

PERIL GROWS FOR RUMANIAN CAPITAL

Reported That Officials and Diplomats Have Left The City For Russian Border.

ONLY ONE LINE IS HOLDING FIRM.

Teutons Have Their Enveloping Movement Within Forty Miles of Mucharest—Violent Fighting in Monastir Region—Serbians Make Important Advance.

The situation of the Rumanian armies defending Bucharest appears increasingly dangerous. Only northwest of the capital does the Rumanian line seem to be holding at all firmly and even here the capture of Cutreara, on the Argechu river, although that point is eighty miles from Bucharest, seems to indicate a weakening of the Rumanian resistance. On the southwest the peril is imminent with the enveloping movement of the central powers placing a force within forty miles of the capital. News dispatches have reported the Rumanian government and diplomatic officials as leaving Bucharest for Jessy, twenty miles north-east of the capital and near the Russian frontier.

That the retreat of the Rumanians towards the defenses of Bucharest is a precipitate one is indicated today by the German official statement, which announces the disorderly retirement of the Rumanian forces along the entire Wallachian front.

Possibly as a divergence in aid of the Rumanians, the Russians have taken the offensive at certain points. Berlin declares that the Russian attacks at many points along the Carpathians and west of the Moldavian resulted only in local successes.

With the exception of the Rumanian front none is more active at present than the Macedonian. Whatever may have been the result of the heavy fighting of the Germans and entente attacks, the allied army does not appear to have slackened the force of its offensive in the Monastir region.

Paris today announces an important advance by the Serbians, in which two heights were captured, one east of the Cerna river, where an effort evidently was made to bring the line up to the level with that of the attack towards Monastir. Meanwhile an advance by the Italians is reported in the region west of Monastir, where violent battling continues and where progress also has been made by the French.

SOUTHERN SEASON ENDS TOMORROW

North Carolina Has Its Annual Combat With Virginia—Game at Raleigh.

Atlanta, Nov. 29.—The Southern football season closes tomorrow with practically every Southern college engaged in annual combat with some rival. Several of the teams will go on the field tomorrow with excellent seasons records.

Georgia Techs play Auburn here and the University of Tennessee will meet Kentucky State at Knoxville. The University of Virginia will meet the University of North Carolina at Richmond; Mercer will play Swannee at Nashville; the University of Mississippi will battle with Mississippi College at Jackson, Miss., and Washington and Lee will play North Carolina A. & M. at Raleigh.

DENIES GONZALES STORY.

Juarez, Mexico, Nov. 29.—Denial is made of the published stories that General Gonzales last night officially announced in El Paso the fall of Chihuahua City to Villa. Carranza officials here today declared General Gonzales was at Laguna last night and would not return until late today. They added that there was no definite news from Chihuahua City as yet.

ANOTHER WRIT ISSUED IN THE BRITT CONTEST

Judge Carter Temporarily Restrains State Board From Giving Certificate.

RETURNABLE BEFORE JUDGE W. M. BOND.

Hearing in Raleigh December 1, When Republican's Counsel Will Seek Permanent Injunction.

Salisbury, N. C., Nov. 29.—A temporary injunction and restraining order against the State Board of Elections, Governor Craig and Secretary of State Grimes, to prevent action being taken as regards the election of Buncombe, which figures prominently in the contest between Representative James J. Britt, of the Tenth District, and Zebulon Weaver, his Democratic opponent, was issued today by Judge Frank Carter in Rowan county superior court.

The order obtained by counsel for Mr. Britt, was made returnable in Raleigh on December 1, before Judge W. M. Bond, in Wake county superior court. At that time effort will be made to have the injunction declared permanent.

The State Board of Elections meets in Raleigh tomorrow to issue certificates of election to the successful candidates, but Judge Carter's order prevents the board from issuing a certificate of election to Mr. Weaver, as result of the returns, canvassed after the contest and which gave Weaver enough to have a plurality of nine votes over Britt.

AUSTRIAN SHIP SUNK GHEMUNG

No Loss of Life As Crew Had Chance to Take to Boats.

