



The Evening News

Daily Weather Report

Fair Tonight and Thursday;
Continued Cold.
Highest temp. yesterday 31
Lowest temp. last night 24

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PEACE BOARD IN AN UPROAR

Few of Members Refuse to Make Trip to Stockholm.

DR. AKED ONLY AMERICAN TO REMAIN

German Military Authorities Refuse Permission for Delegates to Cross Boundaries into Denmark.

THE HAGUE, Jan. 19.—While preparing for the proposed departure to Stockholm, where it is intended to begin sessions in an attempt to bring about the termination of the war, the Ford permanent peace board was threatened with disruption today by the refusal of all the members to proceed on the trip to Stockholm. Of the five American members only Dr. Charles F. Aked has announced his willingness to go to Stockholm. Mrs. Joseph Fels of Philadelphia says she is going to England on business.

William J. Bryan, Henry Ford and Miss Jane Addams, who are the other American members, are still in America, and as nothing has been heard from them, members of the expedition here are much perplexed over the absence of news concerning them.

American Members Frozen Out.

The situation as it now appears eliminates all American members of the permanent peace board for the present, except Dr. Aked and possibly Mr. Evans, unless Mr. Bryan and Mr. Ford come to The Hague or Stockholm.

Gaston Plantiff, personal representative for Mr. Ford, has received cablegram instructions to return to America and explain the situation to his employer. In the meantime Mme. Schwimmer is pleading with the American members of the expedition to remain together and work for peace, inasmuch as \$375,000 already had been spent upon the expedition.

Germany Blocks Way.

Other difficulties arose over the manner of reaching Stockholm. The German government late today granted permission to 32 Scandinavian members of the party to return to their homes through German territory. It is expected that they will leave tomorrow, crossing Germany in a sealed train. Twenty-five Americans, including Dr. Aked and the business staff, have so far been refused permission.

Appeal Sent to Gerard.

Mr. Lochner thereupon telegraphed to James W. Gerard, the American ambassador at Berlin, as follows: "Absolutely necessary that everything be done to get the peace delegation back through Germany. Please use the foreign office."

No answer has yet been received from Ambassador Gerard and Dr. Aked, Mme. Schwimmer and Mr. Lochner are undecided as to the next move.

SEARCH FOR DEAD IN THE BIG FLOOD

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 19.—Patrols who are working in the flooded zones of this city are watching for more possible victims of the disastrous storm which passed over southern California the fore part of the week.

The latest figures show that five are known positively to have lost their lives, and four more are reported to have perished.

Owing to the greatest number of

ranches which have been devastated it is believed likely that many unreported deaths have occurred.

Despite the fact that hundreds of houses have been abandoned, there is little suffering on that account, as the charitable neighbors have cared for the homeless and charitable institutions are working among the Mexicans. The property loss is estimated at \$3,000,000.

PLOTS TO ASSASSINATE EMPEROR DISCOVERED

PEKING, Jan. 19.—Numerous arrests have been made as the result of the discovery of a plot to bomb the emperor. The explosives were found in the palace, and the plot is undoubtedly the work of revolutionists.

CHAS. W. CLARK IS OUT FOR CLERK

As can be seen from his formal announcement in another place in this issue, Charles W. Clark, of Roseburg, has decided to be a candidate on the republican ticket for the nomination for county clerk, at the May primaries. Mr. Clark is one of the best known residents of this city, and has a large acquaintance in all parts of the county. He has been for some time, and is at present, a strong and influential member of the city council, and has taken a leading part in some of the most important legislation which has come before that body in years. His record in this position shows he is progressive in his view, but careful in looking after the interests of the people of the city.

If nominated, and there is little, if any expectation of there being any opposition, Mr. Clark will make a clean and aggressive campaign. Mr. Clark is just in the prime of life, a little over forty years of age, and is a member of the well known firm of photographers of this city.

During the Spanish-American war he volunteered his services to his country, and was sent to the Philippines, where he saw much severe service. He has been a resident of Douglas county for many years, is a staunch, consistent republican, and a firm believer in the future of Douglas county. He is a man of excellent business judgment, splendidly equipped by education to fill the office, and is a close, painstaking and investigating man. His candidacy will add strength to the ticket.

His many friends, including The News, can confidently recommend him to the voters of this county.

