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TEUTONS HOLD ALT RIVER LINE

Invaders in All Directions Continue Progress Towards Capital of Rumania.

London, Nov. 27.—The entire line of the Alt River in Rumania, running north and south through the country from the Transylvanian Alps to the Danube, now is in the hands of the Teutonic Allies. In all directions the invaders are continuing to make progress, with Bucharest their main objective, daily coming nearer.

The southern and eastern drive in the Alt region has brought the Teutonic forces across the Topolog River, while to south between Rochi de Vede and Valeni their line has been drawn considerably nearer the Rumanian Capital. Alexandria, 47 miles southeast of Bucharest, has been taken by Field Marshal von Mackensen's troops.

Considering the swiftness of the advance of the Teutonic Allies through Wallachia comparative few prisoners have been taken, although semi-official reports credit them with having captured considerably supplies of needed stores. Near Orsovo, 28 miles from Bucharest, 1,200 men were made prisoner, while in the Alt region, near Tigveni 10 additional officers and 400 men fell into the Teutons.

In a big battle extending over a front of about 17 miles northwest and northeast of Monastir, between Trnovo and Makovo, the Entente Allies, according to Berlin have met with a severe defeat through the failure of an attack launched against the lines of the Central Powers. Aside from reports of the repulse of the Bulgarians by the Serbians and continued progress for the Italian army in the Gorizia region, the Austrians are vigorously shelling the Italians.

Comparative calm still prevails all along the front in France, so far as infantry engagements are concerned. A Berlin semi-official dispatch says, there are indications that the Entente Allies contemplate fresh offensives probably near Armentieres and east of Arras, where heavy artillery bombardments are being carried out and also on the St. Michel Salient, southeast of Verdun. Another semi-official dispatch from Berlin quotes Constantinople advices to the effect that Arabs on the Tripoli-Tunis frontier in North Africa have defeated the Italians and carried the fight across the border into Tunis against the French. The losses of the Italian are estimated at 20,000 men not including prisoners taken into the interior by the Arabs.

Great Britain has definitely declined to grant a safe conduct to the United States of the newly-appointed Austro-Hungarian Ambassador.

A Clogged System Must Be Cleared.

You will find Dr. King's New Life Pills a gentle yet effective laxative for removing impurities from the system. Accumulated waste poisons the blood; dizziness, biliousness and pimply, muddy complexion are the distressing effects. A dose of Dr. King's New Life Pills tonight will assure you a free full bowel movement in the morning. At your Druggist, 25 cents.

Wilson to Attend Mass.

Washington, Nov. 28.—President Wilson will attend pontifical high mass to be celebrated tomorrow at St. Patrick's church here by Cardinal Gibbons in memory of the late Emperor Francis Joseph of Austria-Hungary. Secretary Lansing and members of the diplomatic corps not connected with the Entente Allies also will attend.

Do You Have Sour Stomach.

If you are troubled with sour stomach you should eat slowly and masticate your food thoroughly, then take one of Chamberlain's Tablets immediately after supper. Obtainable everywhere.

TOM WATSON AGAIN ON TRIAL.

Acting as Counsel Asserts He is Merely President of Magazine Company.

Augusta, Ga., Nov. 27.—Thomas E. Watson, at the opening of his trial in Federal Court here today, on charges of having sent obscene matter through the mails, laid upon the Government the burden of proof that he was responsible for the mailing, and also stated that he was "merely president" of the corporation which published the magazines containing the articles cited. Selection of a jury was completed in one and a half hours and the trial started rapidly forward only to be delayed by a detained examination of witnesses by whom District Attorney Donaldson sought to prove the defendant was responsible for the mailing.

During the trial on the same charges last November, which resulted in the jury disagreeing, Watson admitted connection with the mailing "I don't shirk any responsibility," he said then. Today the District Attorney asked Watson if he cared to make the same admission and without entering a denial, the defendant, who is a member of the bar, acted as his own leading counsel, replied:

"Make out your case, Mr. District Attorney."

Watson also declared that The Jeffersonian Publishing Company is a corporation and that he is "merely president" of the company, which he added, has other officers as well as stockholders. This company, he continued, publishes The Jeffersonian, a weekly magazine, and Watson's Magazine, a monthly, in which were contained the articles cited in the four counts of the indictment.

The Government today put on the stand J. Q. West, postmaster at Thomson, Ga., home of the defendant and headquarters of The Jeffersonian Publishing Company. West identified post-office records by which the government seeks to prove the magazines were mailed. A. J. Knight a postoffice inspector testified that the issues of the magazines in question went through the mails.

