

# Million Perish in Massacres; Outrage Girls, Slay Women

## Reign of Anarchy in Armenia Leaves Scenes of Horror and Unburied Dead Strewn Throughout Land.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald, London July 28. (Delayed)—Tales of the ravishing of Armenians as told by a German eye-witness, are embodied in a report that is being published throughout the country. Dr. Martin Niepage, who is the author of the report, was a high grade teacher in the Technical School at Aleppo, and his report, parts of which are printed here, has been forwarded to the German Consul at Aleppo.

"According to Dr. Niepage, only the hope of speedy relief would enable him and his colleagues, to continue their education work."

"Our presence had no ameliorating effect whatever," writes Dr. Niepage, and what we could do personally came to but little.

"Herr Gruff, of Aleppo, reported corpses of violated women lying about naked in heaps on the railway embankment at Tell-Abiad and Ras-el-Ain. Another, Herr Spiecker, of Aleppo, had seen the Armenian men together, fire several volleys of small shot with fowling-pieces in the human mass, and so off laughing while their victims slowly perished in frightful convulsions. Other men had their hands tied behind their back and were rolled down steep cliffs. Women were standing below and aimed those who were rolled down with knives until they were dead. A Protestant pastor who, two years before, had given a very warm welcome to my colleague, Dr. Gruber, when he was passing through his village, had his finger nails torn out.

**Children's Hands Cut Off.**

"The German Consul from Mosul related, in my presence, at the German club at Aleppo, that he had seen children's hands lying backed off in such numbers that one could have paved the road with them, in the German hospital at Ourfa, there was a little girl who had had both her hands hacked off.

"In an Arab village, on the way to Aleppo, the German Consul from Mosul saw shallow graves with freshly-buried Armenian corpses. The Arabs of the village declared that they had killed these Armenians by the sword's edge. One asserted proudly that he personally had killed eight.

"Out of convoys which, when they left their homes on the Armenian plateau, numbered from two to three thousand men, women and children, only two or three hundred survivors arrive here in the south. The men are slain on the way; the women and girls, with the exception of the old, the ugly and those who are still children, have been abused by Turkish soldiers and officers and then carried away to Turkish and Kurdish villages, where they have to accept Islam. They try to destroy the remnant of the convoys by hunger and thirst. Even when they are fording rivers, they do not allow those dying of thirst to drink. All the nourishment they receive is a daily ration of a little meal sprinkled over their hands, which they lick off greedily, and its only effect is to protract their starvation.

**Suffer from Disease.**

"Opposite the German Technical School at Aleppo, in which were gathered in teaching, a mass of about four hundred emaciated forms, the remnant of such convoys, is lying in one of the huts. There are about a hundred children, boys and girls, among them, from five to seven years old. Most of them are suffering from typhoid and dysentery. When one enters the yard, one has the impression

of entering a mad-house. If one brings them food, one notices that they have forgotten how to eat. Their stomachs, weakened by months of starvation, can no longer assimilate nourishment. If one gives them bread, they put it aside indifferently. They just lie there quietly, waiting for death.

"Amid such surroundings, how are we teachers to read German Fairy Stories with our children, or, indeed, to buy the Bible for the Samaritan in the Bible? How are we to make them decline and conjugate irrelevant words, while round them in the yards adjoining the German Technical School they are strolling, yellow-countrymen are slowly succumbing.

"In many Christian houses in Aleppo I found Armenian girls hidden who, by some means, had escaped death; either they had been left lying exhausted and had been taken for dead when their companions had been driven on, or, in other cases, Europeans had found an opportunity to buy the poor creatures for a few marks from the last Turkish soldier who had violated them. All these girls showed symptoms of mental derangement; many of them had had to watch the death of their parents, their brothers, their sisters, their husbands. I know poor things who have not had a single word coaxed out of them for months, and not a smile to this moment. A girl about fourteen years of age, who had been in the hands of Krause, depot manager for the Baghdad Railway at Aleppo. The girl had been so many times ravished by Turkish soldiers, in one night, that she had completely lost her reason. I saw her tossing on her pillow in delirium with burning lips, and could hardly get water down her throat.

