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FORTS SILENCED BY FLEET AFTER A BOMBARDMENT

Allied Warships Shell Bulgarian Strongholds—Troops are Landed But Ordered Back to Vessels.

AVIATORS DIRECT GUNNERS

Turks on Gulf of Saros Are Also Bombarded—Sofia Announced There Were No Casualties—Superior Forces Bulgars Compet Landing Party to Retreat.

King Appeals for Aid. PARIS, Jan. 21.—King Nicholas has appealed to the allies to rush aid to Montenegro and avert the annihilation of its army. The request was transmitted through Italy and asks for supplies of food and artillery and ammunition.

May Invade Egypt. AMSTERDAM, Jan. 21.—Officials believe the Kaiser's Belgrade address hinted the immediate beginning of an Egyptian invasion.

"We've had a hard fight which will soon spread to other fields," he said.

Montenegrins Begin Retreat. ROME, Jan. 21.—The Montenegrins are retiring toward Scutari. They are constantly clashing with the pursuing Austrians. The army of Essad Pasha, former Albanian King, has arrived at Scutari to join the Montenegrins.

ATHENS, Jan. 21.—After a two-day bombardment, the Anglo-French squadron has silenced the forts at Portolagos, Bulgaria, and landed troops. The landing party returned to the ships after a reconnaissance which showed superior forces of the Bulgarians nearby.

Sofia officially reported the bombardment of Portolagos and Dedagatch, but did not mention the landing of troops.

Constantinople reported another squadron shelled the Turks on the Gulf of Saros. Though Saloniki reported heavy damage at Dedagatch Sofia announced there were no casualties.

Aviators directed the Saros bombardment. Constantinople reported a cruiser was struck twice and withdrawn.

Ben Keith May be Sent to Prison on Embezzling Charge

GOVERNMENT WILL TAKE UP MATTER IF PAROLE IS GRANTED MAN.

Because Uncle Sam does not look lightly upon those who tamper with his funds, Ben F. Keith, O.-W. agent and postmaster at Gibbon, will probably have to go to the penitentiary. He pleaded guilty last week in the circuit court to a charge of embezzling the railroad company's funds. He was sentenced to the penitentiary and at once made application for parole. Judge Phelps was considering the application and was just about to parole the prisoner when word came from the federal officials in Portland that, in the event the parole was given, they would prosecute him on a charge of embezzling postal funds. Therefore, the judge can do nothing but permit the sentence to stand. Keith, who is a married man, spent money belonging to the railroad company and the government while on a spree here in Pendleton, it is said.

POPE WILL MAKE ANOTHER ATTEMPT TO SECURE PEACE

CONSISTORY WILL BE HELD IN MARCH DECLARES AN ANNOUNCEMENT.

ROME, Jan. 21.—Vital importance is attached to the announcement that the pope will hold another consistory in March. It is understood this will be another step in the peace program, though ostensibly it is for the purpose of conferring cardinalship on Scapinelli of Vienna and Prunthirth of Munich. It is believed the pope desires to inform himself of the possibilities of peace at Vienna and Barcelona. Allied diplomats are concerned over the creation of these cardinals because it increases the Teutonic representation at the vatican.

Villa Reported Captured



General Villa, rebel and bandit, who has been taken by Carranzistas, according to a report.

Views of Potter Palmer Mine Where Americans Were Killed



NEWS SUMMARY

General. Villa reported captured. Stories are contradictory and not entirely confirmed. Spain and Sweden holds world's attention in present European situation.

Local. Man sleeps on white bed burns. Uncle Sam prevents Keith from getting parole. Local merchants will observe Pay-up Week. Dance ordinance provokes much discussion in city.

ZOUAVE BAND PLAYS WHILE THE SOLDIERS BRAVE DEATH CORRESPONDENT HEARS LIVELY AIRS IN THE TRENCHES

BY WILLIAM G. SHEPHERD. (United Press Staff Correspondent.) SALONIKI, Dec. 11.—Our ambulances rushed down the mountainside at French chauffeur speed, and into a valley behind Hill No. 515 which sheltered us from shell fire and in last we were so far away from the artillery battle that we could barely hear the guns. Valandova, an old Turkish village in southern Serbia, was to be our stopping place. There in the early evening General Bullard, whose brave troops—nearly all of them Zouaves—had fought their way to Krivolak and had there tried to re-

ILLINOIS FACES SERIOUS FLOODS FROM BIG RAINS

Many Towns are Inundated and Rivers Continue Rising at Rapid Rate—Hundreds are Homeless.

