

RUSSIANS TURNING TABLES NEAR RIGA

Spirited Offensive Results in German Preparations to Evacuate Mitau.

DVINSK APPEARS SECURE

Car Makes Tour of Inspection and Is Received With Enthusiasm by All—Persians Receive Assurances of Protection.

PETROGRAD, Nov. 15. (Special.)—The spirited tactics of the Russian forces on the Riga front have reversed the situation there in the last few days. The Germans now being on the defensive and retreating. A week ago they were within five miles of Riga; today they are 25 miles away. It is learned from a reliable authority that Russian air scouts ascertained yesterday that the Germans are beginning the active evacuation of Mitau, which for some weeks has been a secure base for them. Mitau is being bombarded by Russian artillery and Kemerovo has been captured by the Czar's troops.

Mitau is Russian Objective. It is believed that the Russians are determined to continue the thrust until they capture Mitau and compel the formation of the Winter lines of the Germans west of that city, thus effectively safeguarding Riga from any surprise. Dvinsk appears to be secure, and its occupation by the Germans is thought to be impossible.

The Czar has been making a tour of inspection during the last three or four days. First, he journeyed from headquarters to Riga, where he received medals on the breast of a British submarine crew. He descended the ladder of this submarine after witnessing a demonstration of the landing of troops, and inspected the torpedo tubes, the equilibrium apparatus and the engine-room.

Bulgarian Commands at Riga. Then he went to Riga, where he was received by the Bulgarian General, Radko Dimitrieff, who, at the outbreak of the Bulgarian-Russian war, renounced his Bulgarian nationality and decided to remain with the Russian army and become a Russian citizen. He is now Governor of the Riga district.

After inspecting the troops the Czar went to Vitebsk, one of the towns most completely wrecked, where he inspected more troops. He was greeted everywhere with the greatest enthusiasm and many peasants conveyed to him expressions of fervent loyalty.

Tobacco Is Reassured. Though within gunshot of Tiberian, the Russian army is not expected to approach nearer or to enter the city. It is probable arrangements with the Persian government, for the purpose of stabilizing the government authority in the province and preventing the migration of tribes by Turkish and German agents, who are accused of paying brigades to attack consuls, residents and travelers.

The people of Persia appear to have exhibited considerable alarm in the last few days, but Russian reassurances and the Shah's decision to remain in the city have encouraged the Persian residents, who are known to entertain Russian sentiments.

THOUSANDS HONOR NEGRO

Prominent Men From All Walks Attend Washington Funeral.

TUNKASSEE, Ala., Nov. 17. (Special.)—Prominent men from all walks of life as well as negroes, attended the funeral of Booker T. Washington, the noted negro educator, race leader and author, which was held this morning at Tuskegee institute, which he made famous, and which has taken such an important part in the elevation of the negro race. Fully 800 persons came to Tuskegee to pay a last tribute of respect to Dr. Washington. Only 2500 could get into the chapel to hear the simple Episcopal funeral service and hear the many old plantation songs which Dr. Washington loved so well.

Headed by the board of trustees, a procession including a number of distinguished visitors, marched to the university and the executive council of the institute, formed in front of the school's administration building and marched to the chapel. The students followed.

SOCIAL LEADERS TO NURSE

Chicago Women Organize for Aid in Event of War.

CHICAGO, Nov. 17.—Twenty women prominent in Chicago society have organized an emergency Red Cross nursing corps and begun a course of training for the work that army nurses must do. Not only is it their purpose to be ready at a moment's notice should the United States need their services, but in case of a disaster similar to the Iroquois fire or Eastland steamship disaster they will be ready to supplement the services of the hospital nurses.

Arrangements have been made with one of the large hospitals for the society women to assist in the surgical cases at the institution.

BIG WATER CLAIM SETTLED

Decree Preserves Rights of City of Baker and Affects 125,000 Acres.

SALEM, Or., Nov. 17.—(Special.)—The State Water Board today issued a decree settling a controversy of title along the Powder River. The decree, which is regarded as one of the most important ever issued by the board, affects 125,000 claimants and 125,000 acres of land.

The decree preserves the water rights of the City of Baker. Included in the decree are the acreages of the Baker Irrigation Company and the Thief Valley Irrigation Company, comprising 20,000 and 30,000 acres, respectively.

