ASSAULT ON ADEN BY TURKISH AND ARABS REPORTED

Berlin Hears "Gibraltar of the East" Is Near Capture By Those Forces.

ARABIANS IN OPEN REVOLT

British Loss of 15,000 Dead and 20,000 Wounded, Asserted in Cologne.

BERLIN (Via wireless to Sayville), Jan. 27.—Twenty thousand British troops defending the Arabian seaport of Aden, are under heavy attack by combined Arab and Turkish forces and in a dangerous position, according to reports received here today.

The Cologne Volks Zeitung received a report from Cairo, dated December 30, declaring that the British have lost 15,000 in killed and 20,000 wounded in fighting around Aden since the beginning of the war.

Arabians In Revolt.

A wounded British major is given as authority for the statement that Arabian sheiks have gone over to the Turks and that nearly 100,000 square miles of Arabian territory formerly controlled by the British, has been lost to them. The Arabians, it was stated, are using arms given them by the British.

Berlin reported several weeks ago that a Turkish force had driven the British in upon Aden and was preparing to attack the city. This report was subsequently denied by the British officials.

Aden is strongly fortified, and is known as the "Gibraltar of the East."

Because of the position it holds with reference to the Suez canal it is a trading center of the greatest importance.

CORSET DESIGNERS FORM ORGANIZATION

Southern Association Plans to Educate Girls in New Business For Women.

An organization that claims to be unique because it opens an entirely new field to business women of the South, came into being when the Southern Corset Buyers' Association completed its organization at the Ebbitt yesterday. Its chief object will be the promotion of educational work among corset buyers, and the pointing out of the possibilities of such a profession to business women.

The idea of forming such an organization is credited to an ambitious young woman from Raleigh. She is Miss Ida Cheek. With practically no resources, she established there a business of fitting medical corsets, which gradually expanded until it reached out into several States.

The convention was addressed by W. P. Jackson, sales manager for the Kalamazoo Corset Company; Manager Sigourney, of the sales department of the Royal Worcester Corset Company, and Miss E. B. Wells, of the Wells-Gossard Shop, in this city, all of whom commended the new project.

The following were selected as officers: Mrs. Tom Gartlan, Parkersburg, W. Va., president; Miss B. Hunsuck, of the J. B. Ivery Company, Charlotte, N. C., vice president; Miss Grace Skelly, of the M. V. Moore Company, Asheville, N. C., secretary, and Miss H. B. Rothholz, of Darlington, S. C., treasurer.

The buyers who have organized the new association were received by President Wilson, Tuesday, and have been entertained at theater parties and luncheons during their stay in Washington.

Didn't Steal Horse; It Followed Him

HAGERSTOWN, Jan. 27.—A. J. Rutherford, seventeen, Kearneysville, W. Va., is under arrest, charged with forging Frank Trump's name to a $22 check on the Farmers' Bank, Shepherdstown, and stealing a horse.

Rutherford admitted forgery, but claims that when he entered the stable the horse followed him out and he mounted and rode off. He is being held for West Virginia police.

Will Debate on Wages.

The Columbian Debating Society of George Washington University will hold its semi-annual election of officers February 4 at New Masonic Temple. The minimum wage question will be debated.

DENMARK CERTAIN TO STAY NEUTRAL

Neither England Nor Germany Anxious for Little Nation to Join War.

By CHARLES P. STEWART.

LONDON, Jan. 27.—War rumblings may disturb Sweden at present, but Denmark pretty certainly is going to keep out of this war. She wants to keep out, and both Germany and England want the same thing. This much is gleaned from conversations with officials in Copenhagen and well informed persons here today.

If Denmark fights at all, it must be with the allies. She lost Schleswig-Holstein to Germany fifty-two years ago, and has hated the Germans ever since. But Germany could cross the imaginary line separating the two countries and overrun Denmark within a short time. Hence Denmark cannot afford to fight.

On the other hand, Germany has not been anxious to invade Denmark. The Germans receive considerable quantities of supplies through Denmark's neutral ports, despite the British blockade. They realize that England would blockade these ports if occupied by Germans. Furthermore, Germany does not want to increase her troubles by conquering Denmark and making it necessary to defend Denmark's long shore line against possible landings by the allies.

England gets large stores of foodstuffs from the Danes. If Denmark entered the war and was occupied by German troops this source of supply for the British Isles would be cut off.

It is understood that a tacit agreement exists by which Denmark divides her foodstuffs between the Germans and the English, without objection by either. In evidence of this fact, it is cited here that no Danish ship carrying food supplies to England has ever been torpedoed. Swedish and Norwegian ships have been blown up and so have Danish ships with cargoes other than food.

Geological Survey Wants Apprentice Map Engraver

An examination for boys between sixteen and eighteen years old to fill the position of apprentice map engraver in the Geological Survey at Washington is announced by the Civil Service Commission for February 23.

Previous training will count 35 out of 100, the balance being distributed between spelling, arithmetic, and counting money, letter writing, penmanship, and accurate copying, on which candidates will be examined at cities throughout the country.

Students to Dance.

The students of Steward's Business College will give a dance this evening at Carroll Institute Hall, 916 Tenth street northwest.

Officers of Masons Shown in "Movies"

Heads of Columbia Chapter Portrayed at Work in Full Regalia.

