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ATTACKING FORCES DRAW NEAR TURKISH CAPITAL Congress Completes Two Years Hard Work CZAR'S ARMY AGAIN CAPTURE CZERNOWITZ

PRESIDENT WILSON PAYS TRIBUTE TO LATE CONGRESS

WASHINGTON, March 5.—President Woodrow Wilson paid a glowing tribute to the Sixty-third Congress in a statement given to the public yesterday as the two houses were about to adjourn. Immediately after signing the last of the bills passed, he dictated the following statement before leaving his office in the capital for the White House:

"A great Congress has closed its sessions. It's work will prove the purpose and quality of its statesmanship, more and more, the longer it is tested. Business will now have time for calm and thoughtful adjustment before it, disturbed only by the European war. The circumstances created by the war put the Nation to a special test; a test of its true character, of its self-control. The constant thought of every patriotic man should now be for his country, its peace and order. With just and tempered judgment in the face of perplexing difficulties, its dignity and strength alike will appear, not only in the revival of its business, despite abnormal conditions, but also in its power to think to a purpose, to act with patience and with disinterested fairness, without excitement but in a spirit of friendliness and enlightenment, which will firmly establish its influence throughout the world."

MEASURES THAT DIED WITH ADJOURNMENT
WASHINGTON, March 5.—Among the important measures that had been considered and passed by the House of Representatives and which died in the Senate were the ship-purchase bill, the Philippines bill, the conservation measure, the rural credit bill. There was great confusion and scramble in the final passage of bills and resolutions.

CONGRESS APPROPRIATES \$1,120,000,000 AT SESSION
WASHINGTON, March 5.—The total appropriations of the short session of the 63rd Congress which came to a close yesterday were \$1,120,000,000. It is claimed however, by the Secretary of the Treasury, that the expenditures of the government for the year will be less than that amount, as some of the appropriations are for expenditures that will come from the revenues of future years, and that others are to meet contingencies that will require less money than the amount provided.

ADJOURNMENT AFTER NOON
WASHINGTON, March 5.—Both houses of Congress adjourned yesterday shortly after noon. President Woodrow Wilson began signing the accumulation of bills and resolutions at 10 o'clock. By concurrent resolution the current appropriations for Indians and the postal bills were extended over the next fiscal year.

GLOWING TRIBUTE TO MEMBERS
Among the last acts of Congress were glowing tributes paid in the House of Representatives to Speaker Champ Clark, Democratic Leader Oscar W. Underwood and Republican Leader James R. Mann. In the Senate tributes were paid to retiring members, which included many of the distinguished members of that body—among them veteran Senator George C. Perkins, of California; Senator Elihu Root, of New York; Senator Theodore E. Burton, of Ohio; Senator Isaac Stephenson, of Wisconsin; and other Senators.

SKAGWAY IS TO BE A PORT OF CALL
SEATTLE, March 3.—The Alaska Steamship Co. fleet to the westward, will call at Skagway regularly, beginning on the arrival of the Northwest on there, which is scheduled to leave here on March 24th.

THE WEATHER TODAY.
Maximum—42.
Minimum—35.
Rainfall—20 inch.
Cloudy.

400-FOOT STEAMSHIP FOR ALASKA

SEATTLE, March 5.—The Alaska Steamship Company is negotiating for the purchase of the steel passenger and freight steamship Sierra, now operating between New York and San Francisco. It is presumed that she will be used on the Alaska route. The Sierra is of 5,380 gross and 5,745 tons net register, 400 feet long and 50.2 feet beam. She was built at Philadelphia in 1900.

ANOTHER QUAKE SHAKES ITALY

FLORENCE, Italy, March 5.—An earthquake in Tuscany and other sections of Central Italy early this morning caused a panic. The people, believing that a repetition of the earthquake of a few weeks ago is about to occur, have congregated in open places away from buildings.

