

"Flu" Epidemic Spreading in U.S.

New York Has 3663 Cases -- Hungary Refuses to Sign Peace Treaty--Berlin Authorities Taking Precautions--Austrian Prisoners in Siberia Dying by the Hundred Thousand -- 40,000 Russian Troops Surrender to the Bolsheviks--Denekine Finds Asylum on Board British Warship.

HUNGARY WILL REFUSE TO SIGN.

LONDON, Jan. 27. Count Albert Apponyi, head of the Hungarian peace delegation, is going to Paris in the middle of the week to hand to the Entente the Hungarian solemn refusal to sign the peace treaty in its present form, says a wireless despatch from Berlin.

TERRIBLE DEATH RATE AMONG AUSTRIAN PRISONERS.

GENEVA, Jan. 27. Nearly 375,000 of the 5,000,000 Austro-Hungarian prisoners of war taken by the Russians, have perished in Siberia from smallpox and typhus, according to Vladivostok despatches to the International Red Cross headquarters here. The rest were kept alive only by the efficient work of British, Japanese and American doctors, who have been assigned to different towns along the trans-Siberian railroad.

INFLUENZA FIGURES SHOW BIG INCREASE.

NEW YORK, Jan. 27. Influenza cases to-day totalled 8,663, the highest number since the present outbreak began about a week ago. Influenza cases in Massachusetts showed an increase of 50 per cent. for the twenty-four hours period ending noon to-day over that of the previous forty-eight hours.

TEA SUGAR WORKERS TO STRIKE.

HONOLULU, Jan. 27. (By Associated Press)—The Japanese Federation of Labor of Hawaii to-day called a general strike of Japanese sugar plantation workers for Feb. 1st. Twenty-four men will be affected by the Federation's call, officials said.

THE RUSSIAN COLLAPSE.

LONDON, Jan. 27. It is necessary to reach an understanding of the present situation in Siberia to realize the completeness of the collapse at Omsk, says the Daily Mail's Harbin correspondent telegraphing Jan. 20th. He declares that since the retirement from the Ural region, the Siberian army with the exception of one rally by the Cossacks, have offered virtually no opposition to the Bolsheviks. All reports of serious fighting are imaginative. "Forty

thousand troops surrendered at Omsk without firing a shot." Owing to the stupor and paralysis of the Russian military authorities, nothing was removed from Omsk except state treasure, and virtually the whole of the immense equipment supplied by Great Britain since 1916 was lost.

WORK OR STARVE.

BERLIN, Jan. 27. The Tageblatt's Essen correspondent reports that the Entente has notified the Government that it will discontinue food deliveries to Germany if labor riots and insurrection continue.

PREPARED FOR MONARCHIST OUTBREAK.

BERLIN, Jan. 27. Heavy patrols of soldiers guarded the Government buildings during the past night and stopped all traffic over the streets in that neighborhood where barricades were thrown up by troops before night fall. Rumors were heard during the evening that monarchists had planned an uprising to-day, which is the birthday of former Emperor William, and that Gustav Noske, Minister of Defence, had massed troops as a precautionary measure. While Government officials have denied any knowledge of the intended insurrection and say the attack on Erberger, Minister of Finance, yesterday, prompted the mobilization of forces, it is declared the authorities sought to forestall action on the part of supporters of the Imperial regime. It was reported last night that attacks against independent socialists and radicals were planned as a first step in the monarchist coup.

EGYPTIAN AFFAIRS.

PARIS, Jan. 27. Said Zagloul Pasha, Egyptian Minister of Justice, and head of Egyptian National Delegation now here, confirms the Cairo reports that the mission headed by Lord Milner has been told by a body called together by the Sultan to examine into the Egyptian situation, that it would be necessary to deal with the Paris delegation. He added that his delegation was prepared to negotiate with the Milner Commission at Paris or in Egypt, "if the Milner commission was said to declare that it had been authoritatively asked by the British Government to carry on negotiations as representatives of the nations."

NO PRESIDENT FOR PRUSSIA.

BERLIN, Jan. 27. Consideration of the future of Prussia has been closed by the Commission assigned to the task, and it has been decided that Prussia will not have a President of her own. The head of the Legislative Assembly will be ex-officio head of the state.

WILLIAM NOT KEEN TO RETURN.

MAYENCE, Jan. 27. German newspapers published a letter from former Emperor William to a personal friend, in which Count Hohenzollern expressed his absolute discouragement, and says he does not want ever to return to Germany. He says he believes his return would cause a split between German factions.

HOLLAND TO TAKE MANDATE.

PARIS, Jan. 27. In case the United States refuses to accept the mandate for Armenia, it may be given to Holland, according to a despatch to the Math from the Hague, quoting rumors from that city.

DENEKINE ON BOARD BRITISH WARSHIP.

PARIS, Jan. 27. General Denekine and his staff have taken refuge on board a British vessel at Constantinople, according to a Zurich despatch to the Echo de Paris.

SEEKS SIGNIFICANCE IN SOLE'S APPOINTMENT.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27. The appointment of Dr. Wilhelm Solf as Charge D'Affaires and eventual Ambassador at Tokio by Germany is accepted here as an indication that a close understanding with Japan is to be a feature of the new German foreign policy, now that it has permitted the German republic to re-

Mrs. Wilson Has Gained 20 Lbs. in Few Weeks

Friends Are Amazed At Her Recovery—Feels Like New Since Taking Tanlac.

"Since taking Tanlac I have gained twenty pounds in weight and all the neighbors are talking about my wonderful improvement," was the statement made recently by Mrs. Clare Wilson, of 40 McSweeney Avenue, Moncton, New Brunswick.

