

# Serbian Armies Cut Off; Condition Critical

## General Villa Is Crushed in Great Battle at Agua Prieta

### LAST EFFORT OF VILLA TO CRUSH CARRANZA FAILS

VILLISTAS, BROKEN AND DEFEATING IN RETREAT

Battle Started at 1:30 Yesterday. Villa's 4-inch Guns Poured Fire into City—Villa Commanded Cavalry in Person—Nine Americans Hurt by Stray Bullets—Barbed Wire Proves Impenetrable to Artillery.

United Press Service  
DOUGLAS, Ariz., Nov. 2.—The defeated Villistas retreated eastward this morning, after being hopelessly crushed in the battle of Agua Prieta, leaving 4,000 dead and wounded on the battlefield. The Villistas are disintegrating. Many are deserting and searching for food. The defense entanglements of barbed wire proved impenetrable, and the Villa artillery could not move. Two thousand Yaquis arrived to support Villa as he retreated, but this did not save the day. Nine Americans, including four privates of the Seventh Infantry, were wounded by stray bullets. American commanders did not attempt to carry out their threat to fire on the Mexicans if Americans were endangered. Funston arrived this morning.

United Press Service  
DOUGLAS, Ariz., Nov. 2.—The Agua Prieta battle, in which Villa is throwing his entire strength in a last effort to crush his adversary, began at 1:30 Monday afternoon. A shell exploded in front of the home of Mrs. Alice O'Loughlin, on the American side of the international border. The Villa battery of 4-inch guns poured fire into Agua Prieta 200 yards south of the line. The company of Villistas that worked the guns were under cover.

Several times the Villistas advanced to within a few yards of the Carranza trenches, and men fell quietly. Villa personally commanded the cavalry charges.

### INVESTMENTS IN REALTY INCREASE

LARGE RANCH NEAR BONANZA, INCLUDING FOURTEEN HUNDRED ACRES, PURCHASED BY CALIFORNIANS

With the transfer of the Harpold property, which is situated in the Bonanza district, and comprises in the neighborhood of 1,400 acres, the fact is being divulged that it is not only the people of this section who are interested in Klamath county's future, but that the eyes of the outsiders are being focused on this city and the surrounding territory.

Jones & Murray of Modesto, Calif., are the purchasers of this large acreage, and it is given out that the purchase price amounts to \$40,000. The transfer of this property was made through the firm of A. A. Bellman & Son of this city.

### COUNCIL SITS TO MIDNIGHT; MUCH IS ACCOMPLISHED

FEW WARM SPOTS, BUT MUCH BUSINESS TRANSACTED

Auto Fire Truck for City; Better Lighting and Sidewalks; Safety First Signs on Streets; Distribution of Copies of Traffic Laws and City Ordinances; Charter Amendments, and Merging of Officers Main Issues

Last night's council meeting was distinguished by its length. The fathers of the city sat in session until nearly every one of the spectators had gone—from 8 o'clock till midnight. Much business was accomplished.

If just a few of the proposed plans are adopted Klamath Falls will soon have an auto fire truck, lights replaced on the streets, signs in the middle of the streets in the business section, saying turn to the right, an absence of holes in the sidewalk, copies of the city ordinances, as well as traffic laws for distribution among the people, civil service examination in the town hall, several offices merged into one, and rules against parking autos on Main street and tying racks on Sixth street.

Some of the above are already assured, and some are still far away. The postmaster asked that the council chamber of the city hall be thrown open to the government, in which to hold civil service examinations, and on explaining that the examinations would at no time interfere with the city's business, and that unless some place was found in which to hold the examinations Klamath Falls would be obliged to be dropped from the list of civil service examination points. His request was granted. He said examinations are held monthly, and saves Klamath folk the bother of taking them at Grants Pass.

Several letters were read from companies manufacturing auto fire trucks, and all of these will be investigated by a committee, and in all probability the best one for the needs of this city will be bought.

The question of lights on the streets was an issue that almost led to warmth. According to various councilmen, the street lights are constantly going out, and the power company does not replace them. City Attorney Groesbeck said that the darkened streets might lead to accidents, falling etc., in which the city would be liable for damage suits, and that if the power company would not replace its lights the city should.

This led to a discussion of the right and wrong of the issue. Councilman Mathews said he was a stand-patter, and he did not believe in repairing the lights when it was the power company's duty to do so.

"Penny wise and pound foolish," said Groesbeck.

Councilman Miller said he thought it "small" of the power company to refuse to replace the lights, and Struble said that if the company ever wanted any further favors from the city, "they were going about in a great way to get them." The issue was still unsettled at the close of the meeting.

The signs in the middle of the street, directly over the manholes,

### FREE DELIVERY JUST IN OFFING

LACK OF FUNDS ONLY OBSTACLE IN WAY OF POSTAL DEPARTMENT GRANTING FREE MAIL DELIVERY TO KLAMATH FALLS

Free mail delivery for Klamath Falls is just in the offing, according to a report made by Postmaster Delzell at the city council meeting last night. The only thing that is in the way at present is the shortage of funds by the United States postal department, on account of the loss of European business because of the war, but as soon as money is available, this city will undoubtedly procure the free delivery.

