

MAY ABANDON CAPITAL SEAT OF TURKEY

Preparations Have Been Made to Move Archives of the State and Treasury in Case Enemy Approaches Too Close to Constantinople

INTERNAL DISSENSION IS ALSO FEARED

Austrians Admit That the Russians Have Forced Them Back in the Carpathian Mountains by the Weight of Superior Numbers

Constantinople, regarded by the allies as one of the greatest prizes of the war, should they win, and Turkey be forced to give it up, may be abandoned soon as the seat of the Turkish government.

Internal dissension is also feared. It is asserted that preparations have been made to remove from the city the archives of the state and the treasury should the necessity arrive and that at Adrianople arrangements are under way to receive the government officials.

At Constantinople, the Russian sweep across Bukovina, Austria's northeastern province, and through Galicia to the Carpathians, against which the Austrians have been driven back, is admitted today.

Fighting has been resumed on the Serbian front. The Austrian force, which occupied an island near Belgrade, was attacked by the Serbians, according to an official dispatch.

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American note protesting against British interference with American shipping. He forwarded the reply immediately to Washington. The time of the delivery of a more definite supplementary reply is uncertain, but it will probably be within two weeks.

FAMILY FOUND SLAIN

Wife and Children of Belgian Reservist From Montreal. Montreal, Jan. 8.—Mrs. Robert Van Looy, wife of a Belgian reservist, and her three children were found strangled to death at their home here yesterday.

Mrs. Van Looy's husband joined the first contingent of Belgian reservists who left Canada to fight for their country.

Neighbors, alarmed because there had been no sign of life for two days at the Van Looy home, notified the police, who broke in the doors and found the woman and her children in bed. Apparently they had been dead for two days.

There was every indication that they had been strangled and, the police thought, the attack had been made upon them as they slept. There were few signs of a struggle. The children, two girls and a boy, were aged nine and seven years and 18 months.

The murderer left behind a clue in bloody finger prints, which the police photographed. Robbery is not thought to have been the motive for the crime as valuables had not been taken.

FAILED TO FIND TWO OCCUPANTS

After Fire Had Been Extinguished in Frame Building at Newport, R. I.

Newport, R. I., Jan. 8.—Two lives are believed to have been lost in a fire which destroyed three frame buildings containing stores and tenements early today.

Walter Banks, a negro, and his wife were missing when the flames were extinguished, and it is feared they were burned to death. The loss was \$10,000.

MORE FIRES IN NEW YORK TUBE

Flames Break Out at Times Square and Fourteenth Street.

New York, Jan. 8.—Two small fires last night in the subway, the first at Times square and the second under a train approaching 14th street, caused some uneasiness among the traveling crowds, in view of the accident yesterday, but passengers were not in danger at any time and the flames were quickly extinguished.

At Times square a wire came in contact with the charged third rail and flames mounted several feet into the air until employes smothered them with the aid of hand grenades. Firemen hurried to the scene and aided in quieting excited persons on the station platform.

Under the train bearing 14th street, cause employes to bring the cars to a stop. Passengers fled from one of the cars and the blaze was quickly extinguished. The police were unable to learn its origin.

CROWD BOTHERED FIREMEN

Who Were Fighting Fire in Boston's Downtown District.

Boston, Jan. 8.—Most of the fire apparatus in the downtown district and the nearby suburbs was called out yesterday afternoon to fight a threatening blaze which broke out in the printing establishment of the Barba Press near the corner of Oliver and Franklin streets.

The fire was confined to the building in which it originated, but the Welshback company of New England gas mantle dealers occupying an adjoining building, suffered some damage from water. It was believed that the fire loss would be heavy, but no estimate was obtainable.

The fire broke out during the lunch period and the few persons in the building at the time had no difficulty in escaping. The firemen were hampered in their work for a time by an immense noon-day crowd which gathered in the vicinity.

OFFICIALS WITHHOLD COMMENT

On Decision of California Federal Court on Arizona Alien Law.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 8.—While officials of the state department and some of the foreign embassies were keenly interested yesterday in news that the federal court of California had declared unconstitutional the Arizona alien employment law, they indicated that no comment would be forthcoming pending receipt of the text of the court's opinion.

The Italian embassy some time ago filed a vigorous protest against the Arizona statute and the British embassy has made representations favoring a similar protest.