WATERS SWEEP INTO CHICAGO

South Part of City Suffers—Cicero is Under Water and Residents are Marooned—One Man is Drowned—Other Sections of Middle West Report Serious Condition.

CHICAGO, Jan. 21.—The rainfall in Chicago the past day has been 1.77 inches. In Kansas City, 1.24; at Keokuk, 1.42. A heavy lake wind backed the water into sewers and inundated blocks in South Chicago. The village of Cicero is marooned. More rain is forecast. The Vermillion river is flooded. One man slipped on the icy bank and drowned.

Ottawa, Illinois, reports scores of houses flooded. Thousands of acres of land are inundated in Illinois. An ice gorge is holding back the worst floods in the Illinois river and upper river points are damaged.

JOLIET, Jan. 21.—Thousands are homeless and parts of the city are under from four to eight feet of water following a continuous deluge. No casualties have been reported. The damage is estimated at \$199,900. Families were rescued in rowboats and hurried to hospitals and fire stations.

PHOENIX, Jan. 21.—Fifteen persons are marooned on an island at Winkelman, which has been partially destroyed by floods. Four are missing. Seven were rescued from the strong current.

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 21.—The floods have almost entirely subsided in southern California and repair work is being rushed. Acres of rich land are smeared with mud and littered with debris.

SPAIN AND SWEDEN HOLD IN INTEREST IN WORLD'S EVENTS

FORMER NATION BUYING MUNITIONS—SPECULATION ON PURPOSE IS RIFE.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—Sweden and Spain are prominent in world politics today. It is reported Sweden is attempting to persuade America to join in a protest against the proposed blockade of Germany. Spain is reported making heavy purchases of munitions here. Diplomatic quarters are rife with rumors on the meaning of these developments. Swedish authorities sympathize with the American agitation for an embargo on exports to England. It is believed a stoppage of cotton exports would be sufficient reprisal to gain concessions without preventing munitions shipments.



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To Investigate Milk Rates. WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—A national investigation of interstate rates on cream and milk was announced by the interstate commerce commission.

VILLA IS REPORTED CAPTURED 18 BANDITS TAKEN WITH HIM

Boy Slept on While Flames Reached to Ceiling of His Room

Billy, the 16-year old son of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Longmeyer, who live at 215 Logan street, had a very narrow escape from injury and perhaps death last evening. Young Longmeyer had been sick for the last couple of days due to poisoning from eating canned sauer kraut and last evening went up stairs to the down upon the bed. Some time later his parents, who were in the front room with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stroble, smelled the odor of clothes burning and upon investigating found the entire bed in flames. The boy was still asleep and was hurriedly carried from the fire. He was found not even burned or hurt in any way, although the flames were high enough to scorch the ceiling. It is not known how the fire originated, but Mr. Longmeyer thinks it started from matches in the boy's pocket.

'Pay up Week' to be Observed Here During February

MERCHANTS ARE ARRANGING PLANS FOR COUNTY-WIDE MOVEMENT.

Pendleton will observe the national "Pay-up Week" February 21-25. The merchants of the city as an informal meeting this morning decided to fall in line with the national movement which looks to the establishment of a certain week each year for the paying up of old debts. The institution grows from the Chinese New Year, inasmuch as the orientals consider it something of a disgrace to start a new year in debt. The merchants will emphasize "Pay-up Week" in their advertisements, by window displays and by announcements in the papers and from the pulpit. The purpose of the week will govern them as well as their patrons.

The movement, which originated in the east, has extended over the country and its intention is to aid in prosperity by putting money in circulation through the cancellation of financial obligations.

GERMANY'S FINAL REPLY ON LUSITANIA PREPARED

OFFICIALS CONFIDENT ALL DIFFICULTIES WILL BE ADJUSTED.

(By Carl Ackerman.) BERLIN, Jan. 21.—Germany's final reply on the Lusitania case is being prepared. Officials are confident of a settlement of all the submarine difficulties. It is understood the message declares a willingness to indemnify American lives and expresses regret for the casualties. It reiterates also that neutral persons were warned against sailing. A clause guarantees future safety for neutrals aboard belligerent passenger ships and promises there will be no torpedoing without warning.

