

Sebastopol Evacuated By Wrangel

All Available American Warships in Black Sea to Assist Refugees in Leaving Crimea. Troops Cheer Leader

Constantinople, Nov. 15.—Sebastopol fell to the Russian soviet forces at 5 o'clock Sunday evening after the evacuation plans had been fully carried out, according to word received here today. General Wrangel, it is stated, was the last to leave, going aboard the cruiser Korniloff, cheered by his troops.

Washington, Nov. 15.—All available American warships in the Black sea are to be used to assist refugees in leaving the Crimea in advance of the bolshevik armies.

Authority for such use of the ships was given by the State and Navy department upon the urgent recommendations of Rear Admiral McCully, commander of American warships in southern Russian waters.

It has not yet been determined where the refugees will be taken. At the State department it is believed that because of the epidemic of typhus at Sebastopol they might not be taken to Constantinople, but to one of the Greek islands in the Aegean sea.

Bolsheviks in City. Paris, Nov. 15.—Sebastopol has fallen the Russian bolsheviks having occupied the city last night, according to unofficial information received by the French foreign office.

The bolsheviks are reported to be masters of the whole Crimean peninsula. General Wrangel, members of his staff and M. Martel, French high commissioner at Sebastopol, were taken on board the French warship Waldeck Rousseau and are expected to arrive in Constantinople late tonight or tomorrow.

Refugees Seek Ships. Constantinople, Nov. 15.—Thirteen thousand refugees have arrived here from Sebastopol, but because of the lack of accommodations in the city, they are still aboard ships moored in the Bosphorus. Several thousand are due here, and it is understood 30,000 have been permitted to take passage from the Crimean city.

It was found impossible to provide ships for the entire population of 200,000. Two thousand wounded men also have arrived, and have been distributed among the French and Russian hospitals.

The United States destroyer Fox arrived here today with a party of 50 American Red Cross workers who have been engaged behind General Wrangel's lines. Hope is expressed that the Red Cross personnel will have been removed from danger by tonight.

Fragments of General Wrangel's army have been embarked on Russian and French warships.

British Art Neutral. London, Nov. 15.—As Great Britain has never recognized the Wrangel government in south Russia and now is proceeding with negotiations aiming at the opening of trade relations with soviet Russia, the British navy will continue to observe strict neutrality in the Black sea, it was stated today.

Reports from Constantinople that the British navy would assist in the blockade of Black sea ports were denied by the admiralty.

Belgian Elected President Of League at First Meeting

Paul Hymans Defeats Two Opponents by Overwhelming Vote—Assembly Greeted by Ringing of All Church Bells in City—Socialist Provokes Debate.

Geneva, Nov. 15.—Paul Hymans of Belgium was elected permanent president of the league of nations at the opening session of the league's assembly here. He received 35 votes to four for President Motta of Switzerland and one each for ex-President Ador of Switzerland and Leon Bourgeois of France.

M. Hymans had called the delegates to order and introduced President Motta of Switzerland, who, in his address welcoming the delegates, expressed the hope that the United States would not delay much longer in taking its legitimate place in the league.

Church Bells Ring. The first session of the league assembly was greeted with the ringing of all the bells in Geneva after several minutes silence on the part of all the people of the canton. President Motta of Switzerland was followed by M. Hymans.

The socialist leader, Hjalmar Branting, head of the Swedish delegation, provoked the first debate by objecting to the election of Paul Hymans as president of the league by acclamation. M. Hymans himself decided the question, by holding that, since one member requested a secret vote he was entitled to it.

A more animated and more significant discussion grew out of the adoption of the Agenda. Lord Robert Cecil, who represents South Africa, held that the applications for memberships of Albania, Bulgaria and Austria which were received since the Agenda was made up, should be added to the agenda.

The assembly so decided after the French delegates, Viviaia and Bourgeois, had made it clear that the applications would be referred to a committee to be examined and a decision taken as to whether they would be received.

Will Establish Precedent. This reservation, it is contended, will establish a precedent so that if Germany's application is received later, the French delegates will be able to raise the question of eligibility at once.

