

NEAR EASTERN SITUATION IS STILL PERILOUS; WAR CLOUDS ARE THREATENING

Things Critical At Constantinople—Turks Cut Cable Line And News Is Not Available—Failure Of France And England To Stand Together In Maintaining Martial Law At Constantinople Might Prove Disastrous—Sands Are Running Out.

LONDON, Nov. 11.—(By The Associated Press.)—The situation at Constantinople, where the Turkish nationalists want the Allies to get out and the Allies are determined to sit tight, is still very critical, all the morning papers agree, but none of them furnish any definite news to justify their views.

Even the government itself is declared in some quarters to be largely in the dark, owing to the difficulty of communicating with the Near East as a result of the cutting of the cable line near Chankay by the Turks. Even this fact is regarded as ominous.

Absolutely nothing can be learned regarding the present attitude of the Ankara government and it is equally unknown whether the Allied commissioners have carried out their threat to establish martial law in Constantinople.

The departure for Lausanne of the Turkish nationalist Foreign Minister, Ismet Pasha, has attracted a great deal of attention here and in some quarters his unexpected start, without awaiting Ankara's reply to the latest Allied note, is regarded with suspicion.

The diplomatic expert of the Daily Telegraph presumes that "Ismet will not endeavor to emulate at Constantinople, but it will be interesting to see whether he will endeavor to confer with the Bulgarian government on the way to Lausanne."

Delay in settling the troubles in the Near East, and in definitely fixing a date for the Lausanne discussions, has caused serious anxiety here. Some quarters have an uneasy feeling regarding the Franco-British relations. The Times says these relations are being severely tested. Editorially it makes a very emphatic appeal for Premier Poincare to make France's position clear, declaring that conditions do not yet exist which would justify British representatives in attending the Lausanne conference.

The British government knows that the Near Eastern position today is as perilous as war. The Times declares: "Even in the terms of the Mudanya armistice, which brought the conflict between the entente and Turkey to an end, it is not known whether France is prepared to stand with Britain, and, in case of need, act with her. x x x. French failure to stand by England in word and deed at Constantinople might be the signal for a disaster of immeasurable dimensions. There may yet be time to avert it, but the sands are running out. Swift and complete accord between London and Paris alone can preclude it, or should the worst befall, keep it within manageable limits."

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GEO. A. McALLISTER KILLED IN AUTO ACCIDENT

George Atmore McAllister died at the City Hospital this morning at 9 o'clock from injuries received in an automobile wreck which occurred near the Victory mill in South Gastonia Friday afternoon at 5:30 o'clock, when a Ford car crashed into a grocery truck belong to the Hawkins Grocery and driven by Mr. McAllister and Mr. Rosecoe Queen. A larger car bearing a South Carolina license tag and driven by three negroes crashed into the other two.

Mr. McAllister was taken to the City Hospital where, after examination, he was thought to be only slightly hurt, suffering from a broken arm and ribs. As late as 8 o'clock this morning he was in good spirits and conversing freely with those at his bedside and suddenly passed away at 9 a. m. His family history included a weak heart and it is supposed the shock was too great to withstand or overcome.

Mr. McAllister was named in honor of Rev. George Atmore Sparrow, for 30 years pastor of Union Presbyterian church, having been born within one mile of this church, where he spent all his life until last December when he and his mother, Mrs. Lizzy McAllister, and aunt, Mrs. Sarah Jane West, made their home in Gastonia, on South Oak street.

For ten years he had been a consistent member of the Union church, and since coming to Gastonia had been a regular attendant at the Armstrong Memorial church.

The Day's News At A Glance

Sir William Horwood, chief of Scotland Yard, still seriously ill after cutting what is believed to have been poison candy sent by mail.

Situation at Constantinople remains clouded owing to difficulty of communication as result of Turks cutting cable.

Premier Poincare tells deputies that success of Allies in getting armistice from Greeks is far from being decisive.

Mr. Lloyd George warns political gathering that Great Britain faces today some danger which came to Russia.

France will accept November 20 as date for Lausanne Near East conference if Great Britain insists on postponement.

