

ROUMANIA MAKES SECOND APPEAL TO HER ALLIES FOR HELP; DEFENSE IS FALLING TO PIECES UNDER SMASHING TEUTON BLOWS

Having Lost One Seaport, Roumanians Will Probably Have to Evacuate Important Constanza In Few Hours. Von Mackensen Striking at Railway Line Which Supplies Defending Armies—Bulgar Right Wing Crashes Through Allied Works for a Great Gain—Offensive Is Successful Along 45-Mile Front—Bulgars Advance 6 Miles in Few Hours' Time Near Seacoast

(By the United Press)

Berlin, Oct. 23.—Constanza, Roumania's greatest seaport, has fallen before Field Marshal Von Mackensen's armies, it is officially announced this afternoon. The capture was the greatest single achievement for the Central Powers since Roumania's entrance into the war, eight weeks ago. The victory is hailed by German military men as more important than the Allies' gains since the Somme offensive began. Official dispatches from the German and Bulgarian war offices indicate that the Russo-Roumanians have suffered a disastrous rout.

A new spirit of optimism has been inspired in Germany by Von Mackensen's and Falkenhayne's victories over the Roumanians. This is expressed in remarkable sacrifices to the old gold fund. A hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars worth of gold has been donated in the last five days. Farmers, servants and crown princes were among the contributors. Nobility gave of their gold plate and jewelry.

Germans Near Monastir.
London, Oct. 23.—Germany is reinforcing the Bulgars southwest of Monastir, says a Serbian official statement.

Sofia, Oct. 23.—The Bulgarian right wing has smashed through the Roumanian defenses and arrived at within six miles of the important Roumanian seaport of Constanza, says an official statement. The capture of the seaport of Tuzlam, 12 miles south of Constanza, was reported only Saturday afternoon. The six miles' advance indicates that the Roumanians suffered a severe defeat.

The Roumanians are being rolled back on a 45-mile front in Dobrudja under tremendous pressure of superior German, Bulgarian and Turkish forces.

Von Mackensen's vanguard is within a few miles of the Constanza-Czernavoda railway. This line, carrying supplies to Russian troops in Roumania, with two important terminals, is the objective of the Germans' great effort. The Roumanian left center is yielding. Toprai Sari and Tuzla, main supporting positions in Roumania, and defending the strategically important Danube bridge at Cernavoda, are repulsing enemy attacks. For the second time since the start of the German campaign to crush Roumania, Bucharest has appealed for help.

French Take Hill 12.
Paris, Oct. 23.—Following a short bombardment, the French late last night stormed and captured hill No. 28, northwest of Saily-Saillisel, it is said officially.

No Infantry Action in West.
London, Oct. 23.—Considerable shelling is being done between Leslrs and Guedecourt, Gen. Haig reports. No infantry is in action on the Somme.

Petrograd Statement.
Petrograd, Oct. 23.—The Russo-Roumanians continue their retirement in Dobrudja under pressure, though offering stubborn resistance, it is said officially.

BIRTH CONTROL HAS COME TO STAY, MRS. SANGER IS CONFIDENT

(By the United Press)

New York, Oct. 21.—"The poor, century-behind-the-times public officials of this country might just as well forget their moss-grown statutes and accept birth control as an established fact. My new national plan makes it as inevitable as night and day."

Mrs. Margaret Sanger, short and smiling, with a tinge of red in her hair and more than that in her eye, sat in her little two-by-four bedroom and said that here today. Within the last forty-eight hours she has established semi-secretly in this city, the first out and out birth control clinic in the United States, the law, a Federal indictment, and numerous arrests all over the country to the contrary, notwithstanding.

"The police are hunting my clinic today," she went on. "They can't find it. If they should, they can't hurt it. It is an oral clinic and the law says nothing about spreading birth control information orally. If they do try to interfere I am legally prepared to carry a hard and bitter fight to the highest tribunal in the any place I ever browsed in."

land with the best legal talent there is.

