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BALTIC FLEET OF RUSSIA GOES OUT TO MEET GERMANS

Engagement is Expected to Occur Soon—Kaiser's Warships Sail to Make the Opening Attack.

SUBMARINES ARE OFF NORWAY

Believed That Operations Will Be Began Against British Vessels in That Vicinity—Artillery Fighting Continues in Belgium—Troops Are Inactive.

LONDON, Nov. 17.—That the German Baltic squadron was about to engage the Russian fleet was asserted officially today in a message from Copenhagen.

The czar's warships were described as steaming southward from Helsingfors to meet the Germans.

COPENHAGEN, Denmark, Nov. 17. The German cruiser Berlin was reported off Trondheim, Norway.

Submarines were also said to have been seen in the vicinity of the Lofoden Islands.

It was believed here that a flotilla of submarines was being conveyed by the Berlin to attack British warships in Norwegian waters.

PARIS, Nov. 17.—Fighting along a line from Nieuport through Dixmude to Ypres, the battle today had settled into a fierce artillery duel at long range, according to an official communication from the Bordeaux war office.

Cavalry and infantry operations, it was said, had been rendered practically impossible owing to the bog-like condition of the country and the only available weapons were the big cannon for which semi-permanent emplacements had been provided.

Along the Aisne and in the Aronne region it was said there was increasing activity.

The Germans were said to have attempted crossing the Aisne near Valley.

The blowing up of a line of German trenches by French mines in the Aronne district was described in the official statement.

BERLIN, Nov. 17.—Wireless via Sayville, L. I.—An official denial was issued in answer to a story that Germany had refused American aid for the Belgians. It was stated that on the contrary, the Germans were greatly pleased by offers of assistance.

LONDON, Nov. 17.—Chancellor of the Exchequer David Lloyd George told the house of commons that the income tax must be doubled to meet the British war expenses. The tax at present is approximately five per cent and on large incomes is considerably higher.

40,000 AUSTRIANS IN ONE GRAVE
AMSTERDAM, Nov. 17.—Grave two yards wide and four miles long is one of the reminders of the fighting thus far in Galicia. It was stated in a letter from a Galician priest published in the Nieuw Rotterdamse Courant. In this grave, said the writer, the Austrians were buried in three layers to the number of about 40,000.

UKIAH MAN IS GIVEN SEVERE SENTENCE FOR KILLING A DOE

One of the heaviest sentences for a violation of the game laws ever imposed in Umatilla county was meted out yesterday afternoon when Justice of the Peace H. H. McReynolds of Pilot Rock sentenced Louis P. Mettler, a well known resident of Ukiah, to pay a fine of \$25 and costs, amounting in all to \$37.50, to serve 30 days in jail and forfeit his hunting and fishing license for the year. Mettler pleaded guilty to killing a female deer.

The arrest and conviction of Mettler followed four months of patient work by District Warden E. F. Averill. The offense was an aggravated one and for that reason the game officer was determined to bring the offender to justice. Mettler killed the doe last spring and, becoming alarmed, left it where it fell without using

WELL KNOWN LOCAL YOUNG MAN FACING A SERIOUS CHARGE

Barney Despain, Son of Respected Family, Alleged to Have Committed Series of House Robberies.

YOUTH ARRESTED LAST NIGHT

Young Man Declared to Have Confessed Full Story of His Crime in Connection With Robbery of Home of J. E. Montgomery—Other Evidence Found by Authorities.

Barney Despain, one of the younger sons of a respected and pioneer Pendleton family, is today in the city jail awaiting the action of the law against him, following his arrest for burglarizing the residence of J. E. Montgomery. In his apprehension the officers are convinced that they have put an end to a series of house robberies extending over the past two years.

The Montgomery home was entered early Saturday evening during the absence of the family. The bank of the two Montgomery boys, containing about \$10, an electric iron, a razor and other small articles were taken. Suspicions at once were directed toward young Despain and last evening, after a quiet investigation of two days, Chief of Police Kearney, Officer Manning and Sheriff Taylor placed him under arrest and subjected him to a close questioning. They were able to catch him in a number of misstatements but could not secure a confession even though they had found some of the stolen articles in his room.

This morning, however, Mr. Montgomery persuaded him to confess and the young man told the full story of his crime. He entered the house with a passkey, he stated, and having secured the banks, took them outside and smashed them against a rock. He took the officers this morning to where the pieces of the banks were.

While investigating the case last evening the officers came upon evidence connecting him with other crimes of similar nature. In his pockets were two baggage checks. With them the officers secured two grips he had checked at the depot and one of the grips proved to be the property of Mrs. Frank O'Hare. It had been stolen from her home on West Court street recently and in it were found her ring, handbag and other articles.

