

LATEST NEWS  
EPITOMIZED

FROM TELEGRAPHIC REPORTS  
THAT COVER THE WEEK'S  
EVENTS.

OF MOST INTEREST

KEEPING THE READER POSTED  
ON MOST IMPORTANT  
CURRENT TOPICS.

ABOUT THE WAR.

The Portuguese Chamber at Lisbon voted favorably for Portugal joining England in the war against Germany.

Nearly 1,000 Austrian soldiers are reported to have been killed or injured in a collision of two troop trains near Kallix, Russian Poland.

A German aeroplane was sighted Friday in London. It was flying very high from east to west over Sheerness. British air craft went up in pursuit and engaged the enemy, who, after being hit three or four times, was driven off seaward.

Neither the Austro-German offensive operations against the Russians nor the allies' attacks upon the German lines in the west made any appreciable progress the past few days, although the fighting continued along the greater part of the two fronts with unabated intensity. In both cases the attacking armies appear to have run full tilt against what seems to be almost impenetrable lines, according to a London dispatch.

WESTERN.

Temperature of 17 degrees below zero characterized Duluth's Christmas Day.

Fourteen-year-old Susie Pollard was burned to death at Calumet, Mich., while making Christmas candy.

Federal prison guards and Atlanta police sought two convicts who escaped from the United States penitentiary at Atlanta.

The rarest case of the kind in Zanesville, Ohio, medical annals proved a puzzle to physicians when Mrs. Melliss, Fouts of Cannelville, born a mute, was able to talk just before she died.

Import taxes collected at the Chicago port in 1914 were \$9,170,686, or \$1,956,952 less than during the previous year, according to the annual report of Rivers McNeill, collector of customs.

Practically every member of the city administration of Terre Haute, Ind., is in the hands of United States authorities as a result of the wholesale arrests made there on indictments charging a conspiracy to corrupt the election of Nov. 3 last.

Fred M. Coleman, former deputy state treasurer of Idaho, entered a plea of guilty in District Court at Boise to the charge of embezzlement of \$22,000 of state funds and was sentenced to serve from two and one-half to ten years in the state penitentiary, O. V. Allen, former state treasurer, under whom Coleman served, is serving a sentence in the penitentiary for the same crime.

WASHINGTON.

Preliminary estimates by postoffice officials place the number of parcel post packages handled during the Christmas rush at 100,000,000, and indicated that the total volume of parcel post traffic for 1914 will total nearly 1,000,000,000 packages.

Twenty-one modern battleships flying the Stars and Stripes will follow the Oregon, the "old bulldog of the navy" through the Panama canal when the Atlantic fleet goes to participate in the opening ceremonies of the Panama-Pacific Exposition.

Secretary Bryan received word unofficially that the plan proposed by Brig. Gen. Hugh L. Scott, chief of staff of the United States army, for the prevention of firing into American territory along the Mexican border, had been agreed upon by all factions.

The request by Colonel George W. Goethals, governor of the canal zone, for the dispatch of American warships to the canal to preserve the neutrality of the United States, was suggested by naval officers in charge of wireless plants and naval affairs in the zone, was forwarded to Washington as a matter of form by Colonel Goethals, acting in his capacity as governor of the canal zone, and the incident is ended so far as Colonel Goethals is concerned—so announced the colonel himself upon his arrival in New York from Cristobal on the steamship Panama.

The output of South Dakota's gold mines this year was valued at \$7,270,000, compared with \$7,312,294 in 1913, according to the federal geological survey.

President Wilson celebrated his fifty-eighth birthday Monday, receiving congratulatory messages from all parts of the United States and foreign countries.

The parcel post volume for Christmas broke all records. Postmaster General Burleson announced, New York and Philadelphia reported the greatest percentage of increase.

FOREIGN.

Queen Helena of Italy gave birth to a daughter. Both mother and child are doing well.

Pope Benedict devoted the greater part of Christmas to developing his plan for the exchange of wounded prisoners.

