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WAR IN THE BALKANS

Turks Reported Driven Back by Christian Allies.

Sofia, Oct. 22.—Disaster to the Turkish arms all along their line of battle, from the Greek frontier to the Black sea, was officially announced here today. The government reports declare that the Bulgarian troops have pierced the Moslem line of defense in a dozen places, isolating the detached forces of the Turks throughout the whole territory.

No confirmation of the government announcement has yet been received from independent sources, but if the reports are correct, and the Bulgarians have overwhelmed the Turks throughout such a stretch of country, it means an almost irreparable Turkish disaster the almost certain fall of Adrianople, the opening of the way to Constantinople and a probable great battle near the shores of the Bosphorus in which will be decided the continuance or fall of Mohammedan dominion in Europe.

The reported victories of the Bulgarians, the absence of reports of any serious setback to the Greeks, Servians or Montenegrins, are taken here as indicating that the quick movement of the Christian allies has caught the Turks in a state of unpreparedness, from which it will be difficult to rally.

Medfordite Leaps to Death.

Lester Bridham, prominent Denver business and society man who spent the summer in Medford a year ago, committed suicide at his home city Friday when he jumped from the seventh story of a hotel to the court below. Mr. Bridham lived here in a house he rented from Ed Andrews and also spent part of his time at the Hotel Holland. He was known to many people in this city and had a wide acquaintance among the wealthier ranchers. He was the proprietor of a large drug business. Business troubles and ill health were the cause of his taking his life.—Tribune.

Falls Into "Devil's Teapot."

Klamath Falls, Or., Oct. 22.—Weary from a two nights' vigil with a band of sheep, Frank Hollenbeck, a herder, lay down on a board besides the Devil's Teapot, near Klamath Falls, went to sleep, fell in and was so severely burned recovery has been in doubt.

He does not know how long he slept or what time it was when he fell into

the water, but it was nearly 12 o'clock at noon when he was found by Frank Bryant, who was walking along the government ditch bank and heard his cries for help.

Hollenbeck says he was suddenly awakened by the hot water. He crawled out and dragged himself along for a long distance, crying for help.

He thinks it was about two hours after he fell in before he finally was found by Bryant.

Dr. George L. Wright was called to attend the injured man and had him taken to the hospital.

Hollenbeck is scalded on one side from his feet to his head, and the skin is badly cooked and is peeling off.

The water was only about six or seven inches deep where Hollenbeck tumbled in, and had it been deep enough to have covered his body, he would probably never have been able to get out at all.

Roosevelt Back at Oyster Bay.

Oyster Bay, N. Y., Oct. 22.—Colonel Theodore Roosevelt arrived at his home here shortly before 10 o'clock this morning. To avoid the crowds the train was stopped at Syosset, where a limousine was waiting. The colonel walked to the automobile accompanied by Mrs. Roosevelt and his daughter Ethel. Then the party was driven to Sagamore Hill.

New York, Oct. 22.—The train bearing Colonel Roosevelt and his party from Chicago arrived here at 8:30 o'clock this morning. The colonel's private car was switched to the Long Island section to be sent at once to Oyster Bay. The condition of the former president this morning was excellent.

The colonel awoke at 6 o'clock, insisting that he felt badly. Following an examination, the physicians stated that Colonel Roosevelt had stood the trip from Chicago much better than they had expected. The colonel slept soundly from 10 o'clock last night to 6 o'clock this morning.

Largest Apple in World Shown

What is said to be the largest apple in the world is now on exhibition at the Commercial club. It was grown by Orchardist Houston of Sams Valley and weighs 37 ounces. It is 19 1/4 inches in circumference.

The apple is a monster and resembles a summer squash more than an apple. It is a perfect specimen in every way.—Tribune.

Chapman's for Oyster Cocktails.

Water Out of Gold Ray Dam.

The California-Oregon Power company began Tuesday letting the water out of the big dam at Gold Ray for the purpose of cleaning the reservoir and making some repairs to the dam where the timbers have been damaged by drift wood during the winter floods. It will take about ten hours to empty the big reservoir and a week or more to make the necessary repairs.

It has been seven years since the dam was first filled with water and during this time the power supply of the valley was dependent on the plant at Gold Ray, but with the completion of the plant at Prospect and the connection with the plants of the power company in California it will be possible to make the needed repairs at Gold Ray.

A number of repairs to the fishway are to be made and the crest of the dam is to be raised so that at low water the entire flow will be over the center of the dam opposite the fishway giving a deep channel which will guide all fish ascending the stream into the fish ladder.—Tribune.

Judge Denounces Game Laws.

Deputy Game Warden Young yesterday brought complaint in justice court against a man named Collier for the alleged shooting of China pheasants. Upon investigating the case, Judge Webster discovered that the alleged offense was committed in Polk County and that he did not have jurisdiction in the case. Justice Webster pronounced the game laws a fraud. "I believe in protecting certain kinds of birds that are an asset to the farmers in that they destroy troublesome insects and vermin. Other than that, I think the game laws ought to be repealed," said the judge.

