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ATTACK VENICE FROM THE SKY

Teuton Aeroplanes Drop Incendiary Bombs on Historic Italian City Last Night

CHURCH DAMAGED

When Roof is Crushed Beautiful Works of Art in Building Are Destroyed

ST. MARKS IS ALSO HIT

Damage to that Structure is Slight—Bombs Fall in the Streets and One Explodes in the Court of An Alms House

ROME, Oct. 25.—Teutonic aeroplanes last night made two separate attacks upon Venice last night, throwing many bombs, some of them incendiary. A bomb fell on the roof of a church at Dorsal Scanzal, crushing the ceiling ornamented with beautiful sculptures of Tipolo. As incendiary bomb fell on the cathedral of St. Marks without doing any damage. One fell in the court of an alms house and set fire to pile of wood. Others exploded in the streets doing only slight damage.

COTTON IS BURNED

MALORY MINER COLORADO CATCHES FIRE AT SEA

Members of Crew Are Saved and No Passengers Aboard—Bound for New York

CHARLESTON, S. C., Oct. 25.—The Malory liner Colorado, which sailed from Charleston last night with cotton from New York, caught fire and was abandoned, according to a wireless from the steamer. The crew was rescued by a Merchants and Miners Company steamer. The Colorado carried no passengers. The steamer reported that the burning vessel was sighted off Cape Hatteras, 30 miles north of here.

FRENCH GAIN POINT

AFFRIT JUNCTION WITH SERBIANS AGAINST BULGARIANS

Later Make Attack Which Is Checked and Retreat At End of The Day

PARIS, Oct. 25.—French troops gained a brilliant success by effecting a junction with the Serbs at Kriovak, says a Petit Parisien dispatch from Athens. The Bulgarian troops in force were attacking in three columns when the French turned their left flank while the Serbs launched a surprise attack all along the front. At the end of the day the Bulgarians retreated.

CLAIM A VICTORY

FRENCH CAUSE BULGARIANS TO RETIRE IN DISORDER

Paris, Oct. 25.—French troops operating against the Bulgarians are following up the victory of last Friday and are now threatening Strumitza, Bulgaria, to which the Bulgarians retired in disorder.

WATCH SAVES LIFE

GLENDALE, Ore., Oct. 25.—A watch saved the life of Jamie Pickens, aged 23 years, while he was hunting. Someone mistaking him for a deer, shot him. The bullet struck his left breast but hit on his watch, which caused the bullet to glance. The watch was smashed, but the hunter not hurt.

ITALIAN STEAMER

LAST WAS THE SCILLA

PARIS, Oct. 25.—Dispatches from Saloniki say the Italian steamer sunk Saturday by a submarine was the Scilla. It is believed the submarine was a German, flying Austrian colors.

GERMAN AMBASSADOR AT TURKEY IS DEAD

CONSTANTINOPLE, Oct. 25.—Baron Von Wangenheim, German Ambassador to Turkey, died today.

TELLS OF ALASKA

BEN DAVIS, IN JACK LONDON'S "BURNING DAYLIGHT" HERE

KNEW LONDON, Rex Beach, Joaquin Miller, Robert W. Service in the North—Here on Business

"B. L. Davis, Seattle." When the name appeared on the Chandler register the name looked the same as dozens of others that come there through the week. And then a man from Alaska got to ruminating through his mind and all at once it occurred to him. "B. L. Davis—why er—By Gosh its Ben Davis in Jack London's 'Burning Daylight,' the only fellow who ever threw the strong man of the North."

Thereupon ye scribe questioned this man B. L. Davis, tapped him as it were, and found there a veritable wealth of information on the North, the Klondike in the days of the gold rush of '97 and '98 and a man who has brushed elbows with the greatest writers of northern adventure stories. It was the same man. He's a modest individual, but he does love to tell a story—and how he can tell them. A man of medium height, a trifle gray but as vigorous as you please. In breathless haste he was asked dozens of questions almost at once and he tried to answer them all.

Found Out Again "You've got me again," he laughed good naturedly. "Yes, I'm the same Ben Davis. Jack London in 'Burning Daylight' didn't take the trouble to change the names of original characters. He came up North there, took a look at us and put the whole shebang in. Just as he found them. And say, Jack London, Rex Beach and those fellows, they weren't exaggerating. They painted things as they actually found them."

Joaquin Miller on Trail On the trail Mr. Davis met Joaquin Miller, when the aged poet of the Sierras, tramped through the frozen North and was almost frozen to death. He knew Rex Beach in Dawson and in Nome. He knew Jack London and Robert W. Chambers, author of the Tales of a Sourdough, was on Whitehorse, when Mr. Davis was in the north.