Secretary of War Weeks directs West Point authorities to recall invitation to John Fortescue to address cadets as result of criticism of Americans in book written by Briton.

Women members of National Federation of Federal Employees appeal to president to get fair play for women in service, declaring that sex prejudice exists in some bureaus.

Government has decided to aid live stock industry in doing what it can to urge consumers to eat meat wisely in securing well-balanced meals.

National head of American Legion Auxiliary urged country-wide tribute of minute's silence at noon today, Armistice Day.

California at last has gone "dry" after ten years of voting down prohibition and has declared for eighteenth amendment and Volstead act, practically complete election returns show.

Governor-elect Walton, of Oklahoma, announces plans for great inaugural festival which will include a monster barbecue and a square dance at the state house.

Pressing of several vital tax revision proposals in the sixty-eighth Congress indicated by leaders of "progressive" republicans and democrat as one result of the election.

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SEVERE EARTH SHOCKS ARE FELT IN CHILE

SANTIAGO, Chile, Nov. 11.—(By The Associated Press.)—Severe earth shocks were felt in various parts of Chile shortly before midnight and again early today. From various points in central Chile came reports of houses falling and other damage. A report from Antofagasta, north of Valparaiso, said that a tidal wave came in shortly after midnight, smashing small vessels and sweeping over the homes of fishermen and workers.

So far no loss of life has been reported but communication lines from many points have been knocked out of order. Reports received just before dawn said the shocks were continuing at Iquique, Antofagasta and La Serena. The latter city was wrecked by a severe earthquake in 1907. The sea was rising there this morning. A dispatch at 2:30 o'clock said a heavy shock lasting five minutes had just been felt at La Serena. It brought down many walls and telegraph poles, putting the city in darkness.

Telephone communication from La Serena to the port of Coquimbo was broken off shortly after one o'clock when the operator at Coquimbo left his post upon hearing a report that the sea was advancing inland. At that hour fire was reported to have broken out at Coquimbo.

Additional shocks of great intensity were felt here just before 3 a. m. WASHINGTON, Nov. 11.—Severe tremors beginning at 11:43 o'clock last night and continuing until 3:50 a. m. today, were recorded at the Georgetown University seismological observatory. Estimating the center of disturbance at 4,800 miles south of Washington, the Rev. Father Tornoff, director of the observatory, said maximum intensity was reached between 12:05 and 12:10 a. m. Many a one-horse town has two movies.

Beauty Queen of Rumania



A nation-wide contest to select the most beautiful woman in Rumania awarded the crown to Mme. Alexandrescu. European moving picture producers will star her in films which may later reach America.

ROTARY CLUB GIVES TEACHERS A BIG TIME

Generally conceded to be the most enjoyable function ever attempted by the Rotary club was the reception given the city teachers Friday evening at the country club. More than 100 guests, including teachers and others, were guests of the club.

The feature of the evening was an old fashioned district school taught by Prof. George Cocker. Pupils were Jimmie Henderlite, Maggie Eek, Freddie Allen, Willis Morris, Mabel Miller and Eddie Switzer. The antics of these six youngsters convulsed the audience. Trick after trick of the old school days was revealed. Old time Friday afternoon compositions and speeches furnished part of the entertainment.

The dress of the pupils was one of the big features of the program. Parson Henderlite's trousers came to a point midway between the knees and ankles, his socks were vividly striped, and his shoes were exposed to view and part of the tail of his almanac shirt was sticking out behind. He brought his lunch to school in a bird cage. Eek, Dr. Miller and Will Morris were all dressed as girls, and one woman in the audience was heard to say of one of them, "he will put any woman to shame, speaking of ankles and things."

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CALIFORNIA VOTERS ENDORSE VOLSTEAD ACT

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 11.—With the eighteenth amendment to the Federal constitution, the Volstead act, has been voted up by a majority of 29,621 votes, turns complete, except for scattered precincts, indicated today. The vote was: For 307,952; against 378,331. First returns indicated an overwhelming defeat of the measure, but the negative majority was cut down by belated returns.

