

WILSON'S PEACE PROGRAM TO THE ITALIANS

President Wilson Today Reaches Rome

Was Accorded a Hearty Welcome

MET BY ITALIAN ROYALTY.
ROME, Jan. 3. (By Henry Wood) President Wilson's special train arrived at the station here punctually at 10.30 this morning. A tremendous cheer went up as the train stopped in front of the royal waiting room, which had been transformed into a gaily decorated parlor, carpeted with rich tapestries and with rare flowers. The president alighted at the platform and was heartily greeted by King Victor Emmanuel, Queen Elena and the Duchess D'Aosta.

IPWICH, Eng., Jan. 3.—A new world airplane altitude record of 30,500 feet was established here today by Captain Lang, pilot, and Lieut. Blowers, observer.
Their motor stopped at that height, due to the exhaustion of their petrol supply but they landed safely.
Both Lang and Blowers are in the hospital with frozen hands and feet. The latter fainted at 20,000 feet when the pipe through which he was breathing oxygen, from a specially designed apparatus, became disconnected. He did not recover consciousness until the landing was made. The flight was made in a British-built plane.
The previous altitude record was 28,900 feet established by Captain Scroeder at Dayton, Ohio, on September 18, 1913. He also carried a special oxygen pump. He landed about 200 miles from his starting point.
Ipswich is a folk county about sixty miles from London.

**IN A STATE OF PHYSICAL
COLLAPSE**
TORONTO, Jan. 3.—In a state of physical collapse, despite the administration of 400 mg. of his jolier, Hassan Neby an Albanian was hanged today for the murder of George Tucker, C.P.R. bridge worker on May 19 last. Neby protested innocence till last, and fainting when Lord's prayer was being recited.

Allies Issue Invasion Threat

**UNLESS BOLSHIEVIKI ARE
CHECKED.**
COPENHAGEN, Jan. 3.—The British commander in the Baltic province, according to the Deutsche Tageszeitung, has issued an ultimatum to the German commander declaring that unless he prevents the further advance of the Bolshieviki and recaptures Walk and Wenden, the Allies will invade Germany.

**GERMAN TROOPS WITHDRAW
FROM RIGA.**
COPENHAGEN, Jan. 3.—German troops have been forced to abandon Riga, which is now probably in the hands of the Bolshieviki, a Berlin dispatch reported today.

London Paper Favors Big U. S. Navy

WOULD SAVE BRITAIN—PENSE
LONDON Jan. 3.—"Great Britain should entirely welcome" Secretary Daniel's plan for America to build the largest navy in the world," the Morning Post declared today. The newspaper pointed out that a big American navy would serve the common purpose of keeping the enemy impotent and save Great Britain a big expense. "We need have no fear that America would use her navy aggressively," the Morning Post concluded.

GEO. A. CHARLTON, BUFFALO LAWYER, TAKES HIS OWN LIFE.

Buffalo, N.Y., Jan. 2.—Funeral services for George A. Charlton, lawyer, who was born 45 years ago in Lynedoch, Ont., and who for the past three years had been employed in the N.Y. drafting department at Albany, N.Y., who shot himself on Saturday while visiting his sister at her home in North Tonawanda, N.Y., were held on Tuesday afternoon from the Charlton home in Tonawanda and interment was made in Forest Lawn Cemetery.

Czecho-Slovaks Celebrated Freedom

FIRST FREE NEW YEAR IN 4 CENTURIES

PRAGUE Jan. 3. (By Frank J. Taylor)—Today the Czecho-Slovaks celebrated their first free New Year in four centuries. The city was gaily decorated with flags, the Stars and Stripes being everywhere seen, in anticipation of the arrival of Allied troops. Scarcely food and exorbitant prices failed to dampen the ardor of the people's jubilation. Automobile trucks coming from Italy, are bringing relief supplies and food.

Objects To Abject Surrender

TO THE INVADING POLES
BERLIN (Tuesday)—A protest against an "abject surrender to the Poles" which is advocated by Herr Erast of the Prussian Ministry, is printed by the Zeitung Am Mittag today.
The minister, who has just returned from the border, declares that while invasion by Poles could have been prevented a fortnight ago the situation is now hopeless and Germany could not regain the territory occupied by the Poles even with the division ordered to the district. A division, he declared which it was now impossible to assemble.

