

TURKS ARE PLAYING DEFENSIVE GAME

Fortress Replies Feebly to Attack.

SORTIE IS NOT ATTEMPTED

Investing Forces of Allies Estimated at 100,000.

DIPLOMACY STANDS STILL

Negotiations Unlikely to Be Resumed if Adrianople Develops Ability to Hold Out for Appreciable Time.

LONDON, Feb. 4.—The Turks remain on the defensive at Tchatalja and Adrianople. The Adrianople fortress replies only feebly to the Bulgarian bombardment, and apparently no attempt has been made in the way of a sortie.

A bombardment of Adrianople, described as terrific, was begun last night, the Bulgarians and Serbian troops investing the place being estimated to number 100,000. Military men who know something about the defense of Adrianople look for a protracted defense. This opinion apparently prevails within Adrianople itself. Shukri Pasha, the Turkish commander, who is defending Adrianople, has declared that he will not surrender the fortress until the last of his soldiers has been killed.

Porte Radically Confident.

The Turkish newspaper Tanin asserts that Adrianople has sufficient provisions for four months, and other Turkish reports declare that the fortress certainly will be able to hold out for several weeks.

Official quarters in Constantinople radiate a spirit of confident confidence in the new regime and declare that the condition of the country and the wintry weather preclude serious operations along the Tchatalja lines for the present.

Meanwhile, diplomacy has made no step forward since the resumption of hostilities and the Porte has made further communication either to the powers or the allies. Should it turn out that Adrianople can resist for any considerable time, diplomatic negotiations are likely to remain at a standstill, although in the European capitals a settlement by diplomacy rather than by arms still is hoped for.

Scutari Report Not Confirmed.

There is no confirmation of the reported occupation of Scutari by the Montenegrins.

The new Grand Vizier, Mahmud shekif Pasha, is already showing the organizing qualities which won him renown and gives many hours a day to superintending in person the military arrangements.

Although no serious fighting has occurred along the Tchatalja lines, the Bulgarian troops are not idle. The village of Tchatalja, which has hitherto marked the limit of the Bulgarian lines, is in flames. Its destruction was apparently decided on for tactical reasons.

An encounter between Bulgarian and Turkish troops took place at Malatepe, near Gallipoli, today.

Forty new Serbian seven-inch guns are bombarding Adrianople, says a dispatch to the Daily Mail from Belgrade. Fugitives from that town say that there still are comparatively large quantities of breadstuffs in Adrianople and a few medical necessities.

A Bulgarian aeroplane dropped proclamations into Adrianople yesterday, inviting the surrender of the town.

The Constantinople correspondent of the Times says that all attempts to raise a foreign loan have failed.

A Vienna dispatch to the Times says it is stated in competent Balkan diplomatic quarters that a new Serbo-Bulgarian agreement has been concluded, under which Monastir will fall to Serbia as compensation for the help afforded Bulgaria.

MEN SKI TO CRATER LAKE

Deep Snow Encountered on Route, but Rim of Crater Is Bare.

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., Feb. 4.—(Special.)—Lodge Clapp, J. W. Bailey and E. W. Deane returned tonight from a ski trip to Crater Lake, making the earliest recorded visit to that region. The trip from Chiloquin to the lake was made on ski over snow from 5 to 60 feet deep.

The journey from Chiloquin to the lake consumed five days and the return down the steep incline took two days. At the entrance to the park the hand sled used was abandoned and the trip to the lake was made with each man carrying a heavy pack. The temperature ranged from 35 to 50 degrees and instead of suffering from cold the travellers stripped themselves of their coats, perspiring freely and took on a coat of tan as they skied under the blazing rays of the sun. Although the approach to Crater Lake and the inside walls were covered with many feet of snow, the top of the crater's rim was bare and the trio found grass around the hotel buildings. The lake was frozen 100 yards out from the shore and from Wizard Land to the main-land.

NOMINATIONS TO REST FOR WHILE

REPUBLICANS RECOGNIZE POSITION OF OPPONENTS.

Gallinger Says It Is "Pure Waste of Time" to Attempt to Obtain Confirmations.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4.—After another ineffectual effort today to force action on President Taft's nominations, pending in the Senate, the Republicans decided to make no further move for the present. It is probable they will caucus before beginning the fight again. Some Republicans predicted that any action by caucus would be negative.

"It has been demonstrated that Democrats can block all confirmations," said Senator Gallinger, discussing the situation, "and any of us consider it a pure waste of time to make further attempts at confirmation. We are likely to decide to do nothing more."

Today's executive session was brief. The Democrats forced an adjournment by demanding a rollcall to establish a quorum and then absented themselves to insure a failure of a quorum. It now is considered probable that the next move for an executive session will be made by the Democrats and some believe it will result only in the confirmation of the Army, Navy, diplomatic, revenue cutter and public health service nominations.

