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BATTLE OF ISONZO BEGINS; AUSTRIANS SHELL POSITIONS

Protected by Artillery, Italians Cross River at Several Points and Strike at Railway.

FIGHT IS RAGING FURIOUSLY

Austrian Batteries Bombard the Italian Lines With the Utmost Vigor—After Prolonged Engagement, Italians Succeed in Getting to Outskirts of Gradisca.

ROME, June 8.—The battle of Isonzo has begun.

Protected by a heavy artillery fire, the Italians crossed the Isonzo river at several points today and are striking at the railway leading to Trieste. Austrian batteries, mounted in defenses running from Tolmino toward the sea, are bombarding the Italian lines along the river with the utmost vigor. Two Bersaglieri regiments succeeded in crossing the river on the outskirts of Gradisca after two days' battle. This advance greatly imperils the Austrian positions at Gradisca.

King Narrowly Escapes

MILAN, June 8.—The king of Italy narrowly escaped death while in the trenches on the Austrian frontier when a shell from the enemy's guns exploded within 50 yards of him, dispatches declared. The king was unharmed as the shell exploded, throwing up a great cloud of dust from the hole it tore in the ground. The king is the popular hero of the army. He is living the life of the ordinary soldier at Trentino and is frequently on the firing line.

MRS. MARTHA ANNFORTH IS DEAD AT THE AGE OF 64

RESIDENT OF UMATILLA COUNTY FOR 22 YEARS PASSES SUDDENLY AWAY.

Mrs. Martha Ann Forth, for 22 years a resident of Umatilla county, died a few minutes after midnight at the old Forth homestead near Pilot Rock Junction. Her death follows that of her husband by a period of a little over 13 months. The funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 at the Christian church in this city.

Asthma, of which deceased had been a sufferer for years, was the cause of death. The end came rather unexpectedly as her condition had not been considered serious enough to cause such an expectation. She was aged 64 years, six months and eight days.

Deceased is survived by seven children as follows: Mrs. J. E. Sharp of Pendleton, Mrs. C. F. Butterfield and Mrs. C. E. Collins of Portland, Mrs. A. Burton of McCall, Missouri, Mrs. W. D. Thomas of Canada and George and Harry Forth of Pendleton.

The bouquets you throw at yourself may turn into boomerangs.

125,000 Pounds of Wool at Echo Bought; Price is said to be Above Recent Offers

Indicating the wool market is growing stronger in eastern Oregon comes the report of the sale of 125,000 pounds of Echo wool to a Boston firm at an advance over the prices offered at the recent attempt at a sales day at Echo.

The wool sold was by Antone Vey and Joe Monesse and was bought by Crimmins & Pierce. The price was not made public owing to an agreement to keep the figures private but it is known on good authority that the sale price was in advance of what was formerly offered for the wool.

Captain, Wife and Daughter and 14 of Crew Drown When Belgian Steamer is Sunk

LONDON, June 8.—Captain With, his wife and daughter and 14 members of the crew of the Belgian steamer Menapier were drowned when the vessel was torpedoed and sunk in the North sea by a German submarine, dispatches stated. Fire members of the crew were rescued by a passing vessel. Three Norwegian steamers, the

Party of 8 From New Jersey May be Here for Round-Up

LETTER RECEIVED ASKING FOR DETAILED INFORMATION OF THE BIG SHOW.

From far away New Jersey there is promise of attendance by a party of eight at the coming Round-up, and D. Douglas, Jr., has written here for detailed information as to Round-up dates etc. The letter was sent to Postmaster Tweedy and is as follows: Montclair, N. J., June 2, 1915. Dear Postmaster:

I went to one of Proctor's theaters in Newark, N. J., yesterday and saw a Pendleton, Oregon, Round-up. I never saw such a show in my life. I would like to see the real thing. Can you help us? There is a party of eight going to the world's fair and we will be in Oregon in August. Will you be so kind as to let us know when they have the fair and how to get there from Portland. If I can do anything here for you I would be delighted.

Hoping to hear from you by return mail. I am

Yours truly, D. DOUGLAS, JR.

COUNTY TO SECURE SUBSTANTIAL SUM ON LAND CHARGES

ONE FOURTH OF RECEIPTS FROM FOREST SERVICE IS DUE UMATILLA.

