

## ESKI-SHEHRS BATTLE MADE GREEK HISTORY

It Was Here That Hellenic Army Crowned Its Offensive Against the Turks.

Eski-Shehr, Asia Minor, Aug. 15.

The battle of Eski-Shehr probably will remain an epic in modern Greek history. It was here that the Hellenic army crowned its smashing ten-day offensive against the Turks by vanquishing 14 divisions of Mustafa Kemal and scattering his legions in disorder toward Ankara. Some regard it as one of the most decisive battles in all of Greece's long-time of struggles.

Seven Greek divisions shared the honor of the victory. The Third Army Corps, commanded by General George Polymachos, covered itself with especial distinction. The same army corps was the first to occupy Kemal's other great stronghold, Kutahia.

The Turks had sought to lay a trap for the Greeks. They retreated from Eski-Shehr at the afternoon of July 19, and took up positions in the hills just outside the town. It was their intention to return to the city in a few days, when the Greek forces should be well within the town.

At noon on July 21, believing that most of the Greek troops would be caught unaware within the city, Kemal with all his available troops launched a spirited attack from a point eight kilometers to the north of the town.

The Turks descended from the crest of the long range of hills which encircle Eski-Shehr, like wolves bearing down upon a sheepfold. Eski-Shehr was too great a prize to be given up lightly. Not only is the town strongly fortified, but it is an important railway head and links Constantinople with Ankara. The town was peacefully upon the broad wheat-covered plain, the surrounding mountains combining to form a vast amphitheatre around its environs. It was a perfect setting for a battle. The weather was ideal. Within the city the population was preparing quietly for luncheon, with no thought that a struggle was about to ensue. Only the hum of Greek airplanes overhead shattered the repose of the lethargic Turkish town.

The Greeks had taken up positions on the outskirts of the city. They themselves had planned an offensive that afternoon. So the Turks found their adversaries more than prepared. Along lines of Kemal's troops could be seen crawling down from the summits of the mountains in serpentine fashion. The Greeks charged to their positions and awaited the order to fire. The Greeks leveled themselves for the onslaught.

The Turkish guns were roaring out a fierce volley. Their aim was accurate and deadly. Scores of Greeks could be seen falling. By degrees the Kemalists advanced until they were within five kilometers of the city. Their artillery was especially effective. The Greek troops then got into action and answered the murderous cannon and rifle fire that met them. Their work was described by neutral military observers as superb.

In spite of the shattered lines and machine-gun fire of the Greek infantry, however, the Turks were getting nearer and nearer to the city. Their shells were breaking within the streets. The population became panic-stricken. Some fled in terror to the cellars of their homes. Groups of men surrounded the Associated Press correspondent and sought some word of encouragement from him. "Would the Turks retake the city?" That was the question that worried them. For a time the situation looked dark.

But the Greek reserve divisions had not yet been heard from. They had been cleverly deployed around the city at the most advantageous strategic points. They were hurriedly brought up to the first lines where their rifles and machine guns did deadly work. The Turks, then within three kilometers of the city, fell back.

"Are they coming back?" the distressed Christian population kept repeating. Only the Greek troops could answer.

Three Greek divisions of infantry were now pouring a merciless stream of fire into the Turkish ranks. They were joined by the cavalry.

Slowly the Kemalists began to yield their ground. By this time they were outnumbered two to one by the Greeks and the odds were becoming greater. Mortals could not stand such a continuous barrage of bullets. Kemal put up a brave and determined fight, but it was apparent he had not reckoned upon so great a host.

Additional units of Greek infantry made their appearance until it seemed as if a dozen divisions were in action. As the fury of the fire increased, the Turkish lines began to thin out. Those who were not killed turned and fled toward the mountains.

The Greek forces swept on and drove the remainder into the recesses of the mountains. It was a day of triumph for Hellenic arms.

After the battle it was found the Greeks had nearly annihilated three of Kemal's finest divisions. One Greek regiment of cavalry, in a day's charge, slew 400 Turks with this sabre. The total Turkish casualties, killed and wounded, were put at 12,000, while those of the Greeks were estimated at 8,500.

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## Continues To Erect Houses

With Enough Money to Retire at 72 Years, Still Keeps Up His Work.

New York, Sept. 17.—(Associated Press.)—Although entering his 72nd year with enough money to retire and take up golf, Frank D. Johnson of Brooklyn continues to erect houses all by himself and sell them.

For the last fifty years he has worked 10 and 12 hours a day at this pursuit and now is putting up a one-man house on Gravesend avenue. No hands but his own have touched the structure since it started.

Last July while he was working on the house, it was struck by lightning. Digging himself out of the debris, Johnson rubbed some ammonia onto his bruises and was back on the job the next day.

Born in Boston of Revolutionary War stock, Johnson expects to live to 100. He has all but two of his original teeth and scarcely a hair has fallen from his head.

"I could have knocked off at any time if I had done so I would now be resting in some graveyard," was the way Johnson put it.

Besides being a stonemason, bricklayer, carpenter, plasterer, plumber, tinsmith, painter, paper hanger, decorator, glazier, electrician, wood carver and cabinet maker, Johnson studied all the ins and outs of laws governing real estate, so as to save all title searching and allied fees.

"Returning Sanity"  
Seen In Politics

Revival of Party Feeling  
Hopeful Sign, Says Hon. Mr. Rogers.

Toronto, Sept. 16.—Hon. Robert Rogers in a statement issued in Toronto on Saturday, declared his opposition to Group Government and his pleasure that people are returning to old party lines.

