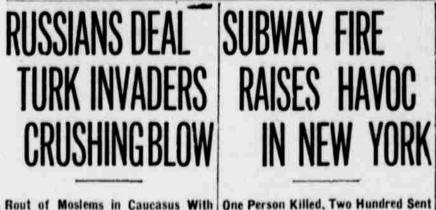
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SECOND EDITION MEDTFORD MAIL TRIBUNE WEATHER

Forty-fourth Year. Dally-Ninth Year.



WAR PROGRESS RAISES HAVOC SATISFACTORY TO IN NEW YORK LORD KITCHENER

Rout of Moslems in Caucasus With Defeat of Plan to Seize Kars Makes Invasion of Egypt Impossible-Entire Corps Annihilated --- Heavy Blow at Hungary.

LONDON, Jan. 6, 12:32 p. m.pears to have dealt the Turks in the today which sent 200 persons to hos-Caucasus, and the further advance of pitals, caused the death of one womthe French in Alsace on the road to an and demoralized the transporta-Muchausen continue to hold the fore- tion system of the city. The fire was ground in the war news today in the said to have been an electrical exploabrence of any other important developments east or west.

it is f. it in England that the reported rout of the Turkish invaders stalled. In their efforts to escape of the Caucasus, with the defeat of scores were badly bruised, many their plan to seize the Russian for- knocked unconscious and others tress at Kars, given the Ottoman overcome by smoke. forces such a setback that the much discussed invasion of Egypt is now Commissioner McCall of the public vitally out of the uestion; at the service commission may be tied up Rheims and in southern Alsace. same time the pressure on the Russeveral days as a result of the accisians from the east has been so far dent. If it proves true it will mean relieved as to preclude any necessity that the more than a million persons of withdrawing Russian forces from a day carried by subway trains will the Polish and Galician fronts for service in the Caucasus.

Defeat at Ardahan Petrograd reports that the Turkish army defeated at Ardahan (40 miles

city.

southwest of Kars), which is distinct from the forces reported to have been crushed or captured at Sari Kamysh. that at least a score had been killed. was today completely surrounded and being harassed by Russian cavalry jances in the city and the pulmotor and "doomed to inevitable extermination." It was added that the Turks Smoke poured out of the subway enwere fighting with great bravery and trances, manholes and ventilators and dotermination, but against hopeless screams for help could be heard. It odds as the roads along which they sought to retreat were blocked by been exaggerated. As it was, howdeep snows.

This is the defeat of a Turkish the police as the worst subway disarmy corps which Grand Duke Nich- aster that has occurred here. olas referred to yesterday in his message to General Joffre, commander-in-chief of the French forces. This dispatch announced also the capitu-lation of the entire Turkish Ninth

to Hospitals and Transportation cember Campaign - Noteworthy System of City Demoralized in the **Progress Made-Servians Praised** Worst Subway Disaster Yet Re--Allies Daily Increasing Resources to Prosecute War to End. corded. NEW YORK, Jan. 6 .- New York's

The subway service, according to

At first it was believed there had

been a terrible catastrophe and re-

ports reached police headquarters

The entire department, all ambu-

squad, were rushed to the scene.

turned out that early reports had

ever, the accident was described by

LONDON, Jan. 6 .- War Secretary The crushing blow the Russians ap- subway was visited by fire and panic Lord Kitchener seized the occasion this afternoon at the meeting of the house of lords to inform the nation of the progress of the war and of the military situation so far as military exigencies permitted. The house of lords had reassembled for a brief sion in a conduit between the Fiftieth session. Addressing it, Lord Kitchand Fifty-ninth street stations. The ener said : noise, flame, and smoke terrified 700

"During the month of December the passengers of the downtown trains allied forces made progress at various points, but the tide of battle ebbed and flowed with varying suecens,

"In spite of the unfavorable weather, the French army made note. worthy progress to the east of

British War Secretary Reviews De-

MEDFORD,

Sums Up Situation

"Notwithstanding the transfer of German troops to the eastern theater of the war, they left sufficient he diverted to the surface and elestrength to hold their trenches in the vated systems and cause a congestion west without parallel in the history of the

"German aspirations in Poland have suffered a severe check, and it is evident that they realize the infinite difficulty of winter operations in Russia.