Washington, Nov. 29.—Latest dispatches through the State Department say that the submarine which sunk the American steamer, Ghemung, on November 26, flew the Austrian flag and that the steamer was sunk by shell fire, as well as by the torpedo from the submarine.

They report that there was no loss of life, as the crew had opportunity to leave the ship.

PROVING CHARACTER OF TOM WATSON

Evidence in Noted Case Will Not Be Concluded Today.

Augusta, Ga., Nov. 29.—Thomas E. Watson's character, as a writer and his general character as a man were allowed to be put in evidence before the jury in the Federal district court which is trying him on a charge of having sent obscene matter through the mail.

As a writer, "Thomas E. Watson is an exceptionally good man and as a man his character is good," according to John M. Barnes, former postmaster at Thomasville, the first witness to be heard.

As the character witnesses began testifying it was indicated that the introduction of evidence hardly would be concluded today. Judge Lambdin, it was said, would hold court tomorrow, despite the day being Thanksgiving.

BIG VENIRE FROM WHICH TO OBTAIN EPSTEIN JURY

Second Trial of Alleged Murderer in Wayne County Court.

GETTING JURY IN CASE TODAY.

Believed It Will Be Difficult to Obtain Twelve Men to Try The Noted Case.

Goldsboro, N. C., Nov. 29.—Two hundred and fifty veniremen were summoned from which to draw the jury for the second trial of Hyman Epstein, which began in the Wayne County Superior Court today. Epstein is charged with having killed Leonard Edwards here last spring and because of the prominence of both men the case is attracting wide attention. One hundred and sixty of the special venire of 200 men were examined before the jury was drawn for the first trial, but because the case has been widely discussed since that time it is believed that the present venire of 250 men will be exhausted before the jury of twelve men is chosen.

HOUSEWIVES KEEP BUSY IN FIGHT

Resort to Endless Chain Method to Strengthen Egg Boycott.

New York, Nov. 29.—The price of cold storage eggs here this morning, wholesale, was lower than yesterday when the egg boycott began. Eggs sold for 34 to 38 cents per dozen, according to the trade. The price of fresh eggs showed no change from yesterday. Some of the older dealers asserted that a boycott would play into the hands of the foreign buyers. They said the men who want eggs for exporting are waiting for a reduction in price.

The housewives continued today active, vigorous work to discourage the use of eggs. One method is the endless telephone appeal. One woman calls up 25 of her friends and asks them to abstain from using eggs for two weeks and requests each of the 25 to call up 25 of her women friends and deliver the same message. A canvass of the public markets shows that almost every Thanksgiving item will cost more this year than it did last.

ROBBERS MAKE DARING RAID

Blow Safe and Escape With Thousands—Carry Off Telegraph Operator.

Hazelton, Kan., Nov. 29.—Four robbers early today entered the Hazelton State Bank, blew the safe and escaped with an amount estimated at \$12,000.

The robbers, after securing the money, went to the telegraph office and took the night operator out of town with them in an automobile to prevent giving the alarm.

GREEK COUNCIL SUPPORTS GOVERNMENT

London, Nov. 29.—The Greek council has voted to support the government in its opposition to the Allies' demands for surrender of arms and ammunition, according to an Athens dispatch to Reuters of yesterday's date.

DETAILED REPORT GIVEN OF SINKING.

New York, Nov. 29.—A detailed report of the torpedoing and sinking of the British steamer, Marina, on October 28, off the southwest coast of Ireland, when 19 persons, including 6 Americans, lost their lives, were given here today by 41 horsemen, American survivors, who arrived here on a steamer from Glasgow.

WARRANTS ARE DRAWN AGAINST LOCAL BAKERS

Charged With Offering Other Than Standard Loaves of Bread For Sale.

SOLICITOR PESCHAU SWORE OUT WARRANTS.

Much Interest Aroused—Trial of The Case Will Probably Be Next Week—Before Justice Harriss.

