

## ARMENIAN ATROCITIES SOON TO BE AVENGED

While Army Pushes On To Trebizond An Investigation of Treatment of Armenians Will Be Investigated at Erzerum--Execution of Responsible Turkish Officials Sure to Follow--England Today In Fear of German Air Raid to Celebrate Anniversary

London, Feb. 18.—Following upon the capture of Erzerum, Grand Duke Nicholas' Russian forces are aiming at Trebizond, the Black sea port of Asiatic Turkey, 120 miles distant.

Already the Russian right wing is within 50 miles of the city after having captured Biaburt en route. The fall of Trebizond is expected within a fortnight.

While this new drive is on, an investigation of Turkish atrocities in Armenia will begin immediately at Erzerum and the execution of Turkish officials responsible for them is predicted.

The registration of prisoners and booty in Erzerum has only begun, but it was revealed today that 25 more guns and 1500 prisoners had been taken in the outer forts.

The Post's Petrograd correspondent attributed the capture of Erzerum to the "cyclonic rush of the incomparable Siberians."

London, Feb. 18.—Last Germany attempted to celebrate today on the first anniversary of her campaign of undersea "frightfulness" by renewed torpedo attacks in the war zone, precautions were taken to guard the ships of England and her allies.

For days it had been rumored Germany intended to signalize the event with several sinkings.

Yet shipping circles were not alarmed. They were convinced from the infrequency of submarine attacks since December that the admiralty's preventive measures had been successful, and that the German menace from the deep is no longer serious.

German Admiral Von Tirpitz made public his plans for the undersea campaign in an exclusive statement to the United Press more than a year ago, and then put into operation a year ago today the ideas he had announced.

According to German estimates 800 allied and neutral merchantmen, with a tonnage of 1,400,000 were sunk in the campaign.

But this was not their only toll. For about 2,000 non-combatants including 118 Americans, perished with the sunk ships. The largest of these was the Lusitania, destroyed last May while en route from New York.

The submarine warfare was the most effective in June and July when an average of three or four ships were torpedoed daily.

Soon after, the allies took counter measures, and now the torpedoes average not fewer than a dozen a month. It is estimated that from 18 to 40 submarines have been destroyed.

**Has 100 New Submarines.**  
London, Feb. 18.—Having built 100 new submarines, Germany is preparing to renew her submarine warfare aggressively, said the Journal De Genes, at Geneva, today.

**All Quiet on West Front.**  
Paris, Feb. 18.—Complete calm prevailed on the western front last night, said the war office statement today.

**British Lost Heavily.**  
Berlin, Feb. 18.—The British suffered severely in an unsuccessful attempt last night to reconquer 700 yards of trenches taken recently by the Germans.

**Abe Martin**



Who remembers the old-fashioned bean who leaned on the gate-post and kicked a hole in the ground? A young mother kin ally furnish an alibi.

## TONG WAR STARTS IN SAN FRANCISCO OVER SLAVE GIRL

Rival Tongs Determined to Have Resort to Usual Gun Methods

San Francisco, Feb. 18.—Possession of a slave girl in San Francisco's Chinatown, sought by members of rival tongs, started the war which is raging between the Chinese societies of Pacific coast cities, it was stated in authoritative quarters in the Oriental district here today.

Y. U. Park, the Korean killed by tong gunmen in Seattle, was mistaken for a Chinese member of the Bow Leong tong with whom the Hop Sing was at war, it was declared.

The Bow Leong tong has effected a secret alliance with the Ping Kong tong against the Hop Sing, it is said.

No immediate outbreak is expected among the Chinese leaders here. There will be a lull in the fighting until the police have relaxed their vigilance and gunmen on death duty can make good their escape.

Chinatown went about its business as usual today.

**Gun Fight in Portland.**  
Portland, Ore., Feb. 18.—Apparently dying a member of the Chinese Hop Sing tong lay at the Good Samaritan hospital today and stoically refused to offer any suggestion why a member of the Bow Leong tong should have shot him. He had five bullets in his body.

Another Chinese, a member of the peaceable Hoi Yin Quong tong, had a bullet in his leg, but smilingly assured officers that it was all an accident.

