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IN TURKISH REALMCapable People Coming Into
Their Own and Misgov-
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FREE ARMENIA IS ASSURED

After Centuries of Conflict, Despotism
Extortion, Suicidal Policy and Su-
perfluous Attempts at Expansion.
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As things stand now, the German government has thought fit, in her blind belief in ultimate victory, to enter on a formal treaty, guaranteeing the territorial integrity of the Ottoman Empire, at a point in the war when no reasonable being even in Germany could possibly still believe that a German victory would suffice to prolong Turkey after she has been solemnly condemned by the entente for her long list of crimes.

Germany has thus given a negative answer to the question passed from mouth to mouth in the international district of Pera almost right from Turkey's entry into the war: "Will Germany, if necessary, sacrifice Constantinople and the Dardanelles, if she can thus secure peace with Russia?" She has already given the answer "No" before the absurd illusions of a possible separate peace with Germany were finally and utterly dispelled by the speech of the Russian Minister Treppoff, and the purposeful and cruelly clear refusal of Germany's offer of peace. These events and the increasing excitement about the war in Constantinople and elsewhere were not required to show that in the Near East as well the fight must be fought to the bitter end.

Never, however—and that is German world-politics, and the ethics of the world-politician—have I ever heard a single one of those Germans, who thought it an impossibility to sacrifice their ally Turkey in order to gain the desired peace, put forward an argument for his opinion the shame of a broken promise, but only the consideration that German activity in the hands of Islam, and particularly in the valuable Near East, would be over and done with forever. I wonder if those who have decided, with the phantom of a German-Turkish victory before them, to go on with the struggle on the side of Turkey even after she had committed such abominable crimes, and to drench Europe still further in the blood of all civilized nations of the world, ever have any qualms as to how much of their once brilliant possibilities of commercial activity in Turkey, now so lightly staked, would still exist were Turkey victorious.

History Decides Otherwise.
Luckily for mankind, history has decided otherwise. After the war, the huge and flourishing trade of Southern Russia will be carried down to the then open seaports between Europe and Asia; the wealth of Odessa and the Persian gulf, hitherto inclosed in the Bosporus and the Dardanelles, and the whole hitherto neglected city of Constantinople, from Pera and the Bosphorus to Istanbul and Scutari and Haidar-Pasha, will become an earthly paradise of pulsing life, well-being, and comfort. The luxury and elegance of the Crimean will move southwards to these shores of unique natural beauty and mild climate which form the bridge between two continents and between two seas. Anyone who returns after a decade of peaceful labor, when the Old World has recovered from its wounds, to the Bosporus and the shores of the Sea of Marmara, which he knew before the war, under Turkish regime, will be astonished at the marvelous changes which will then have been wrought in that favored corner of the earth.

Never, even after another hundred years of Turkish rule, would that unique coast ever have become what it can be and what it must be—one of the very greatest centers of international intercourse and the Riviera of the East, not only in beauty of landscape, but in luxury and wealth. The greatest stress in this connection is to be laid on the lively Russian impetus that will spring from a modernized Russia, untrammelled by restrictions in the Straits. Convinced as I am that Russia after the war will no longer be the Russia of today, no feared by Germany, the Balkan states, and Turkey, I am prepared to give this impetus full play, as being the best possible means for the further development of Constantinople.

In Asia Minor, from Brussa to the slopes of the Taurus and the foot of the Armenian mountains, there will extend a modern Turkish life, and finally come to rest, to concentration, to peaceful labor, after centuries of conflict, despotism, extortion, the suicidal policy of military adventures, and superficial attempts at expansion coupled with neglect of the most important internal duties. The inhabitants of these lands will soon have forgotten that "Greater Turkey" has collapsed. They will be really happy at last, these people whose idea of happiness hitherto has been a veneer of material well-being obtained by trading, while the great bulk of the empire pined in dirt, ignorance, and poverty, consumed by an outworn militarism, oppressed by a decaying administration. Then, but not till then, the world will see what the Turkish people is capable of. Then there will be no need for pessimism about this land and honorable race. Then we can become honest "pro-Turks" again.

In Western Asia Minor, Europe will not forget that the whole shore, where once stood Troy, Ephesus, and Milet, is an out-and-out Hellenic center of civilization. Quite independently of all

political feelings toward present-day Greece, this historical fact must be taken into consideration in the final ruling. It is to be hoped that the Greek people will not have to atone forever for the faults of their non-Greek King who has forgotten that it is his sacred duty to be a Greek and nothing but a Greek, and who has betrayed the honor and the future of the nation.

Free Armenia Assured.