Determination to meet intricate problems in world affairs. Wilson Told of Poor Riveting at U. S. Navy Yard

Witness Before Senate Committee Says He Was "Fired" For Reporting "Fierce" Work to President.

New York, Nov. 15.—Alleged defective riveting on ships constructed for the emergency fleet operation was not only called to the attention of President Wilson, but "evidence," in the form of a package of rivets, was sent to him, a witness before the Senate committee testified today.

The witness was Thomas H. Purcell, who described himself as an "expert riveter of the old school." In 1918 he was engaged as an inspector of hulls at the plant of the Submarine Boat Corporation. Some of the riveting work in this yard he described as "fierce." He said his superior would not support him in his contentions of poor work, therefore he sent President Wilson "some samples" in the form of defective rivets.

He could not say if the president ever saw the "evidence" but he did know he was "fired for sending it." "They gave me only just about enough time to get my clothes and get out of the yard," he said.

Later on he said the president answered his complaints through his secretary. As a result he was reinstated as an inspector and given his back pay. He was sent to the Standard Ship Building plant. "It was evident," the witness testified, "that my record had preceded me—for I found I was in bad favor there."

He also testified that the riveting situation at the latter plant was also "something fierce." He complained to his superiors, he added, without satisfaction. He then threatened to go direct to the fleet corporation headquarters at Philadelphia and was warned not to do so.

Names Faulty Ships. "I went to Philadelphia and was again fired," he added. The witness supplemented his testimony by exhibits of drawings by him showing rivets under varied conditions and by samples of rivets used in ship.

Defense of Slaying of Berman

Attorney for Mrs. Mike Tierney, Who Killed Son-in-Law, Will Plead Unwritten Law in Trial.

State Will Demand Death Penalty. Temporary insanity will be the defense of Mrs. Mike Tierney, on trial in District Judge Troup's court for the murder of Ray Dunlap, 27, her son-in-law, on September 24.

This was clearly indicated yesterday afternoon at the opening of the trial in which the state will demand the death penalty, by Eugene O'Sullivan, attorney for Mrs. Tierney.

"Are you prejudiced against a temporary insanity plea?" O'Sullivan asked each jurymen examined. Every mention of the death penalty called forth audible sobs from Margaret Tierney, the oldest daughter, who sat in the rear of the court room with one of the younger children on her lap.

Ethel, the sister whose elopement with Dunlap is given as the chief reason for the murder, sat with another of the younger children on her lap. Tears welled in her eyes, but she did not weep audibly as her older sister did.

Court Room Crowded. Both of the older girls were neatly and well dressed, as were the two younger children, Clara, 12, and George, 10, respectively. The court room was crowded. A majority were women. Mrs. Tierney is the mother of nine children. Two are dead and two grown sons are in the county jail on robbery charges. Four of the children were in the court room yesterday. Mrs. Tierney, neatly dressed, appeared calm and consulted frequently with O'Sullivan.

That the state anticipates O'Sullivan will inject the "unwritten law" into the trial, growing out of Mrs. Tierney's hatred of Dunlap because he married Ethel, her 16-year-old daughter, against her wishes, was indicated by questions asked by Assistant County Attorney Coffey in his examination of jurymen.

Unwritten Law Mentioned. "Would you heed the unwritten law in preference to the law laid down by the state?" was one question asked by the state.

"Has any member of your family ever married against your wishes?" was another question asked. The state indicated plainly that the electric chair would be insisted upon and questions directed at each jurymen brought out his opinion on the death penalty.

One man had a daughter who married against his wishes. He was dismissed. Eight men examined were prejudiced against the death penalty and two declared they were fathers with daughters who would be prejudiced in favor of the unwritten law as against the law of the land when the question of an elopement was mentioned. Eight men were in health of a daughter was concerned.

Grand Jury to Probe Panic in Theater in Which Six Lives Lost. New York, Nov. 15.—A grand jury will investigate yesterday's panic in an east side motion picture house, in which six children were trampled to death and a dozen injured.

This announcement was made today by District Attorney Swann, who asserted that he had learned certain theaters employed "professionals" to lead children into the city ordinance which prohibits children under age attending performances alone. Mr. Swann said he had learned these under "guardians" bought tickets for children and escorted them to their seats, reporting again outside the theaters for further duty.

