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## SAVING A RUBENS MASTERPIECE



Removing the "Assumption of the Virgin" from Antwerp cathedral for the purpose of hiding it in a cellar to save it from the vandalism of German raiders.

## ANTWERP LEVY IS \$100,000,000

### Germans Make Big Demand for War Indemnity.

### Commanding General Tells Citizens His Forces Have Entered City as Conquerors.

London—Germany has imposed a fine of \$20,000,000 (\$100,000,000) on Antwerp as a war indemnity.

The population of Antwerp is about 292,000. The levy, therefore, is approximately \$342 per capita.

A dispatch to the Reuter Telegram company from Amsterdam says that General von Beseler, commander of the German troops that captured Antwerp, has issued the following proclamation:

"To the inhabitants of Antwerp: The German army has entered your city as conquerors. No citizen shall be harmed and your property shall be spared if you refrain from hostile acts. All refractions will be punished according to the law of war and may lead to the demolition of your beautiful city."

The Hague correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph company says that Prince August Wilhelm, the fourth son of the emperor, was among the first to penetrate the fortifications of Antwerp. He sent an enthusiastic message to the emperor, who replied, bestowing the Iron Cross on the prince and General Beseler.

According to a report received here from The Hague, Baron von der Schuett has been appointed governor of Antwerp and has notified the Belgian refugees in Holland that they may return unmolested with all guarantees for their safety.

It is said that the German soldiers are active in mastering the fire.

The Germans agreed in the terms of capitulation not to disarm the civic guards or make prisoners of males between the ages of 18 and 30 years.

Berlin—The German official report on the capture of Antwerp says: "The first shot was fired on September 28 against the outer line of forts. On October 1 the first forts were taken by assault. The river Nethe was crossed by the German infantry and artillery on October 6 and 7.

On October 7 Antwerp was notified that a bombardment was imminent and this was begun at 12:40 o'clock in the morning of October 8. Simultaneously an attack was made on the inner forts.

**Japanese Report Advance.** Tokio—The following statement relative to Japanese operations at Tsingtau, east of government of the German concession of Kiau Chow was given out here Monday: "The German forts, warships and aeroplanes are trying vainly to arrest the Japanese advance. We are sustaining no damage. Japanese warships have silenced the fort and driven a warship out of range of their guns. Our aviators answered an unsuccessful attack by German airmen on Japanese mine draggers by flying over Tsingtau and dropping bombs."

**Turks Active in Syria.** Paris—A dispatch to the Havas agency from Athens says: "The newspapers here say it is announced from an authoritative source that the Turks are showing much energy in Syria, Palestine and North Arabia, where they are concentrating troops at several points and fortifying important ports on the coast and on routes to the interior."

## Germany Is Preparing to Attack Great Britain

\* Amsterdam—Reports are current in Berlin that the Krupp have completed enormously heavy guns of a calibre and range never before attempted and that a large fleet of Zeppelins is being collected near Kiel awaiting a favorable opportunity to sail for England, according to the statements of a British newspaper man who has just returned from Berlin to Amsterdam.

Artillery officers assured this correspondent that the new Krupp guns have a range of about 25 miles and probably are destined for use at some channel port in event the Germans secure a foothold there. He also says that the aeroplane factories in Germany are working day and night supplying machines and that 200 aviators are qualifying for military service every week.

"The British are more hated than either the French or Russians," he said. "The Germans would rather capture one Englishman than 20 others. In Germany England is blamed for it all, rightly or wrongly. She is accused of being at the bottom of this war. Neither officers nor men of the German army seem to have much regard for the British army as a fighting machine, but they freely admire the pluck of the British officers and the rapid range-finding abilities of British artillery."

"Judging from what I saw in Berlin, that city at this moment holds an odd five or six army corps of able-bodied young men attached either to the first or second reserve or to the landsturm. The same proportionately may be said of all the other German cities. Everywhere I was struck by the boundless enthusiasm for war."

## World's Baseball Series Won by Boston Braves

Boston—The Boston National league club completed the most remarkable record in modern professional baseball by defeating the Philadelphia Athletics in the fourth and final game of the world's series at Fenway Park Tuesday by a score of 3 to 1.