Moving pictures showing the officers of Columbia Chapter, No. 1, Royal Arch Masons, were presented at the annual visitation of the body at the new Masonic Temple last night. The "movies" showed the officers of the lodge in full regalia at work in their various capacities. The entertainment was attended by nearly 600 persons.

George G. Seibold, James A. West, Lem Towers, jr., and George E. Corson made brief addresses. On the entertainment program were George E. Meyers, Miss Helen S. Myers, Miss Ethel N. Johnson, Miss Jennie M. Lind, Julia N. Streeter, Charles W. Moore, Alexander Mosher, Charles E. Myers, J. Henry Kaiser, and Oscar A. Danzenbaker.

The entertainment committee included Grant S. Barnhart, Richard B. Nixon, Donald, B. MacLeod, Edwin G. Ballinger, John C. Ballou, Mark H. Barnum, Walter M. Bastian, J. Walter Bernhard, Clarence J. Blanchard, Leland S. Brown, Oscar A. Danzenbaker, Clyde M. Freed, William R. Hamsher, Thomas F. Harris, Ernest A. Hurdle, George E. Hebbard, J. Walter Humphrey, Harry A. Krake, Vincent S. Marion, Julius E. Mayer, Edward F. Morrison, Edward Reinmuth, jr., Charles S. Taylor, John Wilson, Bert V. Wolfe, Frederick Yates, and Johnston R. Zimmerman.

Grocery Store Robbed.

The theft of meats and groceries valued at $38 from the Sanitary Grocery Store, at 1424 Seventh street northwest, was reported to the police today by R. A. Lacy, manager. Entrance was gained by forcing a rear door.

COMPROMISE ON BILL GOVERNING "MOVIES"

Several Picture Producers Said To Be in Federal Control of Film Productions.

A compromise bill providing for the Federal censorship of moving pictures is before the House Committee on Education today with the statement by Arthur S. Friend, of New York, that several large motion picture producers favor some form of Federal regulation.

It is asserted the compromise has been jointly drafted by certain picture interests and the welfare workers behind the original Hughes bill. Both sides have made concessions, it is said.

As rewritten the Hughes bill would bar pictures that are "obscene, indecent, immoral, inhuman, or a reproduction of an actual bull or prize fight, or of such character that exhibition would tend to impair health, corrupt morals or incite crime."

It is provided, however, that no picture shall be barred unless three of the five members of the proposed Federal commission disapprove of it. It is also stipulated that one of the censors shall be a woman."

The Friend brief says the number of indecent pictures is increasing, and there should be some form of Federal censorship.

"There are get-rich-quick artists looking for a quick clean-up and getaway," says the brief. "They find the opportunity for such methods in producing and exhibiting sensational productions which display scenes of lust and crimes."

It is stated the brief and bill is filed by Mr. Friend in behalf of five of the large producers of films. The headquarters of the censorship commission, it is suggested, shall be in Washington with branch offices in New York, Los Angeles, and other cities. The industry would pay the cost of inspection the fee for censorship being $1 per thousand feet of film. Appeals from the decision of the commission would go to the District Court of Appeals.

Too Big and Husky For Marine Corps

Young Giant, Six Feet Five Inches Tall, Is Rejected by Pittsburgh Station.

PITTSBURGH, Jan. 27.—Michael Tuholski, a steel mill puddler from Cleveland, Ohio, aged twenty-two years, was rejected at the United States Marine Corps recruiting station here, as "too big and husky."

Tuholski measured six feet and five inches in his stocking feet and weighed 257 pounds without clothing. The medical examiner pronounced him a perfect physical specimen, but the maximum height for marines is 73 inches and no giants or pygmies are wanted in the Marine Corps, according to Sergt. Michael De Boo, who is in charge of the local recruiting station for sea soldiers.

Western Reserve Meeting.

The annual reunion dinner of the Washington District Alumni Association of Western Reserve University will be held at the New Ebbitt tonight. The principal speaker is to be President Charles F. Thwing, of Western Reserve University, who is to be a special guest of the alumni.

LABOR MEN GIVING TO AID HATTERS TODAY

All Wages Contributed For Second Hour of Day to Relieve Aged Men.

Today is "Hatters' Day."

The day is being observed by union labor men all over the country. They are not taking collections nor raising money by solicitation. But they are turning over their pay for the second hour of this working day to relieve the distress of the aged Danbury hatters, driven from their homes after thirteen years of litigation.

Telegrams of sympathy, telling of amounts to be forwarded, and many checks sent, in advance, poured in today at the office of the American Federation of Labor. A clerical force in the office of Secretary Frank Morrison was kept busy registering the amounts and sending receipts.

No estimate was placed on the amount so far received. But the response, it was stated, indicated widespread sympathy for the plight of the hatters, who, within two months, will have their homes and savings seized to satisfy the $252,000 judgment standing against them in the famous case.

The money will not be disbursed from this city. It will be forwarded to Martin Lawler, one of the original defendants, now living in New York, who is secretary of the United Hatters of North America.

Much of the money is being sent direct to Mr. Lawler, and the amount will not be known until he issues a statement containing the name and amount from every contributor.

The appeal, it was emphasized today, was not to help the men in the payment of the fine, but to relieve the distress of the men, many more than seventy years old, who will be made homeless and be divested of the savings of a lifetime to satisfy the judgment.