



BUCHAREST TAKEN BY GERMAN ARMY

Ploechti Is Captured, Too, by Invaders.

LINE OF RETREAT IS CUT

Southern Part of Roumania, Including 50,000 Square Miles, Conquered.

MAIN RAILWAY IS HELD

Sacrifice of Capital to Enable Defenders to Escape Long Expected by Critics.

BERLIN, Dec. 6, by wireless to Sayville.—Bucharest, capital of Roumania, has been captured, it was officially announced today.

Ploechti, the important railway junction town, 36 miles northwest of Bucharest, also has been taken.

The capture of Ploechti, on the main railway line running north from Bucharest, cuts the main railway line of retreat for the Roumanian armies operating in the Bucharest region.

Serious Plight Possible.

The official statement does not indicate whether the entry of the Teutonic forces into Bucharest and Ploechti was simultaneous.

The capture of Ploechti before that of the capital would be far more serious for the Roumanians.

Many military observers looked for the Roumanians not to attempt a defense of the capital at the last, expecting an evacuation in time to save the forces defending it by a withdrawal by the railway route remaining to them.

Vast Territory Conquered.

The taking of Bucharest virtually completes the conquest by the Teutonic forces of the southern section of the Roumanian kingdom, embracing territory of more than 50,000 square miles.

BERLIN, Dec. 6, by wireless to Sayville.—Russian troops again attacked yesterday in the Carpathian forest, north of Tartar Pass and on the Ludova. The War Office report of today says the new assaults of the Russians brought them no success.

The Russians made a strong attack in the Trotus Valley and succeeded in reaching the German second positions. North of Cituz Pass a Russian point of support was captured.

Von Mackensen Sweeps On.

Field Marshal von Mackensen's troops, advancing victoriously, approached the railway line running northward from Bucharest to Ploechti, causing the Roumanians to evacuate their positions north of Sinia.

South of Bucharest, the Teutonic troops have occupied other towns along the River Alt and are advancing toward the Roumanian capital.

More than 6000 Roumanians were captured yesterday.

HALF OF NATION CONQUERED

Rapidity of Offensive Is Almost Unparalleled.

WITH THE GERMAN ARMIES BEFORE BUCHAREST, Roumania, Dec. 4.—(By courier to Hermannstadt and wireless to the Associated Press, via Sayville, N. Y.)—The armies of Field Marshal von Mackensen and General von Falkenhayn after a campaign, the rapidity of which has been almost unparalleled in military history, have swept through half of Roumania, have crushed the resistance of the Roumanians at one point after another and now, having driven the Russo-Roumanian forces beyond Bucharest, both to the north and the south of the capital, are clamping their tentacles on the Roumanian city from three sides.

The Germans, with the aid of Austro-Hungarian troops, have beaten their way through the strongest kind of scientific defenses, obviously prepared long in advance. They have thrown the Roumanian army, numbering hundreds of thousands of men, back in such disorder that even apparently impregnable positions, such as those along the Rivers Alt and Argechu, could not be held more than a few hours.

The line of the Argechu River, with

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DUMA PRESIDENT RESENTS INSULT

SECONDS NAMED TO WAIT ON LEADER OF OPPOSITION.

Strength Shown by M. Rodzianko, Who Is Called "Babbling Blackguard," Shakes Ministry.

PETROGRAD, via London, Dec. 6.—After yesterday's session of the Duma, in which the scandal caused by M. Markoff, leader of the extreme right, who insulted President Rodzianko, led to a clear definition of the overwhelming strength of M. Rodzianko's supporters, further ministerial resignations are now considered inevitable. The extent and nature of the Cabinet reformation will probably be disclosed soon.

LONDON, Dec. 6.—Michail Rodzianko, President of the Russian Duma, who resigned recently when insulted by the leader of the extreme right, M. Markoff, has appointed seconds to wait upon M. Markoff and demand satisfaction for his honor, according to a Reuter dispatch from Petrograd.

M. Markoff, at a session of the Duma, called President Rodzianko a "babbling blackguard" and explained that he was deliberately insulting the Duma in the person of its President.

MOTION FOR PEACE LOST

Italian Chamber of Deputies Defeats Measure, 343 to 47.

ROME, Dec. 6.—A motion introduced by the Socialists in the Chamber of Deputies today urging peace was defeated by a vote of 343 to 47.

Those who voted in the minority were mostly Socialists. Premier Boselli asked for the rejection of the motion, not, he said, because he wished the Italian Parliament to vote against peace in itself, but against an Italian initiative for peace while the country was pledged with its allies not to end the war until victory is attained.

