

SECOND FRENCH BOAT SEIZED BY THE ITALIANS

Twenty-nine Turkish Red Cross Nurses Believed to be Soldiers in Disguise; Situation Unchanged.

Tunis, Jan. 19.—Italian destroyers today seized the French steamer Manouba bound to Tunis from Marseilles. The Manouba is a mail boat belonging to the French line. She was carrying ninety-nine passengers, including twenty-nine Turkish nurses belonging to the company of the Red Cross, which has the same object as the Red Cross society.

The steamship officers declare that the Manouba was not carrying contraband of any kind. In spite of this, the vessel was arrested and taken to Cagliari in Sardinia.

The Italian officers who effected the seizure of the Manouba professed to believe that Turkish officers were on board disguised as nurses. Italian destroyers also stopped and searched the German steamer Schleswig of the North German Lloyd line which left Marseilles on Wednesday and reached here yesterday and is due at Alexandria on Jan. 22.

May Release Another Seized Boat
Paris, Jan. 19.—It is believed that as a result of negotiations now proceeding between the French ambassador at Rome and the Italian foreign office, the steamer Carthage, which was seized by Italian warships a few days ago and taken to Cagliari in Sardinia, because she was carrying two aeroplanes which the Italian held to be contraband, will soon be released.

The Situation at Tripoli
Tripoli, Jan. 19.—The military situation in Tripoli during the last month, to all appearances has undergone no change. All the fighting that has occurred has been begun by the Turks, who have repeatedly attacked the Italian troops at different points and just as often been repulsed. As a matter of fact, however, the Italian commanders have been using time as an ally. They have been busily engaged in strengthening the positions held by their troops and preparing for any advance into the interior.

The Arabs do not understand the reasons for the Italian delay and are impressed with the idea that the Italian army is unable to encounter effectively the insignificant number of Moslems opposing it. Under the circumstances even should the Turkish troops be withdrawn the Arabs are determined to continue the fight against the Italians.

A terrific attack was made yesterday by a large body of Turks and Arabs on an Italian column which was on the march about ten miles from the town of Tripoli.

The Italian troops which consisted of detachments of all arms left Tripoli early in the morning on the way to Ghirgash, a small oasis situated about ten miles along the coast to the west of the town and surrounded by a number of forts which hitherto have been giving shelter to Arab soldiers.

Suddenly as the soldiers were marching along the road, which runs parallel to the coast they were attacked by a large force of Turks and Arabs. The Italians immediately took up position and threw up field entrenchments. The enemy continued its attacks throughout the day but finally retired.

Details of the losses have not been reported.

MACEDONIA WANTS POWERS TO STEP IN

Commission of Inquiry, Reporting on Dynamite Outrages, Blames Turkish Officials' Acts.

Constantinople, Jan. 19.—The people of Macedonia have prepared a secret petition to the powers, asking for intervention, according to the report of the commission of inquiry sent to the Ottoman empire to investigate the conditions in Macedonia shortly after the dynamite outrages in that region. The greatest detestation is manifested by the people, it is found.

Assassinations are multiplying day by day and dynamite outrages everywhere are on the increase. Officers of the Turkish army are unable to hide their gloom. Everywhere the people speak of general rising which, if it does not occur immediately, will take place in the spring.

The conditions are due to the presence of officials who are utterly unworthy of the confidence the Turkish government has placed in them. They disarm the Christian population and supply arms to the Musselmans. Innocent people are condemned by them on the merest suspicion and cast into prison.

TODAY IN CONGRESS

SENATE—Not in session. Meets at 2 p. m. Monday.

HOUSE—Met at noon.

Andrew Carnegie's expense voucher of \$28.70 for testifying before steel committee held up because notaries seal was omitted.

Foreign affairs committee deferred action on international protection of seals because of differences of opinion.

War department expenditures committee favorably reported Cox bill calling for a report on the cost of Philippine island occupation.

POLICE HEADS ARE DISCHARGED

INSPECTOR, CAPTAIN AND THREE LIEUTENANTS LOSE JOBS AT CHICAGO.