170 PERISH IN WEST VIRGINIA EXPLOSION
HINTON, W. Va., March 5.—Searching for the recovery of bodies in the New Rivers collieries company's mine at Thursday morning an explosion occurred Wednesday reveals that 170 persons perished. Ten were recovered alive yesterday.

ARGENTINE GETS BIG WARSHIP

PHILADELPHIA, March 5.—The Argentine battleship Moreno has been turned over to Argentina by the New York Shipbuilding Company, at whose yards in Camden it was built. There had been delay in the delivery of the Moreno because of differences over payment for extra work. The Moreno will depart for its home port as soon as she gets her supplies. Part of the Argentine crew went on board today.

MORENO'S BUILDERS CLAIM MORE THAN \$1,000,000
WASHINGTON, March 5.—The dispute which delayed the delivery of the Moreno involved extra work done on the vessel totaling, according to the builders, more than \$1,000,000, and was adjourned at a conference at which Assistant Secretary of the Navy Franklin D. Roosevelt was present unofficially. It is understood the amount to be paid will be determined by arbitration.

COMMITTEE TO SETTLE BRITISH LABOR DISPUTES
LONDON, March 5.—To prevent interruptions of work in the trades that supply war materials, the government has appointed a committee to consider unsettled disputes. The committee consists of Sir George Asquith of the Board of Trade, Sir Francis Hopwood of the Admiralty, and Sir George Gibb of the War Office.

PASSENGERS COMING ON THE ADMIRAL EVANS
SEATTLE, March 5.—The Admiral Evans called this morning with the following passengers:
For Juneau—E. A. MacHamilton, Louis Schumacher, Mrs. G. E. Alton, Karl Palm, S. J. Bradford, J. F. Warner, E. J. Dally, E. Lewis, Mrs. Joanna Holmes, Mrs. Pauline Parker, Mrs. H. Klaufl, B. B. Pickett, Mary Smith, Beatrice Clark, Fred Forester, W. R. Conlon, C. Larson, O. W. Larson, Charles Larson, Frank Selvert, and eleven stevedores.
For Douglas—L. B. Wright and wife.

ANOTHER ATTY-GEN. BILL FILED

Representative William E. Britt of Juneau was the author of a bill introduced in the House this afternoon to provide an attorney general for Alaska. The measure differs from the Aldrich bill but is similar to the Millard bill in many provisions. It provided the appointment of the Attorney General by the Governor, until the next general election, when the people shall name the official. The salary is fixed at \$7,500, as in Senator Aldrich's bill. The bill also requires the candidate to have been a bona fide resident of Alaska for at least five years, and he must be over thirty-five years of age.

Representative Britt also introduced a resolution authorizing the Speaker of the House to communicate with the Secretary of the Treasury with the view of ascertaining "what, if anything, can be done by the legislature to expedite matters in connection with the construction of the Federal building, so that work, if possible, can be commenced thereon, during the present season and the building completed in time to house the next Territorial legislature."
Mr. Shoup introduced a resolution extending the courtesy of the visitor's gallery to the families of the Governor, the Secretary of the Territory, the District Judge, the Territorial Treasurer, and other Territorial officials, and the press.
The Burns resolution asking for a joint revenue committee from both houses, was passed by the House, and will go to the Senate tomorrow.
Senator Frank A. Aldrich's Attorney General bill provides \$7,500 shall be that official's salary per year. He shall be the legal advisor of the legislature and of the various officers, and shall be elected by popular vote at the general election in November, according to the provisions of the measure. The first official shall be elected by the legislature.

CHILDREN URGED TO GIVE UP PART OF FOOD

LONDON, March 5.—The Chronicle says that an appeal addressed to the children of the German Empire has appeared in the press throughout the country. The gist of it is to impress on them the need of voluntarily giving up a substantial portion of their daily bread in order that the food supplies of the country may continue sufficient for adults who have to work at home and soldiers who have to fight abroad.