SCHOONER OAKLAND AFLOAT

Further Salvage Operations Delayed Through Some Hitch.

WHEELER, Or., Dec. 6.—(Special).—The stranded schooner Oakland was successfully floated four days ago, but owing to some hitch in preparations no attempt has been made to haul her out to sea. The vessel is in fine shape, and floats easily.

Captain Roberts, who has put the ship in shape to be saved, will leave tomorrow for Portland to urge the owner to take prompt action before another storm drives her back on the sand.

300,000 SEEK MORE PAY

80 Per Cent of Railroad Men Hold Adamson Law Discriminates.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—Petitions in behalf of the 80 per cent of railway employees not affected by the Adamson law and signed by 300,000 of them were presented to the Senate today by Senator McPherson.

The petitioners complained of having been discriminated against and contend that Congress should extend such legislation to all employees. They favored fixing wages by a Federal commission, and compulsory arbitration.

HATCHERIES BILL IS READY

Appropriations for Northwest States Expected Today.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Dec. 6.—The House of Representatives practically concluded consideration of an omnibus fish hatchery bill which carries \$50,000 for a hatchery in the Columbia River or its tributaries and similar amounts for hatcheries on Lake Quinalt in Washington, and another in Idaho.

The bill will pass the House tomorrow.

PAPER EMBARGO PROPOSED

Bill Introduced in House Fixes Heavy Penalties.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—A bill designed to place two years' embargo on exports of news print paper was introduced today by Representative Campbell of Kansas, and referred to the commerce committee.

HAWAII SEEKS STATEHOOD

Prince Kalaniana'ole Takes Bill Along to Washington.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 6.—A bill for statehood for Hawaii and another for equal suffrage for the territory were in the suitcase of Prince J. Kuhio Kalaniana'ole, delegate to Congress from that territory, who was here today, en route to Washington.

Princess Kalaniana'ole, accompanying her husband, said she expected to work for the suffrage bill.

RECEIVER IS APPOINTED

J. C. Lynch to Take Over Affairs of Casualty Company.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 6.—John C. Lynch was appointed receiver today for the Pacific Coast Casualty Company by Judge William C. Van Fleet, of the United States District Court.

The company ceased business last February after reinsuring its business with the Casualty Company of America.

'T WAS SO SUDDEN! GASP UMATILLANS

Women Take Every Office at City Election.

SURPRISE COUP TURNS TRICK

Mayor Defeated by His Wife Comments on Result.

'WE DIDN'T KNOW,' HE SAYS

Mayor-elect, Recorder-elect and Treasurer-elect Promise Business Administration.

UMATILLA, Or., Dec. 6.—(Special).—The feminist administration-to-be of Umatilla, consisting of a woman Mayor-elect, four Councilwomen-elect, a woman Recorder-elect and a woman Treasurer-elect, all of whom were swept into office by an astounding campaign coup at yesterday's election, defeating an all-man ticket, proposes to give Umatilla a business-and-economy administration.

Mayor E. E. Starcher, whose wife ran against him and defeated him for reelection, declared tonight that the men candidates were taken completely by surprise, and were defeated almost before they knew any opposition campaign was under way.

"The women put it over on us," was the Mayor's comment tonight.

Mrs. Starcher defeated the Mayor, her husband, by a majority of 28 votes out of 174 ballots cast. These are the women elected to office:

Mayor, Mrs. E. E. Starcher; Council, Mrs. C. G. Brownell, Mrs. Roy F. Paulu, Mrs. B. Spinning and Mrs. H. P. Moana; City Recorder, Mrs. J. H. Cherry; Treasurer, Mrs. Robert Merrick.

Marshal May Be Woman.

The town marshal is appointed by the Mayor, and there is talk here tonight that that official, who also will take office after January 1, will be a woman. The men doubt this action and hold out hope of winning at least one office, even though it is appointive. It was not until 2 o'clock, long after the polls opened, that the news spread over the town, and particularly to the Town Hall, where the election was held, that the women had a ticket in the field.

That was the first the men of the community knew of it. They laughed at the rumor. But it wasn't a rumor. It was such a cold fact that the men, who also were running for offices, are still wondering tonight how it all happened.

The women won't tell. They won't say whether it was a slate "cut and dried" at some sewing circle or church (Concluded on Page 17, Column 1.)

WRECKAGE POINTS TO SEA DISASTER

STEAMER SANTA BARBARA APPARENTLY IN TROUBLE.

