



AUSTRIANS BEATEN BACK IN PASSES OF CARPATHIANS

Quarter Mile Retreat Forced in Beskids and Ground Is Lost at Uszok — Bzura Battle Rages Furiously.

French Blow Up Trenches Near Carency and Wipe Out Defenders by Surprise Attack.

Austrian successes in the Beskids have proved only temporary and Petrograd reports driving the victors of a passage through the Beskids and Tuki.

A great battle is developing in East Prussia. Berlin reports that the Kaiser is on that front where the German staff has chosen ground for the critical battle.

German troops are making terrific efforts to drive the Russian forces back over the Bzura, crossed late last week.

The importance attached by the Germans to the campaign in upper Alsace, where fighting has been resumed.

THE WEATHER FAIR

This is Monday and the beginning of a new week. Let us hope we may be spared the climatic gyrations we have had to undergo the last seven days.

Table with weather forecasts for Philadelphia, including temperature, wind, and tide information.

Muehlhausen, as well as to the Metz and Strassburg districts. Turkish forces have routed the Russians in Transcaucasia.

AUSTRIANS LOSE GROUND GAINED IN CARPATHIANS

Victors in Beskid Passes Forced Back Quarter of a Mile.

PETROGRAD, Feb. 8. Austro-German forces have been unable to follow up their temporary successes in the Beskids.

In the Carpathians the Russian armies are opposing the Austro-Germans, who are in tremendous force on a line which forms the arc of a circle in the vicinity of Mezolaborca.

GERMANS PICK GROUND FOR BIG EAST PRUSSIA FIGHT

Skirmishes Already Sharp in Halting Koenigsberg Drive.

BERLIN, Feb. 8. East Prussia, where Von Hindenburg won his great victory early in the war, is to be the scene of another great conflict, the opening skirmishes of which have already begun.

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GOVERNOR WANTS ADEQUATE HOUSING CODE FOR THIS CITY

Stands by His Campaign Declaration and Is Against "Drawing the Teeth" of Law.

GOVERNOR FAVORS NEW HOUSING LAW

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["I do," answered the Governor.

["FROM A STAFF CORRESPONDENT.] HARRISBURG, Feb. 8.—Governor Brumbaugh today unequivocally declared in favor of an adequate housing code for Philadelphia. The legislation which he said he favors includes the principal provisions which the leaders of Philadelphia's Councils are now trying to eliminate from the present code.

The Governor's declaration was made during the course of an interview on the plan of the Legislative Committee of Councils to repeal the existing housing code and substitute in its place a "toothless" code that would satisfy the owners of tenements in Philadelphia and be of little benefit to the thousands of families who are forced to live in the present overcrowded, disease-ridden places.

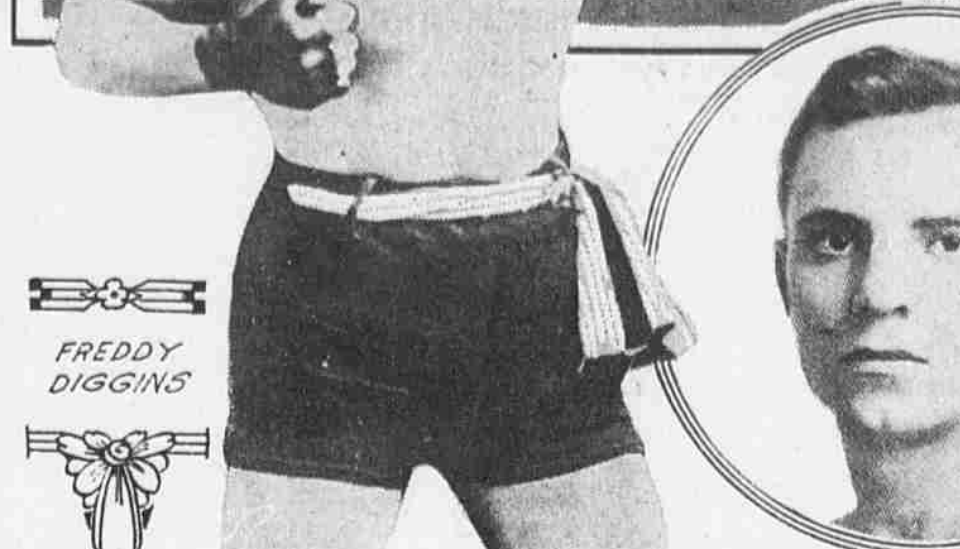
He also declined to discuss the existing code, but in two words he declared in favor of the salient provisions of the present laws.

