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BULGARIA CAUSES A STIR

Activity in Mobilizing Forces Disturbs Balkan States and European Capitals—Intentions of Bulgaria Not Definitely Known—Raid by French Aeroplanes—Germans Capture Russian Positions—Russians Victorious Over Austrians.

Press Summary.
Bulgaria's activity in mobilizing her forces has caused a stir not only among the Balkan States, but in the European Capitals. Whether Bulgaria is to join either of the belligerents or intends to maintain an armed neutrality is not definitely known. The Bulgarian Premier, however, recently told the Government members of Parliament that the war danger in the Balkans had decreased, but that the Bulgarian Government had been obliged to resort to armed neutrality. The Premier also is quoted as having told his supporters that Rumania and Greece would remain neutral and that he did not believe that a treaty between Rumania, Greece and Serbia against Bulgaria exists.

Bulgarian reservists are hastening to the colors, one of the reserve officers being authority for the statement that the general mobilization includes 250,000 infantry. Bulgaria's field army of all ranks numbers between 300,000 and 350,000 men.
Berlin semi-official reports state that there are no indications that Bulgaria's action will lead to a general outbreak in the Balkans and that no news has been received in the German Capital of a mobilization by either Greece or Rumania. Nevertheless King Constantine has been in conference with Premier Venizelos and the general staff of the Greek Army and a Cabinet council has had the situation under consideration.

Bucharest is silent with respect to the attitude of Rumania which because of the geographical position of that country will probably remain quiescent until Bulgaria's final decision is taken.

One of the features of the war is to be found in a raid by a squadron of French aeroplanes, which in retaliation for attacks by the Germans with aircraft on open towns of France and England, has flown from the frontier to Stuttgart, Capital of the Kingdom of Wurtemberg, a distance of more than a hundred miles and deposited shells in the neighborhood of the royal palace and the station. The damage done is not recorded.

Heavy artillery actions continue all along the line from Belgium to the Vosges mountains.
On the Eastern front in the region of Dvinsk the Russians have again assumed the offensive and a battle is in progress. To the southeast of Dvinsk the Germans have captured Russian positions, according to their report, over a front of two miles.

Unofficial reports indicated that the Russian forces which evacuated Vilna have been withdrawn from the danger zone. The efforts of the Austro-Germans, however, to encircle the retreating armies are still in progress.

In Volhynia in the region of the triangle of Russian fortress and in bayonet attacks along the Ikva river the Russians have been victorious over the Austrians, capturing several villages and a large number of men.
From the Macva frontier of north-west Serbia almost to the iron gates of the Danube the Austrians and Germans are heavily bombarding Serbian positions.

The State Department at Washington has been notified by Dr. Constantin Dumba, the Austro-Hungarian Ambassador that he has been recalled on leave by his Government. Doctor Dumba has asked for safe conduct to Vienna but the American Government will await formal notification from the Austro-Hungarian Foreign office before acting on this request.

President May Call Extra Session of Senate.

Washington Dispatch, Sept. 22.
The advisability of calling a special session of the Senate within the next month is being seriously considered by President Wilson, it was said today at the White House. If the session is called it will be primarily for the purpose of allowing the Senate to revise its rules in order to curtail debate. The President, it was said, would reach a decision in the matter within a week or 10 days.

The Durham hosiery mills are to supply the United States navy with 300,000 pairs of cotton socks. The specified amount of the contract is \$27,500.

The British steamer Ultona, eight days from Galveston, limped into Newport News, Va., Monday night for engine repairs with 50 horses of a cargo of 1,450 dead and many sick as a result of the excessive heat.

WILL HOLD FOR HIGHER PRICE

Fact That Farmers Are Selling Some Cotton at Present Prices Does Not Mean That They Are Willing to Dispose of Bulk of Crop Now.
Several of Robeson's largest cotton growers when asked recently if they were selling their cotton have remarked that they were selling a few bales, but would be in no hurry to sell the bulk of the crop. It is true that most every farmer needs some money to pay for picking, ginning and other things, which means that right at the opening of the selling season quite a bit of cotton is always placed on the market, especially if the price ranges as high as ten cents the pound. Judging from this, the fact that the farmers are turning cotton loose now does not mean that the cotton crop will all be sold at the present prices. The farmers seem to think—that is, most of them—that they will realize a better price later and are determined to hold some of their crop for the higher price.

