

WOMEN'S COURAGE IN WAR IS GREAT

Balkan Mothers and Wives Stoically Urge on Wounded Sons and Husbands.

SANITATION FAR FROM GOOD

Nurses and Surgeons Overworked. Bullets Cause Only Small Wounds but Bursting Shells Play Havoc With Soldiers.

BY FREDERICK PALMER, Special Correspondent of the New York Times and the Oregonian with the Balkan Allies.

MUSTAPHA PASHA, Dec. 7.—It seemed to me that the courage of the women left behind in this war that is draining the Balkan states was a greater thing than that of the men, with their faculties numbed by the weariness of a march. Their minds preoccupied by the desperate gamble of charges in the face of whizzing bullets. You saw the women standing at the stations, their faces ghastly, their faces ghastly, their faces ghastly.



Frederick Palmer.

cruciating pain. The man in the next cart, with a wounded arm, was cheerful enough, however.

All accounts agree that with the coming of the winter, the conditions of sanitation were forgotten in the last stages of the war. It was a case of getting well soldiers and ammunition to the front for the final battle of Tchalatalja—and 'devil' take the thought of anything else.

Nothing can be so clean, so orderly and so impressive in its orderliness and cleanliness as an army; nothing so filthy and disgusting, particularly in the mud. And this mass of men was without shelter, exhausted, two-thirds of their officers reservists, and their doctors relatively meager in numbers and without authority.

The dead were buried in long trenches, but not the dead oxen and horses. If either the Bulgarian or the Turkish army, with such limited sanitary measures had been in such heat as that in which the allied forces met the march for the relief of the foreign legations in Peking in that burning August of 1900, I think that, after the cholera, the typhus, and the dysentery got fairly under way, it would not have been long before two armies of ghosts would have crept each other on the Tchalatalja lines.

Winter Campaign Wise. For more reasons than one, then, the Bulgarians, taking into account the poverty of their resources, were wise in making a winter campaign.

Twelve or fifteen thousand dead Bulgarians alone! Counting all the Serbians and the Turks who fell in battle and disease, and you should at least multiply by five. Sixty thousand men in the prime of life! What length of road could they build in a month? How many acres could they have sown to wheat? All the slaughter might have been prevented if the great powers, acting as a unit, had simply given the word for the Turk to get out of Europe! But they could not give any such word as a unit. Apparently they preferred to see 40,000 men killed in the Balkans, to 200,000 or 300,000, perhaps 400,000 or 500,000 killed in a big European war.

CHILDREN CAUSE SUIT

MOTHER AND GRANDFATHER IN FIGHT FOR POSSESSION.

Allegations Are Made That Woman Is Not Fit Person to Have Charge of Youngsters.

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 6.—The struggle for the custody of Laura and Dewitt Gale, aged 7 and 5 years respectively, was begun here today in the juvenile department of the Superior Court by the children's mother, Mrs. Earl Franklin, and their grandfather, L. D. Gale, banker of Sherman, N. Y., who held power of attorney from his son, Leon F. Gale, father of the children.

Gale alleges that Mrs. Franklin, who was divorced by the children's father and who recently married a detective, is not fit to have charge of the children. To support that allegation several depositions reflecting upon Mrs. Franklin's past were offered in court, but were not admitted as evidence.

Mrs. Franklin, on the witness stand, told of having been neglected when she was the wife of Gale, who, she asserted, then took no interest in the children. She accused him of having attempted to besmirch her character.

Upon cross-examination she admitted she had pleaded guilty and had been fined for a statutory offense in Cleveland, O., and that the person with whom she was alleged to have committed the offense was her present husband, Franklin, known then as Smith.

During the greater part of the court session she held her son on her lap. Her daughter is in the Los Angeles detention home at present.

Hearing will be resumed tomorrow.

MEDFORD GROWERS UNITE

Co-operative Marketing Declared Efficient Way to Handle Fruit.

MEDFORD, Or., Jan. 6.—(Special.)—The Rogue River Co-operative Fruit Growers' Association was formed at a meeting of a number of interested growers Saturday. The new association was formed primarily to take care of the smaller growers in the valley and those who feel that co-operative marketing is the most efficient way to handle the fruit crop.