"Four more secret clinics will be running in New York within a week. In less than a year there will be clinics in Washington, Cleveland, Detroit, St. Paul, Minneapolis, Milwaukee, Denver, St. Louis, Los Angeles, San Francisco, San Diego, Portland, Seattle, Spokane, and Butte. They are everyone organized and ready to open the minute I say the word. The Washington clinic will open within a few days."

MASSACRE SURVIVOR TELLS ABOUT MEXICO

(Special to The Free Press)

Camp Stewart, near El Paso, Oct. 18.—The Free Press' correspondent today had a most interesting interview with a Carrizal survivor—a black trooper of the type that pulled Roosevelt's outfit out of the hole at San Juan. Quiet, unobtrusive, well-mannered, the colored soldier made a good impression upon a small party of Southerners, among the number myself. He said: "Over there (across the border) you can see farther and see less. There are more rivers and less water, and more cows and less milk, than in any place I ever browsed in."

BABY DAUGHTER OF GREENE FARMER IS NEAR VICTIM BRUTE

Negro Rushed to State Prison Mob Spirit Held Sway in County

FATHER RESCUED CHILD

Little Aswell Girl Is Younger Still Than Lispering Object of Similar Attack in Spring—People Raging With Anger

Will Hines, 17, a Greene county negro, is in the penitentiary at Raleigh Monday to save him from a violent death at the hands of infuriated Greene county men. Hines is accused of attempted assault upon a little white girl, the daughter of John Aswell, a planter of the Shine section. The child is a mere baby, less than five years of age. John Aswell rescued his daughter. It is reported that she screamed and that the father, hearing her cries, arrived in time to prevent the actual crime. Hines escaped and secreted himself in woods; late Sunday white men crept through the undergrowth on their hands and knees and took him without difficulty. Once in the officers' hands they lost no time in getting him to Goldsboro, in Wayne county. Last spring Will Black, a young negro, committed an atrocious assault upon a 6-year-old white girl and was spirited off, later paying the penalty in the electric chair at Raleigh. His father, Joseph Black, attracted attention by threats made to the father of the little victim. The Sheriff had forewarning of a lynching and hastened with the old negro to this city. That night Hines had the sensation of its history when the Lenoir county jail was stormed and Joseph Black carried off by a mob and shot to death.

Hines' crime occurred Sunday morning. Sunday night Sheriff Edwards of Wayne county, hearing that a mob was being formed to take the negro, raced with him to Raleigh in an automobile. Greene county seethed late Sunday. Persons here from Snow Hill assert that Hines would have been quickly despatched had he fallen into the hands of the Greene county farmers.

Hines, according to information from the local police office, is a negro of small stature. After his arrest he declared he was only thirteen years of age. The officials believe that he was shrewd enough to state that because he had heard somewhere that being on the younger side of 14 makes a big difference to a defendant in a criminal assault case. Questioned, however, he admitted criminal intent in his treatment of the little girl.

Quiet prevailed in Greene county Monday morning. There was no excitement here following arrival of the news, although there was a lot of interest, of course.

SIMMONS NOT TO BE IN LENOIR; TROOPS GET LOCAL TICKETS

The State Chairman has cancelled the engagement of Senator F. M. Simmons to speak in Lenoir county about the last of this month. County Democratic Chairman G. V. Cowper announced Saturday afternoon. Mr. Simmons will be used almost exclusively in the Tenth Congressional district, where his power is needed, from now until the elections.

Ex-Congressman R. N. Hackett of Wadesboro will speak with the county Democratic candidates here at the final rally in November.

Since the North Carolina troops in Texas will be allowed

KINSTON ALL READY TO PULL OFF GREAT ANNUAL EXPOSITION

10-County Fair to Be Opened After We've Slept One More Time

INTERESTING SPECTACLE

Will Be Parade Starting Off Fall's Event—Thousands Upon Thousands Coming. Will Feed Them, All Right, But

Tuesday will be the big day of all days in the year in Kinston. The annual Ten-County Fair will get into swing with the biggest industrial and civic parade ever pulled off in East Carolina, at 10 a. m. Final details preliminary to the opening are being attended to. The officials of the Fair Association were at work at an early hour Monday. Nothing of great importance remained to be done, but there "can always be found something to do," and the workers were finding a lot of little things.

