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PERSIA SCENE OF BLOODY BATTLE

Russia Kills Twelve Thousand Turks in Sanguinary Encounter

FIGHTING RESUMED

Hostilities Between Russian and Turkish Troops Resumed on Formidable Scale

GERMAN OFFICIAL REPORT

During Month of March German Eastern Army It is Claimed, Captured 55,800 Russian Prisoners and 61 Machine Guns.

12,000 KILLED

TABRIZ, Persia, April 1.—Hostilities between Russian and Turkish forces in Persia have been resumed. On March 25, the Russians defeated the Turks in a sanguinary battle at Atkur, in Northwest Persia. The Turks lost 12,000 in killed, wounded and captured, as well as many guns.

CAPTURE 55,800 PRISONERS

BERLIN, April 1.—The official report today says: "During the capture of the hamlet of Klosterboek, which was occupied by Belgians, and a small point of support at Dixmude, we took 45 prisoners. Fighting west of Pont a Mousson and east of le Pretre forest came to standstill last night. The French penetrated into a small portion of our trenches. The engagement continued today. In the East the situation in Augustow and Suwalki districts is unchanged. Russian attempts to cross the Rawka River and attack at Opomo were repulsed. During the month of March, the German eastern army captured 55,800 Russian prisoners, nine cannon and 61 machine guns."

ACTIVITY ON FRENCH LINES

Official Statement Says Struggle is Going on at Numerous Points Along Western Front.

PARIS, April 1.—An official statement this afternoon says: "Struggles are going on at numerous points. Opposite Compiere we blew up four mines. North of Berry au Bac we blew up a mine by hand at the moment the Germans were at work on it and we allowed this up by a storm of projectiles. In Belgium aviators bombed the aviation camp at Handresem and a railroad junction at Blerzambach."

LOGICIZE FAVORITE SON

President Wilson Complimented in Verse and Prose at Dedication of New Jersey Building.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 1.—President Wilson was eulogized in verse and prose at the dedication today of the New Jersey state building at the Panama-Pacific Exposition. A message of greeting from the President was read.

RAISE SUBMARINE

Expert Divers Leave New York to Assist in Work

WASHINGTON, D. C., Apr. 1.—Expert divers from the New York Navy Yard, to assist in raising the submarine F-4 in Honolulu harbor, are expected to leave with their equipment today for San Francisco where the cruiser Maryland will be taken to them. Meanwhile, Admiral Moore, commander of the Naval Station at Honolulu, will continue his efforts to raise the submarine.

FRENCH BOAT SUNK

STEAMER EMMA TORPEDOED BY GERMAN SUBMARINE.

Only Two of the Nineteen Members of the Crew Were Saved When Vessel Went Down.

LONDON, April 1.—The French steamer Emma, bound to Bordeaux, was torpedoed Wednesday in the English Channel off Beachy Head by a German submarine. Nineteen members of the crew drowned, only two being saved. Gave No Warning. The periscope of the submarine had hardly been sighted from the Emma when a torpedo struck the Emma in the engine. No warning was given. The ship foundered in three minutes. A British destroyer subsequently picked up two men who had been in water several hours and at the same time recovered two bodies. The Emma had a crew of 21 men.

SEIZE DUTCH BOAT

BRITISH TORPEDO BOATS CAPTURE HOLLAND VESSEL

Was Loaded With Large Cargo of Oils and Suspected of Supplying German Submarines.

VESSEL IS RELEASED

LONDON, April 1.—The Dutch vessel Van Nassau was later released. An examination of the cargo revealed no reason for detaining her. LONDON, April 1.—A dispatch from New Haven, a port on the English Channel, says the large Dutch cargo ship Lodewijk Van Nassau, has been brought into New Haven by two British torpedo boats under suspicion that she has been supplying German submarines with fuel oil. The torpedo boats gave chase and captured her near Brighton.

ENGLISH AEROPLANE ATTACKS

VESSELS IN BELGIUM

Drop Bombs on Several Boats With What is Believed to be Successful Results.

LONDON, April 1.—Aeroplane attacks on German submarines at Hoboken and Zebrugge, Belgium, were accomplished early today with effective results, it is believed, the British Admiralty announced tonight.

