

TURKS CHANGE TACTICS—NOW ON AGGRESSIVE

Sheket Pasha, New Premier, Takes Charge of Lines at Tchatalja and Will Abandon Policy of Defense for One of Attack.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Feb. 5.—Heavy firing heard here tonight from the direction of Tchatalja leads to the belief that Mahmoud Sheket Pasha has reached the lines, and is carrying out his announced intention, has ordered the Turks to attack.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Feb. 5.—Fierce fighting at the lines of Tchatalja with the Turks taking the offensive for the first time since the Balkan struggle began, is predicted here today coincident with the departure of Mahmoud Sheket Pasha, premier and grand vizier, for the front.

Turks to Attack

While the officials of the port refuse to give out any definite information of the coming tactics of the Turks, it is freely stated in military circles that the policy of defense has been abandoned by the Young Turk leaders, and that the re-organized and strengthened army behind Tchatalja will rally forth under Sheket's command to make a supreme effort to drive back the Bulgars before their flanking attack on the Dardanelles forts can open the way to Constantinople for the blockading Greek fleet.

The Turkish plan, it is believed here, is to have the 45,000 Turks and Arabs now opposing the Bulgars at Callipoli peninsula put up as stiff a defense as possible until Sheket's frontal attack will force the allies to withdraw their troops engaged in the flanking movement.

Adrianoople in Danger

The decision to take the offensive is probable, has also been forced by the imminent danger of Adrianoople. After a cessation of firing there last night the Turkish commander, Shukribey, again refused a summons to surrender and the Bulgars and Serbs making the attack are expected to storm the city unless relief speedily comes. It is to prevent this massed attack that the pasha's movement was undertaken.

NARROW ESCAPE FOR KAISER'S SON IN RAIL WRECK

VIENNA, Feb. 5.—Prince Wilhelm Eitel Friedrich, second son of the kaiser, narrowly escaped death today, when an express train on which he was traveling from Bucharest to Berlin crashed into the rear end of an oil tank train near Mediaeh.

The collision caused an explosion of the oil, the burning fluid flying over the wrecked coaches. Many persons otherwise were fatally injured, but the prince and his suite escaped unhurt and aided the injured. The prince had been in Bucharest to attend baptismal ceremonies incidental to Shrove Tuesday. Responsibility for the accident is placed with the crew of the oil train. It was on a siding awaiting passage of the express but the rear end protruded over the main track.

COLD WAVE HITS MIDDLE WEST

CHICAGO, Feb. 5.—One death and much suffering among the poor is reported here today as the result of the zero weather which has gripped the entire middle west. Wm. Chiles, a watchman, was found dead, frozen stiff near his home.

At Duluth, Minn., it is 24 below and at Devils Lake, N. D., 34 below.

COMMISSION MEN INDICTED FOR CONSPIRACY

Portland Ring of Produce and Fruit Brokers Declared to Have Violated Federal Anti-trust Act—Restricted Trade and Competition.

PORTLAND, Feb. 5.—Charged with conspiracy and unlawful communication to restrain trade under the Sherman anti-trust act, the United States grand jury today returned an indictment against ten Portland commission companies, members of the Produce Merchants' association.

Those included in the indictment are: Frank H. Page, Edward A. Bamford and C. N. Dilley of Page & Son; Timothy Pearson of Pearson, Page & Co.; John A. Bell and W. A. Mansfield of Bell & Co.; W. H. Dryer of Dryer, Hollam & Co.; Herbert B. McEwen of McEwen & Koskey; Mark Levy of Mark Levy & Co.; Charles R. Levy and Ed B. Levy of Levy & Spiegel; Ben Levy and John J. Cole of Ben Levy & Co., and G. W. Cardwell of the Pacific Fruit and Produce company.

The indictment is in two counts, one charging conspiracy and the other unlawful restraint of competition. They especially charge the association with restraining trade by refusing to permit any wholesale jobber doing business in Portland who is not a member of the organization.

Five produce brokers, alleged to have the "stand in" with the association and who control 90 per cent of the sales of produce in Portland, are mentioned as having directed all shipments to the association members, to the exclusion of all the independent wholesalers.

Another charge is that membership in the association was denied without the consent of three-fourths of its members and the payment of a highly excessive membership fee, which was prohibitive to the other independent merchants.

OLD FASHIONED WALSE IS AGAIN REAL THING

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—Mrs. Wm. Howard Taft, wife of the president, today has popularized the "one step" by dancing the old fashioned waltz at the army and navy reception at the White House last night with Lieut. Commander Timmons, naval aide on the president's staff. This means that the one step hereafter will be the "regular dance."