Beginning with their rout from last place in the senior league in the middle of July, the Braves have broken traditions and records in the National sport with speed and abandon during the last three months.

They emerged late in the afternoon champions of the universe, leaving a trail of startling surprises and upsets in their wake which it will be hard to duplicate in years to come.

Last and far from the least of their accomplishments was the overthrow in four consecutive games of the world-famous baseball machine of Connie Mack, with its hundred thousand dollar infield, home-run heroes and corps of skillfully blended veteran and youthful pitching stars.

To the victors belong the spoils and the credit, and unexpected as was the crushing defeat, the Mackmen took it in sportsmanlike spirit, praising the winners and offering no excuses for their failure to hold their national league rivals in check. In fact, none are available, for the Bostonians for the Bostonians out-played and out-gamed their more experienced opponents in every game and department of play. The best that could be said of the Athletics by their warmest admirers was that the team, neither collectively nor as individuals, appeared to get going in the form shown in previous world series.

## Fraud Convictions Stand.

San Francisco—The United States Circuit Court of Appeals denied an appeal of Charles E. Houston and John H. Bullock from their sentence in 1912 to a year in prison and fines of \$2000 each on conviction of conspiracy to defraud the government in the sale of coal. The appeal was made on technical grounds which were upheld in one dissenting opinion. Houston and Bullock were found guilty in the Federal courts in Washington of having combined to exact exorbitant prices for coal delivered to army officials in Seattle in 1908. Between them Houston and Bullock obtained \$92,041 on checks signed by Quartermaster J. E. Baxter. The government charged that they had stifled all bidding and that the money obtained were far in excess of a reasonable price for the coal.

## Return of Belgians Up.

Berlin—Negotiations are in progress between The Netherlands and Germany for the return of Belgian refugees to The Netherlands. Permission has already been given for the return of women. A question has arisen, however, concerning the military age of Belgian men. Many of the Belgian men in Holland are said to be soldiers who donned civilian attire before crossing the frontier. These refugees are becoming a burden to Holland. The German government recognizes this and is trying to solve the problem. A conference was held between the German envoy to the Netherlands and the Dutch minister of the interior.

## Tentons Fortify Belgium.

London—"The German positions in Belgium are equal to those on the Aisne," says a Central News dispatch from Ostend. "In addition to Antwerp they have prepared reinforced concrete works heavily mounted with guns, extending from a point east of Louvain to a place north of Vilvorde, on through Alost and Brussels south to a point south-east of Brussels. There is also a continuous line of fortifications from Liege through Namur and Mons to Valenciennes. Thus, should the Germans be beaten, they would be protected."

## NEWS NOTES OF CURRENT WEEK

### Resume of World's Important Events Told in Brief.

Twenty-seven cases of cholera are reported in Vienna.

At the fall of Antwerp 20,000 troops were made prisoners.

A German submarine is responsible for the sinking of a Russian cruiser, together with 568 men.

Ferdinand, nephew of the late King Charles, of Rumania, has ascended to the throne of that country.

It is claimed that Italy has spent \$1,000,000 a day since the war began in preparing her army for war.

The Boers, subjects of Great Britain, are said to be in revolt and wish to establish their own republic.

It is reported from Petrograd that Germany has ordered all officers and men, regardless of age, to the colors.

The Boston "Braves" won the world's series from the Philadelphia Athletics by taking four straight games.

Governor Hunt, of Arizona, has ordered the State Guards to prepare to protect the territory along the Mexican border.

The 22 men charged with murdering Archduke Francis Ferdinand and his morganatic wife, which is said to have started the European war, are on trial in Austria.

Six hundred wounded Frenchmen, returned from the front, were killed in a railroad wreck when the train was precipitated from a trestle into the Marne river.

"It is stated that the Germans lost 45,000 men during the attack on the fortresses Waelhem and Wavre-St. Catherine at Antwerp," says a Central News dispatch from Amsterdam.