The Berlin Norddeutsche Zeitung issues a warning against using grain to feed animals, especially rye, which is needed for breadstuffs.

German proclamations announcing a levy of 500,000,000 francs (\$100,000,000) indemnity at Brussels have been passed over, say the Paris Journal.

The Chamber of Deputies voted unanimously at Paris an appropriation of \$1,700,000,000 to cover the expenses of the next six months, including the cost of the war.

Francis E. Johnson, 35 years old, of Meadow Valley, Wis., United States signal corps operator at Donnelly, Alaska, was frozen to death on the trail near his post.

Arrangements have been made to hold an International Socialist peace conference in London, Jan. 17, at which each neutral country will be represented by four delegates.

General Sir Thomas Kelly-Kenny, formerly adjutant general of the British forces, is dead. His home was at Doolough lodge, in County Clare, where he had lived since his retirement in 1907.

Queen Wilhelmina, in signing a bill for a war loan of 275,000,000 florins (\$110,000,000) informed the finance minister that she would personally underwrite 2,500,000 florins (\$1,000,000) of the amount.

The members of the Russian imperial family who have been at Moscow for several days departed, the Emperor setting out for the battle front and the Empress Alexandra leaving for Tsarskoye Selo, with their son and two daughters.

SPORT.

Fireman Jim Flynn knocked out George (One Round) Davis of Buffalo in the seventh round of a ten-round match at Buffalo, N. Y.

That not less than \$2,750,000 was bet on the races at Pimlico in the twenty-six days of the two meets held this year at Baltimore is indicated by the annual financial statement of the Maryland Jockey Club, which has just been made public.

What is said to be a new world's bowling record was made by Daniel Hamlet of Sioux City when he rolled the last ball in a twenty-four-hour endurance contest at Sioux City. Hamlet bowled 114 games and knocked down 20,045 pins, an average of 175 8-10 pins. The best previous twenty-four-hour record, seventy games, was held by a Los Angeles, Cal., bowler.

GENERAL.

Alfred Henry Lewis, newspaper man and writer of books, died at the home of his brother in New York of an intestinal disorder.

Marshall Field, grandson of the late millionaire merchant of Chicago, obtained a marriage license to wed Miss Evelyn Marshall of New York.

The first loan application to the \$135,000,000 cotton loan fund was received from Alabama by the New York committee of bankers in charge of the fund.

Notices announcing a resumption of full time in all departments were posted in the factories of W. H. McElwain Shoe Manufacturing Company at Manchester, N. H.

An unknown bandit was killed, Chief of Police Fenton was shot through the leg, and two other citizens were wounded in a battle at Cleveland, Okla., following an attempt to hold up twenty men in a pool hall.

The people of the United States and Great Britain observed the 100th anniversary of the signing of the treaty of Ghent, by reminding themselves that the day marked a century of peace among English-speaking nations.

Governor Jose Maria Maytorena of Sonora lifted the siege of Naco, Sonora, opposite Naco, Ariz., and retired to the southwest with his troops. He destroyed his works, burned his camps and removed all his artillery.

Facial beauty is no longer an asset to women alone. Its loss to mere man is ground for damages. So ruled Circuit Judge W. M. Thompson at Danville, Ill., in awarding John L. Hillman, a coal miner \$562 for disfigurement of his features in a premature explosion in the Tiro Rivers mine a year ago.

Ex-United States Senator James Donald Cameron, 82 years old, more widely known as "Don" Cameron, Quay's predecessor as boss of Pennsylvania, who has been living for many years in retirement on his big farm at Donegal, near Harrisburg, Pa., executed legal papers for the adjutant and division among his heirs of his estate of \$4,000,000.

The young people of Manchester, N. H., are almost unanimously in favor of Harry K. Thaw, receiving his freedom. The reason is simple. Christmas he entertained twenty-one children in his home with a Christmas tree.

Harry K. Thaw soon will make another fight to establish his sanity. In the opinion of several acquaintances. The opportunity, it is expected, will be afforded when Thaw is returned to New York state to answer the indictment charging conspiracy to escape from the insane asylum at Matteawan.