It was in '97 that Ben Davis, unable to resist the temptation of the gold seekers put out from Seattle to seek his fortune. This was in June and in Nome a party of which he became a member paid \$12,000 for a funny little old steamboat and started for Dawson. Up the Yukon River they chugged, along with dozens of other gold maddened outfits.

On the start the owners of the boat elected J. C. Barrett skipper. Later he became a multi-millionaire in the Tanana district and then came to Seattle and entered the banking business. As they chugged, they often stopped along shore to cut their wood. But Circle City was the farthest they got before the ice closed in, a month earlier than ever before.

Ben Davis laughs now over the trip and tells how they chafed through the long winter days until in desperation he paid \$300 for a "measlesy Malenau dog" that he bought from an Indian and started, in the harness with the dog, across the ice to Dawson, 300 miles away.

"And all the ice I'd ever seen before this was in an ice wagon," laughed Mr. Davis. "For 30 nights I slept on the ice and you bet I reached Dawson too, but it pretty near killed me and the dog doing it."

Captain Follows "Hunch" On the trip to Circle City he said Captain Barrett had a "hunch" that there would be things doing in the Tanana district. The party talked him out of it for the time, but later he went in there and found the richest strike of the Klondike from one claim over a million dollars from one claim.

And the characters of the "Silver Hoard," "Burning Daylight," "Smoke Belov," and all those well read novels of northern life, Ben Davis knew them all and called them by name. "Cherry Malotte, in 'The Spoilers' was an actual person. I knew her, so did everyone in Dawson, and she was white, too, and mighty well liked in the camp."

War Spells Business

For a long time Ben Davis ran a large store in Dawson. Then he came down to Stewart. That place boomed and people thought the railroad was coming. There he ran a large hotel, selling out later and, until the war started, was interested in Vancouver, B. C., with Alven Scherer one of the wealthiest and most prominent Germans of Canada, who now lives in Seattle, barred from crossing the border. "And of course, though I am an American citizen, being associated with a German, I had to get out too, and so here I am."

Lure of Gold Prevails

He says that he is looking Coos Bay over, but will say nothing more beyond this and says he expects to leave very shortly for San Francisco on business. But the spirit of the North grows on one and ever calls them back. And so with Ben Davis, he too is going back. "Say," he declared, "do you know they've made another big strike up

REPORT SERBIA IN BAD SHAPE

It is Admitted in London That Her Position is Becoming Increasingly Grave

CLAIM SOME GAINS

But Teutonic Forces and Those of Bulgaria Are Only Thirty-five Miles Apart

FIGHTING HARD IN EAST

Rice Battle On For Possession of Riga but Russians Claim Germans Have Not Made Any Advance

LONDON, Oct. 25.—Various unverified reports of Serbian successes are received from Balkan points today but London says Serbia's position is increasingly grave. To the north, the Bulgarians and Austro-Germans are within 35 miles of joining hands. To the south, half of Serbian Macedonia is in possession of the Bulgarians. It is reported the capture of Isakup is correct.

Serbian Claims This would mean invaders have in their hands nearly all means of communication. A dispatch from Gradec, Serbia, dated Saturday, claims however, that the French troops are working up the railroad line from Saloniki, and beating off the Bulgarian forces.

Another dispatch says the Bulgarians were defeated on the Gradec-Volvandovo-Rabrovo front.

In the west, Paris announces capture by the French of the important salient north of Messul Les Hurlus, taking several trenches.

In the east, Berlin reports heavy fighting still in progress for possession of Riga. An official report indicates no further progress for the Germans. On one part of the Riga front, the Russians are now on the offensive.

MAKES STATEMENT

FORMER AMBASSADOR DUMBA HAS ARRIVED AT BERLIN

Says Not Only Americans, But British Marine Officers, Were Friendly on Vessel

BERLIN, Oct. 25.—Former Austrian Ambassador Dumba, who arrived here yesterday from the United States issued a statement today about the report that people on the ship avoided him. He said that not only the Americans, but British marine officers on board were most friendly.

DENY THE STORIES

GERMANY SAYS DETAILS OF EXECUTION ARE INVENTION

Claims They Were Told to Counteract Indignation at Germans Being Shot Down

BERLIN, Oct. 25. (Wireless to Sayville)—Germany's enemies apparently are anxious to counteract the indignation aroused by the fact that German sailors on a sinking submarine, who had surrendered and held up their hands, were shot down one after another, says an Overseas News agency.

