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HORDES OF RUSSIA MOVING FORWARD

General Attack on Germans And Retreating Austrians Indicated.

TWO EFFORTS BY GERMANS IN WEST

Results Promise to Be of Supreme Importance--Naval News Looms Large In London.

London, Nov. 5.—Naval news looms large in London today.

The British public is seeking further details of the action last Sunday off the coast of Chile, but no efforts are being made to minimize this disaster. Great anxiety is felt concerning Rear-Admiral Sir Christopher Craddock, whose fate probably will not be known until it has been definitely determined what has become of his flagship, the cruiser Good Hope.

The British public, however, is not left without some crumbs of comfort, as Berlin officially admits the loss of the cruiser York, blown up by a mine near Jade, one of the outlying defenses of Wilhelmshaven, while in shipping circles in London it is declared that the career of the German cruiser Koenigsburg in the Indian ocean has been ended.

Sir Percy Scott, England's greatest gunnery expert, and a champion of the use of the submarines as against the dreadnoughts, has rejoined the admiralty. As he has been known as a supporter of Baron Fisher, it is expected that he will uphold the new policies already inaugurated by the first sea lord of the admiralty.

In the East.

Further details from the scene of the fighting in the east indicate in the opinion of English experts that the forward movement of the Russians has become general. Even the Russian left wing, which has been held stubbornly by the Austrians for weeks past, has joined in the advance. This is admitted by a conservatively worded official report given out in Vienna which declares that the Austrians, having maintained their position on the Lysa Gora, where Teutonic allies pivoted in order to let the rest of the army complete its wheeling movement to a new line, are now retiring. At the same time Austria sets forth certain minor successes along the line from the river San to Jaroslau.

Petrograd, however, makes positive assertion that the Austrian movement is a retreat amounting to a rout in which the Russians have taken many prisoners and much booty. According to reports in the Russian capitol, General Von Hindenberg, the German commander, is continuing his retiring movement in Russian Poland, while desperate fighting along the frontier of east Prussia has enabled the Russians to cross

6 MEN BURN TO DEATH IN BEDS

Firemen Effect Thrilling Rescues From Burning Lodging House—Score of People Overcome.

New York, Nov. 5.—Six men were burned to death in a fire which swept through a four story lodging house at 362 Eighth avenue this morning. Fifty men were sleeping in the structure when the fire was discovered. Firemen made many thrilling rescues.

A score of sleepers were overcome in bed. The bodies of the six men who perished were found on the bed springs—the mattresses had been burned—so charred that they could not be recognized. More than a dozen unconscious men were carried down the fire escape and extension ladders.

Fifteen panicky men on the top of the roof were quieted by firemen and they crawled perilously along a narrow ledge to a window of a building adjoining.

Within thirty minutes the fire was out. The origin was traced to a store room on the second floor which contained benzine, used for cleaning.

Destructive Fire.

Fire in the factory of Gale Brothers shoe manufacturers, menaced the entire factory section of Quebec this forenoon and brought all the fire fighting apparatus in the city to the scene. The flames were quickly quelled. Four hundred workmen in the factory escaped, although for a time it was feared that many would be cut off by the flames. The damage will approximate \$20,000.

NOT MUCH DANGER OF CAUSING MEAT FAMINE

Union Stock Yards Will Be Closed But There is Good Meat Supply.

Chicago, Nov. 5.—Danger of a meat famine resulting from the closing tomorrow of the Union Stock yards, the largest live stock market in the world, for the purpose of eradicating foot and mouth disease is remote, officials of leading packing companies announced today.

Prices of meat will not be precipitately affected, they said. Storage houses are well supplied with meat. It was announced, and many of the Chicago packing companies are operating plants in other cities where there has been no infection among cattle of foot and mouth disease—the malady which caused federal and state officials to order the Chicago yards closed.

"There have been no cases of the disease reported in the west," A. G. Leonard, president of the Union Stock yards and Transit company, said, "and the west is the biggest source of supply of meat animals. The packers are well supplied to handle shipments at Omaha, Kansas City and other western plants."

Orders closing the Chicago yards will go into effect at the close of business tomorrow and continue until the opening of business on the second Monday thereafter. The order affects directly and indirectly 35,000 employees.

A great majority will be idle during the suspension.

TAXATION AMENDMENT MAY NOT HAVE PASSED

Returns from 65 Counties Indicate Nine of the Amendments Passed.

