

been so successful in their strategy that their adherents look upon them as almost unheatable.

The German papers this morning were talking of a general Russian reirement despite the fact that the Russians have been advancing steadily in Galicia, have repulsed the Austro-German attack before Cracow, hold part of the German territory in East Prussia and oppose Gen. von Hindenburg's advance on Warsaw. It is the same in Petrograd, All the correspondents there declare the Russian numbers must tell when the Germans have reached the ground on which Grand Duke Nicholas has chosen to give them battle.

While undertaking immense tasks in the East, the Germans, according to all accounts, are preparing to launch another offensive movement in the West. Just where this is to be is known by the general staff alone. It is believed here they will make another effort to get through to the French coast and perhaps at the same time try to force the line of French fortresses in the Argonne region.

The Germans have been violently bombarding Ypres in Flanders, Soissons in the Aisne, and Rheims, while they have been attacking in force in the Argonne region. The French claim the Argonne assaults have been repulsed while the Germans say that they have been gaining ground steadily.

Any or all of these activities may be intended to divert attention from the quarter in which the supreme attack will be made, but the Allies are sure to discover soon where they must expect the next blow. To ward off the possibility of the Germans again trying to move along the coast the British fleet has been bombarding their positions from the sea.

Turkey, as usual, reports victories over the Russians in the Caucasus and the British in Egypt, but these lack confirmation. The English tonight issued an account of successful British operations in the Persian Gulf. The same statement told of the defeat of a British force sent against German East Africa.

British naval airmen, including Lieut. Sippe, one of those who destroyed Zeppelin shed and an airship at Dusseldorf before the Germans took Antwerp, have made a still more daring raid from French territory over Friedrichshafen. According to the aviators' account they dropped bombs which damaged the Zeppelin factory aat that place. One aeroplane was brought down by Germans, but the others escaped damage.

"The next day near Amifontaine, a

German camp located by our batteries,

Earthworks Demolished.

"On the 19th we put in bad condition

"November 20th near Vailly we pre-

"On the 17th the affair at Tracy-Le-

numerous actions have taken place in

each night around Verdun and on the

heights of the Meuse they have had to

General is Removed.

"On the 15th in the Vosges, the Ger-

vented the continuation by the Germans

a section of the 105th regiment of the

enemy and demolished extensive earth-

was compelled to move.

cacy of their fire.

RESUME OF ACTIVITIES

Arcy) our heavy artillery demolished French Give Out Accounts of Recent three German guns and exploded a caisson. The same day north of Cra-Movements Along Extended Front onne our guns silenced the fire from Paris, Nov, 23 .- A semi-official stateseveral of the enemy's batteries. ment describing fighting in Belgium and France from November 15th to

list issued here conight says: These last few days, except at certain points, have been characterized by perceptible slackening of the Gernan actions. Our artillery and infantry have gained on the enemy notice- works. able advantages in the regular way in the counfiguration of the country and the positions of the two fronts.

of trenching operations. from the sea to the Lys our artillery 'All theses uccesses confirm the consucceeded many times in silencing the fidence of our artillery men in the effi-

erman artillery. On Nov. 17 In the region of Ypres we destroyed several German guns Val was a brilliant success for our inon the 19th and 20th obtained the ame result at Nieuport. On the 19th the Germans attacked. Their attack also silenced German batteries carried the Germans to the public shelling the Vpres station and the road square and then to the church and enfrom Boheringhe to Ypres.

abled them to take from us a mitrail-Several times it seemed as though leuse. But this success was quickly artillery lacked ammuni- broken down. The Zouaves charged Some German shells failed to recaptured the mitrailleuse and the re-" we found they were missles inforced, puhed forward past the church such as are used on the practice ground. and the square, driving the Germans he last five days our infantry in back to their point of entrance into the this section has lost none of its posi- town.

often it has gained ground. "In this new repulse the Germans left The partial attacks of the Germans albehind several hundred dead or woundways have been repulsed, while our ed. Our losses were less than 200. "On the front of the Oise, and the movements · almost always resulted in strengthening the Argonne our aviators have done good round an occupy work. "From the Argonne to the Vosges