Hessen Neby Hanged at Toronto

**FOR MURDER OF GEORGE
TUCKER.**
TORONTO, Ont., Jan. 3.—Hessen Neby was hanged at 7.58 this morning for the murder of George Tucker, C.P.R. bridge worker on May 19 last. Neby protested innocence till last, and fainting when Lord's prayer was being recited.

Poland for Poles Policy of Premier

WARSAW, Jan. 3.—Andreas Moraczewski, the Polish premier said today, "I desire to see Poland inhabited only by Poles. I do not favor giving special autonomy and schools to the Jews, but do believe in giving them their civic rights if they perform their civic duties."

LONDON, Jan. 3.—Flying British airplanes at Ipswich yesterday Captain Lang, an American, established a new altitude record, reaching the height of 30,500 feet. Observer Blowers, who accompanied Captain Lang, collapsed when his oxygen bottle broke, but recovered. Both men were frost bitten during their flight. Heinrich Oederich, a German held the altitude record that was broken by Captain Lang.

INQUIRY INTO SOLDIERS COM- PLAINTS OPENED BY JUSTICE HODGINS AT OT- TAWA.

Ottawa, Jan. 2.—The method of handling overseas troops on transports and the regulations governing them were featured this afternoon at the inquiry which was opened this morning by Justice Hodgins in the morning by returned soldiers regarding conditions on the steamer Northland. While there was no direct evidence as to the accuracy or inaccuracy of the complaints which have been made in the press, several interesting points were elicited in the examination of headquarters staff officers. It was shown that the party of conducting officers on the last trip of the Northland were with one exception all inexperienced men, put on by the overseas ministry in place of the experienced officers that for several months had been traveling back and forth.

Lady Rhonda, who demands that women be given the right to sit in Parliament, is the active head of Welsh coal mines and other industries employing upwards of 50,000 men.



The Demise of An Ex-Reeve of The Township

MR. JOHN AMOS OF DOON.

In the death of Mr. John Amos of Doon there has departed from this life one of the best known residents of the County and this demise has removed a veteran from the circles of the government of Waterloo Township.

Mr. Amos had been ill for some time and his death was not unexpected. The deceased was born in Puslinch Township but for thirty-five years had resided in the locality of Doon. Recently he sold the farm on which he resided. His age was sixty years.

Mr. Amos was known not only as a successful farmer but also as a progressive municipal administrator. The public of Waterloo Township for many years reposed their trust in him and honored him with the Reeve ship during a long period. At present he held the position of Assessor, which office he also filled acceptably.

Surviving him are his wife and two daughters, Margaret, at home, and Mrs. L.C. Bullock, also of Doon. Brothers and sisters who also survive him are: Robert in Guelph; Thomas in Toronto; George in Melfort; Henry in Chicago; Mrs. John Orr in Chicago; Gilbert, Colorado. The funeral will be held at 1.30 o'clock Saturday afternoon at the home of Mr. L.C. Bullock in Doon to the Doon Cemetery. The deceased was a member of the Presbyterian Church.

Lance Corp. Walter Kuehner Home

Enlisted Three and a Half Years Ago

Lance-Corp. Walter Kuehner arrived home yesterday afternoon, from England.
Lance-Corp. Kuehner enlisted with the 90th Rifles, Winnipeg, three and a half years ago, and saw service in the trenches for twenty-one months, having partaken in some of the most important battles in which Canadian troops were engaged.
He was wounded three times and was finally invalided to Senford, Sussex, England. He sailed, along with several other local boys, on the S. S. Carmania, leaving the old country on the 24th of last month.

