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## SCIENTISTS MEET TO START BATTLE AGAINST EPIDEMIC

### Men Who Have Conquered Cholera, Yellow Fever and Plagues Are There

### REPORT SHOWS DISEASE SPREADS FAST AND FAR

### Disease Most Prevalent in Less Congested Districts Is Feature of It

Washington, Aug. 17.—Men who have fought and found the way to defeat cholera, fever and scourges of many kinds, gathered today from all parts of the United States to consider a national fight on the infantile paralysis epidemic now taking the lives of American babies. When the first session opened in the United States public health service building there were representatives present from 38 states.

They included men who have helped conquer bubonic plague outbreaks, cholera, yellow fever, typhoid, spotted fever and many other malignant enemies. They declare themselves hopeful of success against the present plague.

Interest at the initial session centered on the reports of the various state officers. The prevalence of the disease was tabulated as follows:

New Jersey, 1,800.
New Hampshire, 7.
Delaware, 2.
Massachusetts, 300.
Maryland, 65.
Michigan, 97.
Missouri, 11.
Montana, 13.
Nebraska, 10.
Connecticut, 232.
Illinois, 239.
Indiana (since July 1), 37.
Iowa, 25.
Alabama (since July 14), 64.
Colorado, 4.
Maine, 14.
District of Columbia, (since July 1), 14.

The report of Dr. Haven Emerson, health officer of New York, showed 6,653 cases since the outbreak of the epidemic in the metropolis, with 1,497 deaths, a mortality rate of over 22 per cent.

There is not a case, he said, among the 30,000 children confined in charitable institutions of the city. The disease has been most prevalent in the less congested boroughs.

### Sunday Schools Closed.

Philadelphia, Aug. 17.—Sunday schools in Philadelphia were ordered closed until further notice by Director of Health Krusen this afternoon because of the infantile paralysis epidemic which is growing worse here.

### ESCAPED PATIENT CAUGHT

W. A. McKay, one of the two patients who escaped from the asylum for the insane Sunday night, was caught this morning at about 10:30. Since his departure from the institution he has been dodging around in the brush north of town. This morning he went to a farmhouse near Chemawa and his whereabouts were reported to the asylum officials.

McKay was able to give no information as to the whereabouts of Thompson, the other patient who ran away Sunday night. He did not leave with Thompson, he says, but about an hour later. He was not entirely certain that he wished to go at all, and seems rather glad to get back. He has been in the institution since 1886.

## Abe Martin



If th' rich spent as much as those who run in debt we couldn't take care o' th' business. Th' spourt shirt leaves no doubt about th' Adam's apple crop.

## Vancouver Garrison Has Warlike Fire

Vancouver, Wash., Aug. 17.—Hundreds of rifle cartridges exploded early today as fire swept through the old government hospital building at Vancouver barracks. When the bombardment ceased soldiers rushed in and extinguished the flames, after they had done \$8,000 damage to the \$35,000 structure. Private James Hansen, coast artillery, was badly cut while fighting the blaze. The bullets were left in the building by troops departing for the Mexican border.

## IDLENESS MAKES MILITIA BOYS WEARY

### Some Desert, Some Wound Themselves In Order to Get Sent Home

Dallas, Texas, Aug. 17.—National guardsmen are being driven to desperation by their enforced idleness on the border and are choosing the two most precarious methods to get home—desertion and self-inflicted wounds.

This was the statement today of Roy Gambrell, former city fireman and now connected with the hospital corps of the Texas National Guard. He was in Dallas to take a deserter back to camp.

"There are now between 16 and 20 men in the Texas national guard hospital at Marfa with bullet wounds in their legs, feet, and hands, as a result of their trying to get their release from border duty," said Gambrell.

"Since I have been down there a large number of men have been sent to the hospital who shot a finger or toe off, but none of them have been released. The officers decided in most of the cases that the shooting was not accidental. We have had a large number of desertions lately. I know of one man having deserted four times.

"The idleness and sameness of everything is deadly. I am ready to come back myself."