"This to my mind is the greatest possibility hopeful sign of returning sanity," he said. "The most casual observer must be fully conscious of the danger of the system of group government. While party government has its defects, still we must remember its many virtues and we must never forget that it was serious party competition in the past that made Canada what it is today."

"We must also remember that no group, whether Farmer, Labor or any other group, can live and prosper within themselves. To avoid the shoals and breakers that are ahead of us, requires the most matured as well as the most dispassionate thought and businesslike consideration on the part of every Canadian citizen."

"Canada's great opportunities and great possibilities for development, must be attacked with that decision and that determination that will inspire a spirit of national confidence everywhere—without confidence, we cannot hope for success—our wheels of industry must not be allowed to longer remain silent. They must be kept whirling. Pay-day must come around with regularity and profit must continue if Canada is to grow and prosper."

War of Tariffs.

"My tariff opinions are well known; they have not changed. For example some three years ago, I told a Toronto audience that, in my opinion, for the future, we were sure to live in an age of war of tariffs, in which every country would be trying how best it could to get the greatest possible protection for its industries and at the same time, the greatest possible advantage to the market of its neighbors. I ventured to point out that there was no use deluding ourselves with the idea that the different nations would return to the same peaceful economic conditions which previously prevailed and that Canada would be guilty of gross folly if she did not then and at once prepare to enter such competition with the same weapons which her neighbors were using against her."

"Self-preservation is the first law of nature. It is a mighty fine thing to have the right kind of tariff when we are threatened with foreign tariffs and such. I expressed myself as being in favor of a national policy that would admit of no class or sectional being exploited by any other class or section. A policy broad enough to provide with advantage the agricultural development, industrial development and the labor interests of our country."

ADVICE FOR BACK-ACHE.

When stooping hurts, when lifting and bending causes distress that's the time to rub in lots of "Nerviline." Usually a couple of applications brings grateful relief. No liniment more soothing, more certain to kill muscular rheumatism, or sciatic pains. Thousands of homes rely on good Old Nerviline for cramps, colic, dysentery, and external muscular pains. Large 35 cent bottles for sale everywhere.

"Days are getting shorter," announces the St. Joseph Gazette, except the one before payday."

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## BRONCHIAL ASTHMA

Choking and Gasping for Breath  
Relieved by "FRUIT-A-TIVES"



MRS. PENNINGTON.  
New Rockland, N. P.

"In 1919, I was taken with Bronchial Asthma and no one knows what I suffered with it during the winter. I began having choking spells—gasping for breath and could not speak. I would have one of these bad spells in the evening, one during the night, and one in the morning. The doctor said he could do nothing for me."

"In the spring of 1920, I started taking 'Fruit-a-tives' and in a few days the choking spells stopped, and I have had none since May 7th, 1920. I have so wanted to tell other sufferers who have the same trouble about 'Fruit-a-tives' for I know how they must suffer."

Some thought the Asthma would come back on me as winter came on but it has not, thanks to 'Fruit-a-tives.' MRS. J. M. PENNINGTON, 50c a box, 6 for \$3.50, trial size, 25c. At dealers or sent postpaid by Fruit-a-tives Limited, Ottawa.

HILLSBORO

Hillsboro, N. B., Sept. 15.—Rev. H. A. Goodwin of Canterbury Methodist church, St. John, and field secretary for the department of evangelism and social work of the Methodist church, was here this week assisting in organization work for high mass of requiem, celebrated by Very Rev. Dean Collins. Interment was in Holy Cross cemetery. The floral and spiritual offerings were numerous.

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## Soviet System Fails Under Fire of Irish Humor

Workmen Glad to Return  
Seized Factory After Running It at a Loss.

Dublin, Sept. 15.—Irish humor is the best antidote for the Russian type of Bolshevism. That was shown today in the final settlement between the "capitalists" and workers in Cork after a brief soviet experiment.

Recently workmen in a large milling concern seized the plant and later employees of a big bakery took the shop over from the owners. They declared sweeping reductions in prices and drew up a plan whereby the men would share in the profits. The workmen in other industries refused to follow their example but looked humorously on as the experiment began. Taking advantage of the reduced prices they began buying furiously, many buying in stocks of flour and meal for months to come. As a result the "soviet" workers soon were putting in far more than their usual hours and when pay day came around they found they had cut their profits down until there was left less per share than their former wages.

Immediately after the first pay day the head of the "soviet" opened negotiations with the owners to take the two plants of their hands, declaring the scheme worked out to the benefit of everybody but themselves. The owners accepted but demanded that the workmen reimburse them for their loss of profits during the soviet regime. And so anxious were the workers to get back to their old wages and hours that in the final conference today they agreed that the owners should take damages pro rata out of their future wages.

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## Paris Police Going To Change Clothes

Uniforms Now Quite Dignified But Hinder Speed in 440 Yard Sprint.

Paris, Sept. 17.—The Paris police—known as "agents"—are going to change their clothes. Their uniforms are quite dignified, but they have found that a high-collared, long-tailed double-breasted uniform doesn't add to their speed in a 440-yard sprint after an offender.

They object, too, that criminals are "quick on the draw." Several designs of costume and material are being tried out on some of the men so as to develop new models.

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## Prisoners Render Zeppelin Useless

Dimmed Owned by France.  
Put Out of Business by German Prisoners.

Paris, Sept. 15.—The former German Zeppelin L-78, now called the Dixmude, owned by France and stationed at Cuers-Pierrefeu, near Toulon, has been rendered useless through sabotage attributed to German common-law prisoners in that district. The crew discovered a gradual deflation was taking place and found that all six of the interior balloons had been tampered with so as to cause a slow collapse.

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