TEUTON TROOPS CROSS ALT AND DANUBE RIVERS

Falkenhayn and Mackensen Push Advance on Rumanian Capital

ASSAIL CENTER FORTS

Germans Take Several Towns and Attack Piatra and Slatina

HERLIN, Nov. 28. Austro-German forces in the interior of mania have crossed the Alt river, one ced a crossing of the Alt was contained m the official statement of the War Office

R had been expected that the Rumanians is defense of the Rumanian capital on the Alt. would make their most desperate stand

South of Alt pass in the Transylvanian Alps the Germans and Austro-Hungarians lave driven forward, capturing several more towns and more than 800 additional

The official report says that the German alles under von Mackensen that forced gressings over the Danube have gained a wild foothold on the western bank (in old mania) despite furlous resistance by the Russo-Rumanian armies. Mackensen's ferces have crossed the Danube at Racovita Put in more concrete manner the situation Rumania is as follows:

A triple drive on Bucharest, the Rumanian capital, is being carried out by the troops of Falkenhayn and Field Marshal von Mackensen.

Flinging back the Russians and Rumanians that tried to bar his progress, von Mackensen has pushed across the Danube from the Dobrudia side and is moving on Bucharest from the east. From the west the legions of von Falkenhayn are pressing toward Bucharest from the Craiova sector Another great army is fighting its way toward the Rumanian capital from the Transylvanian Alps.

New that Ornova and Turnu Severin have falles, all of western Rumania apparently les at the mercy of the Teutons. Austro-German troops are also attacking the defense of the town of Piatra and Slatina, the very important strongholds in northwestern Rumania, east of Tolges Pass.

Platra lies at the junction of two strategle railways. One of these lines runs westward from Bucharest into Hungary. The other runs northward from the Danube fato Hungarian territory. The character of these two centers would enable the Austo Germans to advance against Fitishti, ent off the retreat of the Russian and Rumanian forces defending Campolung and compel the evacuation of that city

Platra is about ninety miles from Bu-

BOFIA, Nov. 25,-Capture of four islands is the Danube River was announced by the Balgarian War Office today. The islands are near Gigen, Vidin, Ge-

here and Lomand. In Dobrudja, the report says, hostile desecuments in superior numbers tried to appeach the German allies' position, but were driven off by artillery fire. On the be near Rustchuk, Silistria and Tutmiss, there have been artillery duels.

BUCHAREST, Nov. 25. landing of enemy trobps at Islaz, Rusols, after crossing the Danube, but stopsie of their advance from Zimnica (Simillia) northward, was reported in today's Scial statement.

TEROGRAD ADMITS CROSSING OF DANUBE BY GERMANS AND REVERSE ON ALT LINE

PETROGRAD, Nov. 25. sion that the Teutonic forces in Balkans have crossed the Danube near saitza was made in today's War Office Yalley south of Kallmanesht and Mol-

LONDON, Nov. 25. Although British military experts will admit that Rumania is doomed to the the fate as Belgium and Serbia, predicas of a gloomy character were made to-The Daily Mail declared emphatically the military situation for the Aliles a Rumania is critical.

That the sledge-hammer blows of von Stenhayn and von Mackensen will com-Eing Ferdinand to sue for peace before scentry is completely overrun is the bellen contained in a dispatch from charest, saying that Russia has recalled

similater to Rumania. Apparently the Centiumed on Page Four, Column Three

THE WEATHER

FORECAST

or Philadelphia and vicinity-Fair od continued cold tonight, with lowest operature tonight about twenty-14 of thirty degrees; Sunday fair somewhat warmer; fresh westerly

LENGTH OF DAY SEZAWARE RIVER TIDE CHANGES

majar, 1:00 a.m. | High water, 1:36 p.m. EMPERATURE AT RACH BOCK



SIR RABINDRANATH TAGORE

MEXICAN PEACE PACT PROSPECTS BRIGHTEN

Carranza Expected to Sign Wilson's Proposed Agreement for Border Patrol

VILLA MAY INTERFERE

WASHINGTON, Nov. 25 .- Only General Carranza and General Villa stood today as possible obstacles to fruition of the Atlantic City peace conference agreement for withdrawal of General Pershing's forces from Mexico in the next forty days.