The Armenian mountain-land, laid waste by war, and emptied of men by Talat's passion for persecution, will obtain autonomy from her conquerors, Russia, and will perhaps be linked up with all the other parts of the East, inhabited by the last remnants of the Armenian people. Armenia, with its central position and divided into three among Turkey, Russia and Persia, may from its geographical position, its unfortunate history, and the endless sufferings it has been called upon to bear, be called the Poland of Further Asia.

Delivered from the Turkish system, freed from all antagonistic Turkish-Russian military principles of obstruction linked up by railways to the west as well as the already well-developed region of Transcaucasia, with a big through trade from the Black Sea via Trapezunt to Persia and Mesopotamia, it will once more offer an excellent field of activity to the high intellectual and commercial abilities of its people, now, alas, scattered to the four winds of heaven. But they will return to their old home, bringing with them European ideas, European technique, and the most modern methods from America.

If men are lacking, they can be obtained from the near Caucasus with its narrow, over-filled valleys, inhabited by a most superior race of men, who have always had strong emigrating instincts. Even this most unfortunate country, the whole world, which the Turks of the old regime and of the new have systematically mutilated and at last bequeathed to Russia with practically not a man left, is going to have its Springtime.

In the south, Great Arabia and Syria will have autonomy under the protection of England and France with their skillful Islam policy; they will have the benefit of the approved methods of progressive work in Egypt, the Soudan, and the Sudan. In the east, indeed, they will be exposed to the influence and incitements of the rest of civilized Europe; they will probably be enriched with capital from America, where thousands of Arab and Syrian, as well as Armenian, refugees have found a home; they will provide the first opportunity in history of absorbing the Arab race and accommodating itself to modern civilization on its own ground and with its own sovereign administration. The final deliverance of the Arabs from the oppressive and harmful supremacy of the Turks, now happily accomplished by the war, was one of the most urgent demands for a race that can look back on centuries of brilliant civilization. The civilized world will watch with the keenest interest the self-development of the Arabian lands.

Germany Need Not Grumble.

Even Germany, once she is at peace, will have no need to grumble at these arrangements, however diametrically opposed they may be to the now sadly shattered plans of the pan-German and expansionist politician. Germany will not lose the countless millions she has invested in Turkey. She will have her full and sufficient share in the European work and commercial activity that will soon revive again in the Near East. The Baghdad railway of the "Rohrbach & Company" will never be built, it is true; but the Baghdad railway was a loyal international marking off of the different zones of interest, the Baghdad railway, as a huge artery of peaceful intercourse linking up the whole of Asia Minor and bringing peace and commercial prosperity, will all the more surely rise from its ruins. And when once the German Weltgeist with its jealousy, its tactless, sword-rattling interference in the time-honored vital interests of other states, its political intrigues disguised in commercial dress, is safely dead and buried, there will be nothing whatever to hinder Germany from making use of this railway and expanding her purely commercial energy and the products of her peaceful labor to the shores of the Persian Gulf and receiving in return the rich fruits of her cultural activity on the soil of Asia Minor.

BOOTLEGGING RING ENDS

MEDFORD AUTHORITIES SECURE
THREE CONVICTS.

Importations by Means of Suitcases and Pullman Porter Broken Up by Watchful Deputy Sheriff.

MEDFORD, Or., Feb. 12.—(Special.)—With the arrest and conviction of Floyd Milligan, a taxi man; Huston Cox, a colored porter at the Hotel Medford, and Earl Jessiman, cook at a local restaurant, the authorities believe they have broken up a bootlegging ring that has been operating in Medford and Jackson County, ever since the passage of the bone-dry act.

Milligan was arrested when he had delivered a gallon of gin to a customer for \$4, and admitted he had received the liquor from Jessiman. The colored porter was nabbed by Deputy Sheriff Paul Anderson after he had pilfered a suitcase from a Pullman porter, on the evening train arriving from San Francisco which contained one dozen quarts of whiskey.

Milligan pleaded guilty and turned state's evidence against Jessiman, who was convicted Saturday in the Justice Court. Cox was defended by Attorney P. J. Neff, of Medford, a prominent member of the bar, and made the claim that he took the suitcase in the regular line of hotel business and knew nothing about its contents. Justice Taylor declared him guilty, however, and he was fined \$250 and given 90 days in jail. The sentence was automatically suspended by an appeal to the Circuit Court.

The authorities claim that these three men and a number of associates have been carrying on a lucrative bootlegging business, through the medium of Pullman porters on the Southern Pacific. In his position as porter on the local train, Cox was suspected and he is estimated that the three men cleared up several thousand dollars in the last eight or ten months.

DISLOYAL TEACHER QUILTS

Emma Roth, Camas, Attempted to Spread Pro-German Propaganda.

CAMAS, Wash., Feb. 12.—(Special.)—Miss Emma Roth, a teacher in the Camas High School, received a hearing before the school board and County Superintendent W. E. Dudley yesterday, and was permitted to resign for having made disloyal statements and attempting to spread pro-German propaganda in the school.