Chicago, Jan. 19.—Police Inspector John Wheeler, Captain Patrick J. Hardin and Lieutenants George Frim, Daniel T. Kelcher and John E. Enright were ordered dismissed from service last night, after a hearing on charges of inefficiency and incompetency.

Wheeler is the third police inspector to be dismissed by the city civil service commission since it began its investigation into the efficiency of the police department. Six police lieutenants have been removed, and one other captain has resigned, and one patrolman has been ordered off the force. Another captain escaped because he was hold-over from the days prior to civil service rules, and hence immune from discipline by the civil service commission, and another was exonerated. Fifteen patrolmen and patrol sergeants are now under fire.

Gambling on Labor Day
The present crusade against inefficiency in the department grew out of open and, apparently, "winked at" gambling near the arena where Frank Gotch and George Hackenschmidt wrestled for the world's championship last Labor day. Citizens complained and newspapers took up the cry that police and vice had an understanding profitable to both. Such complaints arising frequently heretofore, have produced few results, but the demand for a thorough examination of conditions in the police department till Mayor Harrison sent a letter to the president of the city civil service commission, asking that no one be spared in an investigation that would bring the truth to light.

Orders Frequently Lost
During the hearings it developed that orders from the mayor or chief frequently were lost, overlooked or "misunderstood in transmission" through the grades of commanding officers, and many never were applied. Conscientious officers testified they were hampered by contrary orders from the "men higher up," and responsibility was passed.

The Case of Wheeler
President Harmon Campbell, of the commission, said last night Inspector Wheeler's case was the only one which had required deliberation by his colleagues on the trial board.

"Wheeler had been a policeman for thirty years, and grew up under the old system," he said, "and his lack of efficiency was not so much his fault, we felt. But inasmuch as the question of bribery or protection money did not enter into the case and the administration was not efficient, we found them all guilty."

NATIONAL STRIKE MAY BE AVERTED

Although Miners' Federation of England Stands Ground, Settlement May Be Reached.

Birmingham, Eng., Jan. 19.—The conference of delegates of the miners' federation has decided to give notice forthwith of a national stoppage of work at the coal mines in Great Britain. The end of February however, is the first date at which the notices can become effective. The notice is accompanied by an intimation that the men are ready to continue negotiations for a settlement.

The conference has adjourned until Feb. 1. As both sides appear to be heartily resolute of finding a way out of the deadlock there is a general feeling that a national strike, which would affect about 900,000 men, will be averted.

TELLER IN TOPEKA ADMITS CRIME

Ward Speelman Confesses Shortage of \$9,000 After Arrest; Prominent in Society.

Topeka, Kan., Jan. 19.—Shortages aggregating nine thousand dollars have been found in the accounts of Ward Speelman, teller of the Merchants National bank, who was arrested last night. He admitted today to bank officials that the shortage may be total more than that.

Speelman's speculations have covered a period of several years. He is a prominent figure in society. He says he spent the money for living expense. Speelman was given a hearing before United States Commissioner Campbell today. He waived examination. His bond was fixed at \$5,000 which he has not yet given.

RELATIVE OF WILSON GIVES OUT STATEMENT

Judge Robert Ewing of Nashville Says New Jersey Governor's Frankness Caused Break.

Nashville, Tenn., Jan. 19.—"Well, I'll have to put on the soft pedal." This is the exclamation Col. Harvey, editor of Harper's Weekly, is said to have made when Gov. Woodrow Wilson, forced to reply to Col. Harvey's query said he feared editorial support in the weekly was injuring his (Wilson's) cause.

A statement purporting to be a description of the meeting between Col. Harvey and Gov. Wilson with Henry Watterson in New York was given out here today by Judge Robert Ewing, middle Tennessee representative of the state Woodrow Wilson organization. Judge Ewing, who is related by marriage both to Gov. Wilson and Mr. Watterson, asserts the governor's statement to Col. Harvey was made against the dictates of personal friendship and with the realization that "Harvey's support had brought him (Wilson) to the front."

