

TWICE OVER THE DANUBE

Von Mackensen Gains Foot-hold on Roumanian Soil.

ARRESTED, SAYS BUCHAREST

But At Another Point the Invaders Are Only Seventy Miles South-west Of That City—Petrograd Admits It.

Bucharest, via London.—The War Office announces that the advance of German troops which crossed the Danube river has been arrested.

The capture of Orsova and Turnu-Severin makes secure the transport of reserves and war material for the German and Austro-Hungarian troops operating in Small Wallachia.

"Small Wallachia now is menaced simultaneously from three sides," says the critic, "so that all further combats in this district are hopeless for the Roumanians."

Petrograd Makes Admission.

Petrograd, via London.—The War Office announces that the Germans have made a crossing of the Danube near Zimniza.

The statement says the Roumanians have been pushed back toward the south of Tulmaceanu, on the River Alt.

Foot-hold, Says Berlin.

Berlin, by wireless to Sayville.—Atacks of the Russo-Roumanian forces in the Gyergo Mountains, on the Moldavian front, were repulsed by the Teutonic forces.

Several towns in Roumanian south of the Alt Pass have been captured by the Austro-German invaders.

Forces of Field Marshal von Mackensen have crossed the Danube and gained a footing on Roumanian soil.

Roumanians Destroy Grain.

London.—The Roumanian troops operating on the extreme left of their line in Wallachia have extricated themselves after destroying millions of hundred weights in cereals.

MIDDIES DIE GAME.

Although Beaten, They Manage To Cross Opponent's Goal Line.

New York.—Army skill triumphed over Navy pluck when the football teams from West Point and Annapolis clashed in their annual battle at the Polo Grounds.

Some 50,000 citizens not counting the Governor of New York, Cabinet officers, generals, admirals and an array of lesser lights in both branches of the Government service.

CLEAN-CUT VICTORY.

Harvard's Defeat At Hands Of Yale Fairly Deserved.

New Haven, Conn.—Rising phoenix-like from the ashes of four years of consecutive football defeat, Yale triumphed over Harvard here by the score of 6 to 3.

SAFE ROBBERS DESTROY TOWN.

Set Fire To Store and Red Level, Ala., Is Consumed.

Andalusia, Ala.—The town of Red Level, Ala., was destroyed by fire when safe robbers blew up a drug store safe and then set fire to the store.

PHONE GIRLS SAVE A TOWN.

Stick Together At Switchboards To Get Aid In Checking Fire.

Lockport, Ill.—Courage of two telephone operators—Miss Ethel Spangler and Miss Violet Bluffs—in sticking to their switchboards, calling aid from Joliet, four miles away, is believed to have saved this town from virtual destruction by fire.

PROTOCOL SIGNED BY COMMISSION

U. S. Troops to Retire From Mexico After Ratification.

BODY MAY CONFER AGAIN

President To Receive Copy From Head Of American Commission—A. J. Pani Will Present the Agreement To Carranza.

Atlantic City, N. J.—A protocol providing for the conditional withdrawal of the American troops now in Chihuahua, Mex., and for the military control of the border.

One of the official copies was taken by Albert J. Pani, of the Mexican commission for submission to General Venustiano Carranza for his approval.

For Another Session.

If the protocol is ratified by the two governments the commission will convene again on December 8, to resume the discussion of other questions affecting the two countries.

Where the adjourned sessions of the commission will be held was not determined when the conference was finished.

Second—The Mexican army shall patrol the Mexican side of the border and the American army the American side.

Third—It shall be left to the commanding officers of the armies on the border of both nations to enter into such arrangements for co-operation in operations against bandits whenever it is possible.

Right To Cross Border.

"The right of the American government to send troops across the border in pursuit of bandits was not incorporated in the protocol but was made the subject of a supplemental memorandum.

TO EXPEDITE 8-HOUR SUIT.

Washington.—Conferences between Attorney-General Gregory and counsel for important railway systems of the country, looking to the expedition to the Supreme Court of one of the suits attacking the constitutionality of the Adamson act were concluded here.