STATE NEWS

OF INTEREST TO ALL  
NEW MEXICO  
PEOPLE

Western Newspaper Union News Service.  
DATES FOR COMING EVENTS.  
April 2-3—Annual Meeting Southwestern New Mexico Cattle Growers' Association, at Deming.

There is talk of establishing a creamery station at Carrizozo.

It is stated that the laws enacted by the last Legislature of the state cost \$87 each.

The carload of turkeys recently shipped out of Artesia brought the shippers \$2,000.

One hundred thousand brook trout have been introduced into the streams around Silver City.

Stockmen cannot recall a winter when the coyotes were as thick as they are this year.

Claude M. Cooley was acquitted at Aztec of the charge of murdering his cousin, Ed Gilliland.

At least 100 Indians from New Mexico and Arizona will be in attendance at the San Diego exposition.

Bales of soapweed aggregating many tons were used to construct a temporary loading pen for cattle at Obar.

The destruction by fire of Dr. J. E. Massey's Home Sanitarium at Tucuman resulted in a loss of approximately \$5,000.

James E. Elder of Albuquerque and Philip Steinfeldt of Mora have been commissioned notaries public by Governor McDonald.

There are thirty-nine private and sectarian schools in New Mexico, with 242 teachers, 5,559 pupils enrolled, and a daily average attendance of 4,209.

The New Mexico Federation of Women's Clubs has begun a campaign for legislation empowering the state to participate in work of a charitable nature.

County Treasurer Cox of Las Cruces has received the proceeds from the sale of the recent \$50,000 issue of road bonds and the money is now available for use on the Dona Ana county roads.

The traveling auditor of the state has appointed C. W. Gerber of Las Cruces to take charge of the First State Bank, that closed its doors recently. He is under a \$50,000 bond.

It should be a pretty good piece of property that it brings a price of \$32,500. The W. Love farm, near Portales, of 329 acres, was recently sold to A. L. Kenyon of Oklahoma at those figures.

State Engineer James A. French has granted the Socorro Mining and Milling Company an extension until January 25, 1917, for the completion of its power plant at Mogollon, Socorro county.

According to figures believed to be authentic, the agricultural and live stock territory around the little town of Melrose, Curry county, is shipping out \$30,000 worth of products a month or \$300,000 worth a year.

Intimation comes from the bondholders in Pittsburg, Pa., that another plan is on foot, to save the New Mexico Central railroad from closing down altogether. The plan is said to involve a change in the receivership of the road.

At the point of guns masked men held up Mrs. John Simons, wife of a saloonkeeper at Pinos Altos, and compelled her to reveal to them the hiding-place of \$2,000 in cash that was secreted in a trunk. The robbers, two in number, escaped.

State Land Commissioner R. P. Ervlen has turned in his report to Governor McDonald showing his department has since 1906 taken in the sum of \$4,371,457.32, one-half of which approximately, collected since New Mexico became a state.

M. G. Jones has been appointed agent for Wells-Fargo at Rock Island. After being out twenty-two hours the jury brought in a verdict of "not guilty" in the case of the state of New Mexico vs. Claude M. Cooley, charged with murder, which was heard before District Judge Abbott at Aztec, San Juan county.

State aid for the parochial schools of New Mexico in a statement Secretary of State Antonio Lucero advocates it, suggesting to the coming Legislature that a law be passed authorizing boards of education in towns where there are parochial schools to donate at least 50¢ per child monthly to those in charge of the Catholic institutions.

The recommendations of the state school superintendent, embodied in his report to the governor, are those urged at the recent N. M. E. A. meeting, including a minimum school term of seven months; raising the age limit under the compulsory education law from fourteen to sixteen years; better school supervision; better training of teachers, and the passage of a free textbook law.

A total of 7,925 acres of land in the northeastern part of the state recently clear listed by the United States government, will be soon offered for sale by State Land Commissioner R. P. Ervlen. The land is a part of the government's million-acre grant, and is situated in the counties of Colfax, Union and Quay.