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Chinatown was in a state of suppressed excitement today. All Chinese denied that last night's shooting was part of the recent tong troubles in California. But police recalled that the Bow Leong were reported to have been allied with the Hop Sing in November, 1914, when the Hop Sing were badly beaten in a street battle here.

Junq Quong, president of the local Bow Leong tong, is also in jail. He was found hiding in a basement and was arrested under the so-called "general curfew" ordinance.

Hundreds of Chinese were crowding the Eleventh street theatre when the shooting opened a dozen blocks away. A squad of police rushed to the theatre and while the Chinese actors blandly proceeded with their drama, the American officers searched over the audience for weapons.

The Hop Sing are enraged. They are the most powerful tong in Portland, and the police are fearful of further trouble. Lee Me Gin, president of the local Chinese peace society, buried himself today to pour oil on the troubled waters.

Indignant Hop Sing members declared today that Louie Quon never had a wife. They said he is well known in San Francisco as a highbinder and oil round bad man.

Police believe the tong trouble here and also the shooting in Seattle last night, resulted from a recent diamond theft. The wife of a prominent Suey Sing lost some valuable jewels. The theft was laid at the door of a Hop Sing member. The Bow Leongs are allied with the Suey Sings.

Bad blood between the rival tongs in Portland has existed continuously since March, 1913. Then the Hop Sing killed a Suey Sing. After the street battle in November, 1914, Louie Hing was captured with a bullet in his leg, and was convicted of manslaughter for the 1915 shooting. The tong is said to have spent \$5,000 defending him in the penitentiary.

Chinese republicans denied that their cause was involved in the tong war.

**Korean Killed in Seattle.**  
Seattle, Wash., Feb. 18.—Chinatown, in the grip of an apparent tong war, is restless today following the outbreak last night when Y. U. Park, a Korean laborer, was murdered on the street by unknown assailants.

Detectives are searching through the oriental district and making arrests for carrying concealed weapons.

Seattle police are working on the theory that the Korean was a spy living in a room on King street, next to the private offices of the Hop Sing tong. The mystery surrounding the killing of Park has not been solved. Four men are believed to have had a hand in the murder.

## SEATTLE AND PORTLAND BOTH FEEL ITS EFFECTS

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## WAR NEWS OF ONE YEAR AGO TODAY

Big German armies attacked the Russians in North Poland, their first big move toward getting a base for their gigantic drive on Warsaw. Germany's submarine warfare claimed two ships, sunk off Folkestone in the English channel. Russians repulsed German attacks along the Carpathian range. England informed the United States that British ships had the right to use and would use the American flag for protecting against U-boats.

## BARNES TO TORPEDO ROOSEVELT BOOM

He Backs Root But "Anything to Beat Roosevelt" Will Be Satisfactory

New York, Feb. 18.—William Barnes, Jr., whom Colonel Roosevelt called New York state republican "boss," is about to turn presidential rider, according to widely circulated reports today.

It is understood he is about to start a six weeks' cruise with the idea of torpedoing prospective Roosevelt delegates to the Chicago convention. He will fly the Elihu Root flag, but is said to be willing to shift to the colors of any "safe" conservative.

Barnes probably will visit Ohio, Minnesota, Illinois and the Dakotas. He is said to be particularly worried over the possibility that the Communists delegates will be the first to stampede for his ancient enemy, Roosevelt.

**Bryan Will Be There.**  
Washington, Feb. 18.—Former Secretary of State William Jennings Bryan will head the Nebraska delegation at the St. Louis democratic national convention, according to Representative Shallenbarger of Nebraska, today.

"I do not believe Bryan will oppose the president's re-nomination," said Shallenbarger, "but I expect he will put up a strong fight against any great outlay for preparedness."

**Barnes Denies It.**  
New York, Feb. 18.—Though widely circulated reports said William Barnes, Jr. was about to start an anti-Roosevelt trip through the middle West, Barnes denied today he would personally conduct such a tour.

The Hilles-Crane-Taft group of republican leaders was said to have urged Barnes to make the trip personally but he declined.