Lorman Losses Heavy. German trenches occupied by were filled with bodies, which our troops have given evidence tors to the south on the 17th the Britth found in another trench 1,200 dead. 'by's losses continue heavy. ther southr on the line from repulse particularly violent attacks.

tieres to the Oise, November 15, 6, 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21 were quiet in

It is virtually certain that until a government is recognized in Mexico the alike. Just at dusk a rift in the fog revealcustoms fund will be kept by the Unit-

ed a glimpse of the doomed vessel ed States. the said declaration in several vital bert T. Patrick by Governor Dix. Acting Secretary of State Lansing pounded by the surf. The wind brought gave the two ambassadors the sub- in distinguishable cries from the paspoints and at the same time encroach stance of State Department dispatches sengers and crew. The fog was so thick that persons

saying that while residents of the cap-Ital were in a panic last Friday and five feet apart could not see each oth-Saturday, hearing the city would be er and a little fleet of schooners and tugs which had been trying to get in sacked by Zapata and Villa after the touch with the Hamalei without them-Carranza troops withdrew, conditions selves piling on the reef, drew off as since then had improved. The ambassadors had received word night came on. One or two returned

from their ministers in Mexico City, to San Francisco. A few remained dated about the same time the dis- near the scene, including the life saypatches to the State Department were ing crews from Fort Point and Fort filed, giving a pessimistic view of the Bonita in their launches.

Unless the fog should life, permitsituation. The British legation wired that a circular was being distributed ting rescuers to get a line aboard, it the vessel is sailing for a neutral port. cence. announcing that on evacuation by the was said there was slight chance for "Further it charges Great Britain made Carranza forces, Villa and Zapata any one aboard. The Mamalei left Eu- the rule of continuous voyage, ap- ness here. troops would begin a period of looting roka, Cal., yesterday. at certain hours.

Dense Fog Disastrous.

At 5:20 P. M. the revenue cutter Mc- | gard to conditional contraband, in con-Neither the British nor French ambassadors requested action as a result Culloch sent word by wireless that she travention of the Declaration of Lon- ing with Milliken. of their advices, as they understood was nosing about in the fog, but could don". Thus it declares, "conditional that all American consular agents have not locate the Hanalei. The Richmond, contraband is virtually on the same another tanker; the United States dis- footing as absolute contraband". instructions to exercise their good offitilling ship Rainbow, and the tugs Herces in behalf of all foreigners in the southern Republic.

cules and Defiance also were at the supply by neutrals of objects of conscene. It was reported that the first ditional contraband, especially of foodmate of the Richmond, with a crew of stuffs, destined only for the consumpvolunteers, had put off in a small boat tion of the inhabitants of a belliger-

ent, which is universally considered to try and reach the schooner.

whose bodies were washed ashort, oth- itically rendered illusory, whereby the get her life boats away. The Hanalei is one of many coasting ner contrary to the law of nations.

of 6,000 infantry men and marines ships which carry lumber, package which was landed here April 30th last, freight and passengers. The schooners got under way late today and General always hug the shore, but stand out a Candido Aguilar's men took charge of little in thick weather.

the city. The United States transport Apparently the Hanalei thought she was clear of the reef but was carried plies destined for the countries adjac- of this city, is at the head and is in Cristobal, bearing the first contingent in by a current.

Others Endangered

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"The most vital modifications are Louis millionaire said.

conditional contraband or not" when solely "because he believed in my inno-

contraband, applicable also with re- George C. Coodrich, who made affida-

**Patrick Makes Statement.** 

Patrick is engaged in the oil busi-

Patrick asserts that he does not know

URGED TO BE BETTER.

ganization Among His People

(Special Star Correspondence)

vit in New York as to an alleged meet-

contained," it says, "in the rule con-

Under the declaration of London, it

adds, "there can be no question of con-

ditional contraband except where cargo

is destined for use of the adminis-

plicabe only in the case of absolute

"In consequence," it continues, "the

cerning conditional contraband".