Claim Stories Invented For this purpose they are giving the widest publication to invented stories about sentences by court martial against conspirators in Brussels. The fact is the conspirators knew what they were doing and what they might expect under the law. Countless soldiers were helped to join the armies now fighting against Germany.

Sad Necessity The statement says that all stories about the details of one of these executions in Brussels is pure invention. Execution was a sad necessity, but was carried out according to the law, without incident.

LAST MONTH MOST BLOODY OF THE WAR

A Berlin report says October has been the bloodiest month of the war. In 30 days the loss in killed and wounded exceeded the terrifying figure of 1,000,000. There have been weeks of slaughter on every front, and many of the rivers of Europe are carrying crimson tides to the sea. The battle lines extend over a front 2,000 miles long.

MOST OF GERMAN CRUISER CREW LOST

BERLIN, Oct. 25.—Only a small part of the crew of the German cruiser Prince Adalbert, sunk by a British submarine in the Baltic, was rescued.

POKE'S CHIEF'S EYE

R. S. BATTLES BATTLES WHEN ARRESTED IN WOMAN'S ROOM

Entered in Drunken Condition and Chief Makes Hurry Up Trip—To Meditate in Jail

R. S. Battles was arrested about 2:30 Sunday morning at a residence near the corner of Fourth and Highland in the room of a young woman into whose presence it is alleged by Chief Carter he had forced himself in a drunken condition. The woman immediately ran to a telephone and summoned Police Chief Carter. On the appearance of the latter, Battles swung his fist and caught Carter on the side of the eye, leaving a mark, and the latter silenced all objections by the use of the night stick. Battles was sentenced to pay a \$25 fine this morning and failing in this, went to jail for 12 1/2 days.

Woman Did Not Appear The charge entered against him was that of being drunk and resisting an officer. The young woman did not appear in court. Battles pleaded guilty as charged and Hugh Barclay, appearing as his attorney, argued that Battles knew the woman and "following the ways of a drunken man, naturally went seeking his friends when he got drunk."

He pleaded that the accused came of a good family, has been trailed by a streak of hard luck that finally brought him down to a two or three-days' drunk, and should be given another chance. He was given a chance to raise the \$25 fine.

Had Demanded Entrance Chief Carter said that Battle had gone to the room of the young woman, who is a domestic, and had demanded entrance, forcing himself into the room. The woman was forced to run out onto the porch and around to the hallway to a telephone where she called Carter to come at once.

He arrived there to find Battles had locked the door and taken possession of the woman's room.

Fists in Evidence Entrance was demanded, the door was opened and Battles, so Chief Carter states, declared he would go with him, but as the latter turned to open the door again Battle "took him a pass in the eye." And the aforesaid optic, together with the bruises, was exhibited to the judge.

"And then outside he showed fight again," said the Chief, "and I gave him a bit of the stick." Battle put up not more battles, but followed peacefully along to jail. He has been here for several months and has been interested in the fixing and the sale of pianos.

No Names Mentioned The name of the young woman was not mentioned in the trial of this morning, neither did she appear in court. Chief Carter said that he does not even know her name. She resides at the old D. L. Rood house and that is all the information that was given out.

ARE TO MEET HERE

CONVENTION OF REBECKAH'S TO BE HELD WEDNESDAY

Representatives Expected from Brandon and As Far North as Florence—Committees Appointed

The District convention of the Rebeckah lodge will be held in the Odd Fellows Hall on North Front street Wednesday afternoon and evening. Representatives are expected here from Brandon, Coquille, Myrtle Point, North Bend, Gardiner and Florence. The program will include a big banquet Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Tom Coke is chairman of the committees. The reception committee consists of Mrs. I. Lando, chairman, Mrs. D. L. Rood and Mrs. McIntyre, on the decorating committee are Miss Thorwald, of Bunker Hill, chairman, Miss Anna Cox, Carrie Ross, Herbert Phillips, Will Currie and Charles Lando. Miss Anna Cox is chairman of the entertainment committee and will appoint her assistants. On the supper committee are Mrs. Tom Coke, Mrs. I. Lando, and Mrs. G. A. Beckett.

YOUNG COUPLE WED

Carl Lattin and Miss Maude Zimmerman Are Married

Carl Lattin and Miss Maude Zimmerman of Parkersburg were married at the M. E. Parsonage in Marshfield Saturday afternoon, Rev. J. E. Knotts officiating. Only immediate relatives were present. A wedding supper was served at the home of Mrs. Frankie Lattin on South Tenth street after which the young couple proceeded to their new home in Bay Park. Miss Irene Preuss and Ed. Bolt stood up with the couple.

