

## GREEKS SEIZE GERMAN VESSEL IN AEGEAN SEA

Warships Grab Steamer Irmingard Off Island of Lemnos—No Reason for Capture Given—Diplomats Summoned Home From Vacations.

Armed Operations Against Montenegro by Austrian Navy Expected—Ultimatum Sent Latter Country.

LONDON, March 22.—Alarming dispatches of the seizure by Greek warships of the German steamer Irmingard off the island of Lemnos in the Aegean sea were received here today. No reason for her capture is given and diplomats here are making frantic efforts to get further details. The Irmingard sailed from Barry, Wales, for Genoa February 28.

Dispatches from Berlin say the foreign office there has learned that armed operations against Montenegro by the Austrian navy may be expected soon. The Austrian squadron is now maneuvering off the Albanian and Montenegrin coasts. Other reports from Vienna stated that the Austrian government has addressed a strongly worded note, amounting practically to an ultimatum, to Montenegro.

Diplomats here are admittedly worried over the situation, the new crisis in the Balkans leading to the instant recall from Easter vacations of the ambassadors in London of the European powers.

## INDICTMENTS FOR SALOONMEN SAID TO BE IN PROSPECT

The grand jury, which has been in session all week, will adjourn this afternoon, at which time it is predicted that indictments will be returned against 10 Medford saloonmen on the charge of selling liquor to minors. Rumor has it that the indictments will include every hotel, the Manhattan Cafe, which is managed by Connelman Millar, and most of the other saloonists of the city. Many of the witnesses who testified are said to be members of the National Guard and it is claimed that their testimony was at first directed against Connelman Millar, who has opposed the armory. The grand jury, however, questioned them on other points and took evidence against the other places at the same time. City Attorney Boggs is said to have been instrumental in getting the evidence.

## MURDERING MANIC FROM NAPA CAUGHT

PLACERVILLE, Cal., March 22.—Ending a four months' chase, during which he is said to have murdered Miss Ruth Lemos near Napa, Cal., La Fayette Newell, who escaped from the insane asylum at Napa, was captured by Sheriff Hand near here and is in jail here today. He will be taken back to the asylum at once.

It is charged Newell entered the Lemos home a few hours after his escape and after clubbing the Lemos girl to death, shot and slightly wounded John Avil, a worker on the place.

## SYLVIA PANKHURST WILL PROBABLY DIE

LONDON, March 22.—Militant suffragette leaders here today declare that Sylvia Pankhurst, released from Holloway jail, as the result of her hunger strike is in a serious condition from forced feeding and that she may die.

## NOTED WOMEN WHO SEEK SOCIAL HONORS AND MEN WHO WOULD HAVE DIPLOMATIC POSTS.



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## HUMPHREY BOYS PAY PENALTY OF HEINOUS CRIME

SALEM, Ore., March 22.—At 8:07 o'clock this morning two death traps in the execution chamber of the Oregon penitentiary snapped and fifteen minutes later the dead bodies of George and Charles Humphreys, the murderers of Mrs. Eliza Griffith, were cut down. Both men were very nervous and had to be assisted up on to the scaffold. Rev. Barr G. Lee, speaking for the two men on the scaffold said that the men pleaded ignorance to him and he believed them. The Humphreys made no statement while on the scaffold. No one claimed the bodies.

The crime which the Humphrey brothers expiated today was cruel in the extreme and was committed June 5, 1911. Mrs. Eliza Griffith, a widow aged 65, was living alone on a homestead near Philomath, in Benton county. She was attacked by the two men and after being bound with ropes, was assaulted. While she lay dying from strangulation, the brothers ransacked the house for money which she had realized from the sale of property. Their search fruitless, they again assaulted the woman when life was extinct. Mrs. Griffith's body was then carried to a pond, a quarter of a mile distant, where it was found several days later.

On March 13, 1912, George Humphrey was arrested at Hillsboro, Ore., and, after long questioning, confessed to the killing of Mrs. Griffith and a few days later Charles Humphrey was arrested and also confessed. They had meanwhile moved from Eaton county to a mountainous district in Washington county.

