

TURKEY RENEWS PROMISE TO ITALY FOR REPARATION

ROME, Jan. 16.—The Turkish government, according to a semi-official communication published in the Giornale D'Italia, has renewed its order, sent through Rome to the Vail of Yemen, Arabia, instructing him to give complete satisfaction for all the demands presented by the Italian government in connection with the incident at Hodeida, where Turkish officials forcibly removed the British consul from the Italian consulate where he had taken refuge.

The Porte authorities, it is declared, have instructed the Vail to grant the demands of the Italian government independently of the inquiry instituted by the Vail which, it is said, merely aims to establish the responsibility of each official in the local administration Hodeida.

The newspaper adds that Signor Cecchi, the Italian consul at Hodeida, never was imprisoned or placed on trial by the Hodeida authorities.

BATTLESHIP OREGON SAILS FOR PANAMA

SEATTLE, Wash., Jan. 16.—The battleship Oregon, re-fitted and repaired until, her officers say, she is in even better trim than when she made her cruise around the Horn to participate in the destruction of the Spanish fleet at Santiago, sailed today from Puget Sound navy yard on the first leg of her voyage to the Panama canal, where she will lead the international fleet through the waterway next March in celebration of its completion. The Oregon, in command of Commander Joseph M. Reeves, who was assistant engineer on the battleship when she made her famous cruise 15 years ago will call at San Francisco on her way south to take aboard stores and coal. From San Francisco the Oregon will proceed to San Diego, to honor the Panama-California exposition and receive more explicit orders concerning the part she is to play in the naval celebration at the canal.

Besides Commander Reeves, Captain Frederick Ramsey of the marine corps and several enlisted men who were aboard the Oregon in 1898, sailed with her today.

REFUSE TO HONOR STEAMER'S TRANSFER

LONDON, Jan. 16, 12:30 p. m.—Referring to the statement published here today that the American treasury department has refused to insure the steamer Dacia, formerly a German vessel, but now under American register, the Westminster Gazette this afternoon, in an editorial article says:

"We may fairly take this as evidence that the United States recognizes the transfer of the Dacia as one which cannot be accepted silently by our government. This is much more than a question whether Germany is to get the cotton which naturally enough the United States wants to sell her. If the Dacia transfer were permitted, similar transfer might be made on all German ships in America. The result of this would be to deprive us of one of the advantages of sea power to which we believe we are legitimately entitled."

STATE IMMIGRATION COMMISSION ABOLISHED

SALEM, Or., Jan. 16.—After spending a considerable part of the last two or three days debating the question of whether the state should afford the employment of a \$4 bill clerk, the senate started on its economy program by passing two bills that will save the state over \$170,000.

One of these bills abolishes the office of state immigration agent, now held by C. C. Chapman of Portland. The other repeals the law providing for the census enumeration by county assessors.

In the budget, appropriations aggregating \$71,790 were asked for by the immigration agent, so that amount will be saved if the bill becomes a law.

Secretary of State Olcott, who recommended the repeal of the law providing for a state census, estimates that \$100,000 will be saved in this manner.

DANIELS PROTEST ABOLITION OF NAVAL MILITIA

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 16.—George Palmer Putnam, private secretary to Governor James Withycombe today announced that the governor has received a telegram from Secretary of the Navy Joseph Daniels, urging that the naval militia of Oregon be not abolished. Secretary Daniels stated that Lieutenant R. R. Smith, Inspector instructor of the Oregon Naval Militia, had been authorized to appear before the Oregon senate military committee and urge that the organization be maintained and an appropriation be given it. A measure to abolish the naval militia is now in the hands of the Oregon senate committee on military affairs. Governor Withycombe and Captain George A. White, the newly appointed adjutant general, are known to favor maintaining the naval militia.

FEDERAL LEAGUE ALSO A TRUST

CHICAGO, Jan. 16.—Affidavits charging the Federal League, or at least influential members of it with trying to come within the pale of organized baseball, which the Federals now are suing as a trust, and others purporting to show that the Federal League contracts contained the equivalents of the ten-day and reserve clauses criticised, were among two dozen filed today giving the side of organized baseball.

The proposed terms of peace which would have resulted, it was planned, in the union of the Federals and their rivals are discussed in an affidavit filed by Joseph J. Lannin of the Boston Americans. He relates that the Wards, owners of the Brooklyn Federals, sought a peace pact under which they would have purchased the New York Americans and Charles Weeghman of the Chicago Federals would have taken over the Chicago Cubs.

Rules of the clubs are cited by Stephen Cusack, a former Federal League umpire to show the existence of a ten days clause in the usual contract and also the reserve rule.

A general answer to the Federal League's charges is made in the affidavit signed by August Herrmann as chairman of the National Commission.

PREVENT DUPLICATION OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 16.—To prevent duplication of investments in certain location by public utility corporations is the purpose of a bill proposed by the state railroad commission. No company may, in case of the enactment of such a law, invade the territory of another and by cutting into its receipts force the company making the original investment to buy out the later comer.

Such a law, according to Commissioner F. J. Miller, is not only not antagonistic to the Federal statute but is favored by the government in all cases where reasonable restriction prevents blackmaling in any form, or even useless duplication of effort, and permits the investor a reasonable return on his money. It will permit the pooling of interests, so that in case of two roads, one on a profitable basis and the other not paying, the latter may draw from the former, and a reasonable percentage of gain be marked up on the whole system. Ultimately, according to the commissioners, it is the public that has to pay for unwise duplications.

