

SHOTS FIRED AT DESTROYERS

Turks on Shore and Italian Warships Exchange Many Shots, with Amount of Damage Not Stated

SOCIALISTS URGE Milder Measures

Bombardment of Tripoli Said by Turks to Have Caused Deaths of Many Women and Children

ROME, Oct. 7.—A despatch from Brindisi to the Messagero says the two Italian destroyers Artigliere and Eucelice were stopped an Austrian mail steamer near Saint Jean de Medua. Commander Riscaretti went aboard the steamer, his boat carrying a white flag. On the return to the Artigliere the white flag was blown away and Turkish soldiers opened fire from the cliffs. The boat reached the Artigliere in safety, and the Italians returned the fire, several hundred shots being fired. The engagement lasted more than an hour.

Italy's Position Premier Giolitti in a speech at Turin today outlined the policy of the government regarding Tripoli, which seems to have the support of most members of the chamber of deputies and a majority of the people. Signor Bissolati, leader of the Socialists in the chamber, however, writes to the Secolo giving the view of the section of the democrats and Socialists, differing from that of the nation at large. In his letter Signor Bissolati says: "Now that the occupation is accomplished, it must be decided whether Tripoli will be considered as a conquered territory unconditionally or whether Italy is ready to compromise—stopping the war, sparing Turkey excessive humiliations, and offering her political and material satisfaction, and thus rendering resumption of the good relations between the two states possible."

Signor Bissolati expresses the opinion that it would be necessary for Italy to adopt less brutal and dangerous solution, "so as to remove the impression that violence should be used against Turkey," and that Italy should show a spontaneous conciliatory disposition, thus avoiding "such measures as may be proposed, if not imposed by the powers."

Today's advice from Tripoli state that the Italian governor, Rear Admiral Borea Polinena, has issued a proclamation declaring the town in a state of siege.

People Killed in Tripoli. CONSTANTINOPLE, Oct. 7.—The council of ministers tonight definitely decided to take action looking to the expulsion of all Italian residents. The government has decided to establish a censorship on all press telegrams, particularly those dealing with military matters. Code messages will be prohibited.

The Turkish commander at Tripoli reports that the Italian bombardment destroyed numerous houses and killed many inhabitants, including several women and children.

Moslem Sentiment in India. LUCKNOW British India, Oct. 7.—The council of Moslems of all India has appealed for the intervention of the British government in behalf of Turkey. It has advised also a boycott of Italian goods.

Bad Conditions in Toronto. TORONTO, Oct. 7.—Suffering, disease and distress are simply appalling in Toronto. This is an extract from a report made to the Toronto City Mission by the missionaries, who say it is difficult to overtake the demand made upon them.

Greeks Ready to Fight. MONTREAL, Oct. 7.—Greeks of Montreal are now joining with the Italians in declaring their intention of returning to their native land, if Greece should become involved in the European complications. "We are ready to go. There are 2,266 of us in Montreal waiting for the word if we are needed," declared K. Metrakos, one of the most influential Greeks in Canada. "We await word from our king. There will be money for the expenses and those who cannot pay their way will have their way paid."

Monument to Montcalm. OTTAWA, Oct. 6.—The committee which has in hand the erection of a monument to the memory of Montcalm at Quebec has decided that the ceremony of unveiling shall take place on October 16, at one o'clock in the afternoon. The committee intends to give the ceremony all possible solemnity. A program of speeches, recitations and music has been prepared and the event is expected to be a most interesting one. This is the last independent memorial to the great French general to be erected in the American Capital. For years, however, he has been commemorated in a joint monument with Wolfe in the governor's garden, on DuRoiin Terrace.