While Knight was on the stand, the attorney for the defendant sought to have him identify several Government documents which the defense sought to introduce, and which it was claimed the Government had circulated through the mails and thus had "set an example for citizens." Watson claimed they contained words similar to those in the articles which he was indicted. All were ruled out, however, on objection of the prosecution that they were "privileged matter."

Watson also was overruled in attempt to show the motive which inspired the articles which contained attacks on the Roman Catholic church. Attempts to show that an "outsider was behind" the prosecution also were ruled out. Part of the alleged obscene matter is in Latin and the defense claimed it was excerpts from works on Roman Catholic theology.

How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.

F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O. We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligations made by his firm.

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Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Testimonials sent free. Price 75 cents per bottle. Sold by all Druggists. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

CHANGES IN METHODIST MINISTERS.

Two Changes Made in the Salisbury District. W. A. Lambeth Comes to Salisbury.

Gaston, Nov. 27.—A number of changes in the pastorates of the Methodist churches were made when Bishop John C. Kilgo, tonight at the closing session of the Western North Carolina Methodist Conference, announced the appointments of ministers for the next year.

Among those is the return of Rev. T. F. Marr, D. D., who has been pastor of the First Church in Salisbury for the past year, to Charlotte as presiding elder. He succeeds Rev. L. T. Mann, who has been appointed commissioner of Emory University to aid in raising funds for the great institution of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in Atlanta.

The list for the Salisbury district is as follows:

- J. C. Rowe, presiding elder
- Albemarle, Central—J. E. Gray
- Albemarle, First Street—W. I. Hughes; C. M. Gentry, supernumerary
- Albemarle circuit—H. F. Starr, supply
- Badin—W. R. Shelton
- Bethel—J. T. Stover
- China Grove and Landis—W. S. Hales
- Concord, Central—M. F. Moores
- Concord, Epworth and Center—A. S. Raper
- Concord, Forest Hill—C. M. Short
- Concord, Westford—S. L. Owen, supply
- West Concord—R. K. Brady
- Concord circuit—P. T. Terrell
- Cottonville—J. F. Starnes
- Gold Hill—J. W. Strider
- Kannapolis—P. W. Tucker
- Kannapolis circuit—R. L. Forbes

Who Wants this Pretty Baby Boy?

Asheville, Nov. 26.—Mrs. W. L. Miller, who lives near Hendersonville, has a perfectly good baby boy, about eight months of age, whose mother she is anxiously seeking. The baby is a boy, but Mrs. Miller has plenty of children of her own, and does not desire to keep the latest addition to the family which came to her via a trick that has been worked for her, these many years.

Don't Risk Nozleot.

Don't neglect a constant back ache sharp darting pains or urinary disorders. The danger of dropsy or Bright's disease is too serious to ignore. Use Doan's Kidney Pills as your friends and neighbors. A Salisbury case. Mrs. H. Frost, 603 N. Main St., Salisbury, says: "I had backache and other kidney disorders. At times my limbs were so weak and lame, I could hardly get around. In the morning the trouble was worse. My kidneys were irregular in action and caused me a lot of annoyance. I had heard of so many who had found Doan's Kidney Pills beneficial that I began taking them. They lived up to the claims made for them, relieving the misery in my back and regulating the action of my kidneys."

Price 50c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy, get Doan's Kidney Pills, the same that Mr. Frost had. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y.

That Great Reflection.

That great reflecting, which has been seen in the sky south of the city the past few nights and early in the mornings and causing much alarm, is nothing more than a Pilot lighting plant just installed on George Bernhardt's modern up-to-date dairy farm. Mr. Bernhardt is a wide-awake man and has all modern city conveniences on and about his farm and his equipment will not doubt be a great aid in the back-to-the-farm movement which brings prosperity to any community.

BURIAL OF FRANCIS JOSEPH ON THURSDAY.

At the Burial Historical Ceremony Will Be Carried Out.

Vienna, via London, Nov. 27.—The coffin of Emperor Francis Joseph has been finally closed, but the body will remain in state until Thursday, the day set for interment.

At the burial in the crypt in Capuchin, a historic ceremony will be carried out, which was anciently designed to impress the monarch's successor that in spite of all pomp, a sovereign is merely a mortal.

The general process will be halted at the entrance to the vault by a challenge from within: "Who is there?" The reply will be made: "His most serene Majesty, the Emperor, Francis Joseph."

The Challenger will then reply: "I know him not." Responding to the second challenge, the announcement will be made: "The Emperor of Austria, an apostolic King of Hungary is outside." Again the challenger will answer: "I know him not." Then for the third time the voice from within asks who demands admission, the master of ceremonies reply: "A sinful man, our brother Francis Joseph." The portals then will open, and the procession enter.

