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TEUTONS IN RUMANIA JOIN HANDS, DRAWING CLOSER TO BUCHAREST

tro-Germans Victors.

RUMANIANS LOSE HEAVILY

Central Powers Now Hold Intact All Railway Lines Into Capital Except One.

THIS LIKELY TO BE TAKEN

Town of Gradichtea, 12 Miles from Bucharest, Captured.

Copenhagen, via London, Dec. 4. - According to the Berlin correspondent of the National Tidene, German artillery, which now is emplaced only 11 miles from Bucharest, began yesterday to bombard the city. o

The armies of the Teutonic allies fighting in southwestern Rumania, with Bucharest their main region, they have reached the town of Tergovistea. Berlin announces er has come to a final conclusion, with the Teutonic allies the victors, and that all along the frontthey are drawing closer to Buch-

But One Outlet Left

With the capture of Fergovistea, and town of Titu, the forces of the Central lines running into Bucharest from the west. The Predeal pass line, running north from the capital into Transylvania, is the sole remaining railway connection in western Wallachia partly in Rumanian hands, and with the Tentons now nearly astride this line the capital. at Breza and rapidly advancing, this route seems likely to be taken from

Take Town 12 Miles From Capital To the south and southwest of Bucharest, the forces of Field Marshal Von Mackensen that crossed the Danube Rumanians and captured the town of Gradichtea, 12 miles from the capital. In this fighting, according to Berlin, the Rumanian army suffered sanguinmore than 8,000 men made prisoners and 35 cannon. Near Titu 13 loco-

into the hands of the Teutons. In Dobrudia and in the northwest, fronts, violent fighting is in progress. According to Sofia, in the former refogress in the northwest by the Russians north and south of the Tro-

In the Carpathians south of Jablonita the Russians captured another

Little Fighting Elsewhere

ide fighting of comment has taken office asserts that the Serbs here have aptured an entire series of power- to Beaufort Inlet, \$15,000. ully fortified Bulgarian positions Morth of Grunishte and Budimirtsa and taken, in addition, guns, machine guns, munition and prisoners.

British sappers near Ypres and Wytlaved the way for a raid on German renches. Some of the British succeedater were driven out. A British atvarious points along the French are: ront, especially in the Somme region

On Austro-Italian Front ighting on the Austro-Italian front. to the Russians, according to Berlin.

Unofficial advices from Athens say hat quiet prevails in the Greek cap-The British war trade minister has announced in the House of Com-

tom British ports.

Berlin Announces Conclusion of RUSSIANS' ARRIVAL

Just in Time to Interfere With the German Plan of Encircling the Capital City.

WERE READY TO BOMBARD

Petrograd Claims That Appearance of Russians at Critical Moment Has Somewhat Changed the Rumanian Situation.

Petrograd, via London, Dec. 4, - The imely arrival of Russian troops before Bucharest at the critical moment when the loss of the capital seemed almost 1 cia to mean that no other foreigners certain, has somewhat changed the Ru-

According to military opinion here the Rumanians now have at least a fighting chance to retain their capital, and with the aid of the Russians who rendered their first valuable assistance to the Rumanian defense by an offensive in the Carpathians begun five days ago, and will now attempt to include Bucharest in the zone which they are able to defend, establishing a permaobjective, have joined hands from nent line north and west of the capital

the Danube in the south to the here from Bucharest, the German plan northwest of Bucharest, where, of encircling Bucharest was perilously near to accomplishment when it struck coming through the mountainous an unexpected obstacle in the form of a the Danube. Strong cavalry columns of the Teutonic allies had been sent forward on both wings of the united front that the battle of the Argechu riv- of Lieutenant General Krafft von Delensen, forcing the Rumanian flanks backward both north and south of the sent a message to Chihuahua City to

A flanking movement was partially ed a sudden stiffening in the resistance of the Rumanians, due to the arriva of Russian troops, and were compelled farther south, the driving of the Ru- already been completed for the big manians beyond the railroad junction guns, which were to bombard the Bu- Result of Inquiry Ordered by Manning ty retreat, the Germans and Bulgarians powers now hold intact all the railway had to abandon guns of all calibres and men were arrested here today following

The northern Teutonic allied group from the side of Piteshti has proceeded with greater success, but the Rumani- followed. Subsequently the sons of the ans have managed to retreat without negro were notified to leave the county. losing connection with the force de-

FOR RIVERS AND HARBORS OVER \$32,000,000 IS ASKED.