Judge Ewing's statement begins: Col. Harvey's intimates well knew that his editorial utterances were wholly untrammelled. He had been brought into close friendship with Woodrow Wilson and had conceived the highest estimate of his character.

Then Judge Ewing goes on to tell how Col. Harvey through editorials in Harper's Weekly, championed the cause of Woodrow Wilson for the democratic presidential nomination.

"Many, not knowing the real intention of Col. Harvey," the statement declares, "and seeking to harm the Wilson cause, began to indulge all sorts of conjectures as to unfounded intimations. As a result, a number of Wilson's real friends began to be of the opinion that perhaps the Weekly's earnest support was militating against his (Wilson's) prospects."

Judge Ewing declares Gov. Wilson's opinion was decidedly contrary to this view, appreciating that Col. Harvey, "had brought him to the front, appreciating Harvey's support and feeling it to be valuable."

Then followed the meeting in New York between Wilson, Harvey and Watterson. Judge Ewing declares at the close of the conference, Col. Harvey arose and said to Gov. Wilson: "I wish to ask you a question and I expect a frank answer. Do you believe that the booming nature of my articles in the Harper's Weekly is injuring your cause?"

Judge Ewing says Gov. Wilson's friendship for Harvey demanded that the governor answer in the negative to the query, but that Col. Harvey had demanded frankness and that Gov. Wilson was obliged with much embarrassment, to make such a reply that later his name (as candidate for the democratic presidential nomination) was removed from the editorial columns of Harper's Weekly. And Judge Ewing asserts that Col. Harvey exclaimed:

"Well, I'll have to put on the soft pedal."

TAFT'S NAME ON NEBRASKA BALLOT

Former Secretary of Progressive League Files Petition Signed by Forty Omaha Men.

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 19.—President William H. Taft's name was filed as a candidate for the republican nomination under the Nebraska presidential primary this morning. The petition asking that his name be placed on the ballot was signed by forty Omaha men and was presented by Franklin A. Shotwell of that city.

F. A. Shotwell, who filed the petition, was formerly secretary of the Nebraska progressive league, but lost the office shortly after he had given out a statement in Washington to the effect that Nebraska was for Taft. In a statement made at the time of filing the petition, Shotwell praises the present executive and labels him as a "progressive."

The Wilson adherents favor holding the convention on February 22, the date on which Gov. Wilson will speak at Topeka, while the Clark forces insist that April 1 be the date. It was indicated early today that the Clark supporters include a majority of the state committee. The vote on the convention date will be taken tonight.

EXPLOSION OF DYNAMITE AT STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Police Believe Attempt Was Made to Wreck Laundry Tank Built by Non-Union Labor; Glass Broken.

Pueblo, Colo., Jan. 19.—A terrific dynamite explosion early today partly wrecked the Colorado laundry in the heart of the business district of this city and damaged the office of the Globe Express Co., City detectives who immediately began an investigation found a dynamite fuse in the alley outside of the express offices.

The police are now working on a theory that the explosion was caused by out of town parties and that it is connected with the many explosions in the last few years on jobs which were being done by structural iron workers, not connected with the national organization. It is now believed that the only object was to destroy the large tank used as a water softener. When this was being erected some years ago it mysteriously tumbled over one night but no clue was ever found as to the real cause. No efforts, however, had been made since that time to disturb the big steel tank.

That the tank was not destroyed is due to the fact that the dynamite exploded instead of upward. The force of it was such that windows in the business districts were shattered in a territory covering several blocks. The windows in the Globe Express Co.'s office across the alley crashed to the street and it was supposed at first that the safe in that company's office had been blown up.

The explosion caused great excitement and led to the killing of a "blackhand" leader here the night before. It was believed that the gang was talking revenge for the murder of their leader. The police, however, are of the opinion that the blackhand had no connection with the affair.

The steel tank which was the object of attacks was erected by the Kennett Water Softener Co., of Chicago Heights, Ill.

HEADLESS BODY OF MAN IS FOUND

Murder Mystery at St. Louis Bears Evidence of Brutal Crime; Victim Not Identified.