The dry victory came after prohibition proposals had been voted down at intervals for ten years.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 11.—Applications of transcontinental railroads for authority to decrease rates to and from Pacific coast terminals on traffic originating east of the Rocky mountains or destined therefor, were denied today by the Interstate Commerce Commission.

THE WEATHER

Fair tonight and Sunday, warmer Sunday.

MOVE TO DIVERT TRAFFIC FROM GASTONIA TO COLUMBIA

The following from The Yorkville Enquirer will be of interest in Gaston county: "The distance from Gastonia to Columbia by Clover, Yorkville, Chester and Winshoro is exactly 105 miles," said Wednesday Mr. J. H. Carroll of Yorkville, who was telling Views and Interviews of his trip by automobile between the two points Tuesday in company with Mr. T. C. Marshall for the purpose of making a map to be distributed among tourists from the north and east who are going south for the winter. Messrs. Carroll and Marshall recently raised among local business people a sum sufficient to pay for getting out a folder with a view to trying to get the tourists to come this way rather than go by Gastonia to Barksburg and thence to Spartanburg and on to the south.

"We had the exact distance with a speedometer," said Mr. Carroll, "and Mr. Marshall made a map showing the exact distance between various towns on the route. We had intended originally to go from Chester to Great Falls and then to Lugoff and Camden; but the route that way is some twenty miles further and while good, the road might make up for the difference, still there is nothing wrong with the road from Gastonia to Columbia via Chester and Winshoro except a stretch from Blackstock to Winshoro. However as we were returning through Winshoro Tuesday night we were advised that the citizens of Fairfield had that day voted a \$500,000 good roads bond issue so it won't be a great while before the Fairfield road is as good as any of the rest of it."

"In Columbia we visited the offices of the state highway commission and were told that there was no question of the fact that the route from Gastonia to Columbia in which we are interested was the most direct route and that when the Fairfield people build their road from Blackstock to Winshoro, it will be used very extensively by tourists. We believe and the business people who are with us in the matter believe that it would mean a great deal for Clover and Yorkville if we can manage to divert tourists to this route. We expect to get out the illustrated pamphlet within a very short time."

QUESTION OF PROCEDURE DELAYS HALL-MILLS CASE

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., Nov. 11.—Only the question of procedure is delaying the presentation of the Hall-Mills murder case to the grand jury. Deputy Attorney General Wilbur A. Mott, in charge of the investigation, has announced. He is undecided, he said, whether to await the return of Supreme Court Justice Parker or try to have another justice act in Judge Parker's absence.

In the meantime he said he would go ahead with efforts to strengthen his case. He made it clear that he considered the evidence in hand strong enough to warrant indictments against two men and a woman, at least two of them on first degree murder charges.

It was considered probable here today that Mrs. Francis Stevens Hall, widow of the slain rector, would be asked to let the authorities take her finger prints for comparison with prints found on the shirt worn by Dr. Hall when he was killed. She is expected to consent. Officials were reported to have identified all prints found on the cuffs of the shirt except those thought to have been made by a woman.

WANT MISS BOOTH TO REMAIN IN AMERICA

NEW YORK, Nov. 11.—Protesting against the contemplated transfer to some other field of Commander Evangelina Booth, head of the Salvation Army in the United States, many men prominent in financial and philanthropic societies have called General William Booth, at London, urging that Miss Booth be left in command in this country.

Among the signers were: Myron T. Herick, ambassador to France; Herbert Hoover, secretary of commerce; Otto H. Kahn, Bishop William T. Manning, former Vice President Thomas R. Marshall; Adolph R. Ochs, William G. McAdoo, Philip J. Shepard, and his wife, Helen Gould Shepard, and Samuel Entenryer.

AMERICA'S SOLDIER DEAD ARE HONORED HERE AND ABROAD ON ARMISTICE ANNIVERSARY

ONE CANDIDATE WASN'T WORRIED FARGO, N. D., Nov. 11.—Lynn J. Frazier, elected United States Senator from North Dakota, in Tuesday's election, called upon the Fargo Courier News last night "to learn how the election turned out." After winding up his campaign the night before election Mr. Frazier left for his farm at Hoople to "put things in order for the winter." Last night, for the first time, he found time to inquire as to the result of the race between himself and J. F. T. O'Connor, his democratic opponent.