**Women Are Stripped.**

"A German I know saw hundreds of Christian peasant women who were compelled, near Ourfa, to strip naked and to be paraded in the streets for the amusement of the soldiers, then to drag themselves through the desert in this condition for days together in a temperature of 40 degrees Centigrade, until their skins were completely scorched. Another woman, a Turk took a child out of its Armenian mother's womb and hurl it against the wall.

"There are other occurrences, worse than these. The examples which I give here, recorded in the numerous reports which have been sent in to the embassy from the German consulates at Alexandretta, Aleppo and Mosul. The complete list of these horrors is so far, probably about one million Armenians have perished in the massacres of the last few months. Of this number, one must reckon that at least one hundred thousand children who have either been murdered or have succumbed to starvation.

"It is the duty of conscience to bring these things into publicity, and, although the Turkish government, in destroying the Armenian nation, is only pursuing objects of internal policy, the way this policy is being carried out has many of the characteristics of a general persecution of Christians.

"All of the tens of thousands of girls and women who have been carried off into Turkish harems, and the masses of children who have been collected by the government and distributed among the Turks and Kurds, are lost to Christendom, and have to accept Islam. The abusive epithet 'kitaour' is now heard once again by German ears."

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Company C Will Be Mustered in Next Wednesday.

Alexandria, Va., July 21.—Company C, First Virginia Regiment, commanded by Capt. Conrad Johnson, has received orders that it will be mustered into the Federal service next Wednesday. The orders came from Col W. J. Perry, commanding the First Virginia Regiment.

The company after being mustered in will be drafted to the cantonment at Annapolis, Md.

It probably will be a week or ten days from next Wednesday before the company is sent to the cantonment, it is thought.

Members of this command numbering about 125 will be stationed at the camp until they are sent away to the cantonment.

A majority of the members of this command have seen about seven months' service on the Mexican border, having returned from Brownsville, Tex., to this city early last January.

Dr. Arthur Snowden, this city, has been appointed by Gov. Stuart a member of the local exemption board. This board will have those drafted from this city and Alexandria County to appear before it for the consideration of their cases.

It is expected that the local board of exemption will shortly hold a meeting for the purpose of arranging for the call of those persons whose numbers were drawn first. Meetings of

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# Conspirators Menace Russian Republic, Says Correspondent

(By the International News Service.) Zurich, July 21.—A Swiss newspaper correspondent who recently returned from Petrograd writes in the Neue Zuercher Zeitung:

The Russian revolution has to be on guard continually against the "sinister powers," the supporters of the autocratic regime, who are at work among the ignorant masses and still hope to be able to overthrow the new government.

Many of the reactionary leaders have been imprisoned or shot, but the government has been unable to get hold of all of them. The most dangerous ones pretend to become revolutionists and are not carrying on their nefarious work under the mask of ardent supporters of the new order of things.

Most of the disorder reported from different parts of Russia in the last few months has been caused by these dangerous elements.

The principal field of the reactionary conspirators is the smaller provincial towns and the rural districts, where they work with the old weapons of the "Black Hundred"—lies, slander and agitation.

Petrograd and Moscow, the centers of the revolution, are unfavorable territory for the enemies of liberty; but their activities are plainly visible, even in these two cities. Here they masquerade as ultra-radicals and try to bring about uprisings of the exploiters and anarchists by preaching class hatred and terrorism of the worst kind.

**Try to Inflamm Soldiers.**

At the same time, they try to inflame the soldiers supporting the new government against the Socialistic workmen. In Petrograd they recently distributed many thousands of copies of a pamphlet, which urged the soldiers to break the power of the labor organizations and Socialists, to overthrow the provisional government and to establish a military dictatorship.

In another pamphlet they urged the workmen to rebel against the tyranny of the soldiers and the bourgeoisie and to proclaim a Socialistic republic.

