

ITALIAN DESTROYER SHELLS D'ANNUNZIO

Forces of Fiume Leader
Driven Out of Zara.

IMPENDING WAR BREAKS

Government Regulars and Rebels
Clash and One of Invaders Is
Slain; Two Wounded.

ROME, Dec. 22.—The Italian torpedoed destroyer Zeffirelli has shelled the forces of Gabriele D'Annunzio occupying Veglia, according to the Stefani agency. The legionaries who landed at Castelvenier marched to Zara, but on the way left their commanding officer and six men and two machine guns in the hands of regular troops.

The legionaries already in Zara made the escape in a collier. Other raids on military possessions have been carried out in Dalmatia.

LEGIONARIES PUT TO FLIGHT

Italian Forces Blockade Fiume by
Land and Sea.

LONDON, Dec. 22.—An encounter between Italian regulars and D'Annunzio's legionaries is reported to have occurred at Jeleni, ten miles from Fiume, says a Trieste dispatch to the London Times. One regular soldier was killed and two wounded.

The government carabinieri put the rebel Arditi to flight by a counter attack.

Italian government forces have established a close blockade of Fiume by land and sea. Not only has the city of Fiume been isolated, but the islands of Arbe, San Marcos and Veglia, which recently were occupied by D'Annunzio legionaries, have been blockaded.

Conditions of recognized gravity have arisen since Captain D'Annunzio announced he would resist enforcement of the treaty of Rapallo. In answer to an ultimatum sent him by General Cavaglia, commander of Italian troops in the section, he has declared he will fight until his demands are met.

Rigorous Blockade Ordered.

ROME, Dec. 22.—General Cavaglia, commander of the Italian regulars surrounding Fiume, has ordered a rigorous blockade of Fiume and the islands of Arbe, San Marcos and Veglia. He gave 48 hours to the blockaded region.

Fiume Is Being Besieged.

UDINE, Italy, Dec. 22.—(By the Associated Press.)—Fiume, the stronghold of Captain Gabriele D'Annunzio, the insurgent Italian leader, is being besieged by regular Italian forces.

SCHOOL SAVES MONEY

MACHINE TOOLS PURCHASED
AT BIG REDUCTION.

Director Thomas Buys Supplies in
East for \$2742—Original
Value \$18,955.

An assortment of machine tools for the Benson Polytechnic high school have just been purchased at a saving of several thousand dollars from the school district by George B. Thomas, school director. Mr. Thomas has returned from a 35-day trip in eastern cities, where he bought the machinery from the government.

The pre-war cost to the government was \$18,955 and the price at which Mr. Thomas purchased them, \$2742 for the lot. The tools are all new. There are several types of drill presses, an automatic turret lathe, and motors for various purposes.

SHARKS FLEECE BROKER

LOS ANGELES MAN ROBBED IN
DIVE OF SEATTLE.

Visitor Loses \$500 in Cash and
Promissory Note for \$1000 When
Game Ends in Assault.

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 22.—(Special.)—W. A. Boggs Jr., a Los Angeles broker at the new Washington hotel, went forth looking for a "little game" last evening, he told police, which he found, and which ended when police were called in and found Boggs had lost \$500 in cash and a promissory note for \$1000.

Dorothy Villandre, 23 years old, is held in the city jail as a result, having been arrested at the Milton apartments, 1421 Seventh avenue. Police are looking for others alleged to have been implicated in the evening's entertainment.

Boggs said he drove up to "Frenchy's place," in Union street, near Seventh avenue, at 8:30 o'clock. He inquired for a "crap game," Frenchy had none, said Boggs, but was willing to oblige and started a game of "rummy."

They played for \$10 and \$20 a game, but this became lame, said Boggs. They adjourned to a place where they could obtain liquid refreshments, he reported. The limit was raised to \$20 and \$100, with \$100 also bet.

A third man known to Frenchy was "keeping books." Boggs charged cheating in the bookkeeping system, and he told the police, was hit over the head with a chair. When he attempted to leap out of a window, carrying the cash with him, Police Sergeant Steel took a hand. Boggs had \$200 left of an original \$1700 in cash and securities, when he arrived at the police station. He will be a witness in the case and was not held.

