

BALKAN STATES LIKELY TO JOIN ALLIES IN WAR

Possibility of Capture of Constantinople Hastens Decision of Nations Affected—Bulgaria Secretly Mobilizes—Rumania Acts and Greece Is Ready.

LONDON, March 6.—There was indications in today's cable dispatches that the bombardment of the Dardanelles might bring to a decision the attitude of the Balkan states concerning the war. The possibility of the capture of Constantinople which would result in changes of vital interest to the Balkan nations, already has exercised a noticeable influence on these nations. Bulgaria is said to have mobilized secretly three divisions, or about 36,000 men, and one of these divisions is reported to have been sent to an unknown destination. In Rumania the chamber of deputies is considering the granting of a credit of \$40,000,000 to the government for military purposes and calling to the colors of the 1915 recruits. Greece is awaiting eagerly the decision of the crown council concerning intervention in the war, and an Athens dispatch states that popular feeling is in favor of such a step.

At the Dardanelles

The attack on the Dardanelles forts is proceeding steadily, although it is still a question what it has accomplished. A Paris newspaper states that one third of the straits has been cleared of mines.

Russia is prosecuting one of the most vigorous offensive movements of the war in the east extending over the whole front. A Berlin dispatch yesterday admitted the capture by the Russians of Myszynee, near the Prussian frontier, but in general it is asserted Russian attacks are being repulsed, while Petrograd reports steady progress.

Advance in Champagne

Announcement was made by the French war office today that the advance of the allied troops in Champagne was continuing. London reports the allies are making slow but consistent gains in this region, although Berlin makes no such concessions. The general staff of the Russian Caucasian army reported that a further advance into Turkish Armenia had been made by the forces which recently moved forward from Batum along the shore of the Black Sea. This army is said to have cut off Turkish communications with Constantinople.

Russian dispatches state that the Russian offensive in Galicia and Bukovina is gathering force and that the Austrians may be compelled soon to evacuate Bukovina. It is believed at Petrograd that the Great Austro-German encircling movement in this region has failed and that the right wing of the Austro-German Galician army is in danger of being flanked by the Russians.

HORSEWHIPPED PUBLIC OFFICIAL: TERMED ENTERING POLITICS

TACOMA, March 5.—Mrs. Richard A. Lambert of this city has the distinction of being the first woman in the northwest to horsewhip a public official.

Mrs. Lambert is proud of the distinction. She whipped Councilman A. U. Mills, commissioner of public safety, because Mills refused to reinstate her husband on the fire department.

"We women have been given the ballot in Washington," said Mrs. Lambert, after the horsewhipping. "We have used the ballot by entering politics and voting for state prohibition. There's no reason why we cannot enter politics in other ways and demand our rights, just as the men do."

Fireman Lambert was crippled on the fire department. He was discharged just as he was about to ask for a pension. The commissioner refused to give him his job again. Mrs. Lambert, a long rawhide horsewhip coiled in her muff, went to the city hall.

"Are you going to reinstate my husband?" she demanded, as she walked into Commissioner Mills' office.

"No, I am not," replied the commissioner.

"Well, take that—and that—and that!" cried the woman, as she jerked

LOCAL EXHIBIT AT EXPOSITION IS PRONOUNCED POOR

That Southern Oregon exhibits at the fair are far from satisfactory is the assertion made by W. W. Harmon, who returned this week as well as in a letter received from Leonard Carpenter, who is employed by the division of publicity. Seymour Bell of Tacoma, who passed through the city the first of the week, says that the crowd ate up Josephine county's 300 boxes of apples the first day.

State Exhibit Poor

Mr. Harmon finds fault with the entire Oregon exhibit, and says at one of the entrance a elder maker is busy making into cider at five cents a glass, California apples, which he asserts are the Oregon product, though questioning revealed the fact that he did not know enough about Oregon to give the name of a single Oregon apple district.