Young Despain at first claimed he had bought the grip in Portland but later declared he had seen a man drop it on the levee and had picked it up. Today he has partially confessed to stealing it.

Nor are these the only offenses with which the young man is connected.

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PERMANENT WORLD PACE IS AIM OF LABOR FEDERATION

A. F. OF L. WILL APPOINT COMMITTEE TO ASSEMBLE GREAT GATHERING.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 17.—A resolution providing for a great conference of organized labor after the war, to lay the foundation for permanent world peace, was introduced in the American Federation of Labor convention by President Gompers.

It provides that the federation's executive council shall summon such a conference at such a time and place as it thinks best.

GERMAN CRUISER INTERNED BY OFFICIALS IN NORWAY

CHRISTIANIA, Norway, Nov. 17.—That the German cruiser Berlin was interned at Trondheim was officially announced. Earlier in the day the Berlin was reported off Trondheim supposedly conveying a flotilla of destroyers. What mishap befell the cruiser to compel it to intern was not known.

NEWS SUMMARY

General. Russians invest Cracow. Another army approaching Tarnow. Baltic fleet of Russia sails out to meet Germans. Engagement is expected soon. Peace seems to be near in Mexico. Local. Barney Despain arrested; charged with burglarizing dwellings. Heavy penalty imposed upon man who kills doe with fawn. Italian scholar walking around world is in Pendleton today. To prevent daughter's marriage, Mark Sturtevant would have her adjudged incompetent. Wool due to rise in price because of embargo.

Diversion Dam for West Umatilla Project to be Completed in Month



The above picture shows the west end of the diversion dam being constructed three miles below Hermiston in order to provide water for the first unit of the West Umatilla project. The photo was reversed by the engravers thus making the picture seem "wrong end to."

WOOLGROWERS MAY GET SKY PRICES NEXT SPRING BECAUSE OF EMBARGO

Action of England in Cutting Off Australian Supply Makes Manufacturers Squirm.

Reports from the east give many indications of high priced wool next spring and there is a possibility eastern Oregon growers may be able to secure figures that will almost "make their heads swim."

Wool prices are already strong and seem in line to hold up war or no war, but the biggest feature of the situation is the fact England has placed an embargo on Australian wool as a consequence of which no Australian wool may be shipped to this country this season and probably not until the close of the war. What that embargo means to the United States may be seen in the light of the fact this country by itself produces only one third the raw wool it needs. The remainder of wool for American use has to be imported, chiefly from Australia. With the Australian supply cut off by the embargo the eastern manufacturers will have to rely entirely on domestic wool. It is a situation that is making the manufacturers squirm and their predicament is commented upon by Henry Clews in his financial review for Nov. 14.

But the manufacturer's woe is the woolgrower's joy in this instance. On the face of things it seems entirely safe to anticipate a heavy advance over the prices paid local growers last spring. With two-thirds the country's wool supply cut off by the embargo it would seem all the woolgrowers will have to do is sit tight and let the manufacturers come to their terms. There are men who look for 25 cent wool in eastern Oregon next spring and the price may go much higher than that. The only thing to keep wool from going to the very skies seems to be the fact that if the price becomes too high people will stop using woolsens and will either resort to cotton goods or make use of their old clothes. There is at present almost no wool in the country and some English wool recently purchased by Americans in London was resold to English manufacturers.

MANY VESSELS IN PERIL IN STORM SWEEPING ATLANTIC

SPECIAL LOOKOUTS ESTABLISHED ON COAST TO RENDER ASSISTANCE.

NEW YORK, Nov. 17.—There was a slight abatement today of the 60 mile gale which has swept the north Atlantic coast the last few days. A number of fishing ships, however, were still unreported and special lookouts have been established along the coast.

The steamship Eureka struck Smith's reef, off the Connecticut coast, during the night and will be a total loss. Captain Mills, his wife and the crew were saved. Captain C. V. Griffin and six men from the schooner Rawley were found unconscious from exposure and starvation after they fought their way to land through a heavy surf. Griffin drove his ship ashore when the oil tank exploded.

CRACOW INVESTED BY RUSSIAN ARMY; INHABITANTS FLEE CITY

Metropolis of Western Galicia Unable to Withstand Assaults of Czar's Troops Who Begin Operations Against Stronghold on Saturday—Another Russian Army is Reported to Have Reached Tarnow.

AUSTRIA RUMORED TO HAVE MADE PEACE OVERTURES TO RUSSIA

Reports, However, Are Not Believed in London—Despite Bad Condition of the Roads at This Time of the Year, the Russians are Making Rapid Advance Against Enemy in Whole Eastern Theater of the War.

PEACE PROSPECTS BRIGHT IN MEXICO

CARRANZA AGREES TO ELIMINATE HIMSELF AS DOGS VILLA ALSO.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 17.—Diplomatic Agent Silliman wired Secretary Bryan today that Carranza has agreed to eliminate himself under certain conditions and that Gutierrez has agreed to those conditions.