Lumber, Deckhouse and Life Preserver Washed Ashore on Brighton Beach, Oregon.

WHEELER, Or., Dec. 6.—(Special).—Wreckage which continued to come into Brighton Beach today, all the way from Necarney Mountain to Brighton, indicated that the steam schooner Santa Barbara had lost part of her deck load and probably was otherwise in trouble.

Among other bits of wreckage picked up was a life preserver marked "Santa Barbara." Some of the wreckage appeared to be pieces of the vessel's house.

The southerly gale which has been blowing might have caused the vessel to lose her deckload and get into trouble that way. A great deal of lumber and part of the cabin have been washed in so far.

The Santa Barbara is a wooden steam schooner, of 635 tons gross and 527 tons net register, with a lumber-carrying capacity of 650,000 feet. She was 132.5 feet long, 37.5 feet beam and 13.5 depth of hold. She was built in San Francisco in 1900 and has been in Portland frequently. She carries a crew of 31 and has passenger accommodations.

The Santa Barbara sailed from San Francisco for South Bend, Wash., November 23, and was reported in South Bend December 1.

The vessel carries no wireless apparatus.

The Santa Barbara, according to information from South Bend last night, left Willapa Harbor early Wednesday morning, after having been bound all Tuesday. Lewis & Reed, agents at Raymond, Wash., said she carried a full load of lumber but no passengers so far as they knew.

The Santa Barbara is owned by the J. R. Hanify Lumber Company of San Francisco.

WOMEN EJECT OFFICERS

3500 at Meeting Throw Out 3 Men and Go on With Session.

LINCOLN, Neb., Dec. 6.—An attempt of Secretary Whitten, of the Commercial Club, to prevent Anna M. Lowry, self-styled ex-nun, from speaking in the City Auditorium today, resulted in a riot in which a constable and two policemen were roughly handled and thrown out of the building by the women.

Thirty-five hundred women packed the auditorium when the officers entered and attempted to arrest the woman on a warrant sworn to by Secretary Whitten, alleging trespassing. After throwing out the officers the women proceeded with the meeting.

MANY GREET PRESIDENT

Hour Is Set Aside to Receive Congressmen's Congratulations.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—This was congratulations day at the White House.

President Wilson set aside an hour late today in which to receive Senators and Representatives who had asked for appointments with him, and nearly 100 of them came and congratulated him on his re-election.

VICTIMS WELCOME WAX ON HIS RETURN

Women Once Courted Greet Prodigal.

MISS TANZER NOT YET SEEN

Identification as "Oliver Osborne" Is Positive.

SIGNATURE IS DUPLICATED

Girls Once Loved by Central Figure in Romantic Adventures Express Sorrow for Plight and Some Shed Tears.

NEW YORK, Dec. 6.—Positive identification of Charles H. Wax as "Oliver Osborne," elusive swain of a score of young women in this city, was made today by eight persons. He has yet, however, to face Miss Rae Tanzer, the factory worker, whose \$250,000 breach of promise suit against James W. Osborne, a prominent attorney, whom she accused of courting her as "Oliver Osborne," led to a succession of legal proceedings and revelations of a long chapter of sentimental adventures in which "Oliver" played the dual role of hero and villain. Wax has admitted it was he who made love to Miss Tanzer. The Federal authorities probably will not invite Miss Tanzer to call upon Wax. They maintained that James W. Osborne already has been vindicated of the charge of having wooed and won Miss Tanzer under the alias of "Oliver."

"Perjury Charges to Be Reopened."

Assistant United States District Attorney Roger B. Wood announced the charges of perjury and extortion against Miss Tanzer and several of her witnesses in the breach of promise case will be reopened and the cases rushed to trial.

Wax' identification began as a legal proceeding but developed into a welcome home reception. He was greeted with all the warmth of a returned prodigal. Among the visitors were some of the young women he had courted. Instead of condemning them they wished him good luck.

Miss Rose Helen Kaiser, who is said to have succeeded Miss Tanzer in his affections, took both Wax' hands in hers and said with tears in her eyes: "I'm so sorry for you."

Another young woman, Miss Blanche Younger, when asked by one of the Government representatives why she did not shake hands with him, said that she would if Wax would permit her. She, too, told him how sorry she felt for him.

The persons who established the identity of Wax as the elusive "Oliver" (Concluded on Page 3, Column 2.)

MAX LUCKE TELLS OF INFORMING BOPP

PORTLAND DEUTSCHE ZEITUNG EDITOR IS WITNESS.