What is believed to be a state record for the marketing of farm products at any one point in one day was recently made at Melrose when 300 bales of broom corn, totaling four carloads, and a carload of wheat, were sold.

GOLD YIELD \$1,172,000

SUBSTANTIAL GAIN SHOWN IN  
NEW MEXICO.

1,720,000 Ounces of Silver and 65,000-  
000 Pounds of Copper Produced  
During the Past Year.

Western Newspaper Union News Service.

Albuquerque.—The output of New Mexico mines for eleven months of 1914, with an estimate for December, according to preliminary figures by Charles W. Henderson of the United States Geological Survey at Washington, indicate a yield of \$1,172,000 in gold, 1,720,000 ounces of silver, 1,340,000 pounds of lead, 65,000,000 pounds of copper and 18,300,000 pounds of zinc (in terms of spelter and zinc in zinc oxide).

These figures show increases of \$200,000 in gold, 50,000 ounces of silver, 2,300,000 pounds of copper and 1,800,000 pounds of zinc, and a decrease of 2,600,000 pounds of lead. Despite lower prices for metals the total value was \$12,070,000 in 1914, against \$11,594,002 in 1913, an increase of \$476,000.

The Mogollon district, which in 1913 yielded \$619,836 in gold and \$1,308,766 ounces of silver, showed a small increase for 1914.

Considerable metallic gold and silver were marketed from Pinos Altos, in addition to ores shipped. The output of the gold and silver bearing siliceous and copper ores of the Lordsburg district increased.

The White Oaks district, Lincoln county, continued to produce gold bullion. The Elizabethtown district, Colfax county, remained the principal placer-producing district.

The Oro Grande district, in Otero county, and the San Pedro district, in Santa Fe county, contributed gold and silver in copper ores.

Brown Shoots Wilson.

Clayton—Charles Wilson, a Santa Fe brakeman running between Arkansas City and Newton, Kans., was shot and instantly killed at the home of his father-in-law, John Burris, nine miles west of Clayton, by Roy Brown, who then committed suicide. Wilson came to Clayton to spend Christmas with his wife and daughters, from whom he had been separated for two years. Brown is said to have been in love with Mrs. Wilson, and took exception to her husband's appearance on the scene. Brown called at the Wilson home, not expecting to find Wilson there. A fight followed, and Brown knocked Wilson down and dragged him outside of the house, where he shot him three times. Brown then returned to his own home, lay down on his bed and committed suicide by blowing out his brains with a shotgun. The bedclothing was set on fire and the house destroyed. Brown's body was burned almost to a crisp. Mrs. Wilson came to Clayton to give her version of the tragedy to the authorities. She is apparently unmoved by the killing of her husband. It is alleged that Wilson had threatened to kill Brown if he did not cease his attentions to Mrs. Wilson.

Rivers Flooded by Rains.

Santa Fe.—As the result of unprecedented rains for two days, totaling from two to four inches, the Gila river was a mile wide at the Gila crossing and other streams were away out of their banks. Practically all traffic from Silver City to the big mining camps was suspended.

Contracts Awarded for Pen Supplies.

Santa Fe.—Contracts were awarded by the state board of penitentiary commissioners for supplies for the next six months. One of the largest contracts was awarded to Gross Kelly & Co. for 60,000 pounds of flour; to Swift & Co. for 28,000 pounds of beef, and a large amount of cheese; to Lac Hornch of Santa Fe for salt, bran and corn; to Cartwright Bros. for a variety of articles.

Final Crop Estimate.

Santa Fe, N. M.—Final estimate of acreage, production and price, Dec. 1 in the state of New Mexico, follow:

Crop	1914	1913	Product	Price
Corn	1,914	2,200	2,576,000	\$0.81
Wheat	1,412	1,500	1,272,000	.72
Wheat	1,914	2,200	4,224,000	.84
Oats	1,914	2,200	1,378,000	.45
Barley	1,212	1,500	1,500,000	.65
Barley	1,214	1,500	170,000	.75
Potatoes	1,212	1,500	30,000	.25
Potatoes	1,214	1,500	412,000	1.40
Hay	1,914	2,200	112,000	2.32
Hay	1,914	2,200	359,000	12.10

Quantities of hay in tons; other products in bushels. Prices for hay in dollars per ton; other products cents per bushel.