At present Congressman Hawley is at work trying to secure it. All arrangements have been made at the local office, and all requirements passed. Postmaster Delzell has taken up the matter with the postal authorities, and the economy program is the only obstacle.

Local business men have wanted free delivery for years, and from all indications the postal department will grant it soon.

### VOCAL TEACHER TO VISIT HERE

WM. SHAKESPEARE, GREAT ENGLISH INSTRUCTOR, MAY SPEND A WEEK IN KLAMATH FALLS WHILE ON COAST

Wm. Shakespeare of London, probably one of the greatest, if not indeed the greatest, of living vocal teachers, has been spending some months in San Francisco, where many of that city's vocalists and teachers of voice have taken advantage of the opportunity to study with this master.

Mr. Shakespeare is soon to go to Seattle for a short sojourn, and has sent word to Mrs. Don Zumwalt, one of his pupils here, that he would be delighted to spend a week in Klamath Falls en route. While here he has consented to take a very limited number of pupils for a daily lesson.

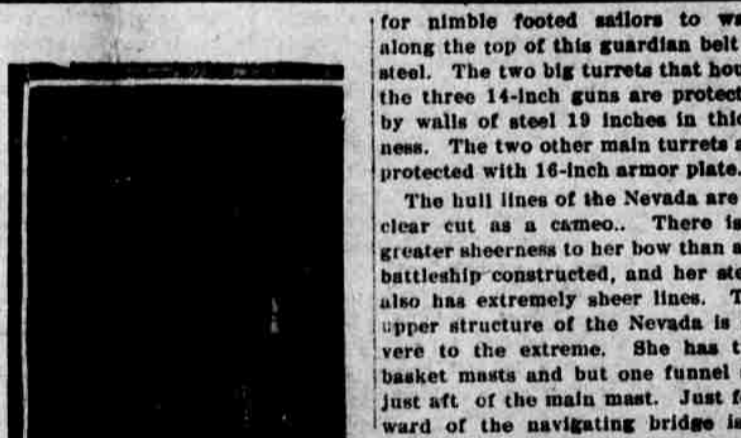
Mrs. Zumwalt announces that she will be glad to make arrangements for a few daily lessons under this great master, if she is notified at once. She considers this opportunity to study, even for a short time, one of the greatest that will probably come to the vocalists of this city.

warning people "safety first and turn to the right" were discussed and approved by several members of the council. The idea originated in California cities, and there works to a good advantage. A shaft, bearing the sign, is placed in a block of cement, and if an autoist breaks the shaft, or even knocks it over, he is fined from \$1 to \$5. Nothing definite was decided in regard to this matter.

The condition of the sidewalks led to the hottest discussion of the evening. It came about during the allowing of bills, one of which was a bill for lumber to repair the sidewalk. Councilman Doty said that Holman, the street commissioner, had no right to buy lumber to repair the sidewalk, as it was the duty of every property

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### Uncle Sam's Newest Dreadnought as She Went Under Brooklyn Bridge



for nimble footed sailors to walk along the top of this guardian belt of steel. The two big turrets that house the three 14-inch guns are protected by walls of steel 19 inches in thickness. The two other main turrets are protected with 16-inch armor plate. The hull lines of the Nevada are as clear cut as a cameo. There is a greater sheerness to her bow than any battleship constructed, and her stern also has extremely sheer lines. The upper structure of the Nevada is severe to the extreme. She has two basket masts and but one funnel set just aft of the main mast. Just forward of the navigating bridge is a



The newest and perhaps the mightiest of Uncle Sam's dreadnoughts is about to begin her trials, and this photograph of her was taken as she went under Brooklyn bridge on her way to the New York navy yards to be prepared for her trial trips. The Nevada carries ten 14-inch guns, and no other battleship in the world is arranged with three of such enormous guns in one turret. The Nevada has two such turrets, one forward and the other aft. The three guns to each turret are 14-inch and 45-calibre. These guns will be fired in salvos of three guns each. There are two other turrets on the Nevada, one forward and one aft, and arranged to the rear of the three gun turrets and rising above them. These turrets each have two 14-inch guns.

Besides the four turrets with their ten 14-inch guns, the new dreadnought fairly bristles with 5-inch guns, which compose her secondary battery. There are twenty-one guns of the 5-inch type and they protrude from every conceivable part of the monster. Not only is the Nevada prepared with guns to make her a worthy antagonist of any fighting ship afloat, but she is also armored to such perfection that it would take mighty shells to reach her vitals. The main armor belt that protects her engines and other important workings is 13 1/2 inches thick amidships. It is possible

round steel house, for all the world like a gas tank in its severity of lines. This is the fire control room, and it is built on more roomy lines than has ever before been attempted. A score of men could move about in the fire control room without impeding the efficiency of each other.