OREGON LAND GRANT CASES ARE PROBLEM IN CONGRESS

LEGISLATION IS SOUGHT—73 INDIATED IN ANTI-ALKY BOMB PLOTS.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—Attorney general Gregory advised the house judiciary committee that the government has indicted 73 persons and four corporations in connection with the investigation of lynch-murder American plots.

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Rebel Chieftain Said to Have Been Caught by Carranzista Leader—Other Reports Declare Capture Has Not Been Confirmed—Followers Executed, Says Story From El Paso.

EL PASO, Jan. 21.—Consul Garcia said he had not received further word regarding the reported capture of Villa. General Herrera at Chihuahua, denied the truth of the story it was reported.

Eighteen bandits were executed at Chihuahua this afternoon, paying the penalty of the Santa Ysabel massacre. The official report lacks details but it is believed they were lined up before a firing squad in a public place. It was reported most of them had participated in the murder of Americans.

EL PASO, Jan. 21.—General Herrera, commander of the Carranzistas in Chihuahua, wired there was no confirmation of the story that Villa had been captured. This followed an announcement by Consul Garcia that Villa was being brought to Juarez for execution. Officials admitted that Villa probably was not captured.

Meanwhile a new revolution at Torreon is progressing, with many killed. Four thousand Villistas and Zapatistas are reported to have declared the lives of Carranzistas and Americans will be forfeited. They seek to name Felix Diaz as president. Arguemento is leading the revolt.

Among the captured bandits is reported to be Carlos Lopez who led the massacre on Americans. There was no confirmation of the report that he and fifteen others confessed their guilt and were executed.

The commander at the Juarez garrison received a message saying Villa had been captured, but this is also unconfirmed.

Executions without mercy were the order of the day at Torreon. It was reported 100 Carranzistas were shot before a machine-gun squad southwest of Torreon after Americans were warned to quit the district.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—(U. P.)—Eighteen Mexican prisoners, alleged participants in the Santa Ysabel massacre, will be publicly executed at Chihuahua tomorrow. El Paso telegraphed the state department. The evidence against them is unknown. No confirmation of the report that Villa has been captured has been received. Officials do not believe it because such reports have been circulated a score of times recently.

EL PASO, Texas, Jan. 21.—General Francisco Villa, with a band of 50 men, has been captured. He is being brought to Juarez and will be publicly executed at the race track there, according to statements made by Carranzista officials. His followers were all executed immediately after their capture, says one report.

ENGLAND DAMPENS HOPES OF AMERICAN LEADERSHIP

SECURITIES DUMPED INTO WALL STREET BRING STERLING EXCHANGE UP.

NEW YORK, Jan. 21.—England has dampened America's hopes of financial leadership. This was seen in the fact that sterling exchange is steadily rising because England has dumped twenty millions of American securities into Wall street after obtaining a war loan.

Columbia Rose Six Feet at Umatilla Today; no Danger

UMATILLA, Ore., Jan. 21.—(Special)—Rising to the extent of six feet within a few hours today the Columbia is causing some uneasiness here though no damage has been inflicted and probably none will occur.

The ice jam above Umatilla is broken and the ice has been lodged against the jam below town. The dam below town can be seen from Umatilla and at times the water seems to all be backing up. Then there will be a break and the ice will flow through. At 2 o'clock this afternoon the river was falling a little. The water was then at quite a distance from the Harry Dryer home facing the river.

At a price of \$1 per bushel a sale of 16,000 bushels of wheat, part club and part bluestem, was made here yesterday by Bissinger Bros. to the Pendleton Roller Mills. Local prices on club today range from 96 to 98 cents though there is little selling. The Portland and Chicago markets are up today.

CHICAGO, Jan. 21.—(Special)—May \$1.39, \$1.32 1-2; July \$1.21 1-2, \$1.25 1-4.

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 21.—(Special)—Club \$1.08, \$1.10 bluestem, \$1.13 1-2, \$1.15.

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 21.—Wheat spot No. 1 Manitoba, 14s 1-2; No. 2, 12s 10-11-12; No. 3, 12s 7-8-9; No. 4 hard winter, new 2s 10d. In American terms the highest Liverpool price is now \$2.81 per bushel.

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 21.—From three to five million bushels of northwest grain are held between Chicago and New York because of lack of railroad facilities, exporters declared. The railroad does not favor Pacific shippers because they are not regular customers. Most of the grain was consigned to Europe and ships are waiting at New York to receive the cargoes. One exporter is paying a thousand dollars a day demurrage.

China partly sends \$20,000 worth of goods to the United States.