according to the time he was in the western states when the government, without preparation or at most, was compelled to call out the national guard to protect the lives and property of citizens in Mexico, said the country was in no condition to defend itself against a well organized foe.

NATIONAL GUARD UNITS TOTALLING 16,000 MEN ORDERED FROM BORDER

NO SOUTHWESTERN TROOPS INCLUDED IN GENERAL FUNSTON'S SELECTIONS

75,000 TO BE RETAINED

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Dec. 18.—National guard organizations, aggregating sixteen thousand troops, were ordered home today by Major General Funston. No southwestern troops were affected.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—It was stated at the war department today that the sixteen thousand men ordered home today from the border for mustering out should not be construed as foreshadowing the withdrawal of General Pershing's punitive expedition from Mexico. It was stated that seventy-five thousand men will be maintained on the border until Pershing is withdrawn.

CANADIAN RAILROADS BEING TORN UP FOR USE IN WAR ZONES

OTTAWA, Canada, Dec. 19.—[illegible]

TROOPER ACCIDENTALLY KILLED

[illegible]

UNIFORM AIRBRAKES BEING INSTALLED ON ALL GERMAN TRAINS

LONDON, Dec. 19.—A German [illegible]

FRANCE TO LIST ALL FOREIGN COMMERCIAL HOUSES IN REPUBLIC

PARIS, Dec. 18.—The government has proposed a law establishing a "commercial register" to provide [illegible]

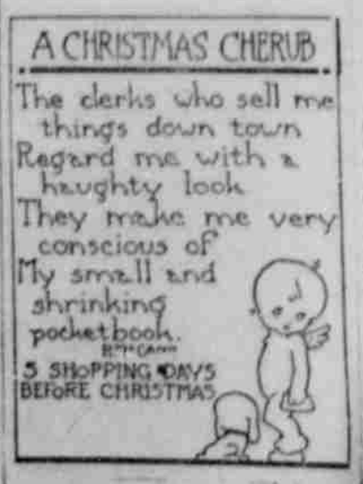
RECEIPTS OF FRENCH RAILROADS FALL FAR BELOW THEIR REVENUE

INCREASED COST OF OPERATING EXPENSES CUT DOWN EARNINGS

PARIS, France, Dec. 18.—[illegible]

LONDON SUFFRAGETTES GIVEN OPTION OF JAIL OR PAYING HEAVY FINE

LONDON, Dec. 18.—Sylvia Pankhurst and a number of suffragette sympathizers were fined forty shillings or were [illegible]



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HOLLAND MERCHANTS SEEKING NEW MARKET IN FAR SOUTH AMERICA

THE HAGUE, Netherlands, Dec. 18.—[illegible]

BURGLARS GET $1,000

CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—Five safe blowers entered a State street store before daylight today, chloroformed two watchmen, blew open the safe and escaped with [illegible]. They worked four hours before getting the booty together and left long after daylight, having bound the watchmen to chairs.