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the Churches of Christ in America, night Several large tracts of timber as evidence by the defense today in the Trawick. made public here today, the Rev. Henry have already been destroyed and in- trial of E. C. Chambers, president of numerable 'telephone and telegraph the Chamber Land Company and four cer. A. Atkinson, associate secretary, as investigator, arraigns Colorado coal com-

tinder, the situation is regarded as ser- with using the mails to defraud in connection with the sale of Florida lands. Each of the jourymen was given a

the tracks and beating back the fires. peanut to eat that he might judge of Halifax, J. L. McNeer, supply Between Little Rock and Hot Springs its quality. The exhibits included burg circuit, Marvin Self: Habrersville distance of 60 miles, 15 fires are rerecent industrial difficulties, by the ported. Of more than a score of widely sepatatoes.

rated towns from which dispatches A. W. Callahan, of Miami, who prowere received tonight. Favetteville, in Northwest Arkansas, alone reported an

Change of presiding olders and modifications Great Britain has a mining deal between himself and a in five of the nine districts, the time made to the declaration of London are New York banker had anything to do limit in these having been reached. of much a nature that they obliterate with the granting of a pardon to Al-Rev. G. T. Adams, heretofore pastor of Fifth Street church, Wilmington, be-Legal expense and other incidentals comes presiding elder of the Elizabeth on the accepted rules of international to the long fight for Patrick's pardon City district, succeeding Rev. M. T. cost Milliken about \$150,000, the St. Plyler, who in turn is appointed presiding elder of the Raleigh district to succeed Rev. John H. Hall, who succeeds Tulsa, Ark., Nov. 23.-In a statement Rev. A. McCullen as presiding elder of issued here today, Albert T. Patrick the Rockingham district., Rev. J. T. declared that his pardon was not se-Gibbs is appointed presiding elder of cured as the result of a business deal the Fayetteville district, being sucbetween his brother-in-law, John T. ceeded by Rev. C. L. Read as presiding trative departments, or the military Milliken, of St. Louis, and a New York elder of the Washington district. Rev. force of the hostile power", nor can banker, and asserted that the pardon R. H. Willis, who for several years has the question arise whether goods are was granted by former Governor Dix

served as secretary of the Conference, becomes presiding elder of the Warrenton district. Rev. Mr. Adams is succeeded at Fifth

Street church, Wilmington, by Rev. A J. Parker, who several years ago served as pastor of Bladen Street church in the same city. No other changes are made in the more prominent pastorates of the southeastern section of the State.

The full list of appointments follows: Wiimington District.

New Bern Negro Preacher Starts Or-Presiding Elder, L. E. Thompson. Burgaw circuit, J. C. Whedbee; Car-New Bern, Nov, 23-Within the vers Creek circuit, W. J. Watson; Chadcourse of the next few weeks there bourn circuit, D. L. Earnhardt; Clinwill be seen in the colored department | ton circuit, W. A. Stanbury; Hallsboro It is believed that besides the two legitimate in international law, is prac- of every waiting room or passenger circuit, J. H. Miller; Jacksonville and station in this and other Southern Richlands, C. T. Rogers; Kenansville

Vera Cruz, Nov. 23 .- The Mexican ers drowned when the Hanalei tried to interests of the belligerents as well as States, neat little folders on which is circuit, T. W. Lee; Magnolia circuit, R. of the neutrals are violated in a man- an appeal to the reader to act in a F. Munns; Onslow circuit, E. C. Sell; genteel manner around that place and Scott's Hill circuit, R. N. Fitts; Shalto avoid making any sort of distrib- lotte circuit, R. L. Beasley, supply; "As events at the theatres of naval ance. These folders are being put out Southport, C. M. Lance; Swansboro cirwarfare prove, England proceeds in this to the various railroad companies by cuit, J. M. Lowder; Tabor circuit, R. A. respect in the most high-handed man- the Royal Sanitary League of which Bruton; Town Creek circuit, R. L. Carner, even enforcing a control over sup- James T. Gaskill, a colored preacher raway; Wallace and Rose Hill, B. N. Black; Whiteville, J. P. Pate.