Umatilla county is in line to secure what may be a considerable sum of money from receipts of the forest service for charges on land located in this county. County Judge Marsh recently took the subject up with the district forester in Portland asking as to what money if any is due the county.

Today he received a reply from Charles H. Flory, acting district forester, saying that under the law each county is entitled to one fourth the gross receipts of the government from forest purposes in the county. This money is to be expended for roads and schools, under the direction of the county court.

In addition there is a general law that requires the expenditure by the forest service of 10 per cent of its gross receipts on roads within reserves.

In his letter Mr. Flory suggested that the matter be taken up with Supervisor W. W. Cryder and Judge Marsh will comply with the suggestion.

How much money is due the county under the 25 per cent requirement is as yet unknown. Under the 10 per cent requirement the forestry people have already expended \$394.50 on roads in reserves in Umatilla county.

It is the belief of Judge Marsh that the forestry money will be expended by the court on mountainous roads.

The fact the county has money due from the forestry fund was brought to Judge Marsh's attention by E. E. Cleaver.

It is easy for a man to be popular if he is easy.

Pope to Preside at Congress



POPE BENEDICT XV.

ROME, June 8.—The Vatican intends to propose a peace congress soon looking toward bringing the war to an end, according to the Giornale d'Italia.

Pope Benedict, it is stated, will propose that he preside over the congress in person.

OBREGON DEFEATS FORCES OF VILLA IN FIGHT AT LEON

WASHINGTON, June 8.—Reporting from Vera Cruz, American Consul Silliman declared the reports of General Obregon's victory over General Villa and Angeles at Leon seem to be confirmed. General Obregon, he said, occupied Leon. It is rumored Obregon lost an arm in the engagement, which lasted five days.

Fighting throughout northern Mexico with varying results was reported in consular dispatches. Extreme conditions at some places are becoming extremely serious. At other points an improvement is noted.

KING CONSTANTINE HAS AN EVEN CHANCE OF RECOVERY

ATHENS, June 8.—It is reported that King Constantine has more than an even chance of recovery. An official bulletin stated he showed slight improvement.

People who suffer in silence always like to boast about it later.

PENDLETON CHAUTAUQUA DATES JUNE 22 TO 28 INCLUSIVE

BRITISH SUBJECTS KILLED IN BATTLE BETWEEN FACTIONS

WASHINGTON, June 8.—S. R. Jones, an Englishman, killed, and Thomas Mallard, his wife and baby and A. T. Graves, British subjects, were probably fatally wounded Saturday at Tuxpam, Mexico, according to advices received by the state department. All were shot while fleeing for shelter during a fight between Carranzistas and Villistas who captured Tuxpam. All the men were connected with the Tuxpam oil industry.

Man of 74 Wants Place to Live and Work at Odd Jobs

Who has a place for a man 74 years of age, willing to work and of good repute but unable to stand hard manual labor? County Judge Marsh is endeavoring to find a home for such a man. He has been living in one of the small towns of the county and through his plight has sought aid of the county. He will not go to the poor farm, saying he will die first. He is able to do work of most any sort save hard labor. He is an Indian war veteran. Anyone having a place for such a man will please inform the county judge.

BRYAN OPPOSED TO TONE OF NOTE TO BE SENT GERMANY

Secretary of State Considers Rejoinder to Berlin's Answer to be an Ultimatum.

WISHES MODIFICATION MADE

Note Has Been Completed and Will Go Forward Tomorrow, According to Statement Made in Behalf of the President—Wilson Is Surprised at Attitude of Mr. Bryan.

WASHINGTON, June 8.—At the conclusion of the cabinet meeting this afternoon President Wilson caused Secretary Tamm to announce the rejoinder to Germany was complete and that "it is hoped" the note will go forward tomorrow. But the cabinet is not unanimous in its approval of the communication. Secretary Bryan left the White House after the session determined to fight for a modification of the note up to the minute of its being cabled to Berlin. It is understood the note as it now stands warmly reiterates the rights of the United States under the international laws as set forth in the previous communication. Bryan believes the United States to be on record as favoring arbitration. If this be so he considers it a mockery to forward a rejoinder which he considers to be an ultimatum.