J. A. Perry was elected chairman and S. A. Nye was elected secretary.

S. C. George extolled the co-operative idea and declared that the present Rogue River Fruit & Produce Association is on the wrong tack in selling and, moreover, does not co-operate with the majority of the growers.

Others said that the most important thing to be considered was the control of the association by the members and the way that the voting power should be separated. This, it was maintained, could be brought about best by allowing to one man only one vote, no matter how much stock he might own.

COMPROMISE IS PROPOSED

Railways Submit Wage Proposition to Firemen's Brotherhood.

NEW YORK, Jan. 6.—Compromise increases in wages, affecting nearly all roads, and a proposal to submit to a committee the question of two firemen on certain types of locomotives, are proposed by the conference committee representing 59 Eastern railroads in their reply submitted today to the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers.

A minimum and maximum rate of pay for all firemen is established, and while it materially increases wages on some of the roads, those paying high rates are not affected. In brief, the proposal is similar to the award of the arbitration board in the engineers' wage controversy.

The committee of the firemen said they would take the proposition under advisement and submit their answer to the railroad managers at a later date.

PEACE NEGOTIATION IS ABROPTLY ENDED

Turkey Refuses to Cede Adrianople and Balkan States Quit Council.

INTERVENTION NOW IS HOPE

Sultan's Envoys Offer to Give Up Crete, but Allies Insist Ports Shall Be Surrendered—Powers May Be Called to Act.

LONDON, Jan. 6.—The first stage of the peace negotiations, which was regarded by diplomats largely as one of pretense on Turkey's part to avoid the appearance of yielding to the demands of the allies without pressure from the powers, is now over. It is expected that the second stage now will soon begin, with the powers behind the scenes pulling the strings which will compel Turkey to concede the bulk of the allies' demands.

Turkey renounced in favor of the allies her rights in the island of Crete at the conference today and promised further ratification of the Thracian frontier, but insisted upon the retention of Adrianople. The allies declared that this was unsatisfactory and suspended the conference.

Delay May Be Brief. The conference may be resumed either by notification from Turkey that she has fresh proposals to submit, or by the allies, on the ground that they have communications to make the Turks. It is expected that the work of the conference will be taken up again at the end of the week.

Rehad Pasha, before reading his statement today, made a brief speech saying that Turkey was ready to give further proof of her conciliatory spirit, but he regretted that the allies seemed determined to concede nothing on their part.

He then read the following: "If we refuse the cession of Adrianople it is because its cession is impossible for the security of Constantinople and the Dardanelles."

Turks Agree to Cede Crete. "We still are ready today to discuss the frontier line between Turkey and Bulgaria, but this frontier must leave Adrianople in Ottoman territory. We are giving new proof of our spirit of conciliation, we consent to desist from our rights over Crete on condition, naturally, that our allies do the same by the cession of any other islands in the Aegean Sea."

If, notwithstanding these enormous sacrifices, the allies refuse all ideas entering the road to concessions, wishing to break the negotiations, the whole responsibility for the consequences of this rupture will fall on them. In this eventuality we declare all of the concessions made until today null and void."

The Balkan plenipotentiaries could not conceal their dissatisfaction with the statement.

Allies Break Off Negotiations. They retired for a consultation, after which M. Novakovich read the following statement: "The proposals of the Ottoman delegates do not correspond with the demands formulated by the allies in the former sitting. The negotiations on the new proposed basis not being of such a nature as to lead to an understanding, the allies see themselves obliged to suspend the sitting of the conference."

Rehad Pasha protested energetically against this procedure, saying: "When M. Novakovich sits in that chair he is not the president of the allies, but the president of the whole conference, which includes the Turkish delegation."

M. Novakovich answered: "It takes two to make a bargain. If one side declines to enter into a discussion, it is useless to continue the sitting."

Rehad, followed by the whole Turkish delegation, immediately left St. James palace.

The general hope now is that in the next three days the olive branch will be offered in the shape of official or unofficial intervention by the powers.

TURKISH BATTERIES SILENCED

Greek Artillery Victorious in Engagement Near Janina.

