

NATION-WIDE PLOTS ARE UNEARTHED

RUSSIA REJOICES OVER CAPTURE OF TURKS' CITADEL

OFFENSIVE INTO POLAND FREELY PREDICTED

Streets are crowded with singers, and flags fly in every Russian town—Turks say Russians lost many men in a frontal attack. Storms impede fighting on Western Front—Other War News.

United Press Service

PETROGRAD, Feb. 17.—The streets of every Russian town are crowded, flags are flying, and the people are singing hymns of rejoicing over the fall of Erzerum. Over a thousand participated in a joyous "te deum" at Kazan Cathedral today.

Newspapers predict a sweeping Russian onslaught into Poland and Galicia before summer.

Between 40,000 and 100,000 Turks and a large number of guns were captured, according to unofficial advices. It is understood that the city was burning when the czar's hosts entered.

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 17.—Constantinople wires that 50,000 Russians were killed and several thousand wounded in the last three days fighting before Erzerum. The dispatches say the Russians made a frontal attack.

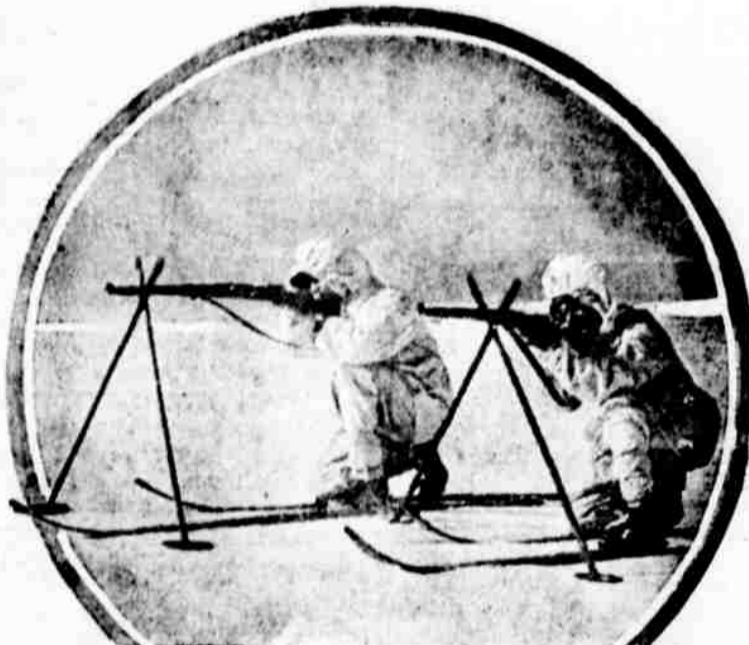
PARIS, Feb. 17.—Violent storms swept Flanders last night, impeding the artillery, and holding the infantrymen in their trenches.

In many places, shelters were blown down and trenches flooded. In the Artois region, the roads are now impassable.

LONDON, Feb. 17.—Lord Kitchen-er today declared in the house of lords that the Germans lost two Zeppelins in their last English raid.

G. L. Davis, special agent of the German-American Insurance company departed on this morning's out-going passenger, with San Francisco as his objective point.

"Ice Bears" Fighting in Snow



CHANGING GUARD NEAR RHEIMS

"Ice Bears" is the newest term invented this winter for scouts and sharpshooters who must go out on wide stretches of snow where they might be seen by the enemy. Near

Rheims the German soldiers wear heavy white fur coats as white as the snow. In the Vosges the sharpshooters, who must move about much, wear white suits. They furnish an indistinct target for the enemy.

JAKE RUECK OUT FOR COURT JOB

WELL KNOWN RESIDENT OF THE HORSEFLY SECTION HAS THROWN HIS HAT INTO THE KLAMATH RING

The latest aspirant for the post of county commissioner is Jacob Rueck, a prominent resident of the Bonanza-Dairy country. Mr. Rueck has consented to make a fight for the republican nomination, according to word from Bonanza.

Stong support from Bonanza, Dairy and Bly, as well as from Yonna and Langell valleys, are already assured Rueck. He has proven himself a man of initiative ability in his work as head of the Horsefly irrigation district, and in other activities of importance to Eastern Klamath.

Opposing Rueck for the republican nomination is R. W. Tower. Both are well known as consistent business men, and the race promises to be interesting—with fine timber in sight, no matter which one is nominated.