Last night's event was the biggest reception held at the White House under President Taft's administration. More than 200 persons attended.

PANKHURST DEFIES MAN GOVERNMENT

LONDON, Feb. 5.—Open defiance of a man-made government and British laws and officials who presided in a Bow street court today by Miss Sylvia Pankhurst, daughter of Mrs. Emaline Pankhurst, leader of the militant suffragettes, when given the alternative of paying a \$10 fine or going to jail for 14 days. Miss Pankhurst was charged with disturbing the peace.

"I accept neither alternative," said Miss Pankhurst, when sentence was pronounced. "I have not disturbed the peace. If I am sent to jail I shall start a hunger strike." She was sent to jail.

WATER POWER TAX BILL DEFEATED BY HOUSE

SALEM, Feb. 5.—The house today defeated Representative Schubel's water power tax bill. This bill provided for a tax on all used and unused water power in the state.

Actor Tearle Dead

BRIGHTON, Eng., Feb. 5.—Edmund Tearle, England's foremost Shakespearean actor since the days of Henry Irving, died here today.

GIRL SINGER SEEKS \$500,000 HEART BALM



GERTRUDE W. HASSLER.

Miss Gertrude Hassler, a singer, is the plaintiff in the \$500,000 breach of promise suit brought against Carl Fisher, a millionaire club man of Indianapolis, Ind. The case is attracting attention throughout the entire country, especially because of Mr. Fisher's alleged statement that he "could buy up a judge and any pinheaded jury in the country with his money" should Miss Hassler sue him.

WILSON TO KEEP SILENCE ABOUT CABINET CHOICE

TRENTON, Feb. 5.—Intimation that he may not give out the names of his cabinet members until his inauguration was made here today by President-Elect Woodrow Wilson. Asked when he might have this information ready for the press, Wilson said:

"I have not arrived at any conclusion even regarding the approximate date on which I will announce my cabinet. I find it frequently has happened in the past that the cabinet was not announced by the president-elect until March 3 or on inauguration day. "I recall that the public was kept guessing over the identity of President Cleveland's second cabinet until the names were sent to the senate. I mention this to show there is no important need for an early announcement."

Governor Wilson denied that his currency program contemplates a guarantee of bank deposits.

KENT IS FIGHTING GRAFT IN FAIR

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—With Congressman Kent of California heading the opposition, the battle over the Rodenburg bill appropriating \$2,000,000 for the Panama Pacific Exposition in San Francisco in 1915 and providing for a commission of seven members was staged in the house today. The Austin bill, carrying a \$500,000 appropriation for an exposition at Knoxville, Tenn., also was considered. Hand-painted views of the San Francisco fair grounds and of the buildings as they will appear when completed were exhibited in the house lounging rooms. Little opposition to the \$2,000,000 appropriation is apparent among members of the house, the principal objection being to the appointment of a government commission of seven members at high salaries.

Congressman Kent, who favors the appointment of but one commissioner is openly denouncing the plan for a commission of seven members as "a gigantic graft."

ELKS PLAN TO HOLD IMPORTANT MEETING

The Elks will hold an important meeting Thursday evening at which every member is requested to be present. A matter of great consequence to the lodge is coming up and it is desired that it be given the consideration of as near the entire membership as possible. Aside from the business feature there will be an out of the ordinary feed.

GIDDY TIGHTS DANCING GARB OF SMART SET

Society Women of Philadelphia Go the Limit in Pre-Lenten Dance That Lasts Until Daylight—Costumes of Adam and Eve.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 5.—Garbed in giddy tights, the society women of Philadelphia made it clear to all the world today by a pre-lenten masque ball which broke all records for revelry that the name of "Slow Town" fits their burr no more. Many of the women at the ball were attired in tunics falling just below their hips and pantaloons or fleshings completed a picture which was never outdone in the dizziest functions ever pulled off in "raw Chicago" by Hinky Dink or Bothhouse John.

Smart Set Present

Scores of the most prominent society women in the east were present at the event. Eighty per cent of them taboored dresses, and if there are any who today do not know what the lower half of Philadelphia society looks like, they either are blind or were not at the ball.

At midnight when lent came, the revelry was at its height. The clock was stopped and the dancing and wining proceeded until the superintendent of Horticultural hall, where the ball was held, turned out the lights, after daylight began to stream through the windows early today. Even then the dancers wanted to continue the festivities but the superintendent was adamant and "the hottest" ball Philadelphia ever saw was at an end.

