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## END OF YEAR SEES SLOW AWAKENING OF EUROPE FROM NIGHTMARE OF WAR

Superficially at Least Things are Better Than at 1923 Start.

London, Dec. 27.—(United Press).—Europe has completed another year of her slow awakening from the nightmare of the world war.

Perhaps the outstanding political development of the year was a strong movement towards conservatism in all countries. The year was marked by the fall of the radical governments in France, Italy, Germany, and elsewhere.

Germany seems about to follow these States and declare for a strictly conservative Government, as against the present coalition—itsself much more conservative than its predecessors.

On the verge of war, Europe was brought to the verge of war. Italian members of an allied military mission were killed in Greece. Italy's fleet bombarded the Greek port of Corfu. The casualties were refugees, mostly children. In the end Greece satisfied the Italian demands and war that would have involved all Europe was averted.

States collapsed and others were re-established during the year. Germany, a great world power, collapsed almost completely, and now seems to have seen the worst of her troubles.

Turkey has won back by the peace of Lausanne what she lost during the war, and more. She finds herself a strong, progressive republic, with Mustafa Kemal, who led the Ankara revolt, her President.

Russia Starts Back. Russia has started to come back. Italy and Great Britain are preparing to recognize her soon—almost certainly within the year.

Austria, stripped of her most valuable territory, reached the depths of economic ruin. Today her finances are being restored by the League of Nations.

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But 1924 opens with continental Europe still in grave difficulties, but no worse off, perhaps better, than at the beginning of 1923.

At the close of 1922, France had just rejected British and American plans to give the reparations question.

And 1923 opened with French and Belgian troops marching into the Ruhr, where they seized the most productive centre of the German republic as a guarantee that reparations payments, which it was complained, were slow and inadequate, would be made promptly and fully.

Germany began passive resistance. England refused to co-operate with her allies, France and Belgium, and Italy was an unwilling assistant to them.

Reparations payments ceased. For months there was a stalemate, abortive attempts at agreement; riots, imprisonment of German industrialists and government officials; murders of French and Belgian soldiers; shooting-up of towns by French and Belgian forces.

Allies Estranged. All the time conditions in Germany became worse. And the allies, who had fought and won the war together, became more and more estranged.

proposed a huge reparations conference to settle the whole mess. The idea failed, because France refused to permit reassessment of Germany's war liability.

Allied military control over Germany had ceased because of the chaotic conditions. France refused to restore immediately. England refused and threatened to withdraw her troops and cease to co-operate with the allies.

For the first time since war, France gave in. Things changed for the better. France signed an agreement with the Ruhr industrialists for payment of reparations.

Then France proposed an investigation by the Reparations Commission of (1) German finances, and (2) German wealth deposited abroad, by two committees.

There may be further trouble about the Ruhr agreement, as to who is to get the money, if any.

May Settle Reparations. As to the investigation, Great Britain consented to it rather than argue, though believing it must fail. But as plans for it are formed Great Britain and others are beginning to believe that it may develop into a real one. If it does, the United States will join, and a settlement of the reparations problem may be effected.

The entente between France and Great Britain, which had become a myth, is stronger now than it has been for months. France is more conciliatory. Belgium wants friendship with England. And Italy has adopted the whole British programme—which is peace and hard work.

France and Belgium are beginning to remove all but 10,000 of the 60,000 soldiers in the Ruhr.

Things in Europe during 1923 were not so bad as they could have been. Now, at least superficially, they are better. The outlook is more cheerful. 1924 may see Europe really convalescing.

KING'S DAUGHTERS SEND AD TO NEEDY. Various Circles Distribute Christmas Baskets to People in City.

The King's Daughters in the city shouldered a substantial share of the distribution of Christmas baskets to the unfortunate in the holiday season. The Doorkeepers' Circle sent out 11 baskets which contained 68 pounds of beef, mutton, vegetables, canned goods, cake, fruit and nuts and clothing. This Circle also sent out six complete warm outfits for children attending the Free Kindergarten and night dress for the children in the Children's Aid.

The Lend-a-Hand Circle provided baskets of food and clothing for three families in need. The Good Cheer Circle sent oranges to the D. S. C. R. hospital and distributed 84 flannellette garments among the needy.