DIXIE'S SIX GREATEST FOOTBALL TEAMS ARE STAGING GAMES TODAY

Barring A Tie One Of South's Undefeated Teams Must Fall. N. C. MEETS V. M. I. Davidson Meets Wofford At Charlotte; Other Contests.

ATLANTA, Nov. 11.—(By The Associated Press.)—Armistice Day that commemorates the ending four years ago of the world's greatest war was celebrated today with a series of mimic battles between Dixie's greatest exponents of football with the certainty that, barring a tie, one of the six teams left undefeated in the South, would fall before the end of the day.

North Carolina and Virginia Military Institute in their game at Richmond were the only teams with unmarred records to be brought together by the day's schedule, but the other four risked their standing against opponents of equal or almost equal skill and prowess, and in addition other well matched teams were meeting in what promised to be spectacular contests.

The Auburn Plainsmen who, their supporters believe, are heading toward their most successful season since the Plainsmen held almost undisputed sway over southern gridirons some years ago, faced Tulane, a team that has been conquered this year only by the veteran North Carolina eleven; Center was matched against Washington and Lee, Georgia Tech against Georgetown University and Vanderbilt's Commodores were matched against Kentucky University.

No less interesting despite the fact that one has lost a game to a Dixie rival was the annual renewal at Athens of the historic Georgia-Virginia game and the fiftieth match since 1900 between North Carolina State and Virginia Tech to be staged at Norfolk, or half a dozen other contests in which the day's schedule brought old rivals together, or set the rival matched teams against each other in gridiron battle.

North Carolina had its series of state battles in addition to the games of its two state institutions, for Trinity and Wake Forest and Eloy and Guilford were meeting each other and Davidson was matched against the Wofford eleven from South Carolina. Other South Carolina eleven were battling in intrastate bouts with the University and Furman matched and Clemson playing the Citadel.

Maryland, in its game with Yale, was the only southern team playing an inter-sectional game, but state strength was matched against state strength in Tennessee's contest with Mississippi A. & M., and in Florida's game with Mississippi College. Sewanee was virtually the only southern team of prominence that did not face an opponent with a record that ranked it well towards the top, but the Mountain Tigers were promised a stiff battle by the Birmingham-Southern eleven.

Alabama and Louisiana State played their annual game yesterday, the contest going to the Alabama in comparatively easy fashion and marking the second defeat of the week for the Louisiana Tigers, whose team lost to Rutgers a few days before.

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Scotland Yard officials announced definitely this morning that the attempt to assassinate Sir Horwood was by means of poisoned chocolates sent through the mail. These officials said they believed this had been but one step in a conspiracy to kill many people of prominence. Accordingly the police have issued a warning to all persons of note not to eat anything sent to them by post.

GASTON HONORED HER EX-SERVICE MEN TODAY IN BIG CELEBRATION

Monster Parade Witnessed By Many Thousands Of Gaston People. SPLENDID FLOATS. City Entertained Largest Crowd Ever Gathered Here, Perhaps.

In a celebration which surpassed in every respect anything ever attempted here before Gaston today did honor to her heroes of the World War, both those who sleep beneath the sod here and elsewhere and those who marched in the uniforms they wore while fighting for their country and for the preservation of humanity.

The parade was the longest and most spectacular, the crowd of witnesses the largest ever assembled in Gastonia for any occasion. The floats were magnificent and represented a varied line of both public and private endeavor. The order was of the very best. There was strange to say, a marked absence of enthusiasm on the part of the public, there being but the faintest demonstration of applause at any period of the parade.

Near the head of the parade were several cars filled with Confederate veterans and these were cheered as they passed through the crowd on Main avenue. Prizes for the best floats were awarded as follows: Loving cup for best float regardless of classification, to the Moose Order. Doughboy statues were awarded to the following: Best civic float, Rotary Club. Best Patriotic float, Daughters of American Revolution. Best fraternal float, Moose. Best commercial float, City Lumber Co.

