

**EMPEROR CHARLES FRANCIS
PROCLAIMED DUAL MONARCH,
SUCCEEDING FRANCIS JOSEPH****Death of the Aged Monarch Means an
Increase in Prussian Domination
of the Central Empire,
London Believes****New Ruler, Who Is Only 29 Years Old, Now at the Front
With Army—Kaiser and Members of Other
Royal Families Will Attend Funeral
in Vienna**

LONDON, Nov. 22.—Archduke Charles Francis Joseph has been proclaimed Emperor of Austria and King of Hungary, succeeding Emperor Francis Joseph, who died in Vienna last night, says a dispatch from Amsterdam today.

No date has been set for the coronation. Even if the Emperor had lived the Archduke would have come into power on December 2 as Regent.

Although Vienna has so far withheld official confirmation of the death of the aged Emperor, his demise has been confirmed in special dispatches from various sources.

The new ruler of the nation which made demands on Serbia and precipitated the Great War is twenty-nine years old and is supposed to be at the front in command of Austrian troops operating in the Carpathians against the Rumanians.

Undoubtedly he has already been summoned to Vienna.

With the prospect that the new sovereign may have an important bearing on the future in the war, his character and disposition has been the subject of deep study by all Europe. Democratic inclined, very little was known of him up to the time that an assassin's bomb murdered the Archduke Francis Ferdinand, the heir, in Sarajevo, June 28, 1914.

NEW RULER A MILITARY MAN

The man who will now become Austria's ruler is known to have had a good military education and has achieved some success as a military commander in the great war. He has lacked any training whatever in statecraft or diplomacy.

Moreover, he assumed the throne at a time when the youngest of men would have a task in maintaining the empire of Austria-Hungary intact and strong. Hungary is growing restive under the Hapsburg yoke.

Strong leaders of men have recently appeared there. They fear swallowing up of Hungary in the Teutonic empire and have not hesitated to express that belief and work for Hungary as a separate kingdom.

But immediate result of the removal of the strong figure of the aged Emperor was believed here to mean an increase in Prussian domination of the Central Empire.

Francis Joseph, acknowledged one of the strongest rulers of modern times, is no more. A mere stripling succeeds him. Germany will probably find him pliant in according to Prussian wishes.

DEATH WAS PEACEFUL

Dispatches from Vienna via Amsterdam today declared that the aged Emperor's death was peaceful.

The Emperor was apparently in fairly good health Monday night, twenty-four hours before his death. He arose at his usual hour on Tuesday morning and went through his customary program of busying himself in governmental affairs. Later he received the Archduchess Marie Valerie and Baron Burian, from the Foreign Office. Late in the afternoon he became suddenly worse. His temperature rose alarmingly.

It was obvious then that the end was near. The Archduchess Marie Valerie assisted the aged ruler to his bedroom early Tuesday night. He was unable to sleep and kept complaining of pains in his throat. At 8 o'clock he appeared more quiet and seemed to be resting. But twenty minutes later he suddenly gestured to his throat, seemed to strive for utterance, and died within a few moments, presumably of the catarrhal affection resulting from a cold from which he had constantly suffered since July.

ARCHDUKE NOTIFIED

The Archduke Charles Francis Joseph, who has been in Vienna for some time, was immediately notified. The telephone connecting Schoenbrunn Palace with the German headquarters in the field was used to notify Emperor William of Germany.

It is expected that in addition to the Kaiser, the Czar of Bulgaria and the Crown Prince of Turkey will attend the funeral, no complete plans for which have yet been made public.

The conference between the Austrian and Hungarian Premiers, scheduled at Budapest this week, was immediately postponed. The Hungarian Cabinet called in special session at once. Count Tisza, the Hungarian Premier, left for Vienna immediately.

VIENNA PREPARED FOR NEWS

Vienna, it was said, had been prepared for the news, but nevertheless removal of the ruler, who had wielded power for sixty-eight years, caused a profound impression.

The Vienna court is known as the most formal in all Europe, and a great many religiously medieval ceremonies will attend official announcement of the sovereign's death, preparation of his body for burial, interment and proclamation of his successor as the throne. According to custom, probably the work of embalming the dead Emperor's body was begun today. His heart will be removed and placed in a separate reliquary.

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THE WEATHER

FORECAST
For Philadelphia and vicinity—
Cloudy this afternoon and tonight, fol-
lowed by rain Thursday; steadily rising
temperature; moderate southerly winds.

