



SULTAN AT MERCY OF YOUNG TURKS

Gain Control of Capital by Battle.

ABDUL PRISONER IN PALACE

Invading Army Subdues Mutineers in Barracks.

CONFLICT OPENS AT DAWN

Yildiz Kiosk Is Stronghold and Sheket Fears Mines—Abdul Will Retain Crown, but Be Stripped of Power.

CONSTANTINOPLE, April 24.—The Constitutional forces are in complete control of the capital tonight. The Sultan is virtually a prisoner in the Yildiz palace.

Mahmoud Shekfat Pasha, the commander in chief of the invading forces, desires to finish the work without further bloodshed. He is in negotiation with the Sultan's representatives and has extended the period of grace within which the Sultan must make his final decision.

Leave Abdul Crown, No Power. What disposition will be made of the ruler of the Empire when he is in the hands of the Constitutionalists is unknown to the embassies, although the opinion is held in authoritative quarters that he will continue as the nominal constitutional executive, largely responsible to the cabinet, which in turn will be responsible to Parliament.

Complete tranquility prevails in the city at present, but anxious looks are cast in the direction of the Yildiz, the refusal of part of his garrison to submit being the serious feature of the situation. General Shekfat is concentrating large forces near this point. Troops have been pouring in since noon and several batteries have been planted on the neighboring heights, but it is feared that the task of capturing the well-guarded stronghold will be extremely difficult, owing to its excellent defensive position and the thorough preparedness of the garrison.

Believe Palace Is Mined.

The other positions already captured by the invading army were not provided with artillery, which gave the assailants an immense advantage, so they were able to shell the barracks without reply from the Yildiz garrison, but it is believed that the neighborhood is mined. Apparently General Shekfat and the other leaders of the Salonika troops are anxious to avoid further bloodshed, hence their desire to give the Sultan and his advisers ample time for consideration.

Invaders Attack Barracks.

The sending forward of the advance posts of the Salonika army yesterday afternoon within two and one-half miles of the palace foreshadowed the attack on the city that was begun this morning. The bridges had been picketed and small parties of cavalry reconnoitered the ground. After desultory firing just before dawn an advance was made in the southwest part of Pera. The attacking forces spread out in a long line and made an assault on the Matheka and Tasch Kischia barracks, south of the palace, where they met with a stubborn resistance.

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MOUNTED POLICE AT BARGAIN RIOT

THREE THOUSAND WOMEN IN RUSH FOR CHEAP GOODS.

Many Faint and Crowd Blocks Brooklyn Streets Until Officers Quell Disturbance.

NEW YORK, April 24.—(Special.)—Upwards of 3000 women today engaged in one of the fiercest bargain riots in Broadway and Snydan streets, Williamsburg, that the Brooklyn police have ever been called upon to quell. The trouble was caused by liberally advertised sales by rival five and ten-cent stores, located within a few doors of each other.

These sales were advertised to begin at 8:30 o'clock, but long before 7 o'clock women began to arrive and crowd about the unopened stores. Women from every quarter of Williamsburg arrived to swell the crowd. When the doors opened at the designated hour, according to the reckoning of the police more than 3000 were packed into Broadway. With a rush they forced their way into the stores.

TAFT WINS GOLF MATCH

Plays Faultless Game, and With Sherman Gets Victory.

WASHINGTON, April 24.—President Taft was once more a victor at golf at the finish of an exciting game on the Chevy Chase links this afternoon. A foursome was played in which the President and Vice-President Sherman opposed General Clarence R. Edwards and Captain Archibald Butt.

POWERS CASTS OFF ALIAS

Pardoned in Goebel Case, He Comes to Front.

PITTSBURG, April 24.—John Powers, one of the men pardoned yesterday by Governor Wilson, of Kentucky, in connection with the murder of Governor Goebel and a brother of Caleb Powers, is not in Honduras, as was supposed. He is living in Kittanning, Pa., where he is in charge of a business college.

QUAKE KILLED 18 PERSONS

Threw Down Many Houses in Portugal and Wrecked Church.

LISBON, April 24.—The earthquake shock experienced here last night in Portugal was especially severe along the Tagus, in Ributejo Province, between Santarem and Lisbon. Many houses in this district were thrown down and the church at Salvador was demolished.

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DEAD ARMENIANS MAY TOTAL 30,000

Latest Estimate of Result of Massacre.

DRUSES THREATEN VENGEANCE

Chief of Warlike Tribesmen of Lebanon Killed.

MANY GIRLS ARE MISSING

Score of Native Pastors Killed and More Americans May Be Victims—Thousands of Refugees Pour Into Cities.