SENATORS REFUSE TO DISCUSS MEXICO

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19.—After a hot fight in the rooms of the committee on foreign affairs, the administration members of the committee succeeded in passing a resolution whereby the further discussion of the Mexican situation will be kept off the floor of the senate.

Wants Wilson to Explain.

In a resolution introduced in the senate today, Senator Sherman asked President Wilson if an agreement existed between the United States and any other Pan-American power whereby this country will not interfere in Mexican affairs without their consent.

STATE SPRINGS SENSATION IN THE TRIAL OF MRS. MOHR

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Jan. 19.—George Hooker, brother-in-law of Emily Burger, the nurse who was riding in the automobile with Dr. Mohr at the time he was shot, took the stand today at the readjustment of the trial. He identified a post card which he had received shortly before the doctor met his death and which threatened the life of his sister-in-law if she continued to associate with Dr. Mohr.

Bert Russell returned to his home at Dillard this morning after spending the day yesterday in Roseburg.

LONDON PRESS VERY CAUSTIC

Claim Montenegro Double Crossed the Allies.

COURT INFLUENCE SAID TO BE CAUSE

Berlin Papers Say Surrender of Small Country Was Due To the Many German Victories in Balkans.

LONDON, Jan. 19.—The peace negotiations between Austria and Montenegro have been stopped, according to an unconfirmed wireless to Rome. It said that the report of the surrender of the Montenegrin army is premature. This report, however, is accepted cautiously and reverberated, because the Montenegrin diplomats at Rome and Paris confirmed the surrender.

The charge that Montenegro agreed with Austria even before the outbreak of the war to cede Mount Lovcen and that the defense of the mountain was only sufficient to lull the suspicions of the entente powers is made by a correspondent of the Idea Nazionale.

"Montenegro allowed the Austrians to take Kuc, which was practically impregnable," says the correspondent, "and when the government returned to Podgoritz, Ciojovnich, of the state council and other high officials remained in Cetinje with orders to yield the capture to the Austrians without opposition."

Provisions Not Used.

"Italy recently sent an enormous quantity of provisions to relieve the Montenegrin and Serbian armies, but the provisions were left rotting on the quays at San Giovanni di Madua, Albania, although there were plenty of means for transport to the interior."

Instead of repairing the Meduar road, the Montenegrins repaired the Glakova-Scutari road, facilitating the Austrian anti-Serbian operation. The food was not

\$\$\$9,000 FIRST ALLOWANCE FOR ROSEBURG BUILDING.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19.—(Special to The News.)—The urgent deficiency bill has been framed, carrying \$39,000 for the postoffice at Roseburg, and continuing the work until June 30.

carried into the interior, so the populace believed they were being deserted by the allies."

London Papers Sore.

LONDON, Jan. 19.—A considerable share of the editorial space in the morning papers today is devoted to Montenegro's surrender, which is generally characterized as the work of court influences, with dynastic rather than national aims.

"This is a sorry end to the glorious history of Montenegro," says the Morning Post, "which henceforth will be only a vassal state of Austria."

German Victories Cause.

The Times says: "However much local and personal considerations entered into the decision of King Nicholas; however much it was facilitated by subterranean relations of the kind revealed some years ago in the notorious Austro-Montenegrin high treason trial at Cetinje, it is unquestionable that it would not have been reached but for the German victories. The capitulation of Montenegro is a signal to the allies that they can not hope to win without greater vigor and foresight."

Forest Supervisor S. C. Bartram reports that through the efforts of the Spotsmen's League and the residents of the several vicinities that the birds of the county are being as well cared for as possible under the conditions. In many places the heavy snows have driven the birds to the lowlands and here they gather in flocks to feed on the grain scattered for them by residents. In many places they come at feeding time and eat with the flocks of chickens in the barnyard. Birds which were thought to be almost extinct in this county are in many cases seen in numbers.

DEFEAT DENIED BY RUSSIANS

New Offensive Progressing Favorably is Claimed.

GREEK TROOPS WITHDRAW FROM BORDER

Austria Planning to Unite Montenegro and Portion of Serbia Under Austrian Protectorate.

PETROGRAD, Jan. 19.—Official denial that the Russians were defeated in the Caucasus of Percia was made today. Contrary to other reports, the new offensive on both fronts is developing favorably. It has suffered but small losses, and has made heavy captures, in some instances having annihilated whole regiments.