DOWN BOARDMAN WAY

New Cane Mill—Planning to Put in Wheat—Sawmill May Start Up Soon—Farmers Feeling Better.
Correspondence of The Robesonian.
Boardman, R. 1.—Sept. 21.—Miss Lou Kelly of Fairmont, who had been visiting her brother, Mr. Lively Kelly, returned home yesterday.
Mr. Jno. Ivans has bought a new cane mill, including copper pans. Mr. Ivans expects to cook hundreds of gallons of syrup this year. With an inferior mill last season he cooked near 600 gallons.

Some of the farmers in this section are planning to put in some wheat this fall. We trust the increase in prices of cotton will not affect their plans.
Cotton picking has been the order of the day for the past two weeks, but rainy weather has called a vacation in that line of work.

Mrs. Von Carter, widow of Mr. Von Carter who died at Boardman two weeks ago with pellagra, has moved back to her old home near Fair Bluff. Mrs. Carter's marriage to Mr. Carter was her second venture in matrimony, her first husband, Mr. Baukin Barnes, being run down by a train near Fair Bluff some five years ago.

The saw mill at Boardman is expected to start up in about four weeks.

The sweet potato crop, according to reports from all sections, is a record breaker. With corn, sugar cane and plenty of potatoes and cotton looking up, the farmers are beginning to feel somewhat better. However, we can do more by putting in wheat and oats.

ATE HALF BUSHEL POTATOES

In 4-Hours' Sitting—And He Is Yet Alive and Among Us—Broke Long Fast Caused by Hiccoughs.

Lumberton no doubt can justly boast of having the champion sweet potato eater in the world. A certain colored man, who lives in Lumberton, according to the story of his wife, who says she cooked the potatoes, ate one half bushel of potatoes in four hours, save one lone potato. This certain man, so his companion says, had the hiccoughs for three days and could not eat anything during the three days' time. When the hiccoughs ceased this man went to the store and bought a half bushel of potatoes and went home and put his wife to cooking them at twelve of the clock and at four o'clock that afternoon he had eaten all the half bushel except one, and his wife says she had to take that lone, last potato away from him to keep him from eating it. The wife, who told the story for the truth, says her husband sat up all night after eating the potatoes and expected to die, and she says further that she sat up with him. This is a big story, but it came so straight as to have been told to one of the leading pastors of the town by the wife of the man who ate the potatoes; and the preacher told the reporter.

Among the Sick.

Mr. P. P. Green went Tuesday to Fayetteville to undergo an operation on his head at the Cumberland General Hospital in the hope of relieving severe pains to which he has been subject for some time. It is not thought that the operation is a very serious one and Mr. Green expected to be able to return home in a few days.

Master Webb Crump, small son of Mrs. Nannie W. Crump, who has been suffering with diphtheria at the home of Mrs. Crump in the eastern part of town for some time, continues dangerously ill.

Mr. Jno. W. Gaddy and son, Master Alton, who live on route 1 from Fairmont, were among the visitors in town this morning.

RED SPRINGS NEWS LETTER

Students From All Over at S. P. C.—Get-Acquainted Evening—Executive Council of Scottish Society to Meet—District Convention U. D. C. Today and Tomorrow

Correspondence of The Robesonian.
Red Springs, Sept. 22.—New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, Wisconsin, Missouri and all of the Southern States except Texas have given of their best to the 250 girls who compose the student body of Flora McDonald College this year. The buildings are filled to their capacity with 215 girls and 30 officers and teachers. All friends of the institution will be glad to know of this successful opening.

Get-acquainted evening, or the reception by the Y. W. C. A. on Monday evening of this week, was a most delightful event. An attractive musical program was rendered by C. G. Vardell, Jr., Misses Virgie Goodwin, Dickson Vardell, Augusta McKeithem, Lucy Huskett, Annie Johnson and Laura Shipley. Everybody had to look into everybody else's eyes and write the color of the eyes in booklets provided for the purpose.

Mr. Charles G. Vardell, Jr., is spending a few weeks here before returning to the Damrosch School of Music in New York for a post-graduate course. His friends will be pleased to know that he will give a concert recital in the college auditorium while in Red Springs.

The executive council of the Scottish Society of America and the committee on Flora McDonald College will meet in joint session in Raleigh on Wednesday, the 29th of Sept., at 12 o'clock, for the purpose of forming plans for the year's work. Other very important matters will be discussed. The members of the executive council are: Governor Craig, president; Mr. A. W. McAllister, Greensboro and Rev. C. G. Vardell, D. D., Red Springs, vice presidents; Miss Eloise McGill, Red Springs, secretary and treasurer; Mr. J. P. McNeill, Florence, S. C., Miss Ida McLean Black, Wilmington, Miss Mary D. Asheboro and Mrs. D. P. McEachern, Red Springs. The committee on Flora McDonald College are: Col. Benham Cameron, Stagville; Dr. James A. MacDonald, Toronto, Canada; Rev. C. G. Vardell, D. D., and Hon. B. R. Lacy, State Treasurer, Raleigh.