As a result of investigations that have been made by County Solicitor George L. Peschau and Justice George Harriss, following numerous complaints, warrants were sworn out this morning against Mr. George T. Johnson, secretary and treasurer of the Globe Baking Company; Mr. W. T. Farris, proprietor of Farris' Bakery; and Mr. J. B. Fox, trading as the Royal Bakery, charging them with "unlawfully and willfully selling and offering for sale, sundry loaves of bread weighing other than the standard as provided by ordinances for bread, and without having affixed thereon any label or stamp to indicate the weight of the said loaves in violation of section 688, revised ordinances of the City of Wilmington."

Solicitor Peschau swore out the warrants before Justice Harriss about noon today and they were served on bakers this afternoon. It is probable that the hearing will be held before Justice Harriss Friday or early next week. Owing to the importance of the matter, particularly as the upward bound of the price of bread here and elsewhere recently is creating country-wide attention, the trial of the cases promises to be of much interest.

It will be remembered that when the bakers in the city recently decided to raise the price of a loaf of bread from 5 to 6 cents Solicitor Peschau was then requested by many citizens to make investigation in the matter, and he stated this morning that the swearing out of the warrants against the three bakers was the result of the investigations that he, with Justice Harriss, had made.

When asked if the local bakers would be charged with conducting a combination in restraint of trade or charging an unreasonable price for bread, Solicitor Peschau stated that this was the first move and that as far as the price of bread was concerned the swearing out of the warrants had nothing to do with that, but was only for the violation of the ordinance which covers the weight of the loaves of bread being offered for sale here.

Solicitor Peschau further stated that of the many complaints registered with him a majority were because the local consumers had no assurance that they were being sold the standard size loaf of bread and not so much because of the advance in price.

To be positive of their position Solicitor Peschau and Justice Harriss had Special County Officer H. Mack Godwin visit the Globe, Royal and Farris bakeries early this morning and purchase a loaf of bread from each. The bread was then weighed on standard scales and the three loaves averaged about 11 ounces apiece. To be exact, one loaf weighed 10.34 ounces, another 11 ounces and the third 11.14 ounces. The city ordinance covering the weight of a standard loaf of bread prescribes that each shall weigh a pound avoirdupois, which, of course, is 16 ounces.

The arrests here will, no doubt, come in for Statewide interest, as the matter of the amount of bread received for the price now charged has been brought up before practically every housewives' league and women's organization in North Carolina and in many other States. The fact that every housewife will, in the future, receive practically one-third more bread for the same amount of money will be glad news and a stride towards the reduction of the high cost of living.

The following is the ordinance as contained in the revised ordinances of the City of Wilmington: Every loaf of bread made or procured for the purpose of sale, sold, offered or exposed for sale, in the City of Wilmington, shall weigh a pound avoirdupois (except as hereinafter provided) and such loaf shall be considered to be the standard loaf in the City of Wilmington. Bread may be made for the purpose of sale, sold, offered or exposed for sale, in one-half standard loaves, or eight ounces; one-pound loaf, or sixteen ounces; two-loaves, or thirty-two ounces; double, triple, quadruple, quintuple or sextuple loaves, and in no other way.

Every loaf of bread made or procured for the purpose of sale, sold, offered or exposed for sale in the City of Wilmington, shall have affixed thereon in a conspicuous place, a label or stamp at least one inch square, or if round at least one inch in diameter, on which label or stamp there shall be printed, in plain type, in black or dark ink upon white paper from type not smaller than type commonly known as twelve-point full-face gothic, capital letters and figures, the weight of the loaf in half-pounds or pounds avoirdupois. The business name and address of the maker, baker or manufacturer of the loaf shall be printed plainly on each label.

TRABUE DECLARED NOT GUILTY.

Nashville, Tenn., Nov. 29.—Charles Trabue, who has been on trial since October 31, charged with the murder of Harry S. Stokes, was acquitted of the charge in Davidson county criminal court today.

The court room was crowded at the time the verdict was brought in shortly after 11:30 o'clock, but there was no demonstration.

