

RESISTANCE OF SERBIANS WEAKENING

2,000 PRISONERS TAKEN YESTERDAY. ARMY APPEARS TO BE DOOMED.

MAY JOIN WAR

Rumania May Take Up Arms on Side of Entente. Greek Reported to Be Lending Towards Allies, Other War News.

London, Nov. 18.—Serbian resistance is weakening. The defenders of Rabuna pass will soon be surrounded and the road to Prip and Monastir will then be thrown wide to the Bulgarians. More than 2,000 Serbians were taken prisoners by the Austro-German forces yesterday.

Germans on Eastern Front. Along the Eastern front interest centers on the attempted re-crossing of the Styra, where the Austrians and Germans claim an important success. Petrograd reports merely admit Austro-German occupation of the village of Fedgacis, about five miles from the river and a slight advance east of that place.

Serbian Army Doomed. The fate of the Serbian army may be only a matter of hours. Monastir, in Southwest Serbia, is reported to be in such a perilous position that the consular officials have departed.

Greek Attitude Changing. The Greek government appears to be adopting a less uncompromising attitude, says the Athens correspondent of Reuters Telegram Company. It is believed to be seeking a satisfactory solution of the question as to its attitude toward allied troops which might take refuge in the Greek territory, although it hesitates to make a declaration in the form demanded by the allies.

The correspondent says King Constantine has expressed a desire to see Earl Kitchener, the British Secretary of War, who is now in the Near East, and discuss the situation with him from a military standpoint.

Rumania With Germans. Bucharest, Nov. 18, via London.—Former Premier Carp is credited by the newspaper Adevèrul with the statement that Rumania will take up arms on the side of Germany in December. The prediction is made by M. Carp that as soon as established communications make it possible Germany will make new offers to Rumania in the form of an ultimatum requiring a reply within 48 hours.

LIST OF LETTERS

Remaining uncalled for in this office for the week ending Washington, N. C., Nov. 18, 1915.

MEN—Allen Moore Dudley, O. H. Dickinson, Geo. H. Farris, R. D. Garman, John Griffin, Samuel King, Moses Martin, B. F. Randall, Chills Smith, Star Fish Co., Larry Spelman, N. H. Sawyer, D. O. Woodard.

WOMEN—Mrs. Eva Bishop, Miss Lizzie Cowards, Miss Annie Chastman, Maggie Latham, Mrs. Jane Murray, Mary Smith, Mrs. C. J. Smyth, Miss Sarah Williams.

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CITY WATER CALLS FORTH MUCH PROTEST

PROMINENT CITIZEN DECLARES THAT PRESENT CONDITIONS ARE INTOLERABLE.

MAY OCCUR AGAIN

Water Will Become Salty Whenever Dry Spell Occurs. Wells Should Be Used Until Relief Is Afforded.

In speaking of the present condition of the city water, one of the leading business men of the city this morning emphatically declared that the city had made a mistake when they went to Tranter's Creek after water, that the water was unfit for culinary purposes when salty, as it is at present and that some steps should be taken to relieve the situation.

"We have been unable to use the water for cooking at our home," he stated, "and when I got up to get a drink last night it positively made me sick. If an individual water company controlled the city water, there would be a world of protest, and the company would have considerable difficulty in paying their bills."

"Our water, as long as we get it from Tranter's Creek, is bound to get salty every time we have a dry spell and there is no way under the sun that you can get salt out of water except through condensation. All the filtering and chemicals in the world won't take it out."

"There is only one thing for the city to do now and that is to connect us up with the wells and let us obtain our supply from that source. Whether this will be sufficient or not, I do not know but I am sure that every citizen, when he is made acquainted with conditions, will curtail the use of water in his home until the water in the creek is fit to use again. I believe the water people have been trying to mix the creek and the well water during the last few days, but they might as well give it up, for they can't make it fit to use."

"This is the first time that we have been affected this way, but if it won't be the last. As long as we get our water from Tranter's Creek we're going to have the same conditions resulting after every dry spell that there is."

ARRANGING FOR MEETING

Committees Appointed to Attend to Details in Connection With Big Prohibition Meeting.

At the Baptist church last night, committees from the Baptist, Episcopal and Methodist congregations met and discussed plans for the prohibition mass meeting that is to be held in this city on the first Sunday in December. Owing to the fact that prayer meeting at the Disciples' church did not end until later, the committee from that church were unable to attend.