RUSSIAN ADMIRAL IS HELD 'N ARCTIC ICE

PETROGRAD, March 5.—Admiral Vitshky, formerly chief of the Russian Hydrographic Bureau, who has been sent by the government to thoroughly explore the Arctic route to the Far East, and who recently discovered new territory which has been named Nicholas II. Land, has again been heard of by wireless.
He left Vladivostok in two ships in July to attempt an Arctic passage from east to west. He learned of the outbreak of the war from a wireless source somewhere in Bering Strait. Since then headquarters at Petrograd have sent very many wireless messages but this is the first time one has reached here.

COMPLETES 1,000-MILE TRIP ON SLED DRAWN BY DOGS

CHICAGO, March 5.—Jack Hughes has completed a 1,000-mile trip to Chicago by dog team from Fort Chipewyan, on the Mackenzie river, by sled in less than four months. Snow lay out at Madison, Wisconsin, and the last stages of the journey were made by train. The journey was made on a bet.

SENATOR FALL URGES MEXICAN INTERVENTION

LOUISVILLE, Ky., March 5.—Senator Fall, of New Mexico, urges intervention in Mexico, by the United States, Brazil, Argentina and Chile.

TO PROBE THE INSANE ASYLUM?

Representative Dan Driscoll today introduced a resolution which may send a committee of the House and Senate to Portland to investigate the treatment of Alaska insane in Morningstar Asylum. The resolution was referred to the committee on the judiciary and federal relations, and it was indicated that it would be passed. The resolution would give the committee power to employ an unbiased physician to make the trip with them, and a stenographer. Under a bill which Mr. Driscoll also introduced, an appropriation, the amount having been left blank, is asked of the House, to pay all expenses of the undertaking. The last government contract with the Morningstar Asylum was dated March 15, 1914, and is for a five-year period from January 15, 1915.

The House decided today to meet at 2:00 p. m. daily until further orders.
Rules is Special Order.
The committee on rules will submit its report at a special order of the day, tomorrow at 2:30. The Governor transmitted to the House the first biennial report of the uniform laws commission and it was referred to the judiciary committee, and the reports of the mine inspector, banking board and other officers.
Mr. Britt's resolution with reference to expediting work on the federal building was passed.
Fight Sunday Closing.
Representative Coombs of Noms introduced H. R. 5, a bill to repeal the Sunday closing law. It was referred to the committee.

Before the House adjourned the report of the last federal grand jury, which met here, was read. It was transmitted by U. S. Attorney J. J. Reagan.
In the Senate.
At a half-hour session of the Territorial Senate today the report of the Board of Alaska Commissioners for the Promotion of Uniform Laws for the United States was submitted by the Governor, and was referred to the committee on the judiciary. A bill has been introduced in the upper chamber of the Legislature by Senator Aldrich, to do away with this commission.

Under suspension of the rules the House joint resolutions relative to the appointment of joint mileage and printing committees were passed and President Sutherland announced the Senate's members of the committees would be later announced.
The Senate adjourned to meet at 12:30 o'clock tomorrow afternoon.

BELGIANS' DISTRESS ON THE DECREASE

NEW YORK, March 5.—Ex-Congressman Charles P. Scott, of Kansas, member of the Belgian Relief Committee of his State, who made a six weeks' automobile tour to look over the distribution of food, says the destitution is now at the minimum, because of the constant stream of the American relief supplies now pouring into that country.
"In Belgium two sayings are heard," said the ex-Congressman. "We sow that the Germans may reap, and 'We thank God for the United States.'"
The work of the American Relief Commission is beginning to tell, and their distribution of food and supplies has saved millions from completely starving. If contributions continue to be as heavy as they were there will be enough to keep the people alive until the situation permits them to rely upon their own resources.
"Fifty thousand Belgians are engaged in distributing the food and clothing."

WASHINGTON STATE BUILDING DEDICATED

SAN FRANCISCO, March 4.—The Washington State building at the Panama Pacific Exposition was dedicated yesterday afternoon.

ATTENDANCE PASSES THE 1,000,000 MARK
SAN FRANCISCO, March 5.—The attendance at the San Francisco fair has passed 1,000,000.

