

TURKS' LOSSES PUT AT 40,000, SAYS DISPATCH

ST THAT MANY WHEN ERZERUM WAS CAPTURED

Turks Pursuing the Fleeing Turkish Forces in Three Directions. AMER ARE REPORTED AS NEARING TREBIZOND Russian Duma Meets for the First Time Since Last September.

Turks lost heavily in the fighting resulting in the capture of Erzerum by the Russians, according to a dispatch today, which estimates their losses as 40,000 killed, wounded and prisoners.

Following their victory energetically, the Russians are pursuing the Turkish forces westward from Erzerum, as far as the north and south, as the Turkish forces have split and fled in all directions. The different Turkish forces, according to Petrograd advices, have been cut off from communication with each other, while the Russians are reported to have solidified their lines so that their advance is becoming a forward drive along the Black Sea coast.

At the north, Trebizond is threatened, the Russians having pushed into the Black Sea ports in their operations along the coast, while the Turkish forces from Erzerum are retreating toward the coast city.

Military operations in European Turkey are continuing relatively unimportant, no extensive movements being reported on either the western or eastern fronts so far as the official reports indicate, while conditions in the Balkans are relatively quiet.

Petrograd, the Russian Duma met today. It has not been in session since last September.

AN ARMY SCHOOL FOR EVERY STATE

Washington, Feb. 22.—North Carolina will have an adjunct to the West Point Military Academy if the provision of the army appropriation bill as passed by the House is carried into effect. The plan, introduced by Representative McKellar, of Tennessee, establishing military colleges for the various States in the Union, was adopted by the committee today. It provides that the federal government shall give to each State in the Union \$80,000 and the States themselves appropriate \$40,000 and provide a place of instruction for those desiring to enter into the military service. The school will be free of cost and bind themselves to be at the call of the government for seven years after graduation. Each county in the State of North Carolina will be expected to contribute \$100,000 to this military institution, the balance will be picked by a commission consisting of the Secretary of War, an army officer and a civilian appointed by the president of the United States.

WILL PROBABLY ADJUST MATTER

Differences Between Greece and Entente Allies May Be Smoothed Out.

Differences between Greece and the entente allies over military questions appeared to be in a way to be smoothed out as the result of a visit of General Sarrail, the French commander in the Balkans, to King Constantine. The King has expressed himself as confident that the intervention of the French general would mark the first step toward the settlement of difficulties.

The Austrians are continuing their advance over Italian territory. The latest reports were from the province of Brescia and towards Milan. Some reports said four were killed and wounded, with only slight material damage. The British delegation to the Anglo-French parliamentary committee in Paris today its conferences in Paris with an equal number of French senators and deputies, the object being a discussion of the conduct of the war with a view to the guidance of the parliaments of the two nations.

FIVE LIVES LOST IN FIRE IN NEW YORK

New York, Feb. 22.—Four men and a woman lost their lives today in a fire which destroyed a theatrical boarding house above a restaurant in the theater section of this city. Early reports said that a number of the actors and actresses who were stopping in the house had perished, but the dead were identified later as employees of the boarding house and Thomas Kratsas, one of the proprietors.

MANY CITIES GET RADIO MESSAGE

Sent to Coast, More Than 2,000 Miles From Starting Point, in Hour and Half.

Chicago, Feb. 22.—The message sent by wireless to the governors of the States and mayors of the large cities at 11 o'clock last night from Davenport, Ia., as a demonstration of the radio preparedness of the country's 25,000 licensed amateur operators, reached the remotest parts of the country thru various relays, according to advices received here today.

On account of the number of relays, it required about an hour and a half to send the message to the Pacific coast, more than 2,000 miles from its starting point. The message, which was authorized by the United States government and signed by Col. W. A. Nicholson, commander of the Rock Island Arsenal, is as follows: "A democracy requires that a people who govern and educate themselves should be so armed and disciplined that they can protect themselves."

Boy Scouts were on hand today to deliver the message to the various executives throughout the country.

BAPTIST WOMEN MEET NEXT MONTH

Missionary Society to Hold Annual Session in Winston-Salem—100 Expected.

The ladies of the Baptist churches of the city are making big preparation for the entertainment of the delegates from every part of the State who will attend the annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society of the North Carolina Baptist State convention in this city next month. While the invitation which brought this gathering to Winston-Salem was extended by the Baptist churches of the city thru the society of the First Baptist church, other denominations are co-operating with the local committee in providing homes for the four hundred and fifty ladies that are expected to attend. Mrs. E. A. Lockette, chairman of the hospitality committee, has received requests from many members of other denominations asking that they be assigned delegates, and others who have relatives and friends who will attend the session have asked the privilege of entertaining them.

