

LITTLE ACTIVITY ON THE FRENCH FRONT

London Reports Today That There is Nothing to Report From France.

MY RUMANIANS TAKEN

Over 100,000 Said to Have Been Captured in Drive for the Rumanian Capital.

(By the Associated Press.)
London, Dec. 7.—The war office announced today that there was nothing to report from the Franco-Belgian front.

War Summary.

The brief dispatches in which the fall of Bucharest was announced left in doubt the fate of the Rumanian armies resisting the advance of the Teutonic armies, but today's German official statement, which reports the defeated Rumanians retreating on all fronts, indicates most of them escaped capture. Berlin says, however, that 9,000 Rumanians were taken in yesterday's fighting.

It has been assumed in most quarters that there was no "last stand" by the Rumanians before their capital, and such news as has trickled through from German sources indicates that Bucharest was virtually deserted when the Teutonic forces entered it.

The city is said to have been found uninjured.

Military commentators in entente capitals point to the probability that the actions just prior to the capture of Bucharest were fought merely with a view to delaying the advance of Mackensen's forces and aiding the main body of Rumanians.

German opinion is expressed to the effect that the Rumanians have decided to abandon all of Wallachia, the main portion of the Rumanian Kingdom, and retire to Moldavia, their northeastern province, where their front would be materially shortened and where they would be in close touch with the Russians.

The capture of Rumanians by forces of the central powers are reported to have been 100,000 men.

SUBSCRIPTIONS HAVE PASSED \$4,000 MARK

Workers for Endowment Fund for the Greensboro College for Women are Meeting With Signal Success in Their Efforts.

The results of the campaign being waged in High Point to secure a sum toward the establishing of an endowment and improvement fund of \$150,000 for the Greensboro College for Women have been very successful, the subscriptions up to 2 o'clock this afternoon having passed the \$4,000 mark, the exact amount secured being \$4,605. The gift yesterday by a local manufacturer of \$1,250 served to put new enthusiasm into the workers and today Miss Lucy Belle Totten, representing the alumnae association had tendered her by Mrs. R. B. Terry her car and chauffeur. Miss Totten worked among the young women in the offices, bringing in \$76 for the endowment of the chair of English. A number of business girls gave \$10 each. This work will be pushed. Mrs. J. W. Harris and Miss Totten have called a meeting of all the alumnae and their friends at Wesley Memorial Methodist church for Friday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

Dr. Turrentin's team brought in splendid returns today. G. H. Kearns increasing his gift to \$100 while O. E. Kearns added \$50 to his, which increased his gift to \$100. Mrs. Laura Townsend gave \$80 for a loan scholarship. There are other \$50 and \$25 subscriptions and tomorrow the full list will be printed. One of the most interesting gifts sent today was one of \$25 given by Mrs. Bettie J. Wood, widow of Rev. Frank Wool, who graduated from the old institution in 1899.

The results of the campaign to date: Previously reported \$3,604.00 Amount for today 401.00 Grand total \$4,005.00

Weather.
Partly cloudy tonight and Friday; probably rain; western portion warmer tonight; central and extreme west portion warm; Friday moderate shifting wind becoming east and southeast.

MUCH OPPOSITION TO FOODSTUFFS EMBARGO

Simmons, Overman, Kitchin and Others Would Lead a Fight to Prevent It—Little Excuse Seen for An Extra Session of Congress.

(By PARKER E. ANDERSON.)
Washington, Dec. 7.—There will be no embargo placed on food products going from this country to Europe if Senators Simmons and Overman, Majority Leader Claude Kitchin and other prominent Democratic leaders can prevent. There is an unanimous feeling here among senators and representatives that no such action should be taken and, so far as the North Carolina members are concerned, they are prepared to go the limit, even so far as to conduct a filibuster, if necessary, in order to prevent such action by Congress.

To The Enterprise correspondent Senator Simmons, one of the leaders in Congress, declared that he is bitterly opposed to a law placing an embargo on products of the farm. He pointed to the fact that the farmers and other producers in this country are not getting abnormally high prices for their products and are not responsible for the present high prices.

The high prices on the high cost of living, said Senator Simmons, are the city fellows who live in large cities like New York, Chicago and others of similar size. "And right in these cities," continued the senator, "will be found the main cause for the high cost of living. In these cities the commission merchant and other so-called middle men are getting the large profits and are primarily responsible for the high prices being charged the consumers."

"I am opposed to placing anything on the statute books now that will prevent the farmer from getting a moderate price for his products and I am prepared to oppose any proposition that has this end in view."

Senator Simmons believes Congress will certainly pass an adequate law which will prevent a recurrence of the threatened strike of railway employes. He does not know whether the President's plan will be enacted or not but he believes something along the lines suggested by Mr. Wilson will be enacted into law before Congress convenes March 4 next.