The return for last week issued by the Reichsbank of Berlin shows an increase of 544,000,000 marks (\$136,000,000) in specie notes, while circulation shows a decrease of 292,000,000 marks (\$73,000,000).

The following official statement was given out at Paris: "There is nothing in particular to report. Violent attacks have occurred along the front. We have gained ground at some points and we have not lost at any place."

In a dispatch from Rome, the correspondent of the Central News says that Montenegrin troops are now only eight hours' march from Ragusa, the Austro-Hungarian seaport in Dalmatia, the fall of which is believed to be imminent.

The London Daily Mail's Amsterdam correspondent says Berlin newspapers are distributing posters announcing that the civil population is leaving Belfort, a fortified French town in the so-called territory of Belfort, in fear of a bombardment.

The French embassy at Rome has issued a communication saying that the French cannon of long range landed at Antivari September 22, have all been transported to the top of Mount Lovcen, from which a bombardment of Cattaro, Dalmatia, has begun.

British war office reports large numbers of officers, 236 are killed, 686 wounded and 322 missing.

A dispatch to the Havas Agency from Cetinje says: "It is reported here that the Rumanian Prince Ghika, who has arrived at Scutari, will try to profit by the present critical moment to have himself proclaimed Prince of Albania."

"The communal council of Ostend has passed unanimously a declaration that the town is ready for every sacrifice in order to resist the German advance to the last moment," says the London Daily Telegraph's Ostend correspondent.

The French authorities have seized food supplies valued at between \$1,500,000 and \$2,000,000 which had been deposited on the docks at Havre by a German firm. The action was taken to prevent the supplies from being taken aboard.

A dispatch from Petrograd says the Russians have driven the Germans from Wloclawek, Russian Poland, 36 miles southeast of Thorn, East Prussia, and have fortified themselves within a few miles of the fortress of Thorn. The German left wing in Poland is said to have been partly enveloped.

A dispatch to the Havas Agency from Rome says: "It is reported that at a meeting of 27 Liberal and Democratic members of the chamber of deputies, a resolution was adopted declaring that armed neutrality corresponds with the exigencies of the moment. The resolution also expressed confidence in the government."

Leaders of the opposition party in Japanese legislature are opposed to limiting Japanese activity in the war.

Borgerhout, a suburb of Antwerp, has been set on fire by the German bombardment, according to a dispatch from Amsterdam.

A dispatch received in Rome from Russian headquarters says that the intimidation has been given to the Austrians holding the town of Przemysl, Galicia, that they will be permitted to surrender with military honors, but that if they refuse the Russians will give them no quarter.

## State to Lease Two Lakes Rich in Salt Deposits

Salem—The State Land board has decided to lease Albert and Summer lakes, which contain rich salt deposits, and announced that it would advertise for bids at once. All bids must be received by December 10, and must be accompanied by certified checks or bonds for \$10,000 as guarantee of good faith on the part of the bidders.

Inasmuch as there is a difference of opinion as to the value of the salt deposits, the board decided that it would to the best interest of the state to lease the lakes rather than sell them outright, as had been proposed. It is planned that the state be given a royalty of 25 per cent or more and that it be guaranteed a minimum payment annually.

C. A. Sheppard, of Sheppard & Brock, Portland, appeared before the board in the interest of Jason Moore, of New York, who represents an Eastern syndicate.

Mr. Moore recently offered the board in the neighborhood of \$2,000,000 for the lakes, the offer being declined. Another offer of more than \$2,000,000 was received, but a bond of \$5000 required by the board was not given.

Mr. Sheppard asked that the bids for leasing the property be opened as soon as possible so, in case his client was successful, a company could be organized in time to escape payment of war tax on stocks and bonds, which, he thought, would amount to about \$15,000. Governor West and State Treasurer Kay, however, said the board had made it a rule to give 60 days for filing bids, and could not deviate from it. Mr. Sheppard suggested that the board investigate a California law which provides that the state receive 25 per cent royalties on similar deals.

## Oregon School Students Win Panama Fair Trip

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis—Ten young farmers, housekeepers and artisans who won first place in one of the ten industrial club projects at the recent State Fair in Salem, will have a trip for one week to the Panama-Pacific Exposition at San Francisco with all expenses paid.