Program Being Prepared. The program for the sessions is now being prepared by the executive committee at Raleigh, with the co-operation of the local committee, and it is expected to be issued in pamphlet form within a few days. The meeting will begin on Tuesday, with the introductory sermon by some prominent minister of the State on Tuesday evening at the First Baptist church, where all the sessions will be held. The morning prayer and devotional service will be held each day, from Tuesday, March 21, until and including Friday, March 24, at 9 o'clock, followed by the business session at 9:30 o'clock. The Baptist churches of the city have also united to furnish lunch each day at the First Church to all the delegates and their hostesses, the desire being to relieve those interested of every strain possible, to the end that the best study possible can be put upon the deliberations of the conference.

The Day Meetings. The day meetings will be especially for the ladies, but the evening sessions will be open to the public and it is hoped that the men will make a special effort to attend these meetings. They will be featured by addresses by representatives of the State Mission Board, with headquarters at Raleigh; the Home Mission Board, with headquarters at Atlanta and the Foreign Mission Board, of Richmond. The addresses to be delivered at the evening meetings will be of the greatest moment in connection with the progress of the work of missions, and should be attended by the Baptists generally throughout the city. However, a cordial invitation is extended to all.

PRESIDENT AND LEADERS TALK OF GERMAN MATTER

Foreign Situation Is Grave, He Is Reported As Saying, But Not Critical.

U. S. WILL REMAIN FIRM IN POSITION

Insists That Merchantmen Have Right to Arm for Defensive Purposes.

Washington, Feb. 22.—Confidential advices from Berlin today indicate that Germany soon will inform the United States that her previous assurances that non-resisting liners will not be attacked without warning hold good for future submarine operations, provided, however, that such liners do not carry armament.

The German government will contend, the advices state, that what now is characterized as defensive armament really is offensive armament where submarines are concerned, and will propose discussion with the United States of what defensive armament properly may be.

As none of the British and French liners now clearing from American ports carry any guns whatever, such assurances from Germany will be in the nature of reassurances for the safety of the neutrals they carry, even under the terms of the new submarine campaign.

Last night's conference between President Wilson and Senator Stone and Representative Flood, chairman of the congressional committee dealing with foreign affairs, and Senator Kern, the Democratic floor leader, was said authoritatively today to have been held in order that the president might inform the congressional leaders of the status of the negotiations with Germany over the submarine warfare.

Senator Stone, it was said, asked to see the president to learn what the facts in the negotiations really were. The president thought that Senator Kern and Representative Flood should have the same information and asked them to be present.

The president told the three leaders that, while the foreign situation was grave, it was not critical. It is understood that he said the United States would remain firm in its position that merchantmen have a right to arm for defensive purposes.

The president does not believe there should be large discussion of the foreign situation of by congress because of the danger of embarrassing the negotiations being carried on by the State department.

How far such assurances will go towards meeting the State department's objection that the Lusitania agreement, at present drawn, applies only to the past and not to the future, probably only can be determined when they are formally laid before Secretary Lansing.

When the assurances are to be expected from Berlin was not disclosed but it is believed they will arrive here within the next few days. There was no intimation that the date set for the opening of the new campaign March 1 will be postponed, although this is regarded as a remote possibility.

There were intimations from official quarters that the United States would not permit the negotiations over the general subject of armed ships to be drawn out indefinitely. In reiterating assurances regarding the future conduct of submarine warfare, it is considered probable that Germany will state flatly that, in all the previous negotiations, it has been proceeding under the assumption that unarmed liners only were the issue and that it always understood that the question of armed merchantment did not enter.

GREGORY'S POSITION ON TRIAL OF TOM WATSON

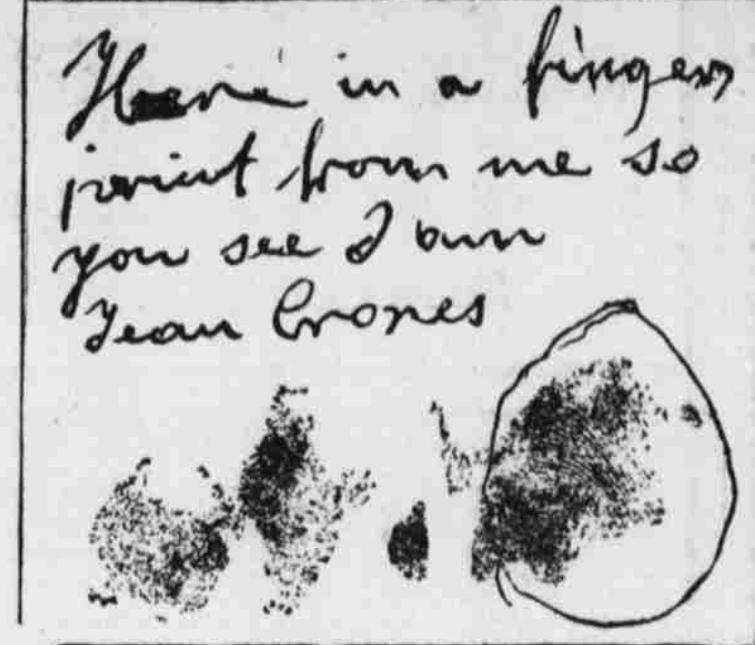
Washington, Feb. 22.—Attorney General Gregory last night made public a letter to Charles C. McCrory, of E. LaVille, Ga., stating the position of the department of justice in regard to prosecution of Thomas E. Watson, of that State, for alleged sending thru the mail of obscene and indecent matter. The letter answers protests of Georgia members of congress against reported plans of the department to prosecute Mr. Watson outside the State of Georgia on the ground that a fair trial could not be had in that State. Mr. Gregory makes it plain that he will not hesitate to institute criminal proceedings against Mr. Watson in other jurisdiction if he is convinced that federal statutes have been violated outside of Georgia, or that a fair trial cannot be had there. He says the department of justice has data to show that Mr. Watson has violated the section of the criminal code prohibiting the mails to obscene matter, and that neither threats nor slander will affect his duty as a public official in the case.