In the conferences here the form of the agreement between the Attorney-General and the railway lawyers was in substance decided upon.

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ONLY FOUR WEEKS TO CHRISTMAS



VILLA LOSES FIERCE FIGHT

Personally Led the Attack on General Trevino.

FOUR ASSAULTS ARE MADE

Although Carranza Troops Had a Small Supply of Ammunition, the Heavy Artillery Fire Mowed Down the Bandits.

El Paso, Texas.—Francisco Villa withdrew his surviving forces in defeat from Chihuahua City after a battle of seven hours, during which he made fruitless attempts to carry General Trevino's protecting works by assault.

This report was received from Chihuahua by Carranza officials in Juarez, who added that government troops were actively pursuing the retreating bandits.

MADE FOUR ATTACKS.

Juarez, Mex.—Four times Francisco Villa attacked the first line trenches which defend Chihuahua City and each time he was repulsed, leaving his dead and wounded on the plains outside of the city to the south.

The first and second line trenches, protected by barbed wire entanglements, took up the fighting and by noon a general engagement was in progress along the entire southern line which continued through the early afternoon.

Raked Bandit Lines.

The field was covered with dead and dying men, one message stated. A sortie by Carranza cavalry, supported by artillery, resulted in the capture of many Villa prisoners who were without ammunition and had gone since morning without food or water.

Had 3,000 Men.

Carranza's officers here are optimistic regarding the outcome of the battle at Chihuahua City. The only cause of worry to them was the fact that General Trevino's ammunition supply for small arms and machine guns is limited.

Villa in person was leading his forces against the Carranza troops, according to the reports received at the Juarez military headquarters from Chihuahua City, given out by Carranza officers.

After the President had telegraphed to Mr. Hughes the White House made public several thousand telegrams of congratulation from Cabinet members.

ADMITS HE CORNERED EGGS.

"What Are You Going To Do About It?" Asks Wetz.

Chicago.—"Yes, it's true, but what are they going to do about it?" was the reply James E. Wetz, "Egg King," gave to persons who charged that he has cornered the egg market of the United States and is forcing higher prices.

25 YEARS FOR TRAIN ROBBER.

James Medsker Pleads Guilty and Is Sentenced.

Detroit.—James Medsker, who with two companions held up a Michigan Central passenger train near Dearborn, a Detroit suburb, on the night of September 27, pleaded guilty in the United States District Court here.

PAID FOR FARM FIRST YEAR.

Banner Yield Of Potatoes Lifts Mortgage On Abandoned Land.

Harrisburg Pa.—The State Department of Agriculture has received a report of an inquiry into a crop yield which shows that W. A. Shuey, of near New Cumberland, raised 6,900 bushels of potatoes on 22 acres.

GOLD BALANCE \$469,800,000.

Net Inward Movement In U. S. For Year Greatly Increased.

Washington.—The net inward gold movement for the 12 months ending with November 1 was estimated at \$469,800,000 in a Department of Commerce statement.

WILSON WATCHES FLIGHT.

Confidential Stenographer Of President Circles Over White House.

Washington.—President Wilson watched his confidential stenographer, Charles L. Swann, circle over the White House in an aeroplane, which buckled a high wind.

JOB FOR EVERY WOMAN.

Immigration Commissioner Makes Promise To Clubs.

Chicago.—A job for every woman in the country who wants to work was the promise held out by Anthony Caminetti, Commissioner of Immigration of the United States Department of Labor.

AGED EMPEROR OF AUSTRIA DEAD

Francis Joseph's Remarkable Career Comes to An End.

REIGN OF SIXTY-EIGHT YEARS

His Reign Longest in World's History. Marked By Series Of Tragedies, Culminating In World War.

London.—Emperor Francis Joseph of Austria-Hungary died Tuesday night at Schoenbrunn Castle, according to a Reuter dispatch from Vienna by way of Amsterdam.

That the Emperor's death was imminent had been indicated by a dispatch received from Berlin which reported that he had become worse during the day and that his temperature was rising.

