

TEUTONS CONTINUE TO DRIVE RUMANIANS BACK

Berlin Reports That Invaders Steadily Draw Near The Capital.

RUSSIANS OPEN AN OFFENSIVE.

Fighting Fiercely on Northern Rumanian Front—French Report No Important Developments On Any of The Fronts.

Berlin. (By Wireless to Sayville), Nov. 30.—On the northern Rumanian front the Russians are continuing their new offensive movement. The war office announced they obtained no important results yesterday and all advantage gained was at the cost of heavy losses.

In Western Rumania the Rumanian troops which are defending the line before Bucharest were driven back further.

An attack made by the entente troops yesterday in Belgium near Ypres is announced officially. The assault was carried out on a front 20 miles wide and was repulsed by the Germans.

Artillery Active. London, Nov. 30.—Machine gun and artillery fire was active last night in the neighborhood of Gueudecourt (Somme front), says today's official announcement. "Otherwise there is nothing to report."

No Important Moves Reported. Paris, Nov. 30.—The following official report from the Macedonian front was given out here:

"There were no important developments yesterday on the front of the army of the east. Rains and fogs are hindering operations."

The official account on last night's operations on the front in France follows:

"There were no important developments during the night, with the exception of fighting which was fairly spirited along the Somme in Ablencourt and Presioire."

BRITISH LOSSES FOR NOVEMBER

Less Than During October On Account of Slowing Down of Attack.

London, Nov. 30.—British casualties in the month of November as reported on all front were 74,650.

Of the total, 2,351 of the casualties were among officers and 72,299 were men.

There was a marked falling off in the November losses, as compared with the preceding month, probably owing to a slowing down of the Somme campaign, on account of bad weather.

The November casualties bring up the total British casualties reported in the five months since the beginning of the Somme offensive to 488,852.

INTERRED AT OKDALE

The remains of Mr. Stephen H. Chadborn who passed away at his home in Spartanburg, S. C., yesterday morning at 2 o'clock following a lingering illness of neuritis were received in the city today at 12:50 o'clock this afternoon and were carried direct to Oakdale cemetery where the funeral services were conducted by the Rev. William H. Milton, D. D., pastor of St. James' Episcopal church. The following acted as pall bearers. Honorary: Messrs. Charles S. Grainger and William Latimer, Jr. Active: Messrs. J. W. Yates, Guy Cardwell, W. D. MacMillan, Jr., W. G. Elliot, Clayton Giles, Jr., and Swift M. Douwright.

The large gathering of friends at the graveside and the wilderness of flowers attested to the esteem and admiration in which the deceased was held by his many friends and admirers.

Decatur, Ill., Nov. 30.—Tomorrow will be a red-letter day in the history of the local lodge of Elks, having been designated as the day for the formal dedication of their magnificent new home. Arrangements have been made to entertain a large number of visiting members of the order from all over this section of Illinois. Grand Exalted Ruler Edward Rightor, of New Orleans, and several other officials of the grand lodge will be here for the ceremonies.

General Henry Armand London



Prominent North Carolinian and well known Confederate soldier, who passed away early this morning at his home in Pittsboro, following several years of failing health.

GERMANY WILLING FOR PEACE. Berlin, (By Wireless to Sayville), Nov. 30.—In an address to the Reichstag yesterday, introducing the man-power bill, Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg again announced that Germany was willing for the war to end, under the guarantees of existence of the future of the nation.

SOCIETIES MET IN JOINT SESSION

Students of Kenly High School Have Number of Fine Affairs.

Kenly, N. C., Nov. 30.—Last Friday afternoon the literary societies of the school met in joint session, and rendered their programs together. The Thalian society presented a program dealing with the life and works of Robert Burns. The boys of the Rollins society discussed the question: "Resolved, That American Negroes Should be Colonized in Africa." The decision was in favor of the affirmative.

