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MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

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BALKANS WIN ROUTING TURKS KIRK KILISSAH

SOFIA, Oct. 24.—An official despatch to a news agency here this afternoon announces that Kirk Kilissah has fallen into the hands of the Bulgarian army. No details are given.

LONDON, Oct. 24.—Despatches from Sofia to the Exchange Telegraph here today say that the Bulgarian forces have captured Kirk Kilissah. No confirmation of the report has yet been received from any other source.

Even if the reports that Kirk Kilissah has fallen prove true, it does not mean the end of the great battle near Adrianople, which still must be taken before the way to Constantinople is open.

Reports of the fighting are conflicting. One despatch from Sofia says that a Bulgarian aviator flew over the forest of Adrianople at a height of 1200 feet, avoiding the rifle fire and securing the plans of the defense.

Despite the Constantinople claims that the Servians have been routed, despatches from Belgrade declare that the Serbs are surrounding Ushak and have been victorious everywhere.

Greek reports that they have routed the Turks to which they were opposed near Servio are uncontradicted. Messages received this evening from the Bulgarian lines say the troops at the front are rejoicing over the fall of Kirk Kilissah.

REGISTRATION FOR GENERAL ELECTION WILL EXCEED 6200

The office force of County Clerk Coleman is still engaged in closing the registration books of the county but owing to the large number of registrations received on Saturday night and Sunday from notary publics throughout the county the work is very slow and it will be several days before the lists are complete and the number of registered voters in each precinct of the county known. The number of registered voters this year will exceed 6200, a gain of nearly 1000 over two years ago at the state election.

In 1910 the total number of registered voters in the county was 5,227; this number being considerably increased by the number sworn in on election day. This year the registration list will exceed 6200 and with those who are sworn in on election day probably 6400 or 6500 votes will be cast in this county.

According to the registration lists the nine Medford precincts should cast in the neighborhood of 2200 votes. The Ashland vote will be in the neighborhood of 1350.

It will be the first of next week before the county clerk will have the lists complete, and it will be possible to determine the number of registered voters in each precinct.

BRITAIN CHRISTENS LATEST DREADNAUGHT

DEVONSHIRE, England, Oct. 24.—Christened by Lady Gwendolin Churchill, sister of Home Secretary Winston Churchill, the Marlborough, Great Britain's latest dreadnaught, was launched here today in the presence of a distinguished gathering of naval, militia and civil officials.

The Marlborough originally was to have been christened by the Duchess of Marlborough (formerly Miss Consuela Vanderbilt) but owing to the latter's illness the honor was transferred to Lady Churchill.

ALLIED ARMIES TO CONVERGE AT ISLAM CAPITAL

VIENNA, Oct. 24.—Locked in a death grapple, out on the outcome of which hangs the fate of Islam in Europe, Moslem Turks and Christians and Bulgars continued today their battle for the fortress of Kirk Kilissah, the fall of which, it is admitted, will pave the way to Adrianople's fall, the ultimate capture of Constantinople and the probable expulsion of the Mohammedan from Europe.

Sweeping in from the northeast, the Bulgarian army has cleft its way almost to the walls of Kirk Kilissah, and, spread out in a wide crescent formation, is steadily pushing back the Turks to the very walls of the fortress. Vasilika and Tirnovo have already been occupied by the Christians, and their advance forces almost surrounding Kirk Kilissah, they are desperately battling for its fall before pushing on to Adrianople, only about twenty miles west.

Heading his valiant mountaineers, King Nicholas of Montenegro is known to be gaining victories over the Moslem in the wilds of Albania. On the Montenegro frontier the Christian arms have met with no serious repulse.

Striking at Turkey from the south, the Greek forces under Crown Prince Constantine, have captured the Turkish town of Servio, and hold the bridge over the Aliakmon river.

"News is almost entirely tidings of Christian victory. Only a severe defeat for the allies at Adrianople, apparently, can check the allies, which, from the converging lines of their armies, it is hourly growing more certain is aimed at Constantinople itself.

