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Military Critics and Economists Concerned Over the Safety of Vast Grain Stores

ADVANCE GREAT MENACE

News of Fate of Roumanian Army Is Awaited With Anxiety as Forces Are in Precarious Position.

London, Nov. 22.—(U. P.)—London made no attempt today to disguise its feeling of the gravity of the German whirlwind advance into western Roumania, indicated in the fall of Craiova.

Military experts and economists were greatly concerned to know whether the advance information of the speed of the German enveloping movement, engineered by General von Falkenhayn, to remove from Craiova the vast stores of grain known to be there.

Germany desperately needs such wheat and hope is expressed here that fragmentary advices indicating that the Craiova granaries had been emptied long before the German occupation will be confirmed.

"As yet no word has been received direct from Bucharest admitting capture of the city by the Teutons or explaining what effect this capture will have on the Roumanian campaign in Wallachia.

The London press made no disguise today of the menace seen in the amazingly swift progress by which General von Falkenhayn's army swept into Roumania and took the Wallachian city. A temporary and total collapse of the entire Roumanian defensive was feared.

What London is most anxious now to ascertain is whether the Roumanian army, which von Falkenhayn's bold move sought to envelop, can escape the jaws of the German vise and successfully evade crushing from the north and south pressure.

With Craiova in German hands, the Roumanian railway communications to the Orsova sector are cut off. The Roumanian army in this Orsova section is in an exceedingly precarious position.

FALL OF BUCHAREST AT EARLY DATE PREDICTED BY STUDENTS OF WAR

London, Nov. 22.—(I. N. S.)—Craiova, vital nerve of the strategic railway net of western Roumania, fell to the army of General von Falkenhayn yesterday.

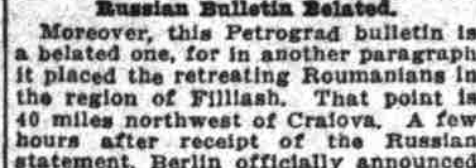
At Craiova, the Teutons stand 120 miles due west of Bucharest. In control of four of the most important railroads of communication their headlong advance toward the heart of the Kingdom continues swifter than ever.

That advance holds the menace of striking the greatest strategic blow of the war. It threatens the bulk of the Roumanian army still battling the Transylvanian Alps, and particularly the forces around Orsova near the "Iron Gate," with being completely cut off from all avenues of escape.

Roumanians in Dire Straits. For those sorely shattered forces, a last desperate stand in an open battle against overwhelming odds in numbers of men and guns or surrender are the only alternatives unless a miracle happens. The whole fighting in northwestern Roumania, as the result of the Teuton gash in Wallachia, has assumed the character of a race for the railways.

In Jiu and Motru valleys the Teutons won the race when they reached their main goal, Craiova. Ominous indications that the feat is about to be repeated further to the northeast is contained in yesterday's Russian war office statement admitting that "under pressure of the enemy, Roumanian troops are retreating slowly southward in the Alt valley."

PASTOR TO BE BADE FAREWELL TONIGHT



Rev. and Mrs. William Graham Moore.

Rev. William Graham Moore and his family will be tendered a farewell reception this evening by the congregation of the Mt. Tabor Presbyterian church, of which place he has been pastor for the past five years.

Mr. Moore will depart Saturday for Stockton, Cal., where he will take charge of a new pastorate. The social affair will take place in the parlors of the church.

Rev. Mr. Moore will leave for the south on the Great Northern steamship from Flavel.

Imperial munitions board announced today that it will provide work for all returned soldiers.

Air Raid Fruitless, Claim. Berlin, Nov. 22.—(I. N. S.)—(Via Sayville)—No military damage was done in the allied raid on Munich, the Overseas News agency announced today.

One of the largest windows in the Benedictine church of St. Boniface, of considerable art value, was destroyed, but this marked the limit of the destruction.

