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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 infraction 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 Mustafa Kemal Pasha 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 haggard 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 Turkey.

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

Agents of Mustafa 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 Mustafa, but this is not confirmed.

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

London.—The League of Nations assembly at Geneva voted unanimously to admit Hungary to membership, said a dispatch from that city.

Senate Passes Grain Exchange Bill. Washington, D. C.—The senate passed without a record vote the Capper-Tincher grain future bill regulating transactions on grain exchanges.

## SPECIALIZE ON CHINCH BUGS

Particular Reason Why Farmers Should Act to Protect the Bobwhite Quail From Hunters.

Every shot fired this season at the bobwhites that are wintering in your fields is a shot at your pocketbook, says Farm and Ranch. Quails destroy millions of hibernating bugs that would otherwise awake in the spring to fall hungrily upon the product of field and garden.

"While you fight the chinch bug, redouble your efforts to increase bobwhite quails," says A. C. Burill of the Missouri College of Agriculture. "They are said to eat from 500 to 1,000 chinchbugs a meal, and their stomachs crave another meal every two hours. At least, this is the usual rate of digestion in most insect-eating birds. Quails are the only wild birds which specialize on chinch bugs in the winter season."

To protect the bobwhite the most effective plan is for several farmers co-operatively to publish a notice in the county papers forbidding hunters to shoot quails on their premises. This has been done successfully in several Missouri communities. Many county papers are running such notices properly drawn up by a lawyer and kept standing in the paper throughout the hunting season. In such cases the publishers will add the name of any farmer in the county and keep it there for, say, 50 cents for the season.

Protect the quails; they will fight your bug battles for you—winter and summer.—Our Dumb Animals.

Detroit.—"Henry Ford's four big plants in Detroit will be idle several months, it is believed, and their 100,000 workers jobless, together with other Ford workers throughout the country, was indicated when the last of the workmen were ordered to turn in their tools. Henry Ford and his son, Edsel Ford, refused to amplify their statements of three weeks ago that the plants would close as a protest against exorbitant coal and steel prices and the alleged conspiracy of coal and railroad men.

Second Field Inspection of Mountain Seed Spuds

E. R. Jackman of the Oregon Agricultural College extension service will be on Weston mountain next Monday and Tuesday to make the second field inspection of seed potatoes. He will be accompanied by Fred Bennion, county agent.

Mr. Jackman is scheduled for an address at a meeting at Weston Mountain school house next Monday evening, September 25, arranged for by the mountain community club.

It is expected that at this meeting preliminary organization will be effected of the Weston Mountain Seed Potato Growers association. Dates will be definitely set, also, for the mountain potato show, which will be held in Weston the latter part of October.

Colonel Paul Weyrauch of Walla Walla, leading orchardist and president of the Blue Mountain Highway association, has promised to attend this meeting, and the mountain men are looking forward to his coming with pleased anticipation.

Death of Mrs. Delilah Hill. Delilah Hill, the daughter of James and Sarah Colman, was born in Illinois in 1835. She moved with her parents to Iowa when young. At the age of 20 she was married to her life companion, William T. Hill. In 1871 they came west and settled in Oregon where they have since resided.

Mrs. Hill passed away at her home in this city, Saturday, September 16th her life partner having gone on before her, in 1903.

Mrs. Hill was the mother of nine children, all but Heaton remain to mourn her loss. They are, Turpin of Forest Grove; Oscar of Merced, California; Percy of Albany; Reed and Nola of Athena; Jerome and Mrs. Ida Downing of Freshwater; and Mrs. Carrie Rogers of Pendleton. There are also 12 grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

The funeral services were held at the family home in Athena, at two o'clock Monday afternoon, Rev. W. S. Gleiser of Hood River, officiating, interment was at Athena cemetery.

Football Practice. Professor Basler, coaching the Athena high school football team has the squad out every evening, putting the athletes through a stiff pace. Pendleton opens the football season in Athena on October 14. Beryl and Alton Hodgen have entered school, starting in Monday of this week, and their presence on the team greatly strengthens it.