Miss Orrie Steele of Rock Hill, S. C., is visiting her sister Miss Mamie Steele, who is one of the college officers.
The district convention of the U. D. C. will meet in Red Springs on Thursday and Friday of this week. The local chapter is preparing to entertain the visiting ladies in the cordial, hospitable style of this good Scotch town. A reception will be given on Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. James A. Love. The business sessions of the convention will be held in the auditorium of Flora McDonald College and picnic luncheon will be served on the campus.

COTTON STILL ADVANCING

December Contracts Sold at 11.73 Yesterday—Net Gain of 6 to 11 Points.

New York Dispatch, 22d.
Early reactions were followed by another very rapid advance in the cotton market today, which carried all deliveries into new high ground for the movement, with December contracts selling at 11.73 or 24 points above last night's final figures. The close was several points off from the best under heavy realizing but the final tone was steady at a net gain of from 6 to 11 points for the day.

Notices of New Advertisements.

Great State fair at Raleigh Oct. 18-23.
300 acres land near Fairmont for sale.

Experienced monument man wanted—Mecklenburg Marble & Granite Co.

Buick touring car for sale. Bargains in real estate, also handle stocks—A. K. J. W. Co. Program at Pastime.

New York cafe and Lumberton candy kitchen.

Held cotton for 15 cents and store in Farmers Bonded Warehouse, Lumberton.

The National Bank of Lumberton is advertising loans at 8 cents on mid-dling cotton.

Good Crop Field Peas.

Judging from the talk of the farmers there must be a good crop of field peas this year.

—Mr. Paul North, son of Rev. and Mrs. W. B. North, left last evening for Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass., where he will be a student for three years, taking the L. L. D. course. Mr. North finished the A. B. course at Trinity College, Durham, this year.

MARIETTA NEWS MATTERS

Splendid Entertainment by Philathea Class—Personal Mention.

Correspondence of The Robesonian.
Marietta, Sept. 21.—On Thursday evening, Sept. 9th, the Philathea class of Olivet Sunday school proved its class motto, "We Do Things". At 8:30 an interesting program was rendered. The home talent assisted by Miss Alice Galloway of Fairmont, whose vocal selections were very much enjoyed and Miss Elizabeth Sellars of Sellers, S. C., who gave a delightful reading.

Pillows made in the class colors, blue and white, were sold at auction by Mr. Ball of Fairmont. The girls had engaged in a contest in making these pillows. The names of their friends who paid ten cents or more were embroidered on their pillows. A prize was offered to the girl bringing in the most money and to the girl having the prettiest pillow.

Miss Rachel Oliver, who received the prize for having the most money, brought in \$15.55 on her pillow, and it sold for four dollars. Miss Oliver's pillow was voted the prettiest but she requested that it not be considered by the judges, Mrs. Wells of Shelby, Mrs. D. E. Oliver of Marietta and Mr. Chambers of Fairmont. This prize went to Miss Elizabeth Sellars.

Only four girls of the class made pillows. They were Miss Rachel Oliver, teacher of the class; Miss Mabel Oliver, president; Miss Mae Oliver, secretary; and Miss Elizabeth Sellars of Sellers, S. C., who is a member of the class while visiting relatives here every summer. These four young ladies were very enthusiastic over the work, as they are in all things pertaining to their class. They were assisted by a few other class members, several friends and the Ladies Aid Society.

After the prizes were awarded cream and cake were sold. Altogether they raised more than \$61.00.

Among the visitors in town for the Philathea entertainment, were Misses Alice and Katherine Galloway, Messrs. Chambers, Ball, Harry Davis, Ernest Jones, Marvin Floyd, Fisher and Smith of Fairmont; Misses Lela, Elizabeth and Margaret Sellars and Messrs. John C. and Ben Sellars of Sellers, S. C.

Miss Florine Rogers and brother J. P. left Tuesday for Tampa, Fla., where they go to visit relatives for several weeks.

Mrs. Maggie Hayes of Marion, S. C., is visiting at the home of her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Conerly.

Mrs. Leon Henly is spending some time with relatives at Mullins, S. C.

Miss Mellie Hill is visiting her sister Miss Minnie at Florence, S. C.

Mrs. C. A. Oliver has returned home after spending the week-end in Fairmont.

Mrs. W. P. Oliver returned last week from Florence, S. C., where she visited her sister Mrs. J. F. Graham.