LENGTH OF DAY
Nov. 22, 5:52 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., 11:02 a.m.
Nov. 23, 5:51 a.m. to 5:01 p.m., 11:03 a.m.
DELAWARE RIVER TIDE CHANGES
CHERRYVILLE STATION
Nov. 22, 1:30 a.m. low water, 4:35 p.m.
Nov. 23, 1:31 a.m. low water, 4:36 p.m.
TEMPERATURE AT KATZ KILN
Nov. 22, 1:30 a.m. 37°, 3:30 a.m. 38°, 5:30 a.m. 39°, 7:30 a.m. 40°, 9:30 a.m. 41°, 11:30 a.m. 42°, 1:30 p.m. 43°, 3:30 p.m. 44°, 5:30 p.m. 45°, 7:30 p.m. 46°, 9:30 p.m. 47°, 11:30 p.m. 48°.

**ADAMSON ACT
HELD INVALID
ON FIRST TRIAL****Kansas City Judge, Finding
for Roads, Orders Im-
mediate Appeal****GOES TO SUPREME COURT****Action on Test Case in Highest
Tribunal to Begin by De-
cember 4**

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Nov. 22.—Judge William C. Hook, in the Federal Court here today, held that the Adamson so-called eight-hour law is unconstitutional and invalid. Judge Hook refused to grant the motion of Federal attorneys to dismiss the application of the receivers of the Missouri, Oklahoma and Gulf Railroad for an injunction against the Adamson law.

Attorneys for the Government are expected to appeal to the Supreme Court at once, making this case the test case to determine in the highest court in the land the constitutionality of the law.

Judge Hook made his decision at 11:18 o'clock this morning.

"My decision was merely to rush the case to the Supreme Court as rapidly as possible," Judge Hook said. "I have given the Government until 3 o'clock to perfect an appeal to the higher court."

Francis M. Wilson, United States Attor-

**FALKENHAYN
TRAPS 80,000
RUMANIANS****Two Army Corps Face Cap-
ture or Annihilation
Near Orsova****GRAVE PERIL TO CAPITAL****Germans Drive on Bucharest
From the East and
South**

BERLIN, Nov. 22.—Crushing all opposition, the seasoned Austro-German veterans of Von Falkenhayn are driving across the Rumanian plain toward Bucharest.

Striking out from Craiova, which the Austro-Germans made their base of operations after its capture yesterday, two Teuton armies are advancing toward the south and east. The Rumanian forces lying along the Danube River between Orsova and Calafat, estimated at more than two army corps (80,000 men) in strength, are in flight. Their possible fate is capture or annihilation.

One powerful column of Teuton troops is moving toward Pitesti, a town on the main Rumanian railroad, where it is crossed by branches running north and south. It