The United States Government itself is prepared to ratify the protocol, inasmuch as it was shaped upon terms President Wilson himself approved

What General Carranza will do is a problem, though the Administration is convinced that he will sign it, even though it may be distasteful because of inclusion of provisions that the United States troops may follow a hot trail into Mexico at any

The other obstacle-Villa-probably will be eliminated by the Chihuahua battle, military men say. But they do not overook the disastrous situation that would follow a Villa victory at this strategic

Villa is an element in the situation from PLEADS FOR CENTRAL the fact that the withdrawal is conditional spon conditions remaining satisfactory durng the next forty days.

IN FUNSTON'S HANDS

If Carranga signs the agreement, as hoped, arrangement for withdrawing General Pershing's forces will be left)in General Funston's hands.

Perahing has between 12,000 and 15,000 men at Colonia Dublan, about one hundred miles below the border. These men probably will be assigned to border service, while three times that number of Guardsmen and perhaps many more will be reteased from patrol service.

A Villa victory now would upset with Stament. It also said the Rumanians had drawal plans and create intolerable northern pressed back by the enemy in the Mexican conditions, experts say. Yet, the single hope of victory for him, as they see it, | tional defense. s that an internal revolution in Chihuahua City might give him an advantage which his natural strongth does not afford.

Carranga himself will probably accarrana number, in the light of what his representatives have been told. During the last week the American members of the commission have been bluntly frank in informing the Mexican group of what consequences it may expect if it does not meet American terms.

LANE TO MAKE OFFER

chairman Lane, back in town, was slated to present the protocol early, though the President's illness seemed likely to precinide a conference today.

The protocol in brief provides for withdrawal of American troops in forty days if northern Mexican conditions are unaltered; for American pursuit of baptits if occasion arises; for separate patrol of the conference of the patrol of the conference of the conf burder by each nation, with co-operation if possible, to be arranged between the re-spective commanders; for discussion of internal problems upon reconvening Decem-

Secretary Lane holds the latter to be the cost vital, and insists significantly that eforms, including protection of American rights, lives and property, must be accom-plished by Mexico either on her own in-itiative or with American help—otherwise, evidently, interference.

Keep Your Eye on the Iceman There will soon be an increase in the price of ice throughout the eastern and middle States, said J. E. Bircher, president of the Eastern Ice Association, who left this city today for Buffalo, N. Y., to attend a joint session of the Eastern and Middle States Producers Association. Mr. Bircher a joint producers' Association. Mr. Bircher says that it costs forty per cent more to build as bee standarduring plant than it did a short there are broad in the increased as of matchel and indust.

TAGORE, POET, HERE QUAKERS MEET TO PREACH PEACE

Oriental Robes Make Strik- West Virginia Wesleyan ing Figure-Speaks at Ogontz Tonight

"God Made Man to Be Human'

From thes I had asked peace, only to find stand before thee help me to don my Let my heart beat in pain—beating the drum of thy victory.

My hands shall be atterly emptied to take up thy trumpet.

—Tagore.

A fine old man, reminding one partly of a benign Santa Claus and partly of a sagacious patriarch, arrived in Broad Street

Station this afternoon. He is Sir Rabindranath Tagore, Bengall poet, about whose visit to America everybody is talking, whose poems nearly every one has read and whose talk at the Ogontz School tonight all those fortunate enough to have been invited are eagerly awaiting.

The genius of Sir Rabindranath startled the world. One year he was entirely unknown to the Occident; the next he had been discovered, his poems translated and he himself awarded the Nobel prize for litera-

In his long flowing Oriental robes he made a striking appearance today as he with the men who surrounded him in their conventional costume, he made a rare pic-

Peace is the subject dearest to his heart and he misses no opportunity to arraign western civilization, which is responsible, in his opinion, for the world war.

"God," said Tagore, "made man to be human, but under the hard-cut finish of the manufacture now known as man it is difficult to discern the spirit. Our psychology is now that of fighting elements, not of co-operation. It is that which makes the struggle between man and woman. In the unceasing war for success the thread that bound man to woman is broken,

"And look at the anarchists. Seeing the power made in the political laboratory, seeing fortunes out of all proportion and greed which has no limit, seeing that success is the one end of the machine of your western nationalism, seeing the contests that rise out of the bloody muck of interna-tional diplomacy, is it any wonder that their strikes and protests fill your papers?"