The town is wearing the fanciest dress it ever owned. The decorations along the business streets are about the most lavish Kinston ever saw. Strings of small lights over Queen street add considerably to the charm of the thoroughfare at night. "Raleigh did nothing like this," Assistant Secretary Douglass states, admiring the bunting and electric display. He saw the State Fair in the Capital City.

Fifty thousand people will come here this week from all parts of East Carolina, it is estimated. Special trains will be operated from Tarboro, Greenville, Snow Hill and other places. Several hundred transients having to do with the big event arrived Sunday and Monday. Accommodations are skimpy, of course. They have been for months and months. The hotels and restaurants have put forth their best efforts, however. Enough food to supply a big army is being held in the city's eating places. Sunday night the authorities turned a blind eye upon restaurateurs violating the 9 o'clock closing law. It was sheer necessity.

The police have their plans made. The force will increase threefold in number in the next few hours. Chief Skinner will keep one lid on with no let-up. Any automobile driver who breaks the speed limit is going to get pinched.

The parade Tuesday morning will be more than two miles long, from indications. There will be several hundred mounted men, probably as many decorated cars, about a hundred commercial, industrial and educational floats, including some gems in that line, and a lot of other units to make up the greatest pageant Kinston ever saw. Assembling it in sections, it is hoped to get the long procession under way promptly at 10 o'clock.

Thousands of Kinstonians will observe the day as a holiday. Dinners will be prepared by housewives in advance; many clerks have arranged to "get off" at least half the day; the banks will be closed; the cotton and tobacco markets, which the other day did a little matter of an eighth of a million dollars' business in seven hours, will be insignificant institutions on this day; realizing it, the officials have announced suspension of both for Tuesday.

Cleveland, Oct. 23.—Probably the toll of Lake Erie's Black Friday storm reached 48. The Toledo steamer Matthews arrived today with the bodies of three persons wearing lifebelts from the steamer Merida. Twenty were lost on the steamer Colgate.

to vote on the 7th. Chairman Cowper is preparing to forward a big bunch of county tickets to El Paso

WORK OF CHARITIES GIVEN GOOD START FOR WINTER SUNDAY

About \$500 Subscribed at the Union Meeting in the Gordon Street Christian Church—Mr. Craig's Address

The union meeting of the Kinston churches, held in the Gordon Street Christian church Sunday night in the interest of the United Charities, was largely attended, and an interest manifested that was highly satisfactory and pleasing to the directors of that important work. There were seven or eight hundred people present, and as a result of the emphasis of the needs for the winter among the poor of the city about five hundred dollars was given in cash and pledges for the work.

President Dal Wooten of the United Charities is highly pleased at the outcome of the meeting, and asks The Free Press to thank the pastors of the various churches, to whom he gives credit for the idea, and those who contributed.

Following the song service, a few welcoming remarks by Pastor Bernard P. Smith of the church, and opening prayer by Rev. G. B. Hanrahan of Atkinson Memorial Presbyterian church, Capt. Vendeville of the Salvation Army, who was recently named by the board of directors as superintendent of the Charities, outlined the work and the needs. He was followed by Rev. W. Marshall Craig, the new pastor of the Baptist church, who delivered a most impressive address, emphasizing the work of the United Charities, and paying tribute to the Salvation Army. Mr. Craig said that he endorsed the charity work because it was "New Testament" in its plan, and he urged more close adherence to the Christly teachings and plans. Mr. Craig's remarks were very happy in their spirit of fellowship and good will.

Capt. Vendeville asked that the people of Kinston give him their support and prayers and suggested that when mendicants and beggars applied for assistance that they be referred to him and after due investigation their needs would be cared for commensurately.