These competitors who have succeeded beyond all others in their particular kind of work were scored both on exhibits at the State Fair and reports and records of their work, which were forwarded to Professor F. L. Griffin, of the Agricultural college.

The following list of winners in the various projects with places of residence have been given out for publication:

Jessie Kent, canning and preserving, Ferrydale, Polk county; May E. McDonald, sewing, Dallas, Polk county; Frances Hawley, cooking and baking, McCoy, Polk county; Kenneth Russell, pig feeding, Monmouth, Polk county; Charles C. Claus, corn, Brownsville, Jackson county; Aubrey Meyer, potatoes, Lake Creek, Jackson county; Perry Pickett, vegetable gardening, Salem, Marion county; Paul Jaeger, manual arts, Sherwood, Washington county; Vernon Rains, poultry raising, Myrtle Creek, Douglas county; and Oscar Snyder, dairy herd record keeping, Creswell, Lane county. Both project and booth exhibits were judged by members of the Agricultural College Extension force.

The expense of these trips will be borne by numerous business firms in Portland and other parts of the state who were interested in the work by O. M. Plummer. Details of the trip have not yet been arranged.

## Attractive Prizes Offered at Redmond Potato Show

Redmond—Many attractive premiums are being presented at the Fourth Annual Potato show this week. Some of the prizes offered are:

Silver loving cup value \$25, presented by the Great Northern railway for the 86 largest potatoes, any variety; for the best general exhibit of farm products grown by an individual exhibitor, open to all farmers in Crook county donated by the Oregon Trunk railway, first potato digger, second \$10 in cash; for the largest and best display of different varieties of potatoes, not less than one crate of each, open to all growers, donated by the O. V. R. & N., a cultivator.

A new feature of this year's show is a eugenic contest.

Among the speakers are Professors E. B. Pitts, H. T. French and J. E. Larson and Mrs. Robbins, of the Oregon Agricultural college.

## Hay Warehouses Filled.

Baker—Farmers of Baker county are storing large quantities of hay in the warehouses at Haines and a large amount of hauling is being done to the hay center of the county. Portland markets are reported to be overstocked, causing extreme dullness in prices, and farmers are counting on better conditions. The Baker county hay crop is far above average and the crop is said to be so large that in event it is not taken ultimately by the Portland market it cannot all be fed to stock. The Baker warehouses are already filled. A few shipments are being made by those farmers who do not care to take any chance on advancing prices. Others are shipping hay on contracts made earlier in the year.

## Wrecked Cattle Caught.

Baker—After nearly two weeks of incessant work, Curtis Haley and A. E. Lucas have completed a roundup of the cattle which escaped from a wrecked train near Sumpter last month. They drove in on horseback with 200 of the cattle which escaped at that time and scattered all over the hills. All but six of the herd were found. They turned the cattle over to the Sumpter Valley railroad. The company assumed liability for the loss. It is said that the men who conducted the roundup were handsomely rewarded.

## Special Session Obviated.

Salem—Having been informed that the \$450,000 allotted by the Interior department for irrigation work in this state would be available until June next year, Governor West said that he would not call a special session of the legislature. Believing that the appropriation expired the first of next year, the governor some time ago announced that a special session was a possibility. His plan then was to legislative action securing the money to the state. Under the present arrangement action may be taken at the regular session.

## C. F. Stone Is Appointed.

Salem—Governor West confirmed the report that Harold Clifford, of Baker, had resigned as a member of the State Fish and Game commission, and C. F. Stone, of Klamath Falls, had been appointed to the place. Mr. Stone formerly was a member of the commission, but resigned several months ago with other members because of dissatisfaction with the attitude of M. J. Kinney, another member.

The members who resigned said Mr. Kinney was "cantankerous" and that they did not care to serve on the board with him.