Tagore said that he had recently come from Japan, where he tried to warn the people against western nationalism, but was rewarded by having the papers say that his speeches were "poetle with the poetry of a defeated people

"You now see Japan made over in your image," he said, "but you do not exciaim.
'It is good!' No, you see in this new Japan one more reason for preparedness. Ah, you one more reason for preparedness. An, you of the west, you think you are free, but you are bending your backs under the burden of nationalism. Your nations, with the endiess bull fights of politics, with the blasphemous prayers in churches, are mere machines. Or rather they are like huge giraffes, with greedy heads, having exagiranted dental development fromplus the

giraffes, with greedy heads, having exag-gerated dental development, dropping the tops of the foliage, but with bad digestion and hearts empty of blood.

"And this great war in Europe is the fifth act of the unreal. I hope that the tyranny of the nations may never be re-stored. In this war the west is face to face with her new creations."

Tagore is typically the man of medita-tion. In his conversation he seems for the most part almost unconscious of his listen-er, and appears to be rather reducing his ideas to the clearest possible English for his own benefit. And when the audience is ended, and with gracious courtesy he has taken leave of his visitor, he seems to sink, almost instantly, quietly back into the receases of his own profound meditations.

SOUTHERN TEAM

Tackles Penn Eleven on Franklin Field

POEMS STARTLED WORLD VISITORS AN ENIGMA

Bengalese, Foe of War, Says, Three Red and Blue Regulars, Mathews, Bell and Little, Out of Game

Somewhere between the Yale-Harvard brawl, the Army-Navy melee, the Lafayette-Let hard blows of trouble stelke fire into my Lehigh quarrel and the Swarthmore-Haverford muss, Bob Folwell's crowd and West Virginia Wesleyan inserted a gridiron contest on Franklin Field today. This surprising bit of news is not based on rumor, but is vouched for by Mr. Folwell himself and Coach Neale, of the visitors

In the hurricane of oug league stuff this zephyr of a practice game made little impression. However, it is a serious problem for the Quaker coaches-not because of a possibility of West Virginia winning, for it apparently hasn't any more chance than a real fighter has of getting a match with a champion, but because of the effect the game may have on the wear ers of the Red and Blue on the eve of the Cornell game.

Penn's matines opponents are more of less of a football mystery. No one has anything to do with football at the West Philadelphia Institution knows just how strong the southerners are. The fact that walked down the trainshed, and, contrasted they beat Bethany by a larger score than did either State or Pitt may or may not be significant. Comparative scores are no

more reliable than the weatherman.

The Quakers entered the game without three of their regular players. The miss ing three were Captain Mathews, Bert Bell and Lou Little. The Penn leader is in poor physical condition as the result of successive injuries in the Pitt, Dartmouth and Michigan games, and the coaches gave him permission to attend the Harvard-Yale game. Bell is still suffering from a bruised thigh sustained in the contest with the Wolverines, and Little is un der suspension.

Titzel, the Pitaburgh youth, was seen

in Little's position. Jimmy Bryant, whose mechanical work against Darfmouth was a revelation, directed the team from the quarterback position and Wagoner played in Captain Mathews's place.

All of the other regulars started the game. The Quaker coaches are not underrating the visitors and Folwell declared that he would keep his first-string men until the game was wen beyond a shadow of doubt.

DEATH DOOM FOR ASHBRIDGE Slayer of Actress and Jail Guard Sen-

tenced in Camden to Die Week of December 31

The death sentence on Wilson Ashbridge, convicted slayer of Elizabeth Dunbar, an actresa, was pronounced today by Justice Garrison, of the New Jersey Supreme Court, at Camden. He will be electrocuted during the week beginning December 31.

At the same time George E. Thompson, Ashbridge's accomplies in the sensational Camden County jail-breaking of July 17, in which a keeper was killed, was sentenced to serve from five to thirty years in the

penitentiary. The two prisoners were taken to Trenton in charge of Sheriff Hewitt. Ashbridge, who is twenty-two years old, heard the sentence with his characteristic cool demeanor and made no comment.

cool demeanor and made no comment. In direct contrast was Thompson's behavior, He was plainly relieved.

