

CAMPAIGN IN EAST CENTERS IN HUNGARY

Germans Believed to Be Preparing to Reinforce Austrians in South.

WARSAW REGION QUIETER

Petrograd Reports Only Skirmishes on Vistula—Russians Stop Advance in Caucasus to Bury Vast Numbers of Dead.

LONDON, Jan. 23.—A complete change in the eastern campaign, such as would mark a new period of the war, is expected by officers of the Russian general staff. They say that the German and Austrian military chiefs have abandoned aggressive movements against Warsaw, and are concentrating troops in Hungary.

It is in this section, rather than on the Warsaw front, that the heavy fighting of the next few weeks is looked for in Petrograd.

The new German plan is thought to have been elaborated at a recent meeting of Austrian and German staff officers at Breslau.

The Russian official report issued at Petrograd today said: "On the right bank of the Lower Vistula our troops, which are in touch with the enemy, had small skirmishes at certain points."

"The German attempts to assume a partial offensive were easily stopped by our fire."

"In Bukovina the concentration of Austrian forces toward the passages has become stronger. The 21st, a horse-battalion with artillery, attacked our front in the region of Kirilbaba, but was repulsed. Up to the morning of January 21, our troops were holding their positions. We captured during this fighting 200 prisoners."

"In the passages of the Carpathian Mountains a violent snow storm is raging."

"Russians Advance Near Ploek. In the Ploek region, in Northern Poland, the Russians are completing their notable advance from Skompe toward Lipno," says a Petrograd dispatch to Reuter's Telegram Agency.

"In the Caucasus, military movements are temporarily halted by the necessity of burying the Turkish dead, which are strewn in the mountains and valleys near Sari Kamyah, to such a degree that an epidemic is feared."

"The Russian authorities have launched a scheme for occupying the time of the wounded in hospitals by teaching them trades, while those who are illiterate are being taught to read and write."

"A Berlin dispatch says it is officially announced that the Russian railway station near Chenchy, about 100 miles southwest of Kielce, Southern Poland, which the Austrians destroyed by a single heavy shell, was filled with Russian troops at the time, all of whom were killed."

"German Attacks Progress. In Northern Poland, near Przasnysz, an unimportant attack made by the Russians was repulsed. The Russians have been driven out of Blino and Bolak and the advanced Russian divisions have been forced to retreat from Gorny. Our attacks on the Sancha Sector are progressing. In the vicinity of the Rawka River, in the west of Szechy, a lively cannonade is taking place."

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The State Board of Pardons today granted full and complete pardons to two prisoners serving sentence in the Idaho State Penitentiary for murder, William Pondren, of Kootenai County, and John Lockhart, of Shoshone County, and extended clemency to three others, Peter Canaris, of Twin Falls, and Robert McLaughlin, of Shoshone County, serving sentence for statutory crimes and George F. Barnes, convicted of forgery in Ada County.

The Pondren case is one of the most celebrated. Hounded by those seeking to acquire his homestead in Kootenai County and who repeatedly filed contests against it, he quarreled with one of the contestants and the killing resulted. Pondren declared he shot in self-defense, as the man he killed started after him with an ax.

Lockhart shot and killed a man as the result of a quarrel over a game of cards when he was accused of cheating. Angered by the charge Lockhart, who was employed as a laborer, went to the bunk of the man who accused him and shot him on his deathbed in California and the tears of his mother won for him clemency from the Board of Pardons. One condition to his pardon is that he remain away from Idaho forever.

FATHERS GET PENSIONS

ARIZONA WIDOWERS WITH CHILDREN TO BE AIDED.

Mothers' Pension Adopted by Voters Repealed—Nothing Said About Selling Almshouses.

PHOENIX, Ariz., Jan. 23.—Widowers with children and unable to earn a livelihood will get a pension of \$15 a month for themselves and \$6 for each child under the terms of the mothers' pension bill unanimously passed by the Arizona Legislature today.

This bill calls for the repeal of a previous mothers' pension act, adopted as an initiative measure at the November election, in spite of the fact that the people at the same time also passed a law prohibiting the Legislature from repealing or amending an initiative measure if the voters did not have the question of providing for widowers put up to them.

The Senate asserts the Legislature is not barred from repealing initiative acts because a majority of the qualified electors of the state did not vote at the November election, as the state constitution provides must be done in order to make such measures effective.

All county charitable institutions were to be sold to raise funds for the pensions under the law adopted by the people. County attorneys advised that further expenditures for the inmates of county institutions were illegal as a result of this act, but the pleas of the aged, infirm and sick broke all red tape, state officials unofficially advising county supervisors to ignore the law.

The bill passed today provides that all persons over 60 years of age, without means of support, are entitled to a pension if they have lived 15 years in the state and five in the county. It says nothing about selling county almshouses.

CHILD IN PARDON PLEA

Illinois Mother Sent to Prison for Four Years.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Jan. 23.—Marjette Snyder, who is the 15-year-old daughter of Mrs. Marguerite M. Snyder, was found guilty of the murder of her mother's son, Robert Snyder, in the Woman's Prison at Joliet, under a four-year sentence for conspiracy, will appear before the State Board of Pardons next Tuesday in the interest of her mother's application for a pardon.

Mrs. Snyder's prosecution grew out of a claim which she made to help him in the estate of her late husband, Robert Snyder, who died in 1910. Her claim was valued at nearly \$150,000. Mrs. Snyder, when only two weeks old, was found on the railroad tracks near her present home in the City of Rockford. Although her parentage always has been a mystery, she asserted that her mother was Robert Snyder's sister.

