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WARSAW AGAIN OBJECTIVE FOR TEUTON ARMIES

Russians Assert Present Lines Are Strong as Ever Before the Polish Capital—Desperate Fighting Along Dniester River—Struggle Renewed on Western Front.

LONDON, June 25.—Something of a lull in the fighting as compared to the feverish activity of the last fortnight, is enabling military observers on both sides to take stock and forecast future operations.

Petrograd claims that the Russian defensive positions are so secure that the Austro-Germans will not be able to withdraw many troops for use against the allies of Russia. The Russians assert further that their present line before Warsaw is as strong as it ever was and that their armies on the river Dniester will fall back only if the eastward drive of the Austro-Germans from Lemberg threatens to cut them off.

The authorities of the central empires are less communicative concerning their future intentions and movements, but it is believed that Warsaw again is their objective.

On Eastern Front
German official accounts of the fighting along the Dniester agree with the Russian as to the desperation of the struggle which the two armies are still waging in that part of Galicia. The Teutonic version, however, admits retrogression only at one point, stating that superior counter attacks by the Russians at Tartinow had caused a portion of General Von Linsingen's troops to be withdrawn towards the Dniester's southern bank.

Elsewhere in the southeastern theater of war progress was being made, the official statement said, while further north, although the Germans had evacuated the village of Kopaczynka, which they had recently captured, they had broken through the Russian lines near Stegna and held their footing there.

On Western Front
Latest news of the campaign in France shows the resumption of extreme activity on the heights of the Meuse, where the French tell of a violent German attack. The German claim is that the operations there were begun by the French and that a trench was retaken from them. The French admit a German advance, but declare the former lines later were re-established.

Activity along the Italian front is still chiefly in artillery engagements with occasional interludes of activity. The Italians claim, however, to be gradually advancing along the Isonzo and to have repulsed Austrian attacks at several points.

Munition Campaign
In England the campaign for munitions is in full swing with the possibility of national registration to ascertain the "man power" of the nation. That England appreciates the need of adding to her fighting resources is significantly indicated by the publication in the London Times of tables showing that the casualties of officers during the last month come within a few hundred of the total officer casualties during the entire South African war. The total in South Africa was 2752, which the lists since May 26 show that 2440 officers have been killed or wounded, or reported missing.

AMERICA WRITING NEW BRITISH NOTE

WASHINGTON, June 25.—United States government officials today are under consideration in connection with the new American note to Great Britain concerning delays to neutral commerce the latest British memorandum on the subject.

The British note, which was published here and in London today, explains in detail measures taken by the British government to minimize inconveniences to neutral commerce under the order in council. The claim is made, however, that American citizens have no just ground for complaint on account of the treatment accorded their cargoes.

ZAPATA FORCES DEFEND CAPITAL WITH ARTILLERY

Mexico City Isolated by Gonzales—Artillery Duel Reported in Progress—Foodstuffs Exported While People Starve—Red Cross Relief Delayed Until Occupation Capital.

WASHINGTON, June 25.—Zapata forces defending Mexico City have engaged the attacking Carranza army in a series of artillery duels and delayed its advance. No details were given in the advices reaching here today, which were the first indications that the Carranza advance would be resisted.

The foreign chancelleries interested in the Mexican situation have been given to understand that the president will determine on some action in line with his recent statement on Mexican affairs after the returns from New Hampshire in July.

Some of the diplomats have received official statements that while the population was starving \$400,000 worth of foodstuffs were exported to Cuba from the territory held by Carranza in the first three months of 1915.

Communication with Mexico City has been cut off since June 18, when General Gonzales, the Carranza commander, cut the wires to Vera Cruz at Otumba, thirty-six miles east of the capital. Consular advices from Vera Cruz today said the wireless was still down and it was improbable that communication would be restored before Gonzales entered the city. Vera Cruz dispatches to the Carranza agency here have insisted Gonzales was "trying to save the city from the horrors of attack," and had been ordered to exhaust every means to induce the Villa-Zapata troops to withdraw without resistance.

The Carranza war department urges that the Red Cross relief expedition be delayed until after the occupation of the capital. General Carranza has promised full co-operation with it.

