

RUSSIA WOULD GIVE TO ITALY HER SONS WHO, FIGHTING UNDER AUSTRIAN FLAG, HAVE BEEN TAKEN PRISONERS IN GALICIA

IT IS BELIEVED THAT SETTLEMENT PLAN PROPOSES TO ALSO GIVE ITALY BACK SOME TERRITORY AS RECOMPENSE FOR THAT NATION'S NEUTRALITY.

GERMANY IS "ASSIMILATING" BELGIAN TERRITORY

Member of Kaiser's Staff Taken Prisoner by Russians Believed to Show That He is at Battle Front—Usual Success Claims Made by Various Headquarters, But Apparently No Decisive or Important Changes Have Taken Place.

(By the United Press.)

Rome, Via Havre, Oct. 24.—It is announced that Russia has formally offered to liberate and send to Italy all the Austrian soldiers of that nationality, especially those from Trieste and Trent, who have been taken prisoners in the Galicia fighting, on condition that Italy do not allow them to go back to Austria. It is generally believed in the settlement plan that these provinces will go to Italy as recompense for her maintenance of neutrality.

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London, Oct. 24.—Lloyd's station on the Isle of Wight reports that the French ship Marie Henriette, with wounded soldiers aboard, is ashore off Cape Barfleur, sixteen miles east of Cherbourg. The wounded are being transferred to the isle. Evidencing the fact that Germany already considers Belgium a part of her territory, the official press bureau declares that German cavalry patrols are now wearing Belgian uniforms. The report said that many men of the Germans' advance force have had less than two months' training in fighting, but well show powers of considerable endurance. On the twelfth a German aviator dropped five bombs on Stomer, three females being killed.

NO CESSATION OF FIGHTING IN WESTERN FIELDS.

Paris, Oct. 24.—There was no cessation of the fighting along the line from LaBasse to the sea throughout last night, according to reports from military headquarters. The allies ceded a number of points, but no place of strategic importance. The Germans are attempting to drive a wedge through the Allies' lines to retake Armentieres. The Allies sent additional reinforcements to Arras last night.

ONE OF KAISER'S PERSONAL STAFF CAPTURED.

Petrograd, Oct. 24.—Many soldiers wounded at Warsaw declare the Kaiser was actually on the battle line and narrowly escaped capture. The fact that a German general who is a favorite member of the Kaiser's staff was captured gives credence to the stories.

USUAL CLAIMS MADE BY BERLIN OF SUCCESS OF GERMAN ARMIES

Berlin, Via Hague, Oct. 24.—The war office claims that the offensive movement is maintained at all points, and the right wing has material gains reported. The allies have been unable to check the German forward movement in the vicinity of Arras, Lille and Yser, the canal south of Dixmude. The Germans are advancing along the Meuse.

Vienna reports that the Austrians are gaining ground at the San river. South of Prezemya a combined Austro-German army is operating against Ivangorod.

GERMANS' REQUEST FOR TIME TO BURY DEAD NOT GRANTED.

Paris, Oct. 24.—The Germans demanded an armistice in the region of Thiocourt in order to bury their dead. The demand was refused by the French general, commanding that section. Fighting was resumed with increased violence, it was announced verbally in connection with the regular afternoon official statement, which said that the Germans continue their advances only north of Dixmude and in the region of Labasse, the French are advancing in East Nien-

MAN JUMPED FENCE FROM CARMAN HOME AFTER SHOT FIRED

WAS TESTIMONY TODAY OF WITNESS FOR DEFENSE WHO WAS PASSING.

AN ACQUITTAL EXPECTED

Description of Man Tallies With that of the Tramp Witness Already Introduced by State, Who Swore That Woman Fired Shot.

(By the United Press.)

Mineola, I. L., Oct. 24.—Mrs. Florence Carman expects to spend Sunday at home. It is certain the case will be in the hands of the jury late this afternoon.

Mineola, I. L., Oct. 24.—Rudolph Loew swore for the defense that while he was passing within fifteen feet of the Carman home the night of the murder, he saw a man vault the fence from the yard and run down the street. The man wore a dark suit of clothes and no hat and was about the size of Frank Farrell, the tramp witness, who swore that he saw a woman fire the fatal shot.

Mineola, I. L., Oct. 24.—The Carman defense closed at noon with several witnesses that told of a mysterious man who fired the fatal shot. One told of seeing a strange man fleeing from the house. The policemen who had charge of blood hounds used on the case testified that the murderer ran through a yard, jumped over a fence and ran down a road. The State began its rebuttal.

WANT PARDON FOR WELL-MEANING DEFAULTER.

Raleigh, Oct. 23.—Salisburyans are seeking a pardon for A. W. Hicks, former cashier of the Spencer branch of the Wachovia Banking and Trust Company and later editor of the Spencer Crescent, now serving two years in the State's prison.

The charge against the Spencer man, whose administration of the bank's affairs resulted in a shortage of \$32,000, was that of making false entry on his books.

