

FORECAST
FAIR TONIGHT,
AND TUESDAY.

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

WEATHER
Maximum yesterday, 90;
Minimum today, 52.

Forty-eighth Year.
Daily—Eleventh Year.

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BRITISH ROUT TURKISH FORCES ATTACKING SUEZ

Turks Drawn Into Trap by Retreating Cavalry and Flanks Turned—Entire Brigade Surrenders—3145 Prisoners Taken and Attacking Force Pursued 18 Miles.

LONDON, Aug. 7.—The recent attempt of the Turks to reach the Suez canal has proven a greater failure than the earlier reports indicated. Lieutenant General Sir Archibald James Murray, commander of the British troops in Egypt reports today that besides taking more than 3,000 prisoners in the battle with the Turks at Romani, his forces inflicted very heavy losses on them and had continued the pursuit of the retreating troops for 18 miles, clearing the Turks from the Katia basin.

Hoped to Impress Arabs. Military writers are unable to fathom the reason why the Turks ventured upon their attack. The only conclusion reached is that the Turkish military authorities were misled as to British preparations for defense of the canal and hoped to make an impression on rebellious Arabs, who are extending their hold on important places in Arabia.

The Turkish advance as far as Romani was made in the face of the greatest difficulties, their six-inch guns being dragged across the desert by oxen after relays of planks had been placed to prevent the wheels sinking into the sand.

The dispatch says the cavalry was sent out to entice the enemy, who had shown a disposition to assume the offensive. The British horsemen fought an admirable rear guard action, drawing the Turks on until their flanks were turned to the mounted division. A whole brigade was compelled to surrender. Among the prisoners were 70 Germans, including 36 officers. A complete battery of German guns were also taken.

Turkish Prisoners.

The number of unwounded Turks captured by the British at the battle of Romani was 3,145, according to an official statement, issued by the war office today. The statement says that the Turks were pursued for 18 miles. The pursuit continued beyond the Katia, which is 23 miles east of the Suez canal.

"The net results of the battle of Romani are the destruction of more than one-fourth of the Turkish effectiveness and the pushing of the remainder out into the blazing desert beyond the Katia oases," said Major General F. B. Maurice, director of military operations of the imperial general staff, in explaining to the Associated Press today the significance of the latest operations in the near east.

Canal's Safety Assured.

"The Turks not only made a frontal attack on our entrenched positions, but attempted to get around our left flank. Our artillery, infantry and cavalry co-operated not only in repelling, but in attacking the enemy, with such good results that he is unable to have an uncomfortable time recrossing the desert at this season of the year. Our advance has reached within a short distance of the edge of the Katia oases.

There is no question the Germans encouraged the latest Turkish attempt on the canal in an effort to prevent us from sending any of our forces to the western front, but the distressing results shows we have provided adequately for the safety of the Suez canal. In accomplishing this we suffered very few casualties, many of which consisted of slight wounds."

EX-SENATOR THURSTON REPORTED TO BE DYING

OMAHA, Neb., Aug. 7.—The physicians who are attending John M. Thurston, former senator from Nebraska, who is dangerously ill in a local hospital, announced today that the patient would not survive the day. He had a relapse Sunday and has been sinking slowly. He was taken to the hospital four weeks ago after a heat prostration.

WILSON'S NOTIFICATION OF RENOMINATION TO BE BY SEPTEMBER 15

WASHINGTON, Aug. 7.—President Wilson's formal notification of his renomination will not be deferred later than September 15, it was decided at a white house conference today, regardless of whether congress has adjourned by that date. The decision was reached after the president had talked over campaign plans at length with Vance McCormick, chairman, and Homer Cummings, vice chairman of the democratic national committee.

INFANT PLAGUE SHOWS NO SIGN BEING CONTROLLED

NEW YORK, Aug. 7.—Today marked the beginning of the sixth week of the epidemic of infantile paralysis and the daily bulletin, issued by the health department, showed that the plague continues unabated. During the 24 hours preceding 10 o'clock this morning, 44 children died of the disease in the boroughs of New York city and 145 new cases were reported.

