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TEUTONS INVEST DURAZZO; DEFEAT ITALIAN FORCES

Enemy Retreats Into Inner Line of Defenses of Albanian Capital

ESSAD PASHA IN ROME

VIENNA, Feb. 25.

Durazzo, capital of Albania, is now under sloge by Amstro-Hungarian troops, it was announced today by the Austrian War Office,

Italian troops in Albania have been de feated by the Austro-Hungarians.

Following is the official report of the War Office

"In Albania yesterday we defeated the "In Albania yesterday we defeated the Italians and troops of Essad Pasha near Durazzo and took possession of the last of the enemy's positions east of Bazar Syak. An Italian britanke was driven from its main position east of Bazar Syak at the same time. Intreachments of the enemy at Sassrobinco, six miles southeast of Durazzo, were stormed. The enemy its retreating to the inner line of defenses, retreating to the inner line of defenses, pursued by our troops."

ROME. Feb. 25. Essad Pasha, President of Albania, has arrived in Rome to confer with membras of the Government, it was announced to-day.

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In view of the official Austrian En-nouncement that Austro-Humgarian troops have faid sleep to Durage the scal of of Essad Pasha's government, ground is furnished for the belter than the Albanian ruler may have fled to eccupe capture.

BERLIN, Feb. 25.-The political situa-BERLIN, Feb. 2.6.—The point a stran-tion in Athens is now entirely governed by expectation of a great German-Bul-garian attack on Saloniea, according to a dispatch by Emil Ludwig to the Tagoblatt. There is a growing fear that in cove of defeat the English and French will destroy the city.

The French seem confident of victory-so much so, in fact, that they have not completed a single line of retreat through Chaleidice.

The total number of Entente troops The total number of Entents troops ready to take the field is now 160,000. King Constantine is inferturbable, and the entire Greek army supports him. The King is to be seen every-where, usually accompanied by the Queen and the Frinces. Yesterday the united royal family attended a childram's forther where an eventue many show festival, where an ovation was given

It is openly stated that the Vene-suelist leaders will guit before the ex-pected attack comes.

The Entente authorities are carefully avoiding arbitrary acts so as not further to antagonize the populace. British ships often visit the Piracus, Patras and Corinth, but landings are not made.

There was no landing at Phaleron in January as reported. The story grew out of a torpedoboat's landing an officer and a seaman to deliver mail.

Atheas is quiet. The hotels are overcrowded. One hears many accusations against the British Ambassador who, with a commission, decides what quantities of foodstuffs the country needs.

ZURICH, Feb. 25. - The Pester Lloyd ZORICH, Fob. 25. — The Pester Lioyd says that a Joint Austro-Bulgarian note to Rumania, presented last Monday, invites amicable assurances regarding the con-stant strengthening of troops and fortifi-cations near the Bulgarian frontier.

ATHENS. Feb. 25.—General Sarrall. commander-in-chief of the French forces in the Halkurs, returned to Salonica yes-terday. The General said his conversation with King Constantine had to do with the question of the defense of Salonica. General Sarrail while in Athens dis-cussed with Premier Stouloudis the pro-visioning of Salonica and the fate of east-ern Macadonia

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Prof. Michner Failed to Sound Horn, Victim's Mother Says-He

Denies Charge

Albert O. Michner, professor of history at the Northeost High School and organist of the Grace Methodist Church, was held under 500 bail today at the 19th and Ox-ford streets police significant for running down with his automobile Cathurine Combines, 10 genrs old, of \$110 Wallnee street, shortly after midnight. Professor Michner was unable to bring his machine to a stop until the child had been dragged accord, shortly after by wheels, it was said event feet under the wheels, it was said y withesees. The victim was removed in the machine to St. Joseph's Hospital, here she was found to be suffering from accrations, α possible fracture of one f her fost and probable internal injuries. e accident occurred at Broad and Mastor streets.