Tuesday night of this week a Thanksgiving program was rendered by the students of the school; the members of practically every grade taking part. Hundreds of people of the community were present, and the exercises were thoroughly enjoyed by all.

The Kenly school closed Wednesday noon of this week until next Monday. Most of the teachers are attending the Teachers' Assembly in Raleigh.

Last Friday night the ladies of the Presbyterian church gave a supper at the Glenn Hotel for the benefit of their Missionary Society. Eighty-seven dollars was realized.

Last Saturday night the Philathea class of the Free Will Baptist church gave an oyster supper, and realized about \$45.

Monday night of this week the Bright Jewels of the Methodist church rendered a Children's Day program, after which a silver offering was taken. Six dollars was realized. Mrs. A. J. Broughton trained the children, and they rendered a splendid program.

Last Sunday night Rev. A. J. Parker, pastor of the Methodist church, preached his last sermon of the present conference year. At the close of his sermon the congregation arose and extended to him a rising vote of thanks for his most excellent work here among us, and also expressed a desire that the conference see fit to send him back to us another year. Mr. and Mrs. Parker have won the confidence and esteem of the people of Kenly. They are most pleasant and most faithful workers.

Miss Ruby Dorrity, who has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Andrews, returned to her home in Goldsboro last night.

BY CONTACT THEY ACQUIRE LANGUAGES.

Brussels, Belgium, Nov. 30.—The Germans have been administering things in Belgium so long now that most of them have acquired a workable knowledge of the various languages that prevail there. Accordingly the chief authorities in Brussels have issued new and drastic language regulations for all their subordinates. In towns or districts in which the Flemish language preponderates, it is in future to be used solely both in spoken communications and in official acts, letters and notifications. The only exceptions to this rule permit French to be used when a reply has been specifically requested in that language, or when the original letter of inquiry was in French.

In Greater Brussels the authorities may make use of either French or Flemish, yet from the first of January, 1917, all communications from authorities of the various sections of Brussels to the outlying Flemish districts must be in Flemish. All notifications and public notices are to be issued in Flemish, with French translations accompanying them when desirable.

German is to be allowed only in sections of Belgium where it prevails as the "language of the country."

MIKADO MIGHT RECALL NATIVES

Japan Anxious to Acquire Land From Holland For This Purpose.

The Hague, Netherlands, Nov. 30.—"If Japan gets Java and Sumatra from Holland as a present, the hundred thousand emigrants in the United States can be recalled, so that America will also then be satisfied," declares the Japanese ex-Minister and publicist. Yusaburo Takekoshi, in his latest contribution to a well known Japanese review that has served once again to fan Dutch suspicions regarding the Land of the Rising Sun. "I therefore think that country is in entire agreement with our policy," he adds.

The article is a plain, unvarnished demand by this former Minister of Education that Japan shall take advantage of the present favorable juncture to annex the Netherlands East Indies. "If," he exclaims, "things are allowed to go on as they are going, there is every chance that Japan will get as good as nothing for the mobilization of a big army. I do not desire that the government shall pursue a quixotic policy, but I do desire that it shall strike a great blow to secure the safety of the nation and increase its influence, now that such a fine opportunity offers, an opportunity which, if allowed to slip, will not recur in a century."

Should Germany prove victorious, he argues, she will get the British and French colonies, and Java and Sumatra will also fall into her hands; if the war ends indecisively, Germany will cede Alsace-Lorraine to France in exchange for French possessions like Annam and Tongking, in which case the position of Java and Sumatra will be seriously threatened; and while if, on the other hand, the Allies win Great Britain will turn egotist, and in that case again the fate of those islands will cause Japan much anxiety. "In view of these considerations," reasons Yusaburo Takekoshi, "it is better for Japan to demand Java and Sumatra from Holland now, for the powers at present leave Japan a free hand and do nothing but nurse her friendship and goodwill." He further urges the necessity of Japan, as an industrial country, having more tropical territory whence nitrates of need it can get its raw materials, and on the other hand throws doubt on Holland's record in the matter of preserving neutrality in its colony, and on its future ability in this respect, thus rendering the East Indies a potential handy basis for Japan's enemies.