Few Wore Dresses

Only a few of the society women thought to wear dresses, and those who did were regarded with scorn. Society characterized the affair as the most brilliant event in the social history of the city, but the average Philadelphian is of the opinion that if Wm. Penn's corpse failed to turn over in its grave, it missed a fine opportunity.

Some of the debutantes and matrons wore what they called Eve costumes, but it is reported, some of the masques just brought along the fringe and tights, leaving the rest of the costume at home. Towards morning the revelry broke all previous records, and it was hinted that some of the dances stepped by the society women made the "bunny hug," "turkey trot" and "Dallas dip" look like the conventional waltz.

VON DER HELLEN'S BILL SIGNED BY GOVERNOR

SALEM, Feb. 5.—Governor West has signed senate bill 41, introduced by Senator Von der Hellen. The bill amends section 6307, Lords Oregon laws, relating to roads and gateways for lands not reached.

Other bills which passed were the following: By Smith, of Josephine, regulating the practice of pharmacy. By Smith, of Coos and Curry, specifying hours of labor on state contracts.

By Carson, amendment to section 548, Lord's Oregon laws, relating to judgment and decree.

By Moser, introduced at the request of the clerk of the supreme court, the supreme court justices, and the state librarian, authorizing the state librarian to exchange codes with other states, and foreign countries.

TAFT SIGNS LAW AGAINST LOAN SHARKS

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—Limiting the charges of pawnbrokers and "loan sharks" to one per cent per month in this city, a bill today signed by President Taft is expected to demoralize the enormous business of these concerns here. Many of those interested appealed personally to the president to veto the bill.

ERSTWHILE GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL IS ACCUSED



HERBERT W. D. PEIRCE

H. H. D. Peirce, once Third Assistant Secretary of the United States, is among those named as conspirators "combined" in the Russian seal frauds. Mr. Peirce and a fur expert are accused of aiding the collection of a false claim against the Russian government in which the slaughter of hundreds of thousands of fur seals is involved.

CASTRO BLAMES ASPHALT TRUST FOR HIS DOWNFALL

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—That the American Asphalt trust caused his downfall, and is endeavoring to keep him out of the United States, because he opposed a "grab" of Venezuelan asphalt lakes, is the claim today of Cipriano Castro, former president of Venezuela who is resisting deportation from this country.

The asphalt trust, Castro, declares, fears that the possible resumption of power by him in Venezuela would end its options on the asphalt lakes, and also fears his dealings with the American government if he is allowed to remain here would also place these interests in jeopardy.

The trust, he claims, is therefore trying through the immigration laws to keep him out of both countries. Castro's habeas corpus application will be heard in the courts here Friday.

TAFT TOLD TO CONSULT WILSON

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—The example set by Thomas Jefferson when he was succeeded to the presidency by James Madison was held up to President Taft today by Senator John Sharp Williams of Mississippi as a possible way to break the deadlock in the senate over confirmation of Taft appointments.

"The democrats," said Williams today, "are going to stand pat, and that means the republican members of the senate are helpless. If President Taft wants to secure confirmation of any of his appointments he should consult with Woodrow Wilson concerning the qualifications of the appointees."

"When James Madison was chosen to succeed Jefferson as president, although they were in full accord on the national policy, Jefferson ceased to make further appointments except such as were required to conduct urgent public business. Jefferson held that the people had transferred their trust to Madison, and that Madison was entitled to say who should hold office under him."

SPEEDY TRIAL FOR SMOKY CHAMPION

CHICAGO, Feb. 5.—The demurrer filed by Jack Johnson, negro prize fighter, against his indictment on a white slave charge, was overruled here today by United States Judge Carpenter. The date of the trial was then set for February 25.

Johnson's demurrer was based on the allegations that the Mann law is unconstitutional. After it was overruled the negro was arraigned and pleaded not guilty. He was promised a speedy trial by government officials.

TURKISH ARMS MEET REPULSE AT ADRIANOOPLE

Dispatches From Bulgarian Front Report Another Crushing Blow for Defenders Who Attempted Sortie and Lost 1000 Men Captured.

SOFIA, Feb. 5.—Dispatches from the Bulgarian front at Adrianoople tonight report another crushing blow at the Turks. Under Shukri Bey a large force of Turks made a sortie from the city but were repulsed by the Bulgars and 1,000 of them captured.

LONDON, Feb. 5.—Bombardment of Adrianoople which was expected from dispatches from Sofia, to have been stopped for 24 hours to allow the Turks an opportunity to surrender, has been renewed, according to later Sofia dispatches to Reuter's news agency here.

While no explanation is given, it is supposed the Turks flatly refused to surrender and the Bulgarians, deciding not to waste the 24 hours truce, reopened with their cannon at once.