"I guess the judge had fine eggs and Java for breakfast," he smiled jauntily as he was led to his cell. "If he'd had the cold-storage variety, maybe it would have gone hard with me."

Miss Pumber was murdered January. "" Miss Dunbar was murdered January 22

Besides killing her, Ashbridge admitted that he fired the shots that killed Keeper Issae Hibbs and wounded Keeper Joseph Ellis in the jail-breaking.

CONTROL OF RAILROADS

More Power for Federal Commission Urged by Counsel Before Probers

MEANS NATION'S DEFENSE EMBARGO NOT PLANNED

WASHINGTON, Nov. 25,-Alfred P. Thom, counsel for the rallway executives. today pointed to lessons learned from rigid regulation of railroads by European belligerents as proof that "transportation lies at the base" of an efficient system of na-

Thom made the declaration before the Joint Congressional Committee investigating public utilities. His chief plea was for greater centralization of regulation of railroads. He reiterated his declaration that nuch of the power held by State commis dons should be given to a centralized Federal body, but insisted he did not believe State omnissions should be abolished, since they must be depended upon to protect State in-Chairman Lane, back in town, was stated | terests. He suggested the following "chief

tional Government except as to mat-ters escentially local and incidental.

As one of the means of accomplishing this a system of Federal Incorporation should be adopted, into which should be brought all railroad corporations engaged in interstate or for-

eign commerce.
Reorganisation of the Interstate
Commerce Commission and creation of
a new Federal railroad commission and regional commissions subordinated The Interstate Commerce Commis-ton should be given power to pre-oribe minimum rates.

The power of the commission to sus-pend rates should be confined to sixty days from the time the tariff is filed in-stead of tan months as at present. The Federal Government should have exclusive governmental power to su-pervise insuance of securities by inter-state explicit.

state carriers. Mr. Them probably will continue his ar-

REDFIELD HEADS PROBE OF COST OF LIVING

How to Increase Production and Improve Distribution Objects of Study

Government Regulation of Prices Not Contemplated

WASHINGTON, Nov. 25. How, to increase and, if possible, more quitably distribute the nation's food suply and thereby combat rising prices, was subjected to Government study today when the Commerce Department, under personal supervision of Secretary Redfield, began reliminary work on this question that affects every inhabitant of the country.

It is the belief of Administration officials that the chief reason for high prices now les in the fact that food production during the last year was below normal, while exportations have greatly increased. It is held by Administration officials and

others very close to the President that the food problem is one demanding closest and most careful study, not only from local angles, but also "from the viewpoint of the entire world, and that it cannot, under such conditions, be handled as a purely domestic In this connection officials said much an

In this connection officials said much an-noyance has been caused by "irresponsible exploitation" of the so-called "Administra-tion views" on the food situation in this country. Reports that the President has silently approved proposals for a foodstuffs embargo were denounced as "fabrications without foundation." It was also explained that there is no in-tention of establishing a Government regu-lation of food distribution "even in any way remotely approaching" the food dictator-ship systems now instituted in almost all belligerent nations abroad.

Ex-Soldier Found Shot in Head WILMINGTON, Del., Nov. 25,-Along I Druke a soldier formerly at Fort du Pont, who has been at work in a projectile plant at New Castle, is in a dangerous condition at Delaware Hospital. He was found in a ditch near the plant with a bullet wound in his bead, and the authorities express the bellef that he trice to will nimerif.

QUICK NEWS

TODAY'S FOOTBALL SCORES

YALE	3	0 6	-
NAVY	10		-
SWARTHMORE	0		-
LEHIGH	7		-
PENN	0	16	-

ENDS LIFE IN SALOON; SAID HE WAS BOLAND'S BROTHER

A man who said he was William Boland, brother of Edward Boland, slain by Ellis D. Frigar in Fairmount Park, followed this declaration today by committing suicide in Kelly's saloon, Thirteenth and Parrish streets, by shooting himself with a revolver. A few minutes before he had been reading an account of yesterday's hearing, in which Frigar was released in bail.