## Chambers Was Loved to His Death by Woman

Stockton, Cal., Feb. 18.—That W. C. Chambers, the Southern Pacific bridge carpenter whose body was found floating in Morgan channel, was lured to his death by a woman, and that he was not murdered for his money, is about all the local police have been able to make out of the mystery which now confronts them.

Chambers, of whom little is known excepting that he worked here for several months, was found with two bullet holes in his skull. On his person was an unsigned letter written by a woman asking him to meet her at Main and Commerce streets at 2 o'clock in the morning. She warned him not to approach her "as the police have ordered street walkers out of town." Chambers was told to follow at a distance to the Santa Fe depot where they were to board an early train for San Francisco.

A gold watch valued at \$30 and \$29.95 was found on the corpse. Three pay checks unrecalled for awaited Chambers at the Southern Pacific.

**Gentlemen Must Act In Lady-Like Manner**  
San Francisco, Feb. 18.—"Gentlemen must be careful to act in a lady-like manner."

This is one of the unique requirements of the Jacob Gorlin dramatic club to be infused at their leap year dance to be held tomorrow night.

A few of the orders of the evening as announced in the invitations are as follows:

Gentlemen asking ladies to dance will be fined.

Young women are required to see that there are no male wall flowers.

They must come partners irrespective of age or looks.

Married women must not chaperone young men. This may be their chance to be proposed to.

**Confirms Nicaragua Treaty.**  
Washington, Feb. 18.—The senate late this afternoon confirmed the Nicaragua treaty, providing payment of \$3,000,000 for canal rights, present and future, in Nicaragua, and for a naval base in Fonseca bay.

The vote was 55 to 18.

## SAYS TEUTON ALLIES ARE PROPOSING PIRACY

Senator Lodge Insists Attacking Armed Merchantmen Is Unlawful

Washington, Feb. 18.—Austria and Germany were charged by Senator Lodge of Massachusetts today with proposing piracy in their plans to attack armed merchantmen without warning.

Discussing the Sterling resolution against recognition of their plans, Lodge said it is inconceivable that the United States would accept the Teutonic decree. He cited precedents to show that arming of ships for defense and been allowed since the days of the Barbary pirates. He recalled that America had approved such armament during the present war and declared that any change from this position now would be an unneutral act.

"The abandonment of the right of merchantmen to arm themselves or the right of Americans to travel or ship their goods on them," said Lodge, "could rest only on the ground that the centuries-old right of neutrals must be cast aside so that a new instrument of maritime destruction should not be impeded in its work of death and murder. Such a doctrine is revolting to every instinct of humanity and to every principle of law and justice."

He said abandonment of the present system would be a warlike step against the allies, which at the same time would make the United States Germany's ally.

Senator Sterling, who introduced the resolution several days ago followed Lodge.

Denouncing the Teuton decree as a reversion to the ideas of the Dark Ages and as creating a situation which constitutes "our gravest international crisis," Sterling declared:

"Let another sea horror occur in which Americans are involved and the administration and the world will know that there is a real America, not apathetic and hesitating, but strong and militant."

Referring to the Lusitania case, Sterling said that the administration "at first appeared bold and uncompromising in behalf of a great principle, but in the end yielded the substance for the word."

"The vice in the state department's suggestion that the allies destroy merchantmen," said Sterling, "lies in the idea that because the deadly submarine is not strong on defense itself, we must make merchantmen helpless against it."

Sterling urged issuance of a very strong protest to Germany against her new plans.

Following Lodge and Sterling, Senator Thomas read into the record recent reports that the administration intends no approval of the decree, as the previous speakers suggested. He charged that the republicans attacked were for political effect and were not based on facts or upon a sincere desire to better the diplomatic relations of the nation.

## Chinaman Executed at Folsom Prison

Folsom Prison, Cal., Feb. 18.—Ung Sing was hanged here at 10 o'clock this morning. He showed no emotion whatever and the execution was conducted without a hitch. He was dead within twelve minutes after the drop fell.

Ung Sing was sentenced to death for the murder of Y. Iwanaga, a Japanese, in the oriental section of Stockton November 3, 1914.

Throughout his trial and his imprisonment at Folsom, the condemned man stoutly maintained his innocence, saying he fired three shots at two men who were chasing him but that none of the bullets struck his pursuers.