There is a general feeling here that there should be no extra session of Congress and all Democrats are working to the end that the people shall have a rest from a congressional session from March 4, 1917, to December 1, of the same year.

FLOWERS SUCCEEDS LATE JAMES H. SOUTHGATE

Several Appointments Made Today by the Conference of Methodist Episcopal Church, South, at Durham—Other Business.

(Special to The Enterprise.)
Durham, Dec. 7.—Prof. Robert L. Flowers, secretary of Trinity college, today was named by the North Carolina conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, south, to succeed the late James H. Southgate as a member of the conference board of education.

The work of the conference today largely was routine matters. The membership of R. R. Jones in the conference was discontinued because of his failure to go to a charge to which he was assigned last year. J. K. Proctor, of the West Oklahoma conference, was the only minister today to be admitted into the conference by transfer. W. A. Arthur Hoebetter, a local preacher, was admitted to the Free Will Baptist church.

Headmaster F. S. Aldridge, of the Trinity Park school, of Durham, and R. L. Beasley, of the Rockingham district, recommended by the presiding elder as fitted for holding the position of elder were elected.

HOLDS THE ARABIA A TRANSPORT WHEN SUNK

British Steamer, Sunk on November 6, Germany Says in Note, Was in Reality An Auxiliary Warship of the British Government.

(By the Associated Press.)
Washington, Dec. 7.—Germany, in a note made public by the state department today, contends that the British steamer Arabia, sunk in the Mediterranean on November 6, was in reality a transport ship for troops and in the service of the British government, which is to be considered as an auxiliary warship, according to international law, and can be treated like a warship.

The German government's attitude, like that in the Mariner case, is expressed to be one of readiness to make amends if it be shown that the submarine violated Germany's pledge to the United States.

RUMANIANS RETIRE FROM BUCHAREST

Main Point of Interest Is as to the Fate of the Rumanian Armies.

BULGARS ARE SUCCESSFUL

Interest in London Today Is Centering About the Formation of the Cabinet.

(By the Associated Press.)
With Bucharest last, the Rumanians are retiring all along the line in the province of Wallachia fighting rear guard actions as they retreat.

The main point of interest in what remains of this campaign is the fate of the Rumanian armies and apparently there has been no wholesale bag of prisoners as yet, at least by Mackensen's troops.

Petrograd's statement announcing the evacuation of Bucharest and the retirement of the Rumanians, who were holding off the Danube army south of the Danube, probably indicates that an attempt was made to remove the Rumanian force from Moldavia.

What measure of success has not yet developed. The ninth German army is pressing eastward, north of Bucharest, at a rapid rate.

Interest in Cabinet.

London, Dec. 7.—Political circles today were interested chiefly in the personnel of the new cabinet and the prospect of the new premier, David Lloyd-George, for getting together a combination that will have the support of a majority in the house of commons.

Few, if any, of the Liberal members of Mr. Asquith's cabinet are likely to accept office under Lloyd-George and some of the Conservatives are likely to stand aside.

However, it is assumed that at the conference at Buckingham palace they assured the premier of their support.

Bulgars Repulse Attack.

Berlin, Dec. 7.—The Bulgarians repulsed an attack by the British yesterday in the Struma sector of the Macedonian front, it is announced officially here. The Cerna river positions, taken on the previous day by the Serbians, were recaptured.

Teutonic troops yesterday entered Russian positions west of Lutsk, in Volhynia, today's statement from the Russo-Galician front says. Five Russian attacks last night to regain the ground were repulsed.

MANY APPLICATIONS TO FARM LOAN BANKS

Already 17 Times Amount Available Has Been Applied for by Over 50,000 Farmers in the South and West—Rivalry Between Cities.

(By the Associated Press.)
Washington, Dec. 7.—Officials of the farm loan board announced today that more than 50,000 farmers have applied for mortgage loans, aggregating approximately \$150,000,000 or more than 17 times the amount which will be available for loans upon the organization of the farm loan banks. Most of the applications come from the south and west.

Although the location of the banks probably will not be announced before December 20, it was said today that almost immediately after organization they would find it necessary to issue bonds for virtually their capital stock to meet the demands of borrowers.

Intense rivalry has developed among certain southern cities, which want to be the location of a bank. The chief competitors were said to be New Orleans, La., Jackson, Miss., Raleigh, N. C., and Columbia, S. C.

TOTAL RECEIPTS OF THE DEMOCRATS \$1,808,348

Report Filed With House Today Shows Total Receipts of Democratic National Committee and the Present Liabilities It Has.

(By the Associated Press.)
Washington, Dec. 7.—The final report of the Democratic National committee on its campaign receipts and expenditures, filed with the house today, shows total receipts of \$1,808,348 and total disbursements of \$1,684,590. In addition there are:

Accrued liabilities \$97,005; claims 72; audit \$99,470 and loans to be repaid \$22,000.

