

## TURKISH ARMY OF 120,000 BEGINS INVASION OF EGYPT TO SEIZE CANAL

### BATTLE BEGUN FOR POSSESSION OF SUEZ CANAL

Djemel Pasha at Head of Invading Force Has Already Advanced Considerable Distance—British Troops and Warships Assembled—Detachments of Enemy Reported Near.

ATHENS, Jan. 27. (via London)—It is reported here that three Turkish army corps (about 120,000 men) are marching on Egypt, under command of Djemel Pasha.

The Turkish attempt to invade Egypt, several times reported, at last has begun.

A dispatch states that British troops and warships are being assembled near the Suez canal and that evolutions are being made. Another Cairo dispatch says an engagement occurred yesterday to the eastward of El Kantara in Egypt presumably with the advance guard of a Turkish army.

Fighting in this locality indicates that not only has a Turkish invasion of Egypt been begun, as was reported in an earlier dispatch but that Turkish forces have penetrated a considerable distance into Egypt. El Kantara is 28 miles south of Port Said, and is on the Suez which it is assumed, is the immediate objective of the Turkish advances. The territory to the east of El Kantara, referred to in the foregoing dispatch, is the northern part of the Sinai peninsula, which extends to the Turkish frontier.

Detachments of Turkish troops have been sighted at three other points to the east of the Suez canal, but no fighting has resulted except that in the vicinity of El Kantara. In this engagement the Turks opened fire at long range with mountain guns. The British replied with machine guns and rifles. A British sea plane dropped bombs upon the Turkish forces near Bimarhadad, inflicting losses.

### RUSSIANS CLAIM SUCCESS ALL ALONG EASTERN FRONT

PETROGRAD, Jan. 27.—The general staff of the Russian army today gave out a report on the progress of the fighting which reads as follows: "In the Pikkalen region our troops took the offensive January 25 and drove all the detachments of the enemy who opposed them back toward the line from Malvisohiken to Laasden. During this operation we dislodged them from many of their positions after fighting at the point of the bayonet. On the right bank of the river Vistula there have been advance guard engagements of minor importance. A fusillade was reported January 25 in this locality and in the vicinity of Vyschprov the fire of our artillery has demolished a lookout post on the left bank of the river.

"To the left of the Vistula the Germans had made some fresh efforts to assume the offensive, particularly near the villages of Borjilmow and Goumine and in the evening of January 24 and the afternoon of January 25 but each time they were driven back with serious losses. In the vicinity of the villages of Grabkieshouy and Rouda, to the northeast of Skierniewice our fire reduced two German batteries to silence.

"In Galicia the activity of the enemy has increased on the front between Gasdisk, Oujek, Nijneveretask and Maidanks, where the enemy in addition to his artillery fire made other endeavors to operate on the offensive. He was, however, everywhere driven back. We took as prisoners three officers and about 300 soldiers.

"There have been no important changes in Bukovina.

### KAISER'S ARMY SEEKS VICTORY FOR BIRTHDAY

Emperor 56 Years Old Today and Violent Attacks Marks Efforts of Troops to Present Him a Victory—Conflicting Claims of Result—Russians Beaten Back in Hungary.

LONDON, Jan. 27.—Emperor William is 56 years old today and although there is little information of the day's military activities, the latest reports available made it apparent that the Emperor's troops were endeavoring to win for him a birthday gift in the shape of a victory at arms. Two days ago violent German attacks were begun at several points. They developed with greatest force against the British, along the La Bassee canal in France near the Belgian border, and against the French farther south in the region of Craonne.

Conflicting Claims  
Today's official communications from Paris and Berlin which deal with yesterday's fighting show that on the day before the Emperor's birthday the Germans won a measure of success near Craonne. The French war office admits that French positions were lost but says that some of them were retaken later.

The German statement, however, claims sweeping victories in this region, including the capture of several points of support along a section of the front nearly a mile in extent.

Concerning the fighting at La Bassee there is a conflict of statement, both the French and Germans claiming the advantage. A heavy snow fall has interrupted the struggle in Alsace.

The German war office says there are no changes in Poland, and that in east Prussia, Russian attacks were repulsed.

Russians Defeated  
The new Austro-German plan in the east, which as an immediate object calls for the protection of the dual monarchy from Russian invasion rather than the prosecution of the offensive along the Warsaw front, seems to have exerted already a marked influence on the campaign. Heavy reinforcements of Germans have been sent into Hungary to assist the Austrians, and an official statement today from Vienna reports that important victories over the Russians have been gained.

The fighting took place at the mountain passes leading into north-eastern and northwestern Hungary and it is said that the Russians were compelled to evacuate important positions, repeated and fruitless counter attacks. These reported gains for the Austrians follow their successes in Bukovina, which Vienna regards as having crippled the Russian offensive there and rendered unlikely the participation of Rumania in the war, at least at this time.