Estimates by War Department Include

Washington, Dec. 4.-Congress was asked today to appropriate \$32,136,063 duction of almost \$10,000,000 from the Almost two-thirds of the estimated exmotives and much rolling stock fell the greater part of the country's forects the aggregate estimates, drawn by the chief of engineers of the army un-Mississippi river, \$10,552,000; Ohio

river, \$5,000,000; Delaware river, \$2,-150,000; Columbia river, \$1,355,000; Missouri river, \$1,085,000; Hudson river, \$375,000; New York harbor, \$900,500. The detailed estimates include:

North Carolina-Beaufort harbor, \$4, 500; Beaufort inlet, \$14,000; Morehead \$850,000; Cape Fear river, \$115,000; Coners, \$5,000; Pamlico and Tar rivers, \$4,he Cerna river, while the Serbian war 500; Roanoke river, \$2,500; Scuppernong river, \$3,500; Waterway, Pamlico Sound

> NOMINATION OF 10 NEW CARDINALS IS ANNOUNCED

At Secret Consistory in Paris, Attended

ory held this morning, which was attended by 28 cardinals, Pope Benedict announced the nomination of ten new empt against LeSars also failed. Con- cardinals, says a dispatch to the Havas siderable artillery activity continues agency from Rome. The new cardinals

of Venice; Monsignor Donato Sharretti, on the stand, but no additional light \$1,000; Neuse and Trent rivers \$2,090; former apostolic delegate in Canada, was thrown on this subject. Emory Pamlico and Tar rivers \$4,500; Scupper- the government was expecting that patrol parties have featured the assessor of the Holy See; Monsignor Pattillo offered him \$5 to vote for Wen-DeBourg, archbishop of Rennes; Mon- ver, but that he "kidded" Pattillo and A Russian attack against the Ger- signor DuBois, archbishop of Rouen; did not take any money. Several othman lines near Lake Drisviaty, south Monsignor Vittorio Amadeo Ranuzzi ers testified to knowing of money spent of Dvinsk, failed with heavy casualties Di Bianchi, major domo of the Vatican; for election purposes, but no direct The British cabinet is to be construct holy office and former apostolic deleSolicitor Swain said that he was an but the changes will not bring a gate to Mexico; Monsignor Ascalosi, Policy different from that which has archbishop of Beneito; Monsignor Mau. Adams again emphasized that the probe been pursued since the beginning of rin, bishop of Grenoble; Monsignor Marini, secretary of the holy signature. Two more cardinals are to be nomi-

nated shortly. Berlin, Dec. 4.(via Sayville) - Brithis that the Entente allies immedi- ish patrols, following up mine explosately in which, he said, King Con- ions, succeeded in entering German is a possibility that the grand jury may ble. stantine and his government are deep- trenches along the front in Belgium act later. involved. Great Britain has pro- at some points, the war office announc-

themselves there.

Government Agents Wire to Washington That a Number of Foreigners Were Killed.

BY BANDITS IN CHIHUAHUA

Two American Citizens Were Killed and Little Girl Taken Into Mountains by Villistas.

El Paso, Texas, Dec. 4 .- Reports telegraphed by government agents to Washington today that a number of foreigners had been killed in Chihuahua General Trevino, commanding Carranza forces who re-occupied the capital, that only a few Chinese were killed during the time Villa occupied the city.'

General Trevino's statement, graphed in response to an inquiry by Garcia, inspector-general of Carranza consulates, was taken by Garwere killed. The information telegraphed Washington was said to have been obtained in Juarez.

LITTLE AMERICAN GIRL TAKEN AWAY BY VILLA BANDITS!

El Paso, Texas, Dec. 4.—Government Washington saying Carlos Ketelsen, German vice consul in Chihuahua City; Charles Elmendorf, an American citizen, and another unknown American had been killed by Villa and that Elcarried off to the mountains by Villa

The report was said to have been obtained from Juarez.

GERMAN CONSUL AT JUAREZ Carlos Elmendorf had been killed but that he had recived no confirmation. He

get the facts. Carranza officials insist nothing has been received over the railroad of miliadvancing from Lake Greca, encounter- tary telegraph lines regarding the reported death of these foreigners.

