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MARTIAL LAW DUE IN GREECE

Athens Greatly Disturbed Over Prospect of Bul- gar Invasion.

GERMANS RETAKE IMPORTANT POINT

Capture Hartmann-Weilerkopf Moun- tain on Western Front—Height Has been Scene of Severe Fighting— Great Britain Withholds Names of Officers Removed as Result of Fiasco in Gallipoli.

London, Dec. 23.—Proclamation of martial law in Greece is reported unofficially to be imminent. Although no confirmation of this report is available, there is evidence of growing uneasiness at Athens over the possibility that Bulgarian troops will cross the border. The only thing that has occurred to relieve the situation is the announcement that the Bulgarian officer in command of troops which clashed with Greeks at Epirus has been punished, and the incident is considered closed.

Recurrence of submarine activity in the near east is signalized in a startling manner by the sinking of the Japanese liner Yasaka Maru. Apparently there was no loss of life, but, according to marine insurance men, the property loss was the heaviest incurred in any maritime disaster of the war.

The mystery of the bombardment of Varna, which was at first depicted as a formidable Russian attack on the chief Bulgarian port, has stirred London, but according to reports from both sides, it was nothing more than a minor naval action between torpedo boats.

However, a large Russian fleet is said to be in the vicinity of Varna, and the action may be merely the preliminary to a serious attack.

Battle For Mountain Top.

Hartmanns was once more a subject of contention. Possession of the summit of this mountain has been disputed so closely by military forces as well as by those who officially record their movements that an Associated Press correspondent has called upon both sides to decide the relative position of the opposing sides. The French now assert they have expelled the Germans. The Germans admit retirement from the summit. The French claim have not only advanced their position substantially, but also succeeded in capturing some of the lost trenches. An enemy attack in a measure an offensive which the Germans had been preparing in the Vosges.

No Change at Aden.

On being questioned in regard to the recent Turkish official statement that after successful fighting Turkish troops were advancing on the British port of Aden, in southern Arabia, J. Austin Chamberlain, secretary for India, said in the house of commons today there has been no material change at Aden for the last two months. An enemy attack on the Caucasus between our cavalry scouts and an enemy patrol, he continued, "The enemy lost nine killed and one prisoner. Our casualties were one wounded."

Disgraced Officers Names Secret.

In the house of commons this afternoon Harold J. Tennant, parliamentary under secretary for war, declined publicly to give the names of the officers relieved from commands in connection with the withdrawal of British troops at Suva Bay.

Mr. Tennant denied a report that one officer had been cashiered.

TWO BRITISH SHIPS SUNK.

Members Operating in Waters of Asia- tic Turkey Sunk by Turkish.

Constantinople, via London, Dec. 23.—Turkish official statement, given out last night, says that on the Irak front, in Mesopotamia, near Kut-Eil-Amara, Turkish artillery sank two enemy monitors and caused an explosion on board another by a direct hit. An enemy attack on the Caucasus front, in the neighborhood of Id, in Turkish Armenia, on Dec. 20, resulted in losses for the enemy of 300 men, while the Turkish losses amounted to only one-third as many, according to the statement.

DARDANELLES LOSSES HEAVY.

British suffer heavily in abortive effort to force Straits.

London, Dec. 23.—Great Britain's loss of officers and men at the Dardanelles up to Dec. 11 was 112,921.

This is the grand total of officers and men, including the navy, who were killed, wounded and missing. The number killed was 25,278. In addition to the total of casualties, the number of sick admitted to the hospitals was 96,833.

GERMANS REGAIN SUMMIT.

Hartmann-Weilerkopf Mountain Re- captured From French.

Berlin, via London, Dec. 23.—The war office today announced that the summit of Hartmann-Weilerkopf mountain, had been regained by the Germans.

