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BRITISH PREPARE TO DEFEND DARDANELLES

England Ready to Fight Turkey Over Freedom of Straits.

London.—Large British forces with heavy artillery have been landed at strategic points in the Dardanelles, prepared for any eventuality.

Great Britain is prepared to fight to maintain the freedom of the Dardanelles.

The Near Eastern crisis has given rise to fears that the Turkish nationalists might turn from their successes over the Greeks to attack the neutral zone around Constantinople.

With this in mind, Great Britain is reinforcing her troops in Constantinople and has ordered the Mediterranean fleet to oppose by every means any infringement of the neutral zone or any attempt by the Turks to cross over to Europe.

Great Britain also has invited Greece, Roumania, Jugo-Slavia and the British dominions to give their assistance in this, if necessary. France and Italy are said to agree with Great Britain on the necessity of maintaining the neutrality of the straits.

The British government holds that if the allies were driven from Constantinople by the forces of Mustapha Kemal it would be an event of the most disastrous character, producing far-reaching reactions, not only throughout all the Moslem countries, but throughout all the states defeated in the late war, who would be profoundly encouraged by the spectacle of the undreamed of successes which have attended the efforts of the comparatively weak Turkish forces.

Moreover, the reappearance of the victorious Turks on the European shore would, it is held, provoke a situation of the gravest character throughout the Balkans and very likely lead to bloodshed on a large scale in regions already cruelly devastated.

SMYRNA IS VAST TOMB OF ASHES

Smyrna.—Smyrna, which the Turks have called the eye of Asia, is a vast sepulchre of ashes. Only the shattered walls of 25,000 homes and the charred bodies of countless victims remain to tell a story of death and destruction unexampled in modern history.

No effort has been made by the Turks to remove the dead and dying. The streets are full of the bodies of those who sought to escape, for the most part women and children.

Every building in the Armenian quarter has been burned, with the dead lying about. The bay, which covers an area of 50 acres, still carries on its surface the remnants of those who were massacred or sought to escape the ruthlessness of the foe.

On the water front crouch thousands of survivors who fear death in another form at the hands of the soldiery; there are no boats to take them off.

MUSTAPHA SEEKS ALLIES

Russians and Bulgars May Join Hands With Turks.

London.—With the allies standing firmly together in opposition to surrender of Constantinople, the Turkish nationalist leader, Mustapha Kemal, was reported endeavoring to line up allies and possibly precipitate another great war.

Agents of Mustapha are in Sofia conferring with Bulgarian cabinet chiefs regarding a Turkish-Bulgarian alliance. Russian troops in the Caucasus are reported to be concentrating to aid Mustapha, but this is not confirmed.

Greeks, Serbs and Rumanians are increasingly apprehensive at Bulgarian military activity along the Transcaspian border and the official press of these nations openly threaten drastic action unless these warlike actions are discontinued.

LOCAL NOTES

Don't forget the P. T. A. meeting on Friday afternoon, September 29. We will meet early if you will come, and will make our session short.

Mr. and Mrs. Mulkey were dinner guests at Mr. and Mrs. Earl Cramer's on Thursday evening.

The John Partlow baling crew is baling hay for the association in the East end. At this time they are baling at the Larsen ranch.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Mefford are back on their homestead. Their new boy is doing well.

Have you seen the new addition Uncle Harry Murchie is building to his home? Look it over once.

Mrs. B. Watkins is back on her job and we are all glad that she is and that Dale is much improved.

Mr. Cahoon took a load of livestock to Arlington Wednesday for Mr. Kutzner.

A stork shower was given by Mrs. Ray Brown and Mrs. Cahoon on Friday last, for Mrs. Ernest Brown.

Mrs. Boardman was a guest at Mrs. Hereim's Wednesday.

Mr. Messenger is putting up hay on Mr. Anderson's place this week.

Frank Cramer is building a garage on his lots which will accommodate the cars belonging to Mrs. Watkins and Mr. Mulkey.

Mr. and Mrs. King, and Mr. and Mrs. Kutzner were guests at Mrs. E. K. Mulkey's last Sunday. They had the opportunity of meeting Mrs. Mulkey's sister who had arrived, with her family, the day before from Grass Valley.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Cramer took dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Glen Hadley's on Monday.

Mrs. George Mefford's mother came here with her from Lexington and left Tuesday night on one of the night trains.

Little Harold Mitchell was attacked by a cow Sunday. He was not hurt seriously. He wanted to see the new calf and as he ran toward it, he fell down when the cow attacked him, but Mr. Albright and Mr. Mitchell, who were near, rescued him before he was hurt very badly.