Mr. Oliver Page returned Wednesday, having accompanied his sister Miss Anne as far as Richmond on her way to Dayton, Va., where she goes to enter The Shenandoah College Institute and School of Music.

Mr. Roy Floyd left some days ago for an extended trip through the western part of the State.

Mr. J. S. Oliver, Messrs. J. M. and O. C. Conerly made a business trip to Marion, S. C., last week.

County Commissioners And Road Trustees Meet.

As mentioned in Monday's Robesonian, the board of county commissioners and the road trustees from the various townships met here Monday for the purpose of organizing and getting things more systematized.

The resignation of Mr. H. M. John as road trustee of Lumber Bridge township was accepted and Mr. Robert Monroe was appointed to fill out unexpired term.

The resignation of Mr. J. J. Page as trustee, White House township, was accepted and Mr. Timothy Page was elected to fill out unexpired term.

The commissioners ordered that D. E. Ivey be paid \$68.80 for repairing bridges.

Charity Galloway was placed on the pauper list to receive \$4 per month.

—Mr. B. W. Bobbitt of Orange county was in Lumberton Monday looking after some business in connection with the estate of his son, the late M. T. Bobbitt, of which estate he is administrator.

—Mrs. C. V. Brown, who left Friday night of last week to attend the funeral of her brother Mr. Francis M. Pitts, whose remains were interred in Arlington cemetery in Washington, D. C., Sunday, as mentioned in Monday's Robesonian, is expected home tonight.

LONG BRANCH LOCALS

Picking Cotton—Marriage of Miss Flora Baxley and Mr. Alva Watts—Remodeling Residence—Personal.

Correspondence of The Robesonian.
Long Branch (Lumberton, R. 4), Sept. 21.—The farmers of this section are busy picking cotton.

Mr. John Carter of Wilmington is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Carter.

Mr. Lee Britt and sister, Miss Gladys, left today for Clinton, where they will spend some time at the home of their grandmother, Mrs. Cynthia Britt.

Mr. Herbert Britt has accepted a position near Fair Bluff.

Miss Sue Neal Thompson went yesterday to Lumberton, where she had her tonsils removed by Dr. R. S. Beam.

Mr. Grover Pope of Canton is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Pope.

Miss Lillie Rice is visiting her grandparents at St. Paul.

Mr. A. L. Stone is having his residence remodeled, which adds much to the looks of our community.

Mrs. H. C. Lamb and two children, little Miss Clyde and Master H. C. Jr., of Lumberton spent part of this week with Mrs. Lamb's sister, Mrs. J. W. Branch.

Mrs. Luther J. Britt left last week for Wake Forest, where he entered college.

Miss Pinkie Enzor spent last week with Miss Addie Edmund.

Our community was surprised last Sunday evening when Mr. Alva Watts of the Broad Ridge section claimed for his bride Miss Flora Ann Baxley, the charming daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Baxley. They were married at the home of the bride's parents. Mr. Okey Stephens officiated. May they live a long life of joy and happiness is the wish of their many friends.

Mr. Henry Ammons has entered school at Orrum.

Mr. W. T. Glover of Fair Bluff was in these parts Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Kinchen Barnes of Lumberton spent Saturday night and Sunday with home folks.

Gladys, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Taylor, is very ill. We hope for her a speedy recovery. We are sorry to report Mr. Ratz Britt unimproved.

Mr. Carson Britt is "tickled": it's a boy.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Thompson and Miss Pearl Howard of Lumberton attended preaching here Sunday.

Mr. Martin Ammons left last week for Norfolk, Va., where he enlisted in the U. S. Navy.

Miss Agatha Britt of Lumberton is visiting her sister Miss Corrie Britt.—Messrs. Parker Nye and Furman Ivey of Proctorville were visitors in this section Sunday.—Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Stone of the Mr. Eliam section spent Sunday here.—Mr. Edward Willoughby of the Center section was a pleasant caller here Sunday.

CENTER DOTS

Protracted Meeting Has Excellent Results—W. O. W. Meeting Saturday—Personal.

Correspondence of The Robesonian.
Center (Lumberton, R. 3), Sept. 21.—Our protracted meeting was held here last week. The pastor, Rev. W. R. Davis, was assisted by Rev. A. T. Howell of Hamlet. Mr. Howell is an able and forceful preacher and we hated to see him go. There were 22 additions to the church and the church was greatly revived.

Miss Bessie Ammonds of Rowland spent last week here with relatives.

Misses Lizzie and Rosa Belle Jenkins of Fairmont spent part of last week here.

Mr. Edward Bissell of Bloomington, Ill., who has been spending some time visiting his father on the Broad Ridge, spent part of last week here, to the delight of his many friends. Mr. Bissell will return to Illinois about the first of October.