BULGARIA HAS MADE APOLOGIES TO GREECE

Athens, (Feb. 21, by way of Paris), Feb. 22.—The Bulgarian government has made apologies to the Greek government for the arrest of a diplomatic messenger and the seizure of the messenger's documents while the messenger was on his way from Constantinople to Athens.

Man Who Tried to Poison Archbishop Sends Finger Prints to the New York Police

(CRONE'S FINGER PRINTS.)



Jean Cronex, the anarchist, who put poison in the food served at the banquet at the University club of Chicago, given to Archbishop Mundelein, has started the New York and Chicago police by writing letters to a New York newspaper. His latest exploit was to send a long letter containing crude finger prints in a letter mailed in the heart of the business section of New York. Thousands of policemen were instructed to find him at any cost.

His second letter contains a postscript in which he defied the Chicago police. It read as follows: "I am glad that the spies from Chicago are coming, then I know better at what time to let 'er go."

Winston-Salem Citizens Asked to Aid Jews In the War Zone

What are the people of Winston-Salem going to do in the matter of aiding the suffering Jews of the war zone? On January 27th President Wilson called upon the people of the nation to contribute to the relief of the nine million Jews, mostly in Russia, who are suffering the greatest privations because of the war in which that country is involved. A few days ago The Sentinel announced the departure of the first ship laden with three million dollars worth of provisions under the protection of the American flag, for the relief of the Jews in the war zone. It will reach the places where help is most needed and many thousands will be relieved by this cargo. But, three million dollars will not go far when nine million people are suffering.

The local campaign for contributions to this fund has been on for nearly a month in this city, but as yet only a nominal sum has been contributed, while at other places, and with the campaign already closed, the contributions have aggregated thousands. Richmond contributed \$20,000; Danville gave \$5,000; Petersburg contributed \$5,000; Greensboro, several thousand; and Lumberton, with only about 3,000 population, contributed \$150.

In Winston-Salem, with a strong committee to handle the funds and remit the contributions to Mr. Caesar Cone, at Greensboro, who is appointed treasurer for North Carolina, less than seventy-five dollars has been contributed outside of that contributed by the Jewish families in Winston-Salem. The fund was to close on Monday, but feeling that there are those who want to have a part in this great work, the fund will be kept open for a few days longer. It is believed that the action of the Ministerial Association recently in endorsing the movement, and the appointment of some one in their congregations to solicit funds for this work, should swell this fund to compare favorably with other cities of this size, and that substantial relief will be given. The fund that has been sent to the Belgians, and contributions

FLOOD WORKERS IN LOUISIANA BEING RUSHED

SINKING OF BRITISH STEAMSHIP REPORTED.

London, Feb. 22.—The sinking of the British steamship Dingle is reported by Lloyds. There probably is only one survivor. No details have been received.

The Dingle was 503 tons gross and 170 feet long. She was built in 1914 and owned by the West Lancashire Steamship Company of Liverpool.

PREPAREDNESS IS CONSIDERED

National Committee of American Defense Society Discusses This Matter.

New York, Feb. 22.—More than a hundred members of the National Committee of the American Defense Society, representing all sections, met here today to consider problems of preparedness.

The program called for three sessions, the first of which was devoted to a discussion of military education. Dr. C. Ward Crampton, physical director of the New York public schools, presided.

Dr. Crampton, who has conducted a country-wide investigation of the physical fitness of boys for military service, prepared for submission to the commission a report showing that not more than one-fifth of the boys of the United States are properly prepared physically. In it he urged an immediate and aggressive campaign for their betterment and that preparatory and high schools should institute a military drill to be supplemented by instruction in the organism and use of the service rifles in camp life and duties of the soldier in the field.