The text of the statement follows: "Western theater of war—During the fighting yesterday a brave regiment of the Eighty-second Landwehr brigade recaptured the summit of Hartmann-Weilerkopf. The enemy suffered severe losses and left twenty-three officers and 1,100 men in our hands. We

Anti-Jewish War Revived in Germany and Growing Bitter

Berlin, via London, Dec. 23.—Anti-Semitism, an issue which has been almost dormant since the beginning of the war, has been revived this week by the Tages Zeitung, and other newspapers. In consequence, a controversy which may be described as almost bitter, has broken out between papers of the Tages Zeitung camp on the one hand, and those like the Tageblatt, which adopt a liberal attitude in regard to the Jewish question, on the other.

The more liberal papers resent intensely every anti-Jewish movement, particularly that which is asserted that German Jews have borne their share of the war's burden liberally, and are doing the utmost in the fatherland in both a military and economic sense.

The present revival of the anti-Semitic movement began with a savage attack in the Tages Zeitung against Eugen Dietrich, of Jena, who had accused "a Berlin newspaper"—inferentially the Tages Zeitung—of being anti-Jewish. The latter denied it was the newspaper attacked and after voluntarily joining the army—in which they were notably different from certain anti-Semitic nationalist typewriter heroes who have not lived up to the war propaganda.

Theodor Wolff, of the Tageblatt, who is perhaps the most prominent editor of Germany, declares that, notwithstanding the anti-Semitic revival, the feeling against Jews in Germany is gradually on the wane.

"I am glad to be able to say there is absolutely no anti-Semitic movement in government circles, not in high nobility," Mr. Wolff said. "I look for eventual liberty for Jews in Germany, such as exists in America today."

are now busy clearing some portions of a trench on the northern slope which is still occupied by the French. The figures given last night by the French report regarding the fighting around the summit on the 21st instant are exaggerated by at least one-half. Our total losses, including all the killed, wounded and missing, so far as at present ascertained, amount to 1,100 men.

VARNA NOT CAPTURED.

Only Minor Engagement Appears to Have Taken Place.

Berlin, via London, Dec. 23.—What is apparently the Bulgarian version of the recent naval encounter of Varna, on the Black Sea coast, which was followed by reports that the Russians were landing troops there, is contained in a London dispatch given by the Overseas News Agency as follows: "Four Russian destroyers approached a Bulgarian torpedo boat and attacked her. The Bulgarian crew answered the Russian fire and coast batteries took part in the engagement. The destroyers shortly withdrew."

Austrian Bread Making Restricted.

Vienna, via London, Dec. 23.—A decree has been issued forbidding the baking of rolls, biscuits and other fancy breads and permitting only the making of loaves of ordinary bread. The order does not apply to households. A further order requires persons possessing raw oats, benzol and tar oil to report the quantity on hand on the 1st and 15th of every month.

CAN NOT INDICT CHICAGO DOCTOR

No Law in State of Illinois Whereby Dr. Harry Halseiden Can Be Indicted by Grand Jury, in Opinion of State's Attorney Hoynes.

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 23.—There is no law in the state of Illinois whereby Dr. Harry Halseiden, the Chicago physician, who refused to save or prolong the life of the Bollinger baby, in that city, Nov. 17, can be indicted by a grand jury investigation.

Such was the information received by Attorney General Lucy in a letter from State's Attorney McClay Hoynes, of Cook county, this morning.

The letter was in reply to a request of the attorney general for an investigation of the case by the Chicago official.

PREPARE TO TEST MULCT LAW REPEAL

Keokuk City Council Grants Saloon License For 1916 to Philip Nickell, With Understanding That Nickell is to Sell One Glass of Beer on Jan. 3.

Keokuk, Dec. 23.—The Keokuk city council at noon today decided to allow a test to be made of the repeal of the mulct law and granted a saloon license for 1916 to Philip Nickell. According to the plans related by Nickell and his attorney and approved by the council, one glass of liquor will be sold over the bar of the saloon on Jan. 3.

The council voted 2 to 1 on the proposition of allowing the test. Nickell's attorney previously declared the case would be carried into the courts if the saloonist was denied a license.