Best decorated automobile regardless of class, War Mothers. Ten dollars in gold for best marching unit, Gaston Guards; doughboy statue for second best marching unit to Major Cherry's outfit of the Thirtieth Division. At the fair grounds this afternoon a large crowd is enjoying a football game, boxing and wrestling matches.

Beginning at 7:30 o'clock this evening the day will reach its climax in an enormous fireworks display. There will be no charge for admission and there will be room for all who care to attend. The largest display of fireworks ever shown in the State is promised. So far as can be learned the day was unmarred by any accident or untoward incident of any kind.

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COTTON MARKET

CLOSING BIDS ON THE NEW YORK MARKET. NEW YORK, Nov. 11.—Cotton futures closed steady. December 26.04; January 25.88; March 25.77; May 25.50; July 25.16; October 23.65. Spots closed steady at 26.15, fifteen points down from Friday's close.

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ARLINGTON BLOSSOMS WITH A WEALTH OF BEAUTIFUL FLOWERS

Unknown Soldiers Grave In National Cemetery Decorated. OVERSEAS GRAVES ALSO. Homage Also For The Unknown Belgian Soldier Is Done By U. S.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 11.—(By The Associated Press.)—America's tribute to its unknown soldiers was paid through President Harding today with a simplicity strikingly at variance with the splendid ritual of honors that marked his home-coming a year ago.

Today there was no spoken word to stir echoes of the solemn chorus and expressions of high resolve a year ago that still must linger amid the marble arches of Arlington memorial amphitheater where the honored dead keep vigil.

A distant thudding of saluting cannon, the ring of ash hoofs on the hard roadway, a low command, a stifled flourish of trumpets, as rifles leaped up to present, and the president had come to place a wreath upon the sleeper's tomb, and gone again almost before the few hundreds who awaited him realized that the ceremony had begun.

On the terrace facing down over the haze shrouded river and the city beyond, a thin line of comrade soldiers, sailors and marines was drawn up facing inward toward the great white block of stone that marks the resting place of the Unknown.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 11.—On the plain granite block in Arlington cemetery that a year ago became a new shrine to American ideals there blossomed today a wealth of flowers laid reverently there to commemorate the first anniversary of the homecoming of America's unknown soldier from France. Again the nation sealed the covenant of American faith it then pledged beside the grave now covered by the massive boulder.

And the utter simplicity of the scenes today, contracted against memories of pomp and splendor of a year ago in the same beauty of setting, served to add new glory to that which is identified in the blood of this humble soldier shot in France, the high purpose that is Americanism.

Again President Harding made the pilgrimage from Washington in behalf of his countrymen. But this time the message he bore was no spoken word, but a simple wreath to rest on the great stone. The guns that roared of the national salute in honor to the dead alone broke stillness to voice a nation's pride.

For the army Secretary Weeks accompanied the President and for the Navy, Secretary Denby. That completed the group which carried to the tomb the token of remembrance that was placed for all the nation. The only touch of ceremony was that ent by a clattering troop of cavalry which escorted the presidential party.

There were many others who took occasion to pay homage to the unknown, among them General Pershing for himself and the other comrades of the dead in France. The general could not go in person for he had been called to New York, but his aide bore the wreath to the great stone around which the flowers clustered as the day moved on.

None but the routine restrictions of the quiet cemetery were in force today. As on every day in the year, the public was free to come and go among the great dead resting there and about the memorial amphitheater on the terrace in front of which stands the tomb of the unknown. And who cared to make the journey of remembrance could share with the President, or with the war mothers or with any other the honors paid to the dead.

But America's share in armistice day events was not confined to those at home. The dead in France were not forgotten, nor was there lack of American fellowship at the great ceremonies in Brussels, where the Belgian people, and strengthen the pride of association shared alike by the army and the people of the United States.

On behalf of the members of the army of the United States I offer homage to their former comrades, the Unknown Belgian Soldier. General Pershing sent this personal (Continued on page six.)