Grant County Stock Growers Favor Road. Immediate Construction of Proposed John Day Highway Is Approved at Annual Meeting of Association.

John Day, Or., Nov. 22.—The Grant County Stock Growers' association at its seventh annual meeting held at Canyon City, went on record unanimously favoring immediate construction of the proposed John Day Highway, the cost to be met by direct taxation from year to year, or if that is found to be impracticable, by the issuing of bonds.

The association passed a strong resolution of protest against the recent raise in grazing fees by the forest service.

The following officers were elected: George Clark, Mount Vernon, president; Allan Porter, Long Creek, vice president; J. E. Snow, Dayville, secretary; W. O. Cummings, Mount Vernon, treasurer; G. S. L. Smith, L. V. Stewart, Richard Danby, Herman Oliver, advisory board.

To Discuss Problems Of Grade Crossings

Grade crossings and measures to be taken to protect them or eliminate those that cannot be protected adequately will be discussed at a conference of railroad operating officials, automobile owners and public officials before the public service commission at 10:30 tomorrow morning.

The meeting, called by Commissioner Work for Returned Soldiers. Ottawa, Ont., Nov. 22.—(U. P.)—The

People in Stampede For Liquor Permits

Aberdeen, Wash., Nov. 22.—Applicants for liquor permits at Montezuma Monday were so many that the permit clerk had to call on the sheriff to keep them in line and prevent trouble. The number issued was 214, the second largest record since the law went into effect.

Benton Shipments Of Liquor Increase

Corvallis, Or., Nov. 22.—There were 309 shipments of liquor into Benton county during October, aggregating 1541 quarts. Of these shipments there were 294 quarts of beer, 496 quarts of whiskey, 12 quarts of alcohol, nine gallons of grain alcohol, five quarts of brandy and 10 quarts of wine.

Diplomats Depart From Greek Capital

Rome, Nov. 22.—(U. P.)—Departure of the diplomatic representatives of all the central powers from Athens amid demonstrations was reported in a wireless dispatch received from the Greek capital today before the state is declared dry by proclamation of the governor.

Federal Censorship Of "Movies" Favored

Indianapolis, Ind., Nov. 22.—(I. N. S.)—Federal censorship of moving pictures was advocated at the convention of the National W. C. T. U. here yesterday.

Marysville Women Boycott Egg Market

Marysville, Cal., Nov. 22.—(P. N. S.)—Members of the Marysville Women's club, comprising women who belong to the art and literary clubs, as well as the bridge and "600" clubs of town, have voted to refuse to buy eggs until the price goes down.

Earth Shocks Are Reported in North

Seattle, Wash., Nov. 22.—(U. P.)—Following reports of earthquake shocks at Bellingham, Anacortes and Stanwood, the University of Washington seismograph was consulted and found to have recorded short but violent shocks between 10:45 a. m. and 10:55 p. m. Monday.

The Unreliable Newspapers.

From the Toledo Blade. After a man has told the reporter a lie, he goes into a saloon and discusses the unreliability of newspapers with the bartender.

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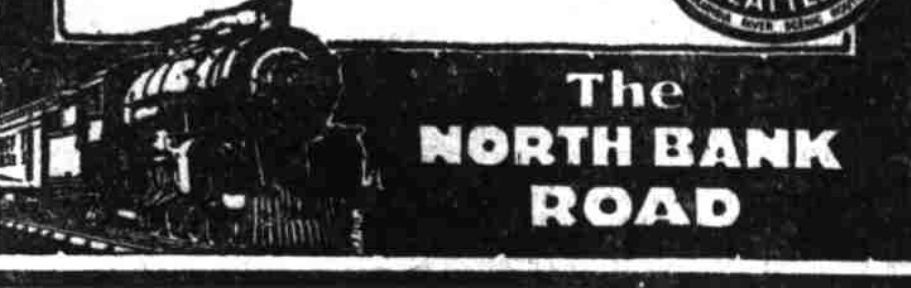
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