Although a majority of the cabinet is understood to be against Bryan, he carried the fight of persuasion from the cabinet room to the University club where all the members lunched together. The position taken by Secretary Bryan came as a complete surprise to the president. He was known to favor arbitration but heretofore has stopped short in this fight for this principle with a majority of the cabinet disagreed with him. The president expected his action to be the same in the present instance. As a matter of fact, the president told callers before the session of the cabinet that the members were unanimous in approval of the new note to Berlin. The delay of Bryan in arriving for the meeting was the first intimation that there was a disagreement as to the position this government should take in meeting Germany's answer to the Lusitania note.

WASHINGTON, June 8.—President Wilson presented his latest note to Germany, finally revised, to the cabinet today and unanimous approval, it is understood, was given the rejoinder. After being held up since Friday, while the president went over the communication determined it should be correct even to the most minute detail, it was stated, following the cabinet meeting, it will now go forward, in the "immediate future."

During the discussion of the answer to Berlin's note regarding the Lusitania, Secretary Bryan is understood to have desired such a modification as would insure a continuation of negotiations should Germany reject the principles set forth by the United States. He was overruled but endorsed the general terms of the rejoinder.

Firm Attitude Maintained. The note, as now framed, is understood to take no backward step from the firm position previously indicated.

The rights of the United States under international law are firmly stated. The principle insisted upon by the United States, that American citizens have the right to travel upon the seas in safety, is still adhered to. The torpedoing and sinking of merchantmen without first observing the rules of visitation and search is held to be a violation of the international rules of warfare and the determination of the United States to protect its citizens is reiterated.

GRAND JURY INVESTIGATES OGILVY MURDER THURSDAY

The grand jury will investigate the Ogilvy double murder on Thursday of this week. District Attorney Steiwer having summoned the witnesses for that day. The grand jury convened this morning and is now considering several other criminal matters which have accumulated since the April term. The grand jury is composed of the following men: R. H. Wilcox of Pendleton, H. R. Van Slyke of Freewater, Grant Steen of Milton, Richard Morrison of Weston, W. M. McBride of Athena, George Rugg of Pendleton and J. T. Haun of Freewater. The people of the southeast of the county in particular will await the report of the grand jury upon the case. They are deeply aroused against Leo Dale, the alleged murderer and are eager to earn what an official investigation will bring to light.

BRYAN RESIGNS CABINET POSITION

WASHINGTON, June 8.—PRESIDENT WILSON ANNOUNCED BRYAN'S RESIGNATION WAS ACCEPTED.

WASHINGTON, June 8.—SECRETARY BRYAN RESIGNED FOLLOWING THE STORMY SCENES PRECEDING THE CABINET SESSION AT WHICH WILSON'S REJOINDER TO GERMANY WAS DISCUSSED TODAY.

BRYAN DISAGREED WITH THE PRESIDENT AND OTHER MEMBERS OF THE CABINET AS TO THE POSITION THE UNITED STATES SHOULD TAKE.

LIBRARY BOARD FINDS IT HAS LEGAL TITLE TO STRIP

Discovery of the fact that Jackson street east of Main is ten feet narrower than the same street west of Main has materially altered the situation confronting the library board instead of being placed in the position of applicants for a portion of the building in order to secure sufficient ground room for the library street as planned, the board now has legal title to the necessary ground.

Acting Mayor John Dyer and others, while looking up the status of the city property, found that Jackson street east of Main had been opened at a different time and that the remainder of that street, it was specified, that the street should be 69 feet wide. This makes it ten feet narrower than was thought.

The city officials secured deeds from the original holders of the land and District Attorney Steiwer held that the city's title was good. The district attorney was present last evening at a joint meeting of the council and library board with Messrs. Graulich and Alexander, who own the residence property across the street from the library site, and expressed his formal opinion on the validity of the city's title. Judge Lovell, representing the two property owners, took a contrary view, declaring his opinion that the street had been so long considered full width from end to end and had been so used as a street that the original owners had lost title to it.