Mr. Wooten spoke of the lack of sympathy heretofore manifested and declared that he often felt "lonesome." Rev. E. N. Harrison of the Caswell Street Methodist church pronounced the benediction.

El Paso, Oct. 23.—General Ozuna, commanding the de facto expedition sent to crush Villa, was killed in Saturday's clash with bandits. his command cut to pieces and Colonel Martin Salinas, who succeeded to the command, seriously wounded, according to a United Press agent's information.

NORTH CAROLINA INCREASES FUND FOR CAUSE OF DEMOCRACY; CONTRIBUTIONS NEARING THIRTY THOUSAND DOLLARS NOW

The Wilson-Marshall campaign fund contributions from North Carolina have grown to nearly \$30,000. Forsyth county is by far the largest contributor yet, having presented \$11,694.50. Lenoir county has given 127. This county has not greatly exerted itself so far; there is time to do better. The fund by counties now stands:

Alamance county	\$ 15.00
Alexander county	25.00
Anson county	290.00
Beaufort county	100.00
Bladen county	30.50
Buncombe county	230.00
Eurke county	60.50
Caldwell county	102.00
Catawba county	156.00
Chatham county	56.00
Cherokee county	5.00
Chowan county	15.00
Cleveland county	90.00
Columbus county	79.00
Craven county	425.00
Cumberland county	719.00
Davidson county	166.00
Davis county	60.06
Duplin county	137.00
Durham county	825.00
Edgecombe county	461.50
Forsyth county	11,694.50
Franklin county	58.00
Gaston county	224.50
Graham county	25.00
Granville county	65.00
Guilford county	1,295.50
Halifax county	141.50
Harnett county	42.50
Haywood county	101.75
Hoke county	120.00
Iredell county	520.00
Johnston county	188.00

Lee county 36.00
LENOIR COUNTY:
Kinston 75.00
La Grange 52.00
McDowell county 23.00
Macon county 300.00
Madison county 19.00
Martin county 10.00
Mecklenburg county 235.00
Montgomery county 30.00
Moore county 52.50
Nash county 291.00
New Hanover county 3,709.75
Orange county 149.50
Pasquotank county 50.00
Pender county 15.00
Polk county 54.00
Randolph county 368.00
Richmond county 176.50
Robeson county 575.00
Rockingham county 60.00
Rowan county 361.00
Rutherford county 60.00
Sampson county 116.00
Scotland county 77.00
Stanly county 67.50
Surry county 175.00
Swain county 10.00
Transylvania county 26.00
Union county 274.00
Vance county 85.00
Wake county 1,368.50
Warren county 16.00
Wayne county 158.50
Wilkes county 40.00
Wilson county 418.75
Yadkin county 20.00
Miscellaneous, remitted through Charlotte Observer 1,100.00
From North Carolinians residing outside State 564.50
Total **\$28,424.00**