It is understood that an appeal will be from the special court which delivered the opinion yesterday, first, to the United States circuit court of appeals and thence to the supreme court.

VERMONT BUSINESS TROUBLES

Evolutionary Petition Against Odele Gullbert by Three Creditors.

Rutland, Jan. 8.—An evolutionary petition in bankruptcy has been filed with Clerk F. S. Pratt against Odele Gullbert by H. P. Franks, the Allen Partridge shoe company, the Merchants Paper Co. and the Spry-Martin Fur Co. all of Burlington, who have claims amounting to \$2,000, \$2,000, \$1,000, respectively. It is alleged in the petition that the bankrupt owes over \$1,000 and that he committed an act in bankruptcy when on October 1914, he gave to his daughter, who was in possession of the premises, a deed in exchange for a mortgage.

SHOT INTENDED FOR HUSBAND

Struck Mrs. Leon Roddy at Fairfield Fracas, Now Believed

BOTH THE VICTIMS WILL RECOVER

Morrison, the Prisoner, Tells Entirely Different Story

St. Albans, Jan. 8.—The inquest into the shooting at Fairfield of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Roddy Wednesday night conducted yesterday by State's Attorney G. F. Ladd before Assistant Judge E. W. Foster, was completed late in the afternoon. It is said that Mr. Roddy was drawing wood at the farm Wednesday, but, although Robert Morrison, accused of the act, was about the barn all the afternoon, he did not help in that work.

Mrs. James Howigan, whose farm the Roddys carry on (Mrs. Howigan living upstairs), saw him about 3 o'clock. He helped with the barn work that night and ate supper with the family.

After supper he went to a shop in the shed, where Mr. Roddy was at work. He picked up a hatchet and began hammering on a bolt which he placed on an anvil.

Mr. Roddy asked him not to use the hatchet for pounding, as it was a gift to him which he prized highly. Morrison replied with an oath, "You haven't anything on this farm that's fit for anything." To this Mr. Roddy made no reply.

Morrison went to the house and after Mr. Roddy had finished his work in the shop he took his lantern and went to the barn to attend an injured horse. He went to the stall and was leaning on one knee, bathing the injured ankle of the horse, when, it is alleged, Morrison entered the barn, went to the foot of the stall and fired at Roddy, the ball going in the center of the forehead at the edge of the hair, cutting down through the lower part of the throat, piercing a rib in the breast and coming out of the body.

Mr. Roddy ran back of the horses, being followed by Morrison, who hit him with the butt of the gun, and as the two reached the barn doorway, Morrison smashed the lantern over Roddy's head.

Mrs. Roddy and Mrs. Howigan, hearing the noise, met the two just outside the house. Mrs. Roddy helped her husband get to the pantry, where he began to wash the blood from his face. Morrison followed them to the kitchen and, standing in the center of the room, he fired again, the bullet entering Mrs. Roddy's left shoulder, passing across to the right shoulder, coming out at the back. The Roddys seem to think the bullet was intended for Mr. Roddy. Mr. and Mrs. Roddy grappled with Morrison and finally succeeded in getting him out of the house. Mrs. Howigan in the meantime getting the gun and throwing it into a back hall. In an effort to warn neighbors, Mr. Roddy fired a gun from two upstairs windows of the house, firing four shots.

Morrison went to the home of Joseph Bovat, a mile or two away, going across two or three sugar places, and asked if he might stay there that night. When questioned he said there was a man sick up on the hill, and finally, it is said, admitted that he had shot Roddy. Mr. Bovat led Morrison to the barn and he himself harnessed his horse and went to the home of the Roddys to ascertain the facts in the case. The gun used in the shooting was a small one-barrel rifle.

Although Morrison told the officers he was an orphan, having two younger brothers living in Bristol, it is learned that last summer he took out an insurance policy, his mother, Mrs. Minnie Morrison, being named as the beneficiary. It is also said that his father is living. Morrison went to Fairfield from Sheldon, where he had worked on different farms for the past three years.

The conditions of Mrs. Roddy is very favorable, but it is said by the doctors that Mr. Roddy has not more than an even chance for recovery.

State's Attorney Ladd secured a statement from Morrison in the county jail which is said to vary greatly from the testimony secured at the inquest. The prisoner has been assigned Attorney W. H. Austin of St. Albans as counsel.