Government Presses Connection Between Agent of Berlin and Dynamiting of Ship.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 6.—The alleged connection between the German Consul-General at this port and bomb outrages in May, 1915, at Seattle and other points was pressed by United States District Attorney John W. Preston through several witnesses today in the United States District Court here. Consul-General Franz Bopp, with Baron E. H. Von Schack, Vice-Consul; Lieutenant Wilhelm von Bricken, attache, and four others, are on trial for conspiracy to destroy munitions ships, railway tunnels and ammunition shipments of the United States in violation of American neutrality.

Max Lucke, editor of the Portland (Oregon) Deutsche Zeitung; John H. Degen, a Tacoma, Wash., storekeeper, and James Balfour, marine reporter for the Tacoma Tribune, were among the last witnesses examined today.

Lucke, who was formerly assistant secretary of the German House, a semi-benevolent institution here, testified that he learned from Louis J. Smith, a Government witness, of a 2000-ton dynamite shipment intended for Russia and that he brought the German consular attention to it and placed the consular in touch with Smith.

Degen identified Smith as the man who later sought marine news at his store at 740 Pacific avenue, Tacoma. Balfour related how he had informed Smith, in Degen's store, of the date of departure of the Kaifuika Maru for Vladivostok. Smith has informed the District Attorney's office that he subsequently tried to place a bomb on board the Kaifuika Maru, but failed.

Smith, who is star witness for the Government, probably will not be called until next week.

Testimony was brought out today that Lieutenant von Bricken hurried to the German House in a taxicab to meet Smith after Lucke's message. The Government prosecutors said they would try to show that out of this meeting the German Consul-General, through C. C. Crowley, a detective, hired Smith to do dynamiting jobs in the Northwest and in Canada, for \$300 a month and a bonus of equal amount for each explosion.

MORE WOOL RAISING URGED

Present Prices Will Be Maintained 10 Years, Is Forecast.

NEW YORK, Dec. 6.—Wool raising on a larger scale in the United States to meet problems confronting the industry was urged by Albert W. Elliott, of Boston, in an address on the wool situation at the 10th annual meeting of the American Association of Woolen and Worsted Manufacturers here today.

He declared the outlook for wool after the war is good and that present prices would be maintained for the next 10 years.

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New British Government to Be Coalition, as Was Old, but Harmony Is Lacking.

NEW FACTIONS CREATED

Laborites Bitter Foes of Successor to Asquith-Party Government Impossible.

LONDON, Dec. 6, 11 P. M.—David Lloyd George has overthrown the Asquith Cabinet and will become Prime Minister himself. The new government will be coalition, like the old one, but probably without the same measure of harmonious support which attended the formation of the first coalition government, because its birth has created additional factional differences.

This result has emerged from another day of active and hurried party conferences and a day of intense suspense and interest throughout the country.

King Calls Party Leaders.

There was a prospect this afternoon that the personal offices of the King might solve the situation and many thought that the Asquith regime might be continued. The King called the party leaders to Buckingham Palace and conferred with them for more than an hour.

Mr. Asquith and Mr. Lloyd George, of the Liberals; Mr. Bonar Law and Mr. Balfour, of the Unionists, and Mr. Henderson, of the labor party, were with the sovereign. It is many years since a British ruler assembled the representatives of the different factions face to face when they had shown themselves unable to settle their differences. But no such serious crisis has before arisen to require such action by the King.

Council Happenings Secret.

Whatever passed in council is held secret, but the inference that the King tried to arrange a reconciliation appears a most natural one. The five statesmen departed separately, four in their motor cars and the working men's spokesman afoot.

Afterward the King gave an audience to Mr. Bonar Law, who declined to undertake the formation of a new ministry, and then to Mr. Lloyd George, who accepted the responsibility, as everyone expected he would if the opportunity came to him.

Party Government Impossible.

The official announcement tonight that Mr. Lloyd George had undertaken the task, with the co-operation of Mr. Bonar Law, was a notification that the new government would be a coalition.

Any party government would be impossible, because neither the Unionists nor the Liberals have a majority in the House of Commons; either one must attach the Irish Nationalists or the Laborites to itself to command a majority.