ATHENS, Greece, Jan. 6.—The Greek artillery put out of action today the Turkish batteries in the United States Senate the next session. He discussed with United States Senator Johnson and Representative McGillicuddy, of Maine, details of the Senatorial situation in that state, where the Progressives admittedly hold the balance of power in the Legislature. The President-elect is hopeful that Senator Gardner may be re-elected.

SHOTS END AUTO CHASE

CAR LEAPS INTO DITCH AS BULLETS PIERCE TIRES.

POLICE MACHINE IS OUTDISTANCED BY BUTCHER, BUT GARAGE MAN PURSUES ASSAULT ON EMPLOYEE.

SEATTLE, Wash., Jan. 6.—(Special.)—With both left tires of his automobile punctured with bullets, the front wheel torn off and his machine in the ditch, Fred H. Mueller, who owns a butcher shop in Green Lake, surrendered today on Westlake avenue, following an exciting chase by the police after he had nearly severed the hand of Ed Rountree, garage employe at 1418 Broadway, for refusing to let him take his car unless a bill was paid.

Slashing Rountree with a knife, Mueller jumped into his car and, with his son in the seat, dashed off, with the police patrol, which had been summoned, in close pursuit.

Tracked many city blocks by the imprint of the tires in the fresh snow, Mueller was captured when H. C. Gray, Rountree's employe, following in another car, opened his destructive revolver fire.

Gray had kept on after the heavy patrol had abandoned the chase at Westlake and Galer. One block ahead Gray saw Mueller's car pulling out from a reeling station.

Gray called "Halt." Obtaining no response, Gray shot in the air and, when this brought no better result, he shot twice at the tires.

As Mueller's car lurched and both left tires went flat, Mueller apparently lost control and the car went into the ditch.

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LEAD IS TOO SMALL

Wilson Talks of Possibility of Control in Senate.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—The President-elect today expressed his hope that in the next three days the olive branch will be offered in the shape of official or unofficial intervention by the powers.

IDAHO MINING FIRM LOSES

Purchase of Timber From Entryman Brings Penalty.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—The Supreme Court held today the Bunker Hill and Sullivan Mining & Concentrating Company in Shoshone County, Idaho, liable to the Government for \$3297 damages for buying timber from an entryman who had not properly taken up his claim.

OLGA STEEB ASTONISHES WITH PIANISTIC POWER

Young Artist Has Unusual Success in Northwestern Tour—Gains Many Admirers.

In her recent tour of the Northwest, Olga Steeb, the eminent pianist, has fully sustained her great reputation. She has added many new laurels. Oscar Thompson, in the Tacoma Ledger, said of her performance in that city: "Playing with an easy mastery of the most prodigious technical feats, Olga Steeb more than astonished a critical assemblage last night. With every obstacle to pianistic fluency at her mercy, she caused her hearers to wonder what the years would have in store for her. She has astonishing power in her slender wrists. Her light work ripples and sparkles. Her conceptions are clear and sound, above all things, sincere and inclusively transferred to the listener. Revealed in a singing tone and such striking facility that to watch her hands is in itself the keenest pleasure, the message she interprets is fully and readily caught."

Miss Steeb will give a recital at the Masonic Auditorium Thursday evening, January 9, and the proceeds will go to the Albertus Kerr Nursery Home. On this occasion Miss Steeb will play the Mason & Hamlin, the highest priced and most artistic piano the world has yet seen. A percussion instrument, but a cello-like tone. Mason & Hamlin pianos in all their various styles may be seen only at the warerooms of The Wiley B. Allen Company, Seventh and Morrison streets.



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and their readiness," said the Governor. Judge William Hammond, of Atlanta, Ga., before whom Woodrow Wilson, as a young attorney, argued his case, called on the President-elect to urge support of the bill, pending in Congress, to appropriate \$250,000 for the celebration in Philadelphia of the 50th anniversary of the signing of the emancipation proclamation. The Governor said he approved the objects of the bill and hoped it would be passed.

Indians Not to Sell Lands. WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—The Government held the Park Rapids Lumber Company liable to the Government for nearly \$3000 worth of timber cut from one ment won today its fight to enforce restrictions against the sale by the Chippewa Indians of lands allotted to them in the White Earth reservation, in Minnesota, when the Supreme Court held the Park Rapids Lumber Company liable to the Government for nearly \$3000 worth of timber cut from one ment won today its fight to enforce allotment.

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