MEN STAND UNDER SHIP

Steamer Beached so High That Rescuers Read Notes to Captain.

NEW YORK, Feb. 4.—With her bow pointing at right angles to the shore, the Norwegian steamship Nicholas Cuneo, laden with bananas and coconuts from Port Antonio, Jamaica, grounded upon the sloping stretches of sand at Long Beach on the south shore of Long Island early today. When the tide receded it left the ship with her fore part so high on the sands that lifesavers were able to stand under her bowsprit and read to Captain Knudsen telegrams addressed him. Searfaring men do not recall when before a ship has "piled up" on the sands in this fashion.

None of the crew of 30 men—the Cuneo is a freighter and seldom carries passengers—was in danger except for the first few hours while giant combers were sweeping over her stern. As the tide went down the waves lost their force.

Tomorrow at high tide an effort will be made to pull the Cuneo into deep water.

PRIMROSE GETS DIVORCE

Minstrel Says in Month He Paid for 40 Quarts of Gin for Wife.

NEW YORK, Feb. 4.—(Special.)—George H. Primrose, the minstrel, today obtained a decree of separation from his wife, Esther H. Primrose, from Justice Keogh, in the Supreme Court of Westchester County. Mrs. Primrose last September started an action against her husband for separation, alleging rude treatment and intoxication. Primrose filed a counter application. In the course of the action, Mrs. Primrose said her husband had assaulted her in a hotel in Ohio and had tried to have her make over to him property of hers in Mount Vernon worth \$50,000.

Mr. Primrose said his wife sometimes drank to excess and that in one month he had to pay a bill of hers for 40 quarts of gin.

LENT SEASON OPENS TODAY

40 Days of Penitential Service to Close Easter Day, March 23.

For the next 40 days penitential services will be held daily, especially in Episcopal and Catholic churches, to commemorate the fast of the Christ in the wilderness, for today is Ash Wednesday, the opening day of Lent.

Easter day, which marks the close of Lent, falls unusually early this year, March 23 to be exact, and all dates are taken from it. Yesterday was Shrove Tuesday, a day of preparation originally, whose purpose has been lost sight of, which is more noted in England as Pancake day.

Bishop Charles Seadding, of the Episcopal church, has outlined for himself an onerous program, whereby he will visit every place in his diocese during the 40 days.

PARIS IS AWAITING FLOOD

River Seine Now Within Short Distance of Danger Point.

PARIS, Feb. 4.—The River Seine continues to rise and now lacks only 40 centimeters of the 4.76 meters stage, which experience has shown is the danger level. The authorities are beginning to take precautions for the emergency which will arise if the flood goes beyond that point.

Rescue parties have been organized and all boatmen have been instructed to hold themselves in readiness in the suburban districts, which will be the first flooded.

"LOAN SHARKS" HARD HIT

Taft Signs Bill Over Protest of Washington Money Lenders.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4.—"Loan Sharks" in the capital, credited with doing an enormous business among Government clerks, received a blow today when President Taft signed the bill limiting their charges and also those of pawnbrokers to 1 per cent a month.

Passage of the bill had been fought for years in Congress and the money lenders appealed personally to the President to veto it.

KING SENDS GOOD WISHES FOR PEACE

George V Cordial in Letter to Pilgrims.

NATIONS JOIN IN BANQUET

Roberts and Beresford Also Send Greetings.

CHOATE IS OPTIMISTIC

Ex-Ambassador Says Present "Little Difficulty" Is Not Serious and Will Be Settled by Doctrine of Good Faith.

NEW YORK, Feb. 4.—"I cherish the earnest hope that your gathering may emphasize the cordial relations that we know exist between Britain and Canada and American," wrote King George V, of England, in a message to the Pilgrims of the United States, read at their 19th annual dinner in this city tonight. The King extended "greetings and best wishes for a delightful reunion."

Other messages of good will were read by Joseph H. Choate, former Ambassador to Great Britain, the toastmaster, from Field Marshal Earl Roberts, Sir Thomas Lipton, Captain Clement Grazier, of the British cruiser Natal; Admiral Lord Charles Beresford, and Queen Alexandra's private secretary.

Several hundred citizens of England and this country joined in the banquet of fellowship. Henry E. Brittain represented Field Marshal Roberts, president of the Pilgrims of Great Britain.

Present "Difficulty" Not Serious.

Diplomacy still will be employed, Mr. Choate declared, to insure friendly relations between the two countries and arbitration will be used successfully when differences cannot be settled through diplomacy.

"We have a little difficulty just now," he said, "but I do not look upon it as half as serious as those which have arisen in the past dozen times or more. There is nothing in it that cannot be settled by direct application of the doctrine of good faith and honest dealings with one another."