One aeroplane attacked submarines being constructed at Hoboken, near Antwerp, dropping four bombs. Another observed two submarines alongside the mole at Zebrugge and dropped four bombs within, it is believed, with successful results.

DEAF MUTE MURDERER

Confesses to Killing Two Others Who Were Afflicted Same As He—Is Plead in Jail

MARSHALLTOWN, Ia., April 1.—John Confer, deaf mute, confessed today, the police say, that he killed Dennis Milan and Mrs. Minnie Milan, also deaf mutes, at their home last night near Green Mountain. He is confined in jail here.

THINKS INDIAN INNOCENT

Gen. Scott Says White is Not Guilty of the Murder With Which he is Charged.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 1.—General Scott has returned from his successful expedition bringing in the recalcitrant Putes. He is impressed with the belief that Tee Ne Gat is innocent of the charge of murder, or at least that the evidence is purely circumstantial and furnished by unfriendly Utes. He believes the Putes thought that the Marshal's posse, which they resisted, was a lynching party of cowboys.

MASSACRE AT EAGLES HALL

Tickets for Easter Monday Ball to be given by Catholic Ladies, are now on sale at "The Owl" Pharmacy, Busy Corner and Winkler's.

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WILL ENFORCE PROHIBITION

Labor Situation Forces Drastic Action on Drink in Great Britain

LONDON, April 1.—The war on alcohol as the outcome of the labor situation in Great Britain definitely takes precedence over much of the talked-of "spring advance of the Allies in the West," the reason being that the problem of ammunition has become more pressing than that of recruiting.

KING GEORGE ACTS

Writes Letters to Pave Way for Absolute Prohibition in United Kingdom

Pronouncements of cabinet leaders and a letter of King George on the question are intended to pave the way for absolute prohibition or the adoption of measures almost as drastic. Drink is blamed for the failure of factories to turn out the maximum of supplies for the war.

DRINK DELAYS SUPPLIES

Failure of Factories to Turn Out Maximum of Supplies for War Directly Attributed to Use of Liquor by Factory Workers.

WORE A GERMAN UNIFORM

French Officials Say They Have Further Incriminating Evidence Against Raymond Swoboda.

PARIS, April 1.—Additional evidence has been found, the police assert, to prove the pro-German sympathies of Raymond Swoboda, charged with being responsible for the fire on the French steamer La Touraine. The villa which Swoboda occupied at Viroflay was searched and letters of a highly compromising character and photographs showing Swoboda in a German uniform were found, the police assert.

CLIP CITY OFFICERS

COUNCIL HOLDS STAR CHAMBER MEETING TODAY

Behind Closed Doors Talk off Paid Fireman, City Engineer and Police Officers; Say City is in Debt

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GERMANS ARE FIRM

IMPERIAL CHANCELLOR SPEAKS AT BISMARCK CENTENARY

Says "What Bismarck Created no German Will Allow to be Destroyed" Despite Enemies

BERLIN, April 1.—Imperial Chancellor Von Bethmann-Hollweg, who spoke at the Bismarck centenary celebration in the Reichstag today, said: "What Bismarck created no German will allow to be destroyed. Our enemies are raging around the Empire, but we will be at them. He taught us to fear only God, to wage war against the enemy and to believe in our people. Thus we will fight and conquer and live for the Emperor and the empire."

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SINKING OF FRYE

AMERICA SENDS STRONG NOTE TO GERMANY.

Contents There was No Excuse for Action of Eitel—Demands Compensation for Vessel's Owners

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 1.—The American note to Germany over the sinking of the American ship William P. Frye by the German raider Prinz Eitel Friedrich, has been dispatched to Berlin. Representations of the United States concern only the vessel and do not discuss the cargo, at which the State Department is satisfied was not American owned.

WAS NO JUSTIFICATION

Acting Secretary Lansing said the note would be made public as soon as it had time to reach its destination. The note contends there was no justification for the sinking of the Frye, that a neutral vessel carrying wheat, not confessedly contraband, was sunk when the release of the vessel would have involved no vital consequences to the Eitel. It is understood that German Ambassador Bernstorff has already recommended that his government reimburse the owners of the Frye for the full value.