Home Residents File Request. SALEM, Or., Nov. 17.—(Special.)—Application was filed today with the Oregon Public Service Commission by 80 residents of Home, Or., for an order directing the Oregon Short Line to build a shelter shed at Sardipia, Or., a station of the railroad's Home-stand branch in Baker County. It was also asked that the name Sardipia be changed to Home.

The Weather a Year Ago Today. Fair, temperature, high 47, low 11.5 degrees. November 17, 1914. There is a very good chance of rain today. Look for signature E. W. Green, Jr.

ACTRESS WHO IS TO RAISE EDGAR ALLEN POE MEMORIAL FUND.



VIRGINIA PEARSON AT NEW YORK ZOO UNDER GUIDANCE OF BILL SNYDER, BOSS OF THE ANIMALS.

SHAFT TO POE URGED

Actress Starts Movement to Mark Author's Grave.

\$10,000 FUND TO BE RAISED

Virginia Pearson to Appeal to Persons of All Walks of Life Who Have Enjoyed Writer's Works to Contribute Cash.

NEW YORK, Nov. 17.—(Special.)—In almost every walk of life, from those high up in the councils of the Government to the lowest laborer who earns his living by the sweat of the brow, the stories by Edgar Allan Poe have thrilled the hearts of countless readers. Great as this American author has become since his death, his body lies in an obscure little cemetery on Fayette street in Baltimore, who will be remembered for her work with Robert Hilliard in "The Vampire" and "A Fool There Was," has taken upon herself the organization of a campaign fund of \$10,000 with which to erect a fitting memorial over the almost neglected grave of the great author. Authors, playwrights, journalists, newspaper men, song writers and composers as well as the hundreds of thousands of readers who have enjoyed the lines penned by Poe, will be asked to aid in the great campaign by contributing their little mite.

Miss Pearson finds time from her arduous work in the "movie field," in which she is one of the prominent stars, to study the lives and habits of the various animals in the zoo, and often she can be found, as the camera man recently found her, with the elephants in Central Park, New York, on the most intimate terms with the four-footed inmates.

PLEAS PROVE UNAVAILING (Continued From First Page.)

of typhoid fever which the mother suffered recently.

The authorities took no action further than to determine that no death certificate should be issued until after an investigation by the coroner.

In discussing his stand in the case today, Dr. Haiselden cited the case of Roswell Smith, a supposed harmless defective, who, after reaching the adult stage, killed little Hazel Wainstock, for which he was hanged. A visitor, however, remarked that Pyodora Dos-toevsky, born a defective, a gambler and an epileptic, developed into a great scientist and one of the greatest psychologists in Europe.

Most of the visitors today treated the baby, which lay in a private room, as if it were uncanny. Dr. Haiselden, who had condemned it to death, alone treated it like a human being. He caressed its little twisted cheeks, and said, tenderly:

"He will be dead before the night is over."

"It would be a moral wrong," he continued, "to allow this baby to live, for it is a city which allows a black-hand outtake every week, a thousand abortions a day and an automobile accident every round of the clock is hardly in a position to criticize a man who holds that death is preferable to life in a defective."

The telephone rang. Dr. Haiselden answered it and talked five minutes with a woman. She pleaded with him to save the baby's life.

When he returned from the phone he seemed sadly.

"She called me names," he said. "It

is strange what a fuss people are making over this case when all these abortions go unnoticed."

"The little bundle, which was the center of all eyes, stirred and a feeble cry was heard."

"Not much longer to wait, little one," said the doctor, gently, adding to those near him: "He is dying."

Dr. Murphy said today:

"The baby's life is in the hands of a higher power. Nature will provide the best remedy."

Dr. Roselle M. Ladova commented:

"A life is a life and I wish Dr. Haiselden would step aside and let someone operate."

Clarence Darrow, the lawyer, known also as a humanitarian, remarked:

"Chloroform unfit children. Show them the same mercy that is shown bears no longer fit to live."

EUGENE HAS 37 PLANTS

\$651,000 IS INVESTED IN VARIOUS FACTORIES.

More Than 300 Persons Are Engaged in Industries; Annual Pay-roll Is \$209,000.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Nov. 17.—There are 37 manufacturing establishments in Eugene, Or., in which is invested \$651,000 of capital, as shown by a recent census bulletin on manufactures in Eugene. The bulletin contains the following additional facts:

The cost of materials used was \$497,000. In addition to the component materials which enter into the products of the establishment for the census year there are included the cost of fuel, mill supplies and rent of power and heat.