St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 19.—The headless body of a man was found in a pit in the rear of 1122 North Ninth str. by a patrolman at 9:30 o'clock this morning. The body was yet warm and the man apparently had not been dead any great length of time.

The body was first seen by a negro who said he also saw the head. When the patrolman reached the ash pit the head was missing. The negro later said he might have taken some other object for the head. The general appearance of the torso and its clothing indicated that the murdered man had been of foreign birth.

The scene is in the heart of what is called by the police "the blackhand district." The body was tied between a blanket and a mattress, a clothes line being used. The knees were where the chin should be and the hands under the knees. The rope had been passed under the knees a second time.

The corpse appeared as if the head had been cut off after, rather than before the form had been tied.

ALLEGED BURGLARS ESCAPE IN DUBUQUE

Dubuque, Jan. 19.—No trace of Lee Barrington and Harry Williams, alleged burglars who made a sensational escape from the county jail here last night, had not been found at noon today. The country surrounding Dubuque is being scoured by deputy sheriffs in the hope that they may be captured before nightfall.

In making their escape the two men leaped through a window in the sheriff's living apartments.

14-YEAR-OLD-GIRL REFUSED LICENSE

St. Joseph, Mo., Jan. 19.—When Cora Garrett, 14 years old and Chester Carpenter 60, applied for a license to marry here today, it was refused and the girl was committed to the detention home by Judge Ryan of the criminal court. Her parents had been given consent.

AVIATION MEET AT LOS ANGELES

Los Angeles, Jan. 19.—The third international aviation meet to be held in Los Angeles, will be opened at Dominguez aviation field tomorrow with more than forty entrants, the greatest number of aviators ever gathered at a meet in America.

Boy Saved From Boiling Lard
Sterling, Ill., Jan. 19.—Little Roy Clausen's life was saved by his grand mother here today when she plunged her arms into a kettle of boiling lard in which he had accidentally fallen and rescued him.

FORMER PACKER EMPLOYE GIVES OUT SECRETS

Everett Dill, Former N. Y. Manager of National Co., Says Branch Houses Exchange Reports.

Chicago, Jan. 19.—Direct testimony that representatives of the alleged packers' combine exchanged daily and weekly reports of shipments and margins together with the detailed operations of the business transactions by each branch house was given to the jury today in the trial of the ten Chicago packers charged with criminal violation of the Sherman law.

Everett Dill, formerly assistant manager for the National Packing Co., in Boston and manager for the same company in New York went on the stand and gave damaging testimony against the packers. He declared that the managers for Armour, Swift, Morris and the National Packing Co., in Boston, who were in charge of the New England territory met daily and were on terms of the closest business intimacy. He said they exchanged by telephone the daily shipments and margins of each company and that weekly summaries from each house were sent to the Boston representatives.

The witness declared this system was in use up to the time he severed his connection with the National Packing Co. in 1906 to become Boston manager for an independent company.

Dill had formerly acted as consignee agent at New England points for Swift & Co., Armour Packing Co., Omaha Packing Co., and the National Packing Co.

In 1903 he was assistant manager of the National Packing Co., at Boston. Later he was manager of the company's New York branch.

"While at Boston representing the National Packing Co., were you advised of the value of the shipments to be made during the current week?" asked Senator Keahey.

"Yes," replied Dill. "What other information did you get?"

Raised Prices on Telegraphic Notice.
"I got a margin figure of estimate for each week which gave us our selling price. These figures were often changed by telegraph in the middle of the week."

"How?"
"I thought the figures was below the cost of cattle, I would brace up the selling price, and get all I could from the retailers."

The witness said that daily reports of sales and prices obtained were telegraphed to Chicago from the district headquarters.

"Did you receive the margins of Armour, Morris and Swift while you were manager of the National Packing Co., while in Boston?"

"Yes every day."

"By telephones. I would call up the Boston offices of Armour, Morris and Swift and get the figures. These firms were designated by letters of the alphabet. 'A' was Armour, 'B' National Packing Co., 'C' Morris, and 'D' Swift. Mr. Van Pelt represented Armour, Mr. Haddock, Morris and Mr. Hunnell, Swift."