The public library at Seattle answers all telephonic requests for information concerning literature, history, usually to republicans and progressives would be named and there would be a fifty-fifty split of the two men who

KOENIG HELD FOR CANAL PLOT

Hamburg-American Line Detective Indicted by Fed- eral Grand Jury.

EMIL LEYENDECKER ALSO ACCUSED

Art Dealer Charged With Koenig With Plot to Blow Up Welland Canal With Dynamite — William McCulley Is Given Release — Efforts to Secure Separate Trial For Max Breitling, Who Claims to Have Been Tool.

New York, Dec. 23.—Indictments were returned today charging Paul Koenig, chief detective of the Hamburg-American line, and Richard Emil Leyendecker, an art dealer, with conspiring to dynamite the Welland canal. Edmund Justice, a Hamburg-American line watchman, also was indicted with Koenig on charges of conspiring to secure military information for the German government.

The military force, which the indictments charge Koenig and Leyendecker planned to send from this country, was also intended to destroy "various plants in Canada and the United States" as well as the Welland canal.

The men are charged with having conspired to secure for the German government, information regarding the munitions and supplies sent from Canada to England.

It is reported that many trips were made by Justice to Canada to secure military information.

Koenig is alleged to have been known under the aliases of Wagner, Wegenkamp, Kelly, Winter and Perkins, while Leyendecker was known as Z. D. Decker and R. Decker.

The indictments, which were drawn by Assistant United States Attorneys Roger Wood and Benjamin A. Matthews, charge that on several of his trips, Justice was accompanied by Frederick Metzler, Koenig's stenographer, who was recently arrested.

The maximum penalty for the charges is three years imprisonment and \$3,000 fine.

The indictments against Koenig and Leyendecker charge them with conspiring to set on foot in the United States a military enterprise against Canada.

The indictments set forth that a part of this conspiracy was to destroy the Welland canal. As a part of the plot to destroy this canal, the men planned to find employment for their agents in the mills adjacent to the canal.

Max Breitling, under indictment with Robert Fay, Dr. Herbert Klennle, Walter Sholz and Paul Daecher, on charges of conspiring to blow up munitions ships leaving this country, today admitted thru his attorneys, John B. Stanchfield, that he bought two pounds of chlorate of potash for Fay. The admission was made when Mr. Stanchfield moved for a separate trial for Breitling. Breitling purchased the potash, one of the chief components in certain forms of explosives, at Fay's request, the attorney said, and in so doing acted in good faith and was entirely innocent of any plan to destroy ships.

Decision on the motion was put over until Jan. 3, when decisions on similar motions by two of the other defendants will be rendered.

McCulley Released.

William McCulley, whose name was first given as Robert McCauley, and who was taken to police headquarters at the request of department of justice officials to investigate the plot to dynamite the Welland canal, was released today after having been questioned by officials.

Altho McCulley admitted having known Paul Koenig, chief of the Hamburg-American line detectives, who is accused by the government of having formulated the Welland canal plot, and having recently been in his employ as a "trailer," federal officials said there was nothing to warrant holding the man.

G. O. P. HOPES TO WIN HOUSE.

Look to Mississippi Valley States to Re- elect Congress.

Chicago, Dec. 22.—Republicans expect to gain control of the national house of representatives as a result of the 1916 elections right here in the Mississippi valley.

Congressman William B. McKinley, chairman of the national congressional campaign committee, the active headquarters will be maintained in Chicago, opening not later than February. John C. Eversman, now secretary of the congressional committee, is to be active head of the campaign.

In one important essential the plan of campaign is to differ from that of 1912 and 1914 battles, from the republican standpoint. There will be peace in every close district where it is a possibility to have peace as between the old line republicans and those who were responsible for the progressive congressional nominations. The number of districts answering this description in Illinois, Michigan, Wisconsin, Iowa, Kansas, and Nebraska is large enough, Washington leaders estimate, to transform the present democratic house majority into substantial republican control.

