

RUSSIANS LAUNCH BUKOWINA ATTACK TO SAVE RUMANIA

Start Strong Offensive in Carpathians and Capture Positions

WALLACHIA IS IN RUINS

Campolung Near Fall—Mackensen Advances Closer to Bucharest

BERLIN, Nov. 29.—Russian troops operating with the Rumanians in the Carpathians have begun a strong offensive movement in an effort to relieve the pressure of the German allies in interior Rumania.

The Russo-Rumanian forces are reported to be evacuating Campolung to avoid being outflanked by the Austro-German forces that captured Kurta Arjesch.

The Rumanian Government had been established at Jassy, 200 miles north of Bucharest.

RUMANIANS STILL HAVE CHANCE TO HALT FOES

LONDON, Nov. 29.—Progress of Field Marshal von Mackensen's forces from the newly captured town of Giurgiuvo, on the Danube, was the crux of the Rumanian situation today.

It was pointed out here as a continued anxiety of hopes in the Rumanian situation, that the Berlin official statements are still significantly silent as to captures of large bodies of troops or of transport supplies.

FRANCO-SERBS ADVANCE; CAPTURE TWO HEIGHTS

PARIS, Nov. 29.—Continued progress of Allied forces north and west of Monastir was reported in today's official statement.

TEUTONS HALT BRITISH ATTACK NEAR GIVENCHY

BERLIN, Nov. 29.—Repulse of an attack by a British company near Givenchy and southwest of Lens, made in a dense fog, was announced in today's official statement.

THE WEATHER

FORECAST For Philadelphia and vicinity—Unsettled weather and mild temperature this afternoon and tonight with probably rain; Thursday partly cloudy, with colder in the afternoon and night; moderate southerly winds becoming westerly.

CITY'S POOR WILL NOT GO TURKEYLESS TOMORROW



Charitable organizations and philanthropically inclined individuals are giving away turkeys and Thanksgiving dinners with a lavish hand this year.

TURKEYS SLUMP TO THIRTY CENTS

Housewives' Refusal to Buy Beats Price Down From 45 Cents

CRITICISM FOR DEALERS

The price of best-grade turkeys in this city has fallen ten to fifteen cents in the last twenty-four hours.

The market began its slide yesterday morning, and up to noon today was still falling.

The reason, tradesmen and commission men say, is that there is not the expected demand for them.

The situation was summed up by William D. Edson, president of Edson Brothers, a wholesale poultry firm on Dock street, as follows:

"A lot of idiots, commission men, went down South this year and paid exorbitant prices to the farmers. They had to because the farmers held off, quoting the high prices given by the newspapers.

"The stock wasn't bought intelligently. Some of the buyers paid prices equal to some retail prices last year.

"I believe that this will teach the commission men a lesson and that they will exercise more judgment when they buy the Christmas stock.

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INMATE CLUBS KEEPER AND FLEES IN AUTO

Surrenders by Telephone as Police Push Chase After Him

NEW YORK, Nov. 29.—After staging a thrilling early morning auto race from Greenwich, Conn., to New York, in which he was a complete victor over the police and his keepers, Philip Max, twenty-seven years old, Colgate graduate and asylum inmate, surrendered himself voluntarily today and was taken back to the sanitarium from which he had escaped.

Police from uptown stations were pushed in the direction of the city limits to meet the fast-flying machine carrying Max.

When only an iron bar still remained attached to his wrists, he entered his keeper's room carrying this as a club. The keeper attempted to grapple with Max, but he had been handcuffed to his bed, falling to break the handcuffs, he broke the bed.

Clear on Thanksgiving Afternoon, Forecast Says

GENERALLY unsettled, with probable clearing and colder weather, in the prediction for Thanksgiving Day by Forecaster Bliss.

Those who plan to witness the Penn.-Cornell football game at Franklin Field, or take part in other outdoor festivities, should not become alarmed, because Mr. Bliss is confident the afternoon will be clear.

Light rains are expected tonight, to continue until morning and possibly to noon.

POOR BEFRIENDED FOR THANKSGIVING

Mrs. George W. Childs Drexel and Lemon Hill Association Among Donors

HOSPITALS SEEK HELP

Thanksgiving began today with the giving of baskets to the poor and the observance of donation day in institutions throughout the city.

Mrs. George W. Childs Drexel distributed a large number of Thanksgiving baskets from 1719 South Ninth street.