The Dutch press emphatically refutes all suggestions that the Netherlands has not strictly carried out the duties of neutrality in every instance, and while not inclined to exaggerate the importance of such solitary utterances as the foregoing it considers it wise that the nation not let this campaign escape the attention, "waged, as it is, by a man of influence in Japan,

METHOD IMPROVED FOR ACCURACY

Government Has Sizing-up of Farm Crops Down to a Fine One.

Washington, Nov. 30.—The method of estimating the size of the country's farm crops has been so improved and systematized that the actual production of important products is now made with a close degree of accuracy by the Bureau of Crop Estimates of the United States Department of Agriculture. Nearly two million schedules are handled each year by that bureau in making up the government monthly crop reports. About one hundred and sixty thousand names are constantly making personal investigations, one agent covering a state; and 105 clerks are employed in Washington handling the large number of reports from the voluntary crop records of crop information of this and foreign countries.

So carefully and systematically has the work been organized that the 1915 cotton crop estimate was only three-tenths of one per cent less than the amount actually ginned as reported by the Census Bureau after the close of the season.

The most complete record in existence is kept in the Bureau of the Estimates and Statistics relating to the world's crop and live stock.

BETTING EVEN ON CAROLINA GAME

Immense Crowd In Richmond to See Old Rivals In Annual Clash.

Richmond, Va., Nov. 30.—Grey skies lowered upon the Virginia and North Carolina football squads when they awoke here this morning, but it soon began to clear and the local weather bureau office gave promise of a day partly cloudy and cooler for the annual Thanksgiving game.

Optimists in both camps were indifferent to the weather conditions and evenly divided was popular sentiment that no odds were given by either faction. The city is alive with visitors from both States and excursion trains are continually rolling in. Premiums of over one hundred percent are being offered for the reserved seats.

Portsmouth, N. H., Nov. 30.—In the probate court here tomorrow a hearing will be held in the contest over the will of Charles A. Austin, an eccentric resident of Rye Beach, who left the bulk of his estate to an English regiment. A brother and sister of the deceased seek to break the will against the highest interests of our country."

CLIMATE TODAY TO THE SOUTHERN BALL SEASON

Big Battles to be Staged on The Gridiron Today in The Sunny Land.

TWO ELEVENS HAVE CLEAN RECORDS.

Georgia Tech and Tennessee Have Not Been Defeated. Tar Heel A. and M. Plays at Home.

Atlanta, Nov. 30.—Most Southern football teams are today preparing to go into what is expected to be the hardest fought and most spectacular games of the year and most of the series are between old rivals, in which victory to many teams would turn what, in the minds of the enthusiasts, will be a mediocre season into success.

Two elevens, Georgia Tech. and the University of Tennessee, went to the end of the playing season with clean records. Georgia Tech. plays Auburn here in what is said will be one of the hardest battles of a long schedule, while Tennessee will meet Kentucky State at Knoxville.

Whether or not psychology is to figure into the results of the games is problematical, although some point to the fact that both Georgia Tech. and Tennessee have lost more games than they have won in former contests with today's opponents. On the basis of comparative scores, Georgia Tech. appears likely to whip Auburn. The betting is on Georgia Tech.

Perhaps two of the oldest series today are those of the University of Virginia and the University of North Carolina, at Richmond, and Vanderbilt and Sewanee, is at Nashville.

Today's battles are the 22nd. in the former series and the twenty-eighth in the latter. Virginia, which was accredited with the Southern championship last year, has fought the season and lost to two Southern elevens and was defeated by Harvard and Yale. North Carolina lost to Georgia Tech. and held Harvard to less than eleven points than the Cambridge eleven scored against Virginia.