HANGED MAN IN NOTE CONFESSES TO 13 MURDERS

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., June 25.—Syd Jones, hanged in the county jail yard here today, left a note in his cell in which he confessed 13 murders. Two of his victims, a Mobile & Ohio brakeman, and a Nebraska deputy sheriff, were writes. The others were negroes.

Jones named among his victims Thomas Thompson, Charles Bennett and Deputy Sheriff W. S. Mosely of Crawford, Neb.; Shay White, Thomas Shay and Sam Lee, Monterey, Cal.; Pattie Quirgo, a Mexican at Fort Wingate, N. M., and John Little John an Indian, at Sheridan, Wyo. The unnamed brakeman, he said, he killed at Boydwell, Ky.

"I am sorry I missed getting Richard Moore, September 12, 1912," Jones wrote. "Just one more would have made an even number."

GERMAN PEOPLE LONG FOR PEACE SAY SOCIALISTS

Debate in Prussian Chamber of Deputies—Socialists Declare Against Wild Plans of Annexation, While Minister Declares Government's Aim Is to Terminate War.

BERLIN, June 25.—The debate in the Prussian chamber of deputies yesterday on the attitude of the German people toward peace attracted considerable attention today.

Herr Braun, Herr Wiener and Dr. Karl Liebknecht took part in the exchanges. The morning newspapers report the proceedings substantially as follows:

Herr Wiener, progressive, cited with signs of approval from the members an article by Hugo Heinemann, socialist, to the effect that no German wants peace unless Germany's enemies are willing to concede her right to develop her economic and cultural powers.

Masses Want Peace

"To this statement, Dr. Karl Liebknecht, one of the socialist leaders interjected: 'We have the masses with us and the masses want peace.'

"After this interruption, Herr Wiener continued:

"We are convinced that the co-operation of all parties and classes is essential and that it means German victory. In this co-operation is found the guarantee that we will hold out, and that we will be spared from such dastardly attacks in the future."

"Herr Braun, socialist, was the next speaker. He said the socialists did not deny that the German people must stand together against their innumerable enemies. He referred to the fact that certain persons are talking about continuing the war in order to realize 'wild plans of annexation.'

"A great majority of the German people wish imperatively that no opportunity for securing an early peace be lost, the speaker declared, and they emphatically reject annexation plans of all kinds, particularly such as have been advocated by one German ruler. Democracy is opposed to those objectionable projects, if only for the reason that they prolong war.

Government Seeks Annexation
"The German people want no conquests," Herr Braun declared.