"Did you meet these men every day?"

"Yes, we saw one another every day to talk over business but we had no regular meetings," replied Dill.

"Did you receive weekly summaries of the shipments and margins of Armour, Swift and Morris?"

"Yes; they were sent to me from Chicago."

TWO MEN KILLED IN MISSOURI WRECK

Wittenberg, Mo., Jan. 19.—Two men were killed instantly, one was injured seriously, two others were hurt slightly and two engines and twenty freight cars were demolished when two Frisco freight trains collided, head-on, a mile below this place early today.

Both trains were going all most at full speed when the crash occurred at a dangerous curve on the Mississippi river banks. Charles Beard, engineer on the north bound train, and the brakeman were killed. Millhouse brakeman of the south bound train was scalped.

SOCIALISTS OUSTED AT SAN FRANCISCO

San Francisco, Jan. 19.—William McDevitt, recently the socialist nominee for mayor, was expelled from the socialist party today for having accepted an election commissionership from Mayor Roth. The socialist city committee directed his expulsion by a vote of 17 to 1.

Judge M. A. Roberts Tried To Set His Own Ruling Aside

Des Moines, Jan. 19.—While arguing for a rehearing on a case in the supreme court here yesterday M. A. Roberts, an attorney of Ottumwa, Ia., was the cause of much laughter.

That the judge in the lower court had made a serious error in his rulings was Roberts' chief point and he drove his arguments home with such force that a special inquiry was made to find out the name of the judge who presided in the case.

It was found upon investigation that the ruling was by Roberts, himself, who at the time was judge and he now was asking the high court to reverse his decision.

Roberts bought the cigars.

MORSE IS FREED BY PRESIDENT

NEW YORK BANKER'S SENTENCE EXPIRES IMMEDIATELY; IS VERY ILL.

Washington, Jan. 19.—President Taft last night commuted to expire immediately the fifteen year sentence for violation of the national banking laws under which Charles W. Morse, the New York banker and "ice king," served two years in the federal penitentiary at Atlanta, Ga.

The commutation of sentence, which gives Morse his complete freedom, but which, unlike a pardon, does not restore his civil rights, was granted upon recommendation of Attorney General Wickersham and Surgeon General Torney.

According to the surgeon general's report to the president on his condition, Morse could not live one month longer in confinement and even at liberty probably would live six months.

Glad to Hear the News
Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 19.—"I am glad to hear the news," Charles W. Morse said in a weak voice when told last night he was at liberty through presidential edict. He will be taken to a Florida sanitarium as soon as he can be removed. Morse hopes to go to a German health resort later, but it is doubtful whether he will leave Georgia alive.

DES MOINES WILL BAR CLAIRVOYANTS
City Legal Department Instructed to Draft Ordinance Forbidding Practice of "Second Sight"

Des Moines, Jan. 19.—The city council today authorized the legal department to draft an ordinance forbidding professional clairvoyants, palmists and others who profess to have "second sight" to practice in Des Moines.

Councilman MacVicar held a conference with County Attorney Guthrie and was informed that such action on the part of the city would be legal.

The arrest of Mrs. Webster on a charge of fleecing several Des Moines women out of money on the supposition that Mrs. Webster, through superhuman powers, could make money grow into millions, was responsible for the action taken.

THE MUNSTERBERG THEORY IS TESTED

Los Angeles Experiments With Criminal Detection by Heart Pulsations.

Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 19.—What is being tested here has been the first demonstration in a court of justice of the Munsterberg theory of criminal detection by heart pulsations occurred today at Watts. The demonstration ended in the discharge of Arthur Smith, a metal worker from Tacoma, who had been arrested as a suspicious character. He had consented to be a party to the experiment and his normal pulse was found to be 79. It increased to 91 beats when he gave his name as James Smithers and Judge Cassidy told him he was not telling the truth. His heart then beat at the rate of 95.