"One of the brightest spots in the military operations during December has been the extraordinary achievements of the gallant Servian army. "Last night we received news,"

Lord Kitchener declared, "of a Russian victory in the Caucasus which should have a far-reachir - effect on all the Turkish operations."

To Triumphant End

"The great advantages which Germany enjoyed by reason of her superiority of numbers and extensive war preparations have certainly di-



BRIGADIER

GENERAL TASKER H. BLISS

TO PROGRESSIVE METHODS OF ADMINISTERING CITY AFFAIRS Mayor in Annual Message Questions Wisdom of "Penny-Splitting Meth-

PURDIN ADVOCATES RETURN

ods of Doing Business"-Declares No Reward for Duty Well Done for Knocker With His Little Hammer Always With Us-City Not Dead, But Badly Jolted by Curbstone Pessimists-Favors New Charter, as It Simplifies Government and Places Responsibility Where It Belongs.

Questioning the wisdom of a | and who were directed to work out penny-splitting method of doing hus. their fines.

iness" for the city, advocating a re-Sewer District No. 13 It seems that this bone of contenturn to progressive methods, declar-

ing that Medford is "a good old tion must be handed down from each town, not dead yet, but badly jolted outgoing administration to the next. by some of our pessimistic friends"; as the matter is as far from settlechampioning the new charter and the ment as ever. Another suit in the election of men of business qualifica- circuit court having been decided tions on the city council, "who will against the city. Let us hope that give a progressive administration," the year 1915 may see this matter Mayor Purdin Tuesday evening pre- settled and settled right. Ar it now sented his message concerning the is, the warrants issued in payment administration of city business dur. for this work, when it was completed, ing the past year. His message are yet unpaid, and likely the eity will be called on at any time to take reads as follows: them up. Sewer District No. 13 has

Permanent Improvements

surely been a source of trouble to "For the year 1914 there is little several cit- councils, and the end is to report in the way of permanent imnot yet; though it would seem likely, provements. What has been done in from the talk of our political managthis line is simply a closing up of ers that orate on the streets, this was some small paving jobs, and the laya matter they could have easily seting of a few lateral sewers, and the tled.

Sinking Funds

My annual report for 1913 showed constructed until 1914. While there the sum of \$5610.62 as being in the have been a number of repairs on the sinking funds at that time, and to this different properties of the city, none there has been added, as shown by the of them can be properly called new, figures from the office of the city and have been only of such a nature corder, the sum of \$6492.86, making AT LIBRARY TONGHT and have been only of such a nature corder, the sum of \$6492.86, making as to try and keep the property in as a total of \$12,103.48, which is somegood condition as could be done with- thing like \$25,000 less than it should be, but it seems as each year rolls out great expense.

City Water System

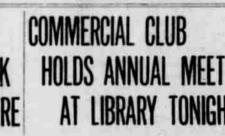
by that the cry for less taxes grows more insistent, and that it is not pos-Receipts of the city water system sible to have a proper sum set apart for this fund. This matter rises each year to confront the new city council which must blame the ones -receding for not doing their duty in this matter, and so it runs on, and when the rives, then something will have to be



GOVERHOR MAYTORENA OF SONORA

by the proposed beet sugar factory of directors in the public library on show a slight falling off for the year to be located in the Rogne River val. | Wednesday evening, January 6, at 1914 from those of 1913. The receipts the Hotel Medford, Wednesday,

minished, while the allies daily are me. Once I paid a hundred dollars management and intensity of action be \$\$32,697.47, and the disbursements for a 100-pound sack of sugar, dur-



The Medford Commercial club w" \$10 for the first sack of sugar made hold its annual meeting and electic.

ley," stated Mine Host Emil Mohr of 7:30. It was thought advisable not for 1913, as shown by my last annual to have the usual hanquet and enter- report, were \$32,806.13, and for the "Now, if that sack of sugar is sold talament at this time, but to thor- year 1914, from figures obtained

locally, it is worth more than \$10 to oughly discuss and outline efficient from the city recorder, they appear to time for payment of the bonds ar-

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construction of some concrete side-

walks, a number of which have been ordered in prior to this year, but not

Army Corps at Sari Kamysh, and the fact that such a communication has been exchanged between the allied leaders in the east and in the west is taken in London to indicate that the Russian claim is neither exaggerated nor premature.