In-His-Name Circle sent half a dozen comfort bags to the sailors' tree and distributed \$15 worth of groceries, besides fuel, chicken, and a turkey. Ministering Circle sent out 11 baskets containing each a very generous Christmas dinner with beef, chicken, turkey, canned goods, jelly, and many other things to eat. Good Cheer Circle contributed money and new garments to the needy. Opportunity Circle sent 10 dozen Christmas crackers to the East St. John Hospital and a large number of garments to the Wright street Home. The individual members of the order provided boots, rubbers and several Christmas baskets.

The members of the City Union at the Christmas season presented a handsome Christmas tree to the children at the Guild, Miss J. Flower, as a mark of appreciation.

CHRISTMAS TREE IN ARMY HALL. The annual Christmas tree entertainment and distribution of Sunday school prizes took place at the Brimley school hall of No. 8 corps of the Salvation Army last night when Capt. Friend was the chairman and the hall was filled with scholars and friends.

There was a small tree for the 40 members of the cradle roll and a large tree for the older children. Santa Claus came through the window and distributed the gifts from the tree. The children gave an interesting and successful programme and the dialogue was specially popular. The presents were the gifts of the teachers and there was a present for every child. Mrs. Stevens, leader of the Sunday school, presented the prizes and George Spragg took the part of Santa Claus. The corps welcomed former members who were home for the Christmas holidays and amongst these were Lieut. Myrtle Stevens, Lieut. Charles Addison, Lieut. Wilson from Florence, C. B., and Cadet Stella Burhoe.

GIVEN EXPENSES FOR CAPITAL TRIP. Miss Rosemond M. deWolfe Archibald, M.A., was much surprised on opening a letter yesterday to find a check from John E. Page, the secretary of the Fredericton Teachers' Institute, defraying her expenses in connection with her trip to the Institute, which recently convened there.

Miss Archibald is enthusiastic in her praise of the treatment she has received in New Brunswick from the teaching profession in relation to her scheme for better English. This statement was made by Miss Archibald yesterday, when she expressed her pleasure at being so cordially received by the teachers of the St. John County Institute when they met in session last week.

The appreciative message with its practical enclosure, sent by Mr. Page from Fredericton, was a great encouragement, especially as Miss Archibald had no idea of any such aid. She was wholly intent upon putting her plan before the Institute quite at her own expense, she said.

Miss Archibald, her mother, Mrs. R. deWolfe Archibald, and Miss Ella Clarke, her hostess, are to be guests of Commissioner Wigmore to visit the Municipal Home this afternoon.

## Drunks Go Free With Millionaires on Jury

Spokane, Wash., Dec. 26.—Plain and fancy drunks are being tried by a \$38,000,000 jury here.

Under a new order by local Judge S. A. Mann, retired capitalists and other wealthy residents of the community are being compelled to try their hand at making the wheels of law go round.

The jurist wants them to put into practice their countless precedents and admonitions on good citizenship, radioed and broadcast through the public prints.

Every talsman serving is reputed a millionaire. And they're getting a great kick out of the job, it's said.

Up to date, most cases coming before the Croesus assembly of 12 good men and true, because of insufficient evidence, have been dismissed with the defendant found not guilty.

This has served to stir up police efficiency and made prosecutors more accurate in presenting complaints.



JUDGE S. A. MANN.

MAY ASK FOR MORE FACILITIES AT PORT. Mayor Hints Sub-committee's Report May be of Unusual Interest.

An intimation that an effort would be made to have some work done in the way of providing terminal facilities for the port under the tripartite agreement and that this would be recommended by the sub-committee of the Committee of Twenty-five was made yesterday afternoon at the City Council meeting when the matter of harbor facilities was under discussion.

The matter was brought up by Commissioner Frink who asked what action, if any, the Council was going to take in harbor matters. It was time something was done to get a proposition to submit to the next session of Parliament and the matter should be placed in the hands of the Government before the House opened and not when the session was half over. He believed the city should either press for action under the tripartite agreement or else say they were willing to waive that agreement and work for harbor construction.

Commissioner Wigmore said he believed the future of the port depended on its port and to have a successful winter port the needed facilities must be provided. It was time to start now to prepare a request to present to Ottawa but the citizens should make up their minds what they wanted and present a united front, either for harbor construction or the carrying out of the tripartite agreement, when they went to Ottawa.

25,000,000 HERE. A collection of 25,000,000 Atlantic salmon eggs has been made at the retaining ponds operated by the Department of Marine and Fisheries in the Maritime Provinces. The collections from the various ponds were—Mar-gare Harbor, N. S., 6,000,000; Morrell River, P. E. I., 1,000,000; St. John Harbor, N. B., 2,500,000; Miramichi River, N. B., 12,000,000; New Mills, N. B., 2,000,000.