Raleigh, N. C., Nov. 5.—Estimated returns from 65 of the 109 counties in North Carolina indicate that nine of the ten constitutional amendments have been carried, with tax amendment, against which the greatest opposition had been directed, in doubt. Two-thirds of the counties heard from on taxation, majorities, but the figures were mainly estimates. J. W. Bailey, chairman of the campaign committee which sought to secure the adoption of the amendments, gave out a statement in which he claimed that all the amendments were carried.

WOULD DISCUSS SOCIAL DISEASE

Best Way to Stamp Out the Plague, Mr. Steadwell Tells International Purity Congress.

WOULD INSTRUCT YOUNG TO LEAD CLEAN LIVES

Nothing Can Be Accomplished in Darkness, He Declares—Dr. Gains Talks of the "Modern Woman."

Kansas City, Mo., Nov. 5.—"Frank clean, open minded discussion of social diseases as the best way to stamp out the plague," was urged by B. S. Steadwell of Le Crosse, Wis., president of the World's Purity federation, before the International Purity congress which convened here today with about 500 delegates in attendance.

"Nothing can be accomplished in darkness," he said. "And nothing can be accomplished by secrecy. The doctrine that the white slave traffic can and must be annihilated must be given the widest publicity. One of the problems confronting the American people today is the creation of a sentiment that will abolish the double standard of morals. The world needs instruction that will help young people to live clean lives. This instruction must come from individuals who have not forgotten their youth. Such instruction from one who has forgotten the temptations and experiences of his younger days and who is totalling out of sympathy with the activities of the younger generation is almost useless."

Intelligence, purpose, aggressiveness and altruism—these are the characteristics of the modern woman as described by Frank Henry Gaines, president of Agnes Scott college, Decatur, Ga., at a meeting of women held coincident with the opening of the congress.

"The term 'modern woman' is a much abused one," he said. "We are too prone to judge of the whole of woman kind by a few freaks. As a matter of fact the modern woman is one who has wide interests and who has heavy responsibilities."

COUNTY BOARD TO MEET ON FRIDAY

Several Big Matters Are on the Docket for Consideration Tomorrow.

The regular monthly sessions of the board of county commissioners will be held tomorrow and Saturday, the sessions having been moved up from Monday and Tuesday owing to the election on last Tuesday.

Several matters of interest are scheduled to come before the board at this meeting, chief among which is the matter of making some definite decision in regard to the proposed bridge across the Swannanoa river at Biltmore. Those interested in getting the bridge built state that renewed efforts will be made to the board to have the matter settled at this meeting. According to several reports, which are current, the whole matter now hinges on whether or not the Asheville Power & Light company will make the contribution to the fund of building the bridge that was at first proposed. At the last meeting of the board, when the bridge matter was taken up, H. W. Plummer, general manager of the Asheville Power & Light company was out of the city and it could not be learned just what position the company would take on the new plans that were submitted to the board by Engineer Charles E. Waddell.

And then too the investigation recently ordered by the board in the case of Captain Grady Anderson, in charge several weeks ago, will be made by the board at this meeting, although it was first set for Monday, November 9. All of the charges that have been made against Captain Anderson will be thoroughly threshed out at the investigation, it is stated. It will be remembered that at the time the investigations were being conducted by the grand jury, under Judge Cline's order, several weeks ago, in regard to the alleged misconduct of certain Asheville magistrates, witnesses were also heard by the jury in regard to alleged cruel and inhuman treatment of prisoners on the part of Captain Anderson. The result of the investigations by the board will be awaited with interest.

BOTH DEMOCRATS AND REPUBLICANS CLAIM VICTORY

Oklahoma City, Okla., Nov. 5.—Robert L. Williams, democrat, and John Fields, republican today were making claims of victory in the gubernatorial contest. Williams was leading by less than 4,000 votes on returns from half the state. The Oklahoma's congressional delegation will be composed of six democrats and two republicans in both districts where republicans were named the results were close. Dick T. Morgan having been elected in the eighth by about 1,000 and Joseph A. Gill having been elected in the ninth.

THE DEMOCRATS' LEAD ABOUT 25

Party Leaders Profess to Be Satisfied With House Membership—Claim Gain in the Senate.

NORTH CAROLINA TO FIGURE PROMINENTLY

N. C. Men Will Take an Active Part in Contest for the Leadership of the Senate.

Washington, Nov. 5.—Democratic administration leaders today claimed a "substantial majority" in the house, and continued control of the senate as a result of the elections for the next congress. On returns which were not complete the democrats asserted that their majority in the senate had been increased from 10 to 15. In the house returns indicate that the present overwhelming democratic majority of 140 had dwindled to about 25.