"It was about five years ago that my health failed," continued Mrs. Wilson, "and in spite of all I could do I have been growing worse and worse. Then in October, 1918, I had a bad case of the influenza which left me in a most miserable and weakened condition. I had almost no appetite at all, and whenever I managed to eat a little something it seemed to do me more harm than good. I had a heavy, distressing feeling all the time and I could hardly retain a thing on my stomach. My sleep was restless and often it was disturbed by horrible dreams and nightmares, and I was so nervous that even the children playing around the house upset me. I lost weight until I was scarcely more than a frame and I became so weak and run-down that I was almost a wreck."

"One day my husband brought me a bottle of Tanlac, but I had taken so many medicines without getting relief that I had become discouraged, and he had to insist for some time before I consented to take it. And now I am certainly glad I tried it because I began to improve right away. To-day, after taking five bottles, I am in perfect health, and my friends are simply amazed at my recovery. I can eat anything I please and digest it without the least trouble, and I don't have that distressing feeling after eating like I used to. My nerves are steady and I sleep sound every night. I have gained so much in weight and strength that I am really feeling like a new woman. Tanlac was certainly a blessing to me and I am pleased to tell others about it."

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open diplomatic relations with other governments. That Dr. Solf should be sent to Tokio is regarded here as highly significant, for one thing because the Anglo-Japanese Alliance expires by limitation at the end of this year, and there is said to be some division of sentiment both in Japan and Britain over its renewal.

POOR COMFORT.

CLEVELAND, Jan. 27. Higher food prices for 1920 were predicted to-day by delegates to a joint convention of the National Carriers' Association and other organizations identified with the canning industry.

THOMAS IS ELECTED DIRECTOR GENERAL OF LABOR.

PARIS, Jan. 27. Albert Thomas, French Labor leader, was unanimously elected Director General of the International Labor Organization at to-day's session of the governing body here.

JUGO-SLAVS ACCEPT.

BERNE, Jan. 27. A Belgrade despatch says that the Jugo-Slav Government have decided to accept the Allied ultimatum with regard to the settlement of the Adriatic controversy. The decision to accept the ultimatum was reached by a small majority and after long discussion. The despatch adds the Jugo-Slav reply will be sent to Paris within 48 hours.

DOESN'T WANT TO HAND OVER CRIMINALS.

PARIS, Jan. 27. The German Government has sent a note to Paris trying once more to induce the Allies to renounce the execution of Article 228 of the Peace Treaty dealing with the surrender of persons accused of acts in violation of the laws and customs of war.

FURTHER REWARDS OFFERED.

DUBLIN, Jan. 27. Aside from the offer by the Lord Lieutenant of a reward of ten thousand pounds for information leading to the conviction of those guilty of murder of fourteen police officers, the Government has posted an offer of three thousand pounds for information leading to the conviction of those persons who have wounded police officers in any part of Ireland, and also one hundred pounds and a pardon to anybody concerned, not being the actual assailant, who gives information leading to such convictions.

ARMENIAN REPUBLIC STILL UNRECOGNIZED.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27. The United States has reached no definite conclusion as to recognition of the Republic of Armenia, it was stated authoritatively last night.

The Main Thing.

"My poor man," said the sympathetic prison visitor, "do let me send you some cake."
"Thank you, mum. Dat would suit me fine."
"What kind would you prefer?"
"Any kind, mum," said the prisoner, lowering his voice to a whisper, "just so it's got a file in it."

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What Royalty Eats.

Considerable changes are taking place among the staff at Buckingham Palace. This is partly owing to some of the servants returning from active service, and also because simplicity is becoming more and more the keynote of palace service. Nowhere is this more strikingly seen than in the culinary department. Both Queen Victoria and King Edward had vigorous appetites, and really enjoyed their food. King George is almost indifferent to the efforts of his chef, and sadly wounded the artistic culinary genius of the late M. Escottier by his listless interest in the menu. But, of course, His present Majesty has not a strong digestion, and it is a palace "open secret" that Queen Mary

severely edits the daily culinary programme submitted by the head chef. Her Majesty prefers plain food prepared in an obviously English fashion, so that French cookery has almost disappeared from Royal menus. Queen Victoria's dinners, as prepared by M. Joseph (afterwards captured by Sir Edward Sassoon), contained nineteen courses and lasted three hours, while every wish was "offered" to Her Majesty, and generally received good attention. King Edward cut it down to twelve courses, with a time limit of two hours. To-day a Royal dinner consists of five courses, and is finished in an hour. Enormous changes have taken place, too, in the matter of the stocks of wines kept in the Royal palaces. Originally the office of Master Vintner was a rich appointment worth £2,000 a year. The Prince Consort affected to be

some judge of wines, and against the advice of Lord Pelham, who was at the time the Royal Vintner, laid in a huge stock of atrocious German wines. These lingered in the Royal cellars for years. Queen Victoria to the last believed that she drank nothing but "good, wholesome German wine," but a little legerdemain carried out by King Edward and the Master Vintner in the Royal cellars deceived her. His late Majesty made a clean sweep of the remainder of the stuff when he came to the Throne.

The Grandmother.

(By Gladys Hazel.)
Upon her folded hands the sunshine falls,
Bathing their lines and scars of toll in light,
And they are quiet as the evening earth
That waits in peace the coming of of night.
She has held children's children in her arms,
Whose babies soon may lie against her breast;
Now, in the shade of memories withdrawn,
In the high midday sun she sits at rest.
To her, remote, with her completed life
About her like a garment, age is kind,
For still her children, small and ever done,
Play in the secret dwelling of her mind.
—Westminster Gazette.

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