

The European War Day by Day.

Italy at War With Turkey.

Rome, Aug. 21.—Italy's declaration of war against Turkey was officially announced here to-night.

The declaration came at the end of a short cabinet session, which was convened immediately upon receipt of the Turkish reply to the Italian ultimatum. The Italian demands were that reservists of the King's army be permitted to leave Turkey without restriction.

The reply of the porte was unsatisfactory, as had been expected, and it was only left for the cabinet to proceed formally to the declaration. The meeting was held amid scenes of great excitement, the populace apparently being eager for strife with the Turks.

It was later officially announced that, no reply having been made to Italy's ultimatum, the Italian ambassador at Constantinople had been instructed to present a declaration of war to Turkey.

The grounds given for the declaration were Turkey's support of the revolt in Libya and the porte's refusal to accede to the Italian demands that Italian residents of Syria be permitted to leave Turkey without restriction.

The time limit having expired today and no reply having been made by the Turkish government, the Italian ambassador to Turkey, Marquis Di Garroni, complied with previous instructions and presented to the porte Italy's declaration of war. He also asked for his passports. He left Constantinople to-night. The Turkish ambassador to Rome will depart tomorrow.

It is generally conceded here that Italy will join the allies immediately in their operations in the Dardanelles. Reports are that 150,000 men are held in readiness to aid the Franco-British land forces on Gallipoli, while a strong squadron of fast Italian cruisers has been mobilized at Taranto, Italy, to sail at a moment's notice.

Events Preceding Declaration.

Friction between Turkey and Italy has been in evidence since shortly after the latter's entry into the war.

Early in June there were reports that Italian consuls were slowly leaving Turkey and that American officials were taking over the task of looking out for the Italian subjects.

Later reports were made that the Ottoman government was proceeding to force the consuls from leaving and that similar coercion was being exercised over Italian civilians who wished to quit Turkish soil.

On July 20 advices came from Rome that the Italian government had addressed a note to the United States asking it to use its influence to protect Italian subjects in the Ottoman domains. The complaint that they were being prevented from leaving was reiterated.

Two days later the Italian cabinet met for the supposed purpose of discussing the situation as regarded Turkey and almost coincidentally the Italian government began to gather evidence intended to show that Turkey had violated the treaty of Lausanne, an undertaking according to the terms of which she pledged herself to withdraw all Turkish troops and officers from the Cyrenia district in Tripoli and help bring about the submission of the Sonussi tribesmen in this locality.

Instead of doing this, it was alleged, Enver Pasha, the Turkish minister of war, last March sent his brother, Nuri Bey, to Cyrenia to foment rebellion.

On August 3 the Italian ambassador at Constantinople made another protest to Turkey relative to the attitude of the Ottoman authorities toward Italian subjects. It was stated that Italian consuls were still being detained in Turkey.

At that time the tension between Italy and Turkey was becoming more acute daily. It was announced on the 5th of August that Italy had asked for categorical explanations concerning Turkey's alleged refusal to withdraw her troops from the Cyrenia district in Tripoli, and it was charged that Turkey was pursuing what was described as her usual policy of procrastination.

Four Sunk in Baltic Battle.

Berlin, Aug. 21.—Three Russian warships and one German warship, all small vessels, have been sunk in the battle in the Gulf of Riga. Official announcement to this effect was made to-day.

A statement from the German admiralty concerning the battle, is as follows:

"Our Baltic naval forces penetrated the Gulf of Riga after mine sweepers had swept the mine field and net obstructions. In the outpost engagements, which developed a Russian torpedo boat of the Emir Pucharskii class, was destroyed, and other torpedo boats, among them the Novik, and one large vessel were severely damaged while retreating.

"On the evening of the 19th, in Moon Sound, the Russian gunboats Sivutch and Koreets were sunk by artillery fire and torpedo boats after brave resistance. Forty members of the crews, including two officers, some severely wounded, were rescued by our torpedo boats.

"Three of our torpedo boats were damaged by mines. One sank, one was run aground and one was escorted to port.

Our loss of life was small.

The Sivutch and Koreets were sister ships of 857 tons displacement. They were 218 feet long, 36 feet beam and 8 feet deep. They were armed with two 4.7-inch guns and four 3-inch guns. The normal complement was 140 men each.

Steamship Cober Down.

London, Aug. 22.—The British steamer Cober has been sunk by a submarine. The captain and crew have landed safely.

The Riga Naval Battle.

Petrograd, Aug. 23.—The Russian gunboat Sivutch, with a crew of 148 men, is said by the Petrograd newspapers to be the only Russian warship lost in the Gulf of Riga battle. Commander Tcherkassov, who distinguished himself at Port Arthur, was in command of the Sivutch. The number of survivors has not been announced.