WILL OBSERVE DAY FITTINGLY

Many Will Leave City For Thanksgiving—Services in Churches—General Rest

Thanksgiving Day will be fittingly observed in Wilmington and while many are preparing to go elsewhere for the day, of course the majority of the people will remain here in the city and enjoy themselves. Special services are to be conducted in all of the churches, mostly in the morning, the postoffice will observe part holiday and various other institutions will give their employees a longer period for dinner because the turkey will have to be carved and because turkey is served but seldom this is a job that has to be attended to properly. Many of the citizens will spend the day in the woods with their guns and dogs, while others will try their luck with the rod and reel. As a whole, Thanksgiving will be fittingly observed here in much the same manner as it has been in the past and as it is served all over the country.

The Carolina-Virginia football game that is to be staged at Richmond will be largely attended by Wilmingtonians, as will the A. & M. and Washington & Lee game, which will be staged at Raleigh. Many will go to Raleigh to see the same because that town is nearer but a majority of football fanatics will make their annual pilgrimage to Richmond with the hope that 1916, the year of prodigies, will see a Tar Heel win over the sons of the Old Dominion. They have journeyed to Richmond annually every year for the past decade with this in their hearts, but the hope has been upset so often that only the most fanatic are going to Richmond with the expectation of a Carolina win. Of course, all are hoping for this, but few actually believe such will take place. Reports from Chapel Hill, however, say that if Tar Heel expects to ever triumph over her ancient enemy this is the time it will be done, for while the Virginians are considerably weaker than in the past the Carolina lineup is one of the strongest and best in the history of the institution. All are hoping that this is true, but as stated above the hope has been spoiled too often for fans to take anything of this nature without a grain of salt. The A. C. L. is expecting to transport several coaches filled with supporters of the white and gold and with this in view every effort has been made looking toward the comfort of these persons while en route to the Virginia capital and on the return trip.

The A. & M. and Washington & Lee battle promises to be interesting for the Raleigh contingent has always shown a tendency to scrap for every inch of the ground yielded to an opponent, and despite reports this season to the effect that the Mechanical lineup is not so strong as in former years the prevailing belief is that Washington & Lee will have a hard time scoring on the Aggies.

As stated above, many will journey outside the city confines for Thanksgiving, but others will remain here and enjoy a day of rest and real thanksgiving.

The city schools closed this afternoon and the pupils will be given until Monday morning to enjoy themselves.

TEXAS CLOSES TO CATTLE IMPORTS.

Fort Worth, Texas, Nov. 29.—Texas was closed today to all live stock imports from Missouri, Kansas, Iowa, Nebraska and Illinois. This embargo went into effect this morning on an order of the Live Stock Sanitary Commission and will remain in force until the foot-and-mouth disease quarantine in the Middle West is removed.

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ANYTHING WORTH HAVING IS WORTH SOME EFFORT

CHICAGO PEOPLE FIGHTING THE HIGH PRICES

Millions of More Eggs Found In Cold Storage There.

HUNDREDS ARE LIKELY BAD.

Officials and Women Are Working Together to Solve The Big Food Problem.

Chicago, Ill., Nov. 29.—State, city and Federal officers, together with members of civic, women's clubs and other organizations, are working today to find a solution for the high prices of foodstuff.

With the campaign centering on eggs it was announced that municipal inspectors had discovered in storage about 800,000 eggs of questionable quality which were being tagged and marked for examination by the city chemist, while more than 2,000,000 eggs were found in six cold storage houses awaiting an increase in price. In addition government inspectors found 36,000,000 eggs stored in another warehouse, the owner of which had not been located.

DO CHRISTMAS MAILING EARLY

Postmaster General Starts Nation-wide Campaign For It.

Washington, Nov. 29.—Expecting heavier Christmas mail than ever before, because of the general prosperity prevalent throughout the country, Postmaster-General Burleson announced today he had begun, through the postmasters, a Nation-wide "mail early" campaign. Postmasters have been authorized to employ all possible means to deliver the holiday mail and have been instructed to advertise suggestions to the public asking the people to mail early, address plainly and wrap parcels securely. Packages may be marked, "Not to be opened until Christmas."

Early mailing is especially necessary, Postmaster-General Burleson says, because the day before Christmas falls on Sunday and all parcels should be mailed in time to be delivered Saturday, December 23. The postmaster-general says that early mailing of gifts will enable the postal employees to be free from their duties for at least a part of Christmas day.

STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS TO MEET.

Raleigh, N. C., Nov. 29.—The State Board of Elections will meet in Raleigh tomorrow to canvass the vote of North Carolina in the election November 7 and issue certificates of election to the successful candidates. The law specifies that the board must meet on the third Thursday after the election, and although tomorrow is Thanksgiving the members will have to be present. Immediately after the meeting is called to order, however, a motion to adjourn until Friday will be adopted.

VIOLENT FIGHTING ON SOMME FRONT.

Paris, Nov. 29.—Increased activity on the Somme front, south of the river, is reported by the war office. During the night there were spirited artillery engagements in the region of Baches and Pressoire.

British Attack Repulsed. Berlin, (By Wireless to Sayville), Nov. 29.—British troops attacking near Gievenchy, south-east of Lens, last night, were repulsed, the war office reports.

Many Realize Value of Prizes in Dispatch Contest—One Subscription by Saturday Night Will Give 25,000 Extra Votes.

THE PRIZES.
\$685 Overland Automobile.
Ford Automobile.
Building Lot.
\$100 in Gold.
\$75 Victrola.
\$50 O. K. Mystic Range.
\$40 Sellers Kitchen Cabinet.
\$25 Wrist Watch.
Two \$60 Diamond Rings.

Did you ever in your life see anything worth having that was not worth a little extra effort?

Unless you were born with a proverbial silver spoon in your mouth, you never had a thing worth while, that you did not have to put forth a little effort to secure or if you did not put forth the effort yourself, then someone near to you, who thought more of you than you did yourself, put forth that effort. Someone had to do it. It is the nature of things.

"Anything worth while is worth a trial." Just so it is with The Dispatch's offer. There are ten valuable prizes, with two automobiles heading the list, to be awarded the candidates in The Dispatch contest, and they are certainly worth an honest effort to secure.

Several of those already enrolled have expressed themselves forcibly as intending to win, and an active campaign for votes is now commencing. There is getting under way one of the merriest races ever participated in by the people of Wilmington and vicinity. The contestants realize the real value of the opportunity and what it will mean to them, if they win.

Delay is sometimes dangerous. One small subscription may decide who will win a prize. In Roanoke, Va., in a similar contest, the winner of one of the big prizes won by a narrow margin of 123 votes. While it is not probable that the race here will be so close, it is within the possibility. Just a few moments now may decide the question in favor of your candidate and you had better see that your favorite candidate receives at least one subscription through your efforts.

The thing for you candidates to do is get very busy, and see all your friends and acquaintances and ask them to take a subscription for as long a period of time as possible. The longer the subscription the greater number of votes you will receive. When asking for a subscription the wise contestant will ask for at least a year, for many people will subscribe for a year as easily as they will for six months.

Organization is an important factor in a contest of this kind. Any contestant can multiply her chances of winning many times by organizing her friends, lodge, club, or church members—and trying in every way to build up a large and winning vote.

Those "who have wished they might win," but so far have made no effort toward the realization of that desire, should begin an active campaign at once. The contest has only started and the field is full of unbounded possibilities for the aggressive workers. It should not be forgotten, though, that the time is flying, and that the prizes will not be won by "wishing" but by "working."

Subscribers can secure votes for anyone of the candidates by paying a subscription at the office, but they must ask for the votes at the time the subscriptions are paid, otherwise votes will not be issued. Votes are due and can be issued to all subscribers paying their subscriptions at the office provided the subscribers ask for them. Anyone can pay the contestants direct and the votes will always be issued.

Next Saturday, December 2, will be known as "Get Acquainted Day." To every candidate who turns or sends into the office of The Dispatch or the Contest Manager one subscription for one dollar and twenty-five cents, will be given a certificate good for 15,000 Extra Votes. Don't forget the day—next Saturday, December 2.

The Contest Department will be closed all day tomorrow, Thanksgiving. The standing of all the candidates will not be changed until Friday's paper.

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St. Louis is to hold a celebration on Thanksgiving Day in honor of the completion of the new free bridge across the Mississippi river.