HERE IS GOOD NEWS FOR THE PRIDE OF THE FAMILY; BULLY

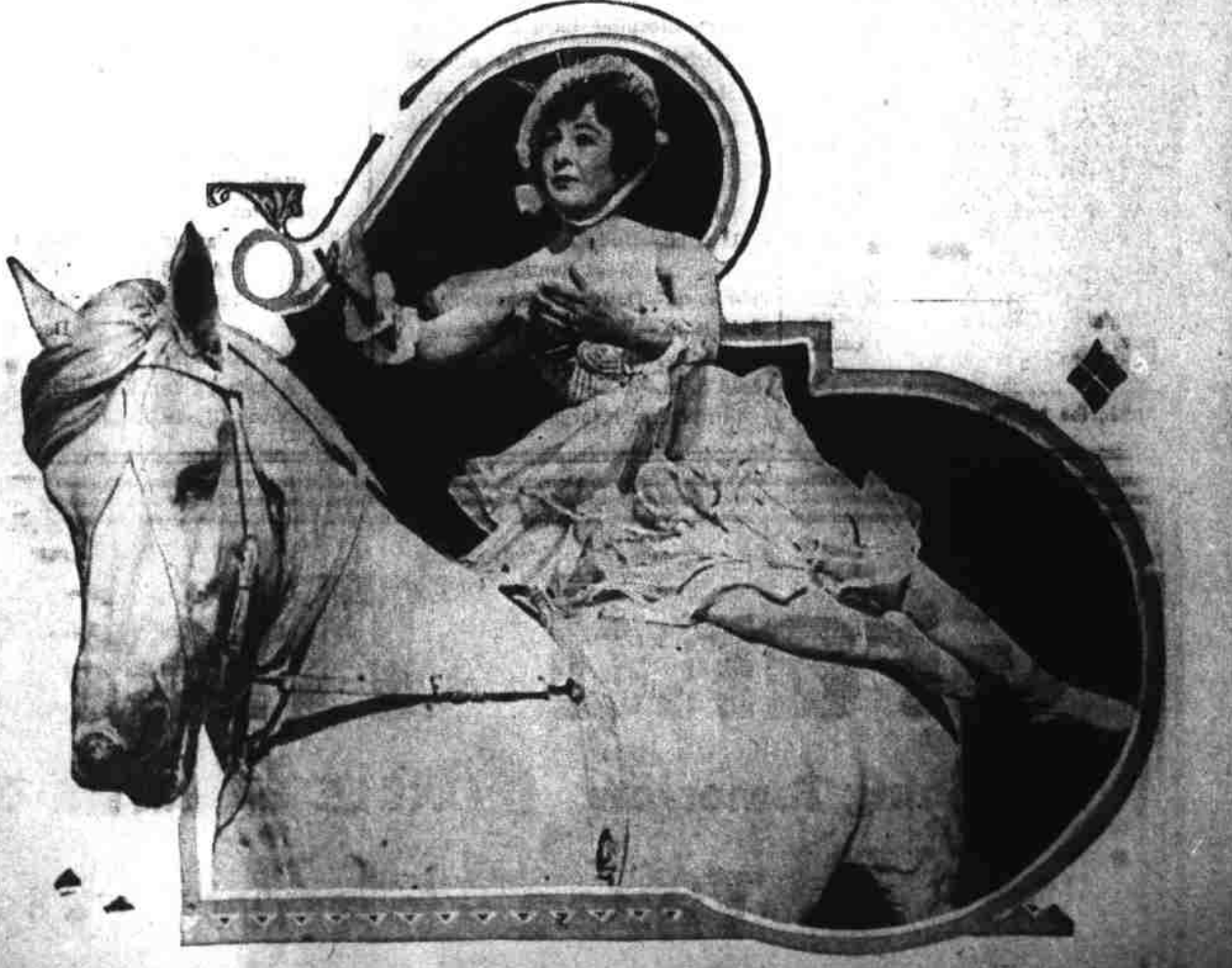
There will be no school Tuesday.
There will be no school Wednesday.
There will be no school Thursday afternoon.
There will be no school Friday afternoon.
There, now, that's plain enough for anybody. Also hear this: "With so much consideration shown the children, no excuse from parents will be considered valid." That means that on Thursday and Friday the schools will be in operation until 1 p. m. By "letting out" at that hour, every kid can get his dinner and ske-daddle in plenty of time to get to the Fair Grounds for the afternoon bill. Supt. K. R. Curtis thinks that is doing fine by the youngsters, and according to an announcement Monday morning, he expects every one to attend the short sessions that are held during the week.

NEARLY SCORE MINE WORKERS KILLED IN ALABAMA COAL PIT

(By the United Press)
Birmingham, Oct. 23.—Fifteen or twenty lives were probably lost in an explosion in the Marvel mines near here. Twelve bodies have been recovered. Five men are unaccounted for. Government mine rescue men are directing the rescue work, which was feverish all night. Crowds surround the shaft.

MUST WORK OR STARVE

Martin, Oct. 21.—Able-bodied men in districts occupied by the Germans who prefer to loaf or ask public assistance rather than work must be made to support themselves, says the Berlin press.



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