



### TURKS PREPARE TO DEFEND BOSPORUS AGAINST RUSSIANS

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### ALLIES FORCE IS LANDED

Expeditionary Troops Will March Against Smyrna, According to Reports from Athens—Censorship Prevents Details of Developments from Becoming Known.

ATHENS, March 16.—Fervent preparations to defend the Bosphorus against attack by the Russian Black Sea fleet are being made by Turkish officials, according to advices received here.

Guns of enormous calibre are being mounted on the heights near Scutari and other elevations, supplementing the permanent fortifications along the narrow passage.

Reports are circulating here that part of the expeditionary forces of the allies recently sent to participate in the fighting in the near east have been landed in Asia Minor and are proceeding overland toward Smyrna.

Events of the first magnitude are believed to be taking place at the Dardanelles and at Smyrna. A rigid censorship is in force, however, and it is impossible to get any details.

### TEST OF STRENGTH WILL COME WHEN BRITAIN ACTS

FIRST NEUTRAL VESSEL HELD UP WILL BE FOLLOWED BY PROTESTS.

WASHINGTON, March 16.—Secretary Bryan received today from Ambassador Page at London the official text of the British order-in-council establishing a blockade of Germany. The document is about 1800 words in length. It is understood the press version of the order, published on Monday, represented it correctly.

LONDON, March 16.—The halting by British warships of the first neutral vessel, marking the enforcement of the blockade of the German coast which was announced yesterday by Britain's latest order in council, is expected hourly. The vessel will be conveyed into port and the first test of strength of the expected neutral protests will follow. Great activity is evident at the admiralty. Preparations are being rushed to make the blockade "airtight." Before many hours, it was announced, enough British and French warships will be off the German coast to make the blockade effective. The action of the government is being strongly supported by the British and the French press but it is reported that one edition of the Paris Temps has been suppressed for using the word "blockade." All papers are positive that neutral countries will protest vigorously and are equally confident that England will not relent in her action.

COPENHAGEN, March 16.—The Swedish steamer Gloria, with a cargo of corn from Stockholm for Argentina, has been stopped by a German warship and is being conveyed to Swinemund, according to dispatches. The Danish government is conducting a rigid investigation.

### CHARGES AGAINST HINKLE AND GARFIELD WILL BE DISMISSED

At the request of W. C. E. Pruitt, newly appointed county game warden, District Attorney Fred Steiwer has moved for the dismissal of the complaint against Representative J. T. Hinkle and Dr. H. S. Garfield charging them with shooting ducks after sundown. The request was made in writing yesterday upon the grounds of "insufficient evidence" and the district attorney mailed the motion to Justice of the Peace Dodd of Hermiston last night.

The first official action taken by the new deputy game warden, brings to an end a case that became more or less of a political issue. Hinkle and Garfield were arrested several months ago at the instance of the deputy warden at Hermiston and E. F. Averill, then district warden, filed the complaint with the district attorney. A trial was held at Hermiston and resulted in a hung jury.

Several times the case was set for trial but each time Representative Hinkle secured its postponement. In the meantime the legislature convened and Representative Hinkle was one of those instrumental in lifting the scalp of District Warden Averill and securing the appointment of Pruitt. At the same time he proposed the name of Dr. Garfield to the governor for appointment to the new fish and game commission and has been vigorously active in the doctor's behalf since despite the fact that the other members of the Umatilla county legislative delegation have refused to support him.

### Valuables Disappear As He Slumbers on Oblivious of World

LOCAL MECHANIC LOSES WATCH AND COIN PURSE IN ROOMING HOUSE.

While he slept the sleep of the weary to the accompaniment of snoring snores, D. H. Wilson, a local mechanic, was being robbed last night, as he discovered when he awoke to find his trousers missing. The trousers he finally found hanging on the railing of the stairway in the hall but from them had been filched his gold watch and coin purse.

The robbery, reported to the police this morning, occurred at the Copeland rooming house, 717 Thompson street, where Mr. Wilson rooms. He had gone to the theater during the evening and had not retired until after 11 o'clock. He left his door unlocked according to habit and had no key during the night. His trousers were found on the stairway this morning by another roomer. There was but little money in the purse but the watch was a valuable one. The police this morning took into custody a young stranger who had roomed there during the night but, after questioning him closely, were convinced of his innocence. However, they would like to find his roommate, who has disappeared.

### YOUNG MAN HAS FAILED TO PROVIDE FOR WIFE, CHARGE

GLEN RUST IS CITED TO APPEAR IN COURT AGAIN ON MARCH 23.

For alleged failure to provide for his wife, Cordella, as he agreed in his undertaking to the court following his conviction in January of non-support, Glen Rust, well known young man, has been cited to appear in court at 10 o'clock on March 23 to show cause why the undertaking should not be forfeited and sentence passed upon him. His father, A. J. Rust, who is his surety in the sum of \$1000, is also cited to appear.

