

MAIN GARRISON OF ERZERUM ESCAPES

Evacuation Begun Before Final Onslaught on Forts Is Made by Russians.

PETROGRAD GETS DETAILS

Co-operation of Czar's Troops Over Wide Area Is Feature of Movement—Fate of Defending Commander in Doubt.

PETROGRAD, via London, Feb. 19.—The first story in detail of the capture of Erzerum by the Russians reached Petrograd semi-officially today. It shows complete co-operation of Russian troops over a wide area, which made useless resistance on the part of the Turks. Apparently the Turks had withdrawn most of their forces before the final onslaught, leaving the garrisons of the widely separated forts to their fate.

Bombardment Begun From Heights. The Russians dragged their artillery to the heights surrounding the forts, and when all was ready began to bombard forts Kara Gudek, 20 miles east of Erzerum, preparatory to the bayonet assault.

Both forts capitulated on January 23. The taking of Dairin Gey made a breach in the outer line of defenses along the Beve Bolnu range in front of the city. The capture of Kara Gudek opened a direct passage through the Karabasan Pass to the city proper from the north-east.

Fort Tafta lies midway between the two fortresses. In a night attack on January 20 this fort was captured, leaving only Chaban Bebe between the two armies operating from this quarter. The Russians began on February 2 to storm the whole front line on the Beve Bolnu heights. By evening all those positions were in Russian hands, permitting complete junction of the troops on the northeast. The fall of this first line quickly decided the fate of the inner forts.

Men Go Out Without Rest. Meanwhile the Patan Teken group of forts, seven miles to the south, had been surrounded on three sides. The general assault on the second line began without giving the men time for a rest. The five inner forts made only a feeble resistance. These garrisons beat a hasty retreat into the city and followed the bulk of the troops, which already were on the roads leading westward.

Only the rear guard took part in the fighting of the last day. Signs that the evacuation was under way were observed immediately after the fall of the first fort.

It is thought possible the Turks will attempt to make a stand at the first favorable point, which is in the hills on the western edge of Erzerum Valley, 11 miles distant, but it is not regarded as probable that they have been able to erect any extensive fortifications there.

Fortifications Hastily Repaired. The Russians are hastily repairing the small damage done to the fortresses against a possible attempt of the Turks to retake them.

No news has been received of the fate of Ekved Pevai Pasha, commander of the ninth corps, who was in charge of the defense of Erzerum.

It is reported that reinforcements from Thrace were on the way to Erzerum.

The reference in the foregoing to Ekved Pevai Pasha, commander in charge of Erzerum before the evacuation, apparently disposes of unofficial reports of several weeks ago that the Turkish army there was in charge of German Field Marshal von der Goltz or his compatriot, Field Marshal Liman von Sanders.

OUSTER SUIT IS BEGUN

Action to Remove School Director at Seaside Filed at Astoria.

Adult Orchardists Get Knowledge.

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Corvallis, Feb. 19.—(Special.)—A series of schools for adult orchardists is being conducted in various parts of the Willamette Valley by W. S. Brown, extension horticulturist of the Oregon Agricultural College. Instruction is given in pruning and spraying, followed by actual work for the farmer students in various orchards. Meetings for the purpose of observing the effect of the work will be held at regular intervals during the summer. The school was held at McMinnville this week.

Veterans to Meet at Eugene.

OREGON CITY, Or., Feb. 19.—(Special.)—The state meeting of the Grand Army of the Republic, the Women of the Relief Corps, the Sons of Veterans, the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic and the Spanish War Veterans will be held in Eugene June 14, 15 and 16. A meeting of the council of administration of the Grand Army of the Republic was held in Portland today, and the date and meeting place was selected. George A. Harding, of this city, department commander of the Grand Army, attended the Portland meeting.