Miss Roth is of German and Austrian parentage and has an uncle who was a general in the Austrian army. One of the principal charges brought up at the hearing was the statement made to her class that "It made no difference whether Germany or the United States won the war. If Germany won we would be ruled by the German Emperor instead of the United States Government and that would only affect the rich."

AIRPLANE POSTAL
SERVICE IS SOUGHTWashington, Philadelphia and
New York to Have Sky Mail
Routes This Year.

EQUIPMENT BIDS ASKED

Five Machines to Be Secured, Each
to Have Carrying Capacity of
300 Pounds; Special Rates
May Be Charged.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—Establishment of an airplane mail service between Washington, Philadelphia and New York during the coming Summer was indicated today when the Postoffice Department called for bids on five airplanes for that service.

The service will begin with one round trip a day and later may be expanded. First-class mail only will be carried at the outset of the service.

The specifications of the Postoffice Department call for machines which have stood satisfactory test in the War and Navy departments' service.

The bids will be opened on February 21 and the airplanes are to be delivered not later than April 25 of this year.

Arrangements have been made with the War Department to release a sufficient number of motors to equip the machines.

"It is not the purpose of the Postoffice Department to make this an experimental service," Postmaster-General Burson announced. "Its practicability is to be ascertained before the establishment of the route. Once established, it is to remain a permanent service."

Congress has appropriated \$100,000 for use in establishing aerial mail service, and the National advisory committee on aeronautics and aerospace experts have pronounced the service feasible and beyond experimental stages.

Each airplane will be required to carry 200 pounds of mail a distance of not less than 200 miles without stop, at a maximum speed, with a full load, of 100 miles an hour, a minimum speed of 45 miles, and a climbing speed of 6000 feet in 10 minutes.

A special postage rate will be charged for letters carried by airplane if Congress will sanction it with the necessary law. The rate contemplated is 25 cents per ounce or fraction thereof. It is planned to maintain a permanent service on regular schedule.

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—Postoffice officials here, coming here, on the decision of the Postoffice Department to establish an airplane letter-carrying service, called attention to the repeated delay in the delivery of mails, due to railway congestion caused by the war. Even important official communications passing between Washington and other cities have suffered serious holdups.

In this connection it was pointed out that the airplane plan to avoid these conditions has a precedent in Italy, where the pioneer among regularly conducted air posts was successfully in operation nearly a year ago.

France also has transported mail by airplane. During General Pershing's pursuit of Villa in Mexico American mail was carried by airplanes between Texas towns and the expeditionary force.

CLASH BRINGS NEW ORDER

Railroad Tariffs Rejected by Interstate Commerce Commission.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 12.—(Special.)—Chairman Miller of the Interstate Commerce Commission, received word today from railroad officials in Portland that a clash between Director-General McAdoo and the Interstate Commerce Commission was responsible for the Director-General cancelling his first order relative to demurrage and placing a new order into effect.

According to the information received here, the Interstate Commerce Commission refused to accept tariffs from the carriers based on the first order of the Director-General. As a result, the Director-General issued the new order, which amended the first in a number of important particulars.

Features in the new order are the reinstatement of the average agreement rule, reinstatement of the bunching rule, and changes in the charges for demurrage.

YOUNG FORGER IS PAROLED

Idaho Father Takes Son in Charge
Pleading Previous Good Conduct.

BAKER, Or., Feb. 12.—(Special.)—L. G. Olsen, a salesman for the Swift Packing Company, who pleaded guilty to a charge of forgery Friday, was today released in the custody of his father by County Judge Duby.

Olsen's father, who arrived yesterday from Idaho, produced evidence that his son was but 17 years of age and action was suspended on account of his youth and previous good conduct.

Cowitz Clubs Organized.

KELOSO, Wash., Feb. 12.—(Special.)—F. L. Audrain, district leader of clubs, opened his organization campaign among the boys and girls of Cowitz today with meetings at Castle Rock, Ostrander, Sandy Bend and Shaghai, where he found much enthusiasm for the club activities. Tomorrow morning he will organize the work in the Kelso schools and at Eufaula west of Kelso. Wednesday he will visit the southern end of the county. County Agent L. S. Keyser and County Superintendent Lucia Jenkins are assisting him with his work in this county.

POLICE HEADQUARTERS: TEL. MAIN 7181

FIRE DEPARTMENT: TEL. MAIN 7700



The sorry plight of the Manufacturer who said Let'er burn

He had been warned about the fire danger.

He had been urged to get more fire extinguishers and other fire appliances.

"No," said he, "I don't need them. My plant is insured. Let'er burn." And she did. Then he set out to rebuild. And he discovered this: that it would cost to rebuild his factory just twice what the factory was insured for.