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CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—The Peoples Gas & Light company, one of the

LEADING WOMAN OF "THREE WISE FOOLS."



Helen Menken.

A large portion of the credit for the success of "Three Wise Fools," a sparkling comedy which opens tonight at the Helix theatre, is due to Helen Menken, who has the leading feminine part in the play. The show has a record of 333 consecutive performances on Broadway and drew capacity crowds in Chicago, Boston and other leading eastern cities. It is being put on here with the entire original cast, which made possible this long run.

Miss Menken appears in the story as a slip of a girl who is adopted by three crusty old bachelors. Her presence in the home of these men, whose daily routine has become fixed, affords a series of excellent comedy situations.

Miss Menken has an opportunity in the play to display not only a knowledge of comedy values, but also a capable handling of dramatic and emotional scenes.

CLUB PROPOSES LAWS

Measures to Be Brought Before
Legislature Are Discussed.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Dec. 22.—(Special.)—Members of the legislative committee of the commercial club meeting Monday night, discussed various measures which it is proposed to bring before the legislature at the coming session.

Among the proposed measures were bills providing for return to the permanent highway fund of money coming from fines for traffic violations; the addition of a jail sentence to the fine for speeding; the revocation of individual licenses for auto drivers for cause; the amending of the law to allow county and city officers to close or permitting a major portion of the employees to be dismissed at noon Saturdays; a blue sky law; home rule for counties; relief for educational institutions from the inheritance tax on legacies and improvement of the direct primary law.

POSTOFFICE IS ROBBED

Burglars Break in and Rifle Mail-
boxes at Camas.

CAMAS, Wash., Dec. 22.—(Special.)—The Camas postoffice was entered by burglars early yesterday morning and a number of lock boxes were broken into and robbed. The boxes of the Crown-Willamette Paper company, First National Bank and several other stores were rifled and the mail was found scattered in several parts of the city.

No attempt had apparently been made to break in to the private office of the postmaster. Postmaster Knapp believed it was the work of boys or vandals and had suspicions as to who was responsible. The postoffice authorities have been notified and an investigation will no doubt be made at once.

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BRYAN, BORAH FAIL TO AGREE ON PACT

Idaho Senator Is Still Firm
Against Any Alliance.

LONG CONFERENCE HELD

Significance Put on Call Because
of Recent Hopefulness for
World Peace Solution.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—(By the Associated Press.)—William J. Bryan, who visited President-elect Harding at Marion recently, held a lengthy conference today with Senator Borah of Idaho, a leader among republican opponents of the league of nations.

The purpose of Mr. Bryan's visit here, it was stated reliably, was to discuss possibilities of obtaining an agreement or reaching some common ground in the movement toward a concert of maintenance of world peace. From what could be learned of his conference with Senator Borah, it was said that the views of Mr. Bryan and the Idaho senator both were unchanged. It was indicated that Senator Borah remained implacable toward any arrangement involving any international alliance.

Significance was given Mr. Bryan's call upon Senator Borah because of the former's very recent talk with Senator Harding and the ex-secretary of state's expressions, after his Marlon visit, of hopefulness for a solution of the world peace problem. Senator Borah also discussed the subject with Senator Harding for an hour during the latter's stop-over here early this month.

Information obtained here from senators and others who have conferred with the president-elect was that Senator Harding had formulated in his mind only a broad, general outline affecting an arrangement for peace, and has not yet come to a consideration of details of any plan. Some who have visited Senator Harding declared that he apparently does not contemplate absolute discard of the treaty of Versailles, but is considering incorporation of certain features, at least, in developing his peace policy.

New Reservations Eyed.

Among the expedients said to be under consideration at Marlon is adoption of a new set of reservations removing all question of American obligation and extending merely American adherence to principles believed helpful toward preventing war. Establishment of a world court and development of a new code of international law and procedure are other features of Senator Harding's thought, according to those who were being discussed privately among senators.

"A judicial league is no more feasible than a political league," was the statement today of Senator Reed of Missouri, prominent democratic irreconcilable, who had a long talk with Senator Harding last week.

