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ARMENIANS FALL VICTIMS BEFORE TURKISH TROOPS

Men are Being Massacred by the Wholesale and the Women are Being Sold Into Blackest Slavery.

200,000 VILLAGERS FLEE

Towns are Abandoned and Terror Stricken Residents Seek Shelter in the Hills—Turkish Bands are in Pursuit Killing Stragglers Who Fall by the Wayside.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Sept. 15.—(By Courier to Dedeagatch)—The Turks have resumed their extermination of the Armenians. They have outraged the women and sold them into the blackest slavery and massacred the men by wholesale. Whole communities have been driven from their homes into the desert. Two hundred thousand villagers between Yen Chedir and Afion Karahissar, Asia Minor, have abandoned their homes in fear of Turkish cruelties, and fled to the mountains for safety. Turk bands are pursuing them, mercilessly shooting down the stragglers and capturing the women who fall by the way exhausted. At some places, authorities presided personally over the frightful massacre, according to private advices reaching here.

PROFESSOR LANDERS WILL TAKE POSITION IN DENVER

Prof. J. S. Landers, former superintendent of the Pendleton schools who resigned his position last spring, will leave next week for Denver where he will take a position as assistant to Dr. J. H. Tilden, founder and head of the School of Health in that city. Dr. Tilden is a cousin of Prof. Landers and for the past ten years has been trying to secure the services of the latter. He is a health expert of national renown. At present he is conducting a clinic in two large buildings and it is crowded to capacity. Mrs. Landers will accompany her husband to Denver.

People Escape in Boats. KANSAS CITY, Sept. 15.—Heavy rains during the last 24 hours caused floods at various points in western Missouri and southeastern Kansas. At Carthage, Mo., many houses were flooded, many families making their escape in boats. Train service is demoralized. Continued rains are predicted.

LATE BULLETINS. CAR REFUSES LIBERTY. PETROGRAD, Sept. 15.—The czar has refused to grant the liberals further concessions in the reform program and the duma will be prorogued today and for several weeks. It was reported. No trouble is anticipated however.

Heavy Losses at Dardanelles. LONDON, Sept. 15.—The British losses in killed and wounded in the Dardanelles operations total 78,293. Under-Secretary Tennant announced today.

French Wreck German Depots. PARIS, Sept. 15.—The suburbs of Arras were heavily bombarded last night. The French replied and silenced the German batteries. The French also shelled the German munition depots around Roye and Laasigny, blowing up a number of them. The communique reported an artillery battle throughout the Woëvre, Champagne and Vosges regions.

Cooler Weather in East. WASHINGTON, Sept. 15.—The weather bureau reported today that New York and Atlantic states, which have been sweltering under terrific heat, cooled today. There was also a lower temperature in the Ohio valley and lake regions. The highest reading today was 80 degrees at 10 o'clock.

Sharp Note Penned. WASHINGTON, Sept. 15.—The sharpest note this government has yet penned will be sent to London it was predicted today, should an investigation prove the truth of American interests are obtaining modifications under the British order-in-council, which have been denied to Americans.

Defense Conference Called. WASHINGTON, Sept. 15.—The president took the first definite step toward increasing the nation's defenses when he arranged today for a joint conference September 28 between himself, Secretary Daniels and the chairman of the house naval committee.

BATTLE IS ON WHICH MAY DECIDE FATE OF PETROGRAD AND RIGA

RUSSIANS AND GERMANS ARE STRUGGLING FOR CONTROL OF DVINSK.

PETROGRAD, Sept. 15.—The Austrian right wing has been forced to retire 20 miles into Galicia, but is fighting desperately. The Russians are continuing in pursuit and have crossed the Strypa river and now occupy positions on the west bank. The Russians claim 3000 Austrian prisoners.