OLNEY URGES FEDERAL CONTROL OF RAILROADS

WASHINGTON, Nov. 25 .- Richard Oley, of Boston, former Secretary of State in the Cleveland Cabinet and one of the foremost constitutional lawyers in the country, this afternoon surprised the joint Congressional Railroad Committee by advocating revolutionary laws providing for direct Federal control of all national railroads to replace the present dual State and Federal supervision system. Mr. Olney's arguments wer presented in the form of a memorandum by A. P. Thom as the climax to his three-day plea in behalf of the railroads generally.

CONDUIT WIRE FALLS CAUSING SHORT CIRCUIT

Offices and factories in the section of Philadelphia between Marhet and Chestnut und Seventh and Fifth streets were pfunged into darkness shortly after 1 o'clock this afternoon, street cars were stalled and traffic blocked for twenty minutes when a conduit wire fell, causing a short circuit and weakening of the electric current in that section of the city.

PRESIDENT WILL ATTEND SERVICE FOR DEAD RULER

WASHINGTON, Nov. 25 .- The President and Mrs. Wilson, members of the United States Supreme Court, leaders in Congress and all Ambassadors and Ministers of nations allied with the Central Powers and of neutral nations will attend an claborate memorial service to be held at St. Patrick's Wednesday morning in honor of the late Francis Joseph. Cardinal Gibbons will preside.

CARNEGIE CELEBRATES EIGHTY-FIRST BIRTHDAY QUIETLY

NEW YORK, Nov. 25.-Andrew Carnegie celebrated his eighty-first birthday quietly at his home in East Ninety-second street. The condition of the aged financier's health is such that nothing elaborate was permitted. Scores of telegrams from all parts of the country poured into the home during the day.

HARRIS, THEATRICAL MAGNATE, DEAD

RAYSIDE, N. Y., Nov. 25 .- William Harris, theatrical magnate, died at his home here today. At one time Harris controlled nineteen theaters in New York, Boston and Chicago, but in later years relinquished some of his holdings. His son Henry B. Harris, also a producer, perished on the Titanic.

CRAMPS DENY PLAN TO BUY NEWPORT NEWS YARDS

Henry S. Groves, president of the William Cramp & Sons Ship and Engine Building Company, today denied a report emanating from Wall Street that his company is negotiating for the control of the Newport News Shipbuilding and Drydocking Company. "I have no knowledge of such a merger," he said, "and do not believe the report is true."

JAGOW NAMED LIFE MEMBER OF UPPER HOUSE

AMSTERDAM, Nov. 25.-Appointment of former Foreign Minister Gottlieb yon Jagow as a life member of the upper house of the Reichstag and selection of William von Stumm and Baron von Dem Busch to act jointly as under-secretaries of the Foreign Office were reported in Berlin advices here today.

BRAEMER CASTLE TORPEDOED, GREEKS DECLARE

LONDON, Nov. 25.-The Evening Star's Athens correspondent today declared that Greek authorities at Tinos Isle have reported that the British hospital ship Braemer Castle, sunk yesterday, was torpedoed while carrying 400 British wounded

\$50,000,000 IN BRITISH GOLD COMING TO UNITED STATES NEW YORK, Nov. 25.-Another stream of British gold, probably totaling about \$50,000,000 worth, will begin to pour into the United States Monday to offset the

seventy millions in gold have poured into the United States in the last four months. EIGHT-HOUR LAW APPEAL REACHES SUPREME COURT WASHINGTON, Nov. 25 .- The question of the constitutionality of the Adamon eight-hour law is up to the United States Supreme Court today. Formal filing of papers in the case is expected by Monday or Tuesday, at the latest. Whether

the highest tribunal will be able or willing to speed its proverbially slow-moving

judicial machinery in order to act finally on the case by January 1 still remains a

new British loan being sought here today through bond sales. Four hundred and

question, although belief still is strong that it will be several weeks after New Year's before this is done.

