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ITALY WINS SEA BATTLE; SEVERAL WAR SHIPS SUNK

GENERAL STRIKE VOTE BEING CAST BY TELEGRAPHERS

Walk-out of Southern Key Men Seems Inevitable.

PERHAM TAKES ACTION

President of Order Prepared to Begin Hostilities.

Status of Telegraphers.

Estimated number of telegraphers, 2,200.
Number of men belonging to union, who may be assessed in time of strike, 60,000.
Present reserve fund for use in time of strike, \$2,000,000.
Cause of rupture refusal of Vice President Copman to continue negotiations with railway telegraphers.

Despite efforts of the heads of the American Order of Railway Telegraphers and the Southern Railway to bring about a settlement of wage differences, a strike of the keymen of the latter corporation seems inevitable.

President H. B. Perham, of the Railway Telegraphers, a man noted for his conservatism, reached Washington from St. Louis late yesterday afternoon and spent the entire evening in conference with Chairman Alexander, of the telegraphers' committee. This fact alone presages the beginning of hostilities, as it was announced, when the telegraphers first began their protests, that Mr. Perham would not be called upon except in case of dire necessity.

VOTING ON STRIKE.

A general strike vote is now being taken by telegraphers throughout the territory owned by the Southern Railway. Votes which will decide whether the men will quit work or endeavor to placate the Southern officials are being taken in Washington, and by Monday every ballot will have been received.

The crisis of the matter as it now stands in the wage question Southern Railway operators have demanded an average increase of 10 per cent. G. W. Taylor, general superintendent of transportation, with whom the telegraphers' committee conferred, sent in his ultimatum, stating that a 2 per cent increase would be the most that they might hope to receive.

The Southern Railway telegraphers have declared en masse that rather than accept such a compromise as this they will quit work and fight the matter to the end.

Additional gravity was added to the situation when it was announced last night that the arbitrators would neither arbitrate nor mediate the question of an increase. Either the Southern Railway will grant the advance demanded or offer some compromise that is sufficiently near it to be generally satisfactory—or new men will be put to work, the telegraphers say.

The estimated cost of the rearrangement of salaries to the Southern Railway will be about \$500,000. The plan of the telegraphers is to give the Southern several years in which to make this additional payment allowing them time to rearrange so that the increase will not inflict a hardship upon the company.

Seek a Show-down.

Until the message of Vice President E. H. Copman reached the telegraphers, stating that he was about to leave town, the officials of the telegraphers' union believed that they would be able to reach an agreement through their appeal. His sudden leaving-taking is regarded as a determination not to take up their appeal for some weeks, at least. In this event, the telegraphers declare, they are prepared to see the hand of the corporation by a strike order.

After his conference last night, President Perham stated that he was not yet ready to say what the ultimate action of the telegraphers would be. "I will make every effort," said he, "to prevent the possibility of a strike. It is the desire of the entire union that a peaceful adjustment of differences be made. Until there is positive evidence that the Southern Railway intends to ignore our demands, I will continue to believe that we may prevent a strike."

Not Up to Mediation.

The fact that union officials are determined not to resort to the board of mediation or an arbitrary body, removes the last barrier which might prevent a strike. Under the law Commissioner of Labor Neill might, if appealed to, take up the matter of mediation and use his influence to bring about a settlement of differences. This can only be done when the parties involved join in the request for mediation. The commissioner has not the right to take the initiative in the matter.

There are now in the coffers of the railway telegraphers about \$2,000,000 for readiness in case of a walk-out. Besides this, there are about 60,000 telegraphers, employed by other railways, who can be assessed during the time the strike is in progress.

8:25 to Baltimore and Return
Saturday and Sunday via Pennsylvania Railroad. Tickets good to return until Sunday night. All regular trains except the "Congressional Limited."

SCENE OF NAVAL BATTLE BETWEEN TURKEY AND ITALY.



Map of Northern Africa, Showing Ports of Tripoli and Cyrene Which Are Blocked by the Italian Fleet.

WAR NEWS IN BRIEF.

Italy declares war with Turkey. Armed forces from Italian war ships land in Tripoli.
Italian fleets begin to sweep the Mediterranean.
Thousands of Italian troops embark for Tripoli. Expedition under Gen. Caneva.
Admiral Aubrey in command of Italy's land and sea forces. There are complete blockade of African coast established.
Italy establishes naval bases at Syracuse, Taranto, and Augusta. Turkey may take over Crete, and is expected to seek the aid of Austria-Hungary and Germany.
Russia declares intention of occupying Trebizond until Turkey settles indemnity for last war.
Europeans see in concentration from beleaguered port.
Turkish Ambassador to United States hopes for Taft's mediation in "interest of practical peace."
Turkish cabinet resigns. Ottoman Parliament ordered to convene.