Nearly half of the employees in the census bureau at Washington are women.

WILSON REPLIES TO ATTACKS ON MEXICAN POLICY

SAYS HE EXPECTS SOME IMPROVEMENTS

President in Report to Senate, Says Carranza Controls All But a Few Bandit Hidden Sections, and He Predicts End of Strife—New Revolutionary Movement Said to Have Started in America.

United Press Service

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 17.—President Wilson's answer to the attacks made upon his Mexican policy are embodied in the report he made to the senate today, in response to Senator Fall's resolution.

In this, he admits that Carranza's government is military rather than constitutional, but he prophesied improvement. He insists that Carranza controls all of Mexico but a few bandit hidden sections.

The war department has sent General Funston unofficial information gleaned from letters, of a plan for a new Mexican uprising, maturing in this country. It is said to have reached a definite stage.

Munitions are said to be already smuggled over to Mexico and the conspirators expect to slip across the line in small parties. Los Angeles, El Paso and San Antonio are said to be the headquarters of these people.

FIREMEN TO TALK OVER THE EDICT

MEETING OF THE VOLUNTEER DEPARTMENT IS CALLED FOR FRIDAY NIGHT TO CONSIDER COUNCIL'S BILL

A meeting of the Klamath Falls Volunteer Fire Department has been called for tomorrow night, by which time the department will give consideration to the council's plans for the reorganization of the department into a paid organization, as outlined in the ordinances introduced at Tuesday's council meeting.

LAND GRANT CASE UP TO COMMITTEE

CONGRESS TODAY BEGINS INVESTIGATION OF HISTORIC LITIGATION, WITH VIEW TO A SETTLEMENT

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 17.—The house committee on public lands today took up the Oregon & California land grant bills, involving the disposition of 2,300,000 acres in Western Oregon, with a view to framing some legislation in accordance with the supreme court's decision.

Representatives of the departments of interior, agriculture and justice have been summoned to testify.

More than 25,000 girls have become members of canning clubs in the south.

A Lady Congressman?



Dr. Eva Harding

Dr. Eva Harding, a physician of Topeka, Kans., is a candidate for the democratic congressional nomination in the first Kansas district. Besides opposing militarism, Dr. Harding's platform includes national prohibition, nation wide suffrage, mothers' pensions, recall of judges, old age pensions for those who deposit money for this purpose with the government, a national rural credits law for farm tenants, a tariff for revenue, government aid in road building and the construction of public works to control the flood waters of the Missouri and Mississippi rivers.

RUSHING WORK ON BUILDING

LARGE CREW EMPLOYED IN CONSTRUCTION OF BUILDING TO BE OCCUPIED BY INTERNATIONAL HARVESTER REPRESENTATIVE

Contractor R. E. Wattenburg, who is superintending the construction of the frame building that is going up at Sixth and Klamath, and is later to be occupied by J. S. Mills & Son, implement dealers of this city, is making splendid headway, and providing good weather continues, he expects to have same completed within two weeks.

PAY-UP WEEK TO BE BIG AFFAIR

STORES OFFER SPECIAL INDUCEMENTS IN MERCHANDISING TO THOSE WHO SQUARE UP THEIR ACCOUNTS

With Pay-Up Week just a few days away, interest in the period of squaring up accounts is increasing. All of the local business houses are giving publicity to the plan through posters, window displays and other forms of advertising, and many of these concerns are offering special inducements to those paying cash for their purchases during that time.

An old belief is that a Christmas bride will be fond of novelty and excitement.

REIGN OF TERROR PLANNED TO HURT ENTIRE COUNTRY

United Press Service
CHICAGO, Feb. 17.—Federal officials today admitted that they are engaged in the investigation of a national plot against American government, carried on by an organized anarchistic society.

It is reported that the evidence discovered in the investigation of the effects of G. Cronos, the chef who recently attempted to serve poisoned soup to all attending a University Club banquet, has indicated conspiracies affecting cities from San Francisco to New York.

A reign of terror was evidently the plan. Federal officials and buildings, and public buildings in the larger cities were the objects for attack, say the detectives.

Raids upon the anarchistic headquarters in San Francisco, Chicago, New York and Pittsburg are planned.

The plots have evidently been hatched out in New York. Blackmailing was the method used for financing the dastardly project.