Canal Problem Discussed.

"It is the accepted rule," Senator Reed said, "that no judge shall sit in any case in which he has any interest, also that the litigants themselves should not participate in the judgment." "In the case of the Panama tolls question, if it was submitted to an international court, the American justice would be bound under accepted practice to retire. If Great Britain raised the question of tolls it might be that the British justice also would retire, but this would leave settlement of the questions to judges representing nations which would have interests identical with Great Britain's in seeing that American vessels should not have free tolls through the canal." Senator Reed's statement was advanced to illustrate trials facing actual development and drafting of agreements for a world court plan.

In connection with the Panama tolls question, some of those who have conferred with Senator Harding recently believe that one of the first acts of the new administration will be to restore the free toll provision for American shipping.

GRANGE ELECTS OFFICERS

George Randall Jr. Chosen Master
of Clackamas Organization.

OREGON CITY, Or., Dec. 22.—(Special.)—The election of officers of Warner grange, held at New Era last Saturday, resulted as follows: Master, George Randall Jr.; overseer, Colonel Ald; lecturer, Mrs. Webber; chaplain, William Dodds; steward, Mrs. S. L. Cantor; assistant steward, Mrs. Ald; secretary, Mrs. George Randall; treasurer, Fred Chin; gatekeeper, Martin Stauber; Ceres, Mrs. Newt Critser; Poma, Mrs. Elmer Yator; Flora, Helen Spilak; lady assistant-steward, Mrs. Anna I. Freeze.

PONZI GREETED CREDITORS

Jailed Speculator Sends Yuletide
Message to Victims.

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—Charles Ponzi today sent from a Plymouth jail a

Christmas greeting to his thousands of creditors, bidding them be of good cheer. His letter was written on expensive engraved bond paper.

The one-time financier, who is serving a five-year sentence for using the mails in a scheme to defraud, expressed a hope that the mishap to his creditors' investments would not mar the spirit of the Christmas season, and asked them to look forward with him to the day when he would step from the jail a free man to aid them in recovering their losses. He asked that if his Yuletide message found any response among them that they send "a word of sympathy and encouragement" to his wife and mother.

MOVIE PLAYERS IN TOWN

COMPANY EN ROUTE TO LOS
ANGELES STOPS OFF.

Movie Actors Have Just Completed
Snow Scenes in Canada for
Forthcoming Production.

A company of motion-picture players visited Portland yesterday, en route to their headquarters at Los Angeles, after completing snow scenes at Banff, Alberta, for a forthcoming Goldwyn production. Several weeks were spent in Canada "shooting" exteriors for a new picture being made under the title of "Snow Blindness."

The party arrived at the Union depot yesterday morning and remained in the city until 4 P. M., when the two special cars carrying the performers and their equipment, were attached to the Shasta train leaving for the south.

Most of the company spent the day residing in the private cars, but several members visited the downtown picture houses and took advantage of the opportunity to do a little Christmas shopping.

Among the visitors who have appeared on local screens were Helene Chadwick, Russell Simpson, Richard Tucker, Mac B. Francis and Cullen Landis. Reginald Barker, well-known director, was among the visitors. Mr. Tucker and Mr. Simpson called on various prominent film men of the city, including C. Jensen, Frank Lacey, of the Majestic theatre; Paul Noble, of the Liberty, and A. C. Raleigh, of the Columbia.

WOMAN REGAINS WEALTH

FORTUNE SEIZED BY HUSBAND'S CREDITORS RETURNED.

Threats to Kidnap Children,
Harm Self and Spouse Told.
Case 6 Years in Court.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 22.—The personal fortune of Mrs. Isabel Barnett, seized for the benefit of creditors, according to a recent decision of the United States District Judge, Frank S. Dietrich of Boise, Idaho, was returned to her in a decision today by United States District Judge Frank S. Dietrich of Boise, Idaho.

The property involved approximates \$100,000.

Mrs. Barnett, with her husband, General E. T. Barnett, are credited with founding the town of Fairbanks. General Barnett was president of the bank when it failed. In her petition she charged that angry depositors forced her to turn over to Fred G. Noyes, receiver of the bank, all her personal property, "on pain of bodily injury to her husband and herself, and of threats of kidnapping her children."

