

BULGARS REFUSE TO LET FOREIGNERS OUT

A'iens in Stricken City Must Chance Balkan Shells.

WOULD CREATE A BIG DIFFICULTY

Meagre Reports Received from Seat of War—Allies Gain Great Success in Gallipoli Peninsula—Big Battle Expected.

Sofia, Feb. 6.—The ministers of the powers in Sofia today communicated to Premier Guechoff the request of the consuls at Adrianople for permission for foreigners to leave the town or for the establishment of a neutral zone for their protection.

Premier Guechoff declined to accede to the request. He said in explanation that there was no precedent for foreigners leaving a beleaguered place under similar circumstances and there were weighty reasons why Bulgarian headquarters could not grant such permission. Nor could a neutral zone be established, as no guarantee could be given that shells would not accidentally fall within the zone and consequently difficulties would be created for the troops engaged in the operations.

Are Fighting at Gallipoli.

London, Feb. 6.—News from the seat of war is meagre. Vague reports of fighting at Gallipoli and at the Tchatalja lines have been received but no details enabling one to judge of the character of the operations. The fact that the Bulgarians appear to be moving their positions westward along the Tchatalja lines seems to show that they realize there is a possibility of an attempt to outflank them, but so far there is no confirmation of the rumors that the Turks are moving troops by sea to the neighborhood of Rodosto and Midia.

The reports indicate that the Turks have made a reverse in the Gallipoli Peninsula, but no word has been received as to whether the main forces have yet been engaged, and it is anticipated that the Turkish lines at Bulair and across the neck of the Peninsula are well defended by modern works, which ought to present a serious fighting at this point should bring the rival fleets into the operations, but no naval movement has been reported.

Dr. Daneff, head of the Bulgarian delegation, returned to Sofia today.

The ambassadors of the powers had another meeting in London this afternoon.

The main body of the Turkish troops has retired behind the main line defense at Gallipoli, according to a despatch to the Constantinople A. Bulgarians attacked the Bulair forts but were compelled to retire to their old positions. The Turkish cruiser has sailed for the Black Sea, apparently to cover the landing near Midia of troops from Trebizond.

BOLD JACK ROSE IS NOW A BANKRUPT.

New York, Feb. 6.—Jack Rose, the former gambler and the police informant, whose testimony played so important a part in the conviction of Chas. Becker, former police lieutenant, and the four gunmen for the murder of Herman Rosenthal, today appeared before a referee in Long Island City for examination in his bankruptcy petition in which he declared that he was without funds and owes more than \$12,000.

GOVERNMENT WILL REFORM FRUIT GROWING CONDITION

Energetic Manner in which Investigation Has Been Handled Brings Excellent Results.

Special to The Standard.

Ottawa, Feb. 6.—As result of the energetic manner in which the Commission on the fruit growing industry has taken hold of the investigation into the cause of the high price of fruit to western customers and low price to farmers, there promise to be some practical reforms effected. One will likely be the establishment of a separate fruit branch in connection with the agricultural department at Ottawa.

At present the fruit branch is under the Dairy Commissioner, and is naturally subordinate to it. Fruit men have long advocated a separate branch, under a separate commissioner, who could take hold of the fruit problems of the country. Nothing has ever been done. As a result of the conditions which have been revealed

THE BUDGET SPEECH.

Special to The Standard.

Ottawa, Feb. 6.—It is expected that the budget speech will be delivered towards the end of March. The date on which Hon. Mr. White will deliver his annual statement depends somewhat upon the date of the proclamation bringing the Wealden Trade agreement into effect.

CHANGE TITLE OF MEMBERS OF LOCAL HOUSE

It Will Be M. L. A. Instead of M. P. P. in Future—Preparations for Opening of Session Going Forward.

Special to The Standard.

Fredericton, Feb. 6.—The members of the house of assembly have hitherto been known as M. P. P.'s but their title is to be changed, and they will be known as M. L. A.'s, the title which is given members of the provincial legislature in the provinces in upper Canada and the west.

Letters, which are now being sent out from the office of Premier Fleming, to members of the house no longer to go Mr. M. P. P., but rather to Mr. M. L. A., and it is the intention to make the practice general. The letters M. P. P. are supposed to stand for member of provincial parliament, but there is no provincial parliament in the province.

Preparations for the opening of the approaching session next Thursday are going on and this morning the portrait of ex-Governor Hon. L. J. Tweedie was hung with the other portraits of former lieutenant-governors in the assembly chamber. Mr. Tweedie's portrait occupies a position near the gallery.