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"I do," answered the Governor. The introduction of the proposed new housing bill will be delayed until later in the session, it became known today. The councilman leaders want the legislation against it to die, it is said.

Business Suspended in Mexico City. WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—Banks and principal business houses in Mexico City have closed their doors and a total cessation of commercial activities exists as a result of General Carranza's decree nullifying the Villa currency.

APPEAR IN OLYMPIA BOUTS TONIGHT



Moy and Saylor clash in the star bout. It will be the Indianapolis boy's debut in this city and he comes here with a big reputation.

SUNDAY VISITS LEAGUE ISLAND AS A SIGHTSEER

"Billy" Also Tours Banking Institution and Is Guest of Mr. Wanamaker on "Rest Day."

"Billy" Sunday began an energetic day of rest this morning when he visited the Title and Trust Company to learn something of the wonders of modern banking from the president, William R. Nicholson.

The party then proceeded to the Philadelphia Navy Yard, where they were the guests of Captain W. S. Benson, who introduced them to officers and men at headquarters and then accompanied them on board the battleship South Carolina.

Twice Hangs Himself. Two attempts by Thomas S. Lyons, of 10th and Dauphin streets, to hang himself with a pair of suspenders from a towering elm tree on a farm near Frankford avenue and the City Line failed this afternoon.

27 CENTS BECAME \$400,000. The old style of Gospel preaching was advocated by George Long, superintendent of the Inasmuch Mission, 11th and Locust streets, in an address at the Congressional Ministers' meeting at 14th and Race streets today. He had started out with 27 cents in his pocket four years ago, and that capital had grown into a building worth \$400,000, and other assets equally as large.

SLANDER IS CHARGED AGAINST MINISTER IN SUIT FOR DAMAGES

Doctor Lee Made Defendant in Civil Action Instituted by ex-Treasurer of Church.

The dispute at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 26th street and Baltimore avenue, which has divided the second largest Presbyterian congregation in the city into two factions, took a sensational turn today when action in a civil suit for damages was begun by Charles M. Wilkins, former treasurer of the Board of Trustees, against the Rev. J. Beveridge Lee, the pastor.

The Rev. Dr. George Chalmers Richmond, rector of St. John's Episcopal Church, 30 and Brown streets, today threatened to have Bishop Rhinelander arrested. Doctor Richmond made this threat after leaving the office of Chancellor Henry Budd, before whom argument on the demurrer filed by Edgar N. Black, attorney for Doctor Richmond, was heard.

DR. RICHMOND THREATENS ARREST OF BISHOP. Angrily Says He Will Tell Who Head of Diocese "Really Is."

COURT DEMANDS BREVITY. Lawyer's Plea Quashed Because of Its Length.

CHILD STRUCK BY AX. A child who stepped into the path of an ax his mother was wielding on Freewood was so seriously injured that he may die.

Fireman's Injuries Serious. Physicians at Cooper Hospital are alarmed over the condition of Captain George B. Wade, of Engine Company No. 2, who was seriously injured when a wall fell on him at the fire in Collingswood on Saturday night.

Williams Predicts Extra Session. WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—"I don't see how an extra session can be escaped," Senator John Sharp Williams said today after a conference with President Wilson.

DEER. Reduction Sale of Beautiful Things at 133 Chestnut St.—Advt.