## STREET CAR STRIKE MAY BE RENEWED

### Employees Claim Managers Have Violated Promises Made by Them

New York, Aug. 17.—Upon the results of a conference to be held today between executive officers of the New York Railway company and representatives of the employees, depends whether New York is to be tied up with another strike which this time may involve elevated and subway lines as well as surface cars.

Employees charge that President Shonts of the railways company broke an agreement to reinstate striking employees and that he interfered with the right of the men to form a union by promoting a counter organization. Shonts denies the charges. The employees have instructed their representatives to declare a strike unless their demands are met.

### BRYAN TO MOVE

Washington, Aug. 17.—Williams Jennings Bryan is to leave Nebraska finally after the elections this November. He is to move his home to Asheville, N. C., and re-enter politics in that state, with the hope of being lectured later to the United States senate.

## Wonderful Organization and Maze of Railway Lines Supplying French Armies

### By Henry Wood (United Press staff correspondent)

With the French Army on the Somme, Aug. 17.—Like a gigantic sledgehammer, the French army is smashing away at the German lines on the Somme battle front.

The new French offensive in no way resembles the Russian steam roller. Instead, it hammers continually with blow upon blow at any given point until eventually, the French officers believe, it must break down both the German defenses and the resistance of the German army. The success of this steady hammering is demonstrated both in the actual advance and the influx of prisoners who have surrendered in large numbers.

Before going to the fighting front I inspected the vast organization behind the lines for feeding the offensive. It is this incredible preparation on which apparently everything has been foreseen and nothing overlooked that puts the punch into the French sledgehammer blows.

I first visited one of the eight ammunition and material depots established last May miles behind the line. The

## AUSTRO-GERMANS STOP RUSSIANS AS WELL AS ITALIANS

### Austrian Reinforcements Check Cardona's Advance Toward Trieste

### HOT COUNTER ATTACKS BRING SLAVS TO A HALT

### On the Somme Both British and French Make Gains, Though Slight

London, Aug. 17.—Strong Austro-German counter attacks have halted the Russian and Italian offensives temporarily, though the great battle of the Somme continues to progress favorably for the allies.

For the first time in more than a fortnight, the official statement from the Russian war office today recorded no further gains. Petrograd dispatches carried the admission that enemy counter attacks have checked General Brusiloff's armies. The German war office reported not only the repulse of all Russian attacks but the capture of a dominating height in the Carpathians.

The arrival of Austrian reinforcements and the necessity of straightening out the Italian front have halted General Cardona's march southward against Trieste. Official dispatches from the German, French and British war offices regarding the outcome of severe fighting on the Somme front yesterday and last night contained sharp contradictions. The Germans admitted the loss of 500 yards of first line trenches to the French south of the Somme, but announced that both the British and French were driven out of trenches they penetrated north of the river.

General Haig in his first report on yesterday's fighting on the Somme front, announced the capture not only of positions around Guillemont, officially reported from Paris last night, but also the taking of 300 yards of German trenches. The French war office reported violent artillery struggles on the Somme front last night, but said the Germans made no attempt to reconquer positions captured by the allies yesterday.

Similar contradictions are contained in official reports regarding recent operations in the Balkans. A delayed Bulgarian official statement today claimed the repulse of strong French attacks extending along a wide front, while the French war office announced successes in a number of local operations.

### Reports Conflicting.

Berlin, Aug. 17.—The Germans drove back Anglo-French troops who succeeded in penetrating positions west of Fourcaux wood and south of Maurepas, inflicting heavy losses upon the allies. It was officially announced this afternoon.

It was admitted that the French obtained a foothold in German first line trenches to a width of 500 yards near Belleau En Santerre. Near Estrees the French were repulsed.

(The French war office last night claimed gains on a front of nearly three miles against the Germans.)

The English made strong attacks from Oviliers and Pozieres and also west of Fourcaux wood, but were repulsed. (Continued on Page Three.)

## Trying to Save Girl Soldier Is Killed

Brownsville, Texas, Aug. 17.—James Clement, a corporal in Company C, Second Virginia infantry, was dead today because he tried to save the honor of Sofia Valdez, a Mexican girl.