The prison board has received many letters from Rockford citizens, urging the granting of the pardon as the only means of relieving the distress in the Snyder family of four children and an invalid artist father.

MILITIA PAY IS APPROVED

Military Committee Orders Favorable Report on Chamberlain Bill.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Jan. 23.—The Senate military committee today ordered a favorable report on the militia pay bill, drafted by the War Department and introduced in the last session by Senator Chamberlain. This bill gives members of the militia status under the Federal service and may be sent into foreign countries in time of war, and also provides a scale of pay for officers and enlisted men in the militia provided they attend a given number of drills each year.

The bill is not to be enacted at this session, because of the condition of the Treasury. It is strenuously opposed by the House leaders and will be killed in that body, even if it passes the Senate, which is doubtful.

WELCOME WAITS HILL LINE

Excursion to Astoria to Meet New Steamers Is Planned.

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Astoria will present both the Great Northern and the Northern Pacific with \$250 chronometers as a token of welcome. Efforts are to be made to have the ship visit Portland if possible.

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The Last Week

Before I Move Into My New Store, February 1st, in the Stevens Building, Washington and West Park Streets

Ladies' Balmacaans Midseason arrivals—right in style—right in fit and right in workmanship—the original prices are \$25 and \$30—until the new store opens in six days. \$11.75

Ladies' Coats, Suits and Dresses Ladies' Coats, Suits and Dresses—an opportunity to buy the better class of apparel, including all the late arrivals, forecasting the Spring styles at prices that show sincerity in desiring to gain and retain your good will for the new store.

\$25 and \$30 now.....\$11.75 \$45 and \$50 now.....\$21.75 \$35 and \$40 now.....\$16.75 \$55 and \$60 now.....\$26.25 \$70 and \$80 now.....\$31.50

Note the Shirt Reductions See the Prices on Underwear Buy Knox Hats for \$1.95 \$1.50 and \$2 Neckties 85c

273-275 Morrison at Fourth R. M. GRAY 273-275 Morrison at Fourth Terms of Sale Are Cash

At Half-Price Buy Chesterfield Clothes

The men and young men who know this famous make for its style, its fit, its dependable fabrics and the work of master-tailors, will appreciate this means I am taking to gain and retain their good will for the new store.

- \$20 Suits and Overcoats... \$10.00
\$25 Suits and Overcoats... \$12.50
\$30 Suits and Overcoats... \$15.00
\$35 Suits and Overcoats... \$17.50
\$40 Suits and Overcoats... \$20.00
\$45 Suits and Overcoats... \$22.50

This is the most remarkable clothing offer ever made to the well-dressed men of Portland. But it will let them know that in six days my store will be in its new location.

Come early tomorrow and save worth-while amounts on apparel of quality being sacrificed.

ALL-NIGHT BATTLE RAGES IN ARGONNE

Paris Says Germans Thus Far Have Been Repulsed, but Continue Attacks.

PARIS, Jan. 23.—The fighting in the Argonne region has continued all night, but the Germans have been repulsed in several places. The French are holding their positions and are strengthening their lines.

ALLIES TAKE LA BASSEE

Germans Attack in Masses, but Are Met by Withering Fire of British—Both Sides Bringing Up Reinforcements.

LONDON, Jan. 23.—Dispatches from the battle line in France and Flanders indicate that the Germans are making a new attempt to break through the lines of the Allies in the region of La Bassee. The fighting is very hard and the Allies are determined to hold their ground.

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The same correspondent says that the Germans concentrated at Festubert, near La Bassee, and on Monday night made a desperate attempt to force the British lines. They were repulsed and the British are now strengthening their positions.

"The British positions in the region of Festubert have been reinforced in anticipation of fresh attacks. On Wednesday afternoon there was furious fighting between La Bassee and Festubert, resulting in an advance of the allied front, and it is now reported that the former town is in possession of the allied troops."

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The official communication issued by the Paris war office tonight said: "In the Argonne the fighting continued all night at Fontaine Madame and St. Hubert. All the attempts of the enemy were repulsed, but the engagement was resumed this morning."

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WARNING!

A miserable joke or worse than joke, is being perpetrated on my daughter ELAINE. There have appeared and are appearing advertisements in the public prints signed with fraudulent initials of which the following is a copy:

Information Wanted!

of ELAINE DODGE, believed to be a resident of this City, and thought to be wealthy. In uncovering a case now before us, we would be pleased to pay for any information of her past and for any secrets known only to her intimates. All communications will be treated confidentially. Anonymous letters not wanted. Address C.H. Box 3 B.

I wish to state most emphatically that I demand that these insinuating announcements cease to be published, or I shall have the law brought to bear with all its force on the scoundrels.

My daughter Elaine, I wish to say has no past. She has never had any secrets. Elaine is a clean-minded, moral, upright young woman—a credit to the commonwealth. Whatever is the purpose back of the veiled intimations, I warn the offenders that I will brook no further insult.

If there is any connection between this and the troubles of my friends, Fletcher, Haxworth and Sherburne—I shall show no mercy on the offender or offenders.

TAYLOR DODGE President Consolidated Mutual Life Co.

Why do all building booms strike Caurehurst first? Because it is the very best and most progressive tract in Portland. HOT TEA BREAKS A COLD—TRY THIS. Get a small package of Hamburg Breakfast Tea, or, as the German folks call it, "Hamburg Brunt Tea," at any pharmacy. Take a tablespoonful of the tea, put a cup of boiling water upon it, pour through a sieve and drink a teacup full at any time. It is the most effective way to break a cold and cure krip, as it opens the pores, relieving congestion. Also loosens the bowels, thus breaking a cold at once. It is inexpensive and entirely vegetable, therefore harmless.—Adv.