GREAT DEMAND FOR FEMALE LABOR IN GERMANY BERLIN, Nov. 25.-Employment agencies throughout the empire report that there is a great demand for female labor in Germany. Women now employed are demanding that their wages be raised to at least ten cents an hour. Unskilled female labor in the leather and metal goods trades is in special demand, and already thousands of women have taken the places of the men called away to

NEW SUPER-ZEPPELIN REPORTED WRECKED IN GALE AMSTERDAM, Nov. 25.-Travelers from Munich arriving today reported that new German super-Zeppelin was wrecked in Tuesday's gale between Friedrichshaven and Wilhelmshaven. Twenty-seven are said to have perished in the accident,

NAVY BUDGET FOR 1918 ESTIMATED AT \$400,000,000 WASHINGTON, Nov. 25.-The 1918 naval apprepriation bill prohably will be one of the first great supply bills ready for consideration in the House when Congress convenes next month. It will carry a total of nearly \$400,000,000. Rapid progress has been made by the House naval subcommittee engaged in preliminary

MANY FOOTBALL CONTESTS SLATED THIS AFTERNOON

Harvard - Yale and Army-Navy Most Important Struggles on List

EXPECT RECORD CROWD

Seven Big Games on Today's Gridiron Card

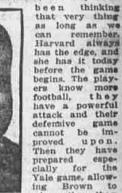
Yabe-Harvard, at New Haven, Army-Navy, at Polo Grannds, New York, Haverford, Swarthmore, at Haverford, Jafayette-Lehigh, at Easten, Penn-West Virginia Wesleyan, at Frank-Field.

By ROBERT W. MAXWELL Sports Editor Eventso Labora

This is the biggest football day America an seen for many years. Six contests are scheduled, each of which is of major importance, some in its own locality and others throughout the entire country. If the crowds could be accommodated, at least 200,000 would witness these games, but lack of seating facilities will keep the total attendance down to a paltry 150,000.

Yale will meet Harvard in the Bowl, and this, perhaps, is the most important battle of the day. Tickets have been sold to 77,000 persons, making it the largest crowd that ever witnessed a game in the United States. The Army and Navy will clash on the Polo Grounds, and some 50,000 will pass through the gates. Lehigh and Lafayette will draw 10,000 at Easton, nad the Haverford-Swarthmore argument, which is the feature in this section, should attract a like number. Out at Franklin Field Penn will play a practice game with West Virginla Wesleyan, but this is not so important, and last, but not least-to use an original expression-those who crave scholastic football can wander out to Twenty-ninth and Cambria streets and watch Northeast and West Phillie put on their act.

Yale's sudden reversal of form and the remarkable game against Princeton has added interest to the Harvard combat, and the majority of the crowd will push its way into the Bowl to see Harvard get trimmed for the first time in many years. The wise ones figure that Old Eli is due to trlumph over the Crimson, but they have



BLACK, Yale ing Brown to win rather than take a chance on getting any of the stars injured. Also, Harvard has had an opportunity to see Yale in action, something that the Blue cannot say about the Crimson. Haughton and seven of his players saw the Princeton game last week and have an idea of what expect. This gives them a big advan-

The news that four of Yale's regulars were in the hospital with tonsilitis was received with alarm by the adherents of Old ceived with alarm by the adherents of Old Ell, but it is safe to say that they will be among those present when Nate Tufts blows the whistle this afternoon. Both varsity ends, with Captain Black and Quar-terback Smith, were reported to be on the sick list and removed to the infirmary, but this was only a precaution to prevent the men from taking cold. The other members of the team are in good shape. of the team are in good shape.

Harry Le Gore and Jim Braden are Tad Jones's hopes in the backfield. The former is a wonder in the open field, can punt and hurl the forward pass and has few equals

running around the ends. His individual play has won several of the earlier games. Braden, who started the scor-ing against Princeton last week when he booted a goal from field, is a terrific line plunger, a good drop-kicker and a won-der on the defense. Captain Black in better



and the others LE GORE: Yalu own. The only weakness is team play and in this department Harvard shines. Eddie Casey is the Crimson star who is expected to rip through, around and over the Blue rush line for substantial gains, Eddie is a former pupil of Tad Jones and will use the knowledge imparted by Jones to defeat his recent tutor. Clasey is a



HARTS, Harvard ne of the ends

impared by Jones untor. Casey is a hard man to stop in the open field, as he squirms out of the way of the tacklers and twists and turns a few yards more after he apparently has been stopped. Horwess, another member of the backfield also is a good player. He punts and dropkicks well and is a power on the dafence. This puly scens to have the edge on Le Gors and Braden Dick Harte, of Philadelphia, will play

After looking at the game from all angles. Harvard seems to have the ketter team and should win.

The Army and Navy struggle also makes can to pick, but you never can toll. On form, the builders are a see to the seed.