

RUSSIAN BATTERY IS SEEN IN ACTION

Guns Craftily Hidden in Sylvan Glade.

SOLDIERS GAY IN TRENCHES

Music and Dancing Accompany Luncheon Under Fire.

COSSACK IS REVELATION

Noted Troops Not Like Type Seen With Buffalo Bill—McCormick Describes Hearty Welcome Accorded to Americans.

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GREAT RUSSIAN HEADQUARTERS, May 12.

In my diary of April 11 I wrote the name of a Russian General who gave us a day of days because of his friendship for America. Thank heaven, we rose early that day.

Our way lay straight west over the road the Germans had marched to attack Warsaw and again on the retreat. They came within eight miles of the city and were expecting to crown a King when the Russian guard arrived—but that is history, not reminiscence.

Down this road we came bumping in the German ruts and wondering whether the aeroplanes flying high above would expend a shell upon so small an object as an automobile. It did not, and we arrived at—, the headquarters of the commanding General.

What is the strange psychology that causes the mind depressed by the sight of wounded men to be cheered by the sound of the cannon that wounded them, the popping corks of the wine of death?

Sound of Guns Gives Cheer.

Whatever the explanation, our party brightened as the guns began to sound whether the carriage wheels which bore us on the third stage of our journey.

A shell hole blocked the road before the General's door, a chance visitor which had killed a sentry at the rear gate while the General was on the flying line.

The General himself was in the garden, a kindly man who welcomed us with a short speech as representatives of the great American Nation, in which he had spent delightful hours and which he delighted to honor. The division was ours to command.

A cavalry drill was arranged, and a revue of infantry. He was about to bombard a German sap. Yes, and if we wanted to very much we could enter the trenches. But we must be careful. He would never forgive himself if he should be hurt while his guests. Then interested questions as to the success of the San Francisco Exposition, and before we knew it we were among a cossack of Cossacks. Called cossack from the number 300—100 men.

Cossack Not Like Show Type.

The Cossacks are humpy looking men, with round fur caps and sheepskin coats. They never wash or shave. Also they have more wives than teeth. Yes, I have been to Buffalo Bill's and seen them, too. Apparently Buffalo Bill had got them all, but I have not seen any of that kind in Russia.

The Russians know something about this reputation. When I first came to headquarters the Grand Duke asked me as a pleasantry to pick out the Cossack officers. This was surprising, as no one present could come within my preconceived opinion of them, least of all the three blonde, close-cropped young men who always smiled so affably at my opinion.

When the soldiers were dismounted there was nothing to indicate the Cossack, unless it was that the horses seemed too nervous to drill. But when they mounted and swung into line Sons of Castor and Pollux Nothing but international polo can equal it.

They wheeled, and they counter-marched, and they charged.

They formed a skirmish line on foot, and they leaped back on their mounts. I cannot describe it, but the cinema camera—cinema, the modern war correspondent.

Regiment's Loss Already 6000.

This regiment contained 3600 men as we saw it. It had already lost 6000 killed and wounded. I wondered how many of the original number remained. The General greeted his men heartily. "Good morning, boys," said the General.

"Good health to your excellency," roared back the regiment.

I had already learned that the General loved his men. The tone of the men's reply showed that they loved their General.

And how they stood at attention! Developing that cohesion of mind that will hold them together when the next great trial comes.

I had a good chance to look them over as we rode up and down the line. I saw that the officers set good examples in bearing to their men. In particular I noticed a red-bearded Captain holding a great curved sword, and I thought of a story John McCutcheon brought home from the campaign in Belgium, and grinned right in the review—almost.

The regiment turned into column and, band leading, passed before the General.

PORTLAND'S MILK FINEST IN WORLD

COVETED GOLD MEDAL IS WON AT SAN FRANCISCO.

Highest Average Score for Ten Exhibits Is Attained and Other Prizes Come North.