THREATENED STATE AGENT

Egg Dealer Held Under Bail to Keep the Peace.

Agents for the State Food and Dairy Commission, who said they were threatened with death if they returned to inspect a stock of eggs, today prosecuted Max Struber, manager of a wholesale egg store at 202 North Front street.

SENATOR VARE ADDS HIS VOICE TO RAPID TRANSIT DEMAND

Declares in Favor of April Election to Provide \$30,000,000 Loan for Public Improvement.

State Senator Edwin H. Vare today went on record as in favor of the Taylor rapid transit plans.

Taylor's Call to Arms. A coterie of political obstructionists in Councils' Finance Committee and the subtly devised move at Harrisburg to delay the proposed port and transit constitutional amendment for two years.

BRITISH AIRMEN WRECK TURKISH CANNON AT SUEZ. Three Batteries on East of Canal Waters Silenced by Daring Raid of Two Planes.

CAIRO, Egypt, Feb. 8. Three Turkish batteries east of the Suez Canal were wrecked and another badly damaged in a daring attack by two British aviators on Saturday.

RICHMOND WANTS "BILLY" SUNDAY. Word was received here this afternoon that the Ministerial Union, of Richmond, Va., voted today to extend an invitation to "Billy" Sunday to conduct a campaign in that city.

FEDS TO INVADE NEWARK. Will Quit Kansas City and Move Team to New Jersey.

CHICAGO, Feb. 8.—A Federal League club will be placed either in New York City or Newark in 1915. This was the positive statement made today by a Federal League official who confirmed the report that the Kansas City Federal League franchise has been sold to Pat J. Powers of Jersey City, who is representing the affairs of the Kansas City club.

Aged Woman Injured by Auto. Miss Katharine Kersh, 70 years old, was run down by an automobile at 7th and Market streets late this afternoon.

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AERIAL RAIDS ON COAST OF FOE PRAISED BY ZEPPELIN

Creator of German War Dirigibles Ridicules English Attitude as "Sour Grapes"—Declares Foe Would Employ Similar Measures if They Could.

Aged Count, in First Public Statement, Justifies Descent Upon Enemy's Coast as a Necessity in Fatherland's Time of Peril, But Regrets Killing of Non-combatants.

By KARL H. VON WIEGAND. (Copyright, 1915, by the United Press. Reprinted in Great Britain.)

BERLIN, Feb. 8. "Does anyone for a moment believe that England in its determination to crush Germany by every means in her power—even attempting to starve women and children—wouldn't use Zeppelins if she had them?"

It was Count Ferdinand von Zeppelin, creator of Germany's dreaded fleet of aerial battleships that spoke. This was his answer to protests raised by German enemies against the use of Zeppelins, and the dropping of bombs on unfortified places, killing women and children. And his answer was a justification of what had taken place: what will continue to take place while this world war goes on.

"No one regrets more than I do," and here the voice of the aged soldier and inventor carried a genuine note of grief that was unmistakable—"that non-combatants have been slain. But have not non-combatants been killed by other engines of warfare? Why then this outcry?"

"Let me tell you. It is because England fears the Zeppelin dirigibles. She realizes that they promise to destroy her splendid isolation; because, failing to succeed in building something similar, she hopes to arouse the world to bring pressure to bear to prevent the use by Germany of these great weapons of modern warfare, which are unavailable for her own use."

MAY BENEFIT HUMANITY. "If the military effect of the Zeppelin airships tends toward shortening this terrible war by only one day, thereby saving

BANK OF SUICIDE CASHIER FAILS TO RESUME BUSINESS. Thought Shortage in Funds Will Exceed \$15,000.

SCHAFFERTOWN, Pa., Feb. 8.—The First National Bank, which has been closed here since the suicide Saturday of Alvin Binner, the cashier, and his confession of a shortage in his accounts, did not open for business this morning. The statement was made at noon today that it was not known when the institution would be able to resume business.

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