The Ford Caravan, consisting of 31 cars, trucks and ractors which leaves Portland, on September 29, for a tour of the state, will be in Boardman on Wednesday, September 27 for one hour, 9:15 a. m. to 10:15 a. m. at the Boardman Garage. There will be a big demonstration of what a Ford can do, which will be followed by a free watermelon feed. Everybody come and watch the Ford.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Clay Warren, at Portland, on Tuesday, September 12, a daughter.

Last Saturday evening the American Legion Auxiliary entertained the Legion at a picnic supper at the Green House. After the bounteous "feed", all the old-fashioned games were played. All had a good time and the men are hoping the women will soon order another picnic. Those who attended were: Mr. and Mrs. Morgan, Binns, Macomber, Stewart, Root, Lee, Goodwin, Rands, Davis, DeWeese, and Miss Ida Mefford and Messrs Al Macomber and Ople Waggoner.

OREGON NEWS NOTES OF PRINCIPAL EVENTS HAPPENING DURING WEEK

Between 11,000,000 and 12,000,000 spring, or royal chinook, salmon are now being liberated in the waters of the Columbia river district, according to announcement of R. E. Clanton, director of hatcheries. These fish are between 8 and 11 months old and are being liberated from the Bonneville, Herman creek, Mackenzie and Oak Ridge hatcheries.

Professor James Dryden, head of the poultry department of the Oregon Agricultural college for the last 14 years, will not be on the faculty any longer as a result of his resignation and its acceptance. Professor Dryden developed the 300-egg Oregon hen, which has won much publicity for the college. During the last year he has been on leave of absence.

A total of 21,815 soldiers' bonus claims have been approved by the world war veterans state aid commission, according to a report prepared by Captain Harry Leubaugh, secretary of the commission. Bonus claims aggregating \$8,527,826 have been paid, while claims amounting to \$3,772,000 have been approved but checks have not yet been mailed.

On account of much of the spring wheat being down so badly that it is impossible to save it with the binders or other harvesting machinery, the demand for stock hogs and feeders is strong in the agricultural district between LaGrande and Baker. The hogs are being turned into the cut-over wheat field and will be fattened on the grain left in the field.

It is reported on good authority that negotiations by the Sperry Flour company for taking over the properties of the Portland Flouring Mills company, which have been pending for some time, have been completed. This is the largest transaction in the history of the flour milling business on the Pacific Coast as these are the two largest milling companies west of the Mississippi river.

Statistics prepared by the state highway department covering the operation of vehicles in Oregon during the period 6 A. M. to 10 P. M., Thursday, August 17, showed that 20.63 per cent of the passenger cars passing given points on that date carried foreign licenses. A total of 57,598 vehicles were observed by the division engineers on duty during the hours covered in the report.

Richard M. Brumfield, Roseburg dentist, under death sentence for the murder of Dennis Russell of Dillard.

Douglas county, committed suicide in the Oregon state penitentiary at Salem by hanging himself with an improvised rope made from strips of canvas torn from the mattress of his bed. Brumfield was the first man under death sentence who has committed suicide after being received at the Oregon state penitentiary.

The state board of control, at a meeting held in Salem, considered the applications of four persons who seek to succeed E. S. Tillinghast as superintendent of the Oregon state school for the deaf. The applicants for the position whose names are now on file with the board of control include W. E. Taylor of Boulder, Mont., Thomas P. Clark of Vancouver, Wash., O. L. McIntyre of Fulton, Mo., and Daniel T. Cloud of St. Louis, Mo.

There were six fatalities in Oregon due to industrial accidents during the week ending September 14, according to a report prepared by the state industrial accident commission.

The victims were: Barton A. Warner, riverman, Newberg; Clyde G. Steele, electrician, Grants Pass; Andrew Varillas, rigger, Brookings; John Birke, helper to planerman, Brookings; Martin Sheasley, mechanic, Brighton, and E. W. Trout, engineer, Mt. Hood.

Oregon pensions have been granted as follows: Mary L. Meyfield, Central Point; Alfarata Pettit, Roseburg, \$30; Mary M. Ferguson, Pendleton, \$20; Rosa E. Barry, Hillsboro, \$12; Lucinda Deacon, Forest Grove, \$30; John A. Ruger, Ashland, \$12; Margaret Trumbly, Portland, \$30; Omar Wilson, Prineville, \$12; James D. Crain, Reedsport, \$12; Minnie E. Turner, McMinnieville, \$30; Anna G. Baker, Winberry, \$18; Eliza A. Hildreth, Butte Falls, \$30; Ida F. Sweeney, Portland, \$30.

The Oregon public service commission has sent to the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph company, with headquarters in Portland, the first of a series of questionnaires to be prepared by the commission in connection with the rehearing of the rate case affecting the telephone corporation. The rehearing will open in Portland October 2. The questionnaire relates to the par value of authorized capital stock of the company, amounts of stock issued, total amount of outstanding indebtedness, municipal franchises or privileges held by the company, valuations of the various exchanges operated by the company, operating revenues, number of customers and expenses.