The Nevada is a sister ship to the Oklahoma, now under construction by the New York Shipbuilding company, and like her is an oil burner. She is equipped with Curtis turbines with an indicated horsepower of 24,800. The government contract calls for a speed of 20.5 knots, a speed builders say they will have no difficulty in attaining. Judging from the way the dreadnought performed during her trip from the yards to New York. The Nevada is 575 feet in length on the water line. It will be several weeks before the big dreadnought is in shape for her preliminary trials, and it will be several months before her final trials are conducted and the fighting machine turned over to the government.

Three Masses Sung For Soldier Dead United Press Service  
ROME, Nov. 2.—The calendar rules of the Roman Catholic church, permitting the singing of only one mass today, All Souls Day, by priests, have been changed by Pope Benedict, to permit the singing of three masses in every Catholic church in the world to-

day for the repose of the souls of the millions of men and women who have died in battle since August, 1914. Good Sport  
Jimmy Lytle, Harry and Will Baum had lots of fun Sunday, wading after ducks. They were in the Lost River section, and tell of a good day's shoot. Jimmy says the "water's fine."

### LANSING WILL PROBE SEIZURE

ASKS FOR BRITISH EXPLANATION OF SEIZURE OF THE STEAMER HOCKING — CONFERS WITH BERNSDORFF OVER LUSITANIA

United Press Service  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 2.—Bernsdorff visited Lansing the first time today since the Arabic question was settled. It was learned that while the Arabic was discussed, the former negotiations concerning the Lusitania case will begin in several days. Lansing informed the German ambassador that the Arabic claims were not ready for formal presentation.

United Press Service  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 2.—Lansing sent a note to Ambassador Page, in London, asking for an explanation from the British as to the seizure of the steamer Hocking at Halifax. Lansing stated that he would vigorously protest the seizure.

### BENEFIT CONCERT AT OPERA HOUSE

NOVEMBER 12 IS DATE SET FOR CONCERT FOR BENEFIT OF THE LIBRARY—FOLK DANCING TO BE FEATURE

A concert will be given November 12th at Houston's opera house for the benefit of the Public Library. The Library Club is behind the concert, and a program of unusual excellence is expected.

There will be musical numbers of all kinds. One of the features will be folk dancing, in which the beautiful and poetic dances of the peasants of foreign countries will be given.

The program for the occasion has not been announced yet.

### PROMINENT MAN PORTLAND DIES

A. J. KINGSLEY, PRESIDENT OF BIG CONCERN AND PORTLAND LAND PRODUCTS SHOW, DIES FROM OVERWORK

United Press Service  
PORTLAND, Nov. 2.—A. J. Kingsley, aged 46, president of the Oregon chair company, president of the Manufacturers and Land Products show now going on in Portland, and a director of the Portland Chamber of Commerce, died after a brief illness here today.

Illness resulting from incessant work in making the land show a success was believed to have caused his illness. Kingsley was one of the most prominent of Portland citizens.

### OPERATIONS AT DARDANELLES TO BE ABANDONED

SUCH IS PRACTICALLY ADMITTED IN COMMONS

Allies Must Leave Gallipoli to Save Serbia and Halt Tension Near Constantinople—Serbs May Retire to Albania and Montenegro and Attempt to Reorganize With Mentions Sent Via Adriatic—Allies Arrive at Grecian Ports.

United Press Service  
LONDON, Nov. 2.—According to an Athens message, the Bulgarians have captured Monastir. The dispatch stated that the main Serbian communications with the south have been severed.

United Press Service  
ATHENS, Nov. 2.—The Serbian situation is so critical that the Serbians are expected to retreat into Montenegro and Albania and concentrate, with a view of getting munitions via the Adriatic.

United Press Service  
LONDON, Nov. 2.—According to the Berlin "Tagblatt" English and French troops and transports have arrived at Kavala, the Greek Aegean seaport, eighty miles west of Salonika and twenty miles from the Bulgarian border.

LAUBANNE, Switzerland, Nov. 2.—According to Munich advice, German submarines in the Mediterranean Sea have been ordered to blockade the Grecian ports.

LONDON, Nov. 2.—Asquith in the house of commons gave the first official hint today that the allies may abandon the Dardanelles operations. He practically admitted that the allies are considering a withdrawal from Gallipoli to halt the rush of the Austro-Germans on Constantinople.

"We cannot allow Serbia to become the prey of the sinister, nefarious combination of the Austro-Germans and the Bulgarians. There is a complete agreement among the allies regarding ends to be pursued in the Balkans.

"That Serbia may be assured of her independence is regarded as an essential object by the allies."

The determination of the Tustons to reach Constantinople is shown by their last decisive step, the blockade of Greece. Through Greek ports, supplies, troops and munitions could be conducted to the aid of Serbia, against the Tustons, and late Bulgaria and Turkey to block the German rush toward Constantinople.

In just the past two weeks, the Balkans have become the center of the war. Compared with the great operations, the enormous successes and undertakings in the Balkans, the conflict on the western front and that between the Russians and the Germans in the east, sink into insignificance. Serbia seems to be the most important ally in the Balkans, and the allies will do everything possible to assist her. Serbia is the key to the Balkans, and the allies will do everything possible to assist her. Serbia is the key to the Balkans, and the allies will do everything possible to assist her.