Max Schwartz and Barnett Weinberg, proprietors of the theater in which the panic occurred, after smoke sitting up from a furnace had led to a false alarm of fire, and Joseph Polani, the janitor, were arraigned today in Tompkins court. They were charged that they caused several deaths through culpable neglect in having an exit door leading from the theater locked, and in failing to take proper precautions to safeguard their patrons.

Church Row Over Heat Is Settled by Police. Baton Rouge, La., Nov. 15.—Police were called to restore order at the First Christian church here yesterday after the pastor, Rev. A. B. Book, had announced that because there was no heat in the church building communion would not be administered. A large part of the congregation was in police court today either as witnesses or principals on charges of disturbing the peace, placed against them by the minister and several of his congregation.

Decision to remove the communion vessels was said by the authorities to have brought to a head factional differences in the church.

Eastern Railroads Cut Forces Working in Shops Albany, N. Y., Nov. 15.—Four hundred shopmen employe by the New York Central railroad company at the West Albany repair shops and 100 other workers will be laid off tonight, officials of the company announced, because of a slump in business.

The Boston and Albany railroad posted a notice that 100 per cent of its working force of 750 here would be made idle next Wednesday.

Action Needed More Than Words



Report of Wide Open Gambling Stirs Alliance

City Council Probes Alleged Failure of Police Captain To Turn Over Money Collected in Raid.

Alliance, Neb., Nov. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—Reports of gambling games alleged to have been running wide open here for a period of several months, together with alleged irregularities of local police in dealing with the supposed offenders, have aroused a storm of criticism from citizens, caused the threatened resignation of one member of the city council and resulted in a probe into the matter by the city authorities today.

The occasion for the hearing was the alleged failure of Officer Nova Taylor, night police captain, to turn over to the city \$105, bond money taken from seven alleged gamblers, until 12 days after he had received the money, according to statements made at the hearing today. Taylor and another officer raided the Greek club on the night of November 1, where they found several men around a table in the basement and discovered evidence of gambling.

Accepted Money. Officer Taylor is said to have accepted \$15 a piece from the seven men as appearance bonds and instead of turning the money into police court, placed it in a bank to his own account.

Twelve days later, following reports of other gambling games, he turned the money over to the city. It is alleged that he, himself, made out complaints against the men and filed them away in his desk without presenting them to the police magistrate. The alleged gamblers were never taken to the police station and never appeared for trial. Officer Taylor also did not inform the police judge of the results of the raid, it is said.

Many Complaints. The hearing was the culmination of a series of complaints of citizens that gambling games have been running in various parts of the city for months in open defiance of the law. It is generally known that an old delivery stable near the heart of town is used nightly as a rendezvous by the gamblers, but no arrests have been made. Rattling of the bones and the click of poker chips inside the barn at all hours of the night, have been reported. It is reported that large stakes are played for and that several men with families have gone bankrupt in the games at the barn.

Following the hearing today, Councilman F. W. Harris, cashier of the Alliance National bank, stated that he would resign from the city council unless steps were taken immediately to clean up the town.

Will Discuss Disposal of State G. O. P. Headquarters Lincoln, Neb., Nov. 15.—(Special.)—The executive committee of the republican state committee has been called to meet in the headquarters of the republican state committee Friday afternoon, November 19, at 2, to go over the work of the late campaign and arrange for the closing of headquarters, or if funds can be provided, to keep them open permanently.

Armenians Flee Toward Batum

Erivan, Capital of Republic, Evacuated; Appeal Sent For Relief.

New York, Nov. 15.—Erivan, capital of the Armenian republic has been evacuated, communications between the great railway junctions of Alexandropol and Tiflis, capital of Armenia, have been cut, completely isolating Armenia from the outside world and the road from Ardahan to Ardanauch is jammed with Armenian women and children fleeing down the valley of the Tchokrok river toward Batum, according to cable dispatches received by the headquarters of the Near East Relief.

At the same time, reports were received that Mustapha Kemal, at the head of the Turkish nationalist forces, operating against Armenia, has ordered the Georgian army to evacuate Batum on the Black sea and that the Georgian army has been mobilized to defend that port.