MAY CHANGE DUCK ROOST'S PERSONNEL

And Bob Glenn May Lose His \$7,500 Job With All Expenses Paid.

AND WHITEHEAD KLUTZ

Fine Offices in Washington for Defeated Statesmen—Members of Committees Get Hats.

(By PARKER E. ANDERSON.)
Washington, D. C., Dec. 7.—There is every indication that President Wilson will make a few changes in the personnel of the International Joint commission, better known as the "Lame Duck's Roost," early next spring. If the President finally determines to take this step former Governor Robert B. Glenn of North Carolina will lose out and a man from some southern state be named in his place.

The change, if made, will not be because Mr. Glenn has not performed his "duties" as well as the other members of the "Roost" but because the job is needed to take care of a few statesmen whom their constituents decided on November 7 to have at home. It is said that Senator John W. Kern, of Indiana, who was defeated for re-election, may be offered the place now held by Governor Glenn.

The International Joint commission was created by the Republicans years ago for the sole purpose of taking care of defeated statesmen whom the people no longer allowed to come to Congress. Soon after the commission was created the Democrats named it the "Lame Duck's Roost" and it has been known as such ever since by nearly every one except at the Treasury department.

The information that the president expects to relieve Governor Glenn of his arduous "duties" comes from a member of the President's official family. He stated that these jobs, as every one knows, are high paying positions with administration would no longer allow the places to go to men from strictly Democratic states, especially North Carolina where more jobs have gone than to any other state of nearly double its vote.

Should Governor Glenn be relieved of his \$7,500 job with its liberal expense account (it used to be more than it is now), it is more than likely that Whitehead Klutz, of Salisbury, secretary to the "Roost" will also be retired to private life at Salisbury. A new commission would very likely select its own secretary and it's a 10 to 1 shot that he would not be chosen from those now on the pay roll.

About the only thing the government has to show for the large quantities of money expended annually by the "Roost" is a handsomely and luxuriously furnished office here in the Southern building. On entering these offices one has to walk on Brussels carpets knee deep, gaze at three typewriters (mathines, not young women), a few steel engravings of scenes along the Canadian border before he wakes up to the fact that he is really in an office maintained by the government. There is not the usual bustle and businesslike appearance which impresses one when he enters a government establishment.

Majority Leader Claude Kitchin and the 14 other Democratic members of the ways and means committee can wear new Stetson hats if they want to, Congressman "Nick" Longworth, son-in-law of former President Roosevelt, today presented each Democratic member with an order for a new Stetson and the price was not stipulated. "Be as merciful as you can, boys," was all the limit given his Democratic brethren.

During a debate in the house last summer, it was one of those hot days familiar to all who have watched Congress work during the summer months, Mr. Longworth jumped to his feet and declared that he would give each Democratic member of the ways and means committee a new hat if the next house was not Republican by at least a hundred majority.

Mr. Longworth said today that while all returns were not in yet, he believed he would be safe in paying the bet as he did not believe the Republicans could possibly get a majority of 100.

ONLY 15 SHOPPING DAYS TILL CHRISTMAS

WARNS UNITED STATES AGAINST IMMIGRATION

Commissioner Caminetti Warns Against Migration of Asiatic Peoples to the United States Immediately After the Close of the War.

(By the Associated Press.)
Washington, Dec. 7.—Warning against a threatened migration of the populations of western Asia to the United States is contained in the annual report of Commissioner General Anthony Caminetti of the immigration service made public today. The war and conditions immediately after its close will stay the stream for a time, but steps to head it off must be taken before transportation interests begin to cull the field for their business, the report declares.

Immigration from the far Orient, too, is a problem still unsolved, the report sets forth. The systems heretofore devised to deal with it do not promise much improvement and machinery for enforcement of the Chinese exclusion act is not adequate or well adapted, it says. Arrangements for the admission of Japanese, it is declared, should be amended to fit conditions better.

"The Chinese exclusion law," says the report, "should be so modified as to make use of the same administrative methods and means as are employed in enforcing the general immigration law; and the Japanese arrangement should be so changed as to eliminate therefrom those exceptions that have a tendency so as to broaden as to reduce materially the efficiency of the other fairly satisfactory plan."

Hindu immigration, which would be permitted more freely under a recent Supreme court decision, will be taken care of in the Burnett immigration bill pending in Congress.

Smuggling of Chinese, the report says, has been combated vigorously with the result that amateur smuggling has been stamped out to a large degree. Higher prices that Chinese are willing to pay therefore, it is said, has attracted to the business an expert class of criminals who use more scientific methods. A bigger appropriation is asked to meet the problem.

The war situation, the report says, has presented many difficult legal and administrative questions at sea ports and along the Canadian border.