The report that reached Chicago yesterday is that a trading proposition is under consideration. Under it a congressional candidate satisfactory mutually to republicans and progressives would be named and there would be a fifty-fifty split of the two men who

will be sent to the Chicago convention from that district.

Such an arrangement, it was suggested, is pregnant with possibilities in such Illinois districts as the Eleventh, where Col. Copley is the sitting congressman, or the thirteenth—the old Lowden district—now represented by Congressman McKenzie, an avowed progressive republican.

Negotiations likely will be consummated before the end of the holidays. It is claimed, that will settle all factional and republican progressive disturbances in all Illinois, most of the Iowa and Minnesota, and a part of the Wisconsin districts. Peace parleys are said to be in progress that may tend to eliminate all republican primary contests for congressional nominations in at least ten districts and three states and prevent a progressive nominee in any of them, coupled of course, with a gentleman's agreement as to the republican delegates.

Congressman McKinley's election as chairman of the 1916 congressional campaign committee is forecast by an agreement already reached between the thirteen of the seventeen republican congressmen from Illinois to return him to the committee. During Mr. McKinley's enforced absence of two years from congress, the Illinois place was filled by Congressman Martin B. Madden.

JAP SHIP SUNK

Submarine Destroys Liner Yasaka Maru in East- ern Mediterranean.

PASSENGERS AND CREW PICKED UP

Ship Said to Have Been Torpedoed Without Warning — Goes Down in Forty-Five Minutes After Being Hit —Passengers Take to Small Boats and Escape — One American Among Them—Great Excitement in Tokio.

London, Dec. 23.—The new Japanese liner Yasaka Maru, which was sunk in the eastern Mediterranean by a submarine while the steamer was on her way from London to Japan, with 120 passengers and a crew of 160 aboard, was sent to the bottom without warning, according to a report received from Port Said, from the agents of the owners. All of them on board the ship, including one American passenger, W. J. Leigh, were saved.

The nationality of the submarine is not mentioned by the agents and previous reports credited the sinking of the ship as done either by an Austrian or a German submarine.

American Safe.

W. J. Leigh is an American citizen, born in China. His father was a Californian.

Mr. Leigh has recent most of his life in China, but he recently lived in England. He was returning to China on the Yasaka Maru to take a position with a business house. His family is in London.

Mrs. Leigh has received a cable message saying her husband is safe.

The Yasaka Maru was sunk Tuesday afternoon. A French gunboat picked up the passengers and crew at midnight, and landed them at Port Said Wednesday morning. On the passenger list were fifty-one men, fifty-four women and five children, most of whom were British subjects.

Great Excitement in Tokio.

Tokio, Dec. 23.—News of the sinking of the Yasaka Maru reached Tokio today and caused great excitement. The news received here says the steamer was sunk by a submarine near Port Said.

Advices received by the Nippon Yusen Kaisha state that the Yasaka Maru was torpedoed without warning and that she sank in forty-nine minutes. Today afternoon the British gunboat Tuesday and it was midnight when the passengers and crew were rescued by the French gunboat.

France to Withhold Reply.

Washington, Dec. 23.—Ambassador Sharp at Paris today notified the state department that France would not reply to the American note protesting against the removal of Germans and Austrians from American vessels on the high seas by the French cruiser Descartes until the commander of the vessel is reported.

The French government is endeavoring to secure a report from the commander.

British Seize German Mail.

New York, Dec. 23.—The steamer Rotterdam, arriving at New York today from Rotterdam and Baltimore, reported that while detained at Plymouth for two days, the British authorities took thirty-nine sacks of mail ashore, the mail being from Berlin, Constantinople and Sofia. Captain Barron protested that the seizure was illegal. He was assured that after the mail had been censured it would be sent by another steamer.

Sheldon Pioneer Dead.

Special to Times-Republican.

Sheldon, Dec. 23.—L. L. Bassett died last night from heart trouble. He was a pioneer of Sheldon, coming here about thirty years ago. For many years he conducted a clothing store and was later manager of an elevator. He was about 70 years old.

Newlyweds Go Golfing.