IMPORTERS PROTEST

Appeals from Decisions of Collectors to be Heard by Member of Board of Appraisers

SEATTLE, Oct. 7.—Protests of importers who believe that the local collectors have charged excess duties, will be heard by a member of the board of general appraisers who will arrive from New York November 1. Among the cases to be considered is that of Mercurius, brothers, importers of Oriental goods, and crockery, who have been charged with undervaluation. Since the first shipments were held up at San Francisco there have been a number of other shipments detained and revalued at the local custom house. The valuations have been raised by Deputy Collector Ross E. Chestnut. In the last shipment of 1000 cases which arrived on the steamer Kamakura Maru, the valuation was raised more than \$5,000. Other ports of entry have adopted similar measures.

Chief Geologist Resigns. WASHINGTON, Oct. 7.—Dr. C. Willard Hayes, chief geologist of the geological survey and for 24 years identified with that service, has resigned to enter mining in Mexico.

Vancouver Dispute. OTTAWA, Oct. 7.—The department of labor has appointed a board of conciliation and arbitration to deal with a dispute between the British Columbia Telephone Co. in Vancouver and its electricians. Members of the board are: John H. Sankler, K. C., chairman; William H. Barker and Charles Bright, all of Vancouver.

Narrow Escape of Infants. WHEELING, W. Va., Oct. 7.—The Catholic home of the Good Shepherd at Edinboro, near this city, was entirely destroyed by fire that started at 7 o'clock this (Sunday) morning. One of the 250 girl inmates of the home awoke and detected the odor of smoke. She aroused one of the sisters in charge, and the children were led from the burning building to a nearby hillside. None were injured, but many were in scanty attire. The loss is between \$25,000 and \$50,000.

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MISSION FIELD OF METHODISM

Interesting Statistics Presented by Rev. James Lewis of Cambridge, England, to Ecumenical Conference

TORONTO, Oct. 7.—Statistics relative to the resources in men and means in the Methodist mission fields as given by the Rev. James Lewis, of Cambridge, England, proved interesting to the delegates from seventeen countries who attended the sessions of the Methodist conference. Mr. Lewis prefaced the reading of the various tabulations with a statement that the resources of the church in any department of its work is essentially one of "spiritual dynamics."

From the detailed reports presented it appeared that during the last year there were 2,538 Methodist foreign missionaries. These included 918 ordained men and 120 physicians, 53 of the doctors being women. The native workers numbered 20,847, missionary stations and sub-stations 6,782, representing 708,105 baptized Christians and 1,444,294 adherents, of whom 458,165 were Sunday school teachers and scholars. The ordained ministry of Ecumenical Methodism at the beginning of 1910 was 52,978 of whom but 2,322, or 5 per cent, counting foreign and native, were in the mission fields.

"Of our total number of ministers throughout the world," said Mr. Lewis, the average is one to every 114 Methodist church members. In heathen countries the ratio is one Methodist minister to every 303 members. Our means, as expressed by the income of the missionary societies in 1910, totalled about \$7,900,000, representing about 80 cents to each of the 8,715,434 Methodists. Practically every phase of foreign missionary work was discussed by the delegates from the various fields. An urgent plea was made by Rev. T. H. Lewis, president of the general conference of the Methodist Protestant church, for union of American Methodists into one body.

Aviator Superstitions. HAMMOND, Ind., Oct. 7.—"When people watching the progress of a funeral at Akron, Ind., cheered me as I flew low over the place, I knew there was trouble ahead," said C. P. Rodgers, aviator, who was still stalled here today in his attempt at transcontinental flight. High winds, he said, forced him to postpone flying into Chicago until tomorrow and if the raw, blustery weather continued he might abandon his air journey.

NEW MINISTERS ARE ANNOUNCED

Representatives from Various Provinces are Named, but Assignment of Portfolios Not Yet Made

MR. M. BURRELL TO REPRESENT B. C.

