

TURKISH BATTLESHIP TORPEDOED BY BRITISH SUBMARINE IN DARDANELLES

WARSHIP DIVES UNDER MINES TO SHOOT TORPEDO

British Submarine Enters Supposedly Impregnable Dardanelles, in Difficult Current, Going Under Five Rows of Mines to Sink Turkish Battleship Messudieh.

LONDON, Dec. 14.—Reverses for Turkey at the hands of Russia on land and of England on the sea were chronicled in today's official war dispatches. Russian army headquarters in the Caucasus reports that the Turks, whose strong resistance to the invaders from the north compelled them to retreat now have been repulsed everywhere and are now being pursued beyond the Euphrates river, suffering heavy losses. The British admiralty announces that the old Turkish battleship Messudieh, which carried 600 men, has been destroyed by a British submarine. To accomplish the feat, the submarine penetrated the supposedly impregnable Dardanelles.

The bureau's statement is as follows:

"Yesterday submarine B-11, in charge of Lieutenant Commander Norman B. Holbrook of the royal navy, entered the Dardanelles and in spite of the difficult current dived under five rows of mines and torpedoed the Turkish battleship Messudieh, which was guarding the mine fields.

"Although pursued by gun fire and torpedo boats, the B-11 returned safely after being submerged on one occasion for nine hours.

"When last seen, the Messudieh was sinking by the stern."

The Messudieh was an old boat, having been built at Blackwell, England, in 1874, and reconstructed at Genoa in 1903. She was 332 feet long, 59 feet beam and of about 10,000 tons burden. She had a speed of 17½ knots and her main battery consisted of two 9.2-inch guns in turrets and twelve six-inch guns in battery. In the war with Greece in 1912 the Messudieh was reported badly damaged in a naval battle in the Dardanelles. She carried a crew of 600 men.

CONVICTS RAISE FUNDS FOR FAMILIES

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—Convicts in the Joliet penitentiary put into operation today a plan to raise a fund for the support of families of the men serving terms in the prison.

The 1336 inmates agreed to spend their spare time in the shops and turn their product over to an agent whom through sales would be made. All moneys received will go into a general fund for the support of wives and children of the prisoners. The convicts call their organization the Joliet Penitentiary Mutual Benefit Association.

The plan was proposed by "English Eddie," a skilled mechanic, regarded as one of the most notorious safeblowers in the country.

ONLY LITHIA PERMITTED FOR SOCIETY CABARET

To safeguard prohibition in Ashland, due and formal notice has been served upon the Rose society vandeville managers that when they offer acts at the Vining theater in that city tomorrow night, that no champagne be opened. The Puritanical fur of the guardians of the Granite City will be rubbed the wrong way if the cabaret scene is heightened by anything stronger than bubbling lithia, and they are fearful lest the well-known temperance virtues of that community be enveloped by a flank movement. Therefore, they issue an edict prohibiting something that is too high-priced for prosperity, let alone an off year for fruit.

ALLIES ADVANCE IN ALSACE BUT FLANDERS QUIET

Artillery Exchanges of Minor Importance in Region of Aisne—In Woevre, French Capture Trench and Repulse Two Counter-Attacks—Slight Progress Reported.

PARIS, Dec. 14.—French official statement given out in Paris this afternoon reports comparative quiet in Flanders and artillery exchanges of relatively minor importance elsewhere. In the Meuse, German batteries are said to be moving to the north. In the Woevre district the French captured a trench and repulsed two counter attacks. The advance of the French line into Alsace has brought it to a point north of Altkirch and about ten miles to the east of the frontier. The text of the communication follows:

Text of Communications
"There has been nothing of importance to report between the sea and Oise.

"In the region of the Aisne, to the northwest of Soupir, the enemy bombarded violently our entrenchments.

"We replied and demolished his position. There were no infantry attacks from one side or the other. Our artillery destroyed an important field work of the enemy in the vicinity of Ailles.