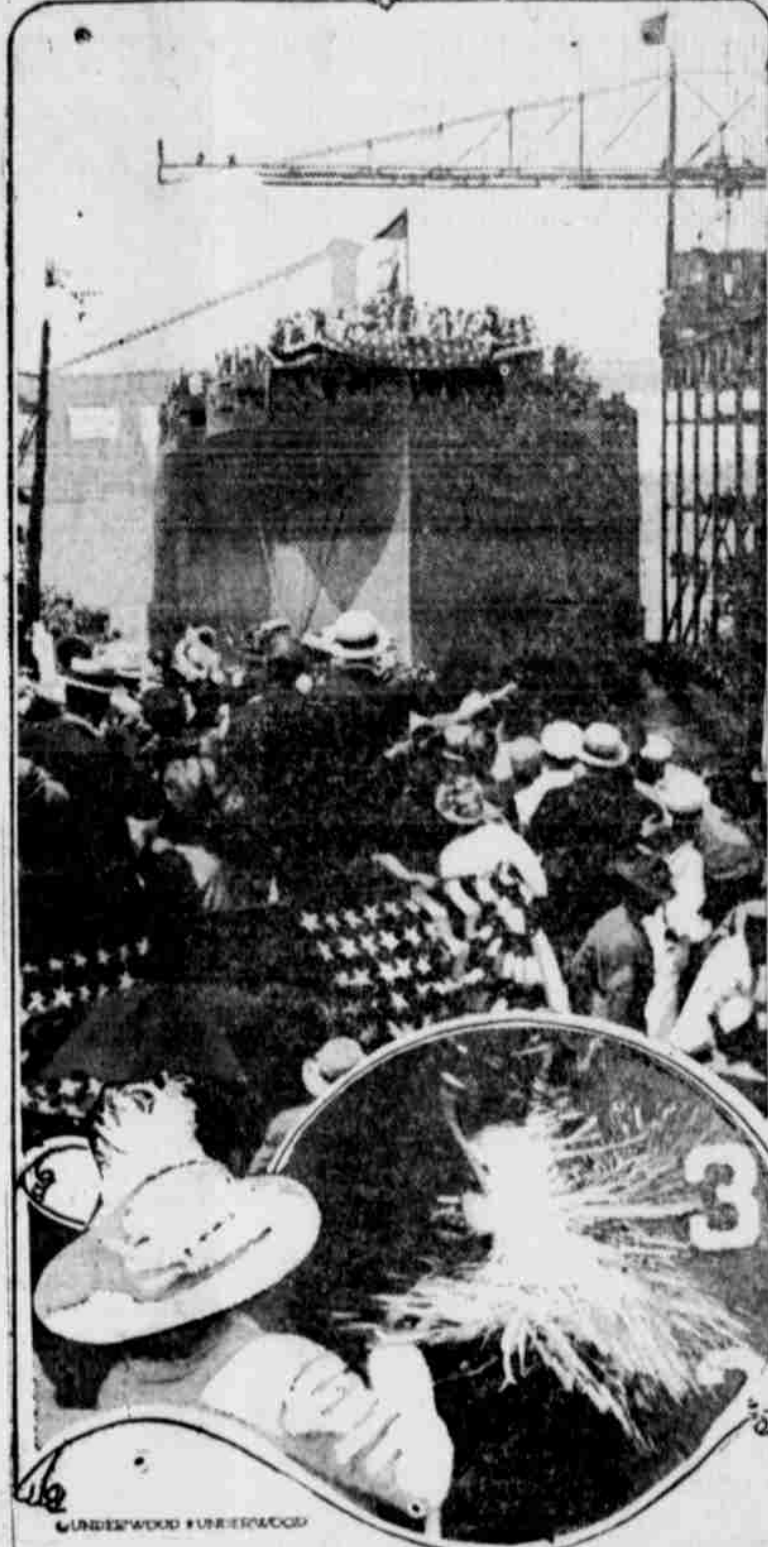
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THIEVING MEXICANS BURN WOMAN'S FEET

LOS ANGELES, Cal., June 25.—Seven Mexicans chopped their way into the home of Mrs. Louise Martinez, an aged resident of the Latin quarter near the plaza early today and applied fire to her feet which induced her to reveal the hiding place of \$120 in gold. Three of the men then attacked her, after which they quarreled because \$120 could not be equally divided among seven. The dispute gave Mrs. Martinez time to summon the police and four officers who responded captured five of the seven.

One of the missing men got away with the money.

GREAT DREADNAUGHT ARIZONA TAKING THE WATER



She feels the "thrill of life along her keel." The U. S. S. Arizona, mighty sister ship of the dreadnaught Pennsylvania, sliding into the water at the Brooklyn navy-yard June 19. Below, a picture of Miss Esther Ross of Preston, Ariz., as she smashed the bottle of wine against the ship and christened her.

ARIZONA SOLONS IN A FIST FIGHT OVER PROHIBITION

PHOENIX, Ariz., June 25.—Blows accompanied the defeat today of the "search and seizure" prohibition bill which was on the "dead" file of the special session of the legislature. Representative W. P. Mahoney of Mohave county, attacked Representative James Goodwin of Phoenix on the floor of the assembly as the latter was explaining his vote against the measure, which would have given officers authority to search any home for intoxicants.

Both Goodwin and Mahoney voted against the bill, one of a series of proposed acts to supplement the state prohibition constitutional amendment. Goodwin was explaining his vote when he noticed that the young woman stenographer employed by the assembly was taking no notes. Mahoney took exception to Goodwin's remarks on this circumstance and struck him in the face. Goodwin did not strike back.

PORTUGAL RENEWS FEALTY TO ALLIES SEEKING REVENGE

PARIS, June 25.—A Havas despatch from Lisbon says:

"The ministerial declaration read in the chamber yesterday afternoon renews manifestations of sympathy for the allies, discloses the governmental decision to present to parliament documents which throw light on the attitude assumed by Portugal in relation to the European war and in conclusion affirms the country's resolution to seek revenge for damage suffered in Africa.

"After reading of the declaration, Alexandre Braga, leader of the democrats, promised the government the support of his party.