NEGRO TRAFFIC IN WHITE SLAVES

CHICAGO, Oct. 24.—Spurred to action by evidence of a nation wide organization which reaps an enormous profit by supplying white girls to wealthy negroes, Chinese and Japanese, government officials in every important city of the country today received orders from Washington to take steps immediately to stop such traffic. Evidence produced in the federal grand jury investigations here of a white slave case, in which pugilist Jack Johnson and Lucille Cameron, a white girl, figure, makes it almost certain that such an organization exists.

A score of instances where white girls had been shipped from state to state to negroes, Chinese and Japanese were given to the United Press here this afternoon by Arthur B. Farwell, president of the law and order league.

HEAVY REGISTRATION FOR GENERAL ELECTION

SALEM, Ore., Oct. 24.—Nine counties in the state have made their final registration returns for the November election to the secretary of state.

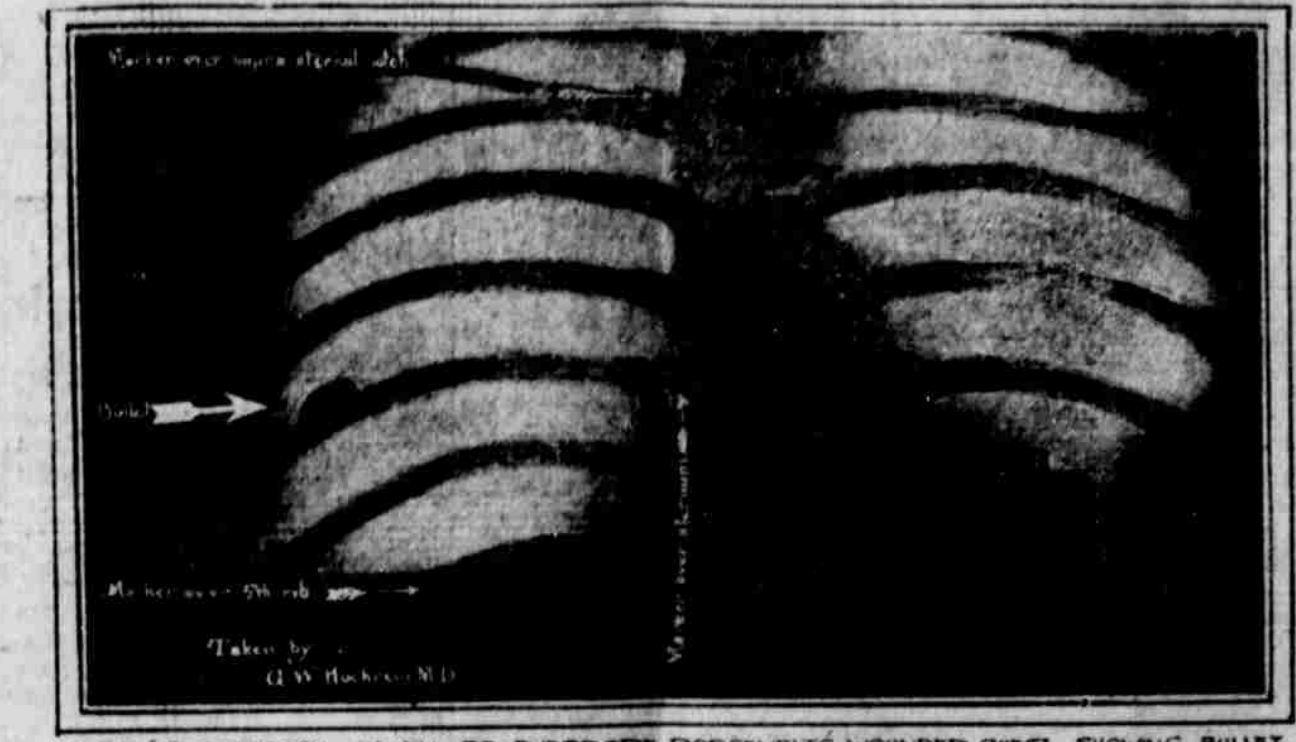
They are Columbia, total registration 2219; Sherman 778; Grant 1545; Lincoln 1328; Klamath 2741; Morrow 982; Benton 2451; Gilliam 748; Umatilla 4623.