The coming meeting was thoroughly discussed and one committee from each church was appointed to attend to securing music, providing a hall and advertising the event. It is expected that a large number of persons will attend the meeting. Some prominent speakers will take part in the program.

ODDFELLOWS MEET.

A meeting of Phoenix Lodge, I. O. O. F., will be held tonight. All members are urged to attend.

A CARD OF THANKS.

We take this means of expressing our heartfelt thanks and appreciation to our friends and neighbors for their many kindnesses and sympathy to us in our recent bereavement. It is a comfort to know that we have so many warm friends. Very respectfully, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Cairnes

SERBIAN AND BRITISH WORK TOGETHER



Prince Alexander of Serbia (left) and Admiral Trowbridge of England watching an observer operating a range finder at the front. Admiral Trowbridge headed the first expedition of British troops sent to the aid of the Serbians.

IS THE FATHER OF 27 CHILDREN

Hancock County Can Raise Large Family As Well As Crops, H. P. Johnson Holds Record.

That Hancock county can produce large families as well as large crops may be seen by glancing over a record of the population of the various districts.

There are several proud parents who boast of having reared ten and eleven children, three or four have raised from twelve to fourteen and one fifteen. Unless some other claimant comes forth, the record for having the largest family, however, belongs to R. P. Johnson, of Campbell's Creek. Mr. Johnson is the father of twenty-seven children. He is over seventy years of age and is still hale and hearty.

We would be glad to hear of anyone in the county who can dispossess Mr. Johnson from the head if the list.

K. JOHN'S BIG SALE.

Will Be a Big Event in the Business Field of This City.

K. John carried a full page advertisement in yesterday's issue of the Daily News, announcing the coming of a big sale, at which his entire stock of goods and fixtures would be disposed. Great cuts have been made in prices and some exceptionally good bargains are being offered. It is expected that large numbers of customers will take advantage of this sale.

BIG NEW STORE IS FAST GAINING IN POPULARITY

The large number of customers that throng the big store of Bowers Bros. Co. daily are evidences of the fact that this establishment is steadily growing in popularity. In addition to those who purchase goods, a large number of persons visit the store merely to see what new goods have arrived and to look them over. This latter class is just as welcome as the first and the managers of the store cordially invite everyone to see their new stock of winter wearables.

WILL BACK UP HIS OFFER IN YESTERDAY'S PAPER

Dear Mr. Editor: I wish to say that while I am interested in the good road movement I am also interested in good streets. Some may think inasmuch as my offer in yesterday's issue to give \$10 on improving Market street out to be comestry was inserted in the Want Column, that it was just an advertisement. If so I wish to say that my offer to give this amount still holds good.

I have no time just now to write advertisements, for I am too busy remodeling my store, receiving and marking my Xmas and holiday goods to give much attention to outside affairs; yet, I would like to take a ride once on my old 1911 model automobile without the use of Sloan's Lintiment the next day. I believe that Sloan's Lintiment is good for bruises; at least it is cheaper than shock absorbers. J. S. CAMPBELL, Jeweler

KITCHIN WILL MAKE PUBLIC STATEMENT

WILL EXPLAIN IN FULL HIS STAND ON THE NATIONAL DEFENSE PLAN.

IS FOR INCREASE

Wishing That Country Should Be Able Equipped to Repel Enemies, But Will Not Countenance Large Appropriation.

Kinston, Nov. 18.—Congressman Claude Kitchin is not for peace at any price. He believes that the United States is now "ready" to fight any possible foe on the high seas save Great Britain. He is expected to make a statement soon that will, he believes, put him right in the minds of people who "misunderstand" him.

Intimate friends of the Democratic leader say that at a naval hearing less than a year ago the opinions of the President and secretary of the navy, coinciding, and of the naval board were compared. At that time the President and Mr. Daniels. It is understood, moved for the "regular, orderly rate of increase." Members of the naval board, experts of high rank, favored a big increase but admitted under question that "man for man, ship for ship, gun for gun and personnel for personnel the United States navy was superior to that of Germany or Japan." The friends of the Scotland Neck statesman broadly intimate that the navy year book is not compiled to be easily understood by laymen, that pains are being taken to misinform the President on national sentiment, which Mr. Kitchin says is overwhelmingly against the proposed enormous naval increase, and that the public never got the news about the hearing above referred to because newspaper men present were swayed by the preparedness propaganda. Department heads are not included in the seeming suspicion.