Carl Dunches, quartermaster corporal, is alleged to have attempted to assault the girl last night. Clement, hearing her screams, rushed to her assistance. He was shot and instantly killed by Dunches who then shot and probably fatally wounded the girl.

Dunches was chased two miles by a posse but eluded them. He later appeared at the county jail and surrendered. Clement lived in Warrentown, Va., and was married.

## ETERNAL TRIANGLE AND TWO ARE DEAD

### Woman and Man Shot In Jealous Rage in Seattle by Frank Young

Seattle, Wash., Aug. 17.—Detectives were searching near the university district today for Frank Young, who shot and killed Miss Martini Antone and Jack Collinson in a jealous rage near a residence hospital here at 9 o'clock last night. They believe he took his own life after the tragedy.

The woman died at a residence hospital at 4:30 o'clock this morning, but Collinson, said to be her husband, with three bullets in his back died a few minutes after he had been removed from the street where the shooting occurred.

Young, known as Frank Von De Houda, 16 months ago when he ran a rooming house at Vancouver, B. C., wished his rival "good luck" a few hours before he killed Collinson.

The pair had come down from British Columbia at the request of Young who was suffering from a nervous breakdown in Providence hospital.

Yesterday afternoon the three went walking together and agreed to go to a moving picture show last night.

At 7:40 p. m. Young received a telephone call from the woman and slung up the receiver. Nurses noted he was crying.

Ten minutes later he left the hospital. At 9 o'clock six shots were heard across the street from the hospital.

Collinson, just before he died said: "You De Houda shot me, he pulled a gun—didn't say anything—just shot. Family trouble."

He died a few minutes later.

## GERMAN PAPERS ATTACK GERARD

### Claim English Censors Made Public Correspondence Putting Him In Bad

Berlin, Aug. 17.—A vigorous attack on Ambassador Gerard was made today by the Berlin Morgenpost and the Cologne Gazette, the influential German newspapers for the attitude toward the German censorship he is alleged to have displayed in a confidential communication to the state department.

American correspondents in Berlin recently handed to the ambassador a protest against British censorship of cable dispatches and mail matter they had sent to the United States. They pointed out that the British censor had mutilated many of their dispatches and that a large per centage of their mail stories failed to reach America at all.

In transmitting the report to the state department, Ambassador Gerard is reported to have sent along a confidential note, recommending that no action be taken by the American government unless Germany removed the censorship on news sent to America. How this alleged confidential note became public property is not known, but the contents of the message soon became known in newspaper circles.

"The American government and its organs already have endured many brutal British infringements," said the Morgenpost. "Even Americans reproach their officials. They have degraded themselves by giving up their neutrality and honor as accomplices of England, so it is presumable that they will also endorse this infringement and the attitude of their ambassador, whereby the British infringement is supported."

"We doubt whether the German foreign office will be satisfied with Gerard's conduct. We hope the government will find means to correct his strange attitude. The German censorship does not concern him and he has no right to criticize measures necessary for the safety of German interests."

The Cologne Gazette editorial was in similar vein.

A Vermont inventor has patented blankets for cattle that cannot be dislodged by animals rolling. (Continued on Page Two.)

## WILSON CALLS ON BIG OFFICIALS TO CONFER WITH HIM

### Men Say They Are Prepared to Accept What President Thinks Is Fair

### CHICAGO NEWSPAPER WANTS STRIKE TO COME

### Railroads Refuse to Accept Eight Hour Day—Looks Like a Deadlock

### PRESIDENT TALKS PLAINLY

Washington, Aug. 17.—President Wilson concluded his appeal to the 640 representatives of the brotherhoods at 4 o'clock, having talked to them just one hour.

The president told the men he wanted quick action on his proposals. He said the people of the country, for whom he was speaking, were impatient to know the result. He said he would have to tell the people what he proposed and what both sides replied. If an agreement was impossible, he said, he would be forced to tell also what he thought of each side for failing.

By Robert J. Bender. (United Press staff correspondent.)

