

SAME PRISON PLAN URGED BY OSBORNE Sing Sing Warden Declares Indeterminate Sentence Cure for Criminality.

Asserting that the indeterminate sentence is the only sensible and logical plan for treating criminality, Thomas Mott Osborne, warden of Sing Sing prison, New York, discussed the same with the board of prison directors today before the Washington branch of the woman's department of the National Civic Federation at the new Masonic Temple. Warden Osborne's address was punctuated with pointed remarks and well told anecdotes illustrative of his points, and his audience frequently interrupted him with applause.

WAR OFFICIALLY REPORTED.

GERMAN STATEMENT. BERLIN, December 8, via London, 3 p.m. Western theater of war: Attempts by the enemy to cross our success east of Alverber (in the Champagne district) failed. In addition to the prisoners taken, three machine guns fell into our hands.

FRENCH STATEMENT. PARIS, December 8, 2:30 p.m. During the afternoon of December 5 Bulgarian forces delivered a violent attack against our bridgehead at Demirhanovo on the Vardar river. This attack was completely repulsed.

BULGARIAN STATEMENT. SOFIA, via London, December 8. The beginning of our operations against Serbia was when our entire army was sent westward. The French troops which had been landed, supported by Serbian forces, had succeeded in obtaining a foothold on the line South-Sheki-Glava-Babuna-Planina-Gradisce-Krivopal, but we advanced as quickly as possible and reinforced our troops on the line.

RUSSIAN STATEMENT. PETROGRAD, December 7, via London, December 8. Near the village of Krevo, south of the Vilya river, we shot down an enemy aeroplane and captured its occupants.

AUSTRIAN STATEMENT. VIENNA, December 7, via London, December 8. Russian front: There have been no important events. Italian front: The situation is unchanged, no fighting of importance.

ITALIAN STATEMENT. ROME, December 7, via London, December 8. There has been intense artillery action on both sides, especially in the Giudicaria valley, the Conca valley and the Cerna district.

On the retreat of the Serbian Monastir garrison was sent by way of Smiljevo toward the Monastir-Rena. This division, advancing, compelled the Serbians to evacuate Monastir on the 3d. Today we occupied the town. Other divisions are advancing toward Ochridd and Dibra.

On the Dardanelles, near Anafarta, our artillery bombarded enemy troops which were throwing up fortifications. Near Ari Buran an enemy cruiser which unsuccessfully bombarded our positions was forced by our artillery to withdraw.

On the Turkish front: The Turkish troops continue to prosecute their offensive against the defeated Greek troops. On December 2 the Turkish troops covered twenty-five kilometers (about fifteen and one-half miles) in one day.

On the Serbian front: The Serbian army, the Albanians, who have been pressed for two or three years by the Serbians, are revolting and are fighting against the Serbians, wandering through the Albanian mountains.

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LIBRARY FOR THE BLIND RE-ELECTS ITS OFFICERS

Report of Miss Giffin, Director, Shows Work Accomplished the Past Year. All officers of the National Library for the Blind were re-elected at the annual meeting of the organization at its headquarters, 1729 H street north-west, today, a blanket ballot being cast.

Miss Etta Josselyn Giffin, director of the library, reported that during the year the library had had 1,000 readers, had loaned 5,000 books, and had had seventy-five books transcribed, thus giving employment to many blind persons as well as providing reading matter.

It was reported at the meeting that blind inmates of the United States Soldiers' Home, this city, had prepared several decks of playing cards, which are to be sent to the soldiers blinded during the war in Europe, provided their delivery is allowed by the foreign countries.

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WILL HOLD CONFERENCE OVER CLEVELAND CLUB

President Ben Johnson to Discuss With Base Ball Magnates of the "Indians." CLEVELAND, Ohio, December 8.—President Ben Johnson of the American League and John D. Bruce, secretary of the national commission, were here today for a conference with President Charles W. Somers of the Cleveland club and bankers who are in charge of the sale of the Indians franchise.

TO WORK ON FISCAL REPORT.

Joint Select Committee of Congress Will Meet Tomorrow Morning. The joint select committee of Congress on the fiscal relations between the United States and the District of Columbia will meet tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock, in the office of Senator Chittom, to continue work on its report to Congress.

FOURTEEN WOMEN EXECUTED.

Charged by Villa Military Authorities With Being Carranza Spies. SAN ANTONIO, Tex., December 8.—Fourteen Mexican women were executed Sunday, December 6, at Casas Grandes by the Villa military authorities on charges of having been spies for the Carranza government, according to advices received at the Carranza consulate here.

Every Store Is Asking Big Prices for Nearing the End of this Great Anniversary Sale—Bigger Than Ever Bargains

Behrend's advertisement listing various clothing items and their prices, including coats, blouses, suits, and accessories.

Greatest Dolls in Town at These Prices

Advertisement for dolls, listing various styles and prices, including bears, teddies, and dolls with different features.

Gift and Every Day Suggestions in Piece Goods Dept.

Advertisement for piece goods, listing various fabrics, dresses, and accessories with prices.

Handkerchiefs

Advertisement for handkerchiefs, listing various styles and prices.

GLOVES

Advertisement for gloves, listing various styles and prices.

HOSIERY

Advertisement for hosiery, listing various styles and prices.

MEN'S WEAR

Advertisement for men's wear, listing various styles and prices.

Special Indian Suit Bargains

Advertisement for Indian suit bargains, listing various styles and prices.

Jewelry—Leather Goods

Advertisement for jewelry and leather goods, listing various styles and prices.

Winter Underwear at Cut Prices

Advertisement for winter underwear, listing various styles and prices.

House Dresses and Bath Robes

Advertisement for house dresses and bath robes, listing various styles and prices.

Boys' Clothing Makes Attractive & Sensible Gifts

Advertisement for boys' clothing, listing various styles and prices.

Winter Coats for Babies and Big Girls

Advertisement for winter coats for babies and big girls, listing various styles and prices.

Lace Curtains, Blankets, Etc.

Advertisement for lace curtains, blankets, and other home goods, listing various styles and prices.

Furs Make Exquisite Gifts

Advertisement for furs, listing various styles and prices.

Sweaters for Men, Women and Children

Advertisement for sweaters, listing various styles and prices.

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