The young man, whose marriage followed a very brief acquaintance with a show girl, was convicted of non-support at the last term of the court following a somewhat sensational trial. He made no attempt to deny his refusal to contribute to her support but set up in his defense the allegation that his wife had forfeited her claim for support by her unfaithful actions. After his conviction, sentence was suspended upon the giving of a bond for \$1000 to give his wife the support which he had hitherto denied her. The statute provides that a husband shall give his wife food, shelter, care and clothing. Through an arrangement with a local restaurant, Mrs. Rust has since the trial been provided with a room and meals by her husband but she complains that he has refused to let her take a room in a private house, to pay her dental bill, laundry bill and other necessary bills.

Unless some good reason can be shown why support has been withheld from her, the court can declare the \$1000 bond forfeited and pass sentence, either one or both.

River Steamer Record. PORTLAND, Ore., March 16.—After plying on the Columbia river for 37 years, it was estimated that the stern-wheel steamer Lurline had traveled 1,850,000 miles, a record perhaps unequalled in the world for this class of boat.

The Lurline is still in excellent condition, making the regular trip to Astoria and return, a distance of 200 miles every two days.

### CARRANZA LIFTS BLOCKADE OF YUCATAN PORT; AMERICAN NOTE HELPS HIS DECISION

BULLETIN. WASHINGTON, March 16.—Fears that Carranza intended to renew his blockade of Yucatan, the principal port of Yucatan was expressed this afternoon when dispatches to the state department announced the gunboat Zaragosa left Vera Cruz Monday.

The vessel was reported bound for Progreso. Villista agents received similar news. The U. S. cruiser Des Moines is still at Progreso. It is understood if the Zaragosa attempts to interfere with foreign ships it will do so at its own peril.

WASHINGTON, March 16.—General Carranza has bowed to the demands of the United States and raised the blockade of the port of Progreso, Yucatan, John H. Silliman, special consular agent, notified Bryan today. He took this action

following the dispatch of an American note threatening to have the cruiser Des Moines "prevent interference" with American commerce. This action assures the agricultural interests of the United States that there will be no shortage of sisal, the base from which binder twine is made.

Some apprehension is felt regarding conditions at Manillo on the west coast, but officials are hopeful the situation would clear soon. A decided improvement in the Mexican situation was announced by government authorities. General Carranza and General Villa have been notified they must assume responsibility for the safety of foreigners. The conditions at Manillo also have improved. Unofficial advices say that Carranza has agreed to elaborate the conditions of the priests and nuns in this territory.

### SNIPERS ARE REPORTED TO HAVE FIRED ON U. S. BOAT

GALVESTON, March 16.—Passengers arriving here on the steamer City of Tampico, declared a boat from the American warship Delaware was fired on by snipers at Vera

Cruz Wednesday night. There were no casualties. The boat had called at the port for Captain Rogers and was fired on by a dozen rifles on the in and the outbound trips.

Hoquiam Ate Salmon. HOQUIAM, Wash., March 16.—Salmon day in this city was well observed, dealers reporting the heaviest sale of the king of fish in years.

### EXPLOSION OF BOMB PUTS LIVES OF 15 IN PERIL

POLICE BELIEVE OUTRAGE IS FIRST OF SERIES TO CREATE TERROR.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 16.—That an Italian black hand ring is preparing to start a reign of terror in the Italian colony of this city is the opinion of local police following a bomb outrage which imperiled the lives of 15 residents in an apartment house. Dynamite was exploded at the door of an apartment occupied by F. Rosaro, owner of a fish concern. The perpetrators pulled a cord 15 feet long after the bomb was fastened to a nail. The discovery of a crudely drawn picture of a stiletto in the casing of the door caused the police to believe the outrage was part of a campaign of terror. This is the second bomb outrage in and near this city in two days.

### PROPELLER OF BATTLESHIP CONNECTICUT IS SMASHED

VESSEL IS DAMAGED AFTER TRIAL SPIN—WILL GO TO PHILADELPHIA.

WASHINGTON, March 16.—Navy department officials announced that the starboard stern propeller of the battleship Connecticut broke Sunday as the vessel was entering Guantanamo bay after a short practice cruise. The rudder was badly damaged but the hull escaped injury. The Connecticut will be brought to Philadelphia for repairs. It will be conveyed by the collier Orion.

### MANY ARCHITECTS AT ON LIBRARY PLANS

AGREEMENT REACHED REGARDING SITE LOCAL BOARD GETS BUSY.

Agreement having been reached in the city officials and Messrs. Greiner and Greulich, owners of adjoining property relative to the vacation of a portion of Jackson street for the library building the library board last Saturday sent out formal invitations to architects to submit plans for the proposed library building to be erected here.