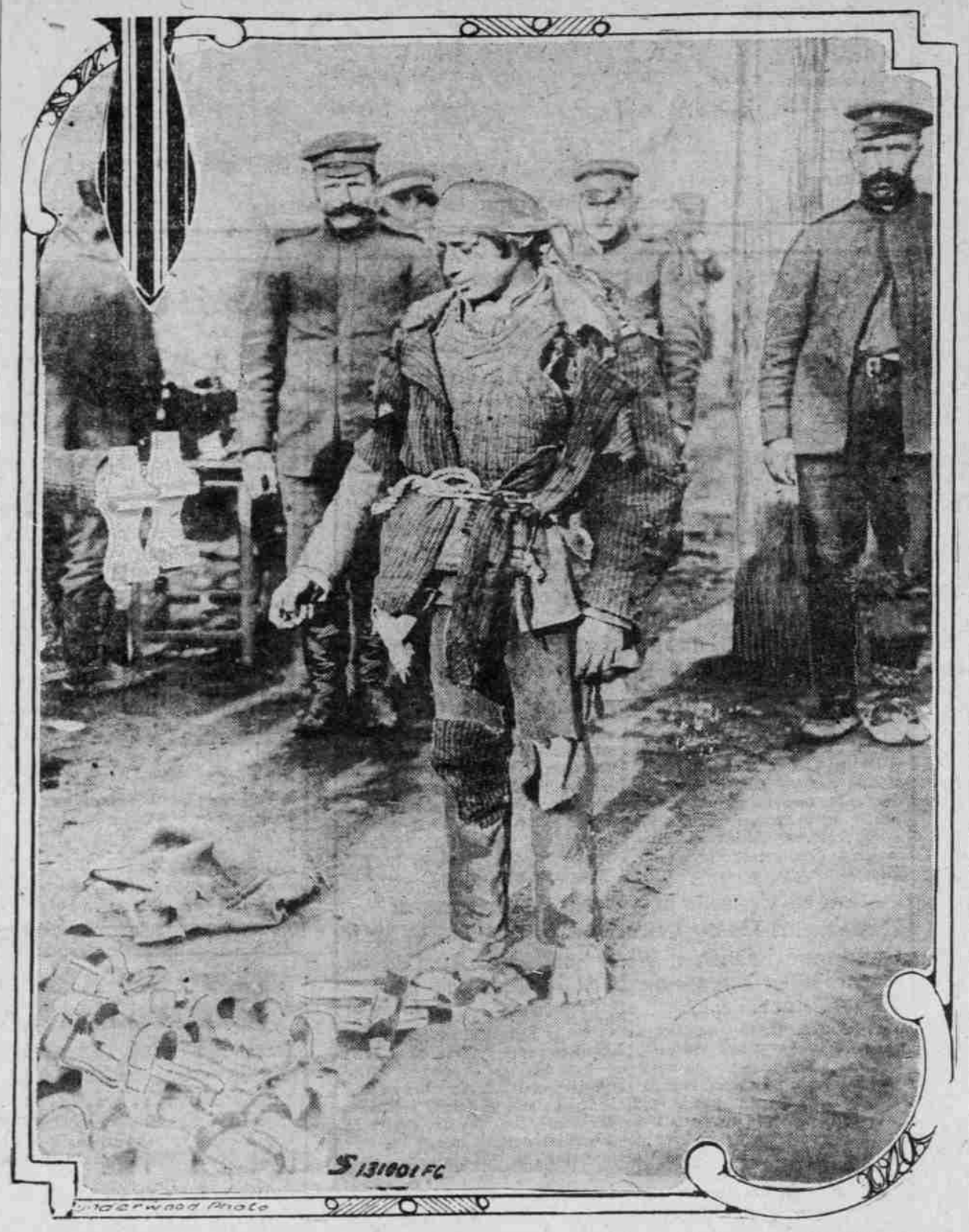
Kelso Mayor Works on Team Shed.

KELSO, Wash., Feb. 19.—(Special.)—Mayor C. O. Talbert, of Kelso, has joined with many other business men of Kelso in volunteering a few hours' labor in the building of the team shed, which was completed this week through the activity of the Kelso Commercial Club. The shed is centrally located, and will provide shelter for many teams. The farming population is much delighted with the undertaking.

Georgia May Waive Primary.

ATLANTA, Ga., Feb. 19.—Unless opposition develops to the nomination of President Wilson, the Georgia Democratic committee will hold no Presidential primary, it was decided today. If at the expiration of 30 days no other candidates appear a Democratic State convention will choose delegates to St. Louis, instructing them to Wilson.

SERBIAN AMAZON BRAVES RIGORS OF WAR TO FIGHT SIDE BY SIDE WITH HER BROTHERS FOR LIBERATION OF HER COUNTRY.