EXPOSITION GROUNDS, San Francisco, June 20.—(Special).—Portland wins the grand prize, a gold medal, and \$100 in gold for the highest average score for ten regular exhibits of milk. This is the Board of Health prize for which all strive.

Portland also wins a gold medal for the largest total number of regular exhibits of milk and cream; the silver and bronze medal for pasteurized milk; the bronze medal for pasteurized cream; J. E. Schultz, of the Willamette dairy, being the winner. Damascus Creamery wins a silver medal for pasteurized milk; the Hygeia dairy, a bronze medal; Oregon Agricultural College, a bronze medal for the college class. Portland's highest average is 95.7, Seattle is next with 94.7, Detroit third with 84.3. Portland's bacteria count is lowest of all. Oregon has more milk medals than all the other states combined. Highest individual score was made by the Schalk dairy, of Portland, scoring 96.3; the Pacific dairy and Horch & Krause score 96 each; the seven next are above 95.

The American Association of Medical Milk Commissioners, now in session, has accepted Portland's application for membership.

Dr. M. B. Marcellus has personally watched over every phase of the contest.

GOVERNOR VISITS JAPAN

Philippine Executive and Tokio Ministers Promote Friendship.

TOKIO, May 22.—Governor Francis B. Harrison, of the Philippine Islands, who is visiting Japan, has had conferences with Count Okuma, the Prime Minister, and Baron Kato, the Minister for Foreign Affairs. Although the Governor's visits were calls of etiquette, the promotion of the friendly relations between the United States and Japan were discussed lengthily. The development of trade between Japan, the Philippines and the United States was especially dwelt on.

The Japanese are constantly emphasizing their desire to create wide business relations with the United States, which they regard as a great practical reason for the tightening of the bonds of friendship.

Governor Harrison has just left for China with Mrs. Harrison, but expects to return here later to rejoin his children, who will spend the Summer at the seashore resort of Kamakura.

COLONIALS REACH BRITAIN

Wounded Australians From Dardanelles Are Cared For.

LONDON, June 8.—Several hundred wounded Australian soldiers from the Dardanelles are now in England, and have been quartered in various military hospitals and sanitariums. A committee of Australians resident in England has been formed to visit them and provide as far as possible for their wants. They all concur in describing the Turk as a first-class fighting man, except where the bayonet is concerned. Although the percentage of wounded in relation to the number of men engaged, they say this is somewhat mitigated by the unusually large proportion of minor wounds. An explanation of this is that it is due to the preponderance of rifle and shrapnel fire, as opposed to the terrible injuries inflicted by high explosives in Belgium and France. Another ameliorating factor is the dry climate and sterile, non-infectious character of the soil.

FOOD EMBARGO TIGHTENS

Britain Stops Exports to Allies' Ports Near Enemies.

LONDON, June 6.—There is a further tightening of the ring by which food supplies are prevented from entering Germany, Austria and Turkey. An order-in-council this week announces that the exportation of certain important foods for man and beast is totally prohibited, while other foods and forage may be exported to France, Russia, Spain and Portugal.

Goods that must not be sent to foreign ports in Europe other than France, Russia, Spain and Portugal (Russian Baltic ports and Italy banned, as are also neutral countries such as Holland, Norway, Sweden and Denmark) are onions, potatoes, rye, rye flour, rye meal, buckwheat, millet, molasses, arsenic and its compounds.

WOUNDED WILL HAVE CITY

Patriotic Germans Provide Homes for Invalid Officers.

BERLIN, June 4.—A garden city for invalid officers who have been permanently injured in action is to be built at Moser, a small town near Magdeburg. An organization of influential men has bought a picturesque tract of country for this purpose in the Niegrip forest, and villas of varying size and architecture are to be built, care being taken that each villa has an ample yard and a pleasant view.

The central organization will turn these houses over to invalid officers and their families at a nominal rental, the undertaking avoiding all profit and having in view only patriotic objects. The Empress and Crown Princess are among the supporters of the plan.