U. S. Men-of-War Ready for Action

Two American naval vessels are en route to Malta, where they will remain until further orders to be prepared to protect American interests in Tripoli. The cruiser Chester, which sailed from Boston a little more than a week ago, passed Gibraltar yesterday and entered the Mediterranean Sea. The gunboat Scorpion, station ship at Constantinople, is now at Trieste. She also has been directed to proceed to Malta. They will arrive about October 5, and will be held in readiness to proceed to the coast of Tripoli in case of necessity.
The Chester was ordered to Tripoli several weeks ago, after a conference between officers of the State and Navy departments, to furnish protection to the members of an American archaeological expedition, headed by Prof. Richard Norton, which has been making excavations in the vicinity of Cyrene. In view of the disordered conditions which are bound to result in Tripoli from its forcible occupation by Italian troops, it is probable that the scientific expedition will postpone indefinitely its work.
The United States has very little interest, either commercially or politically, in the territory affected by the war. There are no American citizens residing in Tripoli, and the commercial relations between Tripoli and the United States amount to about \$300,000 a year.
Mr. W. Rockhill, American Ambassador at Constantinople, advised the State Department yesterday that foreigners were leaving by every departing steamer, but that Constantinople was quietly awaiting the outcome of the dispute with Italy. The sentiment of the people, he added, seemed to be in favor of Mr. Rockhill also informed the department of the contents of Italy's ultimatum to Turkey. Tripoli, he added, had twelve Italian war vessels are lying off that port awaiting instructions to land men and to possess the country. The city, he added, was quiet, and the people, while excited over the crisis, had remained calm and there had been no disorder.
Mr. Wood sent a telegram dated noon yesterday saying that an Italian torpedo boat flying a white flag was entering the harbor. Several Turkish and Arab families, he added, have taken refuge in the American consulate.

Moroccan Dispute Near End.

Paris, Sept. 29.—Prime Minister Caillaux to-day reassured a deputation of financiers that there has been no fresh disagreement in regard to Germany's latest note on the Moroccan dispute, and that there remained only a few differences in phrasing to adjust. The financiers were afraid the pessimistic reports about the negotiations would have a bad effect on the bourse.

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Ottoman Forces, Endeavoring to Repulse Foe in Landing at Tripoli, Send Troop-laden Barges to Bottom.

BLOCKADE OF AFRICA IS COMPLETE

War in Earnest for Protectorate of Disputed Territory—Turkish Ambassador to United States Hopes Taft Will Intervene—Foreign Press Scores Italy.

Paris, Sept. 30.—War is on in earnest between Italy and Turkey. A dispatch to the Matin from Athens describes a battle between a squadron of Turkish torpedo-boat destroyers and Italian cruisers off Preveza, on the coast of Greece, on Friday afternoon. Two destroyers were seriously damaged and were run ashore.

Following the defeat of the torpedo-boat destroyers, Italian cruisers attacked a number of transports loaded with Turkish troops. The transports also were disabled and driven ashore.

The demonstration at Preveza is regarded as an absolute violation of the Italian promise to confine the war to the province of Tripoli. It is reported that Italy has lately been sending arms and ammunition to the rebels in Albania. Epirus is an Albanian province.

London, Sept. 30.—A special dispatch from Saloniki to the Telegraph from Constantinople dated Friday, 10 o'clock, corroborates the Matin story of the sinking of two Turkish destroyers in the Epirus. The destroyers were overtaken in the Adriatic by Italian war ships. One of the destroyers was sunk, and many casualties are reported. The second destroyer succeeded in reaching Preveza, where it was beached.

Italy Strikes First.
Rome, Sept. 29.—Admiral Aubrey has been placed in command of the entire land and sea forces of Italy, in its campaign to end Turkish suzerainty in Northern Africa.

Acting under orders from the minister of marine, the Italian fleets have begun to sweep the Mediterranean, and troops have been landed at Tripoli. Italian cruisers have established a complete blockade of the African coast. Cruisers are also patrolling the coasts of Albania, Macedonia, and Syria to guard against any Moslem uprising against Europeans.

Thousands of troops have embarked on forty transports for Tripoli. This expeditionary force will be under command of Gen. Caneva.

Orders to War Ships.
Three squadrons of Italian warships have received the following orders:
The first squadron will intercept the Turkish fleet, now on its way from Beirut to Constantinople. It will also blockade Turkish ports and prevent blockade running.