Charles Francis To Succeed. Archduke Charles Francis, grand-nephew of Emperor Francis Joseph, became heir to the throne of Austria-Hungary by the assassination of Archduke Francis Ferdinand prior to the outbreak of the war.

Archduke Charles Francis was born on August 17, 1857. His wife was Princess Zita of the Bourbon House of Parma.

Reign Long and Eventful. It is doubtful if in all history there has been an active, authenticated reign longer than that closed by the death of Francis Joseph.

At 19 years of age he ascended the throne of Austria upon abdication of his uncle, Ferdinand I, December 2, 1848.

In his own country he faced internal dissensions and external aggressions from the moment he came to the throne.

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End Comes To Novelist At His Ranch In California. Santa Rosa, Cal.—Jack London, the author, died at his Glen Ellen (Cal.) ranch near here, a victim of uremic poisoning.

President Sends Reply. Washington.—President Wilson sent a telegram to Charles E. Hughes acknowledging his message of congratulation.

The President's telegram said: "I am sincerely obliged to you for your message of congratulation. Allow me to assure you of my good wishes for the years to come."

NAVY WILL BURY FUEL OIL. Plans Underground Storage Tanks. Proof Against Aircraft.

Washington.—The navy is preparing to place its fuel oil supply at various navy yards in underground storage reservoirs to protect it from attack by hostile aircraft.

"DRY CHICAGO" CAMPAIGN ON. Opened By Bryan, Who Denies He Will Leave Nebraska.

Chicago.—A "dry" Chicago campaign was opened with an address by W. J. Bryan at a meeting here of the Chicago Federation.

WILSON MESSAGE TO PRINTER. Deals Almost Exclusively With Domestic Affairs.

Washington.—President Wilson's annual message to Congress was put in final shape and sent to the public printer.

6,000 Bushels Of Tubers On 22 Acres. The State Department of Agriculture received a report of an inquiry into a crop yield, which shows that W. A. Shuey, of near New Cumberland, raised 6,900 bushels of potatoes on 22 acres.

Death Warrants For Five. Death warrants were signed by the Governor as follows: John Nelson, Wyoming; Jonas Brobst, Lehigh, week of January 8; Patrick Calery, Northampton, January 15; Henry Ward Motter, Ernest Haines, Jefferson, January 22.

Railway Charter Is Approved. The charter of the Denver and Ephraim Railway was approved.

White Haven.—This town is planning for a municipal Christmas tree, the first the town has had in many years.

Wellsport.—Clara Sheckler, aged eleven years, fell and fractured a leg at the precise spot where the bone was broken a year ago.

Weatherly.—Washington Camp, Patriotic Order Sons of America here, is organizing an auxiliary of over one hundred women and girls.

STATE WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION LAW

State Efficiency Conference Discusses Dozen Ways To Revise Law. Safety Problems.

Harrisburg—

A dozen or more changes in the State's workmen's compensation law were advocated at a general discussion of the Act of 1915 and its operation held during the State conference on industrial, welfare and efficiency.

Patrick Gilday, chief of the State Bureau of Mediation, opposed compulsory arbitration as unfair to labor and offered instead, the mutual agreement plan, which he said had worked satisfactorily.

The standardization of safety committees and the accident problems of general industry were themes with suggestions as to ways and means to reach the non-English-speaking workmen.

H. H. Wheaton, of the United States Department of the Interior, spoke on Americanization.

Talks on fire prevention were given by Commissioner Lewis T. Bryant, of the New Jersey Department of Labor, on the way the State handles the problem; Miss Florence L. Sanville, of the Bryn Mawr fire prevention study, and Philip S. Tilden, Philadelphia.

The discussion on compensation was opened by Paul N. Furman, chief of the Bureau of Statistics, who urged that the Act be maintained for at least two years and declared that employers and employees had heartily co-operated to work out the system and that insurance companies and exempted employers had helped.

Francis H. Feehan, of Pittsburgh, called for a number of changes on behalf of miners and other workmen. He suggested that the Act be made compulsory instead of optional; that the fourteen-day period be reduced; that compensation be made sixty-six per cent, instead of fifty; that cost of artificial limbs, etc., be borne by employers as well as cost of medical or surgical attendance; that compensation be given for disfigurement, and that the State insurance fund be extended.