Vanderbilt was put out of the running for championship by Tennessee, but came back and defeated Auburn, and as a result is the favorite over Sewanee.

Other games in the South today are Georgia and Alabama, at Birmingham; Louisiana State and Tulane, at New Orleans; Mississippi and Mississippi College, at Jackson; North Carolina A. & M. and Washington and Lee, at Raleigh; Virginia Polytechnic Institute and Virginia Military Institute, at Roanoke, Va.

"HEALTH WORK" NEXT IN MINNEAPOLIS.

Minneapolis, Minn., Nov. 30.—Minneapolis tomorrow will begin its first annual observance of "Health Week" which later is expected to develop into a movement of national scope. The municipality and the local hospitals, medical, educational and public welfare societies have co-operated in the plans for the celebration. The program will be ushered in tomorrow with a health parade. More than 30 floats, decorated by various organizations interested in health work, will be in line. Through the week there will be health lectures at all the big shops and factories, at the settlement houses and in the churches and the schools. Next Thursday night the celebration will conclude with a mass meeting at the auditorium. President Vincent of the University of Minnesota and the principal address will be delivered by Dr. Harvey Wiley, former chief chemist of the United States Department of Agriculture.

Snuff Thief — Preston Quince, a colored drayman, was arrested yesterday afternoon about 6 o'clock when he was trying to get away with four packages of snuff stolen from the warehouse of the F. E. Hashagen & Co., No. 210 North Water street. Quince was seen by fellow draymen and caught and held until Policeman J. R. Minshaw arrived and placed him under arrest. He will be tried tomorrow.

Target Practice—The coast guard cutter Seminole returned to port this morning after a short cruise off Cape Fear bar to engage in annual target practice with the rapid fire guns aboard the vessel. The Seminole left port the night of the 28th and returned today, to allow the sailors or boys to enjoy their Thanksgiving dinner in Wilmington.

SOMEONE IS GOING TO GET NEW AUTOMOBILE

THE PRESIDENT SPENDING THE DAY QUIETLY

Declines Invitations to Attend Services at Different Churches.

WENT TO HIS OWN CHURCH TO WORSHIP

Big Turkey For The White House Table—Will Attend Navy Benefit Tonight.

Washington, Nov. 30.—President Wilson is spending Thanksgiving quietly with members of his family and took part in several special celebrations to which he had been invited. With Mrs. Wilson he attended his regular Presbyterian church, having declined invitations to the Pan-American mass at St. Patrick's church and to a joint celebration of the Methodist churches.

The turkey for the White House Thanksgiving dinner was chosen from among many sent the President from different parts of the country.

Tonight the President and Mrs. Wilson will attend a ball given for the benefit of the Navy Relief Society at the Washington navy yard.

ARGUMENT STARTS IN WATSON CASE

Defendant Finally Admitted Responsibility For Mailing Articles.

Augusta, Ga., Nov. 30.—Argument was begun this afternoon in the case of Thomas E. Watson, on trial in the Federal District Court, charged with sending obscene matter through the mails.

Previous to closing the evidence the defendant on the stand admitted responsibility for having mailed the articles in question, which previously he had declined to do.

TIME EXPIRES FOR TAKING DUAL OATH.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 30.—Today marked the expiration of the time limit fixed by the War Department for the National Guard organizations throughout the country, which have been mustered out, to take the new dual oath of enlistment, prescribing three years with the colors and three with the reserves.

There is nothing to compel the guardsmen to take the oath, but in all cases where a sufficient number has declined with the result that the organizations to which they belonged have been brought below the minimum strength, such organizations will be mustered out, provided they cannot recruit to the minimum after a reasonable amount of time allowed by the War Department.

Heretofore the members of the National Guard took an oath to obey the governor, but under the new act, which Federalizes the militia, the members are required to take a dual oath, one to the governor and one to the President. If members of the guard refuse to take the oath the War Department loses control of them.

THE NEW BISHOP OF COLUMBIA.