GETS HIS DIVORCE

But James H. Mack is Hedged About With Many Stipulations

Middlebury, Jan. 8.—A divorce has been granted by Addison county court to James H. Mack from Estelle E. Mack on irrevocable severity, but with the following stipulations: Mrs. Mack to be paid by Mr. Mack the sum of \$200 in cash; that he pay for an additional sum of \$100 in fee of certain furniture purchased by her for the home; that Mrs. Mack have all the personal property and effects which she brought to the Mack home at the time of the marriage, as far as the same are in existence; that Mrs. Mack be allowed to go to the home and remove her property at any reasonable time.

By Decree From New Statute. Middlebury, Jan. 8.—Death from slow starvation resulted yesterday from the case of J. Thomas Gilman, a small boy, who found a tin containing poison in a shed, some of the tin was eaten and he died.

OPERATED ON IN NEW YORK

Dr. Ansel Miller, Well Known Brattleboro Physician.

Brattleboro, Jan. 8.—Dr. Ansel I. Miller, a member of the Brattleboro medical society, and one of the best known physicians in western Vermont, was operated upon yesterday afternoon at a New York City hospital, having a serious attack of gall stones. He left for the city in the morning and was hurried to the hospital. A few months ago he had similar ailment, an operation in Boston for appendicitis, followed by a

BIG ODD FELLOWS NIGHT

When Rebekahs Joined in Double Installation.

Hiawatha lodge, No. 29, I. O. O. F., and Bright Star Rebekah lodge, No. 18, held their annual joint installation of officers in Odd Fellows' hall last evening, when nearly 175 members of the two lodges came together. Representatives from the grand lodges of Vermont, Odd Fellows and Rebekahs, were present to invest the various officers-elect with their new titles.

A substantial banquet at 6:30 o'clock was the opening feature of the gathering. Covers were laid for upward of 200 people and there were few vacant places when the banquet began. The business of inducting into office all of the elective and appointive officers for 1915 did not begin until 8 o'clock.

Charles Parker of Plainfield, district deputy grand master, installed the Odd Fellows and he was assisted by Gordon Robinson, also of Plainfield, who acted as marshal. Mr. Albee Myers of Cabot, district deputy president, was assisted in the work of installing the Rebekahs by Mrs. Estelle Philbrick of this city, as marshal. Following the exercises, there was an informal program of speechmaking in which the grand lodge representatives reviewed the work of the evening.

One of the enjoyable features of the get-together came when Judge H. W. Albee, speaking in behalf of the Rebekah degree team, presented Frank W. Jackson a handsome pair of cufflinks. The gift was made in appreciation of Mr. Jackson's energetic work as master of the degree team. The recipient made a fitting response.

Elective officers honored by Hiawatha lodge are: Noble grand, O. Cady Averill; vice grand, V. A. Boutwell; secretary, H. C. Scott; treasurer, D. M. Stone. The appointive officers for 1915 are named here for the first time: Wardens, O. W. Averill; conductor, Henry Brown; chaplain, C. G. Carr; right side supporter, Edwin Ross; left side supporter, Warner B. Wheeler; right supporter of the noble grand, H. W. Clark; left supporter of noble grand, George N. Gauthier; right supporter of the vice grand, Harvey J. Dodge; left supporter of the vice grand, William Sangster; inside guardian, E. J. Clark; outside guardian, E. A. Williams. The retiring noble grand is Elton E. Barrett.

The Rebekah officers were installed in the following order: Noble grand, Miss Maude Dike; vice grand, Mrs. Josie Denosier; secretary, Mrs. Abbie Stone; treasurer, Mrs. Flora Clark; warden, Mrs. Albee Byrd; conductor, Mrs. Lillian Duncan; right supporter, Mrs. E. A. Stone; Mrs. Carrie Meade; left supporter of the noble grand, Mrs. Ellen Keefe; right supporter of the vice grand, Miss Emma Whitney; left supporter of the vice grand, Mrs. Mabel Carr; inside guardian, Mrs. Gladys Clark; outside guardian, E. J. Clark; chaplain, Mrs. Clara Perry. The retiring noble grand is Mrs. Ida Kendrick.

OLDEST WATERBURY RESIDENT.

Michael Devine Died Yesterday, Aged 90 Years.