"In the Aronne, at the forest of La Grurie we have made slight progress by the use of mines. There were no attacks from the enemy.

"On the heights of the Meuse there has been violent cannonading. Batteries of the enemy would appear to have been moved to positions farther north.

Repulsed Two Attacks
"In the Woevre district, after having occupied a line of entrenchments along a front of 500 yards in the forest of Mortmare, our troops repulsed two violent counter attacks.

"In Alsace our advance has brought our front to a line that passes 425 yards to the north of Steinbach, thence to Pont D'Aspach and thence to Pont De Brinighofen, 13 yards to the west of Eglingen.

"Serbia: During the days of December 10, 11 and 12 the enemy continued to retire along the entire front. The Serbian advance guards have progressed so far as Vellik and Bosniak in the direction of Shabats, and as far as Zavlaka in the direction of Loznica. During their retreat the Austrians abandoned many trophies of war. From the time the Serbians resumed the offensive up to the 11th of December, inclusive, the number of prisoners made by the Serbians, reaches 25,000. The Serbians captured 24 cannon and 44 machine guns.

"Montenegro: After two days of fighting Montenegrin forces have captured Vishnegrad and driven the Austrians back to the other side of the River Drina."

ALASKA COAL GOOD FOR NAVY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Secretary Daniels today told the house naval committee that tests completed ten days ago on coal from Alaska Matanuska fields had proved practically perfect for naval use.

The report of successful naval tests of Matanuska coal was sprung as a surprise by the secretary, who was elated particularly because of plans going forward for the Alaska railway to open up the coal fields. It was the more gratifying, he said, in view of the fact that last year tests indicated that Bering River coal was not suitable for naval use.

The report show that the Bering tests were repeated on the coal from the Matanuska for seven days on a forced draught trial of four hours at a speed of 20 knots, a natural draft

RUSSIANS CLAIM VICTORY WON NEAR WARSAW

Piercing of German Front Last Week Clinched by Wide Swinging Movement of Advancing Russian Left on Main Highway—Pressure on Warsaw Relieved.

PETROGRAD, Dec. 14, via London, 2:20 p. m.—Reports reaching here today from the front state that the operations of Russian forces north of Warsaw, partial success of which was announced last week, have now resulted in a decisive victory, after having pierced the German front beyond Ciechanow and Przasnysz. The Russian success on this front, according to these advices, has been clinched by a wide swinging movement of the advancing Russian left on the main highway from Plock to Mlawa, concluding in a heavy cavalry engagement at Jarominetna, seven miles southeast of Mlawa.

Russian successes of this nature would have three important results. The immediate pressure north of Warsaw would be relieved and the German threat against the railroad lines leading east from the city would be arrested. Russian troops on the right of the Vistula river would be freed to seek a crossing and endanger the position of the left wing of the German army in the region of Lodz. It is said there that the Russians will now be able to straighten their entire front, running to the Mazurian lakes.

HOG CHOLERA AT WALLA WALLA

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Dec. 14.—Following the loss of more than 750 hogs in the Russell creek district, near Walla Walla, and the quarantine placed on an area of about 150 square miles by D. T. Graves, state commissioner of agriculture, local officials and farmers are awake to the critical aspect of the situation, and plans are under way for the wholesale slaughter of affected herds.

Portland Livestock Market

PORTLAND, Or., Dec. 14.—Cattle receipts 350, steady; hogs, receipts 100, steady; sheep receipts 1100, Market quotations:
Cattle—Prime light steers, \$7@7.25; prime heavy steers, \$6.80@7.05; good steers, \$6.30@6.55; prime cows, \$5.70@5.75; medium cows, \$4.75@5.25; common cows, \$4.50@4.75; bulls, \$4.25@4.75; prime light veal, \$8.25@8.75; prime heavy veal, \$6.25@7.75.
Hogs—Prime light, \$7.05@7.30; medium, \$6.55@6.90; smooth heavy, \$6.30@6.45; rough heavy, \$6.10@6.30.
Sheep—Wethers, \$5.25@5.50; ewes, \$4.50@5.25; lambs, \$6.50@7.50; yearlings, \$4.50@6; medium steers, \$5.55@5.80.

