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FORTS GUARDING GRODNO GIVE UP BEFORE GERMANS

Retirement of the Garrison is Being Made in Good Order to the Right Bank of Nieman River.

CITY IS STILL BEING HELD

Arrival of Fresh German Forces and Guns Make Evacuation of Fortress Inevitable—Russians Officially Admit that Whole of Southeast Galicia May Be Abandoned.

BERLIN, Sept. 3.—Von Hindenburg's forces have captured the fortress of Grodno and also have occupied the city, an official statement announced. After taking the fortress, the Germans crossed the Nieman river to the city where they engaged the Russians in a desperate street battle. Other forces further north have crushed the resistance offered by the Russians in the Vilna region, inflicting heavy losses, it was announced. Three thousand were taken prisoners. Further gains on the southern front were reported.

PETROGRAD, Sept. 3.—The fortress of Grodno has surrendered. Though this last fortified position on the Kovno-Brest-Litovsk line is in the hands of the Germans, the city of Grodno is still held by the Russians. The retirement of the main body of the fortress garrison is being made in good order to the right bank of the Nieman river.

An official statement from the war office admitted the evacuation of the fortress. The withdrawal followed the capture of several of the outer defenses west of Grodno and the arrival of fresh German forces and guns which made the capture inevitable. The fortress was held only to cover the withdrawal of the Slavs retiring to the north and east.

With the retreat accomplished, further resistance was abandoned.

No booty fell into the hands of the Germans, as the same tactics were observed as Warsaw, employed in the evacuation of the fortress. All ammunition and guns were removed and mounted on the right bank of the Nieman. When the Slavs evacuated the fortress the Germans were prevented from crossing the river and occupying the city. The Russian lines are now being reformed under cover of the Slav artillery.

German forces have captured Orla, only three miles from the Vilna-Grodno railway. It was officially admitted the Russian forces in the southeastern front may abandon Galicia entirely.

JAPAN FURNISHES RIFLES TO THE BRITISH TROOPS

LONDON, Sept. 3.—The British government has received hundreds of thousands of rifles manufactured in Japan, it was learned. It is understood the British troops at the Dardanelles almost entirely are equipped with these guns. Japan also is reported to have shipped Russia considerable artillery.

Pledges Being Secured for Junket Trip to Baker Fair

On To Baker! That is the slogan of a committee which this afternoon is circulating a paper for pledges from citizens of Pendleton to make the junket trip to the Baker fair next Thursday. The committee, consisting of A. J. McAllister from the Commercial association, J. V. Tallman from Happy Canyon, and S. R. Thompson from the Round-up, started out this afternoon and by press time had enough names to insure at least one special car for the trip.

The car is to be parked here next Wednesday evening at 9 o'clock to permit excursionists to go to bed at any time they desire. It will be attached to the fast mail at 2:35 and will arrive at Baker at 7:55 a. m. The entire day will be spent in Baker and the car will be brought back on the westbound fast mail, arriving here about 3:30 in the morning. The car will be left here and the excursionists will have the privilege of remaining in their berths until 8 o'clock. The trip fare, including a lower berth, is \$9.10, and, including an upper, \$8.25.

That Baker is making big plans to

RAIDERS AT BAY GIVE BATTLE TO AMERICAN FORCE

United States Soldiers Surround Mexicans After Aviators Locate Hiding Place in Brush.

CITIZENS ARM THEMSELVES

Everyone in the Region of Brownsville is Preparing in Anticipation of a General Battle on the Border—Band of 60 Mexicans Facing Annihilation.

BROWNSVILLE, Texas, Sept. 3.—American soldiers surrounded the Mexican murderers of Earl Donaldson and J. H. Smith in a brush near Fresno early today. Early this afternoon the bandits were battling for their lives. Three Mexicans, including one woman already have been killed. Reports declared a band of 50 or 60 raiders faced annihilation. Aviators, scouting ahead of the American troops, located the Mexicans. They could not drop bombs on the bandits for fear of hitting soldiers who were scattered through the brush and closing in. The brush is so thick it was impossible to see more than a few feet ahead.