"But how about deer and other coveted game?" the judge was asked. "If there were no game laws would they not become extinct?"

"Let them become extinct," answered the judge. "What good are they? As it is there are many game animals that are a detriment to farmers, and thereby more of a pest than a thing to be desired. Besides that, as long as we have them with us, and legalize hunting at certain times of the year, the farmers have a lot of trouble with city people who in their carelessness while hunting in the country kill and cripple the farmers' cattle, hogs and other domestic animals that are really worth something.—Salem Statesman.

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EXPERTS IN CONFERENCE

Experts in All Branches of Apple Business at National Apple Show.

Spokane, Wash., Oct. 21.—Experts in all lines of the apple business will be active in the conference in Spokane during the fifth National Apple Show, November 11 to 17, to assist in solving the problems of the industry.

Two days' conference will be devoted to orchard problems, including choice of site, preparations and planting, choice of varieties, cultivation of orchard, pruning, spraying and harvesting. Wednesday's conference will be on storage; Thursday's on by-products; Friday's on marketing and distribution Saturday morning will be given to financing, and Saturday afternoon to "what to grow between the rows."

In the storage conference the discussion will be on the question whether it shall be storage on the farm, at the initial shipping point, at an intermediate point such as Spokane, or in the east; also whether it should be "cooler" or "cold" storage. The matter of ownership of storage plants—whether by growers, commission men or under a leasing system—also will be given attention. The marketing feature will be given great prominence in the conference. Heads of growers' unions, transportation officials and bankers will discuss this question in all its phases. One expert of national prominence will discuss the subject of the effect of the Panama canal on the industry in the Pacific northwest.

The daily conferences will be opened with an hour and a half program of talks, after which general discussion will be engaged in by all.

Mr. Sampson has visited many of the apple districts in the northwest during the last two weeks and has found a hearty response to the conference plan not only on the part of the growers but the railway traffic managers as well.

Pioneer Answers Last Summons

One of the oldest pioneers of southern Oregon passed away with the demise of George W. Bailey, at his home in Grants Pass, on Monday morning, October 14th. Mr. Bailey, was born in Indiana in the year 1832, and at the time of his death had attained to the patriarchal age of over eighty years. In company with three other young men he was one of the first to answer the golden lure of California, and can almost be said to have been one of the forty-niners, crossing the plains in 1852. For several years he prospected throughout northern California and southern Oregon, returning to the East by steamship in 1855. In 1856 Mr. Bailey was married to Miss Talitha J. Norman, and in 1864 he again took the trail for the west, arriving safely with his family at Jacksonville. For a number of years the family resided on Foothills creek, but later removed to the Applegate, where the family home has since been. In January last, Mr. Bailey took up his residence in Grants Pass. He is survived by his aged wife and ten children. Mrs. W. H. Miller, Mrs. Jay Davidson, Mrs. T. H. Roberts of Gold Hill are daughters of the deceased, and were in attendance at his last illness. Funeral services were conducted on Wednesday afternoon at the interment made in the family plot at Missouri Flat cemetery, near the old home on the Applegate.—Gold Hill News.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Mayor Canon's Son Will Recover

Mayor W. H. Canon of Medford returned Wednesday morning from Portland, where he had taken his son, Fay, who was injured some days ago in an acetylene gas explosion at Silverton, for medical attendance. Mayor Canon states that his son is still in bad shape but that he would recover. His nose is badly broken and there are several deep cuts on his cheeks but he does not think his face will be badly disfigured.

West Plans Uniform Accounting

Salem, Ore., Oct. 23.—Governor Oswald West is today planning a scheme for installing a uniform system of keeping accounts in all the county governments of the state. He believes the plan will result in a big lessening of taxes and otherwise work great benefit. He would have the legislature

endorse the plan, which would have all county officers report to the secretary of state on uniform blanks.

Beat Time of Shasta Limited.

According to the San Francisco Examiner of last Friday, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Savier who left Ashland a week ago for Los Angeles for the winter, made a record trip from Ashland to San Francisco. The Examiner states that Mr. Savier beat the running time of the Shasta Limited by five hours—making the trip in the actual running time of twenty-one hours and twenty minutes. Mr. Savier drove a sixty-horse power Stevens-Duryea. In his report to the Examiner he says that the roads in Northern California are in a frightful condition.—Tidings.

Arm Broken While Chasing Thief

While endeavoring to catch a thief in the Ugo theater building at Medford Tuesday, "Doc" Saunders, an Ashland barber fell down a flight of stairs, breaking one arm and a finger. Saunders told the police that he had been robbed of \$50 and a gold watch in a room in the building and that in trying to arrest the thief he fell backward down the stairs. A suspect was placed under arrest but Saunders refused to swear out a complaint. Saunders is the man whom Dick Thomson beat and robbed in Medford some time ago. Thomson is now serving time for the offense.

Lewis' House at Galice Burned.

