

COLONNELLO NEMICO CADUTO PRIGIONIERO SUL MONTE ROMBON Una Quantita' di Fucili Presi sul Sabotino e sul Carso. Batterie Nemiche Ridotte al Silenzio BOMBE SU NABRESINA

ROMA, 18 Febbraio. Il Ministero della Guerra ha pubblicato il seguente comunicato ufficiale in base al rapporto del generale Cadorna: "In forte reparto nemico, formato dal 21mo reggimento della Landwehr, che tento' di operare un attacco di sorpresa contro uno dei nostri posti avanzati sul Monte Rombon, fu a sua volta attaccato dai nostri e respinto. Noi facemmo prigioniero il comandante del reggimento, alcune bandiere, incursori di nostri piccoli reparti in ricognizione sul Sabotino e sul Carso ci hanno permesso di impressionarci di un gran numero di fucili abbandonati dal nemico.

"Teri sera nella zona di Oulavla si ebbe una vivace azione di artiglieria e le nostre batterie ridussero al silenzio le batterie nemiche. La nostra artiglieria riuscì pure ad abbattere un duello di artiglieria. Le batterie nemiche nelle vicinanze di Gorizia e di S. Vogna.

"Uno dei nostri aviatori ha lasciato cadere bombe su Nabresina, che e' a poca distanza da Trieste.

I raid aerei continui sulle industrie della valle del Piave, Ravenna, Rimini, ecc., hanno avuto sulla popolazione italiana e delle stesse citta' un effetto assolutamente contrario a quello che si Vienna evidenzierono in questi giorni. L'indignazione della popolazione per questi selvaggi attacchi su citta' indifese e' indecifrabile, ma tende a prendersi forma pratica, giacche', piuttosto che scoraggiare, gli attacchi del popolo italiano.

Un segno di questa indignazione e' dato dalla ripresa delle sottoscrizioni al prestito di guerra italiano, e si prevede che per la fine del mese prossimo saranno sottoscritti oltre 3 miliardi di lire.

I giovani delle provincie adriatiche hanno chiesto al governo il permesso di formare corpi speciali per attaccare il nemico, e dappertutto si sono aperti sottoscrizioni per offrire all'esercito accorgimenti specialmente adatti per dare la caccia ai velivoli nemici.

Nel tempo medesimo in Lombardia ed in Piemonte e' stata duplicata l'attivita' delle fabbriche di proiettili e di munizioni. In tutte le citta' d'Italia, mentre si compiangono le vittime innocenti dei raid aerei, si sente che questi raid finiiscono con essere di vantaggio alla stessa Austria che li ordina.

LA VITTORIA DEI RUSSI. Notizie da Pietrogrado dicono che i russi hanno preso la fortezza di Erzerum ed un numero di cannoni ai truchi ed un numero di prigionieri che non e' ancora precisato ma che si faranno ascendere da 40 a 100 mila. I russi sono impetuosamente in possesso delle rimanenti fortezze turche a cui tentano di tagliare la ritirata verso ovest.

Nella fortezza di Erzerum i russi trovarono 47 cannoni nei forti esterni, 374 nelle opere interne e 200 cannoni da campagna.

La notizia di questa importantissima vittoria dei russi ha prodotto in questi giorni militari e politici grata impressione. Generalmente si la considera come una vittoria importantissima non soltanto perche' elimina migliaia di uomini dalle forze degli imperi centrali e dei loro alleati, ma anche perche' si ritiene come un segno della meravigliosa vittoria che possiede la Russia. Ad Erzerum i russi hanno trovato una immensa quantita' di munizioni abbandonate dalle forze turche che riuscirono a fuggire. La fortezza e' caduta dopo cinque giorni di attacco da parte delle forze russe che erano agli ordini del generale Judenich. Il bombardamento non fu sostenuto abbastanza a lungo dalle forze di difesa perche' le opere di fortificazione fossero distrutte. Parecchi dei forti furono anzi conquistati con assalti alla baionetta.

Si crede che i russi si dirigeranno ora verso il porto turco di Trebisonda, sul Mar Nero, che dista un centinaio di miglia da Erzerum.

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Some of the capitalists present were: JOHN D. ARCHBOLD, president of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey.

CHARLES B. ALLEN, president of the Equitable Life Assurance Society and of bank and railroad corporations.

JAMES A. ALLEN, president of the National Bank of Commerce, trustee of the American Surety Company, the Fulton Trust Company, the Mercantile Safe Deposit Company and the Bank for Savings in the City of New York, director of the New York Express Company and other corporations.

JAMES B. DUKE, chairman of the British-American Tobacco Company, director of the Bank of Commerce, the American Surety Company and of other corporations.