The police today raided a house on the South Side, and arrested Fritz Schoenfeld, assistant chef of the University Club. He denied any affiliation with the anarchists, but said he could give information regarding the plotters, providing he was assured protection from their vengeance.

NEW PHONE LINE TO CONNECT SOON

SPRING LAKE AND MT. LAKE DISTRICTS WILL BE PART OF LOCAL EXCHANGE BY MONDAY MORNING

Work on the Mt. Lake and Spring Lake Telephone company's lines is now nearing completion. Unless the unforeseen happens, all instruments will be installed, and all connections made with the Klamath Falls exchange by Monday morning.

There are over twenty subscribers on this telephone company's lines. The farmers in these districts are the first to make use of the poles of the reclamation service, and their lines run along these poles from the Griffith ranch to where the wires run over to the poles of the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company.

The Needlework Department of the Women's Library Club meets at 2:30 tomorrow afternoon in Library Club hall. In addition to the instructions in needlework, the committee in charge of the Better Babies Health Exhibit will attend, and will outline the plans for the exhibit, talking over the work with all in attendance. All women interested are cordially invited to attend.

MERCHANT DIES SUDDENLY TODAY

W. H. BUTLER, PROPRIETOR OF THREE-S. MILLING COMPANY STORE, SUCCUMBS TO AN ATTACK OF PLEURISY

W. H. Butler, proprietor of the 3-S Milling company feed and grocery store on Sixth street, died suddenly at his apartments this morning. Pleurisy was the cause of the demise, and Mr. Butler had been ill for five days. Deceased has been in business here for four years, and is survived by a wife and two children, a son and a daughter. No definite arrangements have as yet been made for the funeral services.

Indian Agent Here. Superintendent William B. Freer of the Klamath reservation, and his son, are here for a couple of days. Mr. Freer is giving attention to business matters.

Hubbard Is Back. John B. Hubbard returned last night from a business trip to Rogue River Valley points. While in Medford he witnessed "The Battle Cry of Peace," and says that words cannot do justice to the splendid production.

Deposed Senator's Trial for Bank Wrecking Starts

CHICAGO, Feb. 17.—Former Senator William Lorimer was placed on trial on the charge of bank wrecking here today. Ousted from the United States senate after a bitter fight in 1911, Lorimer today faced the second great trial of his career.

He is accused, with others, of conspiring to loot half a dozen Illinois banks. J. K. Segrave, former state bank examiner, and H. W. Huttig, a Muscatine, Iowa, manufacturer, were to be tried with Lorimer. They were jointly indicted with Charles B. Munday, Litchfield, Ill., banker, who organized in the institutions, and who now is appealing after conviction and sentence to serve five years for the same offense.

Circuit Judge Denver was to preside at the trial today. B. J. Haber, assistant state's attorney, is in charge

of the prosecution. The defendants had a notable array of counsel.

Lorimer's indictment, with thirteen other alleged conspirators, followed the collapse of the La Salle bank of Chicago and its subsidiary banks, in June, 1914. Thomas McDonald, the La Salle's cashier, and Charles G. Fox, vice president, both indicted, testified for the state, and will not go to trial. William Lorimer Jr., son of the former senator, also was indicted, but is not on trial today.

The Lorimer-Munday banking projects were launched two weeks after the famous confession of Charles White that led to Lorimer's being ousted by the senate on an illegal election charge. The banks were to open May 10, 1910. White confessed April 30. Lorimer's friends contend that the expose was planned by his enemies to break up his financial projects.

Fish Are Biting, Farmers Plowing; Springtime Here

Evidences that this balmy weather we have been enjoying for more than a week past is really spring, the season of gardening activity, resumption of baseball practice, business, spring poems and increased francies at school are coming in rapidly.

Plowing has already started in the Olene and Pine Grove sections, and south of Merrill, farmers are said to be getting ready to turn the sod. With a greater snowfall than in any other recent year, the dry farmers have every reason to look for good crops.

Trout fishing in Link River is exceptionally good right now, and this is usually a sure sign of the return of spring. Every day anglers repair to the banks of the short but turbulent stream, and return in the afternoon with trout of monstrous size. Many newcomers mistake these fish for salmon.

The court house yard is again becoming peopled with birds, and the songs of these, as they flit about their work of nesting, do not indicate a lapse into winter. Buds on trees are beginning to swell, and the return of fair weather activities seems imminent.