The Humphreys appealed to the supreme court after their conviction at Corvallis on the ground that their confessions were obtained under duress and were untrue, but the supreme court decided against them and they were re-sentenced to hang about a month ago.

The men were to have been hanged yesterday, but because it was Good Friday Governor West reprieved them for one day.

## HASWELL INDICTED EMBEZZLEMENT CHARGE

A Richard Roe indictment against Henry T. Haswell was filed by the grand jury Friday afternoon. The indictment charges embezzlement from the Wood Curtis company of Sacramento. Haswell who has been in the employ of the Southern Oregon Produce company, was taken into custody and later released on \$1,000 bail.

## SEEKING POISON WHICH MURDERED ADMIRAL EATON

NORWELL, Mass., March 22.—Plans to practically demolish the Eaton home here this afternoon in the effort to secure some of the poison which is alleged to have killed Rear Admiral Joseph G. Eaton, are perfected by the state police, according to rumors current here. The hunt for the purchaser of the poison is progressing today in many towns in the state.

Thomas Thom, one of the admiral's neighbors was grilled by the police today and is reported to have told them that Eaton habitually ate arsenic and that his death probably was due to an overdose.

Mrs. Eaton remains calm in the prison here. She predicts her quick release.

## 135 MADERISTS SLAIN BY FEDERALS

JUAREZ, Mexico, March 22.—Massacre of 135 federal prisoners by Maderistas in Parral is reported here today in letters brought from that city by a refugee.

The letters say that the recent Maderista attack on Parral resulted in great damage to the cathedral and the destruction of the Central market by exploding shells. Among the victims of the massacre are said to be Guillermo Porras, secretary of state in Chihuahua when Porfirio Diaz was president; Rodolfo Reyes and Rudolfo Chavez, all prominent

## SENATORS FIGHT PINCHOT'S POLICY OF CONSERVATION

WASHINGTON, March 22.—Led by Senators Shafroth of Colorado and Brady of Idaho, a group of United States senators expect soon to attack the conservation policy established by Gifford Pinchot and maintained by former Secretary of the Interior Fisher.

Shafroth and Brady oppose the reservation of millions of acres of government lands. Under the constitution these lands are not taxable for the upkeep of state and county governments, and the westerners want the title given to private holders who would be subject to taxation.

"The simplest way of relieving us," said Senator Shafroth today, "is to change the policy of the interior department in administering existing laws. The law does not compel the department to charge ten cents a ton for coal taken from government land filed on by settlers. The law does compel the department to charge a man who develops water power for every horse power developed. This charge keeps citizens from opening up natural resources. Without this development, the states affected can secure no revenue to maintain schools, courts and the machinery of government."

## WILLIS MOORE QUILTS AS WEATHER CHIEF

WASHINGTON, March 22.—Willis Moore today resigned as the chief of the weather bureau. His resignation, to become effective July 31, was accepted by Secretary of Agriculture Houston.

## PLAN TO MERGE SOUTHERN PACIFIC WITH OLD CENTRAL

NEW YORK, March 22.—Ownership of the Central Pacific by the Southern Pacific and the sale of 126,650,000 of Southern Pacific stock now in the Union Pacific's treasury are provided in new plans to effect the dissolution of the Harriman railroad system, which are being formed here today. The plans are being so framed that they will not come under the review of the California railroad commission which successfully blocked the first plans of dissolution proposed by the railroads.

It is believed Attorney General McReynolds will consent to the Southern and Central Pacific merger. The railroad heads also see no objection forthcoming to the plan to retain the existing traffic agreements between the Union and Southern Pacific.

## FRIEDMANN SERUM GIVEN CALIFORNIANS

RIVERSIDE, Cal., March 22.—That they have administered several treatments of the Friedmann tuberculosis serum to a young woman in the third stages of consumption was admitted here today by Dr. Currie and Dr. Wells of Riverside. No accurate statement of the result can be made at present, the physicians said. The patient, whose name the doctors withheld, is a professional nurse twenty-five years of age. The serum used in the treatment was obtained through Dr. Austin Heid of Pittsburg, Pa.