Patriotism is personified in the young Serbian girl shown in the picture. She has borne hardship, humiliation and embarrassment to bear arms for her war-torn country. Bravely she shouldered her gun and accompanied her fighting brothers through a 11 the recent campaigns and not until she was physically exhausted did she resign herself to defeat and suffer herself to be made prisoner. The photograph shows her buying a pair of wooden shoes, the most complete part of her dress, which is mostly rags and patches. Owing to her inability to secure female attire she is compelled to wear whatever clothing she can obtain. She is now interned in a German prison camp and is treated as a civilian prisoner.

GERMAN PRIZE LIBELED

BRITISH OWNERS FILE SUIT AGAINST APPAM.

Action Is Expected by State Department to Clear Away Many Perplexing Features of Case.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19.—A libel suit was instituted today by British owners of the liner Appam to recover the ship from the German prize crew that brought it into Hampton Roads and it is expected by State Department officials to result in a prize court ruling that will clear away many perplexing features which have confronted them in dealing with the case.

The Appam is allowed to remain indefinitely in American waters under the British treaty of 1825 and Great Britain insisting that the liner must be restored to her owners under the Hague convention of 1907, department officials would welcome a judgment by a competent tribunal.

The department has held tentatively that the Appam is a German prize, but never has passed formally upon Germany's request.

It was suggested that under the treaty of 1825 German prizes in American ports are exempt from such legal processes as that served on the Appam today, but officials pointed out that the State Department has not yet officially fixed the status of the vessel. There is no disposition to question the British position in any case involving the construction of a treaty, although the State Department takes the ground that it is still at liberty to deal diplomatically with the case in its own way while the court proceedings are going on.

Some exceedingly intricate points of international law are expected to be developed by the British attorneys. For instance, in support of the demand for release of the Appam it may be contended that even admitting the validity of the Prussian treaty, because the Appam was not actually brought into Hampton Roads by a German warship ships as a prize, its provisions do not apply to her.

SHIP BUILDERS BUSY

CONTRACTS FOR NEW TYPES OF VESSELS ARE DECLINED.

More Than 200 Merchantmen Are Under Construction in United States; Tonnage Doubles in Year.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19.—Reports to the Bureau of Oceanic and Public Works show that American shipyards, crowded with work as never before in their history, are refusing all contracts calling for new types of vessels and confining construction to those types for which construction plans already have been drawn.

With 236 merchant vessels, with a total tonnage of about 1,000,000 tons, building or about to be started, the United States now is being outdone in construction only by Great Britain, and confining construction to those types for which construction plans already have been drawn.

The amount of tonnage under construction in American yards has doubled within the last year. Thirty-nine vessels have been completed since last July.

Department of Commerce officials are investigating a plan by which its promoters say structural steel may be used on vessel construction. If it proves successful it is declared construction not only will be cheapened,

BRITISH TO ADD BILLIONS

420,000,000 POUNDS STERLING TO BE ASKED FOR WAR.

Interest on Debt Now Amounts to 150,000,000 Pounds Yearly, Meaning Burden for 20 Years.

LONDON, Feb. 19.—Financial circles are keenly interested in Premier Asquith's coming demand for a new appropriation of £420,000,000 for war purposes, bringing the total British war expenditure up to £2,082,000,000. It is expected that when the Premier speaks on this subject Monday in the House of Commons he also will make reference to the issue of a new loan, which, doubtless, is in prospect.

It is generally thought that the rumored addition of £600,000,000 to the national debt will not cause much disturbance of the money market, although financiers and statesmen recognize that the payment of the interest now amounting to approximately £150,000,000 annually, will involve a great strain on the national resources for the next 20 years, even if nothing is added later to the burden.

Discussing the prospects of the coming loan, the Statist asserts that the consensus of opinion among bankers is that it should either be free of the income tax altogether or that a maximum figure for the tax should be laid down in the terms offered.

Among the general public the view prevails that the nation will unite in making a success of the government's efforts to pay its way, and this feeling is strengthened by the apparent national prosperity disclosed by the estimated national revenue returns, which amount for the year to about £340,000,000 or £35,000,000 more than originally expected.

Munition workers are responsible for a freak feat. It is the "gunpowder ring," a finger band carved from solid brass, the rings are whitened with penknives by the workmen. Some are set with small stones and chips.

REALLY DEALER ARRESTED

H. T. Hendryx Accused of Cashing Worthless Drafts.

H. T. Hendryx, a real estate dealer, who says he has been in Portland since 1892, was arrested last night at his home, 353 Harrison street, by Detectives Price and Mallet and charged with obtaining \$135 by cashing worthless drafts. Mr. Hendryx says that all his drafts have been honored at the bank.