Since the inception of the epidemic there have been 5,168 cases, of which number 1,143 proved fatal.

Three new cases were reported in Jersey City today. An appeal was issued today to persons, who had suffered from infantile paralysis and who have recovered to give small quantities of their blood so that serum could be obtained and administered to those now victims of similar attacks. It was stated that this appeal was made at the request of the department of health and of several physicians, who are foremost in the fight against the plague.

Physicians said that owing to a lack of serum with which to make numerous conclusive tests, its value has not yet been fully proved, but indicated that there was a possibility that if administered early enough it would prevent paralysis and save the patient from becoming crippled. There has been much discussion of this claim and it has been questioned by other physicians.

ASKS DELAY IN FREIGHT INCREASES

NEW YORK, Aug. 7.—New York shippers plan to ask the interstate commerce commission to defer for four months the date when the proposed higher trans-continental freight tariffs filed by the railroads shall go into effect, it was announced here today. The date now fixed is September 1.

Meanwhile the commission is to hold a hearing in Washington in August 14 to consider protests against the tariffs, which would be operative between Pacific coast terminals and intermediate points on one hand and eastern points on the other. It is said that more than 600 protests have been filed.

RAILROAD STRIKE VOTE IS COUNTED

NEW YORK, Aug. 7.—The task of counting the votes of approximately 100,000 railroad employes on the question of calling a general strike in the event that their demands for an eight-hour day and time and a half for pay in overtime, recently denied, was completed just before noon today, it was announced at headquarters here of the four railroad brotherhoods. Although no official statement could be obtained as to the result, it was learned from authoritative sources that the vote was overwhelmingly in favor of a strike.

RUSSIANS WIN FORTIFIED TOWNS NORTH GALICIA

Brussiloff Pressing Offensive Against Teutons, Taking Positions Along Sereth and Graberka Rivers—Heavy Fighting Continues at Verdun—Counter Attacks in Somme.

LONDON, Aug. 7.—General Brussiloff is pressing his offensive against the Teutonic allies in northern Galicia where the passage of the River Sereth was recently forced by the Russians along a wide front south of Brody. Petrograd today reports further advances for the Russians, with the capture of strongly fortified positions along the Sereth and the Graberka.

The forward push of the Russians in this sector is not only bringing them closer to Lemberg on the direct line of advance, but is pointed out by military critics as likely to endanger the entire Austrian front along the Strpa, to the south, which is rapidly being outflanked.

On Verdun Front.

Heavy fighting continues on the western front in the Verdun region. According to Paris, however, the Germans have been entirely unsuccessful in their efforts to regain ground lost to the French in General Nivelle's vigorous offensive of last week.

An attack on the Thiaumont wood is declared to have been checked at the outset by the French barrier fire while an assault in the Vaux-Chapitre woods was broken up by the artillery and machine guns.

In the field of the allied offensive along the Somme today's Paris statement reports only artillery activity, which, however, was intense in the region of Chaules north of the river.

German Report.

BERLIN, Aug. 7.—German troops have recaptured portions of the trench which had been taken by the British near Pozieres, on the Somme front, it was officially announced today by the German army headquarters.

In the Carpathians, the German statement adds, German troops have gained the Plaik and Deeskovata heights on the Chermoch river.

LONDON, Aug. 7.—Several small counter attacks by the Germans east of Pozieres last night were repulsed, the war office announced today. The Germans are bombarding British positions between the Anere and the Somme.

Russian Report.

PETROGRAD, Aug. 7.—Further successes for the Russians along the Sereth and Graberka rivers in northern Galicia south of Brody were announced by the war office today. The Russians captured strongly fortified positions in the region of the village of Zvyjin and Renuiv.