> FIFTEEN WHITE MEN ARRESTED IN CONNECTION WITH LYNCHING

at Abbeville, S. C. month ago of Anthony Crawford, a newhich is attempting to flank Bucharest gro. The negro was alleged to have at-

Governor Manning ordered an investifending the western fortifications of gation. The arrests today resulted from the inquiry made. Preliminary hearings will probably be granted to the men tomorrow. Some are accused of rioting and others of

ELECTION FRAUD PROBE COMES TO ABRUPT END

mission to Continue if Desired.

tained, So Far as His Investigation is Concerned-Evidence Goes to Grand Jury.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Asheville, N. C., Dec . 4 .- Solicitor Swain's investigation of alleged election frauds in Buncombe county during the recent election came to an abrupt end today, Judge W. J. Adams stated lina: that he lives 800 miles from Asheville, but would, upon application, appoint a commission to conduct the investigation further, any time it was requested. Judge Adams said rurther that he thought the result desired by the investigation had been accomplished, as he had been merely sitting as a committing magistrate and that all the eviavailable for grand jury action, which body, he explained, would take the final

At the suggestion of Thomas Settle,

Solicitor Swain said that he was anxious to continue this probe, and Judge is strictly non-partisan and that all citizens should take pains to assist in laying any evidence of frauds before the

grand jury. It is believed here that today's protion of alleged frauds, although there

Several men prominent politically are haunts.

The Military Governor of Belgium Denies Allegations Made by the Cardinal.

LATTER APPEALS FOR PITY

Says German Engagement Has Been Violated Thousand Times Every Day for 15 Days.

London, Dec. 4 .- Documents received here give the text of the reply of General von Bissing, military governor of Belgium, to Cardinal Mercier's letter of October 19, and the Cardinal's rejoinder

General von Bissing's reply, dated October 26, begins by denying any violation of the assurance the German commanders gave at the beginning of the war that no men would be removed from Blgium, declaring that such removals have been justified by "the clandestine emigration of large numbers of young men wishing to join the Belgian army." He adds:

"The German authorities would have seen quite jugtified in following the example of England and France, but they have not done so.'

"Great Britain's merciless economic ditions under which it worked. leaving masses of the people unemploy-

ed and bringing a state of public calam-General von, Bissing then declares that the Belgian people realized the state of affairs and that tens of thousvoluntarily where they could get better pay. Others would follow, he says, but y brought to bear on them. He con-

cludes by inviting the cardinal to study the situation from a social and economic viewpoint. Cardinal Mercier's Reply. Mercier recalls the promise made by

people have nothing to fear that they

"This engagement has been violated every day a thousand times for 15

In answer to General von Bissing's charge that England and France have (Continued on Page Ten.)

\$135,000 TO COMPLETE LOCAL CUSTOMS HOUSE

Judge Adams Would Name Com- One Item Recommended by Mc. Jno. W. Garrett Will Probably Adoo in Report to Congress.

Thinks the End Desired Has Been At- Estimate for Cape Fear and Other Rivers-Mr. Godwin, on Hand, for Brief Holiday Recess-A. W. McLean in Washington.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Washington, D. C., Dec. 4 .- Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo, in his annual estimate for appropriations to Congress, asks for the following for North Caro-

Public buildings: Burlington, \$20,000; Chapel Hill, \$30,000; Charlotte \$25,000; Shelby \$10,000, and \$135,000 for the completion of the Wilmington Custom

For the continuation of river and narbor projects already adopted by the government, the following estimates are made: Beaufort harbor \$45,000 and Beaufort inlet, \$14,000; Morehead City narbor, \$2,000; Shallow bay \$2,000; for uge, Cape Lookout, \$600,000 is asked for the election officials who certified to and \$135,000 for the Cape Fear at and "Monsignor La Fontaine, patriarch the "supplemental returns" were placed below Wilmington; Contentnea creek, brook was appointed in 1915. way from Pamlico to Beaufort, \$6,500.

Mr. Godwin on Hand. Representative H. L. Godwin, of the be asked to remain. Sixth district, who reached Washington early this morning and was in his seat when the House convened at noon, said tonight that the people of the Sixth are highly pleased with the result of the election and they were never more prosperous nor in better spirits than they are now.

Mr. Godwin agrees with Speaker Clark, Majority Leader Kitchin and other Democratic leaders that the Christceeding virtually ends the investiga- mas holiday's allowed by Congress should be cut down to one day if possi-

Mr. Godwin does not believe the country wants to see an extra session of (Continued on Page Ten.)

THE SLAVE RAIDS'

Great Britain and Allies Issue De claration Regarding Present State of Belgium.