Wheat sown this fall in the state, 53,000 acres, compared with 48,000 acres last year; condition, 95% of normal, compared with three-year average of 88%. Similarly, in the United States, 41,300,000 acres, compared with 37,100,000 acres sown last year; condition, 88.5%, compared with 90.3% the ten-year average.

Will Elect Fifty-Four Justices.

Las Vegas.—The commissioners of San Miguel county have issued a proclamation of election for justices of the peace and constables. They also have appointed the judges of election and have named the polling places for the election. In San Miguel county the people will elect fifty-four justices, one in each precinct. There will be three chosen in the town of Las Vegas and one in the city of Las Vegas. The election will take place on the second Monday in January, which falls on January 11.

AMERICAN NOTE  
WARNS ENGLAND

HANDS OFF U. S. SHIPS, INSISTS  
UNITED STATES, IN PROTEST  
AGAINST SEIZURES.

ACTS AROUSE PEOPLE

ASKS DEFINITE REPLY, SO STAND  
MAY BE KNOWN, AND OUR  
RIGHTS GUARDED.

Western Newspaper Union News Service.

Washington, Dec. 29.—The United States government dispatched a long note to Great Britain, insisting on an early improvement in the treatment of American commerce by the British fleet. It gave warning that much feeling had been aroused in this country and that public criticism was general over unwarranted interference with the legitimate foreign trade of the United States.

The document, constituting the strongest representation on this subject made by the United States to any of the belligerents since the outbreak of the war, was cabled to Ambassador Page, to be formally presented to Sir Edward Grey, British foreign secretary. Its preparation was begun a month ago by Solicitor-Cone Johnson, Counsellor Robert Lansing and Secretary Bryan, and finally had the personal attention of President Wilson, who revised its phraseology with minute care.

As the detailed point of view of the United States in numerous specific cases of detentions and seizures of cargoes had been set forth in a series of emphatic protests, most of which have gone unheeded, Monday's communication was couched in general terms covering the entire subject of the relations between the United States and Great Britain as affected by the latter's naval policy considered highly objectionable by this government.

Since France has adopted practically the same course on contraband as has Great Britain, the note is virtually a statement intended for all the members of the triple entente.

The note declares at the outset that the representations are made in a friendly spirit, but that the United States considers it best to speak in terms of frankness, lest silence be construed as an acquiescence in a policy which infringes the rights of American citizens under the laws of nations.

The document points out that complaints on every side and public criticism in the United States hold the British policy as directly responsible for the depression in many industries, a situation the seriousness of which must be apparent to Great Britain.

Reimbursement alone for cargoes unlawfully detained or seized, it stated, does not remedy the evil, as the chief difficulty is the moral effect of British practice on American exporters, who are restrained by it from taking risks or hazards, which in no case ought to surround legitimate trade between the United States and other neutral countries.

Feeling has been aroused on the subject to such an extent, the communication adds, that the American government feels compelled to ask for definite information as to Great Britain's attitude, in order that it may take such measures as will protect American citizens in their rights.

Family Burned to Death.

Winter Haven, Fla.—Harry Alvey, his wife and three children were burned to death when fire destroyed their home near here.

SLAVSTURN, CRUSHFOES

Forces of Austria Split and One Wing  
Crushed Under Strategy of  
Russia.

Petrograd, Dec. 29.—Russian forces, according to advices received Monday from Galicia, succeeded in crossing the Biala river and in taking possession of a twenty-mile strip of territory south of Tuchow, thereby separating the two Austrian armies. The two forces of Gen. Boehm-Ermoloff, the Austrian commander, are claimed by the Russians to be retreating precipitately and the western Austrian army is said to be badly crippled.