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CABINET SET SNEEZING

Suffragettes Send Boxes of Pepper to British Ministers.

LONDON, Feb. 4.—The Express says that the whole Cabinet was set sneezing yesterday by the simultaneous receipt by each Minister at the House of Commons of suffragette letters containing red pepper. (Continued on Page 2)

PRESIDENT FERRIN QUILTS PACIFIC 'U'

Resignation Accepted by Unanimous Vote.

ACTION IS TAKEN IN EAST

Committee of Three of Faculty Remain in Control.

ALUMNI; REQUEST GRANTED

Though Service to Forest Grove School in Chair of Mathematics Is Lauded, Declarations Doubt Success as Executive.

Dr. W. N. Ferrin, president of Pacific University, Forest Grove, tendered his resignation at a meeting of the trustees of that institution held yesterday at the Portland Young Men's Christian Association. The resignation, which is to become effective at the end of the present school year, was accepted by unanimous vote.

The resignation was forwarded to the trustees of the East. Dr. Ferrin having been delegated to canvass in the Atlantic States for endowment funds. He went there several months ago, after the trustees had taken action relieving him of the management of the institution.

A committee of three faculty members, which took charge of affairs of the university before the present school year began, will, it is understood, remain in control until school is out next June. Meanwhile Dr. Ferrin is to continue the financial campaign.

Action Not Unexpected.

The action of Dr. Ferrin was not entirely unexpected by the trustees, as the board for some time has been divided in its support of his administration. At a meeting last June there was a tie vote on a motion favoring a change in executives. The appointment of the faculty committee in charge was a compromise measure, and was not regarded as a permanent solution of the unsettled conditions within the school.

The request for Dr. Ferrin's resignation at that time was based upon dissatisfaction on the part of some of the trustees, a petition of the faculty and (Continued on Page 2)

AMERICAS ALMOST LINKED BY RAIL

KILDE FROM BUENOS AIRES TO NEW YORK SOON POSSIBLE.

Only Few Miles of Road Remain to Be Built—Carnegie Says Line Will Aid Peace Propaganda.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4.—The linking of the Americas by rail would be of great value as a peace propaganda among the different countries of North and South America, in the opinion of Andrew Carnegie. This belief was exhibited by Mr. Carnegie at a meeting here today of the permanent Pan-American Railway committee, of which he is a member, when reports of the linking of the Americas by rail were read, indicating that progress is being made towards this project.

Henry Gasaway Davis, former Senator from West Virginia, presided at the meeting.

In Central America only 18 miles of line remain to be constructed to make practical a railway journey to Guatemala City. Construction is well under way of San Miguel, Salvador. From this point to the Panama Canal, 600 miles away, several links have been constructed and plans for others are well advanced.

In South America only 175 miles are still to be constructed between Buenos Aires and Lake Titicaca and the line has been completed from the latter point to Cuzco, Peru, 3000 miles from Buenos Aires. In Bolivia, Chile, Colombia, Peru and Ecuador progress has been made.

The committee will make a full report to the next Pan-American conference, which probably will be held in some South American capital in the course of the coming year.

WOMAN, 103, FEARS TRAIN

Mrs. Mary Daugherty, of Portland, Drives Through Mud to Olympia.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Feb. 4.—(Special.)—One hundred and three years old, the mother of 16 children, Mrs. Mary Daugherty has just arrived in Olympia from Portland, making the entire trip through snow, rain and mud in a buggy. She was afraid to trust herself on a train, and therefore, called upon her young son, James Daugherty, of this city, aged 72, to come to Portland and drive her to his home to live.

Mrs. Daugherty crossed the Atlantic from Ireland when a young woman. She lived in New York several years and rode a train westward to Arkansas. Later she continued by rail to Portland, but in her extreme old age the locomotive speed became too much for her. Her family history is one of fighters. Her ancestors fought for Great Britain, five of her sons fought in the Civil War, and 24 of her sons or grandsons have served under the American flag.

LOUNSBERRY IS INDICTED

Prisoner in Kansas Must Face Trial for Robbery of Oregon Express.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 4.—Wells Lounsberry, of Medford, who confessed to the postal authorities that he had robbed the Oregon Express near Red Bluff, January 5, 1912, and had escaped since, was indicted here today by a Federal grand jury.

Lounsberry recently was captured by Postal Inspector Brauer, of St. Louis, and is serving a sentence in the Federal penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kan., on a charge of having held up a train at Lawrence, Kan. Brauer testified before the grand jury today that Lounsberry had confessed the Red Bluff train robbery to him. Railway Clerks Rhein, Henrich and Warner also testified against Lounsberry, who will be tried here when his Leavenworth term expires.

GRADUATES DRESS SIMPLY

Five-Dollar Limit Observed, Even by Wealthy in Los Angeles.