Grants Pass, Oct. 23.—A disastrous fire occurred Sunday afternoon which destroyed the old Harry Lewis house at Galice, now the property of John M. Fenn and J. J. McKeever. The fire started from a defective flue in the office adjoining the dwelling and spread so rapidly that in 15 minutes the house was but a heap of ashes, and there was no opportunity to save any of the contents. Both Mr. McKeever and Mr. Fenn and families were at home but at the time of the fire all had gone to the barn to quell a disturbance among the stock. Mr. Fenn says that the loss was complete with the exception of a diamond necklace and a few other articles. The loss will amount to \$10,000 with no insurance.

Burglars Active at Ashland.

Burglars and hold-up men appear to have made Ashland their headquarters recently. Monday night the Ashland Meat Co.'s market on Fourth street was broken into and a small amount of change taken from the cash register. Friday night the Turner residence in the northern part of town was visited by burglars who made a determined effort to enter but were scared away when they heard Mrs. Turner telephoning the police. A third crime was attempted Saturday evening when Jim Sayles was going home after closing his billiard parlor. Just as Mr. Sayles approached the corner of Fifth street a would-be hold-up man jumped out of some high weeds and thrust a revolver into his face with the command to throw up his hands. Mr. Sayles promptly ran, pursued by a bullet from the hold-up man's revolver. Mr. Sayles' fleetness of foot saved him \$50 and a gold watch.

Taft Counts Third Party Out.

Beverly, Mass., Oct. 21.—President Taft issued yesterday a statement predicting Republican victory next month and declaring it "obvious that either the Republican or Democratic nominee will be elected." He says it is an open secret that "the third party does not expect success."

The President reviews business conditions, which he says are unprecedentedly prosperous and asserts the belief that sober judgment of the voters will continue present conditions.

Deafness Cannot be Cured

by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, Deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by Catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of mucous surfaces.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by Catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars free. F. J. CHENEY & Co., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists, 75c. Take Hall's Family Pills for Constipation.

MUST PROTECT AMERICANS

Secretary Knox Return From East and Takes up Problem.

Washington, Oct. 21.—Secretary Knox and Ransford S. Miller, chief of the Far Eastern Division of the State Department, constituting the special embassy dispatched by the President to Japan to represent the United States at the funeral services of the late Emperor Mutsuhito, returned today to Washington.

As ranking member of the Cabinet, Secretary Knox is "acting President" in Washington. The principal problem is the Mexican situation.

While the United States intends to adhere to its policy of non-interference in the Internal Affairs of Mexico, the State Department has made it plain to the Mexican government that measures to protect Americans in the troubled zone must not be relaxed.

These representations, it is understood, include intimations that the lines of communications from the interior to Vera Cruz and Tampico, the principal ports on the Atlantic side, must be kept open for the exit of Americans.

While some students of the question believe the United States might take measures on its own account to keep open an avenue of escape for Americans as it did in China and Nicaragua, officials here do not regard such a development as likely.

Entertainment at M. E. Church.

Francis C. Hews, Denver's blind dramatist and impersonator and a graduate of the Minnesota Institute of the Blind gave an entertainment at the M. E. Church Tuesday evening to a small but appreciative audience. The inclemency of the weather doubtless keeping many away who would otherwise have attended. Those present were well repaid, not only by Miss Hews' splendid rendition of the different selections but also enjoyed vocal music furnished by Mesdames M. M. Taylor, Walter Kito, Misses Lula Williams, Emma Wendt, Lillian Hanson, Alice and Edith Hoefs, Messrs. Clyde Shaw and Hal Harrington.

"Home Industry" Nov. 21st.

Governor West will proclaim Thursday, November 21, "Home Industry" day, when everybody in the state will be expected to say a good word for Oregon manufactures and patronize Oregon made goods. The proclamation will come in response to a request from the Oregon Manufacturers' association. Mayor Rushlight will probably issue a similar.

November 21, Oregon manufacturers will meet in convention in Portland to discuss ways and means for arousing interest in the home industry campaign which has been waged more or less effectively for several years. It will be the first convocation of its kind and 2000 invitations have been sent out.

It is pointed out that if Oregon manufactures were given a thought every time a person makes a purchase, it would not be long before Oregon would stand prominently in the list of manufacturing states.—Journal.

3 Offices to be Made Into One.

Salem, Or., Oct. 21.—As another step toward eliminating boards and commissions that can be dispensed with, and reducing expenses of state government, Governor West announced today that he would recommend to the legislature abolition of the present sheep commission and the offices of sheep inspector and state veterinarian, and create a new office of state stock inspector to do the work now performed by two separate departments.

The sheep commission received an appropriation of \$2500 from the last legislature and the state veterinarian receives a salary of \$2000 yearly and \$150 a year for expenses. The governor stated his belief that the work now performed by both departments could be handled easily by one.

SPECIAL ATTRACTION

At U. S. Hall Tonight
"Lost in the Jungle," the most thrilling and phenomenal animal play ever produced. Don't miss it. Also "For the Love of Mike," comedy, and "Sergeant White's Peril," a drama. Admission 10c. Next Wednesday night, the "Two Flats," a comedy, "Maids Double," and "Destiny is Changeless," will be presented.

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