The meeting was a very friendly affair last evening and an amicable settlement will result. The library board originally asked for the vacation of a 20 foot strip of the street but later decided a seven foot strip would answer. The extra ten foot strip thus gives the board three more than is absolutely necessary. Messrs. Graulich and Alexander both expressed themselves as having no wish to stand in the way of the improvement and though no final action was taken, it is probable a settlement satisfactory to all will be made.

Acting Mayor Dyer has been making out a deed conveying the library site from the city to the county inasmuch as the library is to be a county institution.

ENGLISH LOSS IN GALLIOLI FIGHT NUMBER THOUSANDS

Dispatches to Constantinople From Scene of Battle Declare Field Covered With the Dead.

FRENCH PRESSING UPON LENS

Gauls Occupy Another Group of Houses in Fighting East of Souchez Sugar Mill, Driving Germans Out at the Point of the Bayonet—Slight Gains Made in Hills.

CONSTANTINOPLE, June 8.—Dispatches indicate the allied losses in the recent attempts to storm the Gallipoli defenses are much heavier than at first reported. Several thousand British dead were declared to have been found on the field in front of the Turkish positions. The Turks also captured 17 machine guns and supplies of munitions.

ATHENS, June 8.—Forty thousand wounded Turkish soldiers and 250 German officers, now in Constantinople, are in urgent need of medical attention, according to advices here. Hundreds of these men, wounded in the Dardanelles fighting, are dying daily owing to a lack of care while an epidemic of typhus and smallpox is declared to be sweeping the military hospitals. Hospital facilities at Constantinople are declared to be entirely inadequate.

PARIS, June 8.—Still pressing forward upon Lens, the French have occupied another group of houses east of the Souchez sugar mill. It was officially announced. The Germans were driven out at the point of the bayonet and thrown back with heavy losses.

Slight gains were reported on the slopes east of the Lorette Hills and heavy German counter attacks were repulsed. Three times during the night the Germans attempted to retake the positions captured by the French, the communique announced, but in every instance they were beaten off.

In the "Labyrinth" region, near Neuville, the ruined trenches are being piled high with dead and wounded.

BERLIN, June 8.—General Von Linsingen's forces have seized the railway running from Stanislau to Lemberg at Bukaczowca, etc. as officially announced. An official statement declared the Russians were defeated in that region and nearly 5000 captured. The seizure of the railway cuts the principal communication between the defenders of Lemberg and the Russians near the Bukowina frontier.

DOWNWARD TREND STILL CONTINUES IN WHEAT PIT

CHICAGO, June 8.—(Special.)—At the close of the market today \$1.11 3/4 was asked for July wheat. For Sept. delivery the closing price was \$1.08 3/4.

PORTLAND, Ore., June 8.—(Special.)—Portland wheat quotations today have been club, 93 cents; bluestem 85 cents.

Ordinance Providing Water Meters is Defeated; Jitney Regulation Law is Adopted

PORTLAND, Ore., June 8.—George Baker was elected city commissioner by a majority of 1225, and C. A. Digelow, reelected city commissioner by a majority of 965 at yesterday's election, a complete count this afternoon established.

A. L. Harbur was re-elected city auditor overwhelmingly. Measures for annexing St. Johns and Linton to Portland also passed.

The ordinance regulating the jitneys was passed. An ordinance prohibiting opening of shops, stores and groceries on Sunday and providing for municipal free collection of garbage were defeated, as was the ordinance authorizing the purchase of five thousand additional water meters. The complete returns show neither of the successful candidates for commissioner were elected on the first choice of the voters, although Baker fell by 265 votes short of having a clear majority of all the first choice voters. He was easily elected on a second choice vote.

To determine the reelection of Digelow it will be necessary to count the second and third choice votes. His closest opponent was William Adams, who fell 2433 votes below Digelow on the first choice vote, but gained on the second and third choices until in the final totals he is only 943 votes behind.

Fourth in the race was Commissioner W. L. Brewster, who came under the wire with 5002 votes less than Adams and \$171 less than Digelow.

The vote against authorizing water meters was 3,713. The majority against closing the stores on Sunday was 12,732. The majority for regulating the jitneys was 7,155. The vote in favor of annexing Linton was for 22,206 and against 12,354. The vote favoring annexing St. Johns was for 20,275 and against 4,133. The annexation of the two towns increases the population of Portland 1,000 and the area 12.9 square miles.