WARNING TO THE WORLD

Declare the Work of Relief Which Neutrals Have Built Up is in Danger of Falling-Say Teutons Disregard All Promises.

London, Dec. 4 .- The British government, in conjunction with Great Brit. TO ain's allies, has issued a "declaration regarding the present state of Belgium' in which protest is made to the civilized world against the "slave raids" conducted by the German authorities in Belgium and a warning given to the world that "the work of relief which neutrals have built up is in danger of

The document, after reciting the assistance the Entente Allies have given in the past in the work of relief in Bel-

"The Allies only stipulated that the Germans should equally draw no advantage from the operations of the neutral commission, that they should not seize imported or native supplies and that the distribution of relief should not be used for the purpose of coercing Belgian workmen against their consciences. The conditions which the Germans were pledged to obey have reen frequently violated. But the in-Contending that the employment of fractions in the past have been dis-Belgian unemployed in Germany has avowed by the German government and

Situation Now Changing. changing. The Germans have abandoned all pretense of respecting personal public relief works supported by the commission and openly aimed at creatsels convention of 1890 to put down in ports of Belgian foodstuffs have again

"The Allies must, therefore, warn the Replying on November 10, Cardinal world of what is about to take place. Baron von Huehne and subsequently uation grows more desperate, intend to confirmed by Baron von Der Goltz and tear up every guarantee on which the They intend to cast aside all their enrolled in the army or employed at the neutrals have built up for two years is about to lose its foundation and is in danger of falling.'

Fayetteville Observer: "Miss Lucy Murchison, of Wilmington, is spending several days in the city, the guest of her aunt, Mrs. E. L. Pemberton."

THREE RESIGN FROM - DIPLOMATIC SERVICE

Succeed Dr. Van Dyke.

Minister to Holland Not Enjoying Good Health-Ministers to Colombia and Siam Send in Resignations-Others Expected.

Washington, Dec. 4. - The first resignations from the diplomatic corps, which are expected to be the fore-runners of others, as a consequence of President Wilson's re-election and the closing of his first term, were announc-

Dr. Henry Van Dyke, minister to The Netherlands, has resigned, and probably will be succeeded by John W. Garrett, of Baltimore, formerly minister to Argentina. Dr. Van Dyke, it was exhealth for some time, and also desired haing abroad nearly four years.

The resignations of Thaddeus A the continuation of the Harbor of Ref- | William H. Hornibrook, minister to son was appointed in 1913. Mr. Horni-Some time ago it became known that

FEDERAL JUDGES DO NOT POSSESS INHERENT POWER To Indefinitely Suspend Execution of Criminal Sentences

Washington, Dec. 4 .- Federal judges

possess inherent power, exercised for a country, but without specific congressional authority, to indefinitely suspend execution of criminal senten-Suspension by District Judge Killits, of Ohio, of sentence upon Jomes P. the sailing of Greek steamers ed today, but were unable to maintain still absent from their accustomed Congress, which would necessarily be Henahan, of Toledo, convicted of bank were sustained today by the Supreme of a male 17 years of age and over in embezziement, was revoked.

HIGH COST OF LIVING **OVERSHADOWS ANY AND** ALL OTHER QUESTIONS

3 MONTHS SESSION

Calendar Overcrowded, Important New Issues on Hand and Big Estimates Presented.

WILSON TODAY HEAR

Both Houses Hold Short Sessions and Adjourn Out of Respect to Deceased Members-Christmas Holiday to be Short

Washington, Dec. 5 .- Congress reconvened today for a three months session with a calendar over crowded with general legislation, facing railroad reforms and the high cost of livwith unprecedented estimates aggregating \$1,654,819,654 to meet expenditures of the government for the fiscal

Both houses adjourned early as a mark of respect to Senator Garke, of Arkansas, and Resident Commissioner Rivera, of Porto Rico, both of whom

sion in the hall of the House to hear for legislation sought by the administration before the 64th Congress address tomorrow. dies March 4 next.

Railroad Legislation That railroad legislation to supple- stopping shipments to Europe, reducing ment the Adamson Act will be urged parcel post rates on food stuffs or ant problem before the Congress at troduced in the House. is also strong public demand for

ices bill further to limit campaign vestigation into expenditures of the introduce a joint resolution directing

"speed up" programme advocated by Speaker Clark will be adopted.