Louis Simpson, the North Bend lumberman, is quoted as being also disgusted with the showing made and says that the state money is all used up and little to show the states resources done. He offered to send down, free of cost, potted Oregon grape and rhododendrons for decorations but was informed there were no funds to pay drayage from the steamer to the fair grounds.

Exhibit Called Poor

Mr. Carpenter writes: "It is pitiful to see how very poor Southern Oregon exhibits are when compared with the exhibits of the other fruit growing sections not only from the Pacific northwest but from Canada, Missouri, New York, and even foreign countries. If the Commercial club exhibit in toto were packed up and sent here it would be far finer than what we have here now, even if the tombstone and boots were included."

"A million people have visited the exposition in two weeks, and we are told by the railroad men that the travel has just started. This is seen to be true when you realize that the low rates were not put into force until March 1. If you have been reading any eastern paper you will see that the trend of travel is all this way."

Wormy Apples Shown

"We have a few jars of fruit and some green stuff. The latter is not only small and ill formed but, in order I suppose to show all of our resources, is actually wormy. My idea is that our fishing, hunting, gold, minerals, good roads, climate, citizenship, fruit, general farming, cities, hotels and in fact all of our advantages should be brought to the attention of the throngs who are already visiting the grounds as well as to those who are coming out here to find out what we really have on the Pacific."

"A letter is a cold thing and I may not be able to make you see what I see. It is an absolute fact that in every way the Willamette valley is showing up to a much better advantage than are we even in our own lines of fruit and high class citizenship."

Speedy Action Needed

"I can not understand why some of the commercial organizations have not followed the lead of Coos Bay and Curry counties which have huge exhibits in the Oregon building unless we are so well endowed by nature that we have come to the opinion, the very dangerous and untrue opinion, that it is not necessary for

WAGNERIAN TENOR DIES SUDDENLY

Signor Giordano, tenor with the Andrews Opera company, received news yesterday of the death in New York City of Rudolph Berger, famous Austrian tenor of the Metropolitan Opera Company. He was the husband of Madame Rappold, also a great artist, to whom Signor Giordano at once sent a telegram expressing his condolence; he has sung many times in opera with Madame Rappold. Mr. Berger fought in the Austrian trenches during the fall and early winter and contracted rheumatism which caused his death. He was New York's favorite Wagnerian tenor, and it was after a performance of "Die Gotterdammerung," during which stimulants had to be administered to him that his death occurred suddenly and unexpectedly.

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Eugene Rice et ux to Frank S. Miller et ux, lot 5. Humphrey Knight Add Medford, deed 1
U. S. to Northern Pacific railroad company, land in Jackson county and other counties in Oregon, patent.

us to exert ourselves. I can tell you that the Rogue river valley and especially Medford does not stand where it did three or four years ago when Medford was known as the Best and Liveliest Little City in the World. "I should suggest in conclusion that whatever is done should be done with as little delay as possible and that a real exhibit be planned and pledged as representative of the really fine valley we have."

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GEORGE BETTS, AN OREGON CROOK, IS NABBED

CHICAGO, Mar. 6.—Two men believed by the police to be members of a gang of five safeblowers who entered the branch bank of Montreal at New Westminster, B. C., September 15, 1911, and escaped with \$317,000 in Canadian money were arrested here today. They are George Webster and John Bingham. Suspicion was directed toward the men when they entered a private bank and attempted to have \$300 in Canadian currency changed to American bills. The police were called and as they entered the two men drew revolvers and started for the side door. Two members of the gang are now serving sentences in British Columbia. Two others escaped from the police in 1912 after beating Lieutenant Burns unconscious.

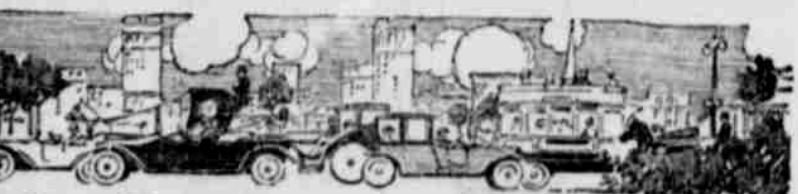
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