The police say the drafts were cashed at the following stores: M. Sichel & Co., Gunn's Cigar Company, M. A. Gunn & Co., Pallet's Grocery, at Sixth and Harrison streets; Jones Market and at the Oregon Hotel and the Park Apartments.

M. J. Jones, of Jones' Market, swore out the warrant. The prisoner has a wife and two children.

WILD TANKER IN COLLISION

Big Standard Oil Steamer Hits Briton and Is Beached.

NEW YORK, Feb. 19.—The tank steamship John D. Archbold, of 374 gross tons, owned by the Standard Oil Company, broke from her anchorage off Stapleton, Staten Island, late today and crashed into the British freight steamer Hova, of 424 tons, also at anchor. A large hole was torn in the side of the tanker and the bow of the Hova was crushed in.

To save the Archbold and her cargo of oil, tugs towed her to the Red Hook flats, where she was beached.

DEMOCRATIC CALL MADE

WASHINGTON NATIONAL DELEGATES TO BE SELECTED MAY 2.

Convention to Be Held at Everett When National Committeeman Will Also Be Chosen.

EVERETT, Wash., Feb. 19.—The Democratic State Central Committee met here today and decided that the state convention for nomination of 14 delegates to the Democratic National convention shall be held at North Yakima, Tuesday, May 2.

The committee recommended T. M. McKeanie, of Walla Walla, as temporary chairman of the convention. The convention will consist of 1036 delegates apportioned on a basis of one delegate for each 100 votes cast for Judge W. W. Black in his campaign for Senator in 1914 with three delegates at large from each county. County committees were instructed to call county conventions to select delegates to the state convention. The county committees may decide whether the county conventions shall be mass or delegate meetings.

The only spirited contest in the committee meeting today developed over a motion providing for the selection of National committeemen. Martin J. Maloney, of Whitman County, moved that the delegates to the National convention select the National committeeman, but J. D. Trenholm, of Seattle, amended the motion to provide for selection of the National committeeman by the state convention. After a spirited debate the proposition and the selection made by the state convention was adopted 19 to 12.

PLANS FOR 4 SPANS MADE

Yamhill and Columbia Soon Will Accept Bridge Work Offers.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 19.—(Special.)—The state highway department announced today that it had completed plans and specifications for four bridges, two in Yamhill County and two in Columbia. Proposals for the construction of the bridges will be accepted by the counties within a short time.

The bridge in Yamhill County at McMinville will be a reinforced concrete viaduct to cost \$14,000. The other structure is a \$120,000 160-foot steel span between Athy's Island and the mainland over Willamette Slough below Wheatland.

At Veronia, in Columbia County, a 100-foot steel span will be built over Rock Creek, and a 50-foot girder will be placed across Tide Creek, near Deer Island.

Dynamiting Fish Is Charge.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Feb. 19.—(Special.)—Edward Glantz, 40 years old, charged with dynamiting fish in the Lewis River near Moulton, Wash., some time last Fall, has been arrested and arraigned before W. S. T. Deer, Justice of the Peace. Glantz will be tried before Mr. Deer Monday at 11 A. M.

Centralia Block Gets Building.

CENTRALIA, Wash., Feb. 19.—Jay Agnew yesterday awarded to Matt Albert the contract for erecting a new brick business block on Pearl street between Pine and Main streets. The new structure will be one story in height, 30x120 feet, and will cost \$9000.

One Man to Operate Cars.

NORTH YAKIMA, Wash., Feb. 19.—The Yakima Transportation Company announced today that beginning

Advertisement for Woodard, Clark & Co. featuring microscopes and magic lanterns. Text includes '50 Years Ago We Added MICROSCOPES to Our Equipment as Apothecaries' and 'The Famous B. & L. Balopticon, or Modern Magic Lantern'.

Advertisement for 'The Standard Remedy in Countless Homes' by Woodard, Clark & Co. Includes a portrait of Mrs. Oliver Young and text describing the remedy for constipation.

Advertisement for 'Pape's Cold Compound' as 'The Surest, Quickest Relief Known—It's Fine!'. Includes text about relief from colds and a portrait of a man.

Advertisement for 'The Doctor's Advice' by Dr. Lewis Baker. Includes text about various ailments and a portrait of a man.

Large advertisement for 'An Answer Found' featuring 'The Peruna Company' and 'Peruna Tonic'. Includes text about curing ailments like coughs and colds, and a portrait of a man.