

FORECAST  
Rain tonight and tomorrow.

# MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

WEATHER  
Maximum yesterday, 48.  
Minimum today, 31.

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## GERMANS IN GUNSHOT OF BUCHAREST

Teutonic Grip in Rumania Unshaken as Three Armies Close in About Capital—Rumans Prepare for Desperate Defense—Russians Capture Range of Heights in Counter Offensive in Moldavia.

LONDON, Dec. 1.—The Exchange Telegraph company says it has received information from Zurich by way of Rome that the Rumanian military authorities are making preparations for a desperate defense of Bucharest. The civilian population is said to have evacuated the city and the government officials have retired to a town on the Russian frontier. This probably refers to the Rumanian town of Jassy, to which the government officials and diplomatic corps were said several days ago to have gone.

### Summary of Situation.

The Teutonic grip on Rumania remains unshaken and at last reports was tightening with three converging forces continuing unchecked, their advance toward Bucharest.

Despite tenacious resistance by the Rumanians, which appears to have increased as Bucharest was neared by the armies of Field Marshal Von Mackensen and General Von Falkenhayn, the invaders are now almost within gunshot of the capital. They are nearest their objective on the southwest where Tzomana, sixteen miles distant, has been reached. From th west they have driven to within forty miles, reaching Ghabatzotza. On the northwest they have broken the Rumanian lines, permitting of a new influx of Austro-German troops by way of Torzburg Pass and Compulung.

The Russians meanwhile have been attacking heavily all along the frontier of Moldavia, the Rumanian province which projects northward between Transylvania and Bessarabia, in an evident attempt to create a diversion in Rumania's favor. Today Petrograd reports a pronounced success in this offensive, declaring the whole range of heights along the frontier south of Kirklibaba has been taken by the Russians.

Whether this success will have any immediate effect on the operation of the Teutonic armies engaged in the main attack on the Rumanians has not yet been indicated. Apparently it would require a considerable penetration of Transylvanian territory by the Russians to affect the southern campaign.

### Grecian Crisis.

Greece today is in the midst of what seems likely to prove her greatest crisis. The entire ultimatum under which, possession of Greek arms and munitions were demanded, has expired and King Constantine is reported to have definitely refused compliance with the demands. On the other hand Admiral DuFournet, commander of the allied naval forces in Greek waters, has indicated that he will take radical measures to enforce the demands, having troops in readiness for debarkation at Piraeus, the port of Athens.

In Macedonia the Germans and (Continued on Page Three.)

## GERMANS DEPORT 100,000 BELGIANS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—More than 100,000 Belgians have been deported from Belgium by German military authorities, according to information presented to the state department today by Minister Havenith. Deportations, the minister said, are continuing at the rate of 3,000 a week.

The United States, the minister said, was being looked to by the Belgians to secure an amelioration of the situation. No further action by this government was suggested, however, as it was sought only to submit the latest facts.

## FIFTY MILLION LOAN TO ALLIES IS CALLED OFF

Warning to Bankers Issued by Federal Reserve Board Results in Withdrawal of Proposed Sale of British and French Treasury Bills Through J. P. Morgan & Co.

NEW YORK, Dec. 1.—J. P. Morgan and company have withdrawn the proposed sale of \$50,000,000 British and French treasury bills, according to instructions received by them from abroad.

The announcement was contained in the following statement:

"We have been instructed by the British and French governments to withdraw their treasury bills from sale.

### Due to U. S. Protest.

"We have accordingly expressed to those institutions and investors, which had already placed orders with us for these securities the wish to be released from the obligations to deliver and they have been good enough to accede.

"This action is because, as explained by the British chancellor of the exchequer and by the French minister of finance, these governments desire to show every regard to the federal reserve board, a governmental body of which the secretary of the treasury and the comptroller of currency are ex-officio members.

### Were of Short Maturity.

"We may add that sale in limited amount of these treasury bills payable in dollars in New York have never been an essential part of the allied government's financial plans, but have for some time been under consideration with a view to furnishing a credit medium that would accommodate the American banking demands for an instrument of short maturity and of such limited volume that the government could always undertake to lay down gold in New York sufficient to meet the matured bills.

"It was believed further that these bills would have furnished at the end of the war an excellent measure of protection to the American financial situation, inasmuch as these steadily maturing obligations of the foreign governments would have tended to prevent heavy drafts of gold from this market.