Waterbury, Jan. 8.—As far as known, the oldest person in town passed away yesterday in the death of Michael Devine. Mr. Devine was born in Galway county, Ireland, September 29, 1824, and came to this country a young man. He was married November 25, 1852, to Bridget Morrow of Moretown. In 1861 they moved to this town and for 53 years lived on "Woodard Hill."

Mr. Devine was active in agricultural pursuits and also followed somewhat his trade of stone mason. For some time he had been quite feeble. Of late he slept a good deal of the time, so that the exact time of his going yesterday morning could hardly be told. He was a member of St. Andrew's parish, where he was greatly honored.

He is survived by his widow and seven children, the eldest son, Martin, having died at the age of 22 years. The children living are: Mrs. F. W. Boynton of Taunton, Mass.; Mrs. J. R. Dillon of Duxbury, William Devine, Thomas Devine and Mrs. P. F. Casey of Waterbury, D. F. Devine of Stratford, Conn., and Mrs. L. J. Clousey of Detroit. He also leaves 15 grand-children.

LEGISLATIVE NOTES.

It was the lot of Senator Locklin to introduce bill No. 1 in the Senate yesterday. Its purpose was to amend the statute so that a person may hold voting rights by filing intentions within 15 days of election. Senator Powell has bill No. 2, to make the terms of justices of the peace commence Feb. 2 and continue two years, while Senator Conant has Nos. 3 and 4, the first being to establish a municipal court for Orange county and the second providing that when notice of divorce suit is by publication and the liable does not appear the court may order a constructive divorce.

The joint canvassing committee to canvass votes for county officers met yesterday afternoon and canvassed votes for all counties except Addison. The committee adjourned until 7:30 next Tuesday evening, when they will meet in the supreme courtroom. The probate judge of New Haven district in Addison county is contested by Frank W. Tuttle and E. A. Hassolet. John G. Sargent will appear for the former and George W. Wing for the latter. Attorney General Barber will represent the canvassing committee.

L. A. Kelly, a reporter of the Montpelier Argus, has received his former appointment as official reporter in the Senate.

Retiring Governor and Mrs. Fletcher held a reception in the State House last evening for Governor Gates. Those in the receiving line were Mr. and Mrs. Allen M. Fletcher, Governor Charles W. Gates, Miss Edith Gates, ex-Lieutenant Governor and Mrs. Frank E. Howe and Lieutenant Governor and Mrs. Hale K. Darling.

On education: Hewitt of Plainfield, Jackson of Jericho, Porter of Bradford, Ross of West Rutland, Lance of Cabot, Start of Hakersfield, Eddy of Monkton, Austin of Reading, Mackay of Peacham, Corbett of Wilmington, Hollister of Bennington.

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COMMITTEES ARE NAMED IN LEGISLATURE

In the House Representative Wilson of Chelsea Was Appointed Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee—Mr. Smith of Barre on Federal Relations

HOUSE PASSES BILL AND RECEIVES MANY

The Senate Did Little This Morning Except to Confirm Gov. Gates' Appointment of Stoddard Bates as State Highway Commissioner—The Senate Committees

The chief feature of the short sessions of the House and Senate this morning prior to the week-end adjournment was the announcement of the appointment of the standing committees. In the House Mr. Wilson of Chelsea was made chairman of the ways and means committee; Mr. Graham of Rockingham of the judiciary, Mr. Hewitt of Plainfield of the education, Mr. Chalmers of Rutland of the agriculture, Mr. Caswell of Derby of the general, Mr. Black of Burlington of the corporations, Mr. Blodgett of Newport of state schools, Mr. Proctor of Proctor of appropriations, Mr. Smith of Barre of federal relations.

In the Senate, Senator Simonds of Caledonia heads the judiciary, Senator Martin of Washington the highways, Senator Hinson of Rutland the manufactures, Senator Conant of Orange the railroads, Senator Wright, banks.

The House standing committees are as follows: Standing Committees of the House. On elections: Hendee of Pittsford, Ingraham of Guilford, Parker of Waltham, Randall of Sheffield, Pecham of Poultney, Demerit of Duxbury, Whipple of Westmore, Rublee of Vershire, Merriam of Elmire, Anderson of Glover, Hewitt of Berlin, Flint of Brookfield, Coburn of Jay, Jenison of Windham, Brigham of Norwich.