RUSSIANS SWEEPING BUKOWINA

LONDON, March 5.—The Bucharest correspondent of the London Evening News has telegraphed his paper this evening saying that the Russian offensive movement in Bukowina is carrying everything before it, and that the Austrians have been compelled to evacuate Czernowitz, the capital of Bukowina, captured by them recently.

GERMANS CLAIM GAIN IN WESTERN AREA

BERLIN, March 5.—The German war office announced this evening that in fighting on the west front last night the German troops were successful, and that 1000 French troops were left dead on the field. The French attacked the German lines and were repulsed.
The Germans are continuing their attacks in North Poland. The fighting is furious, but the results are still indefinite.
Reports from Vienna are that the Russians have been repulsed on the Rhine river.
The Germans and Austrians contemplate an offensive movement in Galicia.

GREAT ARMY OF RUSSIANS MASSING IN CARPATHIANS

VENICE, March 5.—The Hungarian newspapers contain accounts of the struggle in the Carpathians, where a battle of gigantic proportions has been in progress for fifty days along the whole line of mountains some 300 miles in length.
Violent attacks were made to gain heights or sheltered positions. These attacks are repelled with reckless abandon. Sometimes a position will be gained and lost again three times within twenty-four hours. There is one height on the front which has been stormed 100 times, and even at this time neither side can claim to hold it. No sooner is it won and the victors installed on it, than the vanquished forced gather new troops and storm it again.
Meanwhile the Russians are gathering immense additional forces in the center of the Carpathians.

BATTLE WAGES IN NORTH

PETROGRAD, March 5.—The Germans in North Poland are concentrating their efforts to break through the Russian fortified lines near the Prussian frontier.
The battle, on the outcome of which is of high importance, was proceeding last night with great violence.

KAISER STILL IN SUBMARINE FIGHT

LONDON, March 5.—A Copenhagen dispatch to the Daily Mail says: Emperor William, with his brother, Admiral Prince Henry of Prussia, and Admiral von Tirpitz, the Minister of the Navy, are in charge of the Navy arrangements for blockading England.
It is reported that the Germans have built 120 big mine-laying submarines during the last six months, each with a carrying capacity of one hundred mines.

SECRET UNDERSTANDING FOR UNITED STATES

AMSTERDAM, March 5.—It is believed here that Germany has given the United States secret assurances that no American merchant ship shall be harmed by a German submarine. It is believed that Germany's notes to the world with reference to the war would have been in more kindly terms if they had been directed to the United States alone, but that they were made harsh purposely for the purpose of blinding the smaller countries as Holland, Norway and Denmark of attempting to trade with Great Britain, while assurances of friendship and promises of protection were whispered to the United States.
The Telegraph says the course of the United States in standing for principle in behalf of all neutrals is worthy of the highest praise when we consider it in connection with the undoubted fact that the ships of that country are not in danger and that she knows it.

You saw it first in The Empire.

RUSSIA WILL HIT APPROACHES TO CONSTANTINOPLE

BRITISH DEFYING NEUTRALS

LONDON, March 5.—In a speech in the Commons yesterday afternoon, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs Sir Edward Grey said that unless neutral nations are prepared to assist in throwing Germany out of Belgium no suggestions in the matter of preventing devastation are wanted by the British government.

AMERICAN SHIPS ACCIDENTALLY SUNK

WASHINGTON, March 5.—The official report of Capt. Gherardi of his investigation of the sinking of the American cotton steamers Carib and Evelyn in the North sea was received today directly from Berlin. The report finds that both vessels were sunk by coming in contact with mines, and that reports received through unofficial channels, and based on rumor, from both Berlin and London were erroneous. The report says:
"Both boats were sunk by mines; there was no false direction given by British boats. They simply ran on mined fields."
It has been reported from Berlin that the vessels were sunk because British naval officers had purposely directed them falsely; and from London it had been reported that they were sunk by German submarines.