An informal statement was made by a member of the Morgan company that no other financial plans have been formulated in place of the ones abandoned.

## BOPP TO BE TRIED FOR CONSPIRACIES

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 1.—Subpoenaing of witnesses for the trial of Franz Bopp, German consul general here, and members of his official family, indicted for alleged conspiracies to dynamite railroads, ships and munition factories in the United States and Canada begun today. John W. Preston, district attorney, said that about 250 men and women would be summoned by the government in the case.

In addition to Bopp, those to be tried are E. H. Van Schrack, German vice-consul; William Von Brincken, attaché; Charles C. Cowler, detective for the German consulate, and Mrs. Margaret W. Cornell, Crowley's secretary.

## BLOOD TRANSFUSION IMPROVES ARCHBOLD

TARRYTOWN, N. Y., Dec. 1.—John D. Archbold, president of the Standard Oil company of New Jersey, who is seriously ill at his home here following an operation a week ago for appendicitis, passed a comfortable night, it was said today by a member of the family.

Improvement was attributed to the good effects of a blood transfusion operation performed yesterday, blood being given for the purpose by Mr. Archbold's chauffeur.

## KAISER READY WITH AMENDS IN MARINA CASE

Information Asked as to Status of Case—Settlement Offered if Marina Entitled to Immunity—U-Boat Took Vessel for British Transport—Carried Cargo Horses.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—The German submarine commander who sunk the British horse ship Marina with the loss of six Americans has reported to his government that he took the vessel for a transport. Germany has asked the United States for information of the status of the ship and is ready to offer amends if the Marina was entitled to immunity.

The case was discussed today at a conference between Count Von Bernstorff, the German ambassador, and Secretary Lansing. Germany in a communication in reply to the inquiries of the United States, has asked for any information in possession of this government that will lead to a settlement.

The conference between the ambassador and secretary of state, which was brief, developed that neither seemed to be in possession of such complete information as would be essential to a determination of the case. The conference was asked for by Count Bernstorff.

### Ready to Settle.

It is understood that if the United States can inform Germany that the Marina was not in the British transport service and was entitled to the immunities of a peaceful merchant ship, the Berlin government is ready to acknowledge an error and make offers of settlement satisfactory to the United States.

President Wilson has looked after the case personally and will pass upon any understanding reached by the ambassador and the secretary of state.

When the Marina was sunk it was said from London that there was some ground for believing she had been previously connected with the British transport service. Later dispatches said the ship had been armed with a gun astern, manned by two British naval gunners, before she started on the voyage on which she was destroyed.

### Had Cargo of Horses.

The Marina had carried a cargo of horses to England from Newport News, Va., and was returning when two submarines lved in which sunk her in a stormy sea from which survivors were rescued after many hours of hardship.

In its last note to Germany on the submarine question, the United States threatened to break off diplomatic relations unless the campaign of destruction without warning was abandoned. Another note declared that offers of reparation and expressions of regret would not be sufficient, but did not actually close the door to accepting an admission of error and indemnity for damage on any specific issue which the American government might choose to deal with in that way.

After the conference between President Wilson and Secretary Lansing, it became known they still were without sufficient information on which to base definite action. The chief point undetermined, it was said is whether the Marina was in the transport service at the time she was torpedoed and whether she had previously been in the service.

## NEW HAMPSHIRE FOR WILSON BY 56

CONCORD, N. H., Dec. 1.—The governor and council today issued a formal declaration of the election of New Hampshire's democratic candidates for presidential electors, after an official canvass of the presidential vote. The official returns gave President Wilson a plurality of 56, the vote being Wilson 43,779; Hughes, 43,725.

AUGUSTA, Ga., Dec. 1.—Thomas E. Watson, author and editor, was acquitted today by a jury in the federal court of the charge of sending obscene matter through the mails.

## "EGG KING" WHO DEFILES AUTHORITIES; "LET THE PUBLIC PAY," HE DECLARES



"Sure, I've got 72,000,000 eggs stored away; what are you going to do about it?" This statement is credited to James E. Wetz of Chicago, the "egg king" pictured here in defiant attitude. Wetz is being investigated by government experts and city officials. Eighty-five carloads of eggs were found at his storage plant. Wetz says he got "stung" last year; that this year he is going to watch prices climb, then sell at top price.