LEO M. FRANK'S LIFE IS SPARED

Sheriff Says Sentence Commuted 'for Time.'

MAN TAKEN TO STATE FARM

Trip Is Made From Atlanta During Late Hours of Night.

HEAVY GUARD GOES, TOO

Part of Journey Is by Automobile. Governor Slaton's Action of Clemency Announced by Sheriff on Arrival at Macon.

MACON, Ga., June 21.—Leo M. Frank's death sentence has been commuted to life imprisonment, according to Sheriff Mangum, of Fulton County, who arrived here shortly after 2 o'clock this morning at the head of a strong guard taking Frank to the state prison farm at Milledgeville, Ga., for safekeeping.

The prisoner was transferred to an automobile here and the party left for the state farm. Frank was not handcuffed.

Sheriff Admits Action.

"Has Frank's sentence been commuted?" Sheriff Mangum was asked. "It has," said the Sheriff. The Sheriff stood silent for a moment.

"It has for the time being at least," added the Sheriff with considerable emphasis.

"Are you going to take the prisoner for Milledgeville?" he was asked. "That is where I am bound for," said the Sheriff.

Prisoner Is Unsteady.

Frank was seated in the automobile by this time, taking the rear seat in the canopy-covered car. Sheriff Mangum was in the seat beside him.

Frank appeared to be nervous and his gait was unsteady. He was pale and at times had to be steadied by Sheriff Mangum and the deputies.

Several persons recognized the prisoner as he left the train.

ATLANTA, Ga., June 20.—Governor Slaton announced tonight that he would make known tomorrow his decision on Leo M. Frank's petition for commutation of his death sentence to life imprisonment. The Governor today worked on his opinion.

Frank is sentenced to be hanged Tuesday.

Frank had been convicted of the murder of Mary Phagan, a girl employed in a pencil factory in Atlanta of which he was superintendent. He was sentenced to be hanged Tuesday.

Conviction was secured by the prosecution largely through the testimony of James Conley, a negro, who is accused by Frank's attorneys of having committed the deed. It was also charged that the jury and court were intimidated by fear of public demonstrations.

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200 Persons in Peril.

For the space of more than 30 minutes more than 200 lives were placed in direct peril by the pounding surf, herding them into a deep "blue" running seaward from the Strand at Chelsea avenue.

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Men Die for Women.

Charles Mattlack, Philadelphia, who died in a heroic attempt to save Miss Creamer.

John Lisle, 30 years old, lawyer, Philadelphia, who sacrificed his life in attempt to save a woman.

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Thousands Brave Heavy Tide.

In the City Hospital here are Maurice Steppacher, a Philadelphia manufacturer, who has a cottage at 31 North Iowa avenue; Erwin Craig, of Wilmington, Del., and Walter Margerum, of this city, a beach guard who battled with the waves until he collapsed on the beach.

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8 ARE DROWNED IN ATLANTIC CITY SURF

Big Waves Sweep Bath-ers to Death.

HEROES DIE HELPING WOMEN

200, Many Children, Are in Peril at One Time.

2 GUARDS RESCUE SCORE

Thousands on Board Walk and Hotel Verandas Are Horrified by Sight as Heaviest Tide of Summer Engulfs Merry-makers.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., June 20.—(Special).—Lashed and beaten into helplessness by merciless waves, held powerless in the grip of an undertow against which human might was puny and futile, eight persons met heroic deaths on the beach today, while other heroes, red-shirted beach guards and bathers who took their lives into their own hands, battled desperately against tremendous odds to save them.

Thousands lined the board walk and beach, women wringing their hands and weeping bitterly, as a tragedy heart-breaking in its intensity was enacted before their eyes.

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GUNBOAT BRINGS GOLD TO NORTH

MEXICAN BANDITS AND "ASSESSORS" OUTWITTED.