MEREDITH TO RETURN TO MISSOURI HOME

MARSHFIELD, Ore., Jan. 16.—District Attorney W. H. Meredith, of Wedderburn, announces that he will depart from Curry county in the spring for Poplar Bluff, Mo., his former home. Mr. Meredith has been a resident of Curry county for the past six years and has been prominent in publicity work and general advancement of the county's interests. Mr. Meredith was a candidate for the congressional nomination in the First Oregon district in the 1914 primaries on the Democratic ticket, but was defeated by Fred Hollister, of North Bend.

Grace Childers, Rival of Joan Sawyer

Supplants Coverdale
In September
Morn

"September Morn," the most popular and successful musical comedy of the season, which comes almost direct from Chicago's La Salle opera house, where it enjoyed a remarkable run of two hundred and fifty-six consecutive performances, is soon to be viewed by local playgoers. The organization is under the direction of Messrs. Rowland and Clifford, the producers of the play, which, with one exception, will be given with the same cast as employed in the initial presentation. Here Miss Grace Childers supplants Minerva Coverdale in the role of the temperamental Argentina, "the world's greatest tango artist," and she is expected to create even greater furor than did the agile Coverdale in the part. Miss Childers' gowns are said to be not only daring, but positively bewildering in their gorgeousness—and her dancing, rivaling that of dainty Joan Sawyer, who just now has all of New York's society at her feet.



September Morn at Page Theater Thursday, January 21.

"GOOD OF SERVICE" WITHYCOMBE'S EXCUSE

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 16.—Governor Withycombe Friday served formal notice on Insurance Commissioner Ferguson of his removal from office, "for the good of the service," the order to become effective next Wednesday. Oral notice was served on the commissioner Wednesday through the governor's private secretary, that his resignation was desired. Commissioner Ferguson asked that the request be put in writing. The following is the letter written by the governor today to Commissioner Ferguson:

"You are hereby notified that in the judgment of the governor the good of the service requires your removal from the position of commissioner of the department of insurance of the state of Oregon. This is to notify you that, commencing at noon, January 20, 1915, the appointment of Harvey Wells will be effective, and to request you to turn over the office to him at that time."

Mr. Ferguson offered no comment on the governor's letter today. When the commissioner leaves the office next Wednesday he will have completed a term remarkable for its efficiency and economy. While the receipts of the office were increased, the expenses were decreased. The receipts of the department for the biennial period 1911-12 were \$205,396.31, and for the biennial period 1913-1914, \$232,369.97, an increase of \$26,973.66. The expenses for the biennial period 1911-12 were \$827,873.36, and for the biennial period 1913-14, \$233,205.98, a decrease of \$4,668.28.

STATE BOARD FAVORS LAKE BED CONTRACT

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 16.—The members of the state land board are rapidly preparing data to show why the contract let to the American Soda & Potash company, for the removal of the chemical ingredients of Summer and Albert lakes, is just and equitable. The Oregon Soda & Potash Mining company, which has taken issue with the validity of the contract granted, has submitted figures to show, according to the board members, that the state would be benefited in the sum of \$7,859,999 if the contract with the company's rivals were broken and the same granted to the Portland concern.

ELAINE

WARSHIPS SIGHTED OFF PERUVIAN COAST

LIMA, Peru, Jan. 16.—Five battleships are reported to have been sighted today south of Hormigas islands off Callao. Their nationality was not ascertained but they are believed to be either British or Japanese. The vessels were seen by passengers on a train coming to Lima from Huacho.

Lodgepole pine, one of the principal trees of the Rocky mountains, makes good strong wrapping paper and pulp board.

HAITIEN REBELS TAKE CAPE HAITIEN

CAPE HAITIEN, Jan. 16.—The Haitian revolutionists took possession today of Cape Haitien. This followed an understanding between the rebels and the local garrison. There was no disorder. General Vilbrun Guillaume, a candidate for the presidency, is in command of the local forces.

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KAISER REQUESTS NO CELEBRATIONS FOR ANNIVERSARY

BERLIN, Jan. 16, via The Hague and London, 11:30 a. m.—The Reichs-anzeiger has published a decree signed by Emperor William, according to which his majesty, in view of the seriousness of the present situation, asks that all the festivities formally held on the occasion of his birthday be omitted this year. An exception is made, however, of the celebrations usually held in churches and schools.

The emperor asks even that the many letters and telegrams generally sent to him on his birthday by societies and private individuals, although always highly appreciated, be dispensed with. His majesty says he fears these communications might interrupt the telegraphic and postal systems and interfere with his work at general headquarters.

"For this reason," the decree goes on, "I am obliged to beg that special expressions of good wishes be omitted. Nor are these needed, for in these days of tribulation which has come to our fatherland, I am often aware, with the greatest satisfaction, of the strong bond of love and confidence which unites me with the German people. I thank in advance each person whose loyal support and supplication will, on my birthday, be made to the throne of the highest, as well as every one who will think of me in a friendly spirit."

"I am one with the whole German people and their princes. The one prayer which sways our hearts is for the fatherland; that God will graciously grant us further victories over our enemies and after a peace with honor, a happy future for our country."

Emperor William's birthday is January 27. It is understood here that the customary court balls will be abandoned.

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