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 4.—Although many daughters of wealthy citizens were numbered among the 1500 school children who were graduated from the grammar schools here today, not one of them wore a dress costing more than \$5 and most of the dresses were homemade.

The girls appeared simply garbed at the suggestion of Superintendent Francis, of the city schools, who believed it was an opportune time to impress upon the children the rudiments of economy. The classes were conspicuously that have embellished the dress of former graduates.

MILLION LEFT TO PARTNER

Will Shows Agreement Between Members of Coffee Firm.

NEW YORK, Feb. 4.—The filing today of the will of George W. Crossman, a coffee importer, revealed a curious agreement between Crossman and his partner, Herman Slesken. A codicil to the will showed that each had agreed to leave the other \$1,000,000.

In addition to his bequest to his partner, Crossman left nearly \$1,000,000 to friends and relatives.

FIFTEEN BELOW IS MARK

Minneapolis Mercury Drops With 45-Mile Gale Blowing.

MINNEAPOLIS, Feb. 4.—The cold wave in the Northwest is increasing in intensity, the thermometer here registering 15 degrees below at midnight. The cold is accompanied by a 43-mile northwest gale.

CIVIL SERVICE FOR TEACHERS PASSES

Great Powers Sought for Board Killed.

OLSON CHARGE STIRS HOUSE

Section Is Slashed When "Deal" Is Said to Exist.

DISCHARGE RIGHT CURBED

Olson Attacks Applegren Measure as Making Portland Board of Education Despot—"Dangerous" Clause Is Cut Out.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 4.—(Special.)—Charging that the members of the Board of Education of School District No. 1, of Portland, "entered into a little deal with the teachers whereby they would not oppose this measure," Representative Olson, of Portland, virtually removing great powers sought to be bestowed upon the Board.

Representative Olson obtained the elimination of section 2 of the Applegren measure, which sought to give to the Board of Education full authority to employ a superintendent and as many assistant superintendents as they should see fit, to prescribe their terms of office and their duties.

Mr. Olson, who is standing sponsor for the so-called Haak bill, also drastic in its terms and aimed to minimize the power of the Board of Education at Portland, declared that, if the section to which he objected should pass, it would enable the present Board to name a superintendent and assistant superintendents for life jobs, with authority to do about as they pleased, a thing to which he objected most strenuously.

Civil Service Is Established.

With the elimination of the objectionable section, the "house" passed the bill, which, briefly put, provides for a system of civil service for the teachers and demands for them a hearing before the Board at an open session before they can be fired. It also provides that the Board shall not discharge any teacher who has been employed for two years in the Portland schools, without giving the reasons and full testimony must be publicly taken and every opportunity given the accused to refute the charges.

"I have no special objection to this bill," said Mr. Olson after Mr. Applegren had explained it to the members of the House and had heartily recommended its passage.

"However, I am scarcely able to understand why it is that a provision such as is given in section 3 of this bill should be included in a bill aimed solely to protect the teachers and to define in what manner they may be employed and dismissed. I have been informed, and upon authority which I consider first-class, that the section is there simply because the Board of Education at Portland decided that it would be better to enter into a little deal with the teachers and not oppose this bill than to oppose it and also run up against my bill later on in the session."

"Closest" Bond Elections Hit.

"I am convinced from what I have heard and from what the bill before us contains that the members of the Board did enter into such arrangement, for I see none of them here protesting against it; not one letter has been received in opposition to it that I have heard of, and everything seems perfectly satisfactory all around, so far as the Board is concerned."

Mr. Olson said he wished the bill and his own bill sent to the Multnomah County delegation for some recommendation or possible consolidation, but that so far he had been unable to get a meeting of the delegation. Representative Upton then moved that the House go into committee of the whole to consider the Applegren bill, which was done, and the section referred to was eliminated and the bill then passed.

The Olson or Haak bill, which is backed by the civil council of Portland, will come up later. It provides for a system of civil service, and outlines in elaborate manner the duties of the Board of Education, the superintendent and assistants, etc., and greatly lessens their powers, also providing for a vote on school matters at the general elections to avoid voting in a small room on million-dollar bond issues, such as was done last Saturday at Portland.

Mrs. H. H. Gridley Dies.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Feb. 4.—(Special.)—Mrs. Amanda Ellen Gridley, wife of H. H. Gridley, a retired capitalist, died at her home, 414 West Eleventh street today of heart trouble. She had been a resident of this city for 41 years. She was born in Portland, Me., November 23, 1827. She is survived by the husband, in his 82d year, a son, C. Clinton Gridley, and a daughter, Mrs. Hubert Gridley Higgins. Three daughters died in infancy.

CARTOONIST REYNOLDS FURNISHES A FEW GLIMPSES INTO LEGISLATIVE LIFE AT SALEM.