COLLIER SINKS ONE GERMAN SUBMARINE

LONDON, March 5.—The British collier Thorilda, proceeding from Blyth to Plymouth, reports that she sighted the periscope of a German submarine, rammed and sunk the craft after dodging the torpedo that she launched.
The collier reports that the torpedo was launched for a short range, while the submarine was coming straight at its enemy. The collier swung sharply to starboard and then port, catching the submarine amidships.

TWO SUBMARINES HAVE BEEN SUNK

LONDON, March 5.—Two German submarines have been sunk in British waters according to an official announcement that was made this morning.
The French sink GERMANY SUBMARINE
PARIS, March 5.—The French minister of marine today announced that the German submarine U-5 was sunk yesterday by a French torpedo boat. The crew of the submarine was rescued by the destroying craft, and made prisoners of war.

THE GERMANS SINK TWO BRITISH CRAFT

BREMEN, March 5.—The master of the American steamship Gulf Light, which arrived here this morning from Galveston with a cargo of cotton, reports having witnessed the destruction by torpedoes of two British freighters in the English channel. Both of the vessels were completely destroyed, according to report.

COLLIER'S CLAIM CONFIRMED.

LONDON, March 5.—The admiralty officially announced this evening that an examination of the Thorilda confirms the claim of her master that she rammed and probably sunk a German submarine.
The Empire circulation leads. Try advertising in it.

RUSSIANS WILL ATTACK CONSTANTINOPLE APPROACHES

LONDON, March 5.—Information received here this evening is that the Russian Black sea fleet is within 100 miles of Constantinople and nearing that city at a fleet speed of about 11 knots. It should be within reach of the approaches to the Bosphorus by morning.
Advices from Bucharest say that the purpose is for the Russian fleet to attack the approaches to Constantinople while the British and French fleets are reducing the fortifications of the Dardanelles and the Sea of Marmora.

TURKISH FLEET DISAPPEARS.

LONDON, March 5.—A Turkish fleet to which has been assigned the task of giving battle to the Allies' fleet which has been engaged in forcing the Dardanelles has fled, according to dispatches received from Athens yesterday evening.
These ships were expected to meet the enemy in the Dardanelles. Instead they slipped under cover of a heavy fog from the Niagara roads into the Sea of Marmora.
The British Admiralty is greatly puzzled over the mysterious disappearance of the Turkish vessels.

ONLY TWO FORTS REMAIN

ATHENS, March 5.—According to advices received here yesterday afternoon there were only two Dardanelles forts remaining. Ten warships were engaged in a continuous bombardment of these which were returning the fire with weakening effectiveness.

BLAME CONON DOYLE FOR BLOCKADE

LONDON, March 5.—"Neutral Observer's" statement in the London Times yesterday that, according to well-informed Germans, the idea of the submarine blockade of England was borrowed by their government from Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's story, "DANGER," published last Spring, has grieved the author.
The story set up the mythical country of Norland which reduced England to starvation by just such a system of submarine attacks as is now proposed.

"I need hardly say that it is very painful to me to think that anything I have written should be turned against my own country," said Sir Arthur. "The object of the story was to warn the public of a possible danger which I saw overhanging this country and to show how to avoid that danger."
"My reason was that after studying the subject I concluded that the submarine of the present war was not capable of the results which I depicted, but it still is my opinion that if this war had been delayed five years and if the submarine, during that period, had gone on improving as rapidly as it has done in the past, England would have been placed in a most serious position exactly as outlined in my story."

AUTO BANDITS CIRCULATE PRO-GERMAN LITERATURE

PARIS, March 5.—Members of the Bannet band of auto bandits have been accused of circulating pamphlets telling the people that they are being deceived, and making a plea in behalf of Germany. It is suspected that they are being paid for the work by agents of the German government, or some society that is secretly aiding the Germans.

GERMANY LIMITS THE SALE OF BREAD
BERLIN, March 5.—The sale of flour, Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays has been forbidden in this and other cities.