Pine-Tar Relieves A Cold.

Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey contains all the soothing elements of the pine forest. It seals the irritated membrane and by its antiseptic properties loosens the phlegm, soothes the throat and what promises to relieve severe cold sore throat, tonsillitis, etc. Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey and prevent a wearing, tickling cough dragging through the winter. At your Druggist, 25 cents.

Villa Cots Away Again by Means of Auto.

Chihuahua City, Mexico Nov. 25.—Via Marfa, Texas, Nov. 26.—Late yesterday afternoon a small band of Villa bandits took a foothold in the church of Santa Rio de Guadalupe. They were driven out by gunfire from their stronghold and cavalry dispersed them.

New Lookout.

When a cold hangs on as often happens, or when you have hardly gotten over one cold before you contract another, look out for you are liable to contract some very serious disease. This succession of colds weakens the system and lowers the vitality so that you are much more liable to contract chronic catarrh, pneumonia or consumption. Cure your cold while you can. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has a great reputation. It is relied upon by thousands of people and never disappoints them. Try it. It only costs a quarter. Obtainable everywhere.

Change Seasonal Drink Colds.

"Stuffed-up head," clogged up nose, tight chest, sore throat are sure signs of cold, and Dr. King's New Discovery is sure relief. A dose of this combination of antiseptic balsams soothes the irritated membrane, clears the head, loosens the phlegm, you breathe easier and realize your cold is broken up. Treat a cold persistently; half-way measures leave a lingering cough. Take Dr. King's New Discovery until your cold is gone. For 47 years the favorite remedy for young and old. At your Druggist, 50 cents.

SINKS WITH STARS AND STRIPES FLYING.

Paris Dispatch Says Captain and Crew Refused to Lower the Flag.

Paris Nov. 28 (Censored).—A Madrid dispatch by wireless announces the arrival at — of the crew of the American steamer Chemung, torpedoed in — by a German submarine. The commander gave the crew only a few minutes to abandon the vessel, not allowing them even to take their money and papers.

The submarine towed the lifeboats in which the crew were placed to within five miles of the coast where it abandoned them. The Chemung went down with the Stars and Stripes floating at her mast. A lively incident preceded the sinking of the vessel. The German commander gave orders that the American flag should be lowered and German sailors prepared to put them into effect. They met with stubborn resistance on the part of American Captain Duffy and his crew, who refused to haul down the colors, saying that if the ship had to be sunk it would be with the flag flying.

The case appears to be similar to the destruction of the American ships William P. Frye and the Leelanaw, both carrying contraband. Damages for which are to be awarded by diplomatic negotiations. As there was no loss of life nor apparent violation of Germany's pledges the case is not regarded as alarming.

Rheumatism Follows Exposure.

In the rain all day is generally followed by painful twinges of rheumatism or neuralgia. Sloan's Liniment will give you quick relief and prevent the twinges from becoming torture. It quickly penetrates without rubbing and soothes the sore and aching joints. For sore, stiff, exhausted muscles that ache and throb from overwork, Sloan's Liniment affords quick relief. Bruises, sprains, strains and other minor injuries to children are quickly soothed by Sloan's Liniment. Get a bottle today at your Druggist, 25 cents.

Her Son Subject to Croup.

"My son Edwin is subject to croup," writes Mrs. E. O. Irwin, New Kensington, Pa. "I put in many sleepless hours at night before I learned of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Mothers need not fear this disease if they keep a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in the house and use it as directed. It always gave my boy relief." Obtainable everywhere.

Villa Now in Control of Chihuahua City.

El Paso Tex., Nov. 27.—Villa is moving northward from Chihuahua City, according to a dispatch from General Treviño received today by General Gonzalez at Juarez, who was ordered to concentrate his forces at Juarez. A private message coming over the same route adds that not only is Villa proceeding north but he is in control of Chihuahua City, which General Treviño is supposed to have abandoned proceeding southward. General Treviño, according to the private report, said that after effecting a junction with General Murguía he would return and recapture Chihuahua.

ANXIETY AS TO FATE OF BUCHAREST.

Capture by Central Powers of Giurgiu Shows Advance by von Mackensen's Army.

London Nov. 28.—With the forces of the Central Powers in possession, according to German official reports, which hitherto have proved accurate with regard to the recent events in Rumania, of Curtea de Arges, an important railway terminal 90 miles from Bucharest, and Giurgiu, on the railway 40 miles southwest of the Capital, anxiety as to the fate of Bucharest is greatly increased.