LONDON, Sept. 15.—Russian and German forces are battling for control of Dvinsk. Dispatches indicate the Russians are gaining strength while the Germans are finding it more difficult to make progress. The struggle now raging it is believed, will have a decisive effect on the fate of Riga and Petrograd.

BERLIN, Sept. 15.—German forces have captured Pinsk, it was officially announced today.

Train is Held up And Bandit Gets Big Haul

LONE ROBBER ESCAPES WITH LOOT ESTIMATED AT OVER \$2500.

INDIANAPOLIS, Sept. 15.—The American Express Company early today had not ascertained the amount of the haul made by a lone bandit who held up a Lake Erie and Western train last night between Arcadia and Cleora, and escaped, though it was believed it would be over \$2500. The authorities have a good description of the bandit and hope to capture him soon.

2 AUSTRIAN DESTROYERS SUNK BY ITALIAN DIVER

PARIS, Sept. 15.—Two Austrian destroyers were sunk by an Italian submarine in the Adriatic Monday, according to Turin dispatches today.

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DELEGATES WILL FORMULATE PLAN TO HANDLE LAND

Oregon and California Grant Case Comes Before Conference Which Convenes Today at Salem.

WITHYCOMBE GIVES ADDRESS

Governor of State Urges Meeting to Refrain From Taking Any Action Which Might be Interpreted by Congress as Presumptuous and Thus Injure Oregon's Cause.

SALEM, Ore., Sept. 15.—A conference on the Oregon and California Railroad Land Grant, to formulate a plan to dispose of the land and recommend to congress a policy for the sale and settlement, began today. W. I. Vawter was appointed temporary chairman. Approximately 300 delegates are present. Governor Withycombe addressed the conference, urging it to refrain from taking action which might be interpreted by congress as presumptuous, and so unwittingly injure Oregon's cause.

Wily Chinese Must Go. SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 15.—Wong Doo King, a Chinese famous in San Francisco as a highbinder, whom the immigration authorities for years have tried to expel from this country, must go at last. His order for deportation was signed after the case had hung undecided for many months, with the Chinese using every legal device to stay off the decision. Judge Dooling remanded him to the Federal immigration officers for deportation to China. Always before Wong had been too wily for the federal officers, who failed time and again to convict him of charges. He is an old man now.

Argentina Stays Action. BUENOS AIRES, Sept. 15.—The chamber of deputies has rejected a proposed resolution for an immediate interpellation of the minister of foreign affairs on the subject of Argentina's intervention in the Mexican question. It was decided to await further consideration of the subject by the Pan-American conference, called by the United States.

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COST OF PAVING ON SOUTH MAIN WILL BE LESS THAN ESTIMATED

BID OF WARREN CONSTRUCTION CO. IS \$1000 UNDER FIGURES.

The paving of south Main street from Ellett to High will cost less than estimated by the city engineer, the bid of the Warren Construction company to the council last evening being nearly a thousand dollars under the estimate. The Warren company's bid for the gravel bitulithic macadam, excavating, etc., totaled \$551,57 while its separate bid for the construction of concrete curbs and gutters amounted to \$1178.76. These were the only bids received.

The Newport Land & Construction Co. of Hermiton was awarded the contract for grading and improving the west end of Jackson street, its bid being \$1445.

Has Claim For Injury. Mrs. L. D. Sherman last night put in a claim for \$33.15, which she alleges is the sum of her expenses made necessary by an injury which she sustained recently in a fall alleged to have been caused by a depression in the sidewalk on the west side of Lillith street between Alta and Railroad. In the darkness, she alleges, she did not notice the depression. In her communication to the council she stated last evening that she wrenched her back so painfully that she was compelled to remain in bed four days and to refrain from her usual household duties for three weeks. The claim was referred to the city attorney and the claims committee.

Upon the recommendation of the light committee, it was voted last evening to install a 100 watt incandescent lamp at the corner of East Alta and College streets. A petition was presented asking for a light at the corner of Railroad and Market streets, and this was referred to the light committee.