The second squadron will patrol the Red Sea and the third will do reserve duty at Taranto. Naval bases have been established at Syracuse, Taranto, and Augusta. Coal ordered from Cardiff, England, by the Italian government is being shipped to these stations.

As a result of the anti-war demonstrations, which are growing throughout Italy, three persons were killed and many wounded when troops fired on a mob at Parma to-day.

Turkey Not Opposing.
In a conference that continued for fifty minutes to-day, the Turkish charge d'affaires informed Marquis di San Giuliano, Italian minister for foreign affairs, that Turkey had decided not to oppose the landing of troops by Italy at Tripoli. He expressed the hope that should troops be landed, Turkish subjects in Tripoli would be treated as a conquered people.

Malta, Sept. 29.—Refugees from Tripoli describe the situation there as most perilous for all Europeans. Moslem hatred has already shown itself with unsheathed knives in the streets, and attacks are anticipated if the Moslems are further exasperated by the Italian landing. British protection has been invoked by the Anglo-Maltese colony, who have hoisted the British flag.

Refugees state there are 15,000 Turkish troops in Tripoli and the open harborless coast will make landing difficult. Italian shipping companies have hitherto refused passage to all but Italians, but an authoritative assurance is now given here that all Christians will be embarked if necessary. The body of refugees in Tripoli is practically suspended. Destitute refugees will be a fresh burden on the already burdened island.

Italian war enthusiasm is rechecked with pride and confidence in the Italian colony here. "We have the men, the money, and the ships," is the cry.

Count Bolognesi, Italian consul at Benghazi, and the consul at Parma, Signor Piacentini, have been refused landing at Benghazi, where they arrived in the steamer Biadano.

The telegraph wires at Benghazi, being unavailable, the two consuls returned in the Biadano to Malta and arrived here to-day at 2 o'clock. They are now communicating with the ministry at Rome, asking for orders.

No Time Lost by Italy.
Turin, Italy, Sept. 29.—By special courier to frontier, immediately the Italian ultimatum was delivered to Turkey the Italian fleet established blockade of the coast of Tripoli.

Everything is now in readiness for the landing of the expedition commanded by Gen. Caneva. If Italian subjects are mistreated in Turkey the Italian fleet will extend its area of operations.

The force that is to occupy Tripoli will leave Italian and Sicilian ports early next week. Tripoli will not be bombarded unless life and property of Italians and other foreigners are endangered.

The cruisers Marco Polo and Victor Pisani have left Taranto with a squadron of torpedo boats under the command of the Duke of the Abruzzi, cousin of King Victor Emmanuel. At the moment of their departure the mine ship Minerva went ashore, but suffered only slight damage. She carries 350 torpedoes, in addition to many mines.

Italy Moves Rapidly.
Italy marched quickly. The moment the time fixed for her ultimatum to Turkey expired the Turkish representatives were handed their passports, the Italian Ambassador to Turkey notified the porte that a state of war existed, and the Italian minister of marine flashed a wireless to the commander of the blockading squadron off Tripoli to begin operations.

The Turkish commander at Tripoli was called upon to surrender. This he refused to do, and the Italian commander commenced the debarkation of the force of occupation.

The Turkish commander ordered his troops to fire upon the Italians, and evidently there must have been a short but sharp engagement, as two ships and transport barges are reported to have been sunk before the Italian force was compelled to withdraw.

Losses Not Known.
Just how severe the engagement was or what were the respective losses cannot be said, as immediately after the Italian landing was accomplished the telegraph wires at Tripoli were seized and from that moment there was practically silence from all Tripoli. Nothing has been sent out and all messages have been unanswered.

It is known, however, that Gen. Caneva, commanding the expeditionary corps, notified the government of Tripoli that if any Italian subjects were molested the town would be bombarded, and that if the Turkish fleet attempted any action a strong Italian squadron would be sent to deal with it.

Airships in the Fight.
Gen. Caneva will be accompanied to Tripoli by Gen. Briccolli and Gen. Count Gerardi. The first force to be dispatched will consist of 25,000 men. Altogether, 40,000 troops will be landed in Tripoli.

Aeroplane and probably a military airship will also be dispatched.

The Duke of the Abruzzi, it is said, will be the first governor of Tripoli.

Tripoli, Sept. 29.—An Italian torpedo boat destroyer entered the port of Tripoli this afternoon flying a white flag and

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Two on Motorcycle Run Down Old Man in Good Hope Road

Singleton Webster, Aged 76. Escapes Serious Injury—One Rider Thrown.