## Lumber Industry Revives.

Baker—The Stoddard Lumber company mills at Whitney are preparing to resume work within the next week. The mills have been shut down owing to the falling off of orders after the start of the war in Europe. Large orders received from the trade in America, however, have caused a revival of the business. Logging operations have started near Whitney, a large number of teams and men having been sent out under Joe Nelson, the company foreman.

## ANTWERP FALLS, LONDON RUMOR

### Another Report Says That 3000 Germans Are Captured.

### No Fewer Than 200 Kaiser's Big Siege Guns of Large Calibre Hurl Destroying Shells.

London—The Morning Post Saturday says that it has been informed by a good authority that Antwerp has fallen.

The official press bureau says it is unable to confirm the foregoing.

The Daily Telegraph Rotterdam correspondent, telegraphing Friday, however, says:

"A more hopeful view prevails here regarding Antwerp. Refugees from that city declare that not a single German soldier has yet entered Antwerp."

"Stubborn fighting is proceeding before the Antwerp fortifications," says the Daily Mail's Ostend correspondent, telegraphing Friday.

"Four assaults have been repulsed at No. 4 fort at Vieuxdieu. The bombardment of the town appears to be diminishing somewhat in intensity."

"According to the latest advice from Belgians made a successful sortie from Antwerp, which resulted in the capture of 800 Germans and forced the enemy to recross the River Nethe, abandoning their guns at Lieth."

"Every sign indicates that Antwerp is falling," the Daily Chronicle's Antwerp correspondent says in a dispatch dated Thursday. "It is possible the town will be surrendered."

"The main streets are deserted, but there are 20,000 panicky people on the quays and around the railroad station, waiting to leave."

"The town is in flames throughout the southern section and no attempt is being made to quench them."

The Daily Chronicle's Rotterdam, Holland, correspondent, under date of Friday, says the situation in Antwerp is critical and that the town is virtually deserted except for the Belgian troops.

"Every house here," the correspondent continues, "is packed to the roof with refugees, and other refugees are camping around the railroad stations. Antwerp's civil guard was disbanded on Wednesday."

An Amsterdam dispatch to the Reuter Telegram company says that 32 German merchant ships, including a large number of steamers, have been blown up in the port of Antwerp.

A dispatch to the Daily Express from Antwerp says:

"At 3 o'clock Friday morning all the back part of the city was a mass of flames."

"The loss of life in the city is appalling. The aristocratic suburb of Berchem has been burned."

"Thousands of refugees are arriving here and the steamers for England are packed," Reuter's Ostend correspondent says.

"In the siege operations against Antwerp the Germans are using no fewer than 200 guns of 11, 12 and 16-inch calibre, some of them having a range of more than eight miles. The bombardment of Antwerp Saturday began at half past nine o'clock at night and stopped at 10; only to be renewed with increasing violence at midnight."

## Belgium Famine Protest Is Made to America

Washington, D. C.—The Belgian minister filed with the State department a protest from his government against the threatened famine in Brussels, said to be due to the ravages caused by the German army. The message from the Belgian foreign office and filed with the department says:

"The civil authorities of the Brussels agglomeration inform the government that Brussels faces famine. Violating once more the rights of mankind, and namely, article 43, of the fourth convention of The Hague, the German army, after having taken away from the population an important part of its resources, is getting ready to let it starve. The same information is coming from Namur and Luxembourg."

"The Belgian government protests with the utmost indignation against this revolting act of barbarism and brings it to the knowledge and appreciation of the civilized nations."

"The Brussels agglomeration" is the name given to the city proper and the surrounding suburbs, which are formed by one civil community."

## Educator Defends Kaiser.

University of California—"The European war came about against the interests, against the desires and against the efforts of the German Kaiser," said President Wheeler, in a recent address. He described a long talk he had with the emperor in June, 1913, just before he celebrated the 25th anniversary of his accession. During the conversation the Kaiser reviewed the experiences and problems of his empire. The president, who is a warm friend of Emperor Wilhelm, maintained that the ruler had always advocated peace.

## Four Killed in Tornado.

Joplin, Mo.—Four persons were killed and five were injured, two probably fatally, when a tornado swept a farming district nine miles southwest of here Saturday. The four killed and three of the injured were members of one family.