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QUICK NEWS**WOULD RAISE CITY TAX RATE TWENTY CENTS**
A tax rate of \$1.70 is advocated by Chairman Gaffney, of the Finance Committee of Councils, for 1917. This includes a tax of fifty cents for schools. The proposed rate, which is twenty cents in excess of the present rate, would give the city an income of \$35,595,535.97.**WOMAN WHO LEAPED FROM HOTEL WINDOW DIES**
Mrs. Charles Samson, of New York, who jumped from a fifth-story window at the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel this afternoon, died about thirty minutes later in the Jefferson Hospital.**TODAY'S RACING RESULTS**
First Bowie race, purse, maiden 2-year-olds, 6 furlongs—Lucius, 115, Haynes, \$2.70, \$2.20, \$2.30, won; Tyrant, 115, Butwell, \$2.40, \$2.40, second; Leading Lady, 112, Ball, \$3.80, third. Time, 1:14 1-5.**BRITISH SEIZE MAIL BOAT FOR NEW YORK**
NEW YORK, Nov. 22.—The Scandinavian-American liner Stockholm, which arrived here today, reported that British authorities at Kirkwall removed all the ship's mail. Five days out two German stowaways were discovered in one of the ship's lifeboats, covered with canvas. They had been living on crackers and water. Several noted Swedish skaters came over on the Stockholm for winter meets here this winter.**MARSEILLES, France, Nov. 22.—The Greek steamship Erisos, which arrived today, reported that she was stopped by a submarine and 118 bags of mail thrown into the sea.****BRUMBAUGH SIGNS DEATH WARRANTS FOR SIX**
HARRISBURG, Nov. 22.—Governor Brumbaugh signed the following death warrants today: John Nelson, Wyoming, and Jonas Brodski, Lehigh, to be executed during the week of January 8; Patrick Callary, Northampton, week of January 15; Harry Ward, Mather and Ernest Haines, Jefferson, week of January 22.**COMMERCIALISM CRUSHES AMERICA'S SOUL, SAYS POET**
NEW YORK, Nov. 22.—After four weeks' tour and inspection of the United States, Sir Rabindranath Tagore, noted Indian poet, reached his conclusion today as to "what is wrong with America." "Commercialism," declared the poet, "is crushing the soul of America. Relief must come or there will be war."**TWO RAILROADS INDICTED FOR FREIGHT REBATES**
WASHINGTON, Nov. 22.—The United States District Court has returned four indictments involving special concessions to shippers, the Interstate Commerce Commission announced today. The indictments, each in twenty-five counts, charge the Louisiana and Arkansas Railway with rebates on yellow pine shipments to the Bodocow Lumber Company and the St. Louis Southwestern Railway with concessions to the Louisiana and Arkansas.**U. S. STEEL GRANTS ANOTHER 10 PER CENT INCREASE IN PAY**
NEW YORK, Nov. 22.—Increases in pay to employees in factories, mills and on railroads all over the United States, which will amount to approximately \$50,000,000 annually, have been announced since November 1. Following two other increases of 10 per cent each and one restoring a cut of 12 1/2 per cent, the United States Steel Corporation has announced another 10 per cent increase. This latest increase affects 250,000 employees and will add about \$20,000,000 to the corporation's payroll. It takes effect December 15.**BOSTON, Nov. 22.—The American Woolen Company has authorized all its mills to advance the wages of their 35,000 employees ten per cent.****PAPAL ALLOCATION WILL BE APPEAL FOR PEACE**
ROME, Nov. 22.—The allocation which Pope Benedict XV will deliver at the secret consistory on December 4 will be the most fervent appeal for peace from the Vatican since the war began. It was learned in Vatican circles today that the Pope and Cardinal Caspari, the Papal Secretary of State, are working daily upon the address. Roman Catholic prelates throughout the world are to be asked to pray continually for peace.**GERMAN REPLY ON U-BOAT ATTACKS OFF TO UNITED STATES**
BERLIN, Nov. 22.—The informal reply of Germany to the American inquiry regarding the sinking of the steamships Rowanmore, Rievaul Abbey, Strathay and Antwerpen has been forwarded to Washington by Joseph Grew, secretary to the American Embassy. The German Government regards the Rowanmore and Antwerpen cases closed. As no submarine commander ever reported the sinking of the other steamships, the Government holds that they were sunk by other agencies than by U-boats. (The Rievaul Abbey and the Strathay were both sunk early in September, but these cases aroused no special public interest. The Strathay was sunk in the English Channel on September 2 while bound from New York for Havre. Later the British Admiralty was reported to have admitted that she was destroyed by a mine.)**GIRL WORKERS FLEE FROM FIRE IN FACTORY**
Fifty girls employed in the shirtwaist factory of Bernstein & Small, on the second floor of 522 Market street, hurried out of the building shortly after coming to work today, when a broken gas jet in the cellar started a small fire. Employees of Simon Miller & Son, wholesale shoe dealers, who occupy the first floor and the cellar, quickly quenched the blaze. The damage is trifling.**U. S. PLANS BIG AVIATION POST AT ESSINGTON**
An aviation post, under the command of United States Army Aviation Service, is to be established at Essington, according to Major William Mitchell, U. S. A., chief of staff of the aviation service. There will be two squadrons of aeroplanes, numbering thirty-six each, with 150 officers and men and twenty experienced fliers.**BRITAIN TAKES INVENTORY OF POTATOES**
LONDON, Nov. 22.—The Board of Trade has issued an order requiring all persons cultivating more than ten acres in the kingdom to make a return of their potato stocks and contracts by December 7.**NEGLECT BY RAILROAD BLAMED FOR WRECK**
WASHINGTON, Nov. 22.—The Interstate Commerce Commission today sharply reprimanded operating officials of the Western Maryland Railroad because of "flag operating rules," which was given as the cause of a wreck near Knobmount, Va., October 12, in which two employees were killed and thirty persons injured. An investigation by the commission showed that the wreck, which was between an excursion train and a freight train, was caused by failure of operating officials to inform the freight train crew that an excursion was being run.**NEW YORK WOMAN, ILL, PLUNGES
FIVE STORIES TO BELLEVUE COURT****Mrs. Charles Samson, Wife of Broker, Crushed in Leap.
Dying in Jefferson Hospital—Was Suffer-
ing From Nervous Affection**

Mrs. Charles Samson, wife of a New York broker, 49 Exchange place, jumped from the fifth floor of the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel this afternoon and is in the Jefferson Hospital in a dying condition.

"The woman, who is thirty-five years old, left alone for a moment in the bathroom of her suite, climbed out on the window sill and plunged down into space and landed on a roof in the court three stories from the street. She is said to be a sufferer from a nervous disorder. Her nurse, who came to the hotel with Mrs. Samson yesterday, discovered her smoldering passion, and, upon looking down into the court, saw her lying on the roof.