Mr. Hicks, as cashier of the bank, allowed overdrafts to a Spencer merchant which ran into the many thousands and directly caused the downfall of the official. It was in keeping his cash balance above suspicion and making improper entry otherwise that an offense was committed and caused his prosecution. There was no charge in court that he looted the bank for personal use.

ACTIVE AT EIGHTY-FOUR.

Washington, Oct. 24.—Old age will be regarded some time as a curable complaint, according to Mrs. Belta A. Lockwood, lawyer, suffragist, philosopher and once candidate for President of the United States, who today celebrated her eighty-fourth birthday anniversary.

ANOTHER BOY IN THE SPANISH ROYAL HOUSE

(By the United Press.)

Madrid, Oct. 24.—Queen Victoria today presented King Alfonso with their fourth son.

BUSINESS MEN TO ACT AS SPECIAL TEACHERS.

(By the United Press.)

Chicago, Oct. 24.—Business men from various concerns will give business tips to Chicago school children this winter, under a program announced today by John D. Shoop, assistant superintendent of public schools.

"The idea is to stimulate boys and girls to a desire for business," said Shoop. "From short talks by business men they will get a touch of character not obtainable from blackboards and school books. There is much to be gained by bringing the pupils into contact with business men."

The Association of Commerce will co-operate with school authorities in making the "business lectures" a success.

HENRY CONSENTS TO ADJOURNMENT UPON PRESSURE

LEADERS MORE HOPEFUL FOR CLOSING SESSION WITHIN FEW DAYS.

REBELS AGREE TO A TRUCE

Hostilities in Northern Mexico Again Brought to a Halt Pending the Outcome of the Latest Peace Conference to Be Held.

(By the United Press.)

Washington, Oct. 24.—Strong pressure brought Representative Henry of Texas to make consent to adjournment. Majority Leader Underwood has expressed his belief that Congress will adjourn in a few days.

The war department has been notified that Generals Hill and Maytorrena have agreed to a truce at Naco, pending the outcome of the Aguas Calientes peace convention.

Washington, D. C., Oct. 24.—With Congress tied up by a lack of a quorum in both houses, Southern Senators and Representatives today made a vain appeal to President Wilson for aid in securing cotton relief legislation which would clear the way to final adjournment.

The departure of the President for Pittsburg, where he will address a Y. M. C. A. celebration tomorrow, set at rest a rumor that the extraordinary conditions under which Congress found itself unable to adjourn, might be met by the President exercising his proroguing power. Continued efforts of Democratic leaders to secure an agreement to adjourn failed completely and today Southern members reiterated their determination to continue their program. Opinion was general that this would prolong the session indefinitely, certainly until after the elections. Meantime the general exodus of members of both houses continues. The House yesterday had 157 members present on a roll call, nearly sixty short of a quorum, and the Senate showed forty-six, three less than a quorum. Senator Clarke, president protem, though a champion of cotton legislation, left the city after characterizing further efforts of his colleagues to obtain relief as "grandstand playing."

FLOOD DROWNS THIRTEEN IN SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS.

San Antonio, Oct. 23.—Thirteen persons were drowned here today as a result of a five-inch rainfall which caused several creeks in the southern section of the city to overflow. The property damage is estimated at \$150,000. Mrs. Albert Liebe and her four children lost their lives when their home was washed from its foundations and collapsed. The others drowned were residents of a Mexican settlement.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH DESTROYED BY FIRE

(By the United Press.)

Jersey City, N. J., Oct. 24.—A hundred thousand dollar fire today destroyed St. John's Episcopal church, a famous structure.

OHIO SUFFRAGISTS END FIGHT TONIGHT.

(By the United Press.)

Columbus, O., Oct. 24.—The big meeting in the suffragists' fight for the vote in Ohio will be held here tonight when Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, international president, Mrs. Harriet Taylor Upton, state president, and other workers of national note in the suffrage movement will address a mass meeting at Memorial Hall.

NEGRO SENTENCED TO THE ELECTRIC CHAIR.

(By the United Press.)

Statesville, Oct. 24.—Convicted in Iredell Superior Court of burglary in the first degree, Abe Allison, a young negro, has been sentenced by Judge Adams to die in the electric chair December 17. The negro was charged with entering the bedroom of Mrs. LeRoy Kennerly at her home near Mooresville several weeks ago.

President W. O. Thompson of the Ohio State University, is among the men speakers, who are scheduled to

WOULD MODERNIZE EVERY SCHOOL IN LENOIR COUNTY

SUPT. KINSEY WANTS "LIVE WIRE" TEACHERS IN THE RURAL DISTRICTS.

GOOD TEACHERS' MEETING

Every School in the County Was Represented, and Splendid Interest Manifested by Fifty or More in Attendance.

Prof. Joseph Kinsey, superintendent of the Lenoir county schools, is a most aggressive administrator. "I'm going to shove the weak teachers off on the other counties," he said, whether he meant it for publication or not. The dream of this period of his always useful life is to see every county school building in Lenoir county modernized, sheltering two or more teachers and their flocks, and competent teachers at that. An incompetent instructor or a single school has no place in the system, he declares.