Registration was heavy throughout the state, running somewhere over 15 per cent of the number registered before the primaries.

GREEK VICTORY AT SERVIO IS COMPLETE

ATHENS, Oct. 24.—King George of Greece is today being put forward here as a candidate for the presidency of a permanent alliance of the Balkan states.

WOULD-BE ASSASSIN'S BULLET LOCATED BY X-RAY PHOTOGRAPH



X-RAY PHOTOGRAPH TAKEN OF THEODORE ROOSEVELT'S WOUNDED CHEST, SHOWING BULLET.

THREE TO ONE ELECTION ODDS FAVOR WILSON

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 24.—Local betting on the election has begun in earnest and large sums are pouring into the commissioners' boxes. Tom Corbett, who handles thousands of dollars on every election, expects the election on November 5 to be one of the heaviest betting propositions in years. In the presidential fight Wilson is a strong favorite, his admirers offering 3 to 1 that he will be elected. The reverse figures obtain in the cases of Taft and Roosevelt. On the state, even money is offered that Roosevelt will carry it by 20,000, and 10 to 7 that he will be top man, without any figures being named.

A number of combination bets have been recorded, the one most favored being that Wilson will be first and Roosevelt second in the general result, 7 to 10 being offered on this proposition. Other combination bets are as follows: Wilson first, Taft second, 3 to 2; Wilson second, 7 to 2; Taft first, Roosevelt second 8 to 1; Roosevelt first, Taft second, 10 to 1, and Roosevelt first, Wilson second, 4 to 1.

WOMEN OF BERLIN RAID MEAT SHOP

BERLIN, Oct. 24.—Because 2000 women raided a butcher shop in the Wedding district, demolished the place and looted it of meat, all the other butcher shops in that section here closed today and barricaded their doors. The demonstration was due to the "dear food" riots.

EVANS CREEK GROWS WORLD'S BIGGEST ONIONS

The Evans creek section of Jackson county is acknowledged to be one of the most fertile spots to be found and there is nothing planted in its soil which does not mature into a product worthy of more than casual mention.

As a positive demonstration of the fertility of this section Lewis Sivens has sent to the Medford Commercial club a sack of Bermuda onions which are the largest and best onions ever exhibited anywhere. The average weight of the individual onion is two pounds. They may be seen at the Commercial club exhibit rooms.

RECORD BREAKING HOP SALES IN WILLAMETTE

PORTLAND, Oct. 24.—Record breaking hop sales are reported from all points in the Willamette valley. Four thousand bales, scaling from twelve to twenty cents a pound have been disposed of so far, ninety per cent of the business being for the account of short sellers, who are forced to deliver by the last of the month.

NEGRO BRANDS CHAMPION AS AN UNDESIRABLE

CHICAGO, Oct. 24.—Jack Johnson, negro heavyweight champion of the world, today stands partly exonerated in the eyes of the Appomattox club, a negro organization, which at a meeting last night considered Johnson's alleged treatment of Lucille Cameron, a white girl. The meeting favored the champion until the name of Booker T. Washington was mentioned. Johnson who was present, denounced the educator.

Major John Lynch, a former negro congressman, was the only speaker to criticize Johnson. "This man Johnson," he shouted, "is physically strong but mentally weak. Some have been proud of him as a fighter but never as anything else. I have regarded him as an undesirable citizen. Johnson does not have, and never can command the respect of the decent and intelligent men of his race."

"You wouldn't dare to say that if you were a younger man," broke in Johnson. "Oh, yes, I would," evenly answered Lynch, continuing his denunciation.

SALEM BLUNDER MAKES EXTRA WORK FOR COUNTY CLERKS

Because someone blundered a great deal of extra work has been placed upon the county clerks of the state according to County Clerk Coleman who received a night lettergram from Secretary Olcott this morning calling attention to a mistake in the title of an initiative measure to be voted upon November 5. The title of the measure as it now appears upon the ballot reads "5 For the amending of section 1, article 6, of the constitution" when it should read "for the amending of section 1, article 4 of the constitution."