MAY DISCLOSE GIGANTIC PLOT

Detectives Think Men Arrested Intended Destruction of Munition Plants

CHARGES ARE MADE

Robert Fay, Claiming to be Lieutenant in German Army Is Being Held Here

WAS TESTING EXPLOSIVES

Another Man Arrested and Held As Important Witness Who May Tell of Suspected Plans—Conspiracy is Alleged

NEW YORK, Oct. 25.—Robert Fay who claims to be a lieutenant in the German army, and a brother-in-law of Walter L. Scholtz, was arrested yesterday while testing explosives near Grantwood N. J. He was arraigned today before a justice at Weehawken on charges of conspiracy and held without bail for examination tomorrow.

The arraignment disclosed the fact that a third man, Paul Daech, was arrested today at his home in Jersey City.

Valuable Witness Daech was also arraigned and held without bail. Detectives said they expected Daech to prove a valuable witness as he had already given them much important information. The detectives believe they have uncovered a plot to wreck American munitions plants and ships carrying munitions.

Makes Statement Police commissioner Woods here today announced that Fay admitted he was a lieutenant in the German army and came to this country two or three months ago to experiment with a machine containing high explosives.

Would Delay Vessels He said the machine was to be attached to the propeller or rudder of a ship. The stirring of the water would cause an explosion and force the ship to enter the nearest port. This was for the purpose of delaying shipments of munitions of war, it was stated.

OBJECT TO ARMING

CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL GOES ON RECORD AS OPPOSING

Asks All Churches Regardless to Creed to Join in Movement for Early Peace

NEW HAVEN, Oct. 25.—A resolution to place the national council of Congregational churches on record against increasing the armaments in the United States, and an amendment calling on all the churches without regard to creed to join in the movement against militarism and toward a path that will bring early peace in Europe, presented at this session, will be acted upon late today.

QUIT RESISTANCE

HAITIENS ARE NOT FIGHTING AMERICAN FORCES NOW

At First Leaders Told Them American Bullets Would Not Kill—Found it Different

NEW YORK, Oct. 25.—Resistance to American authority in Haiti has entirely disappeared, according to F. C. Volght, until recently a member of the crew of the battleship Connecticut.

"When the forces landed we found the natives had been told by their leaders that bullets from American rifles would not hurt them and that they were simply bluffs," said Volght. "That accounted, I believe, for the early stand made against us. As soon as the news spread about that the American bullets would kill, resistance fell off amazingly."

WILL COME TO U. S.

CHINA NAMES NEW MINISTER TO THE UNITED STATES

Wellington Koo, Who Has Been at Mexico, Cuba and Peru, Gets Post Here

PEKING, Oct. 25.—President Yuan Shi Kai today announced the appointment of Wellington Koo, minister to Mexico, Peru and Cuba, to be Chinese minister to the United States succeeding Kai Fu Shah, who is recalled to Peking.

Hold Your Dates Open For November 6, Band Masquerade.

U. S. REAR ADMIRAL MANNEY DIES TODAY

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Oct. 25.—Rear Admiral Henry Newman Manney, U. S. Navy, retired, died of pneumonia this morning at his home on Point Loma.

ELEVEN GIRLS DEAD

EIGHT OTHERS INJURED AS RESULT OF FACTORY FIRE

Disaster at Pittsburg Today Serious—Many Jump from Windows—Searching For Bodies

PITTSBURG, Pa., Oct. 25.—Eleven girls and one man employed in the factory of the Union Paper Box Company here are known to be dead, eight girls were badly injured and a number of others are missing as the result of a fire which this afternoon started in a feed store and spread to the factory.

Several girls leaped from the third story windows. There were many heroic rescues. Firemen are searching the smoking ruins for other bodies.

Does Heroic Work Joseph L. Bash, a salesman of a stove company on the second floor of the building, saw the flames shooting up the elevator shaft. Running to a window to give the alarm he noticed a number of girls from the factory leaning out of the third story window. Calling on them to jump he caught them one after another, lowering them to the ground until eight were saved.

Others are Heroes A. J. Slagle, another stove salesman, did the same thing at another window and aided a number to safety.

Henry Schraeder drove a wagon to the rear of the building and caught others as they jumped.

SENTENCE PASSED

OFFICERS AND SALESMEN OF COMPANY ARE PUNISHED

Recently Found Guilt of Using Mails to Defraud in Making Sales of Stock

PORTLAND, Oct. 25.—Six officers and salesmen, recently found guilty of using the mails to defraud in stock sales, were sentenced in the United States district court today. Frank Menefree, of Portland, president, and P. M. Lemmon, of Los Angeles, sales manager, were sentenced to one year and ten days in the penitentiary.