H. Fowler, of Taylor, speaking in behalf of United Mine Workers, said that the compensation for men made blind and suffering other serious permanent injuries should be increased.

Harrisburg-N. Y. Highway Urged.

Highway Commissioner Black was asked by a delegation of Northern and Central Pennsylvanians to take up the construction of a State main highway, to be known as the Susquehanna Trail, and to extend from Harrisburg to the New York State line by way of Williamsport, Roaring Branch, Ganton and Troy.

The remainder of the distance is on roads which it is desired to add to the State system so as to form a thorough route from Elmira to Harrisburg.

State Finances New Top Notch. Pennsylvania's finances are going to turn out better than was anticipated by some of the calculators of the income of the Commonwealth last year.

The revenues to date amount to \$33,774,122.41, and at the end of the fiscal year, it is hoped that they will run over the \$35,000,000 mark.

Electors Spent Less Than \$50. William Flinn, E. D. Smith, E. M. Rine and J. Van Buskirk, Republican electors, filed statements that they spent less than \$50 in the recent campaign.

John J. Shigo, Democratic elector, certified to spending \$100 and William Repp, Prohibition candidate for Auditor General, contributed \$125 to his party's war chest.

Oliver McKnight, single tax candidate for Congress-at-large, received \$60 in contributions and paid it to the State Committee of his party.

Two Trustees and Four Justices. Governor Brumbaugh appointed John Jordan, Alderman of the Second Ward, Pitston, and Cornelius Kunkle, Hazleton, members of the Board of Trustees of the Hazleton State Hospital.

Carlisle Firm Raises Wages. Carlisle.—The Standard Chain Company, of Carlisle, one of the largest employers of male labor in the Cumberland Valley, announced a ten per cent, increase in the wages of their men in all lines.

250 In Carlisle Commerce Body. Carlisle.—After a week's campaign the 250 enrollment mark for the new Carlisle Chamber of Commerce was reached.

Woman Wins \$2,500 For Eye. York.—Mrs. Mary E. Bruggeman, while cleaning a gutter with her broom, got mud splashed in her eye, and brought suit against the city because the sight of the eye was destroyed.

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KEYSTONE STATE IN SHORT ORDER

Latest Doings In Various Parts of the State.

PREPARED FOR QUICK READING

Motorist Killed When Car Upsets.

Bloomburg.—Edward Delaney, aged forty-seven, married, the father of seven children and tax collector of Plymouth Township, was killed within three miles of Bloomburg when the automobile he was driving turned turtle.

Norristown.—When Claudia Watson, fourteen years old, died suddenly in Norristown, it developed that she had been attending the public school for days with a fractured skull unknown to the parents.

Rifle Club To Enlarge Property. Harrisburg.—Purchase of a 127-acre plot for club purposes, transformation of present buildings into a clubhouse and garage, enlargement of the membership to include women and the addition of trap, pigeon and clay bird shooting, was decided upon at a meeting of the Harrisburg Rifle Club.

Wine \$1,000 For Heart Balm. Easton.—The jury trying the suit brought by Miss Louise H. Hartzog, of Allentown, against City Commissioner Willard P. Strickland, for breach of promise of marriage, awarded the plaintiff \$1,000.

Two Girls Are Killed In Fire. Brownsville.—Elma and Slavala Cappelli, three and five years old, respectively, were burned to death and their mother was bruised by jumping from a second-story window when fire destroyed their home at Alicia, two miles south of here.

20 Years For Young Incendiary. Bellefonte.—Edward Bannon, of Phillipsburg, twenty-six years old, was sentenced to the penitentiary by Judge Quigley for not less than twenty years nor more than thirty, for starting four fires within a year, which destroyed upwards of \$100,000 worth of property in Phillipsburg.

Exploding Guns Arouse Family. Tamaqua.—Fire of unknown origin destroyed the residence of Samuel Miller at Lewistown three miles from here with a loss of \$5,000.

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