CALEB O. DULL, president of the Liggett & Myers Tobacco Company.

HENRY CLAY FRICK, director of the National City Bank and the United States Steel Corporation and of many railroads.

DANIEL GUGGENHEIM, president of the American Smelting and Refining Company, head of other metal companies, director of banks and railroad corporations.

ALEXANDER J. HEMPHILL, chairman of the Guaranty Trust Company, member of the board of managers of the Guaranty Safe Deposit Company, president of the Guaranty Safe Deposit Company, director in railroad, banking and industrial corporations.

FRANCIS I. HINE, president of the First National Bank and vice president of the First Security Company of the City of New York, director of the National Bank of Commerce, the Chase National Bank, First National Bank and in numerous other corporations covering many lines.

PAUL F. S. LANDSTRETT, president of the Philadelphia Coal Company, chairman of the New York Dock Company and director of various other corporations.

FRANK S. HILL, president of the American Tobacco Company, Havana Tobacco Company and Blackwell's Durham Tobacco Company, chairman of the board of directors of the American Cigar Company and trustee or director of other corporations.

WILLIAM C. PETERSON, president of the Guaranty Trust Company and director of banking, mining and manufacturing corporations.

DANIEL O. REID, of the Rock Island Party, banker, president of several corporations, member in numerous banking, railroad, insurance and other companies.

CHARLES M. SCHWAB, president of Bethlehem Steel Corporation.

JOHN D. RYAN, president of the Amalgamated Copper Company, trustee of the Equitable Life Assurance Society and of banking and other corporations.

THEODORE P. SHONTS, president of the Interborough-Metropolitan and the Interborough Rapid Transit Company, the Rapid Transit Subway Construction Company and the Rapid Transit Company, director of transportation, railroad and banking corporations.

VALENTINE P. SNYDER, director of the Equitable Life Assurance Society and the American Surety Company, the Guaranty Trust Company and other corporations.

FRANCIS LYND STETSON, personal counsel to J. P. Morgan and banker in many corporations.

FRANK S. WITHERBEE, president of Witherbree & Co., director of the Equitable Life Assurance Society and of banking and other corporations.

It was recalled, with interest, that the middle of last December Judge Gary, of the United States Steel Corporation, gave a dinner, at which Theodore Roosevelt was a guest and where there were gathered the most illustrious representatives of more than \$2,000,000,000 of incorporated capital.

Really Company Buys 6-Acre Tract Samuel Lupowitz has conveyed to the Really Company a tract of ground, situated about six and one-half acres, at the northwest corner of Seligiey and Washington avenues, for \$77,000. The ground is part of a larger tract purchased several months ago by Solomon A. Lupowitz from the Wals estate. It will be improved by Seligiey.

WANTS MAN TO SPEND \$40,000 Baltimore Heiress Says She Thinks She Can Get Him

BALTIMORE, Feb. 18.—If the right man—one who is sober, steady-going and, with all, jovial of disposition—happens and asks for the privilege, he may help to spend a fortune estimated at \$40,000 which Miss Jennie Bushler, of Palmer avenue, has just inherited from a bachelor uncle, Thomas H. Bushler, of New York, who died February 8.

FACES SECOND MURDER CHARGE WITHIN WEEK Acquitted of Killing Woman, Man Is Accused of Murdering Farmer

LAKEWOOD, N. J., Feb. 18.—Emil Swentain, 40 years old, who a week ago was acquitted in the Monmouth County Court of the murder of an aged recluse, Miss Jane Acker, near Farmingdale, now faces the charge of killing John Boston, a farmer, 70 years old, and badly injuring his 26-year-old nephew, also John Boston, near the scene of the other crime.

Swentain cut his throat with a pen-knife when cornered in a field by a posse and will be removed to the county jail at Freehold as soon as he is strong enough. His self-inflicted wound is said not to be serious.

Immediately after his three days' trial last week Swentain returned to Farmingdale. Little is known of his antecedents or his life prior to his coming to this section and he is not disposed to talk of himself. He had been accustomed to work upon farms of the vicinity wherever he could get a job. He had not worked since his release from jail.

The younger Boston, who is badly injured, gave some of the details of the fatal attack upon his aged uncle this morning. According to the story told the officers Swentain appeared at the Boston farm and meeting the old farmer at the barn demanded money. Being refused, it is charged, he crushed Boston's head with a club and then shot him.

where he made a similar demand of the nephew, who also refusing to give money, was beaten about the head with the club.

ACCUSE FIGHT FAN ROWDIES Arrest Made After Street Car Windows Are Smashed

Accusations that rowdies among fight fans who see bouts at the Broadway A. C. Thursday nights had been systematically breaking up Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company street cars on their way home from the fights was made today before Magistrate Briggs, at his office, Broad and Federal streets, at the arraignment of Charles Lafferty, 17 years old, of 215 Mountain street.