## P. T. PLANS RECEPTION TO ATHENA TEACHERS

A meeting of the Parent-Teachers association was held Tuesday afternoon in the school building, with Mrs. W. O. Read presiding. Mrs. R. B. McEwen acted as secretary. Mrs. Read stated that the meeting was called for the purpose of arranging for a public reception to the faculty of the Athena schools, and discussion followed.

The date of the reception was placed for Friday evening, October 6, and the place will be in the school building.

Committees were appointed by the president as follows: Entertainment—Mrs. D. Scott Fisher, Mrs. Rex Hopper and Mrs. O. O. Stephens.

Refreshments—Mrs. H. A. Barrett, Mrs. J. L. Michener, Mrs. C. M. Eager, and Mrs. R. B. McEwen.

Decorating—Mrs. C. H. Smith, Mrs. Arthur Shick, Mrs. M. L. Watta, Mrs. L. Hodgen and Mrs. W. R. Harden.

Kitchen—Mrs. Fred Pinkerton, Mrs. Roy Burke and Mrs. F. B. Boyd.

Further announcements will be made next week, and program given. It is desired that every member of the Parent-Teachers association and all interested in the schools, participate in the welcome to the teachers. Especially are all newcomers in the district cordially invited to be present.

Whitman Gets Prize. Thursday evening, September 28 in Whitman college chapel Samuel Flagg Bennis, professor of history at Whitman, will be publicly presented with the Knights of Columbus cash prize of \$3000 in recognition of the merit of his monograph "The Jay Treaty" which was unanimously acclaimed by the historical commission of the Knights of Columbus to have been a "masterpiece of history writing." Arrangements for the presentation are now being made by Dr. S. B. L. Penrose, President of Whitman College, and James H. Cain, of Seattle, state deputy of the Knights of Columbus.

Kansas City Interested. Two thousand sacks of spuds are expected to be realized from the Hodgen field south of Athena, and indications are that the quality will be A. I. Inquiry from a Kansas City buyer has been received, and in all probability the Hodgen crop will be marketed there in carload lots.

Duck Season Opens. The open season for hunting migratory birds is on, and the lower end of the county is now the objective point of many sportsmen. Messrs. A. C. and Grant Prestbye, Dr. C. H. Smith and Arthur Douglas made the trip to the lower Umatilla Friday and bagged several ducks.

Increased Enrollment. The enrollment of students in high school has increased materially over the number of past years. Forty-nine students are attending high school this year, and probably more will enter.

## EXPIRATION DATE IS DECEMBER 16TH

December 16th of this year has been set as the last day applications for vocational training made by disabled war veterans may be accepted by the United States Veterans' Bureau, according to an announcement received from L. C. Joseph, northwest district manager of the government agency.

He urged that all former service people who feel that they may seek training at the expense of the government at a later date file their applications with the nearest office of the Veterans' Bureau within the next few weeks. The veteran has one year after request for training is granted to take advantage of it. If the vocational handicap is eliminated during the delay period, he may lose his training privilege, it was stated.

Mr. Joseph stated that awarding of vocational training claims is based on service connection of the war disability, which must be a vocational handicap and the feasibility of the applicant entering training. The trainee is paid \$80 and \$100 a month additional allowances for dependents living expenses during his course of study. More than 900 disabled veterans of the Pacific Northwest have successfully completed training courses and 3,300 others are now in training, it was stated.

Within the next month, the Veterans' Bureau will present certificates of graduation to the training students who have completed their work satisfactorily. An employment service was recently established by the Veterans' Bureau to place the vocational graduates in positions. Approximately 700 veterans are learning the business of farming while others are taking up work along industrial, trade and clerical lines.

Smoker September 30. The definite date selected for holding the American Legion smoker has been set Saturday, September 30th. An exceptionally fine card of boxing events will be offered the sporting public. Top-liners to be announced later for the main event are being secured, and the preliminaries promise to be regular goeters.