The naval battle in the Gulf of Riga is described as follows in a statement from navy headquarters:

"The German fleet on August 16th renewed, with large forces, its attacks on our positions at the entrance to the Gulf of Riga. Our ships during the 16th and 17th repulsed the attacks of the enemy, whose secret preparations for entering the gulf had been favored singularly by misty weather.

"Taking advantage of a thick fog, hostile forces of considerable size entered the gulf on the 18th and our vessels retired, at the same time continuing to resist the enemy without losing touch with him.

"On the 19th and 20th the enemy reconnoitered in different directions, at the same time keeping up a fight with our ships, in which our torpedo boat flotilla suffered material losses. On our side we lost the gunboat Sivutch, which perished gloriously in an unequal fight with an enemy cruiser which was speedily torpedoed and sank on a distance of 400 yards from her. The Sivutch, enveloped in flames, continued to reply shot for shot, until she sank, having previously sunk enemy torpedo boats.

"In view of the losses suffered and the futility of his efforts, the enemy appears to have evacuated the Gulf of Riga on the 21st.

"Between the 16th and 21st, two enemy cruisers and no fewer than eight torpedo boats were either sunk or placed hors de combat. Simultaneously our gallant allies succeeded in torpedoing in the Baltic one of the most powerful dreadnaughts of the German fleet."

(The foregoing contains no reference to the Russian gunboat Koroots, which was said in an official German statement Saturday to have been sunk also.)

Ossowetz Fort Falls.

Berlin, Aug. 23.—German troops have occupied the fortress of Ossowetz, which was evacuated by the Russians, German headquarters announced to-day. The German statement reads:

"The troops of Gen. von Eishorn are making further progress east of Kovno.

"On the Bobr we occupied Ossowetz fortress, which was evacuated by the Russians.

"North and south of Tykocin successful engagements took place. Tykocin was taken. On this occasion 1,200 prisoners, including 11 officers and 77 machine guns fell into our hands.

"Desperate Russian counter-attacks east of Bielsk failed, with very considerable losses to the enemy, and we advanced south of this town.

"Engaged in stubborn fighting, the army group of Prince Leopold has crossed the Kleszoze-Leranza line and is engaged in further favorable attacks. We took 3,050 prisoners and 16 machine guns were captured.

"The crossings over a tributary of the Pulva have been captured after fierce resistance on the front between Razna and the south of the river. An attack across the Bug above the tributary of the Pulva is making progress.

"Before Brest-Litovsk the situation remains unchanged. On both sides of Svijtoze and at Pieszoza, east of Viadova, the enemy was defeated yesterday and driven back towards the northeast."

Italians on the Move.

Rome, Aug. 23.—Several transports laden with troops and escorted by warships have departed from Naples, Syracuse, Taranto and Brindisi for an unknown destination.

They sailed under sealed orders. It is generally believed that they are to be employed for operations against Turkey.

The fact is disclosed that joint military action by Italy with England, France and Russia against Turkey was arranged by the Italian General Piro during his visit to the Anglo-French front in July. Plans studied then, it is said, can immediately be put into action.

Bulgaria Remains Neutral.

Berlin, Aug. 23.—The Overseas News Agency to-day gave out the following:

"Official reports from Sofia and Constantinople state that Turkey and Bulgaria have signed a new treaty, Turkey granting Bulgaria her desired direct railroad connection with the sea, and Bulgaria agreeing to observe a benevolent neutrality, if not more.

"This demonstrates the definite failure of the efforts of the entente powers to revive alliance of the Balkan States and induce them to join in the war against Turkey."

Line, Diamond Sunk.

Queenstown, Aug. 23.—The Lamport and Holt liner Diamond has been sunk by a German submarine. The captain, quartermaster and steward were killed by shells during a four-hour pursuit.

Submarine Sinks Turk Ships.

Sofia, Bulgaria, Aug. 23.—The Turkish collier Espahan has been torpedoed by a British submarine at Haidar Pasha, and the steamer Budos, of the German-Levant line, loaded with munitions of war and provisions, has been sunk in the Sea of Marmora.

German Destroyer Sunk.

Paris, Aug. 23.—Two French torpedo boats encountered and sank a German torpedo destroyer off Ostend (Belgium) last night," says an announcement made here to-day. "Our boats were undamaged."

This Morning's Dispatches

indicate great activities along all fronts for greater efforts in the near future. No battles of moment have been fought either in the east or west fronts, but continuous fighting is recorded without definite results. Berlin reports the sinking of a Russian auxiliary ship and Petrograd makes official report of the sinking Saturday last of three German troop transports in the Gulf of Riga.