The premature appearance of General Boehm-Ermoloff's army to the south of Przemysl, however, put the Russians on their guard and the Russians concentrated along the Biala river, moved down and attacked the Austrians at Tuchow, fifteen miles south of Tarnow, where they were successful in preventing a junction of the Austrian armies.

Asks \$60,000 for Loss of Legs.

Pueblo.—Suit for \$60,000 against the Denver & Rio Grande Railroad Company has been filed in the Federal Court at Jasper county, Mo., by Joseph Cole, 16, according to information received at the local offices of the railroad company. Cole lost both of his legs above the knees in the Denver & Rio Grande yards here on July 15. He was beating his way, along with two companions, from his home in Missouri to Grand Junction, where he had planned to get work picking apples.

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sluggish bowels while  
you sleep.

Get a 10-cent box.

Sick headache, biliousness, dizziness, coated tongue, foul taste and foul breath—always trace them to torpid liver; delayed, fermenting food in the bowels or sour, gassy stomach. Poisonous matter clogged in the intestines, instead of being cast out of the system is re-absorbed into the blood. When this poison reaches the delicate brain tissue it causes congestion and that dull, throbbing, sickening headache.

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A Cascaret to-night will surely straighten you out by morning. They work while you sleep—a 10-cent box from your druggist means your head clear, stomach sweet and your liver and bowels regular for months. Adv.

Quiet Louvain.

I had a look at the now much-talked-of Louvain, quite a pretty old place, with its magnificent hotel de ville crowded in by the impressive church in the center of the town, and its innumerable other old gray churches with long sloping roofs—the place a perfect nest of nuns and friars. The streets were lined with the high walls and closed windows of convent after convent, and huge clusters of monasteries were on the hills about the town—many were newly built and modern—and the town was seething with black-robed priests and brown bare-footed monks and nuns. This was the great Roman Catholic center, where some of the monastic orders have their chief establishments. The library of the university, so ruthlessly destroyed, contained a priceless collection of church documents.—"A Glimpse of Belgium Before the War," Isabel Anderson, in National Magazine.

TAKE SALTS TO FLUSH  
KIDNEYS IF BACK HURTS

Says Too Much Meat Forms Uric Acid  
Which Clogs the Kidneys and  
Irritates the Bladder.

Most folks forget that the kidneys, like the bowels, get sluggish and clogged and need a flushing occasionally, else we have backache and dull misery in the kidney region, severe headaches, rheumatic twinges, torpid liver, acid stomach, sleeplessness and all sorts of bladder disorders.

You simply must keep your kidneys active and clean, and the moment you feel an ache or pain in the kidney region, get about four ounces of Jad Salts from any good drug store here, take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days and your kidneys will then act fine. This famous salt is made from the acids of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and is harmless to flush clogged kidneys and stimulate them to normal activity. It also neutralizes the acids in the urine so it no longer irritates, thus ending bladder disorders.

Jad Salts is harmless; inexpensive; makes a delightful effervescent lithia-water drink which everybody should take now and then to keep their kidneys clean, thus avoiding serious complications.

A well-known local druggist says he sells lots of Jad Salts to folks who believe in overcoming kidney trouble while it is only trouble.—Adv.

Strange Scorpion Found.

A curious, strange specimen of lizard or scorpion was captured by Walter I. Todd near the trolley station of the Chambersburg, Greencastle & Waynesboro Street Railway company at Highfield, Pa. The reptile, or what not, was about eight inches in length and the color of brick dust. It was found lying on the ground only a few feet from the station and, on account of the rain and cool weather, was unable to use its locomotive powers very actively and was easily captured.

The reptile had an elongated body without scales, four short legs and short tail, and its body was almost as tough as rubber. Where it came from no one seems to know.

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Her Age.

Howard—Hold old can Miss Jones be? Victor—Old enough to call college men "college boys."—Judge.

Physical Objections.

"Let me take you apart."  
"You can't. I'm all broken up as it is."