GRAND JURY STILL INVESTIGATING COPE-ALEXANDER MANN ACT CASE



MISS JESSIE ELIZABETH COPE

The federal grand jury at Chicago has begun another investigation of the charges against Colonel Charles Alexander of Providence, R. I., by Miss Jessie E. Cope, alleging violation of the Mann act, as well as the charges of attempted bribery which were made against Miss Cope. It was rumored that letters which were said to have been written by Colonel Alexander and Miss Cope with regard to a possible settlement of the case, were read by the grand jury. Miss Cope is still in custody of the sheriff.

OPEN MARKET FOR ALL STOCKS CREATED TUESDAY

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—The first full day of open trading in stocks was marked by substantial general advances which attained the highest level in the final hour. The late advance followed the announcement that from tomorrow all shares are to be re-admitted to the list.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—An open market for all stocks on the floor of the New York stock exchange will be created tomorrow. This was decided on this afternoon. It was voted to eliminate, beginning tomorrow, the so-called clearing house list and to place the stocks therein on the same basis of trading as the 182 issues already approved.

The solitary restriction placed upon all stocks is to be that their prices shall not go below the minimum already established.

The chief issues thus placed in the open market are United States Steel, Southern Pacific, Great Northern, Canadian Pacific, New York Central and Anaconda mining issues—all known as international securities. Formal decision to create an open market subject only to minimum prices, was made by the committee of five of the stock exchange at 2 o'clock this afternoon—after the exchange had been opened for trading in stocks only seven business hours since it was closed on July 30 last. During the sessions of Saturday and today, the last vestige of apprehension that foreign investors would deluge the local market with a vast volume of selling orders was swept away.

BRITAIN PROHIBITS ANILINE EXPORTS

LONDON, Dec. 12, 1:33 p. m.—A special issue of the Official Gazette proclaims the complete prohibition of the exportation of aniline oil, aniline salt and picric acid and its components, to all destinations.

GOETHALS ASKS FAST WARSHIPS FOR CANAL ZONE

Violations of Neutrality and Taking of Supplies by Belligerent Vessels Suspected—Misuse of Wireless Alleged—Colliers Suspected of Supplying Warships With Fuel.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Colonel Goethals, governor of the Panama canal zone today reiterated his request that two torpedo boat destroyers be sent to the canal zone waters to prevent violation of neutrality through the misuse of wireless and the taking on of supplies by belligerent vessels.

Because of the confidential nature of Colonel Goethals' dispatch, Secretary Garrison declined to make it public. He issued this statement:

Misuse of Waters

"The substance of the dispatch is that in Colonel Goethals' judgment the mis-use of radio communications within canal waters and the prevention of the mis-use of these waters as a base of supplies, require the presence of swift moving ships of the variety mentioned. Since the questions involved require the consideration of the state department and the navy department as well as my own, I have taken the matter up with the other departments and as soon as the requirements are fully ascertained proper action will be taken to meet the emergency."

Secretary Garrison declined to discuss the situation in the canal zone or to indicate which of the belligerents was violating the neutrality of the United States.

Colliers Suspected

It is known, however, that the Australian collier Mallina, which recently left Balboa without clearance papers, has been under close observation by Panama canal officials. That ship, as well as other colliers, has been suspected of supplying British ships in Pacific waters.

Alleged violations of canal zone shipping regulations have been the basis of strong representations to the British minister at Panama. The Lamson, Worden, Terry, Perkins and Walke are in reserve at Charleston, C. C., and one or more of these vessels could be dispatched to canyera almost instantly. On the Pacific coast, the nearest craft available are the Whipple, Paul Jones, Perry, Proble and Truxton, all lying off San Diego.