A Russian official statement asserts that successes were won in recent fighting in Galicia, where attacks of the Austro-German forces were repulsed everywhere. In central Poland, along the Warsaw front, the Germans made several violent assaults, but are said to have been driven back with heavy losses.

### FREE TEXT BOOKS KILLED AT SALEM

SALEM, Jan. 27.—Free text books were dealt a death blow in the house Friday when the judiciary committee's bill repealing the present law was passed. Representative Schuebel had introduced an amendment to the present law restricting free text books to the pupils.

The house passed the Blanchard bill allowing veterans of the civil war to hunt and fish without payment of a license fee.

The narrow crab protection bill was passed after its author explained its intent was to stimulate a small crab cannery on Coos bay.

### CAPTAINS OF INDUSTRY FAVOR RADICAL BETTERMENTS FOR LABOR.



GEORGE W. PERKINS

E.J. BERWIND

## OFFER TO AID APPLAGATE SUGAR BEET GROWERS

### LARGE HOSPITAL AT WALLA WALLA BURNS TO GROUND

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Jan. 27.—St. Mary's hospital, the largest building of its kind in this part of the inland empire, is burning with no hope of saving the structure. It is believed all the patients were rescued. The damage will be \$100,000. David Broughel was on the operating table and with the flames raging in the wooden structure, physicians finished the operation before transferring the patient. Dozens of patients were hurried from the hospital, citizens rushing to the scene with automobiles for this purpose. The fire started on the second floor of the building, evidently, and this fact alone saved many patients from death, for the building, which is an old one, burned like tinder after the flames gained headway. There is much suffering resultant from the fire, despite efforts of physicians and people generally. The mercury was within a few degrees of zero and many of the patients became badly chilled before quarters could be found for them.

### GERMAN VESSELS GAY WITH FLAGS

NEW YORK, Jan. 27.—The fleet of German liners tied up at their docks in Hoboken since the beginning of the war, blossomed out today with German and American flags, and with red, white and black bunting in observance of Emperor William's birthday.

### COUNTY AUTO BILL KILLED BY SENATE

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 27.—The senate killed senate bill 42, by the Marion county delegation, which provided that automobile registration should be made with court clerks instead of with the secretary of state. It was stated that the cost of administration would be much greater under the proposed bill than it is at present. The senate passed house joint memorial No. 2, asking for the pensioning of the veterans of Indian wars of 1872-73 and 1878.

### MEDFORD MERCHANTS AGREE TO STAND PART TRANSPORTATION COST

Medford merchants, as an inducement to the landowners of the Applegate to grow sugar beets, and as a lever to lift the transportation problem from that fertile, partially irrigated section, have agreed to pay 25 cents a ton upon the freight charges from that section entailed in shipping beets to the factory. This means that if 4000 tons of beets were raised in the Applegate district, the merchants of Medford would pay \$1000 of the freight charges. A committee meeting with the farmers and landowners of that section is being arranged, when the proposition will be put in definite form.

Owing to its distance from market the Applegate has not been seriously invaded by the beet committee, but just around the edges Tuesday 200 acres were signed by in that section, and there is strong sentiment in favor of growing sugar beets. The adjustment of the transportation matters is expected to give an impetus to the movement. Irrigation is one of the main assets of the district, another favorable feature.

The beet sugar committee is checking up on its signatures today, finding out "where they are at," the number of acres signed, amount approved by Soil Experiment Station, and acreage still to be tested. The figures thus sought will be available tomorrow. Other members of the committee are out in the country campaigning for acreage.

The chief feature of the Tuesday campaign was the willingness of many to sign for small amounts, as a "test," and increased acreage from those who had thoroughly investigated the culture and profits of sugar beets.

### RUSSIANS FORCED TO EVACUATE HEIGHTS

VIENNA, Jan. 27, by wireless.—The official Austrian communication issued today reports successes in the fighting in the passes leading into northeastern and northwestern Hungary. The statement follows: "In the valleys of Ung, Latorcza and Nagy-Szamos the enemy has been forced to evacuate some important heights after repeated and fruitless counter attacks which cost the enemy heavy losses."

### NO DANGER OF DOMINATION BY FOUNDATIONS

Possibility of Great Philanthropic Foundations With Immense Resources Might Seek to Rule Churches, Schools and People Suggested to Rockefeller.

NEW YORK, Jan. 27.—The possibility that the great philanthropic foundations with their immense resources might seek to dominate the churches, schools and people of the country "as the German militarist idea has done since 1870," was suggested to John D. Rockefeller, Jr. today at the investigation that is being conducted into the activities of the foundations by the federal commission on industrial relations.