BEIRUT, Asiatic Turkey, April 24.—A conservative estimate now places the number of killed in the Armenian massacres in Adana Vilayet at from 20,000 to 30,000. At the town of Adana more than 100 girls are missing. It is known that 12 native pastors have been killed. Fears are entertained that other American missionaries than those whose deaths have been reported have been murdered.

There are 15,000 refugees in Adana and Tarsus, and 5000 at Merzina. Marash and Aintab are quiet, but conditions at Haddjin are becoming critical. A messenger dispatched for relief by Miss Lambert, the American missionary, who two days ago sent an appeal to Constantinople, has been killed in the streets. A second messenger, a soldier, was shot at. The Vail has given assurances of the safety of the Americans.

Conditions at Alexandretta are unchanged. Bolla and Doryote are holding out. An appeal for help has been issued from Latakia, as the mobs are near that place and American property is threatened. Antioch is quiet, there being no Armenians left in that town. No disturbances have occurred in Beirut tonight.

LEISHMAN WORKS FOR PEACE

Advices Enraged Druses to Leave Vengeance to Government.

CONSTANTINOPLE, April 24.—Ambassador Leishman received a telegram today from the American Consul at Beirut, dated at Bravand, setting forth the danger of a collision tomorrow between Mohammedans and the Druse tribesmen. In reply the Ambassador suggested that a message be sent to the father of the late Deputy Arslan, telling him of the success of the Liberal forces here and suggesting that vengeance be left to the government.

OFFICIALS TALK OF RELIEF

Hadjin Will Be First Town Cared For by Foreigners.

MERSINA, April 24.—The captains of the British, French and German warships and the American and French consular officials conferred with the Governor today concerning the disturbances. They gave particular attention to the question of prompt relief for Hadjin, where several American missionaries are located. The Governor promised to do everything possible to calm the Mohammedans.

KESSAB FALLS TO FANATICS

Another Village Burned and Inhabitants Take Flight.

BEIRUT, Asiatic Turkey, April 24.—According to the latest information of the progress of the fanatical anti-Christian rioting in the country around Alexandretta, the Armenian village of Kessab has been burned and many per-

GERMANY TO SPY ON MARS' SECRETS

DIRECTOR OF TREPTOW OBSERVATORY HAS SCHEME.

Professor Archenbold Thinks Lenses Will Tell Whether or Not Planet Is Inhabited.

BERLIN, April 24.—(Special.)—The construction of an enormous telescope, especially designed for the purpose, to which it would be put, is advocated by Dr. Friedrich S. Archenbold, director of the Treptow Observatory, near Berlin, for determining whether or not Mars is inhabited. Dr. Archenbold regards the proposal of Prof. Pickering, of Harvard, to signal Mars by means of gigantic mirrors, as interesting and worth trial, but he thinks a way will be found yet to settle the question by direct ocular evidence.

IS SWINDLER MAN SUPPOSED KILLED?

Maybray Identified as James P. McCann.

RECALLS ODD MURDER CASE

'Lord' Barrington Serving Sentence for Supposed Crime.

WOMAN FURNISHES PROOF

Maybray at First Denies Story, but Later Breaks Down and Weeps. Officers Probe Case in All Details.

DES MOINES, Ia., April 24.—Police officials have a mystery on their hands in the identification of James C. Maybray, the alleged leader of the sporting swindle syndicate, as James P. McCann, of St. Louis, for whose supposed murder "Lord" Barrington Seymour is serving a life sentence in the Missouri penitentiary. The identification was made by Miss Lillian Gates, of St. Louis, who says she is acting for the British Consul in that city, and who admits that she is a friend of the English prisoner. Miss Gates appeared at the United States Marshal's office this morning and swore positively that Maybray was McCann. McCann denied the story and it developed later that Miss Gates had identified other men as the supposed dead man.

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EXCISE BOARD FOR WISCONSIN BARS

LIQUOR INTERESTS BRING UP BILL FOR REFORMS.

State Commission Given Power to Revoke Licenses—Measure Favored by Public.

MADISON, Wis., April 24.—(Special.)—Saloon interests have come forward with their bill for the regulation of the liquor traffic in the state through an excise commission. It provides that the issuance of licenses shall be left as heretofore with local bodies, but the right to revoke such licenses is to be taken from these and placed in the hands of a commission. Discretionary powers are given this commission, and only where a saloonist has offended against the laws and has been convicted a third time, will be obligatory on the commission to revoke his license, and then only for a year.

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Advertisement for Harry Murphy's 'Picture Form' with illustrations of a man, a barrel, a dynamite stick, a man with a gun, a man with a sign, and a man with a sign.