It is stated by Miss Nason, librarian that 10 different architects have asked to be allowed to submit sketches of buildings. All these people have been provided with ground maps of the location and it is presumed plans will be adopted in the near future. After the plans have been adopted here they must be approved by the Carnegie people after which actual construction work will be next in order. The money for the building has been available for some time past.

Under the terms of the compromise regarding the site, as stated by Councilman Phelps the property owners consent to the use of seven feet of the parking by the library. This concession is less than was desired but the agreement was regarded as the best that could be had and consequently has been accepted.

### WIFE OF WELL KNOWN WESTON FARMER IS DEAD

MRS. JENNIE TURNER PASSES AWAY AFTER ILLNESS OF SIX MONTHS.

(Special Correspondence.) WESTON, Ore., March 16.—Mrs. Jennie A. Turner, wife of H. T. Turner, a well-known Weston farmer, passed away last night after an illness extending over six months. She was 51 years old. She was a native of Illinois but most of her life was spent in this state. Besides her husband she is survived by two children. Mrs. Turner was a member of the Eastern Star, the Women of Woodcraft, the Artesans, and the Pythian Sisters.

### U. S. DREADNAUGHT PENNSYLVANIA IS SENT INTO WATER

Launching of Most Powerful Battleship Afloat Takes Place at Newport News Today.

### SECRETARY DANIELS SPEAKS

Declares That President Wilson Hopes Great Fighting Ship May Never Be Called Upon to Demonstrate Power in War—European Ships in Harbor Take Part.

NEWPORT NEWS, March 16.—To the accompaniment of cheers from a vast throng and the shrieking of sirens from vessels in the harbor, the United States dreadnaught Pennsylvania, the most powerful fighting ship afloat, was launched at the navy yard at 10:11 o'clock this morning. Despite the fact that the launching follows Britain's "might makes right" declaration, the establishing of the blockade against Germany and the putting of restrictions on neutral shipping Secretary Daniels in his address declared "That President Wilson hopes the Pennsylvania never will be called upon to demonstrate her prowess in war."

Ships representing nearly all the warring nations of Europe were in the harbor and participated in the demonstration when the giant of the seas slid down the ways. Not the least vociferous was the Prinz Eitel Friedrich, the converted German cruiser which came here for repairs.

### 62 MILLION BUSHEL OF WHEAT PREDICTED YIELD

PACIFIC NORTHWEST WILL TURN OUT BUMPER CROP FROM INDICATIONS.

PORTLAND, Ore., March 16.—The Pacific northwest this year will turn out one of the largest wheat crops it has ever produced, if the weather conditions between now and harvest time are favorable. Should the weather not be as good as the farmers wish, the crops will still be equal to last year's in size, according to well-informed grainmen, as there is enough new acreage planted in wheat to offset any probable deficiency in the old acreage.

In all parts of the Pacific northwest farmers are putting spare land to wheat and in some sections summer following will be abandoned to increase this year's grain production. The increased acreage runs as high as 20 per cent in a few localities, but in the Pacific northwest as a whole it is probable that 10 per cent will be the maximum gain. This should produce a wheat crop of about 62,000,000 bushels in Oregon, Washington and Idaho. Last year's crop was about 56,000,000 bushels. To have a full yield, however, the weather from now on must be satisfactory in every respect.

### INTERVENTION IN MEXICO WOULD BE COSTLY TO U. S.

BOTH IN BLOOD AND MONEY, DECLARES VICE PRESIDENT MARSHALL.

CHICAGO, March 16.—American intervention in Mexico would be costly both in blood and money in the opinion of Vice President Marshall, who is here on his way to Frisco. "The United States," he said, "is sitting over a barrel of gunpowder. The occupation of Vera Cruz showed in miniature the danger lurking ahead. It would mean the taking over of Mexico, which would become what the Philippines are—a territory we would like to let go but can find no way."

### NEWS SUMMARY

General. Test of Britain's blockade order will come when first neutral ship is seized. Turks prepare to defend Bosphorus against the Russian Black sea fleet. U. S. dreadnaught Pennsylvania launched at Newport News.

Local. Fruit secures dismissal of charges against Hinkle and Garfield. Preliminary steps taken toward organizing Blue Mountain league. Man robbed while he sleeps. Glen Rust cited to appear to show why he does not support wife. Architects preparing plans for new library.

### TAGGS PLACED IN PATH OF JITNEYS IS CHARGE

PORTLAND CONDUCTOR ARRESTED—COMPANY REPUDIATES ALLEGED ACT.

PORTLAND, Ore., March 16.—Conductor Boyer of the street car company, was arrested on a charge of malicious destruction of property. He is accused of strutting tacks in the path of jitneys. The company officials repudiated the act of their employe, if committed.