Soldiers Heard at Northland Query

OTTAWA, Jan. 3.—Returned soldiers opened their story at the Northland inquiry this morning and their complaints were largely regarding bunking and the way food was served to them. The Christmas dinner served when the Northland was in Halifax harbor, consisted, according to description of one soldier, of one pork chop with one and a half inches of fat, and Christmas pudding served by hand instead of dishes, passably good.
Scarcity of drinking water as well as water for washing purposes was complained of. The witnesses said that for the last three days on ship they could not get a drink of water. Most of them purchased soda water from the canteen to satisfy their thirst. One witness said that in stormy weather the latrines overflowed into the cabins, causing most unhealthy conditions.

American Transport Ashore Close Home

FIRE ISLAND, Jan. 3.—In a heavy sea that tossed powerfully, motorboats around like peanutshells, wounded Americans from the battle fields of France were rescued this morning from the hospital transport Northern Pacific, ashore here. Injured soldiers in stretchers were lowered over the slippery sides of the wrecked steamer. They were taken aboard launches from the cruiser, Des Moines and Columbia and transferred to relief vessels rolling in the heavy swell as near to the northern Pacific as they dared approach.

England is actively preparing for a suitable celebration of the Queen Victoria centenary next May.
The total of women voters in the States having full, presidential or primary suffrage has now reached 11,016,964.



Terse Statements On Various Matters

MR. VICTOR MEYER ON THE GALT CASE.

Mr. Victor Meyer of the Doon road was in the city yesterday and in conversation with the Record made a statement regarding the fine of one thousand dollars recently imposed upon him in Galt on the charge of having a quantity of liquor on his place. He said: "The report has gone out from Galt that I kept a blind pig. I wish to deny that statement. People have received the wrong impression about the matter, for running a blind pig implies making a profit out of an illegal business. Now this is what happened. Several weeks ago two friends of mine approached me with the request that they be permitted to store some of their liquor in my barn. I then refused, not wanting to be bothered with the matter and not because I knew that to store the liquor would be illegal, for I did not know that it would be against the law. Well my friends came to me again and repeated their request and finally I innocently gave them permission to put it in my barn. Sometime later the charge against me was laid of keeping liquor, and then, wrongly, the report got abroad that I was running a blind-pig which, as I have said, was not the case."

Mayor Kutt of Waterloo, in a conversation between the Record and Mayor Kutt of Waterloo in the City today a matter referred to was a statement at the nomination meeting in Waterloo by Councilor A.H. Cochrane. Mayor Kutt remarked: "I was surprised to hear Mr. Cochrane's statement that the Council of 1919 might make or break our town and that there is a strong undercurrent for the amalgamation of the two towns. I have had conversations with Mayor Gross and several aldermen of your city and they tell me they know nothing about it. I have spoken to our own Reeve and Deputy Reeve and they also have no information and know nothing about the matter. It seems strange that any interested parties should first have approached a junior member of our Town Council. I might state that one of your aldermen remarked that there is a feeling in your city that something might be done with the view of bringing about amalgamation. Regarding Waterloo, the matter has been before the Town Council quite a number of times in the last few years and I would not be surprised if it came up again. Should it come up our Town Council, I should emphasize, would secure the opinion of the business men of the Town before disposing of the question."

After Thoughts About the Election

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Citizens were interested in the election although many did not vote. When told about the result in reply to their enquiry over the phone they said: "That's good."

All returns except two Nos. 6 and No. 12 were in comparatively early. It was 10.15 before No. 12 came in. Much to the delight of an impatient concourse of ratepayers especially in view of the fact that on the vote in this poll depended the last name on the list of aldermen elect. The clerks at this poll must have delighted in addition.

Bolsheviki Capture Additional Towns

LONDON, Jan. 3.—Successful encounters with allied forces in the Archangel and Colla regions, together with the capture of six additional towns, was reported in the Bolshevik official communiqué of December 31st, received by wireless from Moscow to-day. "Bolshevik forces captured Kolk, Kakhala, Baskul, Undva, Ajda, and Walhof," the statement said. "In the regions of Archangel and Koltas there were successful patrol encounters. We are taking up a position 15 Vorsts (33 miles) from Kungur and 25 Vorsts from Perm."