With this the democratic leaders professed themselves satisfied, declaring that it was the greatest majority "ever returned by any party in an off year against tariff revision. The members also asserted that the returns showed that the progressive party had practically disappeared and that therefore the democratic victory was a triumph over a reunited republican party.

Republicans, however, were jubilant over the result. They asserted that the progressives were returning to the fold and that by 1916 the way would be cleared for a sweeping republican victory. They were prepared to welcome back "Uncle Joe" Cannon and many of his erstwhile followers who had fought their way back to seats in the house, after their defeat in 1912.

Three breaks in the solid south which democracy has held for so many years were pointed to as indications of democratic weakness. Republicans elected from Maryland and North Carolina and a progressive seated in the third Louisiana district gave comfort to the opponents of the administration.

The next congress will see a general reorganization of the house. Speaker Clark, who was returned by a goodly majority from his district will undoubtedly be the democratic choice for speaker. But the election of Representative Underwood to the senate from Alabama will precipitate a contest for the democratic leadership in which North Carolina will take the leading part. The reduced majority for the democrats also necessitates many changes in the organization of the powerful house committee.

In the senate a slight increase in the democratic majority will strengthen the administration which during the present congress has at times been somewhat embarrassed by the slender margin of control.

SENATOR LAURENCE SHERMAN RE-ELECTED OVER SULLIVAN

Chicago, Nov. 5.—Senator Lawrence Y. Sherman, republican, was re-elected in Tuesday's election by 6,000 or more plurality over Roger C. Sullivan, democrat, according to almost complete returns available today. The missing precincts are scattered in rural regions of the state and are about equally divided between republican and democratic territory. Senator Sherman early today declared that his plurality would total 10,000 or more, while Sullivan still contended that official count would make him winner.

CURTIS APPARENTLY LEADS IN RACE FOR SENATE

Topeka, Kas., Nov. 5.—With returns practically complete in all but three counties in Kansas early today former Senator Charles Curtis, republican appeared to be leading in the race for the United States senatorship by about 1,000 votes over Representative George A. Needy, democrat.

With the re-election to congress in the sixth district of John R. Connelly, democrat, all but one of the congressional districts had made definite returns. The fifth was yet in doubt although Guy T. Helvering, democrat, incumbent, seemed to be leading by a slight majority over W. Calder Head, republican. Late returns made little change in previous estimates on state officials, including governor, which indicated the election of the entire republican state ticket by pluralities of from 15,000 to 30,000.

BRITT VICTORY NOW CONCEDED

UPPER HOMINY MAKES REPORT

Britt Carried the Box By a Good Majority Over His Opponent.

Upper Hominy No. 1, which was the last precinct in Buncombe county to file the official report, was brought in this morning by an officer of the election.

With the following reports from Ivy No. 2 and Upper Hominy No. 1 the complete reports from every precinct in the county are now in the hands of the county authorities who are making the official canvass.

Upper Hominy No. 1.
For congress, Gudger 90; Britt 117. For state senate, Swain 94; Gudger 112. For state senate, Weaver 93; Fortune 113. For representative No. 1, Roberts 92; Harkins 114. For representative No. 2, Nettles 94; Hunter 112. For clerk of superior court, Cathey 94; Worley 112. For sheriff, Mitchell 94; Worley 112. For register, Mackey 94; Clark 112. For tax collector, Patton 79; Miller 117. For treasurer, Brookshire 94. For board county commissioners, Johnson 95; Cole 94; Brookshire 94; Greenwood 111; Robinson 111; Hill 112. For auditor, Lyda 94; Voorhies 112. For board of education, Murphy 94; Gaston 94; Sams 94; Michaels 112; Lindsey 112; Northup 112. For coroner, Morris 2. For surveyor, Israel 101; Fanning 104.

Ivy No. 2.
For congress, Gudger 92; Britt 60. For state senate, Swain 105; Gudger 48. For state senate, Weaver 95; Fortune 59. For representative No. 1, Roberts 93; Harkins 58. For representative No. 2, Nettles 94; Hunter 59. For clerk superior court, Cathey 94; Worley 57. For sheriff, Mitchell 94; Harrison 57. For register of deeds, Mackey 94; Clark 87. For tax collector, Patton 102; Miller 83. For treasurer, Brookshire 110. For commissioners, Johnson 111; Cole 114; Brookshire 118; Greenwood 86; Robinson 84; Hill 85. For auditor, Lyda 111; Voorhies 86. For board of education, Murphy 104; Gaston 102; Sams 94; Michaels 88; Lindsey 88; Northup 88. For coroner, Morris 109. For surveyor, Israel 108; Fanning 60.