Oscar Campbell, Eugene, a director O. E. Gernert, of Seattle, B. F. Bonnewell, of Portland and H. M. Todd, of Billings, salesmen, were each sentenced to four months in jail.

Will Appeal Cases All but Lemmon announced that they would appeal. The government charged that hundreds of persons throughout the United States were defrauded of nearly \$1,000,000 through stock sales. The company was formed for the manufacturing of various coin making devices. It went into the hands of a receiver nearly two years ago and the assets were sold.

PLAN IS APPROVED

CHAIRMAN HAY SUPPORTS PROGRAM FOR BIGGER ARMY

Goes Over the Details With President and Thinks It Will Pass Congress

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 25.—Chairman Hay, of the House Military Affairs Committee went over the details of the army program with President Wilson today and announced it would have his hearty support. He saw no reason why there should be any difficulty in getting Congress to adopt it.

POWER IS REMOVED

LAW IS CHANGED REGARDING IMMIGRATION OFFICERS

They Cannot Now Hold Aliens Because They Fear Their Becoming Public Charges

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 25.—Immigration officials today were shorn by the Supreme Court of the power of excluding aliens because, in their opinion, commercial depression at the place of destination might cause aliens to become public charges. Some Russian immigrants destined to Portland, Oregon, were ordered released from custody in which they were held for deportation.

BANDITS FIGHT U. S. INFANTRY

Attack an Entrenched Camp Within Six Miles of Brownsville, Texas, Last Night

MAKE THEIR ESCAPE

One Thousand Soldiers and Rangers Pursue Band of About Forty Mexicans

PRIVATE MOORE IS SHOT

Wound Reported to Be Fatal—As Far As is Known No Mexicans Were Hit—Cavalry Sent to Rescue

BROWNSVILLE, Texas, Oct. 25.—Bandits who attacked the entrenched United States infantry camp within six miles of Brownsville last night, escaped capture by more than one thousand troops, rangers and deputies who started in pursuit less than an hour after the fight.

Daylight revealed that there were possibly 40 men in the two attacking parties which attempted to ambush the soldiers.

Private Moore was fatally wounded. As far as is known no Mexicans were hit.

Saw Mexicans Cross Sergeant Estridge reported to Fort Brown that five Mexicans were seen crossing near where the infantry was stationed, late yesterday. A moment later both sides opened fire. Then the real strength of Mexicans appeared.

Escaped in Time The Mexicans fought about five minutes and then made off just in time to escape two companies of infantry and two troops of cavalry rushed from Fort Brown in command.

NACO IS EVACUATED

DE FACTO GOVERNMENT ARMY LEAVES MEXICAN TOWN

Eight Hundred Villa Soldiers Have Occupied the Place—Railroad Operations Suspended

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 25.—State Department dispatches today reported that the forces of the de facto government of Mexico evacuated Naco and that the town is occupied by a Villa force of 800 men. It is said that practically all train service in Northern Sonora is suspended. Cananea is quiet, but mining operations there may have to be suspended if railway communications are not re-opened soon.

COOS REPRESENTED

STUDENTS FROM THIS COUNTY AT STATE UNIVERSITY

Several Hold Important Places in the Student Body of the Institution

(Special to The Times) EUGENE, Oct. 25.—Coos county, with fourteen students, is well represented in the student body of the University of Oregon this year. Those registered from Coos towns are: Ray M. Avery, Raymond Burns, Louise Clausen, Leta Mast and Reuben Mast, of Coquille; Pearl Craine, Ernest Watkins and Ernest Wilkins, of Brandon; Frances Golden, Albert Haines, Lucy Powers and Max Reigard, of Marshfield; Dalzel King and Harry Miller, of Myrtle Point.

Burns President Raymond Burns is president of the largest freshman class the University has yet seen; Ernest Watkins is manager of the 1917 Oregonian, the college year-book; Max Reigard is connected with the staff of the Emerald, the college tri-weekly; and Dalzel King is prominent in debating circles and is taking a post-graduate course in the new law department.

Increase in Roll. The Registrar's rolls show an increase of 10 per cent over the number enrolled at the corresponding time last year. It is the belief of Dr. John Straub, dean of the college of liberal arts, that the mid-year entering classes will add 100 more. The University has adjusted the curriculum so that mid-year students have a broad field from which to choose their respective courses.

CROWN PRINCE TO INSPECT GARRISON

PARIS, Oct. 25.—Departure of Crown Prince George of Greece last night for Saloniki is reported from Athens. The purpose of the trip is said to be to inspect the garrison at Saloniki.