As the ballots have all been printed throughout the state it will necessitate going over every ballot and sample ballot with a pen making the correction. As there are 22,000 of these in Jackson county alone it gives some indication of the amount of work the county clerks must do to rectify the matter.

SALT LAKE MURDERER IS SHOT TO DEATH

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, Oct. 24.—Walking with steady tread into the prison yard, James Riley, convicted of the murder of George Fassell, a grocer, in 1910, allowed himself to be blindfolded, and strapped to a chair and legally shot to death at the state penitentiary here today.

BRUTALITY OF NEGRO CAUSED WIFE'S SUICIDE

NEW YORK, Oct. 24.—More light was thrown on the alleged brutality and depravity of Jack Johnson, the negro pugilist, here today by Mrs. David Terry, mother of Mrs. Etta Duryea Johnson, the negro's white wife who committed suicide a few weeks ago. Crushed in spirit and broken in health, and with a physician constantly in attendance, Mrs. Terry told of the hard life her daughter was forced to endure with the giant negro.

"If my daughter's suicide," sobbed Mrs. Terry, "will serve as a warning to other girls, and if I thought it might save someone else from a similar fate, my own crushing burden of sorrow might be easier. I would feel that her death was not in vain."

"It would be wrong for me to tell what ought to be done to Jack Johnson. It is not for me to judge. God must do that, but every night I pray to God to punish that negro as he deserves."

"No one can ever know how cruel that negro was to Etta. He beat her so badly she was forced to go to a hospital. She was mortally afraid of him and ran away once, hiding in a hotel. I have seen my poor child with her eyes black and her face bruised. Before she went to Europe with him she told me she would rather die than go."

FLUCTUATING DAY ON STOCK MARKET

NEW YORK, Oct. 24.—Further irregularity in prices was noted at the opening of the stock market today. Hill stocks and Canadian Pacific were down about a point, but the metal issues and some of the specialties made slight gains. Trading was dull during the early market but picked up gradually. Republic Iron and Bethlehem Steel were particularly strong.

WEST OFFERS REWARD FOR OWNERS OF DIVES

SALEM, Ore., Oct. 24.—Governor West today issued a proclamation offering a reward of \$100 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of any owner, lessor or lessee in the state of any building conducted as a disorderly house. This startling edict, although expected for some time, is expected to send hundreds of persons against whom it is directed scurrying for cover.

COOS COUNTY ENDORSES HOME RULE MEASURE

COQUILLE, Ore., Oct. 24.—At a meeting held here the permanent organization of the Coos County Good Roads Association was perfected, with A. T. Morrison, of Coquille, as president; J. E. Norton, of Coquille, secretary, and George P. Topping, Hancock; E. E. Johnson, Coquille; Dr. Bartle North Bend; Dr. Johnson, Myrtle Point, and D. C. Green, of Marshfield, as vice-presidents. The membership of the organization was placed at \$1 and at the meeting over 20 members joined the organization.

The principal object of the organization is the fostering of good roads throughout the county, with the first preference given to a hard surface trunk road from the Douglas county line, on the Middle Fork road to Myrtle Point, thence to Coquille and branching there to continue through Marshfield and North Bend to Sunset Bay, the seaside home of Mayor Simpson, of North Bend; the other branch to proceed from Coquille down the Coquille River to Bandon and thence down the coast to the Curry county line, near Langlois.

Endorse Home Rule Bill
In the course of the deliberations of the body the matter of enabling acts was thoroughly discussed, with the result that the following resolution was adopted by a unanimous vote of the organization:

"Resolved, That the Coos County Good Roads Association endorses and recommends to the voters of the county and state initiative measure numbered 360 and 361 on the official ballot at the coming election as the best measure pertaining to the bonding of counties for the building of permanent roads, such measure being designated as the county home rule constitutional amendment."

In furthering the dissemination of this resolution of the body, a committee of three was named with instructions to communicate with the various political and civic bodies of the state asking their support of this measure. In support of this request the body has given as reasons for the passage of this bill the following:

Arguments in Favor
First—That it is the only proposed law which will enable Coos county to raise a sufficient fund to build the necessary permanent roads.

