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GERMANY MAKING NO REAL REFORMS BUT RUNS A BLUFF

Military Experts Say Germany Is Confident of Ultimate Victory

THINK TRENCH WARFARE IS USELESS SLAUGHTER

Reports of Hollweg's Resignation Conflict—One Says Whole Cabinet Has Quit

Amsterdam, July 13.—The official text of Kaiser Wilhelm's decree ordering electoral reforms, as announced in Berlin dispatches today stated: "Upon the report of the state ministry made to me in accordance with my decree of April 7, I herewith decide as supplementary to the same that a bill altering the electoral law of the house of deputies be submitted to the diet; that the measure be drawn on the basis of equal franchise and the bill be submitted early enough so that the next elections may be held in accordance with the new franchise. All necessary arrangements for this purpose will be made." The decree refers exclusively to the state of Prussia.

Washington, July 13.—Germany is making no real internal reforms. The reported resignation of Hollweg and his associates meant to officials here today merely a shift of men—not principles. Germany is throwing out a sop to world opinion, it is believed, while in fact, she remains a great military autocracy.

Two More American Ships Are Torpedoed

Washington, July 13.—The American barque Hildebrand of New Orleans was submerged July 10. Her crew was rescued. The American sailing ship Bowen was sunk by gunfire July 8, according to state department dispatches. Her crew of eleven has been landed. The department received confirmation of the sinking of the American steamer Massapequa with the rescue of all the crew.

Fate of Crew Unknown

Sweden Angry Over Export Restriction

Stockholm, July 13.—Sweden is violently agitated by the American export licensing restrictions. Severe condemnation of the plan was heard everywhere today.

Mare Island Explosion Suspect Still Held

San Francisco, July 13.—While government agents are investigating every possible clue to the Mare Island powder explosion of Monday, Joseph Kozlowki, arrested as a suspect at Esposito, Cal., is being held today on a warrant charged with defrauding the government out of a meal and a night's lodging.

WILL FACE ACCUSERS

Los Angeles, Cal., July 12.—Ladd P. Varns, alias L. Percy Ram Chandra, charged with conspiracy to foment a revolution against British rule in India, declared his willingness today to go to San Francisco and face the indictment returned against him there. He professes innocence. He will be taken to San Francisco tonight.

Editorial Association Convenes in Pendleton

Pendleton, Ore., July 13.—With the war noticeably affecting the program, the annual convention of the Oregon State Editorial association opened here today. Editors and publishers from every part of the state are gathered here.

Among the speakers this morning were O. C. Leiter, of the La Grande Observer; Charles H. Fisher, of the Salem Capital Journal; Edgar Piper, of the Portland Oregonian; W. D. McWaters, manager of the Pacific Paper company, Portland; and Joseph P. Hurley, of the Forest Grove News-Times. J. V. Tallman, president of the Pendleton Commercial club, welcomed the visiting editors, and President E. E. Brodie, of the Oregon City Enterprise, responded on behalf of the association.

TRYING TO SETTLE TROUBLE IN CHINA

General Chang Hsun Penned Up in City—Fighting Goes On in Suburbs

Tokyo, July 13.—A movement to settle the internal differences which have rent China is being aided by the foreign ministers in Peking, according to dispatches received from the capital of China today.

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Concert Tonight at Willson Park

Mrs. Hallie Parrish Durdall, the official soloist of the Salem municipal band concerts, will sing "Love, Here Is My Heart" tonight at the regular concert in Willson park. The program commences at 8 o'clock. It follows: March—The Avenger; King Overture—Zampa; Herold Waltz—Enchantment—Sweethearts; Comic opera selection—Sweethearts; Vocal solo—Love, Here Is My Heart.

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