Washington, Aug. 17.—An eight hour day at once with the present 10 hours' pay and the investigation of overtime pay and other collateral issues by a commission appointed by himself was suggested by President Wilson this afternoon to the 640 representatives of the railroad brotherhoods as a means of averting the threatened general strike. The men adjourned to talk it over among themselves tonight, deciding the president's suggestion that they use the East room where he had addressed them to ballot on the proposal. However, prominent men among the brotherhood representatives indicated strongly as they left the White House that the president's plan is acceptable.

Washington, Aug. 17.—The first of the 640 members of the railroad brotherhood general committee began filing into the East entrance of the White House at 2:45 this afternoon. A large crowd witnessed their arrival.

Although A. B. Garretson of the sub-committee had a copy of the president's proposal—10 lines in length, written on White House stationery by the president himself—none of the general committee had read it. Lee, Carter and Stone of the sub-committee had duplicates.

It was not discussed, it was declared at the meeting of the general committee at the Bijou theatre, which lasted from 1 o'clock until 2.

"The president himself is to present it," said Lee.

As the men passed through the doors, Garretson, Lee, Carter and Stone identified each, to make certain none but members of the general committee gained admission. The last man was inside by 3 o'clock.

Later leaders of the men announced privately that President Wilson's proposal is primarily for an eight hour day with postponement of less important matters until later. The men went into caucus after leaving the White House and leaders predicted they would overwhelmingly accept the plan.

Wilson's proposals were characterized as following substantially the line of discussion in the press the past few days, though the United Press informant indicated that both punitive overtime and pro rata overtime was suggested for later disposition.

The president's proposition was very short and what he read embodied the granting of the eight hour day immediately and the creation of a commission by the president to be given full powers of investigation of or in unenforced of investigation by congress. The commission would devote itself only to investigation of the collateral issues, involved in the application of the eight hour day to railroad operation, it was stated on high authority.

After making his statement the president offered the men the service of the East room for balloting but they decided it would be better to adjourn to their hall.

### An Apparent Deadlock.

Washington, Aug. 17.—Reaching what apparently was a deadlock in the attempted settlement of the threatened strike on the railroads, President Wilson today sent a telegram to the presidents of the great railroad systems of the country, asking that they come to Washington at once for a conference. (Continued on Page Two.)

## Will Not Pay More But Get Less Bread

San Francisco, Aug. 17.—With the price of wheat and flour ascending, residents of the bay cities may not be forced to pay an extra price for a nickel loaf of bread, but the bakers may slice their loaves down to the legal minimum. A meeting of the local branches of the California Bakers association will be held here Tuesday to consider the situation.

### TESTIMONY BROUGHT OUT DOCTOR'S BLUSHES

### Hard Hearted Prosecutor Shows Weaknesses of the Archbishop

San Francisco, Aug. 17.—The attorneys for the defense in the case of "Dr." Newo Newo must prove that he wore corsets and women's stockings or admit that the "archbishop of the New Thought church" did not live up to his celibacy teachings, as the result of testimony offered by the government in Federal Judge Dooling's court today where Newo is charged with misuse of the mails.

Witnesses testified that in the raid made on the Newo apartment, a woman's corset, stockings and lingerie were found on a chair beside his bed while Mrs. Marie Tully Graham, "bisshess" under arrest with him, was hiding in the kitchen.

The witnesses also testified that a tuft of woman's hair was found on the Newo thoughtist's bureau. While this testimony was being given, "Dr." Newo blushed deeply.

### CRUISER BRINGS BIG SUBMARINE TO PORT

### Starts Rumor It Is Deutschland or Bremen, But Nothing In It

New York, Aug. 17.—A captured German submarine lashed to the side of a British cruiser was brought into the English port of Deal while the Cunard liner Alaunia was being detained there, the Alaunia's passengers reported on her arrival here today.

A British destroyer with a heavy list, and evidently badly battered by shell fire from the U boat, was brought into port at the same time. The submarine was a large one, but passengers of the Alaunia, scouted the possibility that she might have been the Deutschland or Bremen, pointing out that neither of these under sea vessels is armed.

There was no demonstration at Deal as the captive submarine entered port, except aboard the Alaunia. None of the passengers learned any details of the action, the Alaunia sailing immediately afterward.