Census Returns Give Canada's Population at Seven and a Half Millions—Immigrants Passed On

OTTAWA, Oct. 7.—The personnel of the Borden cabinet has been unofficially announced, and although the different portfolios have not yet been arranged the cabinet representatives from each province are known. The new administration will be composed as follows: Prime Minister—R. L. Borden and Hon. J. D. Hagen. Quebec—F. D. Monk, Hon. L. P. Pelletier, W. B. Nantel, George H. Peley and Hon. C. J. Doherty. Ontario—Hon. Frank Cochrane, W. T. White, Hon. George E. Foster, W. S. Middlebro, Andrew Broder and J. E. Armstrong. West—Hon. Robert Rogers, Dr. W. J. Roche and Martin Burrell.

The Colonist correspondent is authoritatively informed today that the census of Canada will show a total population falling short of the eight million mark promised by the late government. The returns have been practically completed. Full figures from outlying parts of the country are yet to come in, and in the meantime a system of double checking is in progress in the bureau of census statistics. The total will probably be seven and a half instead of eight millions. The eight millions prediction was based upon the assumption that all the immigrants brought to Canada by the Laurier government in ten years have been staying in the country and that there has been no leakage. The immigration of Canadians to the United States was declared to have been stopped. It now appears that this emigration has been more or less continuous, and that moreover many of the immigrants brought over under the Laurier system have used this country only as a place of call and are now citizens of the American republic.

Killed in Collision. ROCHESTER, Mich., Oct. 7.—Two persons were killed and seven injured, and probably fatal, in a Detroit street today when a Detroit United Railway work car crashed into the front of a Detroit United Railway Limited, about a mile north of Rochester. The limited was crowded with passengers, and almost without warning the work car ploughed through the front vestibule nearly to the rear of the smoking compartment.

Evidence Much Wanted. LOS ANGELES, Oct. 7.—That the alleged evidence in the McNamara case, which Judge Markey refused to allow Los Angeles authorities to take out of Indianapolis is of the highest importance and that its absence may have a vital bearing upon the outcome of the trial of the accused, Judge Markey's ruling next Wednesday, was indicated today by District Attorney John E. Fredericks, in a formal statement commenting upon the action of the Indianapolis court. Mr. Fredericks asserted that notwithstanding the fact that the McNamara brothers would keep after the alleged evidence and finally get it.

SALMON PACK ON PUGET SOUND

Canners Report Largest Season's Output for Any Year in Which Sockeye Did Not Run Freely

TOTAL VALUE NEARS SEVEN MILLIONS

SEATTLE, Oct. 7.—The actual pack of canned salmon on Puget Sound up to September 30 was 1,276,922 cases. This is the largest pack of salmon ever put up in a year when the sockeyes have not run in large numbers. The pack of pink salmon is more than twice the size of the next largest pack on record, no less than 1,013,124 cases of this kind of fish having been packed. These totals, which are the first definite reports made public this year in regard to the Puget Sound salmon pack were announced today by the Puget Sound Canners' Association. The total value of the 1,276,922 cases of salmon packed up to September 30 was \$5,750,235. Packers estimate that the net to be packed during the fall months will be worth approximately an additional \$1,200,000.

GERMAN WINS

Balloon Berlin to Carry 2000 lbs. of Goods

KANSAS CITY, Oct. 7.—The balloon Berlin II, carrying the flag of Germany, won the international balloon race by the James Gordon Bennett cup. The Berlin II landed in the wilderness near Holcomb, Wis., at 11 o'clock Saturday morning, after a flight of 76 miles further than any of its competitors in the race. This is the last of the contestants to land. The Concorde, the French balloon, which landed last night near Mingo, Iowa, reported today that it had been carried out over Lake Michigan and then driven back to camp.

Stamp Mill Test Proves Highly Pleasing to Nome People—May Revive Mining

NOME, Alaska, Oct. 7.—The first test of the stamp mill at Nome today was highly pleasing to local merchants to ascertain if quartz properties on Seward peninsula are worth developing, was made today at the ore running \$70 a ton. Prospectors are greatly pleased with the result of the test and believe that the quartz properties will rejuvenate the mining industry in the Nome district.