The bid of S. Hugh & Co. for the 1500 Tustin street improvement bonds was received last evening. The bid was par and accrued interest. Final payment was made to G. R. O'Melveny on the Garden street sewer.

The application of C. E. Wheeler for permission to put a new shingle roof on a portion of his building was refused last evening. The vote of the council was a tie and Acting Mayor Dyer cast his ballot in favor of the fire committee's recommendation. Building permits were also asked by O. S. Young and by L. H. Stump for the erection of a temporary dancing hall on the vacant lot on the corner of Webb and Cottonwood.

Mrs. Miller, who operates a popcorn wagon on Alta street, was granted permission to run her wagon until the end of the year. Mayor Dyer, who openly opposed granting the permission on the ground that it would be inconsistent with the action the council recently took in placing a prohibitive license on all street wagons, decided in favor of the proposition when the original vote was a tie. Including himself there were but six councilmen present and three voted for and three against the request. The acting mayor was thus placed in the position of voting both for and against the matter. Mrs. Miller represented that she had purchased the wagon believing that the old license was transferrable and had already deposited with the city the amount necessary to continue until the end of the year. Councilmen Montgomery, Vaughan and Siebert favored granting the request because of the good faith with which she had acted and because of the capital she had already tied up in her business.

Want American Securities. NEW YORK, Sept. 15.—Unconfirmed reports were in circulation that American bankers conferring with the commission of the entente allies have decided not to make the loan of \$1,000,000,000 sought by less American securities are deposited here as collateral. It is understood the commission is trying to secure the loan without other securities than the pledged word of Britain.

Wheat Stronger at Chicago; Exporters Raise Their Sights

Wheat quotations are stronger everywhere today. The Chicago market closed with an advance of two and a half cents over yesterday's price for September and a two cent advance for December and May deliveries. Even the Portland market came to life enough to advance prices three cents on club and two cents on blue stem. There is no business here owing to the refusal of farmers to sell at present prices, 75 cents being the highest openly offered for club. Reports from Portland are to the effect secret efforts are made to purchase wheat at higher prices in order to provide cargoes for ships now in port.

Chicago. CHICAGO, Sept. 15.—(Special.)—The close today, Sept. 15: 9:33; Dec. 96 1-8; May 95 1-8.

Portland. PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 15.—(Special.)—Portland bid prices: Club \$4, blue stem \$5.

Liverpool (Yesterday.) LIVERPOOL, Sept. 15.—Wheat, spot No. 1, Manitoba, 12s 1-2d; No. 2, 11s 11d; No. 3, 11s 1-2d; No. 1 Northern Dutch, no stock.

In American terms the Liverpool price for spot No. 1 is now \$1.75 1-10 per bushel.

NEWS SUMMARY

General. Armenians slaughtered by Turks. Delegates gather at Salem for land grant conference. Sweden may join Germany in war. Plans for loan to allies partially completed. Battle on eastern front may decide fate of Petrograd. Local. Hero of Merriman to speak here on national prohibition. South Main street paving to be less costly than estimated. Plans for big Happy Canyon show about completed. Council will attend laying of federal building corner stone.

SWEDEN MAY GO INTO WAR AS AN AID TO GERMANY

According to London Report, Kaiser is Doing all he can to Gain Another Ally.

ACTS OF RUSSIA RECALLED

Lossing of Finland is Point Which Germans Bring Into Prominence as Reason for Sweden Entering the Struggle—Swedish Militarists Sympathize With Germany.

LONDON, Sept. 15.—What Sweden will do in the burning question here today. Popular opinion, based on more or less reliable information, is that Sweden will shortly throw her lot in with Germany. Germany is doing her best to bring the Scandinavians into the conflict. The financial interests of Sweden favor the war. This war party is trying to create a popular sentiment against Russia, reminding Swedes that Russia took Finland from Sweden. Militarists of Sweden are of the German school and are sympathizers with the Teutons. However the progressive party, which out voted the reactionaries in past elections, is anti-German and anti-war.

MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL WILL ATTEND CEREMONIES

WILL BE GUESTS OF HONOR AT LAYING OF CORNERSTONE OF POSTOFFICE.

Acting Mayor Dyer and all of the members of the city council will be guests of honor at the laying of the cornerstone of the new federal building next Wednesday afternoon. An invitation was extended to them last evening by the local Masonic lodge, which is in charge, and was accepted by them. The ceremonies will be held at 4 o'clock in the afternoon to permit all school children to attend.

Mother Saves Twins.

SANTA ROSA, Cal., Sept. 15.—Mrs. Charles Libby, residing on a ranch near Sebastopol, saved her twin babies at the risk of her own life when she rushed into the blazing home and out again with the children in her arms through a barrier of flames. Every stitch of clothing was burned from her back and, while she is in a precarious condition from injuries, the children are unscathed.

Harvard Professor Drowns.

BOSTON, Sept. 15.—The body of Dean Ezra Thayer of the Harvard law school, an authority on international law, was taken from the Charles river today. An examination indicated death was due to drowning.

Autos Help Horseshoers.

CLEVELAND, Sept. 15.—Delegates to the convention of the Master Horseshoers' National Protective Association, in session here, declared that the hard pavements used on automobile roads was helping their business. They say a horse's shoes now are wearing only one-fourth as long as formerly.

PLANS FOR LOAN TO ALLIES HAVE BEEN PRACTICALLY MADE

AMERICAN BANKERS WILLING TO GUARANTEE ITS SUCCESS, IT IS SAID.

NEW YORK, Sept. 15.—The conference between the international financial commission and leading New York financiers adjourned early today after a continuous session since yesterday afternoon. The New York delegates admitted the billion dollar loan had been practically arranged, as they had found American bankers sufficiently willing to participate to guarantee the success of the loan. It was rumored that J. P. Morgan labored unsuccessfully for half an hour yesterday with John D. Rockefeller, Junior, to enlist the Rockefeller resources in the project.

CHICAGO, Sept. 15.—Opposition to the proposed billion dollar loan to the allies was voiced today by Senator J. Hamilton Lewis, in a letter to the public. He contended the loan would "invite a repetition of the '73 and '93 panics."

Government of Turkey Dreads Army Uprising

PREPARATIONS MADE TO TRANSFER CAPITAL IN FEAR OF AN OUTBREAK.

LONDON, Sept. 15.—The Turks are preparing to transfer their government and financial establishments to Asia Minor, fearing an insurrection in their army. Athens dispatches assert. The present plan is to have Germans man the Turkish artillery in an effort to suppress the expected attempt.

HOBSON WILL SPEAK HERE FOR PROHIBITION CAUSE

ANNOUNCEMENT IS MADE BY REPRESENTATIVE OF ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE.

Boosting the cause of national prohibition and incidentally advocating a larger army and navy, Richmond Pearson Hobson, the hero of the Merrimac and more recently a conspicuous figure in congress, will arrive in Pendleton on November 15, and will address a local audience in the auditorium of the Pendleton high school. This was the announcement made this morning by George N. Taylor of Portland, representing the anti-saloon league of Oregon.

Hobson is making a swing over the northwest and down the Pacific coast as an agent of the Anti-saloon League of America. This organization is seeking to secure the adoption of the Hobson national prohibition amendment and is making an extensive campaign for that purpose. Hobson's lecture is said to be a popular one, and, inasmuch as he has been known in congress as much for his advocacy of greater national defenses as for his espousal of the prohibition cause, he will touch upon this subject also.

Rev. J. E. Saylor of the Presbyterian church will complete the arrangements for the lecture in this city.