When the camp of the Mexicans was located, however, it was immediately raided and the bandits took to flight. The animals stolen by the raiders yesterday were recovered and a quantity of dynamite was found in the camp.

Stanley Dodd, the surviving member of the trio of Americans kidnaped yesterday, said that Smith and Donaldson were tortured by the Mexicans before being killed. The bottoms of their feet were cut off and boiling water was poured over them, Dodd declared. The heads and bodies of the two Americans were riddled by bullets.

A Mexican killed in a skirmish yesterday when Dodd escaped, wore the uniform of a soldier of the Matamorosarrison. Posses are forming throughout the region. Practically every one is armed in anticipation of a general border battle.

DIPLOMATS ABANDON HOPE THAT BULGARIA WILL ENTER THE WAR

SERBIA'S REPLY TO PROPOSALS TO CEDE MACEDONIA NOT SATISFACTORY

PARIS, Sept. 3.—Diplomats almost have abandoned hope of securing Bulgaria's early entrance into the war. Serbia's answer to the proposal that Macedonia be ceded to Bulgaria as compensation for the latter's participation on the side of the allies has not been made public, but it is understood to refuse sufficient concessions to induce Bulgaria to depart from her position of neutrality. Serbia is willing to join a conference to revive the treaty of Bucharest, it is understood. Bulgaria, however, insists upon definite pledges.

Pledges Being Secured for Junket Trip to Baker Fair

receive the Pendletonians is evidenced by the following story in the Baker Herald yesterday: When the Pendleton Round-up boosters reach Baker Thursday morning of next week, they will be given a royal reception, according to E. G. Dedrick, chairman of a committee having for its members George McIntyre and P. P. Correll, appointed by President Ernest M. Welch of the Commercial club, to entertain the visitors.

T. G. Montgomery will be marshal of the day and attired in buckaroo costume, will welcome the Pendleton men as they alight from the train. He will also act as toastmaster at the banquet to be given in their honor by Baker business men in the evening at the Geiser Grand hotel. In the morning the guests will take auto rides through Baker and in the afternoon they will have a special reserved section of seats at the fair grounds. Here some special advertising stunts will be put on for the Round-up. The Pendleton people will come in "wild west" costume and will probably "shoot up" the town with blank cartridges.

GENERAL VIEW OF GRODNO



The fortress of Grodno has surrendered to the Germans but the Russians are reported to be still holding the city to cover the retreat of the Slav garrison. Grodno is less than 500 miles from Petrograd.

ALL ARE LOST AS TRANSPORT SINKS

British Ship Strikes a Mine at the Entrance to the Dardanelles—600 Bodies are Recovered.

BERLIN, Sept. 3.—A British transport struck a mine at the entrance to the Dardanelles and was destroyed with 1870 men, a Sofia dispatch stated. Those aboard, 320 officers, 1250 soldiers, and 300 of the crew, were drowned. Six hundred bodies have been recovered.