On highways and bridges: Nichols of Essex, Thompson of Craftsbury, Taylor of Springfield, Bailey of Newbury, Fox of Rutland Town, Manchester of Hubbardston, Smith of Wainfleet, Butterfield of Westminster, Davis of Johnson, Rublee of Kirby, Rublee of Berkshire, Bellows of Fairfax, Parker of Waltham, Rice of Shaftsbury, Derosa of Sheldon.

On federal relations: Smith of Barre (C. Bennett of Granville, Bolster of Winhall, Bullock of Waterford, Harrington of Eden, Hinton of Westmore, Rangier of Mendon.

On ways and means: Wilson of Chelsea, Miller of Bethel, Chalmers of Rutland, Ware of Townsend, Hendee of Pittsford, Smith of St. Albans, Briggs of Bristol, Perry of Brattleboro, Farnham of Montpelier, Caswell of Derby, Beattie of Madison.

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SUES CLEMENT FOR \$16,000

Marion T. Egbert Claims \$14,000 for Personal Services Rendered AND \$2,000 TO RECOVER A DIAMOND RING

New York Woman Was Engaged to Work Out the Clement Genealogy

Rutland, Jan. 8.—Marion T. Egbert of New York has brought suit in Rutland county court against Percival W. Clement to recover \$14,000 for personal services and she also sues for \$2,000 on a replevin writ to recover a diamond ring which she alleges that the defendant holds wrongfully. The defendant was employed by Mr. Clement to work out the Clement family genealogy.

DEATH OF EDWARD CRESSER.

Occurred This Morning After Illness of Long Duration.

Edward Cresser, for 25 years a prominent resident of Barre, passed away at his home, 45 Currier street, this morning at 5 o'clock, death following an illness of long duration. In his youth Mr. Cresser learned the meat cutter's trade and afterward served his apprenticeship as a granite cutter. It was in the latter trade that he was employed for a number of years after his arrival in Barre. Latterly he returned to his former vocation and was employed by Smith & Cumings until ill health compelled him to give up the work.

He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Cresser of Woodside, Aberdeen, Scot and by three sisters, Mrs. William A. Moir of this city, Miss Rebecca Cresser, also of Barre, and Miss Elizabeth Cresser of Aberdeen. He also leaves four brothers, John Cresser of Barre, William Cresser of Augusta, Ga., Alfred Cresser of Aberdeen and Robert Cresser, who lives in South Africa. The deceased was born in Aberdeen 45 years ago and came to Barre at the age of 20. For a number of years he has been actively identified with the breeding of fine poultry and as a member of the firm of Moir & Cresser he was widely known in this locality as a breeder of Rhode Island Reds.

His death removes a man who will be missed in the councils of the Vermont Poultry association as well as in many other circles. Mr. Cresser was an active member of the retail clerks' association in Barre, one of its former presidents, and always a conscientious worker in its behalf. He also belonged to Clan Gordon, No. 12, O. S. C. and Granite lodge, No. 35, F. & A. M. and Granite chapter, No. 28, R. A. M. He attended the First Presbyterian church.

Funeral services will be held at the house Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. Edgar Crossland, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, will be the officiating clergyman and interment will be made in Hope cemetery.

INTERMENT WAS AT ORANGE.

Mrs. J. E. Rollins' Funeral Was Held on Yesterday.

The funeral of Mrs. J. E. Rollins was held from her late home on the east hill yesterday afternoon, with interment in the Orange cemetery. Roses and carnations were contributed by many relatives and friends.

Mrs. Rollins, the daughter of Aaron and Hannah (Huntton) Ashley, was born in Orange Feb. 26, 1854, and was well known and greatly respected by the older inhabitants of the surrounding towns. She leaves, beside a husband, a son, Carl C. Rollins, of this city; six grandchildren, Mrs. A. G. Bosley of Plainfield, Mrs. Galla of this city, C. Stanley of Barre Town, Dean C., Ralph R. and Neil A. Rollins.

POULTRY SHOW CONCLUDED.

Rhode Island Red Club Held Annual Election.

In connection with the annual exhibition of the Vermont Poultry association at Montpelier, which closed last night, a meeting of the Rhode Island Red club was held in the day. W. B. Woodruff of St. Albans was elected president, C. A. Dodge of Jerlin vice president, J. W. Bennett of Springfield secretary-treasurer, J. W. Kovnan of St. Albans, J. F. Ewing of Montpelier and H. A. Brush of Milton executive committee. It was voted to go to Bellows Falls next year if sufficient indu