He discovered that building materials have advanced 50% in the last year; 100% in three years. His insurance, he discovered, did not cover the replacement value of his property. Labor and bricks and mortar and steel he found very scarce. He was accused of being a poor patriot for not providing better fire protection and for using materials and labor that might be put to war use.

Fire lost for him \$150,000 cash, eight months' time, contracts amounting to \$700,000, prestige, good-will.

It is a shame for any factory to burn nowadays. Safety from fire is easy to buy and not very costly. Do these things:

1. Get big, strong, fighting watchmen. Equip each with a Pyrene to fight fires, with a revolver to fight incendiaries, and with a Pyrene watchman's clock to check his work.
2. Put Pyrene on posts throughout your buildings—one to every 1000 square feet.
3. Get a chemical engine, a factory-size fire engine, good on stubborn blazes.
4. Get Hose to stop big, devastating fires.
5. Teach all employees what fire means by displaying the warning sign shown here.

**FIRE IN THIS PLANT
MAY PUT EVERY MAN OUT OF WORK
HELP THE MANAGEMENT PROTECT
YOUR JOB NO SMOKING**

Watch out for incendiaries They are loose everywhere.

If they haven't reached you as yet, they may pay their respects any day.

Call the police instantly if you see suspicious persons near your plant.

Every factory or motor truck burned helps the Kaiser.

Pyrene reduces your motor truck fire insurance premium 15%.

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PACKERS' CASE DELAYED

SEARCH OF VAULT HELD UP BY
SUPERSEDES FROM COURT.

Case Will Be Reviewed March 1 by
Three Judges of United States
Circuit Court of Appeals.

CHICAGO, Feb. 12.—Attorneys for Henry Veeder, general counsel for Swift & Co., today filed a writ of error and obtained a supersedeas from the United States Circuit Court of Appeals in the Government's search warrant case, with the result that further search of the vault of the packers' lawyer for evidence in the Federal Trade Commission's investigation will be delayed until after March 1.

On that date the three judges of the United States Circuit Court of Appeals will review the case and pass on the validity of the Government's writ issued under the search and seizure section of the Federal espionage law.

Francis J. Heney, counsel for the Federal Trade Commission, declared that the delay resulting from the ap-

peal of the case by the counsel for Swift & Co., will not seriously hamper the Government agents in the investigation and prosecution of the alleged felonies charged in the warrant.

Pendleton K. of P. Buys Home Site.

PENDELTON, Or., Feb. 12.—(Special.)—The Pendleton Knights of Pythias this morning announced the completion of a deal by which the lodge acquires the property opposite the Federal building here for a consideration of \$15,000. The property is 100 feet square and after the war the lodge intends to construct a modern business block.

using one of the upper floors for its lodgerooms. The situation is one of the best in the city since the Federal building was finished. For years it has been the site of a row of wooden houses, the quarters of the Chinese colony.

James Watt Recovering.

CENTRALIA, Wash., Feb. 12.—(Special.)—James Watt, member of Company M, 151st U. S. Infantry, who was left for France, in the road to recovery in a New York hospital, according to a letter received by his uncle,

J. D. Watt. The young soldier expects to be sent to his regiment in France when he fully recovers.

Campaign Manager Appointed.

LA GRANDE, Or., Feb. 12.—(Special.)—Rev. F. W. Bussard, president of the Pacific Synod of the Lutheran Church, who is now located in La Grande, has been appointed state campaign manager for the Lutheran drive this month for funds to conduct its relief work among the 150,000 Lutherans now under arms. The state campaign will be conducted from this point.

ATTENTION!



Army and Navy Auxiliary

RUMMAGE SALE

A rummage sale conducted by a number of Portland women in order to raise funds to buy yarn to knit for the soldiers. A worthy, unselfish cause. Will you help? Either by purchasing one of the many needed articles for sale, or in giving whatever you feel would be salable, and which you yourself do not need. Remember the location. Sale started Monday—be sure to attend today.

208 First Street

Bet. Salmon and Main. Phones A 2674; Main 4565

TO RELIEVE
CATARRHAL DEAFNESS
AND HEAD NOISES

If you have Catarrhal Deafness or head noises go to your drug-gist and get 1 ounce of Parmit (double strength), and add to it hot water and just a little sugar as directed in each package. Take 1 tablespoonful four times a day. This will often bring quick relief from the distressing head noises. Clogged nostrils should open, breathing become easy and the mucus stop dropping into the throat. It is easy to prepare, costs little and is pleasant to take. Anyone who has Catarrhal Deafness or head noises should give this prescription a trial.

None Equal to Chamberlain's

"I have tried most of the cough medicines and find that there is none that equal Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It has never failed to give me prompt relief," writes W. V. Harner, Montpelier, Ind.