The main event features Ernie Ferron of North Yakima and Roy Cup of Walla Walla. They fight at 135 pounds.

The semi-final takes on Tarwater and Garth Stahl, both husky hard fighters.

The preliminaries feature Gail Anderson vs. Oulsey; Dutch McPherrin vs. Red Leonard; curtain raiser between a couple of fast kids.

Death of James Mitchell. James Mitchell, formerly a resident of Athena, where he operated a Blacksmith shop, died last week at the L. J. Foss home, near Redmond, Oregon, after an illness extending over a period of several years. His wife, who was Miss Mattie Foss, survives him. A. A. Foss of this city returned home Thursday, after attending the funeral.

## CAR SHORTAGE DENIED BY SERVICE COMMISSION

Reports received at the offices of the Oregon public service commission during the past few days tend to refute reports that a serious car shortage exists at present, and that shippers probably will encounter difficulty in obtaining carriers for the transportation of this year's crops. This was announced by a member of the Oregon public service commission.

Reports received at the offices of the commission from the various railroad corporations operating in Oregon indicate that all orders for cars thus far received have been filled promptly, and there is no need for alarm on the part of the shippers.

In case there is a shortage of cars at any time in the future, members of the commission said they would exert every effort to protect Oregon shippers. Such a situation could be relieved, the commissioners said, through the proper distribution of cars among western carriers and by providing heavy penalties for failure to unload cars promptly.

In order that the shippers of Oregon be fully protected, reports are now being demanded daily from the railroad corporations. These reports show the demands for cars and the number of carriers available.

No Backache for the Healthy. That lumbago, sciatica and other forms of backache are to be regarded as reflex neuralgias, like that due to decayed teeth, is a theory advanced by Dr. Folke Lindstedt of Stockholm, as the result of examinations of 1,578 recruits for the Swedish army. Out of the total number, 1,578,117, or 7.4 per cent, had suffered from lumbago, sciatica or backache. Among those with "serious morbid conditions," the number who had suffered from lumbago was 24.5 per cent; among those with minor ailments, the number was 6.1 per cent, and among the perfectly healthy it was only 1.7 per cent. In the case of sciatica, 3.46 per cent of those with serious morbid conditions had suffered, and only 0.12 per cent of the healthy recruits.

World Wheat Bearish. "The world is bearish on wheat." This remark was made by a large operator at the close Saturday, in explanation of the indifference on the part of the buyers abroad as well as in all exporting countries, despite the low level of prices. At the same time it is apparent that bearish conditions which have dominated the markets for months are well discounted. Dollar wheat is not high, considering the purchasing power of a dollar. It is now from a producer's standpoint, as wheat and grain values have not responded to improved conditions.

The 47 Found Dead. The forty-seven miners entombed in the Jackson, California mine for three weeks, were found dead by the rescuers Monday evening. They were found behind a bulkhead they had constructed to keep out poisonous gas. Officials of the mine estimate that all were dead within five hours after they were trapped in the burning mine.

At the Round-Up. Most everyone in Athena will be guests at the Pendleton Round-Up tomorrow. The big show started yesterday morning, with a large attendance. A number of Athena men are assisting in putting on the show.

Diseased Potatoes. Portland announces that diseased potatoes are arriving on the market there in considerable quantity. Dealers have called on the authorities for an investigation. First grade Burbanks are quoted at \$1, and Netted Gems at \$1.25 in Portland.

## HELPED IN GOING THROUGH

Motorists Got to Their Destination, but "Papa" Had a Lot to Do With It.

A party of tourists was attempting to reach Pendleton on the Pendleton Pike between Indianapolis and Pendleton when one of those things that happen to motorists so frequently on country roads happened. It was the day after a heavy rain and the ground was thawing rapidly when this party descended hub-deep in good, old Hoosier mud. Through some trick of luck, assisted by elbow grease, the automobile was rescued from the mud hole and the party about-faced to inquire at the nearest farmhouse of another route to Pendleton.