Turks Claim Russians Halted.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Jan. 19.—The Russian offensive in the Caucasus has been halted, it is officially announced. It is claimed that the Turkish reinforcements repulsed the enemy with heavy losses, and the general situation is favorable, despite the eight days' offensive by superior forces.

Greek Troops to Withdraw.

ATHENS, Jan. 19.—All Greek troops except one battalion will be withdrawn from the Bulgarian frontier, it is officially announced, the difficulty of provisioning them is given as the cause. Simultaneously it is announced that England has agreed to export 5000 tons of coal to Greece, thus eliminating any possibility of a tie-up of the railroads. A British transport loaded with Serbian troops reached Saloniki from Albania.

Protectorate for Serbia.

ROME, Jan. 19.—Reports which are current in this city are to the effect that Austria is planning to unite Montenegro and a portion of Serbia into a new kingdom, which will be under an Austrian protectorate.

Germany is said to fully approve

of the plan and that Emperor Franz Joseph is considering the selection of a ruler who will conciliate both nationalities. In case this is accomplished it will forever remove the Balkan danger on the Austrian flank.

MORE MONEY FOR RIGHTS OF WAY

That the farmers west of the city are as anxious to have a share in the building of the proposed Roseburg & Eastern Railroad as the residents of Roseburg and the vicinity to the east was shown by the results obtained by the members of the right of way committee who visited the citizens in that section this morning. A great many subscriptions to the amount being raised to purchase rights of way for court procedure were obtained which although they individually were not large aggregated to considerable and will assist greatly in the work.

The residents of this part of the county some time ago expressed their willingness and desire to assist in the donations, but until today no active campaign for funds was made. No urging was necessary on the part of any of the members of the committee, all giving freely and to the best of their means.

This manner of raising money to assist in the obtaining of property was begun in the district east of town and has rapidly spread until the entire vicinity around the city has expressed a willingness to donate money for the cause. At the time this means of gaining money was begun the local committee had almost given up hope that it would ever be possible to construct the railroad, but the energy with which the farmers of the district attacked and disposed of the obstacles put new life into the project and construction work is now assured in the early spring.

When the idea of soliciting donations from the farmers west of the city was first conceived it was discussed with some of the Melrose residents and they readily agreed to take the matter up with their neighbors. The fact of an enlarged market for their produce appealed to them and the plan of having a committee wait upon them was then devised.

MEXICAN SITUATION BRINGS BILLS AND DEBATES IN CONGRESS



Left to right, top: Senator C. S. Thomas, Congressman L. C. Dyer, Senator Sherman. Bottom: Senator Gallinger, Senator Stone and Senator Borah.

Now that the Mexican situation has again become acute, senators and representatives are busy introducing bills and making speeches dealing with the present crisis. Senators Borah, Thomas, Gallinger and Stone have made speeches advocating armed intervention in case Carranza is unable to handle the situation. In the house Representative Dyer has offered a resolution asking the president if it is not time to invade Mexico. Senator Sherman has introduced a resolution calling for intervention on the part of the United States and other Pan-American nations in case Carranza does not restore order at once.

BANDITS CAPTURE SEVEN SOLDIERS

EL PASO, Jan. 19.—An unconfirmed report in this city to the effect that Mexican bandits near Hachatt, N. M., captured seven American cavalrymen after a skirmish, sent the male population into a frenzy of anger. Other cavalrymen and a number of cowboys have gone in pursuit of the band. The army officials of this city are without confirmation of the rumor.

Report Confirmed by Passengers.

DOUGLAS, Ariz., Jan. 19.—Passengers arriving at this place this afternoon on board an eastern train stated that a band of Villistas crossed the American border and captured seven American soldiers of the 13th cavalry and that a number of their comrades have crossed into Mexican territory in pursuit.

CLOUD BURST IN MOUNTAINS OF CAL.

RIVERSIDE, Cal., Jan. 19.—The railroad agent here received a telephonic warning of a cloudburst on Lytle creek, in the San Bernardino mountains, which was sending a nine foot wall of water down the canyon. It was feared that this would cause damage and loss of life at Colton and San Bernardino. No confirmation of the report has been received.