Strike at Hungary

While there has been virtually no change to the west of Warsaw, it is the opinion of British observers of events that the Russian general staff Argonne region was blown up by the tention to strike a heavy blow in Hungary. With Bukowina occupied, the time is ripe for an invasion of Tran-Sylvania, an eastern province of Hun- this charge a grandson of the Italian in arms." gary bordering on Roumania. Nearly 3,000,000 of the population of this recent death in action of another territory are of Roumanian stock. According to a contention of the al- reawakened the war spirit in Italy. lies these people may be expected to

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VILLA PROHIBITS CATTLE EXPORTS From Mexico

EL PASO, Texas, Jan. 6 .- General Villa has issued an order, affective today, prohibiting the exportation of all cattle from territory controlled by the convention forces. This action was taken, it was said, for fear of a meat famine in northern and central Mexico.

CHICAGO, Jan. 6.-Chemical de-It is believed that the 8000 Villa troops on their way to Sonora to as- termination that poison caused the sist in the Naco campaign have death of Mrs. Alice Ronalds Friday in crossed from Chthuahua City by way her home at Mattoon, Ill., was anof Madera, Chihuahua and thence nounced today in the coroner's reoverland, instead of via Juarez and port.

Mrs. Ranolds was found uncon-Casas Grandes. General Villa is expected here to- sclous and died without making a

statement. Her husband, Dr. H. E. The railroad circling the Gulf of day to confer with General Scott. Provisional President Gutierrez of Ronalds and C. O. Purcell and his Bothnia, the northern extension of the convention, has repeated his or- wife, found in the house at the time. the Baltic Sea, was virtually comder to Governor Maytorena, to de- have been held under surveillance. pleted today. Up to the present time sist from further attacks on border The house was in great disorder. there has been a gap of ten miles towns until completion of the Scott- There were evidences of a wild cele- over which passengers from Stock-Villa conference here. Villa has re- bration. Mrs. Ronalds' face was holm to Petrograd had to drive. bruised and scratched. mained silent on the matter.



LONDON, Jan. 6.-A German Discomforts and hardships due to the storm and mud have been cheerfully OPEN trench nearly a half mile long in the met and both officers and men are is giving many indications of an in- allies, according to today's official preparing themselves as thoroughly statement from Paris. The French and rapidly as possible to take part then made an infantry attack and in the field where, I am sure, they captured half of the trench. During will worthily support their comrades

> patriot, Garibaldi, was killed. The recent death in action of another grandson was said in Rome to have reawakened the war spirit in Italy. Aside from the fighting in the Ar

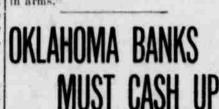
seize the opportunity to throw off the gonne, activity is limited chiefly to upper Alsace, where the Germans seem to have checked the French advance. The only claim made in the French statement is that the ground won has been held. The loss of one posotion to the Germans is admitted. The Berlin war office states that "seem indifferent to the killing of struction of French homes." The canture of several trenches from the allies is reported.

death due to poison

nereasing their resources in such a way as to enable them to prosecute the war to a triumphant end. "The training of the Canadian con-

tingent of the new armies has been great deal of extremely good work River valley." has been done during the last month.

Discomforts and hardships due to the imbued with one common thought-



OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla., Jan. 6. -One hundred former state banks, which, it is said, sought to avaid paythe French are bombarding towns to ing bank depositors guarantee fund the rear of the German lines, and assessments by securing national charters prior to 1913, today faced their own countrymen and to the de- the necessity of paying more than \$600,000 to the state as a result of a decision yesterday by the Oklahoma supreme court that the amonut mentioned as due the guarantee fund is a just debt. The court held that nationalization did not free state banks from liability to the bank fund incurred while they operated under HUSBAND IS HELD state laws.

BOTHNIA RAILROAD LINE IS COMPLETED

STOCKHOLM, Sweden, Jan. 6 .--

Now this is reduced to half a mile.

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suggestions. and once again I am willing to pay \$100 for a similar sack.