Hot Springs, Vt., Dec. 23.—The president and Mrs. Wilson made their first appearance on the golf links today. Mrs. Wilson wore a light blue tailored suit with tan walking shoes and a black toque hat.

An excellent review is now made of interlocking sections of concrete.

JUAREZ UNDER CARRANZA RULE

Quiet Succeeds Riotous Life of "Wickedest City of Mexico".

OBREGON REMAINS ON AMERICAN SIDE

Detained at El Paso by Pressure of Official Duties and May, Not Enter Juarez Until Late Today—Attitude of Rodriguez as to Surrender Agree- ment Causing Some Uneasiness Among Government Officials.

El Paso, Tex., Dec. 23.—Gen. Alvaro Obregon, commanding all the Carranza forces, who arrived late last night from Nogales, Sonora, to take charge of the surrendered Villa territory and troops, was closeted this forenoon with Mexican Consul Andres Garcia, answering telegrams.

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T.-R. BULLETIN NEWS OF THE DAY

The Weather.
Sun rises Dec. 24 at 7:22, sets at 4:36.
Iowa—Fair and somewhat colder tonight; Friday increasing cloudiness, with snow or rain in western portion.

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new shown. For Germany, since the sinking of the Lusitania, has promised not to sink passenger steamships without warning and unless they resist the right of the search. This promise, the made on behalf of Germany must also be held to bind Austria."

Note Makes Good Impression.

Vienna, via London, Dec. 23.—The new American note regarding the Ancona has made a good impression here. An early answer may be expected. Work on it has been begun already.

Announces Receipt of Note.

Washington, Dec. 23.—The state department received today from Ambassador Penfield at Vienna a brief dispatch announcing the receipt there of the Ancona note at 5 p. m. Tuesday.

MOTHER DIES, BABE STARVES

Pitiful Case of Destitution Revealed at Red Oak—Husband and Father Too Ill to Summon Aid to Quaintened Family.

Special to Times-Republican.

Red Oak, Dec. 23.—The 15-year-old wife of Scott Byram and their 2-months-old baby were found dead, with the husband and father, too ill to summon aid, lying by their side, when the city authorities entered the house last night. The mother had died from starvation, the child from starvation, is the claim. The house had been under quarantine.

Extreme poverty was seen in the home and there was no means for the occupants to keep from freezing had the weather been extremely cold. It is the most pitiful case ever brought to the attention of this prosperous community.

MERGER OF STEEL PLANTS IS ASSURED

Cambria Steel, Youngstown Sheet Steel and Tube Company and Two or Three Other Concerns to Unite in Big Corporation.

New York, Dec. 23.—The proposed merger of Cambria Steel, Youngstown Sheet Steel and Tube Company and two or three other steel companies, is now virtually assured, J. A. Campbell, president of the Youngstown company, stated today.

The stockholders of the Lackawanna Steel Company have not yet agreed to the plan of the proposed merger, but Mr. Campbell said he considered that phase of the matter as good as settled.

Chinese Like Tobacco.

The introduction of the tobacco habit among the Chinese dates back only a few years, and its spread throughout the country has been astonishingly rapid, so it is stated by Consul-General Anderson, at Hongkong. The cigarette habit is not confined to the men. Girls and women of all classes and ages, from 10 years of age upward, indulge as freely and openly in cigarettes, and with as much apparent enjoyment, as do their brothers.

EXPECT AUSTRIA TO YIELD.

Comment of British Press on Second American Note.

London, Dec. 23.—"America clearly has made up her mind there shall be no repetition of the evasion which attended the Lusitania correspondence," says the Westminster Gazette.

The Gazette believes it probable Austria will conciliate the United States rather than take an extreme step, as result of the American ambassador dispatch to Germany on the sinking of the Lusitania but there are reasons for the greater severity that is

BASEBALL WAR COMES TO END

Two Years Battle Federal League Declared Off.