Lafferty was plucked off the rear of a Wharton street car by Policeman Rutledge, of the 15th street and Snyder avenue station, last night, after a gang had broken windows, smashed the rear entrance and insulted passengers. Magistrate Briggs held Lafferty under \$300 bail for trial.

Citizens' Republican League Branch The branch of the Citizens' Republican League which is being organized by John C. Winston and George D. Porter, as an adjunct of the Peenose faction, will be formed tonight in the 4th Ward, at the home of Richard Drinkwater, 334 East Thompson street. George H. Wilson, Washington party committeeman of the 4th Ward, will preside at the meeting. At the headquarters of the Citizens' Republican League, in the Weightman Building, it was announced today that ward organizations had been formed in the 21st, 24th, 25th, 34th and 46th Wards.



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HE'S BUSY EXPLAINING Theodore P. Shonts, president of the Interborough Rapid Transit Company, which holds a monopoly of elevated and subway transportation in Manhattan and the Bronx, New York city, is divulging many interesting secrets in the history of the corporation's successful efforts to saddle a large share of the expenses of the new systems building upon the city. The State is conducting an investigation.

TWO HUSBANDS NAMED IN SUIT FOR FINERY Court Must Determine Which Shall Pay \$14,000 Bill

DENVER, Feb. 18.—Mrs. Lillian Bixby Farrington Clark Lewis, wife of Hume Lewis, a Denver broker, and divorced wife of Otis B. Clark, a Denver broker, both of whom are named as defendants in a suit recently brought in the District Court, wherein a New York women's furnisher demands \$14,000.75 for finery claimed to have been purchased by Mrs. Lewis during a period of less than two years, has filed an answer to the action.

Mrs. Lewis denies that she was so elaborately dressed as the complaint indicates. Her purchases did not exceed \$250, she avers.

An unusual point of law will be raised as a result of Mrs. Lewis' matrimonial tangle. Just which husband is liable, in view of the separation and subsequent remarriage shortly after the divorce, must be settled by the courts.

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DEMOCRATS IN CAUCUS VOTE TO AID WILSON'S FREE SUGAR REPEAL

Ten House Members Refuse to Be Bound, While Others Vote 84 to 20 to Support Administration

KEATING'S DENUNCIATION

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—The Democrats of the House met in caucus last night and voted, 84 to 20, to support the Administration bill for the repeal of the free-sugar clause of the Underwood tariff law. The bill will be promptly reported by the Ways and Means Committee. Ten members refused to abide by action of caucus.

The proposed repeal was bitterly denounced by Representative Edward Keating, a Colorado Democrat, who asserted

that the party was repudiating its free-sugar promises. In the campaign text-books of 1914, Mr. Keating said, the party had boasted that it would drive the sugar lobby from the Capitol and put sugar on the free list for the benefit of the consumer.

Majority Leader Kitchin made no attempt to defend the reversal of position, except on the ground that it was made necessary by the revenue situation. He said the Administration had decided that the prevailing duty on sugar, which produces more than \$6,000,000 annually, must be retained.

Several members heckled Mr. Kitchin regarding the additional revenue plans of the Ways and Means Committee. The majority leader was in the main noncommittal, although he said the committee planned to raise the bulk of needed revenue from the income tax. This statement was vigorously applauded.

Mr. Kitchin also told the caucus that the committee was seriously considering an excise tax on the production of materials of war, but no definite revenue program has been mapped out. He also said the committee had before it suggestions for tax levies on moving-picture films, phonograph records, automobile horsepower, automobile tires and other articles.

The committee will recommend repeal of the stamp taxes of the emergency war revenue bill, it was predicted.

That the majority leader is becoming resigned to the prospect of large appropriations for national defense was shown when he told the caucus that he did not know how much the preparedness program will cost, "but it probably will run up to an igh figure." The repeal of the free sugar clause, he said, was a part of the revenue legislation which must be enacted because of the Administration's preparedness bills.

Mr. Kitchin was asked why the Treasury Department did not issue bonds and pay for preparedness, and if the Ways and Means Committee was considering a bond issue. The majority leader said the Treasury already had authority to sell Panama Canal bonds, but it was not regarded as wise to pay for preparedness in this way. He added that he did not believe there would be a bond sale.

British Passport Plotters Guilty LONDON, Feb. 18.—Mitchell Dallas, a clerk in the Home Office, pleaded guilty today at the Old Bailey, and Joachim Altani was found guilty of conspiracy to obtain money in connection with issue of passports to aliens.

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