PARIS, Aug. 7.—The repulse of German attacks at Thiaumont and in the Vaux and Chapitre woods in the Verdun sector is announced in the official statement issued by the French war office this afternoon.

The statement records a vigorous artillery duel north of the Somme and in the region of Chaules. The French screen fire checked the German attack at Thiaumont. In the Vaux-Chapitre woods the Germans preceded their attack by a heavy bombardment but their efforts to advance were frustrated by the machine gun and rifle fire of the French.

\$1,250,000 VALUE OF LINER APPAM

NORFOLK, Va., Aug. 7.—Appraisers appointed by the federal district court today fixed the value of the liner Appam at \$1,250,000. Soon afterward counsel appeared to argue a motion that the ship be turned over to her English owners under bond pending appeal from the court's decision against the German prize crew which brought the Appam into American waters.

SWITCHMEN AGREE TO ARBITRATION OF OVERTIME GREIVANCES

WASHINGTON, Aug. 5.—After conferences with representatives of several of the big eastern railroads and the Switchmen's union of North America, G. W. W. Hanger of the United States board of mediation and conciliation reported to headquarters here today that he expected an agreement to be signed before night submitting to arbitration differences between the carriers and the union over overtime pay and hours of service.

RAPID PROGRESS AGAINST GERMANS IN EAST AFRICA

LONDON, Aug. 7.—General Louis Botha, premier of the Union of South Africa, has arrived in German East Africa to witness what is believed here to be the last phase of the operations against Germany's one remaining colony. General Botha was present at the recent fighting north of the German Central railway which resulted in a British advance to and occupation of the lines at Kilimatinde and other points.

Meanwhile, with the occupation of Ujiji by the Belgians, and of Sadani and other coast ports by the British, the Germans apparently, are afforded only the opportunity of retreating into the southeastern corner of the colony, where the Portuguese, in their East African possession, are awaiting them.

Rapid progress in the southward drive of the British through German East Africa is reported in an official statement issued today. The Germans have been driven from the line of the Central railroad at Kilimatinde and other points, says the report from General Jan Christian Smuts, commanding the British expedition, and are being pursued by the British forces.

General Smuts states that the minor part of Sadani (on the Indian ocean) was occupied by our naval forces on August 1, slight opposition only, being experienced. Other naval operations are in progress at various points along the coast line.

Having reached the German Central railroad at Kilimatinde, Dodoma and Kikombo, Lieutenant Colonel Vandeventer, pursuing the enemy forces, dislodged them from this area in the direction of Mabarika.

PEACE EFFORTS IN NEW YORK END IN FAILURE

NEW YORK, Aug. 7.—The efforts of Mayor Mitchell and of Public Service Commissioner Straus to settle the street railway strike in New York failed today. After a protracted meeting the directors of the New York Railway company declined at this time to ratify the tentative agreement, proposed by the two public officials as a basis for settlement.

NEW YORK, Aug. 7.—A peaceable end of the strike on the New York railway company's surface car lines, which began Friday night was in prospect today. Meetings of the organizations of the union and of the officials of the railway companies was called at 11 o'clock today to consider proposals of settlement, which already had been approved by President Shonts of the company and by representatives of the Amalgamated Association of Street and Electric Railway Employes of America. These proposals were described by Mayor Mitchell as a basis for settlement. Leaders of both sides of the controversy promised to recommend them for ratification by the directors of the company and by the strikers.

BIG SUBMARINE TRAVELING OFF MAINE COAST

Huge Submersible Reported by Incoming Steamer—May be Bremen or Deutschland—Submerges When Signalled—No American Submarines in Vicinity.

MACHIAS PORT, Me., Aug. 7.—Captain Small of the Cross Island coast guard station reported this morning that his station had sighted a large submarine westbound. Its nationality could not be determined, but the captain said he had no doubt that it was an undersea craft. The submarine was coming to the surface when it was sighted and after running a wash 15 minutes, again submerged. It was thought that the vessel might be the German submarine, Bremen. So far as can be learned, there are no United States submarines on the Maine coast.