The first message reached the Near East Relief through Edouard Neville, president of the Near East Relief, secretary of the International Philanthropic conference now in session at Geneva, in conjunction with the assembly of the league of nations. It reads:

Ardasian-Ardanauch road jammed with Armenian women and children from Karand Alexandropol, fleeing before the army of Mustapha Kemal towards Batum. Armenian army has been forced to evacuate Erivan, its ammunition being exhausted. Georgia is mobilizing. Cycled countermeasures are being taken into Tiflis for possible safety. The Philanthropic league calls upon the International Red Cross, the Near East Relief and the local mayor's committee to rush food, medicines and clothing to Batum.

Benson Defends Work Of Shipping Board. Charleston, S. C., Nov. 15.—Replying to critics of the shipping board and emergency fleet corporation, Rear Admiral William S. Benson, chairman of the board, declared in an address before the South Atlantic Ports association, that his "fellow countrymen could depend upon it that no wrongdoer connected with the board 'will escape if his wrong is called to my attention.'"

"Not only have I insisted upon the close watch upon all matters," said Mr. Benson, "but I have followed the work of the shipping board in every part of the world with the one thought in mind that we are now reaching that crucial moment which spells either the success or failure of a permanent mercantile marine."

Woman Burned to Death In Furnace at Her Home. Marshalltown, Ia., Nov. 15.—Mrs. George A. eButte, 58, wife of the president of the Melbourn Savings bank, was burned to death in the furnace at her home Saturday, it was learned today. After missing her, Mr. DeButte began a search and found his wife's body wedged in the furnace door. She had been ill for some time and is believed to have committed suicide.

Two Accidentally Killed While On Hunting Trips

South Side Man Stumbles and Receives Fatal Charge; Bluffs Lad Dies of Wound.

George Kucheba, 26, 4111 South Thirty-eighth street, accidentally shot and killed himself Sunday noon while on his way from the home of his brother-in-law, John Stawneck, 2972 South Thirty-sixth street, to go hunting.

The two men had just left the home and were but a few blocks on their way when Kucheba, who was carrying his shotgun under his right arm, stumbled, according to Stawneck, and the gun struck the pavement and was discharged.

The shot entered the right arm pit. Stawneck called police surgeons when he reached home with his brother-in-law, but on their arrival Kucheba was dead. The county attorney was notified.

Daniel Kinney, jr., 18, 1244 Fairmount avenue, Council Bluffs, was shot late yesterday afternoon while hunting with his brother-in-law, Leo Kynett, and a companion, Truman Hansen, at the south end of Madison avenue.

The trio was walking through the brush, single file, with Kinney in the lead. Kynett carried his automatic pump gun by the balance. A shot rang out and Kinney fell.

The police were not notified. A private ambulance was called and the wounded man rushed to Mercy hospital, where he died.

It is believed a twig or branch caught the trigger guard, firing the shotgun.

Starts Suit to Foreclose Summer Resort Mortgages. Columbus, Neb., Nov. 15.—(Special.)—Suit to foreclose mortgages on the buildings and equipment at Shady Lake, a Columbus summer resort, has been started by Adam Smith in district court. Ed Branigan, who conducted the resort the past three years, is defendant.

Mail Theft Suspect Is Arrested

Man, Tallying With Description Given by Confessed "Dupe" in Robbery, Is Taken in Omaha.

Name Is Not Divulged. Federal operatives connected with the postal department late yesterday afternoon arrested a man in Omaha, suspected of being one of two men named Wheeler and Williams, who "double crossed" Merle Phillips, 20 son of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Phillips, 2121 Avenue F, Council Bluffs, after duping him to assist them in the robbery of \$20,000 worth of registered mail from a Burlington train in Council Bluffs Saturday.

Postoffice Inspectors Coble and Glenn, assisted by other federal officials, made the arrest on personal and description furnished by Phillips. The man was taken to the federal building in the Bluffs for examination and the officials refused to divulge his name or the location where the arrest was made. All were closed in the building until a late hour last night.