Hotel employees pointed Dr. Charles Bush, the house physician, who treated her, while the ambulance of the Jefferson Hospital was called to the Chancery street entrance to the hotel and she was removed to the hospital.

According to J. Miller Frasier, manager of the hotel, Mrs. Samson came to the hotel yesterday from the South, accompanied by a Mrs. Underwood and a nurse. They engaged a suite on the fifth floor.

Following the tragedy, Frasier telephoned Mrs. Samson's husband in New York. The broker said he would get to this city as soon as possible.

When the woman attempted to end her life hundreds of diners were in the hotel at luncheon, while many others were struggling about the lobby. But few of them knew of the act.

**BIG BRITANNIC
LOST; 50 DEAD
1100 RESCUED****Greatest British Liner
Victim of Mine or
Torpedo****USED AS HOSPITAL
SHIP BY ADMIRALTY****Huge Steamship Meets
Tragic Fate on Way
From Salonica****FINDS GRAVE IN AEGEAN****World's Greatest Ships
and Fate They Met**

VATERLAND—54,282 tons; property of the Hamburg-American Line; interned at Hoboken, N. J.
Britannic—48,158 tons; property of the White Star Line; sunk in the Aegean Sea.
Lusitania—30,396 tons; property of the Cunard Steamship Company; sunk by German submarine, 1915.
Titanic—52,310 tons; property of the White Star Line; sunk, 1912, by collision with iceberg.

LONDON, Nov. 22.—The British hospital ship Britannic, former White Star liner and largest British vessel afloat, was sunk in the Zea Channel of the Aegean Sea yesterday.

The Admiralty announced today that of those aboard about fifty were lost, twenty-eight were injured and 1100 saved.

The Britannic was built for the White Star Line's passenger service, being finished only last year, but was immediately requisitioned by the British Government for use as a hospital transport.

The Zea Channel, where the Admiralty states the great ship was lost, is a bit of water between the mainland of Greece and the island of Zea. From this it is safe to assume that the Britannic was bringing back wounded from Salonica, the channel being one of the direct routes to the Allies' depot in this section.

The Admiralty announcement declared the vessel had been sunk by a mine or torpedo.

NEW YORK, Nov. 22.—At the office of the Oceanic Steamship Company, the White Star Line, it was stated today that the Britannic never has been armed.

The Britannic never has engaged in transatlantic service, not having been completed at the outbreak of the war. She was turned over to the Government and fitted out as a hospital ship with cots for 2500 men. She carried usually in addition to patients 200 nurses and orderlies and 100 surgeons, besides her crew of about 900 men.

The Britannic as a hospital ship was operated solely by officers of the White Star Line. At the local office it was stated the ship was strictly a nonbelligerent.

The ship was withdrawn from Government service, according to reports to the New York office, and taken to a shipbuilding yard about a month ago to have her passenger accommodations rebuilt. They expected her to be placed in transatlantic service within a short time. Nothing has been heard of the ship since word was received that she was to be rebuilt.

It was stated here that the Britannic was commanded by Captain C. D. Hartlett. The Britannic was the largest British ship afloat and was second only to the Vaterland, the largest German passenger vessel, in tonnage. She displaced 48,158 tons. She was propelled by three screws.

**HATFIELD POSTOFFICE
LOOTED BY YEGGMEN****Safe Blown and Everything of
Value Stolen as Village
Sleeps**

Yeggmens forced entry into the postoffice at Hatfield, Montgomery County, blew open the safe and stole money, stamps and other articles the value of which has not yet been ascertained.

This is the second safe-blowing job in Hatfield within a week. Several days ago yeggmens forced an entry into the office of the Hatfield Times and after blowing open the safe, robbed the place.

Detectives Doyle and McGinnis, of City Hall, are searching every nook and corner today of the Tunderstein, where this class of criminal hides after each job, in the hope of unearthing some clue.

The robbery took place about 4 o'clock this morning. As there are no police in Hatfield, the men took no precautions to muffle the noise. They went about the task with evident leisure, and after blowing the safe, ransacked the postoffice and took everything which appeared to be of value.

The robbery was not discovered until Postmaster Jacob Holmbeach arrived at the office.

P. R. R. TO BUILD NEW YARD**\$400,000 to Be Spent on Improvements
at Shocks Mills**

HARRISBURG, Pa., Nov. 22.—Announcement was made at the local office of the Pennsylvania Railroad today that plans are being prepared for a new classification yard at Shocks Mills, on the Columbia branch, to cost \$400,000 and for additional truck facilities at the same classification yard. To cost about \$140,000.

Extension of work houses at Shocks Mills between Shocks Mills and an expenditure of at least \$140,000 more.