IMMUNITY BATH FOR ALL PLAYERS

Now Eligible to Enter Organized Rank—Desirable Men to Be Sold by Club Owners to Highest Bidders— Baltimore Club Owners May Try to Upset Agreement by Resorting to Court Action—Terms of Treaty

Cincinnati, Dec. 23.—Organized baseball today began to make plans for the 1916 season, following the successful termination of the two years' war, which was effected last night by the signing of an agreement between the two major leagues and the Federal League.

A telegram was received last night from Baltimore, saying that Federal club owners in that city would try to upset the peace plan by requesting Federal Judge Landis not to dissolve the anti-trust suit which the Federal officials brought against organized baseball.

Members of the national commission and club owners of the major league teams did not appear to think the Baltimore magnates could block the end of the war.

President Tener, of the National League, who acted as a spokesman for the peace conferees, said they would go ahead with their plans.

Immunity Bath For Players.

All of the players of the Federal League, including those who jumped their contracts with the major and minor leagues, were given an immunity bath and are now eligible to organized baseball. No general distribution of players will be made, but the Federal League will have the same day as the contracts of players of that organization, probably will sell the desirable men to the highest bidder.

Other questions to be settled, chiefly in connection with the International League, have been left to a committee, to meet here Jan. 8, the same day as the national commission will hold its annual meeting.

Terms of Peace Treaty.

All Federal League players are reinstated and are eligible to play in any league.

Charles Weeghman will purchase the Chicago National League club, which will purchase the St. Louis American League club. The Ward interests in Brooklyn will be reimbursed. The amount is unofficially fixed at \$400,000, payable at the rate of \$20,000 a year.

The Federal League as a league assumes responsibility for all its club contracts with players except in such cases where organized teams purchase the releases.

All lawsuits against organized baseball or against Federal League clubs are to be dismissed.

Two Major League Clubs to Change Hands as Result of the bringing about of peace, and two new faces will be seen among major league magnates in the future. Charles Weeghman, who has been president of the Chicago Federal League club, will purchase the controlling interest in the Chicago National League team from Charles P. Taft, of Cincinnati. Phil Ball and his associates, who were connected with the St. Louis Federal League team, gain control of the St. Louis American League club from Robert Hedges, John E. Bruce and others, who have long been connected with major league circles.

Minor Leagues Given Chance.

There are fifty-four players under contract to clubs which were members of the Federal League, and already bids for forty of them have been made by major league clubs, according to James A. Gilmore and Charles Weeghman, who returned today from the peace meeting in Cincinnati. The Federal League owners expect to have to carry comparatively few contracts.

Minor league clubs who have claims on players who jumped to the Federal League will be given opportunity to buy the men who fall to find places in the majors. In a few of these cases it is possible that owners of the Federal clubs will have to supply part of the contract salary.

Deals are expected to go forth all winter. Reports that Kaut, Magee and others have already been awarded to one team or another were denied.

Mr. Weeghman insisted today he would buy the Cubs despite reports that there was a hitch in the deal.

Chicago Club Not For Sale.

Corpus Christi, Tex., Dec. 23.—Charles P. Taft, who said last night that the Chicago National League baseball team, which he controls, is not for sale, was on a hunting trip today and could not be reached for further questioning about the reported sale of the Cubs to Charles Weeghman, of Chicago.

Kick of Horse Killin' Boy.

Special to Times-Republican.

Fort Dodge, Dec. 23.—David Fagan, 17-year-old farmer boy, and son of I. M. Fagan, of Hinard, who was kicked last Sunday by a horse, died last night as the result of internal injuries sustained.

A new electric range is so flexible in its construction, being made in a number of interchangeable parts, that it may be assembled into any one of a half-dozen shapes to fit different nooks and corners.

Miss Sassy—

"What do you want that showman old noobman for? There's nothing to him. He got the reputation of being such good poker player that it completely spoiled business."—Washington Star.

"When a man does anything well he ought to get credit for it," remarked the generous-minded man.

"Oh, I don't know. It keeps the grapefruit from spoiling as it otherwise might."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

"Miss Sassy—"