Another motorcycle accident occasioned by two persons "joy-riding" on one machine, occurred last night when Singleton Webster, seventy-eight years old, a resident of Annapolis, was run down in Good Hope road and narrowly escaped serious injury. The aged man was picked up unconscious and taken to the office of a physician. Because of his advanced years, it will be impossible to foretell the outcome of his injuries for several days.

Harold E. Dunn, twenty years old, and his sister, Violet Dunn, eighteen years old, of Raleigh street, Congress Heights, were on the motorcycle at the time it collided with the aged man. Miss Dunn was thrown from her seat and received several scratches on the hands. Her brother, who was operating the machine, escaped without injury.

ZAPATA IS DEFIANT.

Mexican Bandit Threatens War to the Death.

Mexico City, Sept. 29.—The President's cabinet at its session this afternoon refused to permit Zapata to surrender without the punishment ordered. The bandit, if captured, will be tried in the federal courts. This message was telegraphed to Zapata. The latter replied, refusing to accept terms. He declares he will fight the government to the death. He professes to have eighteen thousand men with him in the Oaxaca Mountains.

AVIATOR IS KILLED.

Capt. Englehardt Was Leading Authority in Germany.

Berlin, Sept. 29.—Capt. Englehardt, the leading authority on aviation in Germany, and formerly a pupil of the Wrights, fell and was killed to-day while making an ascent at Johannesthal field. Capt. Englehardt was a naval officer at one time. He was a passenger with Orville Wright when Mr. Wright, in 1900, established a world's record in a passenger carrying flight, remaining aloft one hour and thirty-five minutes. Capt. Englehardt until recently held the distance record for flying in Germany.

Special Train to the Races at Laurel, Md. Oct. 2 to 4, via Baltimore and Ohio. 50c Round Trip. In addition to excellent regular train service to Laurel Fair and Races, Special Train will leave Union Station week days at 1:30 p. m. Returning leave Race Track Sliding (Laurel) at 5:00 p. m.

TOBACCO TRUST OUTLINES PLANS OF DISSOLUTION

Will Use Distinctive Trade-marks in Future.

CIGAR STORES IN DOUBT

New York, Sept. 29.—The plan of the dissolution of the American Tobacco Company, as at present agreed upon, and subject to the approval of Attorney General Wickersham and the United States Circuit Court, is to divide the great corporation into three companies, which before their merger into the combine were recognized as strong individualities in the trade.

These three companies, it is understood, will be the Liggett & Myers, of St. Louis; the P. Lorillard Company, of New Jersey; and the American Tobacco Company. All will operate independently under trade-marks, the American Tobacco Company adopting the trade-mark of one of its constituent companies, and the other two concerns resuming their original trade-marks. All three will deal in all kinds of manufactured tobacco, including cigarettes and cigars.

In addition to these three companies, the trust will form another independent concern dealing in Hookers, which will supply the three companies above named with this essential ingredient to manufactured tobacco, especially chewing tobacco.

What will become of the United Cigars Stores Company, which is owned by the tobacco trust, has not been determined, and it is said that this question is holding up the dissolution plans. The trust believes that the United Cigars Stores Company should be allowed to continue as an individual concern, but a strong protest against this plan has been lodged with the Attorney General by the independent retail tobacco dealers and is under consideration. Under the trust plan, of dissolution and reorganization, the three concerns—Liggett & Myers, the P. Lorillard Company and the American Tobacco Company—will operate under individual trade-marks, so that the jobber and retailer may have their choice of where he buys his goods by the trade-marks. Each company will manufacture plug, chewing, and smoking tobacco and cigars and cigarettes, taking up the brands now on the market.

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One-armed Negro Attempts to Steal One-handed Bike

Forced to Ride in Criss-crossed Fashion. William Cobb Is Quickly Nabbed.

A bicycle with only one handle proved the Nemesis of eighteen-year-old William Cobb, a one-armed negro, last night when he attempted to steal the vehicle from in front of 1223 H street northwest. Had the crippled bicycle corresponded in the matter of handlebars with the rider's crippled condition, the negro might have escaped with his loot.

When Cobb mounted the vehicle and made his dash through H street with it he discovered that the handle on the side where he has an arm was gone. The handle on the other side where the negro didn't have an arm was still in place. Hence, Cobb was handicapped and could not ride fast with his one arm criss-crossed to the one handle.

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Beauty Talk, with Answers to Inquiries by

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PARIS FASHIONS.

By Mrs. A. T. Ashmore.

THE WIDOW WISE

And Her Near-Romance with Count Victor Vermicelli.

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