It is understood that J. Duff Mitchell of Lincoln, Stanley county, has been appointed an engrossing clerk at the legislature, succeeding L. H. Bliss, now postmaster of Fredericton. There will be but few other changes in the list of officials for the House. The names will be Messrs Leland Lister, Frank Williams and Roger Dever.

BRITISH STATESMAN REPORTS FAVORABLY ON CANADIAN ACT

London, Feb. 6.—Sir George Aske, chairman of the industrial commission, who went to Canada last August on behalf of the British government, to investigate the industrial dispute act, with a view to its introduction in Great Britain, Sir George says, "The spirit and intent of the legislation is the more valuable portion of the act, and an act on these lines, even if restrictive features, which aim at delaying a stoppage of work were omitted, would be suitable and practicable for this country. The Canadian act is valuable to a country of employers and employees."

MONTEAL ALLEGED GRAFT CASE TAKEN BY COMMISSION

Montreal, Feb. 6.—That he had been repeatedly informed that Ald. Napoleon Giroux had got \$5,000 of the \$7,000 alleged graft, in connection with the purchase of a Long Point school site by the Catholic school commissioners, was the burden of a hearsay Achille Laurin before the royal commission appointed by the superintendent of education to look into the charges made.

Mr. Laurin is the man who first made the charge of graft and on whose information Le Pays, a local French weekly paper based the articles denouncing the whole deal of the graft. Mr. Laurin's testimony occupied practically the whole of the day's session, dealt with what he knew of the transfer of the land from Julien Therrien to the school board. The case will be continued.

APPEAL DISMISSED.

London, Feb. 6.—The House of Lords today dismissed the appeal of the American Thread Company against the judgment of the court of appeals in Great Britain. The amount involved is \$900,000.

FAMOUS WALL OF CONSTANTINOPLE—IT WON'T STAND MUCH BATTERING BY MODERN GUN



This is a part of the famous fighting wall of Constantinople, from a photograph recently taken. This wall contains 116 towers, most of them in the condition the picture shows. It extends for five miles from the Sea of Marmora overland around Constantinople to the Golden Horn.

WILL SEARCH FOR GOLD VEIN NEAR TOBIQUE

M. K. Craig to Make Expedition to Headwaters of River—Hopes to find Lost Giberson Mine.

Special to The Standard.

Fredericton, Feb. 6.—Grand Master A. U. Knowlton, pair trustee, Dr. Thomas Walker, grand secretary, Twining Hatt and other prominent Masons from St. John arrived tonight and paid an official visit to Hiram Lodge, F. and A. M. of this city.

The resignation of Eustace Church as police magistrate of the town of Millville has been accepted by the provincial government.

Geo. D. Prescott, M. L. A., for Albert, and others are applying for incorporation as the Lumsden Mining Co., Ltd., with \$499,000 authorized capital to carry on a mining business in Albert County.

Messrs. Wm. Bell and W. Benjamin Bell, of the Parish of Wakefield, Carleton county, have assigned to Sheriff Tompkins.

M. K. Craig, of Perth, was in the city yesterday en route to the Tobique River to engage in a search for gold near Wapogashan. He is a civil engineer and has been employed in the west for some time past. He is said to be a near relative of the man named Giberson, who caused considerable excitement a few years ago when he announced that he had found gold on the Tobique River. Giberson died at St. John a short time after he had made the discovery, and it is said that before his death he informed his wife of the location of the gold vein.

Craig is of the opinion that gold in paying quantities will be found at the head waters of the Tobique within a very short time.

BULGARIANS SLAUGHTER 5000 TURKS IN GALLIOLI

London, Feb. 6.—A Constantinople despatch to the Daily News says that heavy fighting has been going on for two days in Gallipoli and that the Bulgarians have won all along the line.

The Turks, on their own admission, have lost 5,000 men. The fighting began on Tuesday. The Bulgars advanced from Keikulei towards Kavak, which the Turks occupied. The fight lasted until evening, when the Turks retired to Bulair. Another Bulgar force on the Marmora coast occupied Myriophyto. It is reported that the Bulgars before leaving Rodosto burned all the military buildings.

CONFESSION FREES WOMAN FROM PRISON

Murderer Admits Guilt and Innocent Prisoner Given Liberty—Thought of Woman Suffering Made Him Own Up.

Louisville, Ky., Feb. 6.—Magpie Getman, held in the Minneapolis jail on charge of murdering Fred Wescott of that city, on July 6 last, is absolved by a confession Hubert Jacobs is said to have made to the Louisville police today.

Jacobs, 20 years of age, had been arrested here on a grand larceny charge and the alleged confession was obtained when the police pressed him for an explanation of statements that seemed to indicate he knew he might be wanted for crime elsewhere. Jacobs, who has a wife, and a police record here, is said to have declared that the thought of the innocent woman in jail for murder done by him prompted him to make his confession.