French Broad.
For congress, Gudger 85; Britt 57. For state senate, Swain 109; Gudger 88. For state senate, Weaver 107; Fortune 89. For representative No. 1, Roberts 104; Harkins 59. For representative No. 2, Nettles 93; Hunter 102. For clerk superior court, Cathey 108; Worley 57. For sheriff, Mitchell 121; Harrison 77. For register of deeds, Mackey 107; Clark 87. For tax collector, Patton 102; Miller 83. For treasurer, Brookshire 110. For commissioners, Johnson 111; Cole 114; Brookshire 118; Greenwood 86; Robinson 84; Hill 85. For auditor, Lyda 111; Voorhies 86. For board of education, Murphy 104; Gaston 102; Sams 94; Michaels 88; Lindsey 88; Northup 88. For coroner, Morris 109. For surveyor, Israel 108; Fanning 60.

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Manager of Mr. Gudger's Campaign Congratulates Republican Candidate on Election.

OPINIONS DIFFER AS TO SIZE OF MAJORITY

Mr. Britt Maintains He Leads by About 1000; Democrats Contend Majority Is About 500.

J. Scroop Styles, chairman of the democratic congressional executive committee, this morning conceded the election of James J. Britt, republican-progressive candidate for congress and congratulated Mr. Britt upon his victory. This ends all conjecture and speculation upon the part of democrats who were hoping that something might turn up from some of the other counties in the district which would change the appearance of things.

While it was generally believed Tuesday night that Mr. Britt had been elected and yesterday practically everyone conceded his election, the formal statement by Mr. Styles was not made until this morning.

The only thing that now remains in doubt is the exact majority by which Mr. Britt was elected, and while the democrats concede him the election they still maintain that his majority will be very much lower than the figures given out by the republicans. Mr. Britt says that the very best information that he has been able to get from the 13 counties in the district, part of which is official, places his majority around 1,000, and he thinks that it will go slightly over this mark. The democrats maintain that this majority will be cut down to 500 and possibly lower than that. Conservative estimates by men of both parties place Mr. Britt's majority at between 700 and 800.

Official figures from the outlying counties are slow in coming in, although with the official canvassers at work today in all the counties, it is highly probable that the official vote can be given in full tomorrow afternoon. Jackson county is still much in doubt with each side claiming it by a small majority and it will take the official count to know just how it does stand. In Henderson county both sides agree that Mr. Britt carried it by a majority around 700, but in Haywood differences as to the size of the democratic majority still exist. It is conceded by democrats that Mr. Britt's majority in Cherokee will go around 400 and possibly more and in Clay and Graham it is slightly below the half hundred mark for Mr. Britt. The best information from Swain gives Mr. Britt the county by about 300, and McDowell goes to Mr. Britt by a small majority.

Transylvania and Polk go to Mr. Britt by small majorities the best reports state. Each side claims Rutherford by very small majorities. Macon was for Britt by a small majority and the official vote in Buncombe is 157 for Gudger.

The democrats had claimed up until today that Mr. Gudger had won the district by 19 votes and produced their figures to prove this.

Now that Mr. Styles has conceded Mr. Britt's election things will again become normal in the old fighting tenth and the most strenuous congressional campaign in many years will go down in history. Mr. Britt will take his seat in the 64 congress on March 4, next.

Solicitor's Race.

In the county solicitorial race all things but the majority have been settled. J. E. Swain has won over Vonne Gudger for solicitor, but only the Buncombe county majority has been given yet, as the returns from Madison county are slow in coming in. Mr. Swain's majority in this county is officially given at 1149. According to statements by democrats the republican majority in Madison will fall to about 800, while the republicans still may that will go above the 500 mark. In this county the total vote cast for congressional candidates was 625, while in the solicitorial race the total vote was 6209.

Shift-elect E. M. Mitchell is leading the county ticket with a majority of 1389 and E. M. Lyda, auditor, is second with a majority of 1259. The majorities of the other successful county candidates range down to about 750.

Republican-progressive headquarters, which have been maintained in the Nat Green building on Patton avenue for several months, are being dismantled today and will be closed tomorrow, while the democratic headquarters in the Commerce building will also be closed this week.

Sallings Cancelled.

Beifast, Ireland, Nov. 5.—(Via London)—The winter sailing of the White Star line steamer Olympias have been cancelled and today the crew were paid off.