## NEW DEMURRAGE RATES TO SOLVE CAR PROBLEMS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—Formal announcement of the adjustment of demurrage rates designed to release freight carrying cars more promptly from the hands of shippers and to meet, in part, the car shortage problem, was made today by the interstate commerce commission.

The commission's order directs railroads to cancel immediately all demurrage schedules recently submitted and which the commission had suspended on account of shippers' protests and authorized filing of new schedules. "First, making no change in the present effective form of the weather rule, or average agreement; second, providing for two days free time exclusive of Sundays or legal holidays and following rates of demurrage after expiration of free time, 'One dollar for the first day, \$2 for the second day, \$3 for the third day and \$5 for the fourth and each succeeding day; third, provided track storage charges shall remain in effect as at present, except where the demurrage rate is \$3 per day or more; fourth, provided further that these provisions be embodied in tariffs, fixed to expire by limitation May 1, 1917; fifth, and provided that the carriers demurrage schedules suspended in orders of November 15 and 29, 1916, are contemporaneously cancelled, upon notice of this commission and to the general public by not less than three days filing and posting."

## BRYAN INVITED TO DINE WITH WILSON

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—President Wilson today invited William J. Bryan to take luncheon with him December 6 at the white house.

Invitations also have been sent out by the president for a dinner December 7 at the white house in honor of Vance C. McCormick, chairman of the democratic national committee. The dinner will be in the nature of a celebration of the democratic victory at the last election.

## BRITISH FORCES ROUT GERMANS IN EAST AFRICA

LONDON, Dec. 1.—Conspicuous success has been gained by the British in their campaign against the Germans in German East Africa, the war office announced today.

"On October 19 a strong German force commanded by Major General Walle, dislodged from Taborn (in the central part of the colony) came in contact with the British south of Iringa," the statement says. "Simultaneously the enemy in the Malenge area took the offensive with the evident intention of assisting the western German force to penetrate the British position and form a junction with the main German force. The attempt to break through was repulsed near Awaringa and the British gained a conspicuous success on the Rulenge river, driving the enemy over the river with the loss of 200 killed, 82 prisoners and booty.

"The main body of the western German force divided into two parts. One invested the British post at Lenzembere and was driven off, the remaining force was isolated on the Namule mission station and forced to surrender about 500 strong on November 26. A howitzer, ammunition and three machine guns were included in the booty. The remnant of Major General Walle's force, having lost the bulk of their artillery and machine guns and suffering probably over 50 per cent of casualties, are making eastward for Malenge."

## MEXICANS DRAFT NEW CONSTITUTION

QUERETARO, Mex., Nov. 30.—The convention called at the instance of General Carranza to make important changes in the Mexican constitution, met today and effected organization. Luis Manuel Rojas, a lawyer of Mexico City, who has taken an important part in drafting the amendments to be submitted to the convention, was elected president and General Candido Aguilar, the foreign minister, vice-president. After the election of officers the session was adjourned.

## GERM CAUSING PARALYSIS IN INFANTS FOUND

Causative Agent of Infantile Paralysis Isolated at Mayo Clinic—Germs Assume Different Sizes in Different Culture—Serum for Prevention Being Sought.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Dec. 1.—A germ believed to be the causative agent of infantile paralysis has been isolated at the Mayo clinic in Rochester, Minn., by Dr. E. C. Rosenow and his associates, Dr. E. B. Towne of Boston and Dr. G. W. Wheeler of New York, according to an announcement made in the St. Paul Dispatch today. It is no secret, says the Dispatch, that since the isolation of the germ, many experiments looking to the perfection of a vaccine or serum for its prevention have been made at Rochester.

### In Different Sizes.

The physicians would not state positively that the micro-organism discovered was that of infantile paralysis, but said that their many experiments pointed that way.

What are described as a "peculiar polymorphous streptococcus" have been isolated from the throat and tonsils of acute cases of infantile paralysis, it was declared.

In different culture media the germ assumed different sizes. In some cases they were so small as to be invisible under the microscope and easily filtered through dense porcelain.

### Facts Developed.

"Using the organism in its large form paralytic has been consistently produced in animals known to be susceptible to inoculation," says a statement from the physicians.