UNITED STATES GATHERING SHIP SEIZURE FACTS

Reply to Great Britain Delayed to Secure Data—British Statement of Detentions Regarded as Evasive—Washington Not Ready to Accept Principles in British Note.

WASHINGTON, June 25.—Sufficient facts on detention and seizure of American ships and cargoes by the British fleet have not yet been gathered by the state department to complete the new note to Great Britain which has been under preparation several weeks.

Secretary Lansing disclosed today that the portion of the note dealing with the principles of the blockade had long ago been outlined, but that officials had been absorbed in getting data on American ships and goods detained or seized. He intimated that the note in its final form would be a presentation of the academic principles involved in the British practice under the order in council.

British Answer Evasive

The British memorandum, reviewing the efforts to minimize inconveniences to neutrals, will be acknowledged in the new note and some of its principles will be discussed, although it is recognized here that the memorandum was not intended as a reply to the American protest against the order in council. This Great Britain has not answered.

Officials here regard the British statement of detentions as evasive. The memorandum puts the total number of vessels "still detained" at 27. Nowhere in the British memorandum is a statement of the total detentions which the state department estimates a almost 100 since March 1.

Rejects Principle

The new note to Great Britain will doubtless call especial attention to the British statement that of 272 ships detained, seven "are free to depart as soon as the items of their cargo placed in the prize court have been discharged."

Washington is not ready to accept the principles embodied in that statement and officials contend that it is small consolation for an American owner of a valuable cargo. The note will insist that a non-contraband cargo, consigned to a neutral port, regardless of its eventual destination, shall not be molested.

GERMANS REPULSED ON DNEISTER RIVER

PETROGRAD, June 25.—Austro-German forces were repulsed with heavy losses at three points on the Dniester river by the Russians, according to an official statement here under date of June 23, given out today at the headquarters of the general staff. In the Kosmerjine district the Russians carried by assault a strongly fortified height. Enormous losses are said to have been inflicted upon the Germans in the Kozany region.

Referring to operations near Lemberg, the statement asserts that Russian counter attacks were successful.

BARNUM ROAD SOLD TO BULLIS PRICE \$60,000

Actual Transfer of Property to Take Place Before July 1—Bullis Trolley to Extend Out Main to City Limits to Connect With Barnum Road, Which Will Be Electrified.

Deeds calling for the transfer of the Rogue River Valley railroad (Barnum line) to the Southern Oregon Traction company (Bullis line) were drawn Thursday and the actual transfer of the property will take place between now and July 1. The deal, which has been hanging fire for the last six weeks, is practically closed, awaiting only the final signatures. The purchase price, as named in the deed, is \$60,000.

The sale means the electrification of the Barnum line its entire length, eight miles, which includes one mile in Medford, five miles between this city and Jacksonville, and the two miles to the brickyard, and the extension on West Main street of the present streetcar line. It also means the probable extension of the line into the Applegate and on to the Blue Ledge later.

Build Out West Main

It is the intention of the Bullis interests to build out Main street, tapping the business and residence districts, and connecting with the main Barnum line in the suburbs. The city council at its last regular meeting granted a six months' extension on the Bullis franchise for the completion of this work. Arrangements for the crossing of the Southern Pacific tracks at Main street have been completed between the Bullis interests, the state railroad commission and the Southern Pacific.

Work upon the electrification of the Barnum line and the Main street extension will begin within the next two weeks, according to present plans.

A conference was held this morning between Mr. Barnum, Mr. Bullis and Attorney W. I. Vawter and the deal practically closed. Immediately afterward Mr. Bullis left for the Sterling mine.

The Barnum road has been in operation for over twenty years and was built by municipal co-operation from Medford. Several deals for its transfer have all fallen through. At various times it has been reported sold, once for \$125,000 and once for \$80,000. The latter figure is the one generally attributed as the figure at which the Barnum's held their holdings. The right of way is the most valuable part of the line, the equipment being out of date.

The deal has long been hoped for and is regarded by Medford and the (Continued on Page 6)

LASSEN PEAK AGAIN ERUPTING

REDDING, Cal., June 25.—Lassen peak emitted today an increasingly heavy column of smoke that rose skyward several thousand feet in its 103d eruption. The activity apparently was at the northern point of the crater.

Yes, All the Crops Look Healthy for 1915

(News Item—The United States department of agriculture predicts the biggest crop in the history of the country this year.)



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