The dispatch was based on information that Silliman had gleaned from Mexican newspapers. The conditions named by Carranza were not stated.

Satisfied that peace is near, government officials were considering the best means of aiding the restoration of normal conditions in the southern republic. The United States will not ask Mexico to pay an indemnity or the expenses of the American occupation of Vera Cruz.

It was expected here that Carranza will leave for Savannah, Georgia, within a fortnight for a lengthy stay. The prediction was freely made that Carranza will leave before the evacuation of Vera Cruz, which will start next Monday. Villa also was expected to come to Washington to see Bryan and others.

Bryan could not explain why Carranza has not quit yet but was certain he would leave Mexico soon. Administration officials were confident that only unforeseen complications can upset the peace program now.

Lord Roberts' Funeral Public. LONDON, Nov. 17.—The announcement was made today that Lord Roberts' funeral will be public and that services will be held in St. Paul's cathedral.

ITALIAN YOUTH ARRIVES HERE AFTER WALKING 14,300 MILES

Having just completed 14,300 miles of a hiking trip around the world, Marcus J. Barone of Rome, Italy, arrived in Pendleton last evening from Walla Walla with his faithful dog "Brownie." Barone is a representative of the Young Men's Civic League of the Immortal City and he is circling the globe in the interests of that association. This evening he will deliver a lecture in the Pendleton high school auditorium.

Mr. Barone has been on the road almost two and one-half years, having left Rome on June 4, 1912. He walked from Rome to Naples and there embarked for New York. From New York he traveled south along the Atlantic coast, touching at all the important points of interest and making a short trip to Cuba. He went from Cuba into Mexico and had an opportunity to fraternize with both the Huerta and Carranza forces then in the field against each other.

Coming up from Mexico, Mr. Barone traveled through Arizona, New Mexico, Colorado, and Wyoming, into Montana and thence to Idaho. In all of his walking in this country this young Italian pedestrian has gone through 25 states.

From here he will probably pass through Washington, Oregon and California to San Francisco, where he will embark for Japan and continue his trip through the Orient by way of China, India, the Red Sea, Egypt and the Mediterranean.

Mr. Barone has received a fine education, having graduated from one of the best Italian universities and his command of English is really remarkable, being almost entirely free from any trace of foreign accent. "I spoke better English when I landed than I do now," he said, "because I have picked up so many slang expressions in traveling through your country."

Mr. Barone supports himself while on the road by his painting and his lecturing. He is an artist of no mean skill and he has been a great drawing card wherever he has lectured. "Brownie," an Indian mongrel dog, is the young pedestrian's only road companion. The dog carries a small pack with the letters "Around the World" tacked on it, and he bears his burden faithfully and well. "Brownie's" only weakness lies in a rabbit-chasing proclivity that keeps him a pretty well worn out dog all the time, despite the fact that he wears muleskin shoes.

Naturally, Mr. Barone is very much interested in the present struggle in Europe. "I believe that Italy will undoubtedly be drawn into the war as an ally of the French and English," he said. "Austria robbed Italy of two of her provinces, when she was in a weakened condition, and the Italians are eager for a change at revenge."

Mr. Barone has been studying the Indians of the United States very closely and he may go to the Nez Perce reservation before leaving this part of the country. He picked up "Brownie," his dog, on the Cherokee reservation in North Carolina. He will leave here tomorrow for Umatilla and thence on to Portland. From Portland he will proceed south to San Francisco, from which port he will sail for the orient.

VENICE, Nov. 17.—Reports that Cracow has been invested by the Russians and is burning in places were learned here on excellent authority today.

The inhabitants were said to be fleeing in terror.

A message from Trieste stated that the Russians began their operations against the city on Saturday.

Cracow is the metropolis of western Galicia and is situated near the Austro-German frontier.

The Russians were reported to be attacking its defenders with tremendous violence.

Apparently this Slav force entered Galicia from the northward, crossing the frontier from Russian Poland.

Another Russian army, moving through Galicia from the eastward, was reported to have reached Tarnow. Considering the bad roads at this time of the year, it was said that the Russians have progressed with remarkable speed.

LONDON, Nov. 17.—Beyond mere rumor there was no confirmation here today that Austria is likely to make peace soon independently of Germany to the Russian government.

On the whole, good judges of the situation were inclined to doubt the reports.

QUARANTINE MAY BE PLACED AGAINST WASHINGTON STATE

FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE REPORTED TO HAVE BEEN FOUND IN SPOKANE.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 17.—The department of agriculture had announced that it undoubtedly soon would quarantine the state of Washington. It was said a case of foot and mouth disease had been discovered at Spokane.