Field Marshal von Mackensen's capture of Giurgiu, shows that his army has advanced 30 miles in a single day. Further, a Bulgarian official communication claims that the Danube has been crossed near Lom Palanka and Vidin and the town of Kalafatu, opposite Vidin, captured.

Nothing is yet admitted by the Rumanians of these enemy advances but it is assumed that the Rumanians are continuing their orderly retirement toward the line of the Argesia river. A danger however, lies in the possibility of this retirement not being effected quickly enough to prevent an attack on their flank from von Mackensen's forces at Giurgiu from which point there is both rail and direct communication to Bucharest.

Sufferer of Indigestion Relieved.

"Before taking Chamberlain's Tablets my husband suffered for several years from indigestion, causing him to have pains in the stomach and distress after eating. Chamberlain's Tablets relieved him of these spells right away," writes Mrs. Thomas Casey, Geneva, N. Y. Obtainable everywhere.

The Greatest Weather Prophet.

Rev. Irl R. Hicks, St. Louis, the greatest and most successful of weather forecasters, died on Oct. 12, 1916, after a short illness. Before he took sick he had entirely completed his work on the great Hicks Almanac for 1917 and had read the proofs of all his weather forecasts for a year in advance. This noted Almanac is now ready and is a fine specimen of Almanac making. Prof. Hicks' portrait was painted by a leading artist of St. Louis in May, and this portrait printed in colors, makes the frontispiece of the 1917 Almanac. The 1917 Almanac is 35 cents by mail. Prof. Hicks' monthly Magazine, Word and Works, will also be continued by the publisher. Word and Works one year with the Hicks Almanac is one dollar. Send 5 cents for a sample copy of Word and Works. Address Word and Works Publishing Company, 3401 Franklin Avenue, St. Louis, Mo.

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KILL ALL THE WINTER FLIES.

Now is the Best Time to Fight Next Summer's Flies.

"Don't let your home become a winter haven for flies," says the State Board of Health. "Even the clean home, when the weather turns cold, becomes attractive to flies and only the greatest vigilance will keep them out. But when flies do get into the home at the coming of cold weather, don't let them go to the ceiling and stay there. And don't think that the first freeze will kill them out. Flies are not dead when they lie around stiff with cold. The next warm spell of next spring will show you they were 'possuming.'"

"In case of a freeze, however, every fly in the house should be swept down and burned. They should be sought out and brought from under cover in every room in the house, from the cellar to the garret. Scientists tell us that the flies that were hatched late and that have not completed their life cycle are they which live in an even temperature through the winter and become the progenitors of our countless millions next summer. Consequently now is the time to fight next summer's flies."

"This is the time," says the Board, "when swatting flies will be effective. But if there are too many to swat, trap or poison them. Use fly paper, and every other means in order that not one may be carried over from one season to the next."

Attorneys for Britt Announces That an Appeal Will be Taken.

Asheville, N. C., Nov. 27.—Judge W. J. Adams today dismissed the writ of habeas corpus mandamus issued against the Buncombe County Board of Canvassers in the Britt Weaver controversy over the election to Congress from the 10th district. Attorneys for Britt announced that an appeal to the State Supreme Court will be taken.

Democratic leaders say that the State Board of Election which meets Thursday will issue a certificate of election to Weaver, the Democratic candidate. Among the Republicans there is talk of legal efforts to enjoin the State Board from this action, but no definite statement to this effect has been made.

Lex-Fos, A Mild, Effective Laxative.

Lex-Fos, A Mild, Effective Laxative. Lex-Fos does not grip or irritate the stomach. In addition to other properties, Lex-Fos contains Casarea in acceptable form, a stimulating Laxative and Tonic. Lex-Fos acts effectively and does not grip or disturb the stomach. At the same time, it aids digestion, increases the liver and restores the healthy functions. 50c.

Proceedings of Court.

The Rowan Superior Court in session here heard a number of cases among which are the following: A suit for \$1,600 by the General-Orange Livestock Company against the Southern Express Company was ended Tuesday by a verdict for \$200 against the express company.

Robert Fuller a negro, has been sentenced to ten years by Judge Carter. Last week Fuller plead guilty to manslaughter. Ten years ago he killed his wife in Salisbury and was only recently arrested at Fountain Inn, S. C.

Tuesday judgment was passed by the Judge in the Ollie Tolbert manslaughter case which was as follows: the defendant to pay the widow \$1,100 and abstain from the use of intoxicating liquor for five years.

Last Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock immediately following the re-convening of Superior Court a memorial service to the Colonial John S. Henderson who was a member of the bar, was held.

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