FIGHT AT 1, MONDAY

Big Johnson—Willard Bout Will be Pulled off Early in The Afternoon Getting Ready

HAVANA, April 1.—Routine both in Willard and Johnson camps began early today. Both pugilists are on the road at sun up to avoid the heat. The principals and promoters will meet late today and probably select M. J. Hinkel of Cleveland as alternate referee. The fight is scheduled at 1 p. m. Eastern time Monday.

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An engineer was taken from the fire department, City Engineer Gidley was discharged, Chief Carter was asked to resign and Officer Richardson was cut from the police force.

Like a crash came the news of the council's action. Already petitions have been prepared asking that the councilmen be recalled. It is probable that a special election will be called within a few days to vote on their ousting.

Not one word of the impending catastrophe to the city's forces was voiced at the Monday meeting of the city dads. Not a word of their actions had not been known this evening but for an unguarded remark of Councilman Cople.

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BOTH SIDES CLAIM VICTORY

Wide Divergence in Reports Received From Russia and Austrian Sources

Petrograd Reports Further Massacre of Christians in Persia, 720 Bodies Being Found in One Village Destroyed by Turks.

HEAVY FIGHTING

Agree That Strenuous Struggle is Being Made in Carpathians for the Passes

THE HOLY WAR IS RAGING

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MEX. NIGHT FIGHT

RIFLE BATTLE BETWEEN TWO FORCES STOPS AT DAWN

Bombs Being Manufactured in Texas for Use of Carranza Aviator—Aeroplane from New York.

A BOMB ATTACK

BROWNSVILLE, April 1.—The probability of a bomb dropping attack by four aeroplanes on Matamoros was forecasted today by H. M. Rinehart, the American who flew Villa's biplane last night to Las Rucas, Villa's headquarters near here. He said that three other aeroplanes are due from Monterey today.

BROWNSVILLE, April 1.—Considerable rifle firing between Villa scouting parties and the Carranza trenches at Matamoros was reported early today, but stopped entirely before daylight.

Bombs are being manufactured in Brownsville for use by Carranza aviators. The arrival of an aeroplane from New York is being awaited.

NEUTRALIZE TRAINS

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 1.—The Villa Zapata forces have agreed to a proposal to the United States for a neutralization of passenger trains between Mexico City and Vera Cruz. Word was still awaited from Carranza. The food situation in Mexico City continues bad. The latest reports, however, indicate that the danger of another evacuation by Zapata forces has passed.

PERSONAL OVERFLOW

WILLIAM GRIMES left on the Elder this morning for Portland, accompanying Mr. and Mrs. Dorsey Kretzer. He will return in a few days.

A. L. BUTZ, of the C. A. Smith Company, returned this morning from a two weeks visit in California. Mrs. Butz did not return but will remain there for a while, visiting.

JOE CURRY, three years old, left on the Geo. W. Elder for Portland to visit his grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. Norwood Curry. He was accompanied by Mrs. Boyd, who has been visiting here.

NOTICE The executive committee of the Marshfield Chamber of Commerce will meet Friday afternoon at 4:30 and the general meeting of the Chamber will be held Friday evening, April 2, 1915, at 8 o'clock. It is requested that all members attend and assist in the work of this chamber.

To get your CLOTHES CLEANED call JAY DOYLE. Phone 250-X.

BIG AMOUNT TAXES

NEARLY \$100,000 COLLECTED LAST 6 DAYS

C. A. Smith Company Sends Check for \$26,000 to Pay Their First Half.

(Special to The Times.) COQUILLE, Oregon April 1.—Like passengers rushing aboard a steamboat about to sail, tax payers flocked into the office of the County Treasurer during the last week of March, crowding under the wire to escape the penalty for delinquency.

Treasurer T. M. Dimmick received a check for \$26,000 from the C. A. Smith Company for one-half their 1915 tax, and like all others who paid but half this time, the remainder will become due next October.

Figures submitted by the County Treasurer for the last six days of March, not including yesterday, show a gathering in of \$82,712.46 and Mr. Dimmick on Tuesday night stated: "at 11 p. m. we have finished checking up the receipts that have been entered today, but we probably have \$10,000 or \$12,000 that we could not get entered up." This amount would be added to the six days' total.