OPPORTUNITY TO HEAR UP-TO-DATE LECTURE

It is very seldom we have the opportunity to hear an up-to-date lecture. Dr. Benson was abroad two years ago and is very anxious to tell the Boardman people about "England, France and the battle fronts". He will lecture to us on Friday, September 29, and his lecture is based on his observations in Europe. The admission is 25 cents for adults and high school pupils, 15 cents for grade children. It will be held in the auditorium. Everyone come and let us take advantage of this rare opportunity.

PIONEER BOARDMAN FAMILY CONTEMPLATES MOVING AWAY

We think it nothing short of a calamity that the Boardman family is moving away. We have learned to lean on these, our sturdy pioneers, so much that we find ourselves staggering even at the thought of losing them. We do not want to be selfish but we have not learned or have never once thought we could get along without them.

BOARDMAN PROJECT AND MIRROR GET BOUQUET

One of our subscribers appreciated our humble efforts and grasps the wonderfulness of our project: Boardman Mirror.

Boardman, Oregon, Dear Sir:

Enclosed you will find check to cover my subscription for the coming year. Have just returned from a visit to your vicinity and the paper will be much more interesting now. At the present time am reading 16 papers and magazines but always watch for the Mirror as our son is located there in Boardman. I wish to thank you specially for the "straight from the shoulder" editorials. Have never read better ones and have had papers from all over the U. S. Here's wishing prosperity to your paper and progress to your community. It is hard for us valley people to realize the greatness of your project work. It is indeed wonderful to change a desert to garden, orchards and homes. It was one wonderful trip and one long to live in our memory.

Miss Grace Taylor, of Portland, She was Mrs. Cramer's nurse while in the hospital two years ago. Miss Taylor was enroute to Pendleton to take in the Round-Up.

ALL MINERS TRAPPED IN ARGONAUT DEAD

47 Bodies Are Found Behind Bulkhead in Crosscut at 4350 Feet.

Jackson, Cal.—All 47 of the miners entombed in the Argonaut mine August 27 are dead, it was announced officially.

A note found on one of the bodies indicated that all the men had died within five hours of the beginning of the fire August 27, officials said.

All the miners were found behind the second of two bulkheads they had built in a cross-cut 4350 feet down in the Argonaut mine.

The officials declared the mute evidence of the men's struggle showed they were 47 of the most cool-headed men imaginable.

Sixteen of the entrapped miners removed their clothes to provide material for stuffing the cracks in the wooden barrier, hastily constructed.

Then another barrier was built of rock, earth and debris. However, the gas and fumes from the fire apparently seeped through the first bulkhead and the men fled from the site where they were building the second one, to start a third farther on.

This third attempt to wall off the death-dealing gas was made at the end of the 4350-foot cross-cut in the Argonaut, but the fact that only a bare start was made at it proved, the mine officials said, that the deadly gases reached it and performed their fatal office before the 47 unfortunates could raise even an excuse for a barrier.

PRESIDENT VETOES SOLDIER BONUS BILL

Washington, D. C.—The soldier's bonus bill was vetoed by President Harding.

In returning the measure to congress without his approval the executive, in a message to the house, declared that he was in accord with the avowed purposes of the bill, but that he could not subscribe to its provisions.

Outlining the reasons for his veto the president said that congress had failed, first of all, to provide the revenue from which the bestowal was to be paid. He added that the ultimate cost could not be estimated definitely, but that the treasury figured the total at \$750,000,000 for the first four years with a final charge in excess of \$4,000,000,000.

The house passed the soldiers' bonus bill over President Harding. The vote was 258 to fifty-four, or fifty more than the necessary two-thirds majority.

Senate Passes Tariff Measure

Washington, D. C.—Final legislative action on the tariff of 1922 was taken Tuesday with the adoption of the conference report by the senate. The measure now goes to President Harding and will become effective the day after he signs it. Under the law he has ten days in which to attach his signature. The senate vote was 43 to 28 and came exactly one year and eight months and 13 days after work was started on it and will be the first republican protective tariff law in the last ten years. Five republicans voted against the conference report and two democrats supported it.

Callows Elect Grand Sire

Detroit, Mich.—Judge Lucien J. Easton was elected grand sire of the sovereign grand lodge, Independent Order of Oddfellows, in convention here. Judge Easton lives in St. Joseph, Mo.

Hearst Men Lose New York Primaries

Albany, N. Y.—Most of the candidates for delegates to the Democratic state convention who were pledged to vote for W. R. Hearst for governor were defeated in Tuesday's primary.