WELTERWEIGHT WRESTLER WILL BATTLE LOCAL BOY

Walter Arndt, who claims the welterweight championship in wrestling on the Pacific coast, will meet Arthur Newman of Pendleton, tonight in the exhibition tent at Campbell's carnival, West Alta and West Court streets. The match will start promptly at 8:15 o'clock. Three fast boxing preliminaries have been arranged and Pal Weineberger, strong man, will exhibit his skill in lifting weights.

Arndt will weigh in at 145 pounds while Newman will weigh 150. Arndt travels with the carnival company and takes on wrestling aspirants in the towns where the show exhibits. The match will be for the best two out of three falls.

All Quiet On Border.

BROWNSVILLE, Sept. 15.—Mexico's three day independence day celebration opened today with only minor disturbances that were confined solely to the extreme precautions taken by the American forces are believed to have caused the Mexicans an indisposition to "start anything" on the American side.

PLENTY OF GOOD FUN IS PLANNED FOR THE OPENER

Happy Canyon Committee Completing Details of Program Which Will be in Full Swing Next Week.

THRILLS WILL BE FURNISHED

Comedy Staff, Too, Will Be Included in An Hour's Entertainment for Each Evening—Gambling Will Go on As Usual and, In Fact, the "Lid Will Be Off" to Stay.

When Happy Canyon opens its doors to the world next Wednesday night, things will be stirring in the little old burg and the thousands who attend will get some new sensations in entertainment. The committee have now about concluded their plans for the big evening show of Round-up week, and their promise of something even better than last year may be taken at its face value.

The general program committee, consisting of J. R. Raley, L. D. Drake and Frederick Steiner, is fixing up an hour's program for each evening that will be filled with laughs and screams and thrills. "Every minute one to be remembered," is their slogan.

The general festivities which will follow the opening program will be of the same nature as last year, only more extensive. There will be "gambling" and "drinking" in the "Red Dog Saloon," dancing in the big pavilion back of the "saloon" and plenty of other diversions. Among these other diversions are some being prepared by George C. Baer and Omer E. Smith, special committee on added attractions. For one thing, they are building what they call a "shute the shutes" and they guarantee to operate it until at least one person has been killed. Then they will present a fashionable society game smoking opium in the Chinese joint and there will be a real celestial there to keep her pipe filled. They have not yet consented to divulge the name of the society lady they have secured. Another exhibit they will have will be nothing more or less (principally more) than Sharkey, the Round-up's bucking Belgrade bull. For a buck bill anybody can get a close-up view of this ton-heavy brute and touch a carressing hand to his sleek hide. Other features they are keeping to themselves for the time being.

Some big alterations are being made to the interior of the "canyon," and will give more room, more seating capacity and a better general effect.

GERMANY MAY AGREE TO DISAVOW SINKING OF ATLANTIC LINER

THIS IS INTERPRETATION PUT UPON BERNSTORFF'S ANNOUNCEMENT.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 15.—Germany and the United States are undergoing a "cooling off" process which will continue for a fortnight, Secretary Lansing leaves for a vacation tomorrow. Von Bernstorff is not expected to return here in the meantime.

The German ambassador's announcement that a "complete understanding" has been reached with Secretary Lansing is merely an understatement that America insists on a withdrawal of the Arabs (pending as the only condition under which she will continue diplomatic intercourse. This day was the Whitehouse interpretation of Von Bernstorff's interview in the New York World, for existing a settlement which would more friendly than ever. Berlin is sharing the ambassador's confidence; however, the president wants to hear direct from Berlin.

Austria Denies Interference. VIENNA, Sept. 15.—Austria has not interfered and will not interfere with the internal affairs of America. We are too busy with European affairs to bother with strikes in America. The request for the recall of Ambassador Dumba can not disturb our friendly relations.

A high Austrian official gave the foregoing statement to the United Press today. It was not determined whether a successor to Dumba will be appointed. Berlin scientists have invented a nourishing yeast, containing more than 50 per cent albumen prepared from sugar and ammonium sulphate.