The Minneapolis authorities have notified the police here that an officer will be sent for Jacobs.

SENATE MAY REPEAL FREE SHIP CLAUSE

President-elect Wilson's Attitude Expected to Effect Senate's Action in Panama Canal Tolls Case.

Washington, Feb. 6.—President-elect Wilson's attitude on Panama Canal tolls, and free passage for American coastwise ships, is expected to have an important bearing upon the Senate's action on the Root amendment proposing the repeal of the free ship provision of the bill passed last August.

While the Democratic national platform advocated the remission of tolls to coastwise vessels, a number of leaders in the anti-free passage fight think some Democrats may be willing to vote for the repeal of the provision now, so that the subject may be left open when Mr. Wilson takes office.

The Root amendment will be taken up by the Senate committee on Interior tomorrow. Senator Root will be heard later. It is possible that other hearings will be given to advocates and opponents of the provision.

While the advocates of the Root amendment do not count upon securing enough votes in the committee to favorably report it, the proposal probably will come before the Senate either through a minority report or upon the demand of some Senator.

Senator Newlands, an advocate of the no-toll provision, today introduced a joint resolution and bill, defining the attitude of the United States as to foreign shipping. They would establish definitely the principle that the tolls remitted to American vessels shall not be charged against foreign ships or to pay the cost of the operation of the canal.

Under the Newlands bill the portion of the cost of canal operation charged to foreign shipping would be proportional to the amount of foreign tonnage passing through the waterway.

MAY PROCLAIM MARTIAL LAW IN COAL FIELDS

Charleston, W. Va., Feb. 6.—The coal strike situation in the Cabin Point Creek Districts of Kanawha county, caused apprehension among state officials today. Following the shooting up of Acme, W. Va., late Tuesday night bullets were fired into Coal River, W. Va., today by persons concealed on the mountains.

A thorough investigation of present conditions is being made as to whether it would be advisable to send militia into the strike zone under a recent proclamation of martial law declared by Governor Glascock, and never lifted.

ANOTHER BIG GAS WELL IS FOUND.

Special to The Standard.

Moncton, Feb. 6.—Another big gas well was struck in the Stoney Creek field yesterday. At a depth of 115 feet the gas pressure was so strong that drilling had to be suspended and the well was capped. The capacity is estimated at 1.3 million feet a day. The new well is a short distance from No. 13.

WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE BILL

Jefferson City, Feb. 6.—After women had argued all afternoon and late into the night in favor of the proposed constitutional amendment giving them the right to vote, both Senate and House committees of the legislature decided tonight to report the bill favorably.

PASTOR RUSSELL'S LIEBEL SUIT

Hamilton, Ont., Feb. 6.—A new summons in the charge of libel laid by Rev. C. T. Russell, of Brooklyn, N. Y., against Rev. J. J. Ross, pastor of St. James street Baptist church, was served today, and Mr. Ross will appear in the police court in the morning.

SIR WILFRID TIRES OF GRIT FACTION FIGHTS

RECORD BREAKER ON HUDSON RIVER.

Albany, N. Y., Feb. 6.—With a record of 317 consecutive days of navigation of boats on the Hudson River between Albany, Troy and New York, the boats made their last through trips today. This year's continuous navigation record exceeded the former record established in 1810, by 18 days.

RAILWAYS TO OBEY DECREE TO DISSOLVE

Union Pacific and Southern Pacific Plan to Part Company—U. P. Will Sell Its Stock Holdings.

New York, Feb. 6.—Plans for the dissolution of the Union Pacific Railroad Company and the Southern Pacific Company as decreed by the United States Supreme Court, were officially announced in detail tonight after a protracted session of the directors of the two companies.

The terms are said in a statement issued jointly by the roads to have the approval of Washington and the agreement now awaits confirmation of the court in the federal district, where action was originally taken, and by the railroad commission of the State of California, in accordance with recent intimations the severance of Union Pacific and Southern Pacific's purchase of the Central Pacific, which has been the bone of contention between the two principal roads of the Harriman system.

The agreement also provides for the sale of all the Southern Pacific stock by Union Pacific at 98 1/2 cents per share, with accrued dividend to the stockholders, common and preferred of the Union Pacific and Southern Pacific other than the Union Pacific and Oregon short line. It is understood that a syndicate has been formed under the lead of Kuhn Loeb and Co., and their foreign connections to finance the sale of Union Pacific's holdings of Southern Pacific, amounting to \$126,650,000.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 6.—While no formal statement was forthcoming, officials of the department of justice indicated that the plan for dissolving the Union Pacific-Southern Pacific merger, agreed upon by the two roads would be approved, in all probability, by Attorney General Wickersham. The attorney general held a long distance telephone conference late in the day with representatives of the railroads in New York, who outlined to him the basis of the agreement.