ARMY MEASURES BEING DRAFTED

Senate Committee for Reorganization With Peace Strength of 160,000.

Washington, Feb. 22.—The army's part in the national defense legislation began to take definite form in congressional committees today.

With the House military committee in practical agreement on the outline of the army bill—with the federalization of the National Guard as a compromise for the continental army plan unanimously favored—Chairman Hay was at work completing the rough draft for detailed consideration by the committee tomorrow. He expected that the measure would be ready for presentation to the House within two weeks.

Meanwhile, the Senate committee was framing its measure for a thorough reorganization of the regular army with a peace strength of over 160,000 men. It is understood that the House committee will accept the large army plan of the Senate provided its scheme for federalizing the national guard is accepted.

The tentative House bill not only virtually grants the program mapped out by Secretary Garrison, but goes further in providing for a reserve military supplies.

WILL HOLD ANNUAL "HOME-COMING" DAY

Raleigh, Feb. 22.—A North Carolina Central Society to serve as a public and "quickening" spirit for North Carolina citizens in large cities in other States was formed here today. One of the biggest features will be the establishment of an annual "Home Coming Day," to be probably April 12, the first to be held in 1917.

The governor will be ex-officio president. The mayor of Raleigh will be active president. A committee on organization was formed. It will call later a meeting for permanent organization.

ORDERS PROHIBIT THE USE OF INTOXICANTS

Philadelphia, Feb. 22.—Orders prohibiting the use of intoxicating liquors by any of the 1,500 employees of the city water bureau while on duty were issued by Carleton E. Davies, the bureau chief, today. "Intoxication to any degree tends to numb a man's faculties and render him an inefficient and irresponsible employee," says Mr. Davies in a general announcement to foremen, superintendents and officials of the bureau. "Each responsible official will be held personally liable for carrying out these instructions to the letter."

RIVER LEVEL IS WEAKENED; MANY CALLS FOR HELP

Double Action Is Being Taken to Prevent a Break at Southwood, La.

NEED POWER BOATS IN WORK OF RELIEF

Strenuous Efforts to Rescue Inhabitants From the Flooded Areas.

New Orleans, La., Feb. 22.—Weakening of the Mississippi river levee at Southwood, La., eighteen miles below Baton Rouge, and appeals for aid in behalf of marooned inhabitants in Western Texas and Concordia parishes furnished a well filled program of activities for the flood workers today.

Reports received here from Southwood stated that double action was being taken to prevent a break in the levee as a result of a cave-in last night of a section at Capping. Two barges the report said, were anchored in the river and dirt was being placed in the cavity. On the outside of the levee forces of railway workers from Baton Rouge strengthened the embankment. That the alarm was given in time to repair the levee satisfactorily was the belief expressed by engineers in charge of the work early today.

Reports from Natchez today were that immediate efforts would be made to rescue inhabitants from the flooded areas from Western Texas and Concordia parishes, where the waters from Duck Ridge crevasse and from the Red river overflow marooned a great number of persons. Power boats were said to be needed to reach the people in isolated sections, although replays of scows, it was believed, could effect temporary relief.

EARTHQUAKE SHOCK FELT IN SIX STATES

An earth tremor of slight but distinct nature was felt in Winston-Salem by a number of citizens about 5:45 Monday afternoon. A press dispatch from Atlanta says the shock made itself felt thruout Georgia, Virginia and portions of eastern Tennessee and Alabama at the same hour. In no case was any damage reported and while in some instances persons hurriedly left buildings there was nothing in the nature of a panic. The only seismograph known to be in the South affected by the tremor is at Mobile, Ala., where the instrument recorded brief shocks. Most persons agreed that the tremor passed from east to west and was felt only momentarily. In Augusta, Ga., and several other places, however, three distinct shocks were reported. At other points only one tremor was felt. The earth shock did not reach Florida, or was so slight as not to be felt there, according to reports.

HOMAGE TO MEMORY OF GEORGE WASHINGTON

President Wilson and Other Officials Take Part in a Celebration.

Washington, Feb. 22.—Every agency of the American government passed today to do honor to the memory of George Washington in the capital which bears his name.

President Wilson, Secretary Daniels, Ambassador Jusserand and other national figures gathered at a celebration at Continental Memorial Hall under the auspices of associated patriotic societies.

Both houses of congress suspended business while Senator Johnson, of Maine, and Representative Baker, of California, read General Washington's farewell address with its poignant phrases warning against "insidious wiles of foreign influence," "mischief of foreign intrigues," and "the impostures of pretended patriotism." The farewell address has been read every year since congress for generations, but probably never before were Washington's words so closely applied to present day conditions. At Mount Vernon, on the Potomac, wreaths of flowers were laid on the tomb and many made pilgrimages to the mansion and reverently passed thru the rooms where he lived and died.

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