The trial disclosed that Sing and another Chinese, Wee Quooy, premeditated the murder of the Japanese. Wee Quooy pleaded guilty and was sentenced to life imprisonment.

Ung embraced the Catholic faith and was attended by Father Cahill. In the death cell, on the way to the scaffold and in the death chamber Ung frequently said "good bye."

His last request was that a letter be delivered to his half brother in Stockton. In this letter he tells his brother how to dispose of his money and says he hopes to meet him again "somewhere."

Ung Sing was 24 years old, was born in Sacramento and worked as a farm hand in various places in the Sacramento and San Joaquin valleys.

**RAN ONTO BURGLARS**  
San Francisco, Feb. 18.—Making his rounds early today, Special Officer Lodge captured an armed man near the Fairmount hotel and later discovered two burglars trying to pry their way into a hotel window. The two escaped, after returning Lodge's fire.

**BRANSON GETS LIFE**  
McMinnville, Ore., Feb. 18.—Judge Belt today sentenced William Branson to life imprisonment for the murder of William Booth at Willamina October 8.

The trial of Mrs. Anna Booth, wife of the victim, who was indicted with Branson, was set for March 6. Branson is 21 years old.

## SOUTH PORTLAND TO HAVE BIG PLANT FOR SHIPBUILDING

Willamette Iron and Steel Works and Northwest Steel the Owners

Contracts Made for Two 8800 Ton Steamers

Order From Foreign Sources at Five Times Prices in Peace Times

Portland, Ore., Feb. 18.—A gigantic shipbuilding plant will be located on the South Portland flats adjacent to the Northwest Steel company's plant.

Announcement was made today that arrangements are under way between the Willamette Iron and Steel Works and the Northwest Steel company for the construction of shipyards which will give employment to 1500 men.

A contract is now ready for signature calling for the construction of two 8800 ton steamers for foreign interests at a price nearly five times what the vessels would have cost during peace times. Owing to the allurement held by this contract and the assurance of huge profits from the start, the success of the plant is assured, officials of the two companies asserted.

The identity of the two companies will not be lost in the amalgamation. One company will build the hulls and the other will make the engines. Woodwork will be sublet to Portland firms. The services of a master shipbuilder known throughout the country already have been secured, it was said, but officials refused to reveal his name.

Construction of the two big steamers will begin within 90 days. The cost of each will be over \$1,000,000.

The companies refused to disclose the name of the ship builder for whose services they are contracting.

The two craft to be constructed will be of the same type as the vessel purchased by T. B. Wilson, of Portland, from the Union Iron Works of San Francisco. They will carry 8000 tons of dead weight cargo and will be equipped with engines capable of driving them at a speed of 13 or 14 knots.

The first ship will be delivered within nine months and the second within 15 months.

The two plants concerned in the big ship building deal are among the oldest and most firmly established in Portland. Coming immediately after the announcement of the establishment here of the plant of the Pacific Coast Steel company for the manufacture of structural steel, Portland business men saw in this announcement a future era of manufacturing prosperity. The combination of these three new plants will employ over 2,000 men, 90 per cent of whom will be skilled laborers.

## ainey Made Speech Over the Telephone

San Francisco, Feb. 18.—"Nowhere does the sun shine quite as beautifully as in Atlanta, unless it be in San Francisco. Nowhere," etc., ad lib.

Ed Rainey, secretary to the mayor, poured his adjectives over the long distance telephone. To the extent of \$22.91 worth he orated. It was a momentous occasion.

Came a voice from the other end of the line:

"Say, you've got the wrong bunch. This is the Jacksonville, Fla., chamber of commerce your talking to."

"What's the difference when you're making a speech?" demanded Rainey.

**NO WONDER HE WAS MAD**  
San Francisco, Feb. 18.—Mrs. Bookie Hoffman, testifying in her divorce action said her husband was jealous because she laughed at Charlie Chaplin's pictures in the movies.

**HEALER IS HURT BY AUTO**  
San Francisco, Feb. 18.—Miss Nellie Beiler, a healer, 60 years old, was probably fatally injured early today by being run down by a trolley car in the center of the city.

**THE WEATHER**

Oregon: Fair tonight and Saturday; easterly winds.