"This will be the Lenoir schools' best year," says Mr. Kinsey. There are now 43 white schools in the county. Of the white schools 19 have already been doubled, by special tax and through other means. One is a three-teacher school, and 23 are single. Of the triple and double schools ten are supported by special tax, and one single school also. As soon as the twenty other single schools are voted special tax they will be doubled. That is what Professor Kinsey is working for principally. The double school is much more efficient than the single, because the primary teacher is allowed to devote all of his or her time solely to the primary pupils.

The recent teachers' meeting here, the first of the school year, was a delight to the superintendent. Fifty teachers were present and every school in the county represented. All manifested much interest in the work of organization and the program for the year's work outlined by the superintendent and Miss Hattie Parrott, the assistant superintendent.

COACHMAN OF JEFF DAVIS PRESENTS CANE TO THIS STATE.

Raleigh, Oct. 23.—A most unique ceremony took place out at the State Fair this afternoon at 1 o'clock, it being the presentation to the State for the Hall of History of the walking cane of Jefferson Davis, by his old negro coachman, James H. Jones, to whom the cane was presented some years after the death of President Davis by Mrs. Davis as a token of the intimate relations that existed between President Davis, his family and this faithful old servant, who is now nearly eighty years old.

TURKEY WILL HAVE BIG FAIR EXHIBIT.

(By the United Press.)

San Francisco, Oct. 24.—Rugs, and laces and embroideries worth more than \$1,000,000, a stable of Arabian horses, the property of one of the most famous sheiks of the desert, and a painting by a member of the Turkish royal family are some of the exhibits to be made by Turkey at the Panama-Pacific exposition. That these and more will be here is promised by Vahan Cardashian, high Turkish commissioner and executive director, who has arrived in San Francisco to look after the Sultan's exhibit.

SEEKING LARGEST TREES.

(By the United Press.) Washington, Oct. 24.—Foresters of the United States are interested in the announcement recently made by the American Genetic Association that two prizes of \$100 each have been offered for two photographs—one of the largest three of a nut-bearing variety in the United States, and one of the largest broad-leaf tree which does not bear edible seeds. In the first class, for example, are included trees such as chestnut, oak, walnut, butternut and pecan, and in the second, such trees as elm, birch, maple, cottonwood and tulip poplar. No photographs of cone-bearing trees are wanted, since it is definitely known that the California big trees have no rivals among the conifers. At a later time the association may take up the same question as between the various kinds of conifers—as pines, spruces, firs, cedars and cypresses.

CHARACTERISTIC TALKS OF SHERIFF ET AL PLEASING

SPELLBINDERS ARE TELLING VOTERS AT LAGRANGE "ABOUT IT" TODAY.

AMENDMENTS IN FAVOR

Messrs. Cowper, Wooten, Taylor Pridgen, Dawson and Heath in Party—Mr. Rouse Helping the Edgemont Folks.

The only political rally of the present campaign for LaGrange was pulled off in the public hall there at noon today. The speakers were County Chairman G. V. Cowper, Representative E. R. Wooten, Register of Deeds Carl Pridgen, Sheriff A. W. Taylor, Treasurer John Dawson and Candidate for Clerk of the Court Jesse Heath. The party left here at 10:30 on a Norfolk Southern train.

A fair audience of the people of LaGrange and Moseley Hall and Institute township people heard the campaigners. Messrs. Cowper and Wooten were the principal speakers, the former discussing the achievements of Democracy in general and the latter his stated subject, the constitutional amendments. Mr. Wooten outlined at length the ten proposed amendments and the advantages which will accrue from their adoption. The spirit with which the audience greeted Representative Wooten's speech assured him there will be few dissenting votes in Moseley Hall and Institute to the cause he so ably champions.

Probably the most applause at all of the speakings in the county goes to Sheriff Taylor, who argues the tariff. "Boys," the sheriff begins, in his own inimitable and very good-natured way, "I'm like a monkey." He pauses a bar and the audience invariably howls. The comparison the hearers do not take the trouble to analyze, although no one else would entertain for a minute the idea that the sheriff has any simian qualities whatever. The sheriff merely means to illustrate his inability to discuss the subject as it should be done, as he explains after the laughter at the introductory has subsided.

Register of Deeds Pridgen is said to have dragged ancient history into modern politics, by illustrating some matters in connection with the cotton situation by bits of heroism attributed to the old Romans and Spartans, who never grew any cotton at all. Notwithstanding the variance, Mr. Pridgen's speeches are a big asset to the party in this campaign. He, like the sheriff, has the knack of getting right at the hearts of his hearers. "Uncle John" Dawson and Mr. Heath, with their simple statements and lack of frills in delivery, attract as much attention and their share of the applause which, so generously bestowed, indicates the interest of the Lenoir county Democrats in the campaign even though it is an "off year." Hon. N. J. Rouse is today at Macclesfield, in Edgemont county, where he spoke at the invitation of W. O. Howard, the Democratic county chairman.

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