### Market Was Bullish and Trading Brisk

New York, Aug. 17.—The New York Evening Sun financial review today said:

Improvement in prices which started with the opening transactions was fairly well sustained throughout the day. Sentiment in the financial district was decidedly bullish with its chief manifestation in the United States Steel and other steel shares, in some of the coppers, in the International Mercantile Mariner and Reading, which found new buyers on the advance and which under heavy profit taking refused to seek materially lower levels.

Wall Street placed various interpretations upon President Wilson's invitation, or demand, that the executive heads of the country's railroads meet him in conference to supplement the conferences already held with the managers and workers but it apparently was unwilling to test any of its conclusions as stock market arguments. It preferred to leave the rails much to themselves for the time being, devoting most of its attention to the industrial and marine.

Further profit taking was reported as the session progressed in the afternoon but the declines however generally small and offerings well absorbed. In certain parts of the market weak spots developed, due to special conditions.

In some of the more active issues this afternoon declines from the early high points ran from substantial fractions to a point or more. Sentiment in the main continued bullish, although there appeared to be a decided disposition on the part of the speculative element to proceed with great caution.

Apparatus to sterilize air and medicate for the use of invalids has been invented by a Pittsburg man.

## HUGHES ON WAY TO CALIFORNIA GETS WHOLE DAY'S REST

### Spoke at Portland Last Night—Largely About the Philippines

### SCORED THE DEMOCRATS ON TARIFF ATTITUDE

### Anxious to See Empire of Alaska Opened Right and to Help Do It

By Perry Arnold. (United Press staff correspondent.)

Roseburg, Ore., Aug. 17.—Charles E. Hughes, republican presidential candidate, today took the biggest jump in his transcontinental trip. He was en route from Portland to San Francisco, with only one stop of more than a few minutes scheduled for the day, at Shasta Springs tonight. Three or four points were scheduled to hear the candidate for a bare three or four minutes, but no formal speeches had been arranged, not even at Shasta Springs.

A day of almost solid comfort was in prospect for Hughes. Solid comfort, he it known, in the governor's opinion, consists in a place to stretch out and time in which to rest his mind by reading hair raising detective stories, dime novels, to be exact. It is only a trifle less restful to read heavy historical essays.

Carl D. Sheppard, Hughes' personal representative, went out in Portland last night and raided the news stands for sufficiently thrilling literature, accumulating one of the largest libraries of hard detective stories ever assembled. But stuck away in this pile of paper bound volumes was a copy of "The Rise and Fall of the Roman Empire" from the Hughes library.

Worried Oved Phillips. In his speech at the Ice rink in Portland last night, the candidate delivered another broadside at the democratic policies, concentrating his fire particularly on the Philippines situation. He declared that the United States undertook to govern the islands properly and that "we assumed obligations there which we are bound to discharge."

"We ought not to consider the suggestion of settling out of the Philippines," he said, "to leave them in the predicament which you know perfectly well without my describing it." Hughes again made a pronouncement on tariff and attacked the administration's attitude. Asserting that the democratic party has opposed real progress, he said:

"If I were a member of that party, and looked through the platforms of the past, I should feel that I was going through a cemetery richly embellished with monuments."

He declared that he wanted to see the "empire of Alaska" developed right.

"If I am charged with the high office for which I am a candidate," he concluded, "to put my principles to the test, I am not afraid of that test. I have no ambition to hold high office, but I have an ambition to try, so far as within me lies, to have efficient American government."

The candidate's train was scheduled for brief stops at Grants Pass, Medford and Ashland during the day, in addition to the stop here.

## Island Two Years Old Has Again Disappeared

San Francisco, Aug. 17.—As strangely as it appeared out of the waters of the south Pacific two years ago the Island of Nujini of the Bonini group, which lies 700 miles off the Japanese coast, has disappeared.

This was the report to the naval and geodetic survey offices here by officers of the Japanese steamer Kiyomaru.

Nujini appeared in 1914 following a volcanic eruption. According to the report, the island first apparently returned to ocean bottom, and where it formerly was located is now a wide circle of yellow water.

## THE WEATHER

Oregon: Tonight and Friday probably fair west, showers tonight or Friday east portion; westerly winds.