It is expected here that a determined attempt to carry the fortress by storm will be made within a few hours.

LONDON, Feb. 5.—Dispatches received from Constantinople today deny that Scutari has fallen or that the Turkish commander there is negotiating with a view to capitulation. Official announcement in Constantinople says that the Scutari forces made a sortie capturing many battalions of Montenegrins and 400 carloads of ammunition and supplies. The Montenegrins, it is reported, were dispersed and paroled until the end of the war.

BOGUS BANKER CAUGHT IN ARIZONA

DOUGLAS, Ariz., Feb. 5.—After living in Douglas more than a year as banker and church worker, J. T. Wilson is under arrest today by the federal authorities who say he is J. M. Sims, who is under \$5000 bonds to answer a charge of using the mails to defraud in connection with the sale of stock of the American Trust company of Memphis, Tenn.

The case is pending in the United States district court for Western Tennessee. The arrest followed a chase of 15 months, the officers claim, which led from Memphis to Los Angeles, and thence to Douglas. Wilson was organizing a building and loan company when arrested. He declared he is the victim of mistaken identity and announced his willingness to go at once to Memphis.

The federal officers say five persons connected with the Memphis affair are serving penal terms. They also allege that the men operated in Iowa, Illinois and California.

EXTRA DIVIDEND FOR AMERICAN TOBACCO

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—Declaration of a 15 per cent extra dividend today to the holders of the common stock of the American Tobacco company indicates that the trust was not hit hard by the dissolution order of the United States supreme court. More than \$6,000,000 is to be distributed.

Including the amount to be distributed under today's declaration, the American Tobacco company has paid extra dividends of \$14,000,000 since it was dissolved.

ARMY SENTINELS START RUN ON SAVINGS BANKS

METZ, Germany, Feb. 5.—Frightened by the stationing of army sentinels at the banks, hundreds of depositors started to withdraw their funds today, until advised that an experimental mobilization of the 10th army corps was responsible for the presence of the soldiers.

PRE-ELECTION PROMISE IS SIDE-STEPPED

Mayor Elfert Spurns for Time Ordering "Investigation" of Monster Petition Asking Retention of Market Master—To Probe Public Market.

Face to face with a monster petition asking the retention of E. J. Runyard as market master, Mayor Elfert dodged the petition and his campaign pledge on Tuesday evening on the weak excuse of "investigation." The market master is to be "probed" as is the Mail Tribune and the popular petition, signed by nearly 800 citizens of the city.

"This petition," announced the mayor, laying one hand upon the bulky roll and rising to his feet, "is a political document. It is hereby referred to the finance committee of the city council for investigation. I want them to determine whether the names upon it are genuine or not, and whether politics were played in securing it. They will report upon the petition at the next meeting."

In addition to the petition presented by the Mail Tribune a petition from the farmers and gardeners who offer their wares for sale at the public market was received and read.

To Investigate Market

Sparring for time on the market question Mayor Elfert read a lengthy statement in which he called for specific answers regarding the conducting of the public market and named J. T. Summerville, W. M. Campbell and George H. Millar a committee to make a report on the matter. Attached to his statement was a certified copy of the ordinance.

The mayor's statement follows: The public market of this city has been the subject of considerable discussion since my election. I have been giving this matter some thought and consideration myself, because I am in favor of the market and believe it can in the future be made to serve the people of this city better than at present or in the past. I am of the opinion that the market is not now being conducted by the superintendent thereof in accordance with the law creating and governing it, but in a way that is opposed to and limits its usefulness. I

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JAPANESE VOTE LACK CONFIDENCE IN GOVERNMENT

TOKIO, Feb. 5.—By a majority of 234 votes the Japanese diet today voted a lack of confidence in the government as represented by the cabinet headed by Premier Count Katsura. After the vote the diet ordered a five day recess.

It is expected the government will dissolve the diet, but it is flatly stated that Premier Katsura will not resign. Instead he plans to ask the people to support the new party he is attempting to form.

The vote in the diet is the direct result of the budget arranged by Premier Katsura. As the nationalist members were leaving parliament today they were attacked by angry citizens. No one was injured, the damage being confined to broken hats and torn clothing.

SLIGHT DECLINES IN STOCK MARKET

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—The stock market closed dull today. Copper dropped 1; American was heavy, but declines were slight. Most of the active issues were heavy, due to legal obstructions to the conclusions of the subway negotiations, and failure to pay off the back dividend on American Can preferred. Standard Oil continued its advance, and American Tobacco fluctuated widely. Bonds were easy.