According to the testimony of the child's mother, Mrs. Mary B. Comiskey, she and her daughter, with friends were on their way home from an entertalis-ment at Mercantile Hill, when the maturned from Master street into Broad street on the wrong side of the street. The horn was not blown, the mother said. Professor Michner, whose home is at 1701 North Franklin street, said he was returning from a door scherment of the Grace Methodist Church, and that he frace Methodist Church, and that he failed to see the party because of the fog and the ratio on his windshield. He denied he was on the wrong side of the street, and that he failed to sound bis here when he counded the sense his horn when he rounded the corner

Day's Weddings in Elkton

ELETON, Md., Feb. 25.—Six couples com Philadelphia and one Delaware coule were granted marriage licenses in Elkple were granted marriage licenses in Elk-ton today. They include David Hopkins and Rose A. McKeever, Harry H. Eunting rud Ethel M. Syphard, Joseph Ratti and Helen H. Hassler, Samuel M. Levy and Lottie Kirk, Alfred Tyler and Irene L. Hopkins, and Louis Fisherman and Vir-ginia Bataisky, all of Philadelphia; Eart D. Rose Wilmington and Lexisda M. Mot. D. Rose, Wilmington, and Isabella M. Mat-thews. Milford, Del.



Women Forced to Shield Teuton Operations, Slavs Declare Officially

PETROGRAD, Feb. 25. The following official communication ridigin teal bound inst

In the region of Riga and the Dvina, on the Oger sector, German accoptances drupped bombs. In the region of Oger the enemy developed violent night firing, which was followed by a movement toward our trenches of scouts who were clad in white raimont and who were repulsed by our fire

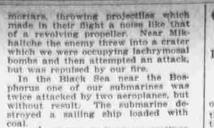
On the Dvinsk sector, near Ponteweach Ballway and north of Czar-toryak, our detachments checked the enemy and made some progress, In the region of Pelsh, southwest of Olyka, the enemy sent women, proba-bly Russian, to work in the positions

by Russian, to work in the positions most exponed to our fire. In the Galicia, northwest of Tarno-nol and rear the village of Gliadid and Vorobievka, we exploded a small mine and occupied the crater. The en-emy value hombarded the scene of the explosion with mines and trench

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BERIAN, Feb. 25.—The repulse of Rus-nian attacks against the Austrian ad-vanced position northwest of Tarnopol, Galicia, is announced in the Austro-Hun-garian headquarters statement.

Defends N. J. Highway Bills

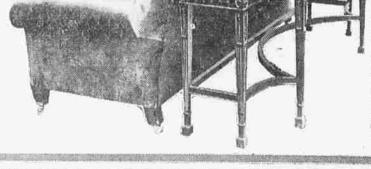
Detends N. J. Highway Bills TRENTON, Feb. 25.—In defense of his bills to reorganize the State road depart-ment and consolidate the motor vehicle department, Senator G. W. F. Gaunt, of Gloucester, has issued a statement de-claring the measures embody the very last word in highway legislation in the United States. States

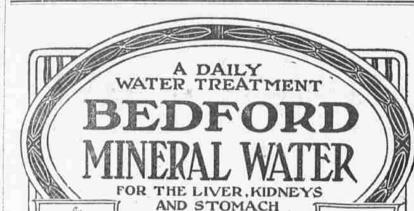
Would Free Boy From Austrian Army WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—To save Stephen Mulick, 17 years old, of Passalo, N. J., from being forced into service of the Austrian army, Representative Druk-ker, of New Jersey, today asked the State Department to help get the boy back to the United States. the United States

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Lack of Quorum Alone Prevented Acceptance Yesterday

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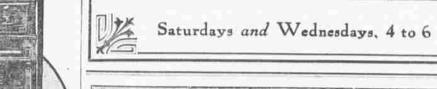
of a quorum prevented confirmation in the Senate late yesterday of the nomina-tion of Henry Prather Fletcher as Am-bassador to the de facto Government of Mexico. On a motion to confirm the roll-call showed 34 affirmative votes and 12 in the negative. This was three short of a quorum and the Senate adjourned to take up the nomination today for a final vote. cote

The Senate reached a vote on the nomi-nation of Mr. Fletcher after a debate of less than an hour. Opposition speeches

were made by Senators Borah, Smith, Michigan, and Fall, of New Maxies of whom refused to confirm the next tion because they did not believe in reported stability of the de facto of ermment. There was no opposition to Flatcher personally. Fletcher personally. Administration Senators said last night hat the nomination would be confirmed without difficulty today.

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