U. S. WILLING TO SETTLE HER CLAIMS AT THE HAGUE

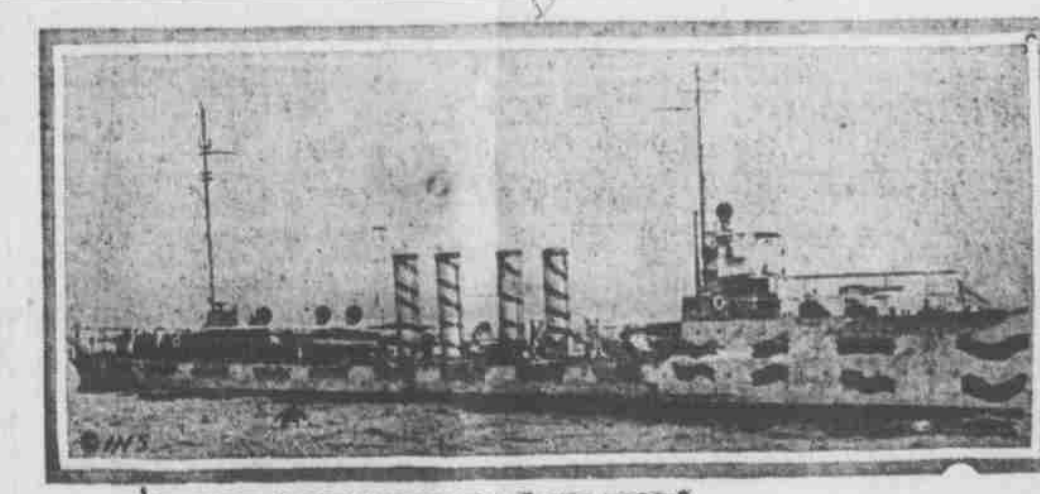
ARBITRATION IS ACCEPTABLE TO THIS NATION OVER LOSS OF LIVES.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 3.—The United States is willing to settle the Lusitania and the Arabic reparations claims at the Hague, it was declared on high authority at the state department. This does not include arbitration on the points growing out of the torpedoing of vessels by submarine as Germany has yielded on that issue. The settlement of reparations claims relates only to the amount the Kaiser shall pay for the lives of the Americans lost when the liners were destroyed.

NEWS SUMMARY

General. Grodno is captured from the Russians. Raiders fight American troops on border. Hope that Bulgaria will join the allies is abandoned. Local. Mrs. Edith Hughes charged with burning former husband's home. "Billy" Walters seriously injured in auto accident. Escaped prisoners reported seen near California Gulch. Grand jury returns 13 indictments.

U.S. Navy Experiments in European Tactics



The picture shows the U. S. torpedo boat Tripp in her war party, which at a distance is said to resemble the enemy. The Tripp was painted in this manner for the benefit of the governor's conference in session in Boston.

MRS HUGHES SAID TO FACE ARSON CHARGE; INDICTMENT IS IN

GRAND JURY INVESTIGATION RESULTS IN TRUE BILL IT IS REPORTED.

Though the court officials have given out no information, it is known beyond doubt that one of the indictments returned this morning by the grand jury was against Mrs. Edith Hughes, divorced wife of Ira Hughes and that she is accused of the crime of arson. It is reported upon good authority that the state charges her with setting fire to the house of her husband near Meacham on Monday night of this week.

When the indictments were returned this morning, seven were withheld from publication because the parties were not yet under arrest. Deputy Sheriff Joe Blakely is out with bench warrants this afternoon and it is said upon reliable authority that he bears one for Mrs. Hughes.

The evidence presented to the grand jury implicating the former wife of Ira Hughes in the burning of his house is said to be entirely circumstantial but, nevertheless, strong. It is said that trainmen testified that she went up to Meacham Monday evening and returned Tuesday morning and that residents of Meacham saw her there. Other evidence is also said to have been gathered.

Hughes secured a divorce from his wife last winter on grounds of cruel and inhuman treatment. Since then, it is said she has been vainly endeavoring to affect a reconciliation and more lately has expressed hatred toward her former husband. Mr. Hughes was himself one of the witnesses before the grand jury.

YOUNG MAN AND TWO WOMEN ARE INJURED IN AUTO ACCIDENT

"BILLY" WALTERS BADLY HURT—IDENTITY OF WOMEN IS NOT LEARNED.

"Billy" Walters, son of Fred Walters, well known local miller, is at St. Anthony's hospital with several broken ribs, many bruises and internal injuries that may prove serious and two women, whose names are unknown, are also suffering from injuries as the result of an automobile accident which happened this morning about 7:30 on the Wild Horse macadam road near the Rothrock farm.