More than a hundred Thanksgiving baskets were distributed to "worthy friends" of the Lemon Hill Association in the Garrick Theater last night.

ARGENTINA OFFERED AMERICAN ASSISTANCE

Financiers Propose to Complete Public Works Tied Up by European War

United Press Special South American Service. BUENOS AIRES, Nov. 29.—Minister of Public Works Torelio is considering the acceptance of financial assistance from the United States for a resumption of important public enterprises which the European war has tied up during many months.

"SCALPERS" ADD HALF TO FOOTBALL PRICES

Ticket "scalpers" are selling tickets for the Penn-Cornell game in front of the Land Title Building at Broad and Chestnut streets. They are charging fifty per cent more than the face value for all tickets and seem to be well stocked with them, but on account of the fabulous prices are not doing very much business.

"WE'LL BRING EGGS DOWN," WOMEN CRY

"Just Hold On," Advice Flashed in New York Boycott

30,000 HOMES JOIN WAR

Women Use Endless Chain in Boycott Against Eggs

NEW YORK, Nov. 29.—ONE of the most effective blows in the boycott against eggs has been delivered by women applying the endless chain.

One woman called twenty-five of her friends by telephone and asked each to abstain from the use of eggs for two weeks.

The first relay of that message, providing each of the first twenty-five telephoned to twenty-five friends, reached 625 women.

NEW YORK, Nov. 29.—With virtually every civic association and woman's club in the city behind it, New York's boycott on eggs went into the second stage today.

Just hold on," was the advice sent out from headquarters of the National Housewives' League, "and we'll bring eggs down to where we all can enjoy them."

The number of homes in which no eggs are being eaten is problematical, but, according to the league's calculations, they will number between 25,000 and 30,000.

DESTRUCTIVE EARTHQUAKE ROCKS JAPAN

TOKYO, Nov. 29.—Earthquake shocks felt through all middle Japan have destroyed many houses in Kobe, Osaka and Kyoto.

U. G. I. PAYS \$366,000 AS ITS SHARE OF STATE TAX

The United Gas Improvement Company has paid \$366,000 into the treasury of the State of Pennsylvania as State tax.

U. S. AWARDS CONTRACTS FOR 29 SUBMARINES

WASHINGTON, Nov. 29.—Secretary of the Navy Daniels today awarded contracts for construction of twenty-seven coast submarines and two 800-ton seagoing submarines for the American navy to the following:

EMPEROR'S BODY INCLOSED IN SILVER CASKET

VIENNA, Nov. 29.—For the last two days there has been an endless procession passing before the bier of the late Emperor Francis Joseph in the Hofburg chapel.

\$25,000,000 SHIPBUILDING CORPORATION ORGANIZED

The New York Shipbuilding Corporation, with capital stock totaling \$25,000,000, has been organized under the laws of New York to take over the business and assets of the New York Shipbuilding Company.

QUICK NEWS

COURT REFUSES TO REVOKE SALOON LICENSE

Common Pleas Court Judges Barratt and Davis in an opinion handed down this afternoon refused to revoke the saloon license of Michael J. Burke, southwest corner of Sixtieth and Lansdowne avenue.

TWO BIG RUSSIAN TRANSPORTS SUNK

BERLIN, Nov. 29.—Two large Russian transports, bearing the 428th Regiment, have been sunk between Helsingfors and Reval, according to a report published by the Swedish newspaper Aftonbladet.

TODAY'S RACING RESULTS

First Bowie race, 2-year-olds, 6 furlongs, selling—Felucca, 107, Williams, \$7.10, \$3.60, \$2.70, won; Otsego, 110, Butwell, \$3.30, \$2.60, second; Lady Clinton, 102, Crump, \$3.20, third. Time, 1.15.

BANDITS BLOW HAZLETON, KAN., BANK SAFE; GET \$12,000

HAZLETON, Kan., Nov. 29.—Four masked bandits blew the safe of the Hazleton State Bank and escaped with more than \$12,000.

RAILROADS WOULD SELL OUT TO U. S., PROBERS ARE TOLD

WASHINGTON, Nov. 29.—The first intimation of a desire of the big railroads of the country for Government ownership of their lines was given this afternoon by A. P. Thom, representing the railroads before the Newlands joint congressional committee.

DU PONT DIVIDENDS 100 PER CENT FOR YEAR

WILMINGTON, Del., Nov. 29.—E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Co. today declared a regular dividend of 1 1/2 per cent and an extra dividend of 2 1/2 per cent on its common stock, payable December 15 to stockholders of record November 23.