Such an effort, Mr. Rockefeller replied, never would be made, because in the first place the people of the United States would never tolerate such a thing and secondly the foundations had no such idea. Their sole purpose, he said, was to bring about better conditions.

No Danger Seen  
Referring to the Rockefeller foundation he declared that there was no danger one hundred years from now that its directors might not be men of the same high standard and ideals as those who at present controlled its policies.

The witness was asked whether he had objection to a "court of last resort" consisting of the president of the United States, the governor of New York and presidents of several universities, such court having the power of veto over the Rockefeller foundation. Mr. Rockefeller said he had none. He did not think such an amendment to the charter of the Rockefeller foundation was necessary however.

Income Five Millions  
Chairman Walsh read the terms of the deed of gift transferring \$100,000,000 from Mr. Rockefeller, Sr., to the foundation. They stated that \$2,000,000 a year should be set aside out of the income for the personal benefactions of Mr. Rockefeller, Sr., and that the remainder should be turned into the general treasury of the foundation. The total income of the foundation last year, the witness said, was \$5,152,761.

### SELLING'S RULES OVER RIDDEN BY REPRESENTATIVES

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 27.—Marking the first decisive clash between members and Speaker Ben Selling of the house of representatives, that body today, without a dissenting vote, overrode a ruling to the effect that Saturdays and Sundays should be computed in the three-day time limit within which a vote on a bill could be reconsidered.

The speaker made the ruling yesterday when he refused to consider a motion for a reconsideration of Representative C. Schuebel's bill merging all special funds with the general fund. A reconsideration was desired because the bill merges the fish and game funds with the general fund, and it was desired to amend it in this respect.

In the senate today strong resolutions signed by officials, sportsmen's organizations and citizens of southern Oregon, protesting against changing the present fish and game law were presented to President W. Lair Thompson and referred to the game committee.

Portland Livestock Market.  
PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 27.—Cattle Receipts, 20; steady.  
Hogs—Receipts, 169; dime higher. Prime light, \$6.50@6.80.  
Sheep—Steady to strong.

### BI-PRODUCTS TO BE UTILIZED BY FRUIT GROWERS

Westerlund Back From Northwest Meeting Where Plans for Concerted Action in Marketing Orchard Output Were Discussed and Plans Formulated to Benefit Fruitgrower.

J. A. Westerlund returned yesterday from an extended trip east, where he was called by the serious illness of his mother. On his way back through Seattle, he represented the Farmers' and Fruitgrowers' League as a delegate at the meeting of the fruit-growers of the Pacific northwest called by the bi-products committee.

Mr. Westerlund is enthusiastic in his report of the convention. There was everywhere observable a healthy sentiment of optimism, and the spirit of "get-together" over all of the gathering. The attendance was a truly representative one, no important district being missed when the roll was called. Leading members and officials of the various growers' associations and selling organizations were among the delegates, and all joined in the resolution to work together harmoniously for the advancement of the fruit business in the four states represented. The representatives of the selling organizations were present in an advisory capacity only, and were not recognized as voting in the proceedings of the meeting, but they joined heartily in the spirit of the movement inaugurated, and pledged their support to it without reserve.

Broad Field Covered  
While the meeting was called and held under the auspices of the bi-products committee, the discussion at once occupied a broader field, the whole range of horticultural interests, from the fruit on the tree clear through to the ultimate consumer, coming in for consideration. Putting the fruit-growing and fruit-selling business on a business basis was the central theme on which all discussion turned. An association of associations was proposed by the committee, and the proposition was heartily endorsed by the delegates.

The proposed organization is not meant to displace any existing organization, either of growers or sellers, but to supplement the activities of those now in existence, and bring them all into one harmoniously cooperative body, furnishing a center from which the whole field can be surveyed, and the energies of the various units guided into the right channels for the best results.

Central Governing Board  
The plan of organization contemplates a central governing council, composed of three delegates from each one of eight districts established by the resolutions adopted, with one additional delegate from each district for each 250 cars of fruit shipped out of the district annually. This council will choose three men to serve as a governing board. The election of delegates in each case

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### AUSTRIANS CLAIM RUSSIAN VICTORY

BERLIN, Jan. 27.—(By Wireless)—Reports received in Berlin from Vienna today, say that the Austrians are still having the better of the artillery contests which have been in progress to the west of Tarnow in Galicia. Severe fighting again is reported from the Carpathian mountains in which the Russians are said to have suffered heavy losses.

Baron von Burian, the new Austro-Hungarian minister of foreign affairs has been decorated by Emperor William with the order of the black eagle. The baron returned to Vienna last night after visiting the German emperor at the army headquarters in the field.