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FOUCH READY TO ACT IF HUNS REFUSE TO SIGN THE TREATY

Paris.—The fact that Marshal Foch and the allied commanders have agreed upon the military and naval steps which will be taken in the event the Germans refuse to sign the treaty has made a good impression upon the country and the tendencies which are becoming daily manifest in favor of firm alliance, at any rate, until the peace terms have been executed, are greeted with great satisfaction.

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CHAPTER I.—K. C. Rickard, an engineer of the Overland Pacific, called to the office of President Marshall in Tucson, Ariz. "Casey" is an engineer to the "Overland Pacific" and sends him a report on the ravages of the Colorado, despite the efforts of Thomas Hardin, the Desert Reclamation company. This Hardin had been a student under Rickard and had married Gerry Holmes, with whom Rickard had fancied he was in love.

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CHAPTER IV.—At the hotel he meets Mr. and Mrs. Hardin and Innes Hardin, Hardin's half sister. Disappointed in her husband and an incorrigible coquette, Mrs. Hardin sets her cap for her former lover and invites him to dinner.



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CHAPTER V.—Rickard visits the company's offices and takes control. He finds the engineers loyal to Hardin and hostile to Rickard. Rickard, however, is the "father of the Imperial Valley," tells him the general situation.

CHAPTER VI.—Rickard attends a meeting of the directors and asserts his authority. Hardin reacts. Rickard tells Rickard of his foreboding that his work will fail. "I can't see it finished."

CHAPTER VII.—Innes is discovered in her room. She meets up with Rickard, who is furious against Rickard.

CHAPTER VIII.—A family luncheon of the Hardins which throws light on them. CHAPTER IX.—Hardin discovers that Rickard is planning a levee to protect Colorado and puts him down as incompetent. Gerry thinks her lord jealous.

IMPORTANT NEWS THE WORLD OVER

IMPORTANT HAPPENINGS OF THIS AND OTHER NATIONS FOR SEVEN DAYS GIVEN

THE NEWS OF THE SOUTH

What is Taking Place in the Southland Will Be Found in Brief Paragraphs

Washington.—Three major generals of the regular army, Leonard Wood, Hugh L. Scott (retired), former chiefs of the general staff, and each of whom trained and commanded divisions during the war, and John J. Chamberlain, inspector general, opposed before the American Bar association committee inquiring into the subject of military justice, any plan of taking from the president and the commanding generals the control they now exercise over courts-martial.

Domestic.—Advantages of improved highways and their economical benefits were discussed at the sessions of the United States Good Roads Association, which convened at Mineral Wells, Texas, the speakers including United States Senator Morris Sheppard of Texas, Gov. R. G. Pleasant of Louisiana, and former Gov. George W. Donaghy of Arkansas.

European.—The situation in London that the situation in Turkey is causing grave concern. Internal disorder in Turkey, according to reports from Rear Admiral Webb, R. N., at Constantinople. It is feared there will shortly be outbreaks and massacres of the Armenian population on a large scale.

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MORE TROUBLE IN PEACE CONFERENCE

ASPIRATIONS OF ITALY SEEM INSURMOUNTABLE OBSTACLE TO FURTHER PROGRESS.

DELAY MAY BE OF BENEFIT

Marshall Foch Reports That Germany is to Send to Versailles Six Fully Accredited Representatives.

Paris.—The aspirations of Italy as regards the Adriatic sea coast still appear to be the insurmountable question before the council of four at the Paris peace conference. Discussion of the Italian claims was followed by two additional conferences, but as yet there apparently has been no breach in the deadlock over the demands which the Italians consider irreducible and the compromise offer of the other participants in the negotiations — Premier Clemenceau, David Lloyd George and President Wilson.

A delay of three days is in prospect for the meeting at Versailles between the representatives of the allied and associated powers and the German delegates for the delivery to the German delegation, Marshal Foch has been informed, cannot reach Versailles until April 25.

American Delegation Does Not Favor Alliance Idea.—The talk of the formation of an alliance to protect France from further aggression has been mentioned in high source in the American peace delegation that the United States will enter into no alliance which would be inconsistent with the spirit of the league of nations.

American Casualties on Archangel Front Are 528.—Archangel.—Since landing on the Archangel front last September, the Americans have suffered 528 casualties. Of these 196 were fatalities. The losses of the Americans on the North Russian front during the past month have been extremely light as most of the recent fighting has been done either by newly formed Russian troops, who are campaigning bravely, for the British.

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Poland, was announced by Premier Paderewski of Poland. An agreement was reached by the associated powers to send food to Russia under neutral control, but the French representatives made several reservations which will be considered soon.

The American embassy in Paris denies reports that important railway concessions in Russia have been obtained by Americans. Fourteen American and six French soldiers were killed when an express train carrying American troops crashed into a stationary train with French soldiers on furlough near Le Mans. Twenty-five Americans and twenty-two Frenchmen were injured. Le Mans is in the department of the Sarthe, west of Paris.

The plan of the council of four to have Belgium prosecute the former German emperor on the charge of responsibility for the war is meeting with objections, which are again bringing up the whole subject for revision. Those who have the matter in hand divide the question of war responsibility into two distinct classes. The first includes military and naval offenses against the usual rules of warfare. The second class includes former Emperor William, ex-Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg and others whose offense is chiefly of a political nature.

A petition asking for the punishment of the Germans responsible for the deportation of women from Lille, Roubaix and Tourcoing in the spring of 1916, will soon be handed to the peace conference. It is signed by fifteen thousand women. Acting Secretary of State Polk authorized the statement that no serious questions were pending between the United States and Japan, and that the indications were that minor issues arising from the situation in Siberia and the recent trouble at Tientsin, as well as peace conference problems, would soon be amicably settled without in any way straining the relations between the two countries.

Rear Admiral Knapp has reported to the navy department from London that the two enlisted men had been killed by a boiler explosion on the U. S. S. Beukelsdijk. President Wilson has directed the industrial board of the department of commerce and the railroad administration to reopen discussion of price stabilization and endeavor to find a common ground on which they can agree. Chairman Peck announces that the board will take up the question with the railroad administration immediately.

Buy War Saving Stamps.—The decision of the United States government to appoint Hugh S. Gibson, secretary of the American embassy in Paris, as the first minister to

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