Second—That, under the provisions of this measure the matter of the amount of the bond issue is left wholly to the judgment and discretion of the county in which the tax is assessed and the fund expended.

Third—That, while in some counties a 2 per cent bond issue may be adequate, and that in others a 5 per cent bond issue may be needed, in Coos county and some others of the state neither of these maximum limits will be adequate for the building of the necessary permanent roads.

Fourth—That this measure, if it becomes a law, will not, in any case, work a hardship upon those counties where a small bond issue is ample, but that it will enable those needing a larger fund to raise the same.

Fifth—We contend that the amount of the bond issue should be left wholly to the people of the counties interested and that the state as a whole should not set a maximum limit on the bond issue upon individual counties.

BOMB OUTRAGES PUT IN EVIDENCE

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Oct. 24.—Business correspondence which passed between himself and John J. McNamara, was produced at the trial here today of the forty-seven members of the International Association of Bridge and Structural Ironworkers charged with illegally transporting dynamite, by Henry Pohlman of Seattle, financial secretary and business agent for the Ironworkers' local union. These letters will be read to the jury later.

Judge Carver of Trenton, N. J., described an explosion at Pelham Bay, N. J., and J. T. Lone of Cleveland described one which occurred there. James Wurts of Philadelphia told of two explosions in April, 1908, which wrecked the elevated structure erected there by the American Bridge Company.

BECKER'S FATE NOW IN HANDS OF TRIAL JURY

NEW YORK, Oct. 24.—The fate of Police Lieutenant Charles Becker, charged with having instigated the murder of Gambler Herman Rosenthal, now rests with a jury. Justice John W. Goff's charge was concluded at 1:55 o'clock this afternoon, and the jury immediately retired.

Becker lounged idly in a chair during the reading of the court's instructions to the jury. He only showed interest in Justice Goff's charge when the court, before sending out the jury to deliberate on the case which meant so much to him, said: "If you find that Jack Rose had Rosenthal killed while acting under instructions from Becker you must find the defendant guilty of murder in the first degree."

Justice Goff's charge was lengthy. In outlining the case he said if the jury found that Becker told Jack Rose that he wanted Rosenthal killed, and that if Rose acted upon such instruction and killed Rosenthal, they must find Becker guilty of murder in the first degree.

Becker was dissatisfied with Justice Goff's charge to the jury. As he was on his way to the Tombs he characterized the judge's instructions as most unfair.

OIL TOO POOR TO MAKE GAS FOR MEDFORD

Because of the poor quality of oil furnished by the Standard Oil company, Medford, Ashland and other towns of the Rogue River valley are practically without gas. Scarcely any pressure obtains and the Oregon Gas and Electric company state that the reason is that the oil is so inferior in quality that gas cannot be made from it.

At the same time all auto owners and garages are loudly complaining over the poor quality of gasoline the Standard Oil is furnishing. The gasoline has evidently been adulterated with water, as water is found in no small quantity in it.

The local Standard Oil agent says it is the fault of eastern oil, the last shipments having been made from the east instead of from California, where the demand has been greater than the supply. This however does not account for the difficulty at the gas plant where crude oil is burned.

Evidently the Standard Oil is taking advantage of its monopoly to adulterate all of its products. The gas company state that the oil is part water and so heavy that it cannot be pumped. New cars are on the way, but there is no guarantee that the product is any better and the conditions are likely to last several days or longer.

SERBIAN HOSPITALS FILLED WITH WOUNDED

BELGRADE, Servia, Oct. 24.—The hospitals here are filled with wounded soldiers sent home from the front. Scores of private residences have been pressed into service to care for the injured.

There is a constant succession of funeral processions along the streets.

SCARCITY OF CATTLE EXISTS IN NORTHWEST

PORTLAND, Oct. 24.—For the first time in the history of the northwest a scarcity of cattle prevails in the interior of Oregon and Washington, and the packers there are compelled to replenish their supplies from the Portland markets.

The Mail Tribune is issued under difficulties today—lack of gas preventing the setting of much type.