No Long Holiday Majority Leader Kitchin joined with the Speaker in declaring that the usual long Christmas holiday should be dispensed with and an earlier meeting hour than noon, probably 10 o'clock. the proposed abolition of the Christholidays and a compromise holiany of them will be enacted into laws. Representative Kitchin thinks, too, that investigation of the high cost of living will be left to the executive departments.

It is regarded as doubtful that any of the President's railway legislation Christmas, Representative Adamson, I ures, said tonight that he would spend the Christmas holidays at home, regardless of any adjournment agree-

W. B. & S. TRAIN RUNS INTO

Occupants of Machine Thrown Out; One Suffers Broken Rib

(By Long Distance Telephone) Southport, N. C., Dec. 4 .- This aftertrain from Wilmington had just passed Bolivia and was rounding the curve, which is crossed by a county road, the were riding S. F. Williams, Henry Wilviolence. All were more or less bruis-Williams having suffered Artillery duels and small maneuvers and small maneuvers later bishop of Havana, and recently Dated and Southport where Dr. I in accordance with custom forward brought on to Southport where Dr. J. their resignations. Many, no doubt, will Arthur Dosher gave them the necessary attention. The car was pretty badly wrecked.

COMMERCE COMMISSION ORDERS SUSTAINED BY SUPREME COURT Permit Lower Rates to Pacific Coast Than to Inland Cities.

the Supreme Court held today, do not Commerce Commission orders permitting railroads to give lower trans-con- was repealed." tinental freight rates to San Francisco. Oakland, Portland, Seattle and other ces imposed in their respective courts. ocean ports, while denying them to the inland cities of Sacramento, Stockton, San Jose and Santa Clara, California, Court.

Assumes Proportions as a National Subject, With the Reconvening of Congress.

PROBE IS URGED BY LABOR

Possibility That Wilson Will Deal With Matter in Special Address Grows Stronger.

SOME ACTION IS ASSURED

Eleven Bills and Resolutions on Subject Introduced.

Washington, Dec. 4. — The high cost of living and what steps the Federal government can take to control it assumed proportions as a national question with the convening of Congress today, which overshadowed all other issues in the first day's proceedings. Possibility that President Wilson will deal with the subject in a special address grew stronger, although it died since the September adjournment. | was thought probable that the President would select a separate the address of President Wilson, occasion for it, rather than add to which will contain recommendations it as a supplement to his general

Labor Calls on Wilson. Eleven bills and resolutions seeking o check the soaring prices of food by

him to appoint a special commission In addition the appropriation meas- to investigate the food question. The ures must be passed, the Senate has President assured them that the government would take some steps to meet sional investigation probably would

mean a protracted delay. Reports being gathered by the Department of Agriculture are being laid and Senator Owen, of Oklahoma, will before the President as fast as they are to deside on any action, which undoubtedly will be prefaced by a special ad-

> Points to Middle Men. One report submitted today by Secand those paid by consumers. In a recent address the President virtually charged the middle men with responsito produce a general discussion of the

> measures can pass. A series of four. introduced by Chairman Fitzgerald, of the Appropriations committee, propose embargo, reduction of parcel post rates and restriction of cold storage. Various Proposals. Representative McLemore, of Texas.

> ucts, except meats and fruits, that have been kept in cold storage more Cabath, of Illinois, would require cold storage warehouses to file yearly reports with the Department of Agriculture on July 1, showing food products stored for interstate commerce. Ansonable advances in prices of foodstuffs cotton goods or fabrics, wood pulp, all they are claimed to be affected by any combination or conspiracy, and to report to Congress what remedies should

A joint congressional committee to committee of nine members to investiesentative Steenerson, of Minnesota. proposed free admission of seed wheat to help the Minnesota and North Dalar, of Tennessee, re-introduced his bill to regulate cold storage of food, and re-introduced his measure for a provisional embargo on wheat and wheat

Representative Adamson, of Georgia. chairman of the House Interstate and Foreign Commerce committee, to which the embargo bills were referred, announced during the day that he would

oppose any sort of embargo. "The only embargo law we ever passed." Mr. Adamson said, "was the most unpopular law ever enacted, save only the alien and sedition laws. That Washington, Dec. 4. - Interstate embargo law was repealed as soon as possible. It was a dead letter before it

> 34 CENTS A DAY WILL KEEP A MAN ALIVE IN NEW YORK New York, Dec. 4 .- Thirty-four cents a day is sufficient for the ration (Continued on Page Ten.)