After a second's hesitation the man replied:

"Arthur Smith is my right name, but I'm an honest working man and no vagrant. I'm sorry I lied, but I have relatives in the north."

ICE BOX BANDITS HELD IN CHICAGO

Chicago, Jan. 19.—In the arrest of four men early today the police believe they captured the gang of saloon robbers which has been operating freely here for weeks.

The rashness of the four men in robbing the saloon of Joseph Byrne caused their capture. Before closing time they locked Byrne in his ice box and then rifled his cash register. A passerby saw the robbery committed and called the police. The prisoners gave the names of Jerry O'Connor, Lee Lake, Edward Stillwell and William Whorter.

CRISIS IS NEAR IN CHINA; NOTE SENT PREMIER

Telegraphic Demands of Republican Leaders Must be Complied With or Hostilities Will be Resumed.

REPUBLIC APPEALS FOR RECOGNITION

In Addition to Ultimatum Sent to Peking, Note to Foreign Powers Asks Governments to Act.

Nanking, Jan. 19.—The republican government today sent an appeal to the powers for recognition. This took the form of a circular which was sent to Washington, Tokio, London, Paris, Berlin and St. Petersburg and was signed by Wang Chung Wei, the foreign minister of the republican cabinet.

The terms of the circular are as follows: "The Manchu government having entered into negotiations with the republic of China for the purpose of abdicating its entire sovereign rights powers and privileges we fervently pray for recognition in order to avoid a disastrous interregnum."

(Signed) "Wang Chung Wei, foreign minister. Fighting May be Resumed."

It is practically certain that fighting between the revolutionists and the imperialists will be resumed on the morning of January 28 unless Premier Yuan Shi Kai concedes the demands of the republican government.

These demands, which were telegraphed today to Premier Yuan Shi Kai at Peking, are very drastic and substantially as follows:

1. The abdication of the throne and the surrender of the sovereign powers are demanded.

2. No Manchu may participate in the provisional government of China.

3. The capital of the provisional government cannot be established at Peking.

4. Premier Yuan Shi Kai cannot participate in the provisional government of China until the republic has been recognized by the foreign powers and the country has been restored to peace and harmony.

Today's decided action by the republican government is due to Premier Yuan Shi Kai's demand that Dr. Sun Yat Sen resign the presidency, permitting Yuan Shi Kai to exercise sovereign power until the national convention which is to be called to decide on the form of government of China, shall have reached a conclusion. In the meantime Premier Yuan Shi Kai desires the court to retire, temporarily transferring its powers to him. The court, however, objected to leaving Peking until the national convention had reached a decision.

President Sun Yat Sen Talks
The ultimatum according to the republican leaders is the last word of the republicans. President Sun Yat Sen said today to the Associated Press:

"I have taken an oath to oust the Manchu rulers and restore peace to the country before resigning. I have taken an oath to establish a republic in China and if I consented to the propositions laid down by Yuan Shi Kai I should be forewarned."

"I am convinced that a republic is not only practicable but that it would be the best thing for China."

"China cannot permit outsiders to dictate her form of government. This republic is now an established fact."

"Undoubtedly the best thought of China unanimously supports the republic and there is no question of north and south. I am firmly convinced that the people of eighteen provinces are in favor of a republic."

"We are now confident of the righteousness of our cause and the superiority of our military strength. If Yuan Shi Kai persists in obstructing, our armies will be ordered to march northward."

Premier Yuan's Plan
President Sun Yat Sen declared that entire harmony exists within the ranks of the republic. Republican officials assert that one and possibly two foreign powers are urging Yuan Shi Kai to insist that he should be constituted the head of the entire government and that Yuan Shi Kai has been given the assurance by those powers of assistance. Hence his change of attitude.

Yuan Shi Kai, it is said, agreed a few days ago to the unequivocal retirement of the Manchus and to the recognition of a republic as the government of the southern provinces. He accepted the idea of a dual administration, the north to be under Yuan Shi Kai and the south under Dr. Sun Yat Sen, pending the decision of the national convention on the future government, which is to be held at a neutral point.

There is reason to believe that this arrangement may be the final out-