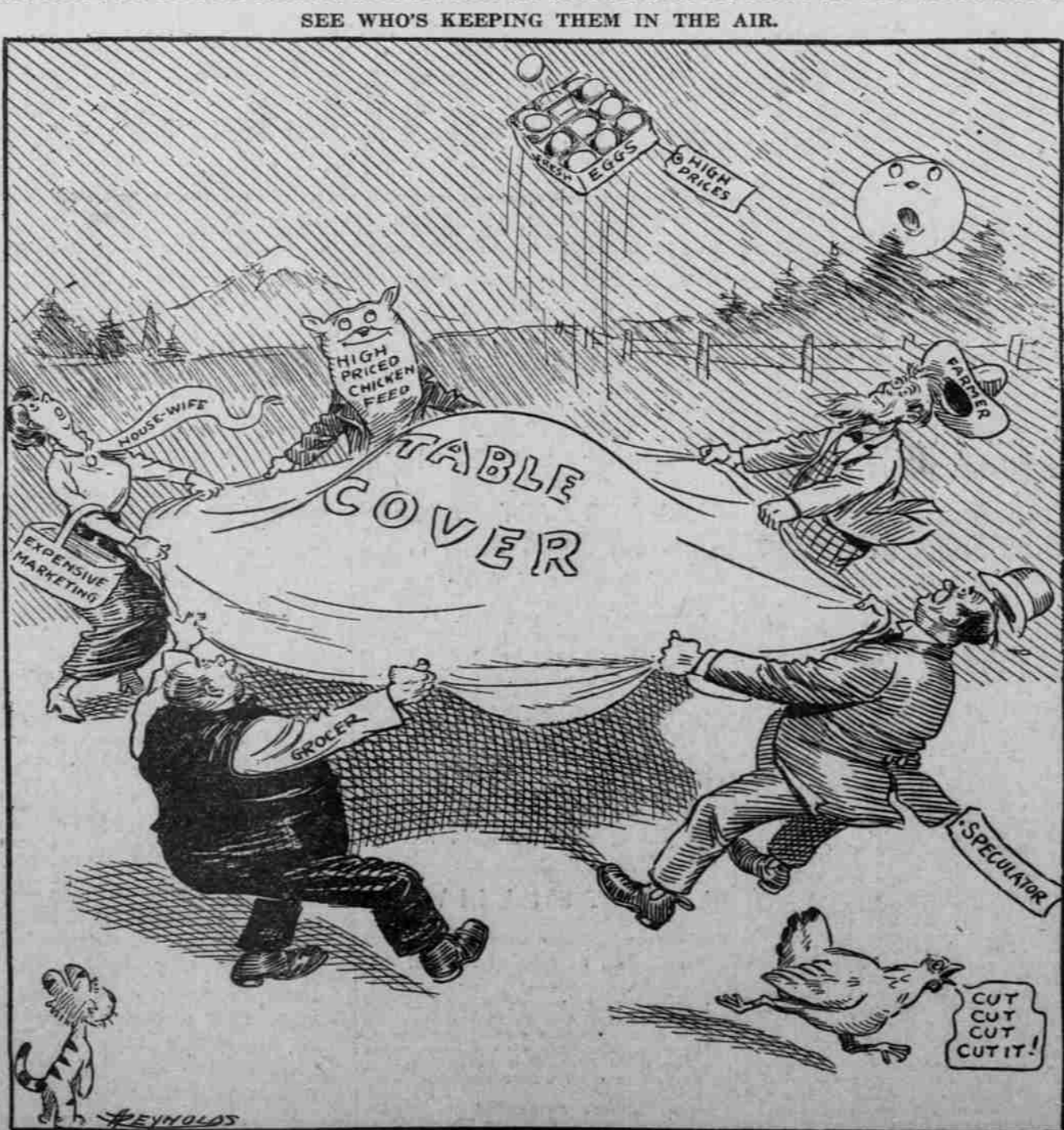
The Nationalists have refused to participate in the government until home rule becomes established. The Laborites are sworn enemies to Lloyd George, because they resent his accusations that the workingmen have put their personal interest above the national interest at times during the war.

Old Leaders to Be Retired.

The country awaits the rising of the curtain on the next act of this historical and remarkable crisis with an expectancy which never surrounded the birth throes of any previous government. The Lloyd George ministry means the direction of the war by a dictatorship in the form of an inner council of the Cabinet, and means the scrapping of those elder statesmen whose supremacy in the councils of the nation, unless they choose to withdraw from the scene voluntarily, has always heretofore been regarded by the British people as a matter of course.

Mr. Asquith, Mr. Balfour, Viscount Grey and Lord Lansdowne "must go," the Lloyd George press has been cry-

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SEE WHO'S KEEPING THEM IN THE AIR.