Year's Cleanup Made Safe by American Warship; Miners Resist Demand for "Duty" on Cargo.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 20.—(Special).—A tale adorned with all the thrills that hold enthralled the readers of adventurous romance was finished today, when the receiving clerk at the Selby Smelter at Crockett worth \$600,000 on a receipt. The receipt was handed across the counter to two bronzed miners from the Manzanillo country, Mexico. Outside the gunboat Yorktown slowly steamed on its course to Mare Island.

Dodging raiding bands of Mexican rebels and bandits, the two men arrived in Manzanillo several weeks ago with 518 bars of dull yellow metal. It represented the cleanup of more than a year's run in the Emperor and Cinco mines, back of Manzanillo. Some of it still glowed dully through clinging earth. Mexican "assessors" had failed to find it in the safest of all hiding places.

The two men—their identities are not divulged—met with other obstacles when they arrived at Manzanillo. This was an embargo placed on the exportation of the gold. To remove the embargo the government in power at Manzanillo requested one-fourth of its value. It was assessed at \$400,000 by the Mexican authorities, who demanded \$100,000 "export duty."

By methods the character of which is not known, the gold was taken aboard the Yorktown. For the first time in history, a United States vessel started up the Pacific Coast with the \$600,000 cargo in its hold.

OLDFIELD MAKES 111 MILES

Autoist Sets New American Record on Track at Chicago.

CHICAGO, June 20.—Barney Oldfield established new American automobile speed record at Speedway Park today when he negotiated a lap in 1:04 2-5, an average of 111.5 miles an hour. Oldfield drove a 300-horsepower car of special construction.

The mark is said to be within 4 2-5 seconds of the world's record.

BERLIN PAYS FOR KILLINGS

Indemnity Paid for Deaths of Five Spaniards at Liege.

MADRID, via Paris, June 21.—The German government has made a full settlement and has paid an indemnity of 180,000 marks (\$45,000) for the lives of five Spaniards who were shot by mistake at Liege last August.

The Spanish government has declared the incident closed.

Sunday's War Moves

WITH headquarters at Pless, in Southeastern Silesia, the German Emperor is said to be personally directing the Austro-German operations in Galicia against the Russians.

The crisis of the Austro-German drive is at hand. Grodek is secure in the possession of General von Mackensen's men and the Germans and the Austrian corps under Field Marshal von Arz are reported by Berlin to be storming and capturing one after another the Russian trenches along the entire front before Lemberg, extending from Haws Ruska, in the north, to Janow, which lies only 11 miles from the Galician capital.

This front is 24 miles in extent and the fighting here has been of the most stubborn character. To the south, between Grodek and the Dniester marshes, the Russians also are being hard pressed.

Although the Russian War Office has had little to say of late regarding the Galician campaign, unofficial reports from Petrograd declare that the rapid retirement of the Russian forces has been accomplished without any demoralization whatsoever and intimate that the Russian lines have been straightened and put in a state of preparedness to meet the further advance of the vast forces which are being flung against them.

Both French and British in the western war zone are on the offensive and heavy artillery engagements, with numerous casualties, are in progress continuously in the region of La Bassée, Arras, in Lorraine and in the Vosges. As usual, the French and German war offices are at variance as to the results attained. As an instance, Paris says that in the sector to the north of Arras the French, in an attack, advanced about two-thirds of a mile, while Berlin asserts that the French at this point were repulsed "with sanguinary losses."

There is fighting along the Austro-Italian frontier in Serbia, on the Balkan Peninsula and in the Caucasus. Rome asserts that numerous Austrian positions along the Isonzo have been taken by assault. Unofficial advices are to the effect that the Serbians have occupied Durazzo, Albania.

The Turks in the vicinity of Avi Burnu are declared to be constantly on the offensive. A correspondent with the Turkish forces says that with the British fleet unable to assist in the land operations because of the submarine menace, the British hold on Avi Burnu apparently is not as secure as it was.