Cold Wave Com- ing This Way

CHICAGO, Jan. 3.—Chicagoans scoured to work to-day in temperature of four degrees below zero with assurances of the weather forecast that it would be colder before it became warmer. The city health commissioners and other physicians declared cold weather had brought lessening in the number of influenza cases. Friday weather prevailed throughout the middle west, practically every state reporting the lowest temperatures of the winter. The cold wave is bound east toward Ontario.

COLD IN WEST AND WARM AT HALIFAX.

TORONTO Jan. 3.—Canada's infinite variety in matter of temperatures emphasized by meteorological observations today, indicating a difference of seventy-eight degrees in extremes developed during twenty-four hours. The coldest point reporting was Winnipeg, where mercury dropped thirty degrees below zero, while Halifax perched with furs on at forty-eight degrees above. In Ontario there was a difference of fifty-eight degrees between the extremes, with twenty-six below at White River and 32 above at Kingston.

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LATEST CABLE NEWS

In Tabloid Form

MACKENSEN ARRESTED AT BUDAPEST.

LONDON, Jan. 3.—Field Marshal Mackensen has been arrested by the French authorities at Budapest, according to a dispatch from Innsbruck received here today.

FOOD RATIONING TO BE ABOLISHED.

LONDON, Jan. 3.—Food rationing in England is to be abolished on March 3, it was learned authoritatively today.

U. S. TO ISSUE ANOTHER LIBERTY LOAN.

NEW YORK, Jan. 3.—The next Liberty loan will bear 4 1/2 per cent. interest according to reports in financial circles here today. The issue is expected to be for \$500,000,000. It probably will be a short term issue of five years, some think.

HOOVER THE FOOD DICTATOR

PARIS, Jan. 3.—Herbert Hoover, has been designated director general of food relief measures in restored, neutral and enemy territory, it was officially announced to-day.

CZECHS ADVANCING ON VIENNA

VIENNA, Jan. 3.—Czech forces have occupied Presburg and are believed to be advancing upon Vienna and Budapest.

BRITISH LANDED AT RIGA

LONDON, Jan. 3.—A Central News dispatch from Copenhagen to-day reported that British troops have landed at Riga.

WANTS GERMAN WARSHIPS SUNK

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—Admiral Hugh Podman, commander of the American squadron in the North Sea, has recommended the sinking of all surrendered German capital ships he told the house naval affairs committee. The submarines, 35 destroyers, and other minor craft should be kept, Rodman said.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—Return of the railroads to the several hun- dred companies which controlled them before the war is impossible if certain important reforms are to be preserved, Director General Mc- Adoo declared in a statement to the Senate Interstate Commission here to-day.

Wilson to Expound Peace Program to the Italians

ROME, Jan. 3. (By Robert J. Bender).—Pursuing his policy of taking the public a party to peace discussion President Wilson will talk to the people of Italy, as he talked to those of France and England. For this purpose, it was understood to-day, he will visit the great industrial centres of Milan and Turin, leaving for these cities to-morrow night. The President's first important speech in Italy, however, will be delivered at a state dinner to-night. He is confident of clearing up any misunderstanding that may linger in the minds of the Italian people and statesmen regarding his peace program. Following the formal reception in the Quirinal, the President called upon Queen Mother Margherita, widow of the late King Humbert. Later he went to the municipal hall, on the summit of the historic Capitoline Hill, where he was made a citizen of Rome. Important conferences were scheduled with Italian statesmen for this afternoon and to-morrow. He will have an audience with Pope Benedict to-morrow.

VIENNA, Jan. 3.—President Wil- son, premier Lloyd George and Pre- mier Clemenceau have agreed on "Cre- ation of a new German confederation of Bavaria's direction" according to an announcement made by President Masaryk of the Czech-Slovaks, a Prague dispatch reported to-day.

Lady Ralph Paget, who put in many months of service at the front in Serbia, has the distinction of being the first woman to receive the Medal of Honor, a tribute to courage above duty in any woman, regardless of station, awarded to her by the New York City Federation of Women's Clubs.

Mrs. H. O. Danes, recently elected vice-president of the Oklahoma Hardware and Implement Dealers' Association, is believed to be the first woman to hold a responsible position in a hardware trade organization in the United States.