GERMANS GET THREE EGGS A WEEK

NEW YORK, Nov. 29.—On a plate of meat three inches in diameter and one egg three times a week now form the chief diet of German civilians, according to Mrs. Lawrence Lanier Winslow, wife of the third assistant secretary of the American Embassy in Berlin.

RAILROADS ASKED TO RETURN FREIGHT CARS

Eastern railroads have been asked by the conference committee on efficiency of the American Railway Association to return freight cars speedily to other roads which may need them.

U-BOAT ACTIVITY RAISES MARINE INSURANCE RATE

NEW YORK, Nov. 29.—Increasing apprehension in maritime circles over submarine activity, accentuated by the sinking of the American steamship Chemung and the British steamship City of Birmingham, caused another sharp advance in marine insurance rates here today.

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COP INSURANCE ROUSES MAYOR; PLEDGES PROBE

Will Punish Gambler in Lives if Facts Warrant

AN UNKNOWN SANTA PAYS THE PREMIUMS

Dependents Do Not Get \$2400; Query Now: Who Does?

WHITELEY WON'T TELL

How "Santa Claus" Profits by Deaths of City Policemen

Total insurance out on lives of 4000 policemen aggregates about \$10,000,000. Each policy is for \$2,500. On death of a policeman the Police Beneficiary Association receives \$2,500 from Pension Mutual Life Insurance Company. Association deducts \$100. Balance of \$2400 goes to Seth H. Whiteley, insurance agent, who delivers it to "philanthropist," who pays the premiums. Who is the person who profits to the extent of \$2,400?

Mayor Smith said this afternoon that if there developed the slightest suspicion of graft by one of his administrative family or a member of any previous administration in connection with police insurance, as soon in connection with police insurance, as soon as it is linked up with the Pension Mutual Life Insurance Company by the Police Beneficiary Association, he personally would begin an investigation.

The exposure came yesterday when Common Councilman I. Walter Thompson, Forty-sixth Ward, introduced in Council a resolution calling for a councilmanic inquiry. Mr. Thompson said Council should find out who was making money out of the deaths of Philadelphia's policemen.

Seventy-six policemen have died since January 1 last.

The Mayor talked about this latest phase of the insurance scandal, which insurance Commissioner O'Neil has been probing since he asked the Dauphin County courts more than three weeks ago to name a receiver for the Pension Mutual. The Mayor's statements were made after officials of the police department declared it was up to Commissioner O'Neil to conduct an investigation if such a scandal were suspected.

MAYOR'S STATEMENT

Mayor Smith said: If there is the slightest suspicion that any one in this Administration or any previous administration is grafting or getting a rake-off in connection with this police insurance on any part which will go to the bottom of it.

OFFICIALS LEARN OF PLAN While Councilman Thompson, of the Forty-sixth Ward, was saying today that he would insist on a councilmanic investigation into the affairs of the Police Beneficiary Association as related to the Pension Mutual Life Insurance Company, of Pittsburgh, Director of Public Safety Wilson, Assistant Director Davis and Superintendent Robinson learned that there existed insurance on their lives in the Pension Life. This was a revelation to them.

It is revealed today that many policemen, including the chief, are thus insured. Only when they die their families do not get the money. It goes to someone else. When a policeman dies the company

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AUTO DRIVERS WARNED AGAINST ROBBER GANG

Five Machines Stolen Within Twenty-four Hours—Thieves Getting Busy

Automobile insurance companies in this city today sent circular letters to their clients warning them against parking their automobiles in places where they could not be watched, as a band of "auto thieves" is known to be working in this city. This warning especially applies to Thanksgiving Day.

Five machines have been stolen within twenty-four hours, according to reports made to the detective bureau in City Hall today.

Those whose machines were stolen were: Mrs. Salome Shillinger, 3728 Spring Garden street, car taken from in front of her home, value \$200; E. A. Lee, 1718 Schuylkill street, a 1905 auto, stolen from in front of 1707 Shannon street; the machine was later recovered; Charles P. Davis, 1821 Spruce street, car valued at \$400, Paige car, the property of A. E. Sullivan, of 5223 Parkside avenue, stolen from in front of his home last night. The car was valued at \$1500. A. A. Eaton, of 1445 Argyle terrace, automobile stolen from back of 110 West 204 street last night.