The allied forces in Turkish waters and at Gallipoli report marked successes, while Constantinople records reverses for the allies. Great hope is entertained in London and Paris based upon confidential official reports that the next few weeks will witness the opening of the Dardanelles.

The Germans are making large forces in Alsace, preparatory of larger operations in the West. The fighting in Belgium and France has been steady, but without any results bordering on a decisive blow in any locality.

Petrograd announces continued but slow retreats before the Austro-German forces, stating that the latter are buying every foot they gain at fearful cost of lives.

MATTERS AT LITTLE RIVER.

Matters of Local Interest—Making Friends With Nature's Wards.

Little River, Aug. 20.—Special: The rain is coming down again after a dry spell.

Miss Carrie Grant has charge of the school at this place. The school bids fair to be a success. Miss Grant has several years' experience in the school room and has proven very successful.

The school at Smeltzer opened August 16th with Miss Susie Sligh, of Wallhalla, in charge. A good school is hoped for.

Rev. R. A. Hudson, assisted by others, is carrying on a protracted service this week at this place.

Sam and William Lusk, of Pickens, after spending some time in this section, have returned to their home.

William Smith, of Stamp Creek, in company with his brother, Eugene Smith, of Georgia, spent the early part of last week circulating among their friends in this section. They will leave for Georgia about September 1st.

Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Lusk have another inmate added to their home. It's a girl.

Mrs. J. L. Talley paid her daughter, Mrs. Charles Grant, of the Cheohee Valley, a short visit the past week.

Franck Alexander made a business trip to North Carolina the past week. Mrs. Elbert Hudson, of Fair Play, came back with him from an extended trip in the mountain country.

A. W. Galloway, after spending the week past with relatives and friends in and around Clayton, Ga., has returned home.

Little Bennie Moore has a pet bird. It is a brown thrush. Bennie is very cute and tries many things. In training the bird Bennie has made a fast friend. After he had kept the bird for three weeks he decided to set him free, and left him in the woods, but the bird refused to leave and came back with Bennie and continues to stay with him.

Miss Alma Dunlap, of Oak Grove, and the Misses Hudson, of the Cheo-

PROGRAM FOR PLEASANT RIDGE

Children's Day—First Sunday in September is Day Fixed.

Following is the program of Children's Day exercises to be held at Pleasant Ridge Baptist church on the first Sunday in September:

Singing by Sunday school.
Prayer by superintendent of Sunday school.

Song—"Higher Grounds."
Greeting—By Mae Garrison and Gerald Rutledge.

Welcome (acrostic)—By ten children.

"Our Wish"—By Harmen Beatty.

Greeting—"Recipe for a Happy Day"—By Viola Todd.

"Cheer Up"—By Mary Cox.

"This Blessed Children's Day"—By Gladys Alexander.

Children's song, "Jesus Loves Me."

"Smiling Face of Mother"—By M. G. Holland.

"Lips that Touch Liquor"—By Ruth Holland.

"Don't Drink, My Boy, To-night"—By Chesterfield Beatty.

"Is 'Mumie Here?'"—By Ola Galbreath.

Dialogue by six girls.

"The Way of a Boy"—By J. L. Holland.

"Climbing Up the Hill"—By Ralph Beatty.

"One Thing Lacking"—By Eva Holland.

Song—"Little Reapers."

"Face with a Frown"—By Eunice Beatty.

"Message of Nature"—By seven girls.

"Advice for Boys"—By Whitten Galbreath.

"The Sinner and the Song"—By Ruby Beatty.

"The Drunkard's Lament"—By Agnes Lipscomb.

"Somebody's Mother"—By Anne Cox.

SONG, "Temperance."

"A Little Bit of Love"—By Mae Garrison.

"I Asked the Flowers"—By Gaynell Alexander.

"A Child's Prayer"—By Mildred Beatty.

"Look Within"—By Charlie Garrison.

Song, "Wonderful Peace."

Declaration—By Alma Alexander.

Declaration—By Lula Orr.

Offering will be taken for Sunbeam Band.

Song "God be With You Till We Meet Again."

Afternoon will be spent in singing, and there will be a lecture on temperance.

Messrs. Durham, Murphy, Morton and Chastain are expected to be with us to conduct the singing.

All good singers and lovers of music are cordially invited to come and bring well-filled baskets.

Second Race in Fourth.

(Columbia Record.)
According to the latest unofficial returns from the Fourth Congressional District, Sam J. Nicholls, of Spartanburg, and B. A. Morgan, of Greenville, will run over in the second primary, to be held August 24, for the seat in the National House of Representatives left vacant by the resignation of Jos. T. Johnson, when he was appointed Federal Judge of the Western South Carolina District by President Wilson. Late figures show that Nicholls leads with 4,961 votes, Morgan second with 3,770, followed by A. H. Miller, of Greer, with 2,608; W. W. Johnson, of Union, with 1,791; I. C. Blackwood, of Spartanburg, with 1,745, and R. J. Gantt, of Spartanburg, with 150.