The lookout, who sighted the submarine, later said that he picked the vessel up in clear weather five miles to the southeast. As the vessel came to the surface, the lookout said he heard several blasts from the signal horn at the lighthouse on Seal island, a British possession.

It is believed that the keeper of the lighthouse was signalling to the keeper at the Grand Manan light, also British owned, that a submarine had been sighted. Immediately after the whistle sounded the submarine submerged. A few moments later a haze set in and it was impossible to see more than four miles off Cross Island.

Lowell W. Dunn, the lookout on Cross Island, later reported that he had sighted a second submarine, considerably smaller than the first one.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 7.—Navy officers said today no American submarines were known to be anywhere in the vicinity of Cross Island. They thought the boat sighted there might be the German merchant submersible Deutschland on her homeward voyage or her sister ship the Bremen, bound in for the United States.

BRITISH WORK ON NATIONAL HOLIDAY

LONDON, Aug. 7.—With the exception of a portion of the coal miners of South Wales and the cotton brokers of Lancashire, the British working people today joyfully accepted the decision of the government that holidays should be postponed until the demand for munitions was not urgent. The South Wales miners' unions decided early last week to observe today—bank holiday—one of Great Britain's national holidays, as usual, but later reversed their decision upon representations by the authorities that coal was necessary to the continued working of munition factories.

Despite this decision holiday bookings this morning broke all records. Thousands of miners and their families left for the seaside, a step which means that many mines will be worked only part of the time for the most of this week. In the cities business was carried on as usual, while the munition factories worked at full pressure.

POPE TO PROTEST DEPORTING OF FRENCH

PARIS, Aug. 7.—The pope, after a careful study of the protest against the deportation of inhabitants of Northern France, has decided to make a protest to Germany, according to a news dispatch from Rome, received here.

The protest was sent to the pope by the bishop of Lille and the archbishop of Rheims. It is stated that the pope will ask Berlin that at least women and young girls be sent back to their homes and that he will publicly express his reprobation of the action of the German military authorities, if his protest is ignored.

ITALIANS CAPTURE AUSTRIAN STRONGHOLDS ISONZO AND TOLANO

ROME, Aug. 7.—Italian troops have captured strong Austrian positions commanding the Travenanzes valley and the Sare torrent in the Gader valley in the Tofana region. On the lower Isonzo the Italians gained possession of nearly the whole of Hill No. 85 and held it against violent counter attacks. Prisoners taken in yesterday's fighting by the Italian number 3600. A large amount of ammunition and guns also were captured.

ANOTHER HEAT WAVE SPREADS OVER ENTIRE COUNTRY

NEW YORK, Aug. 7.—With two persons dead and many prostrations during the last 12 hours, indications were that today would break all previous records for excessive humidity. Although the temperature at 10 a. m. was only 78, three degrees lower than at the same hour yesterday, the humidity registered 99 per cent, five per cent higher than at the same hour yesterday and within one per cent of the highest attained any day this year.

CHICAGO, Aug. 7.—Little, if any, relief from the present heat wave, was in sight early today, particularly with reference to Chicago and immediate territory. The only degree of mitigation promised by the local fore-caster was a partly cloudy sky, but even this was halted with a measure of relief, in view of the discomforts of yesterday. Three deaths, directly attributable to the heat of yesterday, were reported last night, while six others were drowned in seeking relief in the lake from the blazing sun.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 7.—Showers tonight or tomorrow over much of the country east of the Mississippi are counted upon by the weather bureau to bring some measure of relief from the heat wave. An area of high pressure continues to send up warmth from the south Atlantic, however, and no marked drop in temperature is forecasted. Unseasonably hot weather prevails over the upper Mississippi valley, the Ohio valley and the upper lake region.