Wilmington: Bladen Street, T. G. Vickers; Fifth Street, A. J. Parker; Grace church, J. D. Bundy, A. M. Wright, junior preacher; Sea Gate, G. M. Daniels; Trinity, W. V. McRae. Transfer, W. L. Rexford to Western

North Carolina Conference.

**Rockingham** District. Presiding Elder-J. H. Hall. Aberdeen and Biscoe, W. A. Brown; Caledonia circuit, J. B. Thompson; Candor circuit, G. T. Simmons; Elizabeth circuit, G. H. Biggs; Hamlat

H. Tuttle: Laurel Hill Parker: Laurinburg, R. F. Lumberton, W. B. North circuit, N. L. Seabolt. Maxton, A. L. Ormond; Roberdel, B. F. Watson, Gilead circuit, N. E. Colt gomery circuit, D. A. Watk circuit, S. T. Moyle; W. H. supernumary; Red Springs. Richmond circuit, J. J. Bar! del circuit, S. J. McConne Robeson circuit, B. E. Stant ingham, J. B. Hurley: Rowli

ary; St. John and Gibson, O. St. Paul circuit, A. J. Groves

Conference evangelist, L. Carolina College president,

Warrenton District Presiding Elder-R. H. WI Battleboro and Whitakers. Dargan: Bertie circuit, L. D. Conway circuit, E. E. Rose; En circuit, J. A. Morris; Henderson, First, wheat and other grain, lemons and po- | church, R.C. Beaman; Littleton, S.A. Cotton: Murfreesboro and Winton, B. B Slaughter; Northampton circuit, E. H. Davis; North and South Henderson, duced the samples admitted, however, G. Lowe; Rich Square circuit, W. that his farm was used as a show place Merritt; Ridgeway circuit. J. E. Holfor visitors; that it was on the edge den; Roanoke circuit, Rufus Bradler;

fantry. It was near 11 o'clock when eral Reserve Board has accurate infor-

> by member banks it does not expect to change re-discount rates on commercial paper. Present information has led the

VERA CRUZ EVACUATED.

Mexican Flag Again Flies Over Mexi-

co's Largest Port.

Brig. Gen. Funston and his command

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flag again is flying over Vera Cruz.

board to believe there is about \$200,-000,000 of surplus reserves in member banks in the North and East. They fear a lower re-discount rate might

Colorado and also to the copper mining lead to an exportation of gold. Until district of Michigan, where there were this reserve has been lessened the of their endurance. Each day and rates probably will be unchanged in

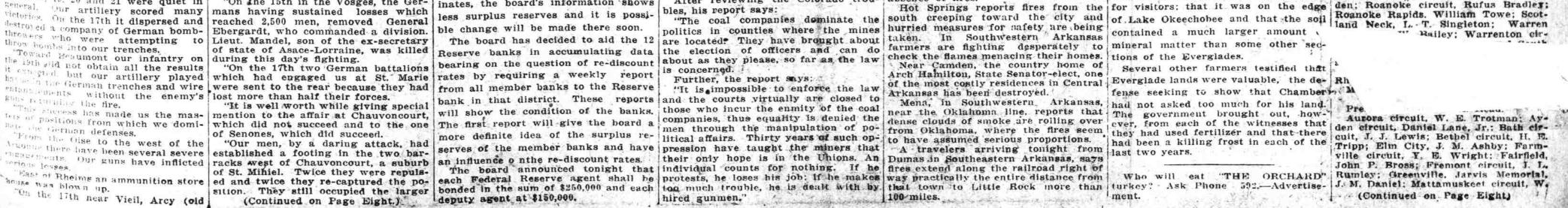
social service commission of the Conthese sections. In the South and West, where much gregational churches and the commisof the pressure for changed fates orig- sion of the churches.

After reviewing the Colorado trou- absence of fires. inates, the board's information shows

Colorado labor troubles.

poles burned. With vegetation dry as alleged agents of the company charged

panies for their attitude in the recent On all railroads men are patrolling The Rev. Mr. Atkinson was sent to



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