From Tiflis comes advices that the Turks have replaced their army corps which was captured by the Russians at Sari Kamysh, restored their supplies of ammunition and are concentrating to give further battle to the Russians.

KLAMATH PROJECT TO BE COMPLETED

Congressional Delegation Views Work.

LARGE GRANT NOT PROBABLE

Committee Voices Approval After Investigation.

\$2,000,000 MORE NEEDED

Representative Mondell Blames Secretary Lane for Scarcity of Funds and Declares in Favor of Issuing Bonds.

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., June 20.—(Special).—While no more reclamation projects may be expected to be initiated in Oregon or elsewhere in the United States in the immediate future, it may be written down as a fact that the Klamath Falls project of 250,000 acres will ultimately be completed as a result of the visit here today of 13 members of the appropriations committee of the 64th Congress.

More than \$2,000,000 has been invested in the Klamath district, and for the first time the men who grant the appropriations appeared to find out what had been done with the money. They found the project a complicated combination of irrigation and drainage problems, but expressed faith in the country and the ability of the farmers to repay the money to the Government.

Project Considered Successful.

Owing to a depleted treasury and the steady falling off of revenues from the sales of public lands in the land states of the West, it may be that the Klamath project will proceed slowly toward completion, but it is now ranked among those where success has been attained in carrying out plans originally laid down.

The visit of the committee, headed by Representative Fitzgerald, of New York, was made necessary by reason of the transfer of the control of reclamation funds from the Secretary of the Interior to Congress. The Secretary formerly decided what reclamation projects were advisable to construct and placed the money available for the use of the engineers in charge. The last Congressional session adopted an amendment requiring that all appropriations for reclamation be made by the appropriations committee of the House, where all other appropriations originate.

Entertainment Rule Obeyed.

The committee reached Klamath Falls this morning aboard a pair of special cars, with John M. Scott, general passenger agent of the Southern Pacific, in charge. There was no ceremonious welcome, the committee having sent on word that it was purely a business trip, and that brass bands and banquets simply disarranged their schedule and their dispositions.

Abel Aday, president of the Water Users' Association, boarded the train and emerged with the news that Chairman Fitzgerald would not be of the party as he was suffering from a wrenched tendon in his back.

Panoramic View Obtained.

Seven automobiles carried the other members of the delegation over roads from which the lands under irrigation, in need of drainage and the higher mesas to which water is hoped to be taken by enlargements of the system, could be viewed. It was in most part a panoramic of affairs, and grain fields where thousands of head of livestock grazed. Flashing in all directions ran silver streams of water, in ditches, that gave evidence of having been constructed to serve for the next hundred years.

At noon luncheon was served under the big trees at the home of J. Frank Adams, then investigation was continued south into Modoc County, California, and the home of Will Dalton, where 5000 cattle dotted the alfalfa fields. Turning here, the border of Tule Lake was skirted, where for two miles the water has receded as a result of the damming of Lost River and turning its waters into Klamath River.

Tillable Area Increased.

Tule Lake adds 94,000 acres to the tillable area of the project through evaporation. Thence the party returned on the west side to the City of Klamath Falls, and up to the great head gate which controls the irrigation outflow from Upper Klamath Lake, a body of water 45 miles long and 15 miles wide.

The head gate, mile of tunnel and main canal through which the big irrigation system begins have a capacity of 1500 feet of water a second, sufficient to irrigate 150,000 acres of land. Four hundred feet of water a second are being used for the irrigation of 40,000 acres of farm lands. It is this difference between capacity and actual application which gives Klamath Falls hopes of procuring sufficient money from Congress to bring in the remaining 110,000 acres, which, added to the land that will come in through evaporation at Tule Lake, makes the total 250,000 acres.

\$2,000,000 More Desired.

In the construction of this project it was estimated that \$4,000,000 would be required. More than \$2,000,000 has been invested and only 40,000 acres watered and drained, but it is conceded (Concluded on Page 2, Column 2.)