Made Full Confession. According to the postal inspectors, young Phillips made a full confession of his part in the robbery and gave a detailed account of the crime to assist the operatives in running down his two accomplices. He said that he met the men and planned the robbery in a pool hall near Fourteenth and Douglas streets in Omaha and that they promised him a share in the loot in return for his help.

Phillips has been employed for more than three years as a Burlington railway mail assessor. It was his duty to stack the pouches of mail in the cars after they had been filled by the postal clerks at the Union Pacific transfer. He had known the men but a short time when they proposed the robbery and he assisted them in planning it.

Instructed Men. His confession states that he instructed the men on how to obtain entrance to the registered mail cars, told them which car to enter and gave them other information which enabled them to stage the bold robbery. He boarded the train himself and rode from the transfer to the city station of the Burlington with the engineer, whom he knew. In this manner he acted as a guard, or lookout, for the confederates.

According to the story told by Phillips, his two accomplices did not board the train at the transfer station, but drove their automobile, a Nash car bearing a Nebraska license, alongside the train when it stopped at the seventh avenue between Sixteenth and Fourteenth streets, for the Illinois Central crossing and a dead switch.

Broke Into Car. One of the men broke out a window in the car, which was an ordinary baggage or "storage" car, and not one of the official mail type. Then unhooked the side door and opened it. The car was then filled with a few hundred feet of the Michigan boulevard skyscrapers. The girls died under circumstances indicating murder.

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Mysterious Deaths Of Stage Beauties Probed by Officer. Chicago, Nov. 15.—Two young and pretty actresses were dead today while police sought solution of the mystery surrounding their death early yesterday in Grant park, within a few hundred feet of the Michigan boulevard skyscrapers. The girls died under circumstances indicating murder.

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The bodies were found, just as the mysterious informant had said. Both girls' hair was matted with hairs, there are no blood stains on the kind in Grant park. The bodies were bruised and blood-stained.

James Meeks and Robert McCarthy, employes of a theatrical company playing here, identified the bodies as Miss Marie Alma Ramey, a stock show player and vaudeville actress, and Miss Lillian Thomson, also an actress. The girls were last seen in a grocery near the apartment where the quartet lived.

Meeks and McCarthy and two Italians, proprietor of the grocery, who said they had given the girls some drinks of wine, were detained by the police for questioning.

Monroe Man Will Serve In Two Public Offices. Columbus, Neb., Nov. 15.—(Special.)—Ed W. Mann of Monroe has the distinction of being elected to two separate offices at the November election. He was a successful candidate of both parties for justice of the peace in Osceola township and was elected police magistrate by the people of Monroe, who wrote his name on their ballots.

The county attorney said that he could find nothing in the law to prevent Mr. Mann from qualifying for and serving in both offices as there is no statute covering this particular case. Accordingly, the county clerk issued Mr. Mann certificates of election to both offices.

Royal Wedding in London. London, Nov. 15.—The wedding of the Honorable Piers Leigh, youngest son of Baron Newton, to Mrs. Alfred Shaugnessy, daughter-in-law of Lord Shaugnessy of Montreal, was celebrated at St. Peter's in Eton square.

The Weather

Forecast. Tuesday, fair with rising temperature. Hourly Temperatures. High Low. Omaha 45 35. St. Louis 45 35. Chicago 45 35. New York 45 35. Boston 45 35. Philadelphia 45 35. Washington 45 35. Denver 45 35. Salt Lake 45 35. Portland 45 35. Seattle 45 35. San Francisco 45 35. Los Angeles 45 35. Honolulu 45 35. London 45 35. Paris 45 35. Rome 45 35. Moscow 45 35. Tokyo 45 35. Manila 45 35. Singapore 45 35. Hong Kong 45 35. Shanghai 45 35. Yokohama 45 35. Kobe 45 35. Osaka 45 35. Seoul 45 35. Peking 45 35. Tientsin 45 35. Hankow 45 35. Canton 45 35. Singapore 45 35. Hong Kong 45 35. Shanghai 45 35. Yokohama 45 35. Kobe 45 35. Osaka 45 35. Seoul 45 35. Peking 45 35. Tientsin 45 35. Hankow 45 35. Canton 45 35.

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