A small country boy came to the door and seemed very reluctant to give information as to the condition of other roads leading to Pendleton. "Have any other machines been going through on this road?" the boy was asked.

"Sure, they all have been going through. Papa's been taking 'em through for \$4 apiece. You guys is is the first customers we have lost," replied the boy with a deep frown.

A look around disclosed that papa too was disheartened at the good luck of the motorists in getting out on their own power, because he had his team hitched up ready to increase his mud-hole income for the week.

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The Standard Theatre is again in position to offer its patrons a series of big super-special pictures, but in order to do so the pictures must necessarily be exhibited on Wednesday evenings, with a few exceptions.

The first big picture will be exhibited on Saturday, October 2nd, when "The Sheik" will be shown. The first Wednesday night offering will be "The Last of the Mohicans," Cooper's masterpiece, on Wednesday, October 11th. It will be exhibited in connection with a school program, and a portion of the receipts of the evening will be given to the school athletic fund. Thereafter, on every other Wednesday evening a big supper will be screened. Following "The Last of the Mohicans" the great picture, "Smiling Thru" will be offered on Wednesday evening, October 25th. By arrangement of screening the big pictures on Wednesday evenings, business men and church people will have better opportunity to see them.

A new series of Christie and Mermaid comedies have been secured and the Saturday and Sunday programs strengthened with the cleanest pictures obtainable.

Promises Record. A hen of O. A. C. stock is again coming into the limelight and may pull down a world's record for her breed. It was but a few months ago that Lady Dryden, an O. A. C. Plymouth Rock hen, captured the Plymouth Rock record by laying 324 eggs in a year. With another month to go, White Leghorn hen No. 38, owned by Alexander Stewart, has laid 300 eggs in the farm bureau egg laying competition at Santa Cruz, Cal.

Hall Denies Rumor. Rumors that Charles Hall, independent candidate for governor, is to withdraw were set at rest by Mr. Hall himself, who denied that he had any such intention, and who expressed himself as well satisfied with his political situation. "No," said Mr. Hall, "I have not thought of withdrawing, nor can I imagine where such a story originated. Certainly there is nothing in it, I shall carry on just as I have said I would."

Grain and Hay Show. The Northwest Grain and Hay Show opened in Pendleton Monday morning, and will continue during the week. Exhibits are made by growers of Oregon, Montana and Idaho in competition for the \$1000 in prizes. A big list of entries is reported, and much interest is being manifested.

## 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 soldier's bonus bill over President Harding's veto. The vote was 258 to fifty-four, or fifty more than the necessary two-thirds majority.

Defer Daugherty Inquiry

Charges to Be Heard by Congress in December. Washington, D. C.—By a vote of eight to three the house judiciary committee postponed consideration of the Keller impeachment charges against Attorney-General Daugherty until the short session of congress, beginning in December.

Decision to defer action virtually was reached at a conference of republican members of the committee at which it was contended that the hearing should not proceed while Mr. Daugherty was in Chicago in connection with injunction proceedings against striking railway employees, the basis for the impeachment charges.

Action by the committee with democrats voting in opposition, was taken a short time after Representative Keller, republican, Minnesota, who had sought impeachment, had announced that Samuel Untermyer of New York, would represent him before the committee.

Interest Rate Barred From Ballot. Salem, Or.—The so-called 6 per cent interest rate amendment initiated by J. F. Albright of Oregon City, will not go on the ballot at the November election unless by order of the supreme court. This was made certain here when Judge Percy Kelly of the Marion county circuit court, held for the plaintiff in the suit brought by the state of Oregon on relation of John H. Carson, district attorney of Marion county, to prevent the secretary of state from placing the amendment on the ballot.

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HOW DISCREET WE USED TO BE ABOUT SMOKING (CORN SILK) OUTDOORS—AND NOW