WONDERFUL "BABY HAZELLE"



The New Theatre will offer their patrons the last three days of this week, with a matinee on Saturday, the most wonderful child act on the American stage. That is "Baby Hazelle," the most talented dancer and singer of her age. This small but wonderful child has appeared on the stage with such well known actors and actresses as Geraldine Farrar, Caruso, Scott, Mary Garden, Bessie Abbott, Blanche Walsh, DeWolf Hopper, Geo. Cohen and others. An act that you will not be able to see here again, especially for the low price of admission as 10 and 15 cents. She is called the "Minstrel Pavlova," and is equally as good a dancer with age considered. It is hoped that the voice on each night will be crowded, as the attraction well deserves it.

WHERE MARRIED YESTERDAY.

Harris-Tyre Wedding Took Place at Bath. Parties Well Known Here. Edgar T. Harris, of Hunter's Bridge, and Miss Mary Tyre, of Bath were united in marriage yesterday at the home of the bride. The couple left on their bridal trip immediately after the ceremony. Both are well known throughout the county and have many friends in Washington.

CONGRESSMAN J. H. SMALL GIVES EXPRESSION ON THE NATIONAL DEFENSE PLAN

Advocates Adequate Defense of Our Rights Against Other Nations EXTENT IS MATTER FOR DEBATE

Size of Appropriation Should be Given Careful Consideration. Is Only Debatable Question With Proposed Plan.

In an interview with a representative of the Daily News, Congressman John H. Small this morning expressed himself as favoring national preparedness, but added that the extent of the proposed national defense plan was a matter for serious consideration and debate. His words on the subject were as follows:

"There are certain rights we must maintain as a nation. Among them are the integrity of our territory, the Monroe doctrine, and the right to engage in unrestricted commerce on the high seas. As a citizen, I believe our country ought to maintain amicable relations with every other country and that we should cultivate disposition to respect the rights of each other and to settle controversies through an international court of arbitration."

"The happy day when the government of every country will respect the national rights of every other country has not yet arrived. We have no guarantee that some rights, necessary to our integrity as a nation and essential for the happiness and progress of our people, may not be invaded by the government of some other nation."

"It seems to me that every wise and thoughtful person must agree that we cannot rest with the assurance that other nations will entertain the same relationship to us as we ought to entertain towards them. If this unhappy contingency should occur, how shall we meet it? Will diplomacy avail us? Will treaty obligations protect us? Is there any sure ground for defense against aggression except the consciousness that we are able if necessary to defend our rights by force?"

"It seems to me that it is entirely consistent to preach the doctrine of international friendship and advocate an international court of arbitration to deal with justice and fairness towards other nations and yet at the same time to be prepared to protect and defend our homes against aggression of any lawless marauder."

WINFIELD-KELLY ANNUAL MEETING W. C. T. U. SATURDAY

Popular Couple Were United in Marriage This Morning. Have Left on Their Bridal Tour. Has Been Postponed from Tomorrow Afternoon. New Officers to be Elected.

At the home of her mother, Mrs. A. S. Kelly, Miss Mattie Elizabeth Kelly this morning became the bride of Heber Winfield. The ceremony was performed by Rev. S. V. Hopwood and was witnessed by a number of intimate friends and relatives of the couple. Immediately after the marital rights had been performed, the couple departed for the Norfolk Southern station, where they left on the morning train for Norfolk, from where they will go to Baltimore and Washington City.

The home was beautifully decorated for the occasion with potted plants and ferns. A large number of extremely beautiful wedding presents were received by the couple and testified to the love and esteem in which they are held by their host of friends in this community. The wedding march was played by Miss Emily Harris.

The bride was becomingly attired in a coat suit of brown velvet with hat and shoes to match. She carried a shower bouquet of lilies of the valley. A large number of friends went to the station with them and wished them God-speed on their bridal journey. Upon their return, Mr. and Mrs. Winfield will make their home in this city.

CELEBRATES 68th BIRTHDAY.

W. Scott Friswell, a local business man and one of the most prominent and esteemed Oddfellows in this section of the State, is today celebrating his 68th anniversary. He is receiving congratulations from his many friends and particularly his lodge brethren. Mr. Friswell has been an Oddfellow for over 45 years.

FORBES Orchestra AT **The Palms** TONIGHT 8.30 to 10.30 DANCING PERMITTED

NEW THEATRE TO-NIGHT "Baby Hazelle" Singing Dancing Comedy "Rungling Bunk's Bunco" "His Singular Lesson" "The Serpent's Tooth" "The Girl on the Engine" SIX REELS PICTURES Price 10c-15c