"The exact relation of our results to the facts already established as to the etiology of poliomyelitis cannot yet be definitely stated. It appears to us that the small, filtered organism, which has been generally accepted as the cause of poliomyelitis may be the form which this streptococcus tends to make under anaerobic conditions in the central nervous system and in suitable culture mediums, while the larger and more typically streptococcal forms, which investigators have considered contaminations, may be the identical organism grown larger under suitable conditions."

## OZUNA'S CAVALRY DEFEATS VILLISTAS NEAR CHIHUAHUA

JUAREZ, Dec. 1.—General Francisco Gonzales announced today he had received a report that General Carlos Ozuna's cavalry had met a band of Villa troops south of Terresas yesterday morning and had routed them, driving the bandits back into the city of Chihuahua. General Gonzales said General Ozuna's command numbered approximately 3000 men.

General Gonzales said he was increasing the size of his forces in Juarez and would increase the number of troops in Villa Ahumada, 80 miles south of here, and along the Mexican Central railroad and the overland trains near Guadalupe and Rancho Flores to prevent a surprise attack upon the border town by any bandit force.

JUAREZ, Mex., Dec. 1.—Several Chinese residents of Chihuahua City arrived in Juarez early today on a troop train. They had left Chihuahua City Tuesday after being in hiding for several days. They said footing was in progress when they left, several stores, including a drugstore, had been ransacked. The Chinese knew little of conditions in Chihuahua more than the refugees who left there Monday, saying they had been in hiding and could see none of the Villa activities.

Reported firing south of Juarez was denied this morning by Juarez officials, who said they had no report of any shooting near Juarez.

## ULTIMATUM TO STORAGE EGG DEALERS GIVEN

All Storage Eggs in New York Must be Marked Before Sale—Campaign Against High Cost of Living Proceeds by Means of Boycott Upon Food Stuffs Forcing Down Prices.

NEW YORK, Dec. 1.—A "seventy hour ultimatum" to egg dealers, directing them to mark plainly all cold storage eggs as such before placing them on sale in this state, was announced here today by John J. Dillon, state commissioner of foods and markets. He said that he had also taken steps to see that eggs arriving from points outside of New York state are similarly marked. It was predicted that within ten days the price of eggs would drop to 35 cents a dozen.

### Campaign Is Urged.

The campaign against the high cost of living entered another stage today when the presidents of nearly a score of retail grocery associations met with Joseph Hartigan, commissioner of weights and measures and secretary of Mayor Mitchell's food committee, to consider remedial measures.

A series of boycotts on poultry, butter and other foodstuffs, similar to that now in force on eggs, is proposed, the butter boycott to begin December 12 when the egg ban will have run two weeks. Whether the latter will continue or not after that depends, it was said, upon the price at which eggs are selling then. The wholesale price of eggs has dropped from 3 to 4 cents a dozen on all grades since the inception of the boycott.

### Storage Law Needed.

Commissioner Hartigan declared that a national cold storage law was needed to protect consumers against abuses in the marketing of perishable foods.

Reports from various cities today are to the effect that thousands of turkeys were left on the hands of the dealers Thanksgiving as the result of the refusal of the housewives to pay high prices. The surplus stock will be held in cold storage and it is predicted that in consequence the price of Christmas turkeys will be greatly reduced.

As a result of the high cost of living the Federation of Jewish Farmers of America, in convention here, will extend its principal of co-operative buying.

## CATTLE MALADY STOMITITIS, NOT HOOF AND MOUTH

CHICAGO, Dec. 1.—President Arthur G. Leonard of the Union Stock yards, was informed today by Dr. Eichenhorn of the United States Bureau of Animal Industry, that the disease among cattle in Kansas City is not hoof and mouth disease, but stomatitis. Dr. O. E. Dyson, Illinois state veterinarian, telephoned from Springfield, forecasting the raising of the Illinois quarantine against cattle shipments from Kansas, Nebraska and Missouri. He told Mr. Leonard it would be safe to bring the prize cattle from the states to the International Livestock exposition, which opens here December 14.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—Laboratory investigations completed here today prove that the ailment among cattle at Kansas City, suspected of being foot and mouth disease is stomatitis, a comparatively harmless malady, easily cured.

## GERMANS DEPORT BELGIAN WOMEN

LONDON, Dec. 1.—It is reported from Fauquemont, says a Reuters Dispatch from Amsterdam today, that the male inhabitants of Hasselt and Lanaye, Belgium, between the ages of 17 and 59 and also girls and women possessing sewing machines, are to be deported to Germany.