DEATH FOR COUNTERFEITERS. Moscow, Dec. 27.—(United Press).—Recently eight persons, convicted of counterfeit currency, were executed here. At Odessa, fifteen members of the State secret police were put on trial recently, charged with stealing from the American Relief Administration.

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PREVENT SERIOUS FIRE. At 4:20 o'clock yesterday afternoon an alarm was sent in from box 14 for a fire that had started in the rear of the Brown Fish Market, 76 Prince Edward street. By the prompt arrival of the firemen a rather serious fire was prevented. The damage caused was slight.

## NEW ENGLAND GETS MILLIONTH 'PHONE

Plate Will Mark Event in Home of New Bedford Man.

Boston, Dec. 27.—The millionth telephone was added to the system of the New England this week when one was placed in the home of Armand Bouthillier on Mosher street, New Bedford. Will Bear Special Plate.

This millionth telephone represents an actual contract for service, received in the regular course of business. It had been thought to pick out a location for the placing of the millionth telephone or place it in the home of some prominent man or at the birthplace of the telephone, 199 Court street, Boston. But these suggestions were discarded and a bona fide customer gets the distinction.

Later a plate bearing the following inscription will be put on the base of the telephone to mark its significance: "With the placing of this telephone instrument, one million telephones are now served by the New England Telephone & Telegraph Company, Dec. 24, 1923."

Amazing Figures of Phone Use. Armand Bouthillier is 21 years of age and has worked in the cotton mills of New Bedford for the last five years. The older members of the family also are employed in the mills. The father came from Canada 35 years ago.

In addition to the million telephones now served directly through 474 central offices of the New England Telephone & Telegraph Company in Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts and Rhode Island, there are nearly 100,000 more telephones in that territory, nearly all of which have toll connections with the New England company and the Bell System. In Connecticut, where service is given by the Southern New England Telephone Company, there are approximately 215,000 telephones.

"How well I remember when we crossed the 100,000 mark in 1922," said General Manager George H. Dreads of the telephone company. "I recall that one day the then general manager of our company said to me, 'You young fellows are going to live long enough to see a quarter of a million telephones in New England.'"

Phenomenal Growth. "That was only 21 years ago. Since then our growth has been much faster than any I was dreamed at that time. The other day I was looking over some of the reports of the company during the early years. I found that on April 1, 1884, there were 15,000 telephones in New England, although nearly eight years had passed since the telephone was introduced to the business world. Company had 284 central offices and served 67,834 telephones. The next year we passed the 75,000 mark. In other words, we shall install in the year 1923 alone, more telephones than this company had in service a quarter of a century after its introduction to the world.

And this extraordinary demand promises to continue for, in careful forecasting our plans for 1924, we expect to put in 215,000 new telephones and to remove 140,000, a net gain of 75,000.

"It is this time to recall that as late as 1901 there were only 1,000,000 telephones connected with the entire Bell System throughout the United States. Now we have that number in this company alone."

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## Face Disfigured With Large Pimples Cuticura Healed

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PLEASED TO SEE HIM. The many friends of former Postmaster Edward Sears were much pleased to see him out on Christmas day. He was being wheeled in a chair by his son, John Sears. Many friends greeted Mr. Sears, who chatted happily with them, enjoying the bright sunshine of the day. Mrs. Sears has recovered from her recent accident and is quite herself again.

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## CITY NEARS QUOTA IN ORPHANS' DRIVE

Only \$1,200 Remains to be Pledged to Reach \$150,000 Mark

St. John city's total in the New Brunswick Protestant Orphanage building fund campaign has been creeping up steadily and surely and the pledge of the local committee grows daily nearer fulfillment. The committee undertook to raise \$150,000 in the city and last night the city's contributions had reached the \$148,800 mark so that there remains just \$1,200 to be raised.

The contributions which came in yesterday from the local canvassers were as follows: Sydney ward, \$95; Lansdowne, \$10; Wellington, \$75; Guy's, \$120; Brooks, \$87; Victoria, \$185; Kings, \$881.05, and Queens, \$180, making a total of \$1,268 for the city. If today's total is as great, St. John will have attained its quota.

The extra amounts which came in from the provincial centres yesterday swelled the grand total considerably. The reports are very far from complete in the provincial centres as the sub-committees have made only partial returns. Those additional sums which came in yesterday were as follows: Carleton county, Juniper, \$73.50, other

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