The census inquiry does not include amounts paid for miscellaneous expenses, such as rent of office, royalties, insurance, ordinary repairs, advertising, traveling expenses, or allowance for depreciation.

The value of products, which amounted to \$319,900, represents their selling value or price at the plants as actually turned out by the factories during the census year and does not necessarily have any relation to the amount of sales for that year. The statistics are summarized:

Number of establishments	37
Persons engaged in manufacturing	321
Proprietors and firm members	40
Salaries	20,000
Wages (average number)	258
Primary horsepower	\$651,000
Capital	200,000
Services	200,000
Materials	497,000
Value of products	319,900
Value added by manufacture (value of products less cost of materials)	402,000

Portland Accountant Appointed. OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Nov. 17.—Edgar M. Dillon, of Portland, has been appointed accountant in the Interstate Commerce Commission, at \$2400 a year. He has been assigned to the railway valuation division.

In 48 years Alaska has produced \$400,000,000 in gold, fish, furs, copper and other products.

LAST 3 DAYS

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THE MORNING OREGONIAN, THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 1915.

BERLIN AND VIENNA

THINK END IS NEAR

Central Powers Optimistic Although Preparations Are Not Being Relaxed.

ALLIES BELIEVED BEATEN

Futility of Attempt to Break Line in West Regarded as Proved and Serbian Campaign Counted as Almost Over.

BY KARL H. VON WIEGAND. (Special staff correspondent of the New York Times. Special cable dispatch. Copyright, 1915, by the Press Publishing Company. Published by arrangement.)

VIENNA, Nov. 17.—With Germany and Austria-Hungary, on the one hand, straining every nerve, preparing for an indefinite prolongation of the great struggle through economy, husbanding and the strictest control of every available resource; with buyers in every accessible market; with nothing really tangible, so far as the general public is aware, out of the mass of uncontrovertible and untraceable rumors of peace that could form a concrete base for the hope of an early ending of the carnage, there has been, on the other hand, a revival of a current of optimism, within the last two or three days, in Berlin, Vienna and Budapest, that the days of the war are numbered, such as they haven't experienced in the last 15 months.

There has a confidence come to the surface such as has not existed at any time during the war, and a feeling of apparent satisfaction over the general situation for the central powers is manifest in circles high and low.

The psychology of this lies in the belief that exists here that the Serbian campaign is all but ended; the opinion here that Italy is longing to call off its war; the tone of the American note to England; the thought that England is divided against herself; that France cannot afford another offensive; that Russia will not come into serious consideration again.

In the last 10 days I have talked with leading statesmen, military men and publicists in Berlin, Vienna and Budapest; the political triangle and heart of the central powers. The composite picture of their views of the situation as seen by them from within the beleaguered and semi-isolated central powers, in their own language, is something as follows:

The war is practically decided. The allies can hardly expect to equal, much less surpass, the efforts already made. Only a definite hope of being able to change materially the military situation can justify the governments of the allies in the eyes of their peoples in continuing the war.

Vienna thinks that Austria can strengthen its forces against Italy with the troops now in Serbia; that the Germans can be moved to the Italian front; that Russia cannot possibly recover the situation there; that Turkey has more than 1,000,000 men to be added to the forces of the central powers, awaiting only the necessary arms which are now being shipped down the Danube; that Rumania and Greece have withstood the severest tests, and it is not reasonable or logical to expect they would come against the central powers so long as the allies can have withstood the starvation policy which win for her.

Also, the statesmen of the central powers declare that to alter the situation materially it is necessary to drive the Germans out of Belgium and Northern France, or for the allies to break through, or for the allies to throw the Germans, Austro-Hungarians and Bulgarians back across the Danube and cut the connection with Turkey, or take the Dardanelles or something more than a word, or to cut the Kaiser Wilhelm Canal.

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That moral universal military service already exists in England, and that a Parliamentary measure would weaken through discord more than it would strengthen; that the third Italian offensive left the Italians weaker; that the completion of the Serbian campaign releases numerous Austrian and Hungarian army corps, with which Austria can stop them.

There are attacks on the English government, confusion and divisions there, it is held; also that there is discouragement in France, as manifested in the fall of the Cabinet, and similar conditions in Petrograd, with the inability of the Rome Cabinet to justify going to war to their people, all evidence of who's on top in the war.

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