Mrs. Pierce of Florence, S. C., visited her sister Mrs. W. J. Willkerson here last week.

—Mrs. Wright Prevatt and children, little Miss Leslie and Elizabeth, of Lumberton spent part of last week here.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Stubbs and Mr. Elmer Hedgpeh spent Sunday afternoon visiting near Rowland.

There will be a meeting of the W. O. W. here Saturday night, Sept. 25th. All members are urged to be present.

—Palm Beaches look limited and pinched since yesterday morning.

—Born, to Mr. and Mrs. A. W. McLean, yesterday in a hospital in Baltimore, a girl.

—Mr. A. H. Flowers left Monday evening for Farmington, Davie county, to take charge as principal of a State high school. Mr. Flowers was employed during the summer in the office of County Auditor J. M. McCallum.

COTTON AND COTTON SEED

Strict middling cotton is selling on the local market today for 10.81-1-4 cents the pound; middling for 10.56-1-4 cents. Cotton seed, 40 cents the bushel.

WEEKLY WEATHER FORECAST

Issued by the U. S. Weather Bureau, Washington, D. C., for the Week Beginning Wednesday, September 22, 1915

For South Atlantic and East Gulf States: Generally fair weather and moderate temperatures throughout the week.

BRIEF ITEMS OF LOCAL NEWS

—Ah, the delightful coo!th follows excessive warmth.

—A new schedule and time table board that was much needed has been placed at the Seaboard station.

—The Lumberton Motor Car Company has just received a car load of Maxwell automobiles, for which it is the agent.

—Mr. Ira B. Mullis, local civil engineer, left yesterday for Goldsboro, where he will spend some time doing work in connection with road building in Wayne county.

—Dr. R. S. Beam, the local eye, ear, nose and throat specialist, will leave Saturday for Philadelphia, Pa., where he will spend a month attending the different clinics of that city.

—Mrs. Lizzie G. Proctor and daughter Mrs. R. R. Carlyle will leave this evening for San Antonio, Texas, where they will attend the marriage of Miss Lucy Dick, a niece of Mrs. Proctor.

—Mr. J. M. Ball, who has been on the Fairmont tobacco market during the season just closed, passed through town Tuesday en route to Mebane, this State, where he will auctioneer tobacco for J. N. Warren & Co.

—Messrs. G. M. and C. B. Olyer of route 2 from Fairmont were among the visitors in town Tuesday. As will be seen from their ad elsewhere in this issue, they are offering some very fine land for sale.

—Messdames A. C. Lewis and J. W. Sinclair and Mr. W. Bonham Smith, all of Mullins, S. C., were here Tuesday for the purpose of having their eyes examined and glasses fitted by Dr. W. W. Parker.

—Mr. W. L. Kenney, for some time past piano player (?) at the Pastime theatre, left Tuesday evening for his home at Birmingham, Ala., where this evening he is to be married. Mr. Kenney expects to reside in Birmingham in the future.

—Mr. L. M. Walker, who has represented the Export Tobacco Co. at Fairmont for four years, and all ways buys quite a bit of the tobacco grown in that section, passed through town Tuesday en route to his home at Danville, Va., the auction sales season having closed at Fairmont.

—Jas. L. Jr., 3-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Stephens, fell off the back porch at the Stephens home, Chestnut street, yesterday afternoon and broke both bones in his right arm between the wrist and elbow. Dr. N. A. Thompson was summoned at once and reset the arm, and the child is resting well.

—The millinery opening of Messrs. R. D. Caldwell & Son began this morning and will last through tomorrow. The opening is being attended by quite a large crowd of admiring ladies, who seem to be carried away with the sizes, shapes and colors of the headwear being shown at this attractive opening.

—Mr. James Pappas has opened up a "kandy kitchen" and cafe in the McLean building, next door to the express office. Thence place will be known as the New York Cafe and Lumberton Kandy Kitchen. The building has been thoroughly cleaned and with the new and up-to-date fixtures and is very attractive. Besides handling home-made candies and fancy fruit, Mr. Pappas will conduct an up-to-date cafe.

—Thursday night of next week "Peg O' My Heart," the theatrical attraction making the greatest hit here last season, will play a return engagement at the Lumberton opera house. Wednesday night October 6th, "A Pair of Sixes", a high-class clean comedy, will be seen here for the first time. Those who have seen this attraction declare it one of the best on the road. Only a few shows are expected to visit Lumberton this season, and thus far nothing has been booked that should not draw well.

—DR. W. W. PARKER
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