WARNS FARMERS AGAINST SELLING COTTON SEED

Unprecedented Prices Paid for Seed May Tempt Farmers to Sell All the Seed With Hopes of Purchasing More at Planting Time.

(By the Associated Press.)
Washington, Dec. 7.—The United States bureau of plant industry today advised cotton growers to make certain of their supply of seed for planting.

"All kinds of cotton seed are likely to be scarce at planting time next spring," the department said. "The unprecedented prices now being paid at the oil mills may tempt many farmers to cut down their reserve of seed or to sell all of it, perhaps, with the idea of being able to buy seed of a better variety for only a little more than the mills are now paying for ordinary gin run seed. While it is always desirable to replace an inferior stock with a better one it would be well to make sure of the seed planting seed as soon as possible."

AMERICAN WAS KILLED BY THE VILLA BANDITS

Howard Gray, Miner, Lost His Life When Villa's Men Entered the Town of Parral in State of Chihuahua, November 5.

(By the Associated Press.)
El Paso, Dec. 7.—Howard Gray, an American mining man at Parral, Chihuahua, was killed by Villa bandits when they entered the town November 5, according to a telegram received today by the Alvarado Mining and Milling company.

A messenger who arrived from Parral shortly after the telegram was made public said Gray was ganged by order of Villa. The telegram said all other Americans were safe and that American property was not harmed.

HIGH POINT AND WALLBURG PLAY AT ARMORY TONIGHT

The first scholastic basketball game of the season will be played at the armory this evening when the teams representing the High Point and Wallburg high schools will clash. The local quint has been practicing for some few weeks and is said to be in excellent condition for a hard contest which the visitors are expected to provide.

CONTRACTS ARE LET FOR STREET PAVING

City Council Yesterday Afternoon Awarded Contracts for Paving a Number of Streets.

WILL USE SHEET ASPHALT

City Will Do the Work of Paving Car Line, an Agreement Having Been Reached.

As events turned out, the controversy between the city and the North Carolina Public Service company as to the kind of materials to be used in paving between the rails of the car track on Main street, both north and south, did not materialize and the city will go ahead with the work as at first planned, doing it for the company and giving the corporation the same privileges as the individual property owners in the matter of payments. It was at first thought that the street car company wanted an extension of time in which to commence the work so that other bids might be secured or else would contend that a cheaper paving between the rails and for a distance of 18 inches beyond the end of the cross ties on either side would serve the purpose, but during the special called meeting of the city council yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock the city and street car company got together and the plans were perfected whereby the work will go on.

With the same force that paves the street proper, the paving between the rails and for a foot and a half beyond the end of the ties on either side will be laid. Sheet asphalt over a concrete base with a duroc binder will be used.

During this meeting of the council the contracts for paving a number of streets were awarded to R. G. Lawler and company. The streets to be paved are Johnson street, from Williams avenue to the city limits; Guilford avenue, from North Main street east to and including the intersection of Johnson street; Greensboro avenue, from North Main street east to and including the intersection of Johnson street; Louisa avenue, from North Main street east to and including the intersection of North Hamilton street; Williams avenue, from North Main street, east to and including the intersection of North Hamilton street; Wexler avenue from North Main street to Brantley circle, thence around Brantley circle back to Wexler avenue. This district is to be paved with sheet asphalt with a four-inch concrete base.

Another district to be paved consists of Hamilton street, from the intersection of East Commerce and Hamilton streets south to Mallory street; East Commerce street, from South Main street to Hamilton street; East Russell street, from South Main street to Hamilton street; Mallory street, from South Main street to Hamilton street. Sheet asphalt with a four-inch concrete base will be used here, the asphalt being of the variety known as Mexican.

East Russell street, from Hamilton to Cable, will be paved with sheet asphalt with the regulation base of concrete four inches thick, using Mexican asphalt, except on such parts of the streets as the consulting engineers may deem it advisable to use another type of pavement, the type to be determined at a later date.

West Green street, from South Main street to the main line of the Carolina and Yadkin River Railway company will be paved with sheet asphalt, Mexican, with a concrete base four inches thick.

West Commerce street will be paved from South Main street to Willowbrook street, sheet asphalt, Mexican, to be used over a concrete base four inches thick.

This new work, in addition to North and South Main street and Centennial avenue will keep the paving forces busy for some little time and will do considerable, when completed, toward keeping High Point out of the mud. The paving program of the council provides for a rather well connected system of permanently paved streets. It is probable that the work of paving the streets upon which Rome is to be used will be delayed for some little time as the council has been informed that it is necessary for a certain quantity of limestone to be mixed with this material to make it last for a term of years. In the specifications there is nothing stated as to the quantity of limestone to be used and this will be straightened out before the work is commenced.

Wilson's Plurality.
(By the Associated Press.)
Santa Fe, N. M., Dec. 7.—President Wilson's plurality in the state was 2,392, according to the official count, made public today.