HUGHES TALKS TO DETROIT EMPLOYERS

DETROIT, Mich., Aug. 7.—Charles E. Hughes, speaking to 40 manufacturers of Detroit and vicinity, congratulated them upon what they had done for the welfare of their employes, told them that the democracy of the United States would not stand for a continuation of "this alleged strife between capital and labor" and declared that the American workman should not be regarded as a mere economic unit, but as a "fellow worker, a human being."

Mr. Hughes' address was impromptu and followed a brief speech by J. M. Eaton, spokesman for the manufacturers, who outlined the welfare measures for employes taken by industrial concerns here and suggested that the nominee endorse a movement looking to the formation of a national welfare association of manufacturers. Mr. Hughes said he regarded the suggestion very favorably.

QUITS CONGRESS TO BE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

WASHINGTON, Aug. 7.—Representative Stephens, recently made lieutenant governor of California notified Speaker Clark today that he had filed his resignation as a member of the house with the California authorities.

EDITORS RETURN ENTHUSIASTIC OVER CRATER

Sunday Sees Record Attendance at Lake, With 101 Autos and 458 Visitors—Superintendent Marshall Grooms Editors and Strahorn Asks Support of Proposed Railroad.

The presence of 115 delegates of the Oregon State Editorial association, their Medford drivers and escorts, in addition to a heavy tourist travel, swelled attendance at Crater Lake park yesterday to the largest proportions in the history of the park. 101 cars and 458 persons registered at headquarters, exceeding the record established a year ago during the Knights of Pythias convalescence when 437 persons and 97 cars were registered. The editors returned Monday, well pleased with their entertainment and in raptures over Crater lake.

The first car in the procession carrying the visiting editors pulled away from the Medford hotel at 12:30 o'clock Sunday morning, following the banquet tendered by the Medford Commercial club. Others followed at intervals until 9:30 o'clock when starter Ben Sheldon checked out the last of the 33 cars pressed into service and himself was off for the lake.

Trip Most Successful.

The trip itself was uniformly successful and enjoyable, many stopping for lunch at Prospect and viewing the Natural Bridge, Rogue River Gorge, and Mill Creek Falls. Arriving at the lake the guests spent the hours until the campfire in the evening climbing the surrounding peaks, taking the trail to the water's edge or simply standing on the rim and enjoying the ever changing beauties of the lake.

In the evening when the inner man of the last of the crowd had been satisfied and all were seated in a great circle before the fireplace in the reception room of the lodge, President E. E. Brodie introduced Will G. Steel, superintendent of the park, whose appearance brought the entire circle to its feet in spontaneous recognition and tribute to the man who has made a dream of a wonderful Crater Lake National park come true.

History of Park Creation.

Seventeen years of struggles, disappointments and rebuffs followed by fulfillment of his cherished plans was the tale of the establishment of the park and bringing of it to its present form, told by Mr. Steel. He related how, as a boy, he found printed on a scrap of paper a description of a wonderful lake in Oregon, how he came to Oregon and inquired for the lake and for years was unable to locate it even approximately, how at last he beheld it and conceived the idea that the lake and its surrounding peaks and forest should be made into a park, the playground of the American people, how for years he used every influence at his command to have the government set aside the land, how he had spent months and months at Washington and how in the end the government did set aside 249 square miles, to be known as Crater Lake National park.

Mr. Steel explained how the government has appropriated \$700,000 as a continuing appropriation for the construction of highways in the park. This will be expended during a term of years in the construction of a road around the rim and in the improvement of the existing roads. When this is done, he concluded, and the money is all expended, he will again go before congress and ask for a million dollars more for the paving of all roads in the park, and for the

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EXPECTS VOTE UPON SUFFRAGE AMENDMENT

WASHINGTON, Aug. 7.—A canvass of the senate is being made by Senator Thomas, chairman of the suffrage committee, to learn whether it will be possible without extended debate to get a vote at this session on a federal suffrage amendment. Senator Shafrath, a white house caller today, said he expected to see the vote taken.