"Please put me on record as offercarried on under the worst weather ing one hundred dollars for the first conditions, but in spite of this, a sack of sugar made in the Rogue

SHOP RULES OHIO COAL FIELDS

MEDFORD COMMERCIAL CLUB. NEW YORK ASSEMBLY **ELECTS NEW OFFICERS**

ALBANY, N. Y., Jan. 6 .- Thad-In February, 1914, the city coun- past. deus C. Sweet of Oswego was selected eil appointed Charles B. Gay as judge today as speaker of the assembly, and of the city court, and he has been Elton R. Brown of Watertown, prest- paid in salary the sum of \$\$260, and pro tem of the scenate. Both are the receipts of the court for the year republicans. There are only three 1914 are shown to be the sum of

CLEVELAND, O., Jan. 6.-Eastern progressives in the New York state \$1128.75, leaving a balance of Ohio coal operators at a meeting de- legislature which convened today but \$928.75 to the credit of this fund, and eided today to open their mines nn- in view of the course taken by the in addition the city has had the bender the "open shop" plan. Striking Illinois progressives last night in join- efit, if it was a benefit, of 1521/ days miners who have been idle since Ap- ing the republicans, the attitude of work on the streets by persons senril 1 will be given first opportunity the New York legislators belonging tenced not having money to pay fines. to fill the jobs under the scale of- to that party was awaited with great 1.0.0

'interest. fered by the operators,

A Business Arrangement

To the Public:

Different people find different things in the new charter to commend it. To the property owner who finds it hard to pay his improvement assessmentsthe provisions making it easier to pay and that makes it almost impossible to make such improvements over the head of a protest of a majority of property-owners, is of special interest.

To the citizen that is tired of registering every time he wants to vote, the fact that the new charter wipes out this nuisance makes it look good to him.

To the man who studies all items of public expense and keeps tab of what public officials are doing with the taxpayers' money, the most excellent book-keeping requirements and reports to the public that a child could understand, count the most.

But above all that, it seems to me that the average business man should look at the fact that the new charter, following the demonstrations made in many other American cities where they have made good, has adopted for handling the city's affairs just the methods of administration that have made all big business enterprises successful. It is a strictly business arrangement, and that means good and cheap management. It has so resulted in every city that has tried it. It will do the same in Medford.

CHAS. M. ENGLISH.

in the Commercial club work for for 1914 are \$10,132.36, as against ing the gold rush in the Klondyke, 1915. Come and offer some good disbursements for 1913 of \$13,984.66, a saving of some considerable sum. In addition to the receipts shown for 1914, there have been a number of certificates redeemed from water-users, the amount of which will have to be ascertained from the report of the proper department, and which have not been furnished me. The City Court

done. One thing is sure, and that is the water fund could take care of a large amount of this fund each year if it was used for the purpose and not diverted to other funds, but as money must be had to earry on the work provided to be paid for from other funds and no appropriation is made to keep such funds intact for their purposes, then transfers from the water fund will follow as in the

Street and Road Department

The street and road department has been erippled the past year for the reason that it was short some \$12,000 from the county on road tax. Figures from the office showing receipts in the sum of \$12,954.72 and part of this was transfers from other funds, and disbursements in the sum of

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NACO, Arizona, Jan. 6 .--- General Felipe Angeles, Villa's chief subordinate and said to be his choice for provisional president of Mexico, was captured yesterday when General Alby General Hill, commanding the of the Austrian force. Carranza garrison of Naco, Sonora.

army defeated by Obregon.

Puebla, a still larger force at Hipoles, is being pushed back by General rifles and machine guns, Vasquez, according to a statement given out today at General Venus-Hipolito is northwest of Saltillo on the railroad line to Torreon,

PETROGRAD, via London, Jan. 6. 3:09 p. m.-The Novoe Vremya says that a recent sortie by the Austrian varo Obregon drove the Villa-Zapata garrison which is defending Przemysi, army out of Puebla, according to mes- the date of which is not given, resages from Vera Cruz received today sulted in the complete annihilation

The sortie was preceeded by exten-The capture of Angeles caused much sive reconnoisance. The Austrian rejoteing among the Carranza sold- infantry advanced in force in the diiers. Angeles was in command of the rection of a forest near the city. The Russians opened fire, but the Aus-

trians rushed forward and gained VERA CRUZ, Jan. 6 .- While Gen- the cover of the woods. They coneral Alvaro Obregon, commanding the tinued to push forward and the Rus-Carranza forces, is driving the troops sians permitted them to advance close of Villa and Zapata from the city of to their positions before making "a serious effort to halt them. With the lito in the north under the personal fighting thus at close range the Ruscommand of General Villa and Ange- stans opened up a terrific fire from

It is said that not one of the force which made the sortie regained the tiano Carranza's headquarters here. fortress, those who were not killed or wounded being captured. The temperature at Przemysl is close to zeri.