NO SHIPMENTS OF COPPER YET POSSIBLE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—A delegation representing the American Smelting and Refining company of New York, which sought information at the state department today concerning the status of copper shipments to neutral European countries, was told that progress was being made, but that no definite arrangements had been reached.

ECONOMY IS SENATE WATCHWORD

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—"Economy" was the watchword of the appropriations committee in the preparation for the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill, first of the big supply measures, which was reported to the house today. The committee lopped off nearly \$2,000,000 from the estimates submitted by the various departments, cutting salary allowances all along the line, and brought in a measure appropriating \$38,744,753.50. The bill provides for more than 16,000 salaries of government employees.

The total of the bill shows an increase of \$1,128,843 over last year's measure. But this year's measure includes a special appropriation of \$2,286,100 and authorizes 1000 additional employees for taking the agricultural census authorized by the law covering the last regular census in 1910. The committee in its report says that this is an extraordinary expenditure which will come once every ten years, and maintains, therefore, that this year's measure is materially less than the last appropriation.

The bill contains the usual appropriation cutting down the mileage allowance of members of congress from 20 cents a mile to 5 cents a mile. The fight to cut down the mileage allowance has been on for years and although the committee each year reports the reduction in the bill, it is defeated either on the floor of the house or in the senate.

STORM IN EAST FOLLOWED BY COLD WEATHER

Southern States, Central Valleys and Prairie Districts Freezing—Gale at Sea and Heavy Snows in New England—Freezing Temperatures in Coast Citrus Belt.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Colder weather throughout the east is forecast by the weather bureau for tonight and Tuesday. All through the southern states, the greater central valleys and the lake region today the temperatures were tumbling and in the upper Mississippi valley and the north plains region the mercury was below the zero mark.

Cold wave warnings were affluter from the series of the forecasters throughout New England, New York, Delaware, Maryland and West Virginia. All the south Atlantic and gulf states, except southern Florida, may expect freezing temperatures tonight.

Storm Out at Sea

The southern storm which centered in Alabama yesterday was reaching out to sea off the Maine, leaving heavy snows in parts of New England, New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio and the mountain districts of the middle Atlantic states, and a general blanket of rain and slush in other places. Shifting gales along the Atlantic coast accompany it and storm warnings are up again from Hatteras to Eastport.

The heaviest snowfall reported to weather bureau headquarters was 13 inches at Oswego, N. Y.

OMAHA, Neb., Dec. 14.—The coldest weather of the present winter prevailed in this part of the country today. Norfolk, Nebraska, reported the temperature 21 degrees below zero. Seven degrees below was the minimum in Omaha.

Snow in New York

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Dec. 14.—The storm that swept western New York last night and this morning deposited more than a foot of snow. Country roads are blocked and traffic on steam and suburban trolley roads are delayed. The storm was accompanied by a sharp drop in temperature.

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—Low temperatures all over the country from the Rocky mountains to the Appalachians and from Canada to the gulf caused discomfort today. The coldest point in the United States officially reported was Huron, S. D., where the mercury stood at 18 degrees below zero. In Moorhead, Minn., 16 degrees below zero was registered. Meridosa and Winnipeg, Man., Can., recorded 22 degrees below zero.

The local forecaster said that the cold wave was sweeping west and that within twenty-four hours the crest would pass Chicago, where one and one-tenth degrees below was recorded today.

Cold in Northwest

DULUTH, Minn., Dec. 14.—Duluth shivered today in a north wind that brought street thermometers down to 17 below zero, the lowest of the season.

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BERLIN REPORTS AUSTRIAN VICTORY

BERLIN, Dec. 14. (by wireless to London, 7:20 p. m.)—The official press bureau today gave out the following official communication from army headquarters at Vienna:

"In the fighting in Western Galicia, the southern wing of the Russian army was defeated on December 12 and forced to retreat. Pursuit of the Russians has commenced. All attacks elsewhere along the battle front have broken down as previously reported.