

FIERCE BATTLE RAGES ON TWENTY-MILE FRONT

Russians Report Capture of Czartorysk and Assault Upon Heights of Kovel—One Million Are Also In Death Grapple In Vicinity of Czernowitza Vienna War Office Still Contends That Slav Offense Is Being Held In Check

London, Jan. 8.—A formidable battle rages along a 20 mile front on the River Styr. The Russians are attacking 50 miles east of Kovel, their objective in Volynia. After capturing Czartorysk according to Petrograd reports, the Muscovites assailed the heights barring their advance to Kovel.

SPECIAL MEETING ON LETTER WRITING

The tourist, conventions and publicity department of the Commercial Club met today and decided to call a special meeting of all members of this department as well as all other members of the club to discuss letter writing week in Oregon.

Ford Peace Expedition Arrives at Amsterdam

Amsterdam, Jan. 8.—The Ford peace expedition arrived here today after receiving very considerate treatment in their passage across Germany.

Stock Market Recovers From Recent Decline

New York, Jan. 8.—The tendency of the stock market to recover continues today. This was offset, however, by renewed selling. This may have been because the Austrian attitude on the Persia case will still be in doubt over Sunday.

After all, lookin' ta' part is th' main thing. Noboddy is as fall o' advise as a failure.

NORTHERN PACIFIC MAY RUN STEAMERS

Washington, Jan. 8.—The interstate commerce commission today held that the Great Northern Pacific Steamship company may operate steamers of the Great Northern and Northern Pacific lines between Flavel and San Francisco. The Seattle, Portland and Spokane railway, a subsidiary of the Great Northern and Northern Pacific owns the steamship company, the commission found, but said that operation of the boats will not reduce competition between water and rail routes along the Pacific coast.

PRESIDENT FOSTER ON PREPAREDNESS

The amount of money expended on a dreadnaught could be much better expended by the government on a national university in which the principles of national and world wide arbitration should be taught, was the view taken on preparedness last evening by President William T. Foster of Reed college, in his address at the Salem public library.

Report Spies Buying and Destroying Food To Starve Out Germans

Berlin, Jan. 8.—Reports that spies are purchasing and destroying food in Germany, as part of a plan to starve the nation into submission, were circulated here today. In view of these stories, the magistrate at Wilmersdorf, with jurisdiction over part of the distribution of food in Berlin, restricted the purchasing power to a single member of each family.

BOSTON BRAVES SOLD

Boston, Mass., Jan. 8.—The Boston National league team was sold today to Percy Haughton, Harvard coach, and Arthur Wise, banker. Haughton will be president. It is understood that Wise represented new money owners.

FERRIS BILL PASSED

Washington, Jan. 8.—The Ferris water power conservation bill passed the house late this afternoon on a viva voce vote.

GREAT STRIKE AT YOUNGSTOWN MAY BE ENDED TODAY

Plot Discovered and Frustrated to Blow Up Republic Steel Works

OVER SIX THOUSAND MEN DRUNK AND UGLY

Unidentified steel worker, aged 23, shot and killed. Thirty-seven wounded, three of them fatally.

Labor Organizer Advises Acceptance of Company's Wage Offer

Youngstown, Ohio, Jan. 8.—A plot to blow up the Republic Steel plant, in the wake of a night of rioting, was frustrated here today when disguised militiamen overheard the plotters and reported to their superiors.

Must Make Public Report of Fletcher

Lodge Succeeds In Getting Resolution Through Upper House Today

Grand Jury Returns Seven Indictments at Present Session

The Marion county grand jury reported seven true bills this afternoon in the cases that have been up for investigation. Four cases were reported "not true bills" and a number of secret indictments were returned for persons not yet in the custody of officers or out under bonds.

Millionaire Defendants Still On Anxious Seat

New York, Jan. 8.—Millionaire defendants in the government's conspiracy charge case against New York, New Haven and Hartford directors, whose time is enormously valuable, lost much time today pacing the corridors of the federal building today awaiting the verdict.

Redfield Gives Warning

Washington, Jan. 8.—Though he held America is now extremely prosperous, Secretary of Commerce Redfield in a review published today held that the "vision and energy" of the nation will determine whether it shall remain in the fore rank after the end of the war has closed the unusual channels of prosperity now open.

RESERVISTS ARE LOST

Cettigne, Montenegro, Jan. 8.—Official confirmation of reports that at least 200 Montenegrins from America coming home to enlist, perished when an Italian steamer was mined near Sautari, was given here today. They were en route from Brindisi, Italy. Two hundred and twenty-five others aboard were rescued.

UNITED STATES SETTLES WITH CENTRAL POWERS

Submarine Controversies Are Brought To Close By Pledge of Germany to Respect In Full Regulations Insisted Upon By United States—Disavowal of Unlawful Acts of Commanders and Full Indemnity For Losses Is Guaranteed By Central Powers

Washington, Jan. 8.—Complete and final settlement of all submarine controversies with the central powers, including the Persia and Lusitania cases seem near today, following overtures from Germany yesterday.

From Austria and Germany, the government has formal binding pledges concerning future conduct of submarine warfare in accordance with international law. These were contained in Austria's Ancona note and in Germany's submarine message yesterday.

WHAT GERMANY PROMISES

She pledges herself to obey international law with regard to both passenger ships and merchant vessels.

THE WEATHER

Oregon: Tonight and Sunday rain or snow; southeasterly winds.

SOCIALIST COLONY WILL SELL STOCK

Sacramento, Cal., Jan. 8.—While permitting Llano Del Rio company, the socialist colony organization started by Job Harriman, to proceed with the sale of its shares under certain restrictions, State Corporation Commissioner Carnahan, in a permit signed today, calls attention of prospective subscribers to a report on the project by Deputy H. W. Bowman, severely criticizing the present course of management.

Battle to Unseat Gary As Head of Steel Trust

New York, Jan. 8.—A battle to unseat E. H. Gary as chairman of the steel corporation executive committee is imminent, according to rumors in Wall street today. Henry C. Frick was reported to be the opposition candidate.

Attorney Job Harriman's Scheme Legalized by State of California

In his permit, Commissioner Carnahan cuts the commission to be allowed on sales of shares to 10 per cent of the amount actually paid in cash to the company. He also provides that stockists may withdraw from the project and the company must assist them to recover 90 per cent of their cash or property investment through re-sale of their shares.

Now the time is calling for his war effort.