Dietrich's decision ordered Noyes to grant Mrs. Barnett an accounting and to return her property. The case has been in litigation six years, attorneys said.

Braiding, embroidery hemstitching.

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PRAYERS ANSWERED, SAYS GANG VICTIM

Girl Tells How She Escaped
From Ruffians.

KRUVOSKY TRIAL GOES ON

Case Is Expected to End Today.
Judge Compliments Attorneys
on Speed Attained.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 22.—The prosecution closed late today in the trial of Edward (Knockout) Kruvosky, pugilist, and one of a group of alleged gangsters being tried for attacks on girls here which led to the slaying of three peace officers at Santa Rosa, near here, and the lynching of their accused slayers.

Kruvosky is charged specifically with having attacked Miss Jessie Montgomery of Reno in a house in the Mission district early in the morning of Thanksgiving day. Miss Jean Stanley testified that she accompanied him to the house in the place, and that only divine intervention, which she invoked, prevented her from being subjected to the same indignities that were inflicted on her companion.

"I prayed that the men should be stricken weak and become confused," she said. "My prayers were answered, and they left the room, permitting me to escape."

Miss Stanley testified, however, that Edmond Murphy, first of the gang to be tried, who was convicted Monday night, and Kruvosky struck her in the face and that Murphy held a pistol to her head and demanded under a threat to kill that she do as she was told. She answered this with a prayer, she said, while she continued to struggle with the men.

The Kruvosky case is scheduled to end tomorrow, according to a defense announcement today. Murphy also will be sentenced tomorrow, being liable to a term of from one to 50 years for the crime of which he was convicted.

Kruvosky's wife and mother are constant attendants at the trial, during the testimony of Miss Montgomery and Miss Stanley. Kruvosky and his wife sought to comfort each other several times.

In ending the sessions today Superior Judge Ward complimented both sides on the speed they were making and ordered the case resumed again at 9 o'clock tomorrow morning.

PAIR ACCUSED OF FRAUD

Milwaukee Couple Get 30 Days
Each in Toronto Jail.

TORONTO, Dec. 22.—David Verille and his wife, who claim Milwaukee as their home, today were sentenced to 30 days each in the charge of attempting to obtain money by alleged fraud from Mrs. Ambrose Small, wife of the theater owner who disappeared more than a year ago.

The couple promised, it is alleged, to reveal the whereabouts of the missing man and to guarantee his return to Toronto before Christmas upon payment of \$1,000 by Mrs. Small.

Woman Struck by Automobile.

Martha Coakley, 1554 East Flanders
street, was bruised about the arms
and legs near Fifty-eighth and Gil-
son streets last night when she was
struck by a car piloted by Mrs. The-
ma Smith, 372½ Hawthorne street.
The injured woman was taken to
Good Samaritan hospital. Mrs. Smith

STATE SURGEON IS NAMED

Retired Army Officer to Organize
Guard Medical Corps.

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 22.—Appointment and commissioning of Dr. George H. Crabtree, lieutenant-colonel United States army, retired, of Seattle, to the position of state surgeon with the rank of major in the medical corps, Washington national guard, subject to federal recognition, has been announced by Brigadier-General Maurice Thompson, the adjutant-general. He has been assigned to active duty in the office of the adjutant-general, and will have charge of the reorganization of the medical department of the national guard of Washington in accordance with the new national defense plans. The medical units to be organized prior to July 1, 1921, in addition to the medical troops attached to the regiment of infantry and regiment of field artillery yet to be raised, are the headquarters of an ambulance battalion and a motorized ambulance company.

MURDER CAUSE IS BARED

Fellow Tongmen Give Evidence to
La Grande Police.

LA GRANDE, Or., Dec. 22.—(Special.)—With the trial here this morning of two Chinese from Portland, fellow tongmen of Jiu Sheu, who was killed here Sunday night in a fight at a Chinese lodging house, more light was thrown on the murder. According to evidence given the police this morning, Jiu Sheu and another Chinaman came here Sunday

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