### THAW MAY HAVE TO GO BACK TO MATTEAWAN; MOTION TO SET HIM FREE IS DENIED

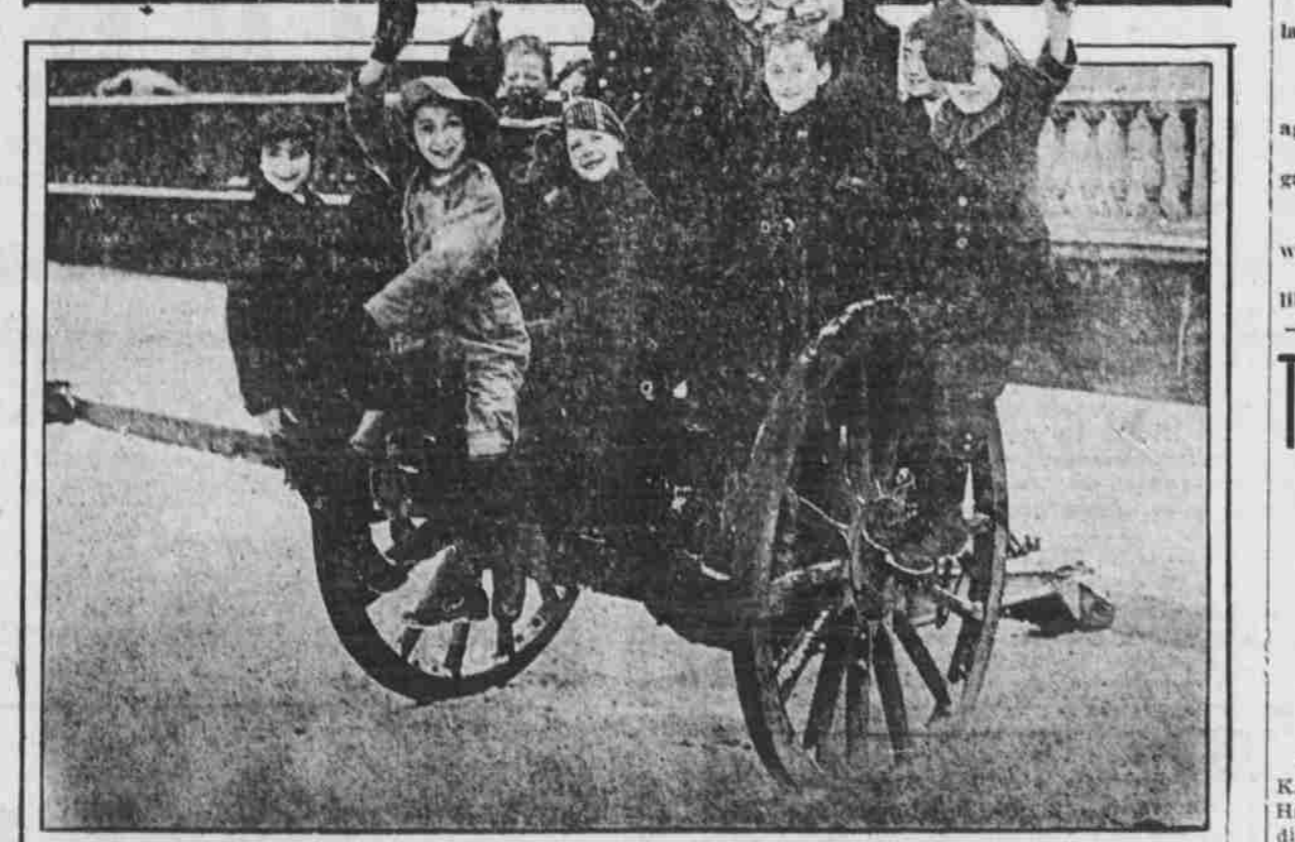
NEW YORK, March 16.—Harry K. Thaw will not be returned to New Hampshire from which he was extradited to stand trial on a charge of conspiracy to escape from Matteawan. The motion filed by his counsel when he was acquitted of the conspiracy charge that he be set free was denied today by Supreme Justice Page.

Justice Page ordered Thaw into custody of the sheriff and a conformity writ of habeas corpus was issued by the court. The writ is returnable before Judge Bijour on March 19. Thaw in the meantime will remain in the custody of the sheriff. In his opinion Page says Thaw never had been discharged from Matteawan, therefore the original order committing him is still in effect.

### Grim Game of Children Playing at War



FRENCH CHILDREN PLAYING WITH CAPTURED GERMAN CANNON



GERMAN CHILDREN-PLAYING WITH CAPTURED FRENCH CANNON.

This photograph shows a group of French children playing with German cannon taken by their fathers, cannon with which, perhaps, many of their own countrymen have been killed, and the lower picture shows exactly the same scene among German children. Each gun taken likely represents a good many dead men in the war.

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