

SAY DEFEATED GENERAL SHOT RUSSIAN CHIEF

German Newspaper Asserts Grand Duke Nicholas, Commander-in-Chief of Russian Armies, Wounded by General Sievers, Who Then Committed Suicide.

BERLIN, April 17.—The General Anzeiger of Duisburg, Rhenish Prussia, says it learns "from an absolutely unimpeachable source" that the reported sickness of Grand Duke Nicholas...

The General Anzeiger says General Sievers was summoned by the grand duke to explain the defeat of the Russian tenth army.

The fact that General Sievers had committed suicide, the General Anzeiger continues, was learned at the time of his funeral...

General Sievers was the commander of the Russian tenth army, which in the middle of February met with a severe defeat at the hands of the Germans in the Mazarian lakes region of East Prussia.

It has been reported that Grand Duke Nicholas was ill and a surgical operation had been decided upon to learn what was the trouble.

CHICAGO LOCKOUT THROWS THOUSANDS OUT OF WORK

CHICAGO, April 17.—Lumber dealers of Chicago began laying off teamsters and laborers as a result of the industrial war that broke out openly yesterday between building trades unionists and their employers.

The Lumber Dealers' association announced that 900 men would be discharged pending a settlement of the strikes and lockouts.

It was said there was close combination between the carpenters' union, the sheet metal workers and lathers and painters, officials of which refused to sign the three-year contract.

New York, April 17.—Victoriano Huerta, former provisional president of Mexico, declares in a statement published in the Herald today, that he had never given Japan or any other government, rights or concessions on the coast of lower California.

PROFESSOR HODGE CHOOSES VALLEY FOR MAN'S HIGHEST TYPE

The Commercial club is in receipt of a second letter from Prof. Hodge of the State University, respecting a photo of a Rogue river valley scene which he wishes to use as the frontispiece of his soon to be published book on Civic Biology.

AIRSHIP BOMB BEHEADS WOMAN SEATED IN PARLOR

AMSTERDAM, April 17, via London, 3:27 p. m.—A hostile airship at half-past one o'clock this morning dropped twelve bombs on the city of Strassburg, capital of Alsace Lorraine.

The first aircraft appeared at 6:45 a. m. and dropped five bombs. The explosions of the projectiles were fatal to four women and two men.

The second aeroplane appeared over the city at 5 a. m. One of the bombs dropped from it demolished a house, decapitating a woman seated in the parlor and injuring another woman.

PROBE JAPANESE BASE IN MEXICO

WASHINGTON, April 17.—Admiral Howard, commanding the Pacific fleet off the west coast of Mexico, reported to the navy department today that he had ordered Commander Noble E. Irwin, on the cruiser New Orleans, to proceed at once to Turtle Bay, Lower California, and report on the activities of Japanese naval forces there.

The New Orleans was due to reach Turtle Bay today, and Commander Irwin is expected to report the result of his inquiry by wireless.

ROSEWELL FLOODED BY BURSTED DAM

ROSEWELL, N. M., April 17.—A part of the diversion dam of the Kondo reservoir, a government irrigation project near here, gave way today following heavy rains in the mountains.

HALT IN BATTLE IN CARPATHIANS DUE TO STORM

Russian Offensive Checked by Flooded Streams and Impassable Roads—Little Damage From Airship Raids—Activity Resumed by Allied Fleet at Dardanelles.

LONDON, April 17.—The British admiralty in a statement issued tonight announced that a Turkish torpedo boat had been sunk in the Aegean sea.

LONDON, April 17.—The allies on one side and Germany on the other are taking inventories of the injuries inflicted by the recent aerial operations and with the usual contradictory results.

Weather Halts Fight

Weather conditions seem to be the cause of the present halt in the operations in the Carpathian mountains. A correspondent of the Associated Press with the Austrian forces reviewing the situation, declares that the Russian offensive was checked after debouching on the plains on the Hungarian side of Lupkow Pass.

Activity in Dardanelles

With news of the resumption of activity by the allied fleet off the Dardanelles comes a report that the Grecian press is giving the impression of a possible modification of the present policy of Greece.

BISHOP SUMNER LEAVES FOR EUGENE

ROSEBURG, Or., April 17.—Bishop Walter Taylor Sumner of the Episcopal diocese of Oregon, who has been at Mercy hospital here for several days suffering with an affliction of the throat, had recovered sufficiently today to leave for Eugene, Or., where tomorrow afternoon he plans to witness the confirmation of a class in Episcopal church.

All other engagements have been cancelled and from Eugene Bishop Sumner will proceed to Portland to enter a hospital under the care of a specialist.

DESULTORY FIRING AROUND MATAMOROS

WASHINGTON, April 17.—Major General Funston at Brownsville, Tex., telegraphed the war department today that desultory firing was being kept up by the contending Mexican factions across the river at Matamoros and that many bullets continued to fall upon American soil.

NO, NOT A SCARECROW! IT'S A TRENCH DUMMY TO DRAW THE ENEMY'S FIRE



British soldier in a trench in the north of France, holding aloft a hand-made dummy to draw the enemy's fire.