Victoria, B. C., Nov. 30.—With imposing ceremonies the Very Rev. Charles D. Schofield, late dean of Fredericton, N. B., was consecrated here today as bishop of the Anglican diocese of Columbia. The ceremony took place in the cathedral in the presence of a notable assemblage of churchmen and laymen.

The new Bishop is 45 years old and a native of New Brunswick. After graduating from King's College, at Windsor, N. S., he pursued his theological studies at Edinburgh and Leeds. Prior to becoming dean of Fredericton in 1907, he has filled rectorships in several cities and towns of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia.

Only Ambition and Energy are Needed to Win in Dispatch Contest—Rapidly Increasing Vote is Proof of Popularity of Dispatch Offer and Enthusiasm Grows.

- THE PRIZES. \$685 Overland Automobile. Ford Automobile. Building Lot. \$100 in Gold. \$75 Victrola. \$50 O. K. Mystic Range. \$40 Sellers Kitchen Cabinet. \$25 Wrist Watch. Two \$60 Diamond Rings.

On the evening of January 29, some one will go away from The Dispatch office with a \$685 Overland Automobile, which will have been won by the largest number of votes secured in one of the most talked-of contests ever held in North Carolina. Another will ride away in a Ford Touring Car, and another will carry away a deed to a building lot at Carolina Beach, while still a third will have a check for \$100, which she can use in any way she may choose. Three will take home orders for either a \$75 Victrola, a \$50 Mystic Range, or a \$40 Seller's Kitchen Cabinet. One happy candidate will wear a wrist watch and two others will each wear a \$60 diamond ring.

In addition to this wonderful array of prizes, the ten per cent commission on new business will be paid all who take an active part in the contest, and do not win a prize. This feature of the contest is receiving a great deal of attention, as the amounts paid will go a long way toward helping out incomes, and will help to buy a number of things which many felt they could not afford.

Enthusiasm is growing among the prize candidates, as they begin to realize that The Dispatch's offer is easily within reach of those who have the energy to make an effort, and many of the young women are finding themselves surprised at the exceedingly small amount of effort required to procure subscriptions to this paper and to interest their friends sufficiently to have them clip the coupons from the paper.

No better proof of the popularity of this paper could be shown than is seen in the rapidly increasing vote of the various candidates. It will be observed that results are immediately forthcoming and a substantial vote is registered opposite the names of the active contestants. It shows that there are plenty of young women who would appreciate one of the automobiles or other prizes, and also shows that there are plenty of people willing to support any young lady campaigner who shows such a desire.

The Dispatch's young women are not asking unrewarded favors of their friends, and if this impression has been formed it should be dispelled at once. Each candidate who solicits a subscription from a friend is offering to give that subscriber full value for the money invested, for it is surely worth the small subscription price asked to receive the latest news in the most readable form each evening. The Dispatch provides the most complete and correct reports of the latest news happenings besides offering a service of the latest telegraphic news that is not surpassed by any publication within a radius of many miles. To the people living outside of Wilmington the daily market quotations are worth many times the price asked for the paper, especially at this time, while the price of cotton is advancing almost daily.

The Dispatch has no apologies to make for Uncle Sam's mail service, and with very few exceptions, all the people within a radius of sixty-five miles can get the paper the same day it is published. The carrier service in Wilmington and suburbs is one of the most carefully managed in the state, a fact to which regular subscribers willingly testify. Next Saturday, December 2, will be "Get Acquainted Day" in The Dispatch's great contest. Every candidate who either pays in a subscription, or has one paid for her at the office, for three months or longer, either by mail or carrier, will be given a bonus certificate good for 25,000 EXTRA VOTES. Only one of these certificates can go to any one candidate. Out of town candidates can mail their subscriptions any time Saturday and they will be given credit for the extra votes, even if we do not receive the subscriptions until the next day. Be sure that you take advantage of this offer to secure these (Continued on Page Seven)