KILLED BY CAR

Resident of Vergas Falls, Minn., Meets Death While Visiting His Sister in Vancouver

VANCOUVER, Oct. 7.—Vernon Aldrich, aged 18, a resident of Vergas Falls, Minn., was killed tonight shortly after 8 o'clock by being run over by a Vancouver and New Westminster interurban electric car just on the outskirts of the city. While endeavoring to avoid a city car he ran in front of the interurban and was almost instantly killed. He had been here three weeks visiting a sister, Mrs. N. Gentile, of 1511 Fourteenth avenue east.

Tax Commissioner's Journey. WILMETH, B. C., Oct. 7.—The provincial tax commissioner, with Hon. Percy Elliott, chairman, and others of the party reached here yesterday in motor car en route from Golden to Cranbrook. They spent the night at Invermere, and left for Cranbrook this morning. Mr. Parson, member for the district, is accompanying them.

GUARDS MOBBED BY STRIKERS

Riotous Outbreaks Reported from San Francisco and East St. Louis—One Guard Spirited Away

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 7.—One special policeman is missing and another is in a local hospital with a lacerated scalp and minor bruises as a result of rioting here today between strikers and guards at the Mission Bay shops. A third special policeman was arrested for flourishing a revolver this morning. Fists were the principal weapons used in the disturbances. Each time trouble occurred as the guards of union men trying to persuade strike-breakers to desert.

During a small riot late today several guards were driven into the stockade after a sharp skirmish. One guard, whose name was not learned, was captured by the strikers as he was scaling the wall and hustled away from the shops. He has not been located since. Several fights between strikers and strike-breakers occurred at Oakland during the day.

CLASH OF ARMS IN PORTUGAL

Royalists are Defeated in Battle with Government Troops and Withdraw into Spanish Territory

SOME REGIMENTS NOT MUCH TRUSTED

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FLOOD DAMAGE IS EXTENSIVE

Portions of Colorado and New Mexico Suffer Severely in Consequence of Unusually Heavy Storms

REPORTED LOSS OF SEVERAL LIVES

Railroads Washed Out and Towns Swept Away—Much Distress in Flooded District of Wisconsin

DURANGO, Colo., Oct. 7.—Southwestern Colorado and northern New Mexico are devastated as a result of the heaviest storms and most severe floods this section has experienced since 1884. Miles of railroad, many scattered houses and at least two towns have been washed away. Mines have been flooded and temporarily abandoned, and it is reported that several lives have been lost. Details are meagre, owing to the crippled condition of telephone and telegraph services.

From Farmington, N. M., comes the report that a nearby village of Navajo Indians has been swept away, and that the natives are destitute and exposed to the storm. Bayfield and Ignacio are inundated and all residents have fled to the hills. The river is still rising. The Mancos river has overflowed, and the town of Mancos is under water. Silverton reports two feet of water in its streets, and Dolores is under three feet of water, which is rising rapidly. Railroad traffic is suspended, and officials state that it cannot be resumed for days after the river subsides. At Alamosa hundreds of volunteers are working tonight just above the city throwing up a temporary dam along the banks of the Rio Grande to keep that river from breaking out of bounds and flooding the city.

LA CROISSE Falls Affliction

Families are homeless, a property loss of \$120,000 has been wrought, and the city of Black River Falls is laboring under the distressing handicap of the loss of its business district as the result of the flood. This in brief, summarizes the situation in Black River Falls, disclosed at the end of an exhaustive "canning citizens say they are now able to cope with the situation without outside assistance, although they are accepting gratefully all proffers of help. A serious problem is the lack of stores and loss of stock and provisions. Only one grocery remains. Meat and specialties will have to be shipped in for the present to supply the population. In many cases lots, as well as buildings, have been destroyed, the land being carried off by the river and being irreplaceable. The defective construction of the municipal power plant dam at Black River Falls is held by engineers to be partly responsible for the disaster.