Quarterly Conference, Wallhalla Ct.
The third quarterly conference of Wallhalla Circuit will be held at Double Springs church next Saturday, August 28. Preaching at 11 o'clock by Rev. J. M. Steadman, followed by dinner on the grounds, after which the business session will be held. Let every official member on the circuit be present. All others invited and expected to attend the services.

H. A. Whitten, Pastor.

Dr. J. H. Witherspoon Dead.
Yorkville, Aug. 21.—Dr. James H. Witherspoon, last surviving brother of the late Judge I. D. Witherspoon, died here yesterday afternoon after an illness of several weeks. Dr. Witherspoon was in his 77th year. He was a native of Yorkville. He was educated at the Arsenal, in Columbia, and at the Citadel; served in the Confederate army; graduated in medicine at Charleston, but later gave up the practice of medicine and moved to Laurens county, and engaged in farming.

see section, were guests of their friends, Misses Myrtle, Della and Ruby Perry, last Sunday.

Every person interested in the cemetery at Whitmore's will please meet at the cemetery early Saturday morning, August 28th, with tools. Come prepared to work.



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AN ENJOYABLE BANQUET.

Wallhalla Odd Fellows Entertained Their Friends Last Week.

Tuesday night of last week proved to be a most enjoyable one for many of the citizens of Wallhalla, about fifty of whom were guests of the local lodge of Odd Fellows at one of their splendid banquets. The guests were cordially welcomed at the door by the Noble Grand, Miles L. Phillips, and a corps of co-workers of the lodge, and every guest was made to feel "at home" to a marked degree.

The reception and mingling together of Odd Fellows and their guests was not lengthy before all were bidden to a veritable feast, for so soon as the last guest had arrived, Mr. Phillips announced that F. A. H. Schroder would take charge as master of ceremonies. The visitors were bidden to assemble at the long table in the lodge room, which was heavily laden with good things to eat.

John B. S. Dendy asked a blessing upon the bountiful spread and upon the partakers thereof, and all "fell to with a will," giving abundant evidence that the abilities of the Odd Fellows as hosts were fully appreciated. After the repast cigars were passed around and the after-dinner speakers were called upon.

M. R. McDonald, Esq., made a splendid talk to the Odd Fellows and to their guests, his remarks being timely and thoughtful. He was followed by Harry R. Hughes, Esq., Vice Grand of the lodge, who also made a most favorable impression. Each received hearty applause as he closed. Other speakers were James M. Drees, John P. S. Dendy, Esq., and C. E. Jaynes, all of whom were attentively listened to and applauded.

Mr. Dendy's remarks were peculiarly appropriate and he was heartily applauded as he closed.

Oconee Lodge, No. 64, is one of the strongest fraternal organizations in Wallhalla, and their custom of banqueting their friends occasionally is highly appreciated, for these occasions are the making of strong friendships and have tended to cement a fellowship that has spread far beyond the confines of Odd Fellowship. The citizens of Wallhalla have a very warm place in their hearts for the members of Oconee Lodge, and such occasions as that of last week can but result in great good to the lodge and to the public.

W. O. W. Meeting Saturday.

Maple Camp, W. O. W., (Wallhalla Hill), will meet at the Masonic Hall next Saturday night, August 28, at 8.30 o'clock. Work in M. and N. degree.

W. F. Gillespie, Council Commander.

C. L. Dickson, Clerk.

Farmers' Local Union No. 76.

A meeting of Farmers' Union, Local No. 76, is hereby called, to be held at the club house, on Saturday, September 4th, at 2.30 p. m. Every member is urged to attend promptly.

F. H. Burley, Secretary.

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There are but eleven days now until the Wallhalla High School will open the 1915-1916 session, and the faculty has been completed. The following is the faculty in full: H. W. Gasque (A. B., S. C. University), superintendent and teacher in high school; Miss Sarah Rudd, of Summerville, (A. B., Wintthrop, and M. A., Meridian Female College), and Miss Lola Kaufmann, (A. B., Wintthrop), teachers in high school; Mrs. G. C. Probst, teacher 7th grade; Mrs. A. P. Crisp, 6th grade; Mrs. L. T. Covington (A. B., Lander), 5th grade; Miss Mary Ansel, 4th grade; Miss Jessie Dobbins, Greenville, (A. B., Presbyterian College, Charlotte), 3d grade; Mrs. R. J. Sifford, 2d grade; Miss Eula Grant, 1st grade. The trustees are earnest in their desire that every pupil shall be in school at the opening if possible. The next session promises to be the best in the history of the school.