The receipts for the last week were: March 24, \$6,670.41; 25th, \$8,720.28; 26th, \$7,955.01; 27th, \$10,339.70; 28th, \$9,007.43; 29th, \$40,019.63; total \$82,712.46.

The entire tax levy for Coos County this year amounts to \$741,362 and the figures of the County Treasurer show that many property owners have been content this time to pay only half their taxes.

Taxes alone of the Southern Oregon Company amount to about \$70,000. District Attorney Liljeqvist says the county is \$89,000 in debt because of their failure to pay. The case is in the Supreme Court this week. Should the county lose and should the land ultimately revert to the government, Coos County would lose at least \$140,000 in taxes.

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Rev. J. F. Stubblefield, newly elected pastor of the Presbyterian Church, with his wife and child, arrived here today on the Nann Smith from San Francisco and Sunday will preach his first sermon in the church. A meeting of the congregation is called for tomorrow evening to welcome the new pastor and his family.

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IS BACK FROM CALIFORNIA

George Witte Returns From an Extended Trip Through the Golden State.

George Witte returned this morning on the steamer Nann Smith from an all-winter's sojourn in California, Mrs. Witte is coming overland and is expected tomorrow.

Mr. Witte says that Coos Bay looks good to him and that in climate, business and prosperity, it is far in advance of the much heralded advantages of the Golden State. The weather has been severe and far from enjoyable and the balmy breezes of Coos Bay were a welcome relief.

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SKIES AFLAME; WAR'S RED PAGE

Russian Frontier Ablaze With Light From Burning Villages and Shell Fire.

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FIERGE FIGHTING

German Report Says Battle is Proceeding Favorably to Their Arms.

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BERLIN, April 1.—(Wireless to Sayville.)—A correspondent of the Berlin Lokal Anzeiger reports the fighting northeast of the road running from Tilsit to Heydekrug, in East Prussia, as proceeding favorably.

The condition of Russian prisoners taken at Taugrogen was bad. A strikingly large number of elderly men were among them and many were foot-sore. Taugrogen and many villages suffered by shell fire and the burning of hamlets light this section of the frontier.

LOCAL OVERFLOW

File Suits.—Suits were filed yesterday and papers served today by Deputy Sheriff Laird on three new circuit court cases. Babe Dixon, Mrs. Mourieta Redfield is suing Harvey Redfield for divorce, alleged cruel and inhuman treatment, Miss L. Caroline Sibel, former seventh grade teacher at North Bend has begun suit against the school board claiming she was dismissed without due investigation and charges gross negligence on the part of the board. She asks \$371.25 damages and \$300 punitive damages. Harry and Lionel Gordon are suing H. A. Wells, alleging he took unfair advantage of them as their agent in securing a secret profit when he obtained a lease from Captain Danielson for his corner. They now seek to recover the extra money paid him and have Wells declared trustee of the lease for the balance of that term. The three suits have been filed by J. T. Brand.

YOUNG COUPLE WED

PROMINENT AND POPULAR YOUNG PEOPLE MARRIED

Oscar Gulovsen and Miss Selma Johnson are Quietly Wedded Last Evening

JOHNSON-GULOVSEN—At the Swedish Lutheran Church Wednesday evening, March 31, at 9:30, Miss Selma Johnson and Oscar Gulovsen, Rev. Bengtson officiating.

The above announcement while not unexpected, will come as something of a surprise to a whole city full of friends of this well known and popular young couple. It unites two of the pioneer families of Coos Bay and is the felicitous consummation of a romance that has been watched with interest by hosts of friends and well-wishers.

The groom is one of the prominent young business men of the city, being a member of the firm of Johnson & Gulovsen and has been a resident of Marshfield since his boyhood. The bride is a charming young woman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Johnson, and her many lovable qualities of head and heart have endeared her to all who know her.

The wedding was a very quiet affair only the attendants, Mr. and Mrs. John C. Merchant being present.

They expect to settle down next week in a beautiful home which the groom has recently completed in West Marshfield, and where the best wishes of their many friends for a lifetime of happiness will follow them.

Masquerade Ball at Eagles Hall Saturday night, Apr. 3. Don't miss it.