## FEDERAL AID TO STORM STRICKEN ALABAMA TOWN

WASHINGTON, March 22.—In response to a plea sent direct to President Wilson, army surgeons and medicines today were sent from Fort Oglethorpe to Lower Peachtree, Alabama which was practically destroyed in yesterday's tornado. The telegram to the president stated the town was in ruins, many were killed, hundreds injured and that the town's medicine and supplies were destroyed.

The Red Cross Society headquarters today wired governor of Alabama that it stood ready to render any possible assistance.

MOBILE, Ala., March 22.—The toll of death exacted by the tornado yesterday which razed Lower Peachtree, Alabama, today is known to be thirty. Forty-seven others were injured, some probably fatally.

Thirty coffins have been sent to Lower Peachtree from Pine Hall, Ala. Food, tents and medicines also have been sent into the stricken districts.

Twelve persons were injured at Morristown, Alabama.

## LUMBER RATES EAST ORDERED TO BE CUT

WASHINGTON, March 22.—The interstate commerce commission today, in an opinion in the case of the Charles Bercher Lumber company against the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway, found that the combination of rates aggregate 60 cents per hundred on lumber from Grants Pass and Glendale, Ore., to Redwing, Minn., were unreasonable and a joint rate of 55 cents via Council Bluffs was prescribed. Reparation was awarded. Joint rates of 51 cents had been requested.

## MITCHELL TO HEAD STATE LABOR BUREAU

ALBANY, N. Y., March 22.—Reports that he will be named head of the proposed state labor department at an annual salary of \$8,000 have resulted here today from the visit of John Mitchell, vice president of the American Federation of Labor to this city to hold a private conference with Governor Sulzer. Neither the governor nor Mitchell will confirm or deny the appointment. Mitchell will remain here until the fate of certain labor bills now before the legislature is known.

## MEDIUM VOTE ONLY CAST ON AMENDMENTS

Considerable Interest is Manifest on Streets But Vote Lighter Than Expected Owing to Weather—Woman vote Not Very Heavy.

Indications Are That Armory Bond Issue is Lost—Vote on Charter Amendment is Reported Close.

Only a medium vote is being cast today at the special election called to vote a \$20,000 bond issue for armory purposes, and on an amendment to the city charter to prevent the mayor from using his power of suspension indefinitely, of equivalent to a removal.

While there is considerable interest displayed on the street in connection with the election the vote is not as heavy as expected. The weather is in a measure responsible for this, the woman vote being light. The afternoon vote will probably be heavier.

Indications at noon were to the effect that the bond issue for the armory has been defeated. The vote on the amendment to the charter is admitted to be close by both friend and foe of the measure.

The need for more polling places, due to the doubling of the vote through the enfranchisement of the women, was again demonstrated this afternoon. At 2 o'clock the polling places were crowded and many people refused to stand in line, preferring to give up their vote. As the polls were only open from 9 until 5, and as the judges and clerks took out dinner hour, but a short time was left for the large crowd that wished to express its opinion on the two amendments offered. Though the vote on a special election of this kind is light, the result is showing that, even in special elections, better accommodations must be given the voters.

## MILLION DAMAGE TO MICHIGAN BY CYCLONIC STORM

DETROIT, Mich., March 22.—Lowering temperatures following in the wake of yesterday's storm is causing much suffering today throughout Michigan. Estimates of the total damage by the storm, the worst in the history of Michigan's weather bureau is impossible because of broken wire communication, but it probably will reach \$1,000,000.

It is known that one person met death in the storm, but the list of fatalities may be increased when communication with many outside places is restored. A conservative estimate of the loss in Detroit is \$500,000. The crops and orchards in southern Michigan were damaged, but it is not known yet to what extent.

## \$2,000,000 DAMAGE FROM OHIO STORM

CLEVELAND, Ohio, March 22.—With six known to be dead, a score missing and forty others injured, some probably fatally, Ohio is recovering slowly today from one of the worst storms in years. Communication with smaller towns still is severed and it is feared later reports will materially increase the fatalities. The damage to property and crops exceeds \$2,000,000.

Seneca county reports one dead and Columbia and New London also report fatalities. Three men were seen to leave Sandusky's harbor yesterday in a small boat. Later the overturned craft was found and it is believed the occupants perished.