Former Local Boy Has Won More Honors

Distinguished Service Order for Major Beverly Browne

Merited honors have come to a former local boy who has given untold of service in the field. On the New Year's list is the name of Major Beverly Browne M.C., son of Mr. and Mrs. H.G. Browne West King Street who has been awarded the Distinguished Service Order.
The honors just given to Major Browne are additional to those he received about two years ago, when he was awarded the Military Cross. Major Browne's service is a noteworthy record of achievement. He enlisted in Vancouver in 1914, where he was in business. Since then he had been overseas. The unit with which he signed and went across to the old country were the 72nd Seaforth Highlanders. In the field he played a man's part and while the friends have not been able to learn of his heroic deeds they do know that about two years ago he was awarded the Military Cross. Today he is Deputy Assistant Quarter Master General in the Canadian Corps Headquarters, now in Germany. He has also risen to the rank of Major. Since the time he has been at the front he has not wound.
Coincident with Major Browne's service overseas is that of his wife, a Vancouver girl who has been unselfishly engaged in war work in London, Eng., under Lady Drummond.
The many local friends of the officer will be pleased to learn of his heroic work overseas and knowing his personal qualities they are convinced the promotion has been well-merited.

Plan For Irish Uprising Reported

DOCUMENT PLACED BEFORE COURT-MARTIAL AT DUBLIN

LONDON, Jan. 2.—A dispatch to the Daily News from Dublin dated last night says:
"Sensational particulars of a plan for a new Irish rising in the mountainous districts of Wicklow and Wexford were given to a court-martial held here to-day.
"They were contained in a document which the police seized after it was found on an old bookkeeper named John Gallagher, at Ballinglass, 35 miles southwest of Dublin, where he was arrested last Sunday.
"This document which was read in court, was headed 'plan of action of the second battalion' and the action was already specified. The document itself begins on the order to strike being received. Ballinglass should be established as battalion headquarters which shall be in touch with brigade headquarters for two points, viz., Castle Dermot and Tullow.
"After specifying a number of police barracks and railway stations, which are to be seized with the help of two motorized files with armed men, the document proceeds, the capture of these positions will be communicated to battalion headquarters and thence to brigade quarters.
"This accomplished, military law shall be enforced by volunteers and a proclamation posted up in various centers. Rioters and persons suspected of giving information to the enemy and all persons of hostile intentions will be arrested and dealt with. The battalion quartermaster and company quartermaster will take drafts on banks and supply the volunteers with clothing and equipment. All motor lorries will be commandeered.
"The male section of the population will have to work at whatever work is necessary. The great southern and western railway lines shall be seized at Donnad and Cabinstown and destroyed as far as Tullow.
"To Destroy Stocks
"All rolling stocks, stores of flax and corn shall be destroyed. Trenches will be dug about every half mile on the main road with trees and barricades at intervals. The camp of Coolmin shall be burned and the roads to and from it broken up.
"The paper bore no date.
"Gallagher refused to plead to the charges on the ground that the court was composed of representatives of the enemy occupation. Before the court closed the judge advocate remarked that among the points upon which it would have to satisfy itself was whether or not the document was genuine, and referred to operations that were genuinely intended.
"The decision will be promulgated later.

Tunisian Is Expected Today

TRANSPORT BRINGS 1,000 CI- VILIANS AND TROOPS.

St. John, N.B., Jan. 2.—The liner Tunisian is due at this port to-morrow about noon from the other side. The steamer brings a full cargo of general cargo, mails and a passenger list of 1,000. There are one hundred 51 officers, 535 men of other ranks and over 500 civilians passengers, of which 400 are soldiers' dependents. There are three officers, 37 men and 136 civilian passengers for M.D. No. 1, London, Ont.

It is proposed to hold a world conference of working women in the near future, probably in Paris.



A SCOTCH COMPLIMENT.—PROUD FATHER: "Well, Mac, what do you think of him?"
MAC (critically surveying the parent): "Och! not bad—considerin'!"
—London Opinion.