The conspirators are everywhere, in all walks of life. Six of them succeeded in getting themselves elected to the Petrograd Council of Soldiers' and Workmen's Delegates, where they posed as the most ardent radicals until they were unmasked, arrested and summarily dealt with a few weeks ago.

**Acts of Terrorism Committed.**

In many instances the reactionary agitators commit acts of terrorism to create excitement and disorder. One of their favorite methods is to march through the streets of Petrograd and Moscow at a terrific speed in black automobiles, firing shots and throwing anarchistic handbills among the crowds. If the troops and the militia attempt to stop them, they resort to rifles and revolvers, and in nine cases out of ten they manage to escape.

While the propaganda of the reactionaries is hopeful in the two capitals, it has reached dangerous proportions in the provinces, where they have succeeded in many cases in deceiving the revolutionary workmen and getting themselves elected or appointed to positions of trust and power.

In the Kiev the vice president of the local Council of Soldiers' and

# REPORT GOETHALS READY TO RESIGN

Will Quit Corporation if Wilson Thinks Best.

Gen. George W. Goethals, general manager of the Emergency Fleet Corporation yesterday refused to either deny or affirm the report that he had written President Wilson and suggested that if in the judgment of the Executive the shipbuilding be speeded by resignation, he would be glad to tender it. Members of the Shipping Board refused to discuss the matter, but it is known that several members doubt that Gen. Goethals made any such offer.

At the White House it was admitted that a letter had been received from Gen. Goethals, but it was stated positively that it had contained no direct offer of a resignation. As to whether there was any reference to the canal boulder stood ready to resign it the President thought it best, the White House maintained silence.

The consensus of opinion in official circles was that even though Gen. Goethals indicated a willingness to resign, the President would not accept his resignation at this time.

It is understood that within the last two days contracts for a large number of both steel and wooden ships have been signed and that contracts for the two yards for the construction of fabricated steel ships have been put into shape for submission to contractors. It is expected that these contracts will be let sometime early next week. The work of the Shipping Board and Fleet manager has been completed and it is understood that all points of variance have been compromised. Further changes, however, may be necessary as the result of suggestions from the men to whom the contracts were offered.

The plan for commandeering ships will probably be announced tomorrow or Monday. The State Department is understood to have suggested several minor changes in the plan submitted by the Shipping Board and these are expected to be settled upon not later than Monday.

It is intimated that President Wilson is in close touch with the work being done and approves of the caution exercised. When all that has been accomplished in the last four months has been made public, it is stated, the public will be amazed at the extent of the work done since the Shipping Board and Emergency Fleet Corporation.

# "Sky-Line" Logging Method of Western Camp.

In the logging camps of Oregon and Washington a "sky-line" method of logging is proving much cheaper and more efficient than the former method of dragging out logs from the forest by donkey cable and operating on the ground. The sky-line plan is to run a cable through blocks or pulleys suspended at a great height on giant posts, so as to form a sort of trolley line, by which the logs are hoisted into the air and then hauled over the tops of ordinary trees and other obstructions to the railway, where they are loaded aboard freight cars for shipment.

The donkey engine which operates the sky-line is five drums, including two for main lines and two for trip lines. The top cable, from which the log is suspended, is one of the main lines, while the other is used to haul the log. In operation the top cable is lowered with its block, or trolley, directly over the log to be picked up; it is then pulled taut, raising the log with the "sky-line" cable, or steel tongs. In the air a log can, of course, be moved much faster than on the ground. An interesting illustration of this form of logging appears in the August Popular Mechanics Magazine.

**Propose Electric Lights For Lincoln Highway**

The lighting of Lincoln Highway by electricity from coast to coast is the ultimate aim of a movement set on foot recently in Ohio. The Stark County members of the Jovian League, which is a national organization composed of men connected with the electrical trade, have proposed that this order, through its branches located in various parts of the country, induce and work for such an improvement. The plan for such an improvement in many quarters. Its originators estimate that the cost of illuminating the thirty-three miles of the highway would be \$4,000 per year—

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