Further danger at Black River Falls and vicinity is over tonight the waters receding there. Whatever trouble from now on the flood causes will be at La Crosse and the villages on the low lands north, when the waters reaches them in the morning. The Black and Mississippi rivers are both rising rapidly.

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INTERESTING EXPERIMENT IN MARINE PROPULSION

Carried 1,400 Tons of Cargo to San Francisco with Consumption of but 1 1/2 Tons of Coal

The barkentine Archer which reached the outer wharf from San Francisco via Seattle yesterday with cement is completing the first trip made by any vessel in the Pacific equipped with a gas-producer engine. This is an experiment which is being watched with great interest by shipping men. A number of small vessels have been equipped in Germany with this engine, mostly small canal boats, but the Archer, a steel vessel with capacity for 1,400 tons of cargo, is the first boat equipped on the Pacific. Her gas-producer engine gives the Archer an average sea speed of nine knots an hour—the rate at which the majority of steam freighters ply the ocean—and develops 300 horse power on the most economical consumption of coal. The voyage to San Francisco, a distance of about 750 miles, was made on but 1 1/2 tons of coal, and the cheapest light coal at that, the fuel bill for the run to Golden Gate being under thirty dollars. The equipment with an experiment and great interest was displayed in the voyage. So convinced with the results attained were the owners, the Roche Harbor Lime company, that when the Archer reaches Roche Harbor the masts will be removed and a suit of sails and a set of sails will be placed on the vessel instead of the square sails.

Mr. McMillan, who was in the city yesterday on the Archer, is head of the owning company, Capt. Whitney, U. S. Inspector of Customs, has the voyage here to examine the workings of the engine, and many others have been on board. Mr. McMillan studied the workings of the producer-gas engine for some time as a stationary engine—it is now used in many British ships—and was convinced that it would be a satisfactory marine engine. It is probably the cheapest working engine known today.

C. P. R. PURCHASES FAST STEAMER

Turbine Triple-Screw Vessel Queen Alexandra will be Operated on the Vancouver-Nanaimo Route

The turbine steamer Queen Alexandra, a vessel with speed of 21.5 knots an hour, has been purchased from the Clyde Passenger Service by the C. P. R. for the Vancouver-Nanaimo run, and will be placed in service next spring to make a two-hour run between the two ports daily. As soon as the business warrants she will make two round trips daily. The Queen Alexandra is now being fitted out and alterations made in view of her new service under the direction of Mr. Alexander, assistant superintendent engineer of the C. P. R. coast steamship service at the yards of her builders, Denny Bros. of Dumbarton, and will leave on her voyage to Victoria in about six weeks' time and will be placed in service in the early spring.

The Queen Alexandra is nicely fitted up as a day passenger steamer, and has been successfully operated with the smaller sister, King Edward, on the two longest runs on the Clyde. She is a turbine vessel with triple screws, and one large double ended boiler. She has been most successful on an operating point of view, both on account of the economy of her coal consumption and the absence of the necessity for repairs. The owners report that the repairs to turbines and boilers have been practically nil.

The Queen Alexandra and the King Edward have been operated but five months each year, since the former was built by the Dennys in 1902, sailing daily during the season from Glasgow to Campbeltown, via the west of Arran, and to Inverary via the Kyles of Bute. The lounge room is one of the features of the steamer, being a large space with large windows for observation at either side, and equipped with many comfortable settees. Excellent dining saloon, smoking room, tea room, and other accommodations required by the modern traveler are provided. Two Hour Trip. The Charmer, now on the Vancouver-Nanaimo route, is making the voyage in three hours and when the Queen Alexandra goes into service the trip is to be made in two hours. The distance between Vancouver and Nanaimo is 38 knots, and the steamer will maintain a sea-speed of twenty knots an hour in service. It is anticipated that a large excursion business will follow the placing of the new turbine steamer in service. (Continued on Page 2.)

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