The extent of young Walters' injuries has not yet been determined by the physicians. Aside from the fractured ribs, there are many bruises on the arms, hips and back which are not expected to be serious. However, there are internal hemorrhages which indicate injuries which may prove more grave. Several days must elapse before the physicians will be able to determine how badly he is hurt.

The cause of the accident has not been clearly learned. The car, which was a small one, turned over when it swerved so suddenly that the steering wheel was wrenched from the driver's hands. It is supposed the car struck a little chuckhole.

Dr. E. O. Parker hurried up in his car and brought the injured ones to the hospital where Mr. Walters and one of the ladies remained. The injuries of the women are not serious, one receiving a sprained ankle and the other a sprained arm while both were quite severely bruised.

Two of Escaped Prisoners Are Seen Near the Ogilvy Ranch; Officers on Trail

Reports received here today from beyond Pilot Rock show that two of the escaped county jail prisoners were near the Ogilvy ranch yesterday afternoon and were headed toward Starkey prairie pursued by Sheriff Taylor and Deputy James Estes.

The two men in question had armed themselves by robbing a sheep camp of a rifle, revolver and much ammunition. Consequently there is a possibility they may put up a fight before submitting to arrest. However, the officers for which they were imprisoned were scarcely serious enough to cause them to take such chances.

John Hain and James Wyrick were at the Ogilvy place yesterday and were informed by James Stubbiefield that he had seen two of the escapes traveling along a ridge headed southeast. Near the same time

13 INDICTMENTS ARE BROUGHT BY THE GRAND JURY

Four Men Who Escaped From County Jail are Among Those Against Whom True Bills are Returned.

6 ARE BEING KEPT SECRET

Several matters brought up for original investigation are dismissed—Lizzie Rothrock is indicted—Bench Warrants Issued for All Those Not in Custody.

Thirteen indictments, six of which are withheld from publication by the court officials until the indicted parties have been placed under arrest, were returned this morning by the grand jury, following a session of four and one half days. Among those indicted were Coleman Gray, S. W. Raymond, James M. McCormack and Ralph Peale, the four men who escaped from jail last Saturday and are still at large.

Others indicted were J. M. Peeley, charged with the larceny of a set of harness from L. D. Ackerman, Lizzie Rothrock, charged with indecent exposure, and Robert Moore, charged with obstructing a public road.

Gray was indicted for assault with intent to rob, he being the man alleged to have held up H. Rieden at the point of a revolver. Raymond is charged with burglary not in a dwelling, it being alleged he burglarized the Bradburn saloon at Pilot Rock. McCormack alias Arle Arlington is accused of the crime of rape, he being the man alleged to have criminally assaulted a little girl at Helix. Peale is accused of obtaining money under false pretenses. Moore, who lives near Nye, is accused of putting a building across a road.

Two of the remaining six indictments were returned against one man and bench warrants have been issued for all of the persons not in custody. The grand jury returned no true bills but dismissed several matters brought up for original investigation. Having completed their labors, Judge Phelps excused them from further duty after thanking them for their conscientious services.

ITALIANS TAKE THE CITY OF ROVERETO; AUSTRIANS RETREAT

VICTORY IS SO FAR OF THE GREATEST SO FAR OF THE CAMPAIGN.

ROME, Sept. 3.—Italian forces are slowly occupying Rovereto. Evacuation of the city, about which desperate fighting has been in progress was begun by the Austrians yesterday. The forts were blown up by the defenders. The Austrians are now retreating upon Trent, 15 miles away. Before starting to withdraw, the Austrians demolished Italian monuments in the city and fired the homes of Italians.

From the heights to which they dragged their artillery the Austrians shelled the ruins of Rovereto, after its evacuation, but the enemy guns were later silenced. The Italians plan to enter the city at dusk. This is the greatest victory the Italian forces have gained in the campaign toward Trent.