YOUNG CROOKS ADMIT THEFTS BY LOCAL GANGSTERS

Confessions implicating ten other Medford boys in wholesale criminal operations in this city were obtained this morning by juvenile authorities from Lloyd Wolgast, George and Fred Anderson and Cecil Randall, on trial for chicken stealing.

According to the boys in custody, the operations of the gang extended from stealing milk bottles off back porches to plans to rob a bank in this city.

The robbery of the grocery stores was to secure food for gang feasts. They had no leader, but were held together by a bond of community interests.

GERMANY RUSHING TROOPS TO AUSTRIA

ZURICH, Switzerland, April 17.—Travelers from Germany are reaching Zurich after extraordinary delays resulting from congestion of German railroad lines with troop trains.

CATCH DYNAMITER AT CUDAHY PLANT

KANSAS CITY, April 17.—John Mulvahill, held by the police in Kansas City, Kan., in connection with the wrecking of the cooling plant of the Cudahy Packing company last Sunday night, denied he wrecked the building, but admitted he was on his way to dynamite another part of the plant at the time of his arrest.

FEVERISH TRADING SENDS STOCKS UP ON WALL STREET

NEW YORK, April 17.—Feverish trading in stocks was resumed at the opening of today's two-hour session on the exchange. Industrial and equipment shares of the class which made yesterday's operations memorable were again the most prominent features.

War shares added materially to gains of the first hour, closing with advances extending from 3 to 7 points.

U. S. Steel frequently changed hands in blocks of 1000 to 4000 shares, and just before the end touched 60, the high price of the current movement.

WILLSHIRE ESCAPES FROM INSANE ASYLUM

SALEM, Or., April 17.—Former Judge W. A. Willshire, committed to the insane asylum here from Lake county, escaped from the institution today.

MILLIONS LEFT TO CHARITY BY OIL KING'S WIFE

Will of Mrs. John D. Rockefeller Bequeaths \$500,000 and Valuable Jewelry to Friends and Relatives, and Balance of Estate to Charitable Institutions.

NEW YORK, April 17.—The will of Mrs. John D. Rockefeller was filed in the surrogate's court today. She leaves bequests in the neighborhood of \$500,000 and valuable articles of jewelry to friends and relatives.

The charitable bequests are to be distributed at the discretion of her executors, who are her son, John D. Rockefeller, Jr., and her daughter, Alta Rockefeller Prentice, wife of E. Parmelee Prentice.

A sum sufficient to produce a net income of \$1000 is left to Mrs. Rockefeller's friend, Caroline P. Sked. The charitable institutions named as beneficiaries of the residuary estate are the Euclid Avenue Baptist church, Cleveland, O.; the Baptist Home of Northern Ohio; Women's Baptist Home Missionary Society; Women's Baptist Foreign Missionary Society; Spelman Seminary, Atlanta, Ga., and the Bureau of Social Hygiene.

Jewels to Relatives

"The said trustees may give to each of said institutions so much of the property as they shall see fit," the will reads.

GRIZZLIES CLIMB ROXY ANN PEAK

The Grizzley outing Sunday will constitute a trip over the scenic highway to the top of Roxy Ann peak. The club will take the street car at Main and Central avenue at 8:45 a. m., detouring at the Hillcrest road, making the trip on foot through the Westerland orchards and over the new road to the summit.

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WEST PLEADS DEFENSE OF ACTS AT COPPERFIELD

Former Governor Tells Jury Why He Raided Saloons and Seized Liquor Stocks—Knew What It Was to Have a Drunken Father, Made So by Dens Like Those He Closed.

BAKER, Or., April 17.—Because he knew the effects of liquor and having evidence that conditions at Copperfield were deplorable, he declared martial law in the town and had the saloon stocks and fixtures shipped out, said Former Governor Oswald West in the state circuit court here today.

"I remember when as a boy I sat up with a heartbroken mother waiting for a drunken father to come home, sent home by such men as Wiegand and his kind," said Mr. West in a broken voice.

"No matter if the case goes against me, I shall accept it without complaint, for I know that every mother and every father knows that I did right. I believe in the performance of that duty at Copperfield. I was right within the law and within the eyes of God."

AMERICAN UNDER ARREST IN LONDON

LONDON, April 17.—Ludwig Paul Selbach, claiming to be an American citizen, was remanded to custody in London on the charge of being an alien enemy who had failed to register himself, in accordance with the British regulations.

Selbach admitted he was born in Hamburg, but he produced his preliminary declaration of American citizenship, dated in July of 1900.

HORSE KICK KILLS GENERAL HERRERA

LAREDO, Tex., April 17.—General Maclovio Herrera, Carranza commander operating near here, has been killed by a kick from his horse and his body has been brought to Nuevo Laredo, the Mexican town opposite here, according to reports here today.

Later in Nuevo Laredo the death of Herrera was confirmed. The body, which authentic sources declared was that of Herrera, was closely guarded. Jesus Herrera, father of the general, lives in El Paso, Tex., and has been notified of his son's death, it was said here.

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