The views of Mr. Wickersham were well known to the roads as the result of several weeks' negotiations.

SUFFRAGETTE SCENE IN HOUSE OF COMMONS.

London, Feb. 6.—A suffragette scene occurred in the House of Commons tonight. While division was being taken R. D. Harben, a well known Socialist and Liberal, shouted from the strangers' gallery, denunciations of the government's treatment of women and together with another similar disturber he was ejected.

U. S. WILL RENEW ARBITRATION TREATY.

New York, N. Y., Feb. 6.—The chamber of commerce today adopted a resolution calling upon the president and senate of the United States to renew the arbitration treaty made between this country and Great Britain in 1908. The treaty will expire June 5 next.

GARMENT WORKERS USE BOMB IN BATTLE WITH OFFICER

Mob Demonstrating in Interest of Strikers Injure Two and Damage Building.

New York, Feb. 6.—A mob demonstrating in the interest of garment makers on strike from shops in the Williamsburg section of Brooklyn employed a bomb as a weapon in their renewed warfare that the police tried to check today. Edward Hartman and John Hopp, two special officers guarding a shop affected by the strike, were seriously hurt by glass and scrap iron contained in the infernal machine, and were taken to a hospital. They were knocked senseless when the explosion wrecked the front of the building, precipitating a panic among the operators.

A police sergeant and five patrolmen were beaten by the mob. Reserves arrived in a patrol wagon and dispersed the strikers, after a struggle in which five men and two girls were made prisoners.

A thousand operators returned to work in a number of shops throughout the city today after remaining on strike for more than a month. All their demands, including better pay and shorter hours of work, were granted, their leaders said.

Thomas Rickert, of Chicago, president of the United Male Garment Workers of America, declared that by Sunday a vote after remaining on strike for more than a month, among the strikers regarding the peace proposals of the employers. He expressed a hope that the idle men and women will vote to resume their places next week.

Opposition Leader's Cold Does Not Explain His Absence.

PARTY DIVIDED ON NAVY BILL

Ministerial Caucus to be Held Today—Naval Debate Up Yesterday with Liberals Talking—The P. E. I. Land Car Ferry

Special to The Standard.

Ottawa, Feb. 6.—The first ministerial caucus since the holidays will be held tomorrow morning when it is probable that arrangements for improving the rate of progress in the House will be considered. The course of the naval debate in the last few days has been such as to confirm the impression that the opposition has decided upon a policy of time-killing. The floor of the House has been left to Liberal speakers who are doing a lot of talking without contributing anything new.

The first object of this course seems to be to provide time for hearing what is said to be a very wide breach in the Liberal ranks. Liberal members do not to a man approve the Laurier naval conception, and it is evident enough some of them would welcome an opportunity to put the whole question where the government was disposed to keep it, out of politics.

From now on it is expected that late sittings will be the order. A beginning was made last night.

Why is Sir Wilfrid's Absent? One of the most significant features of the situation is the continued absence of Sir Wilfrid Laurier from the House. The explanation given of this is that the opposition leader has a cold. The unofficial explanation given is that he is sick and tired of the course dictated by a few of his former colleagues most of whom do not now occupy places in the firing line. Sir Wilfrid Laurier is quite well enough to attend to his correspondence and to see one or more of his more trusted supporters from time to time. The physical difficulties involved in the policy of obstruction do not appeal to him, and he has little stomach for the long succession of late sittings.

The naval debate was resumed today and again dragged along without any striking features to record. The Liberals are evidently prolonging the debate in the hope of drawing attention from a real collapse which has overtaken them on this question from divided counsels on the subject with which they are afflicted.

The P. E. I. Car Ferry.

A number of questions were answered at the opening of the house. Hon. Mr. Cochrane stated that on January 8th last the contract for the Prince Edward Island car ferry was awarded to Sir W. G. Armstrong, Whitworth and Co. of Newcastle-on-Tyne. The price is £138,000. Swan Hunter and Wigham Richardson and Co. of Wallsend-on-Tyne tendered for £140,000. Canadian Vickers tendered for a smaller type of vessel at £124,480 and £110,700. The indicated horsepower will be 7,000. It is expected that the service will be commenced in 1914. Plans and specifications are being prepared with regard to piers and other conveniences.

In reply to another question he said that some dredging will be required in connection with the service. Sir Emmerson found out that owing to delays by the contractors there has been delay in supplying some of the mechanical trammings with their winter suits.

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