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RUMANIA'S SITUATION IS BECOMING CRITICAL

Part of Russian and Rumanian Armies Escaped Capture by Fleeing Over Bridge Destroying It After They Passed—Both Sides Rest at Dnub--Serbians and French Drawing Net Closer About Monastir

Berlin, via wireless to Sayville, L. I., Oct. 26.—Part of the Russo-Rumanian force in Dobrudja escaped into old Rumania by fleeing across the Cernavoda bridge before the town was captured by Mackensen, the military critics of the semi-official news agency reported today.

"By the capture of Cernavoda, Field Marshal Mackensen's army completely turned the military situation in Dobrudja in our favor," he asserted.

"The flying Russians separated into two parts, those who did not remain on the battlefield or were not captured saving themselves by flight over the Danube bridge at Cernavoda or to northern Dobrudja.

"After the capture of Cernavoda this famous Danube bridge, the largest in Europe, was dominated by Mackensen's cannon.

"After the fall of the Constanza-Cernavoda line, the transportation of provisions from Russia must now be conducted on two minor and less efficient railroad lines in Moldavia or via the Danube ports of Galatz and Brailau, which cannot be compared with Constanza.

"Rumania's military situation during the last two days has become much more critical, especially since the Germans and Austro-Hungarians have already partly conquered the Carpathian passes."

(United Press Staff Correspondent.)
London, Oct. 26.—The victorious sweep of Mackensen's armies in Dobrudja has been checked at least temporarily by official dispatches from Berlin, Sofia, Petrograd and Bucharest indicating this afternoon.

The Rumanians have blown up the fourteen mile Danube bridge at Cernavoda, the greatest bridge in Europe, thus blocking an immediate invasion of old Rumania. The German war office, announcing this fact this afternoon, declared it evidenced Rumania's fear of a German sweep toward Bucharest.

The German statement declared further progress in the Dobrudja operations, but mentioned no fresh captures. It apparently corroborated the Petrograd statement that Mackensen's offensive is slackening. A delayed official statement from the Bulgarian war office announced the capture of a huge amount of booty at Constanza but claimed no further victories.

On the Transylvania front the Rumanians have arrested the progress of Falkenhayn's armies at several points, though yielding ground in the Jist valley and north of Sinia, in which direction the Germans made some progress.

In the house of commons this afternoon Premier Asquith gave further assurance that the allies were directing their anxious attention to the Rumanian situation. He said that concerted action is being arranged and that France, Russia and Italy, as well as England, are taking every possible step to relieve the Rumanians.

The last twenty-four hours of fighting on the Somme and Verdun fronts have left the situation practically unchanged. The German war office this afternoon admitted the loss of Fort Douaumont and Douaumont village to the French, but reported the repulse of violent French attacks against Fort Vaux yesterday. Berlin also claimed the repulse of heavy Russian attacks on the front west of Lutsk fortress.

In Macedonia French and Serbian troops scored several victories in the fighting near Monastir, it was officially announced today.

The Serbs captured a height along the Cerna river and French cavalry occupied the bridges at Zwersda and the villages of Goldbrda and Laisica, southwest of Lake Prespa.

French Attacks Repulsed.
Berlin, via wireless to Sayville, L. I., Oct. 26.—The crown prince's troops have repulsed violent French attacks against Fort Vaux, northeast of Verdun, said an official statement this afternoon, admitting the loss of Fort Douaumont and the village of Douaumont.

Destroyed Bridge.
Berlin, via wireless to Sayville, L. I., Oct. 26.—Rumanian troops have blown up the large bridge over the Danube at Cernavoda, said an official statement from the war office this afternoon, announcing further progress for Mackensen's army in Dobrudja and new advances against the Rumanians on the Transylvanian front.

Say Attacks Weaker.
Petrograd, Oct. 26.—Mackensen's attacks against the Russo-Rumanians in Dobrudja have grown somewhat weaker, it was officially announced today.

WHY I AM FOR WILSON

By Jacob H. Schiff
Financier and Philanthropist.
Member of Kuhn, Loeb & Co., New York Bankers.

President Wilson's administration has been almost throughout a constructive one. The enactment of a new and just tariff law and the establishing of the Federal Reserve Bank system are momentous achievements, from the benefit of which the country should profit after the European war is over even more than at present.

But what I consider President Wilson's greatest accomplishment is that he has in a great measure succeeded in bringing about a rapprochement between the producing and the consuming classes so that the great and hurtful antagonism which, before the present administration came into power, had made itself felt almost in every substantial interest, has now almost ceased.



ROOSEVELT HANDS HIMSELF BOUQUETS

Tells Crowd He Got His Man Because He Was Not Too Proud to Fight

(United Press staff correspondent.)
Abroad Roosevelt's Train, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, Oct. 26.—This was Colonel Roosevelt's first stop today as he sped to Chicago for the two big speeches that will end his western speaking tour.

He had only time for a platform appearance here. He planned to say "howdy do," shake hands and perhaps make very brief talks at all division stops today until he reaches Chicago at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

These short stops include Clinton, Ia., Sterling, Dixon and DeKalb, Ill. Upon reaching Chicago the colonel will go to the Congress hotel, where he will confer with Alvin T. Hart, Chicago middle western manager for the republicans, and then rest for an hour before going to the Auditorium to address the women's meeting at 4 o'clock. He will spend the night in Chicago.

At the afternoon meeting Roosevelt intends to repeat in great part the speech he delivered to the women in Denver at the Auditorium there Tuesday afternoon, when he declared unequivocally for a federal amendment enfranchising women, and for whole hearted allegiance to the flag from all citizens regardless of place of birth and antecedents.

At tonight's meeting at the stock yards pavilion the colonel plans to denounce the Adanson law in much the same terms he used in his Wilkes-Barre speech two weeks ago. The colonel had another reminder of his old days when his train stopped late yesterday at Julesburg, Colo.

As Roosevelt finished telling an oft-told anecdote of his plains days when he was a sheriff, a man in the crowd spoke up—"I'm the sheriff here, colonel," and he turned back his coat to show a sore plate laid there.

"I'm Sheriff Hubertson," Roosevelt just then was told the name of the town. He had been sent down there, he said, about 30 years ago as a deputy by "Hell Roaring" Bill Jones, the sheriff, after some horse thieves.

"I got by man, too," he said, "because I wasn't too proud to fight."

Want to Limit Hours of Women's Work in Oregon
Portland, Ore., Oct. 26.—Providing that women may not work for wages more than 48 hours a week, a bill will be introduced at the next session of the Oregon legislature by the Consumers' league, it was announced today following that organization's regular annual meeting. After its introduction, members of the league will work for the measure until it comes to a vote.

The act is similar to the law now in force in California, except that it does not limit the hours of labor to eight a day. It is so worded that women may be obliged to work over eight hours five days a week, and get a half holiday on Saturday.

CINCINNATI GIVES PRESIDENT MOST ROYAL WELCOME

Notable Feature Was Presence of Germans on Every Committee

GERMAN POPULATION APPARENTLY ALL OUT

Greeted and Cheered by Great Crowds at Points All Along Route

(United Press staff correspondent.)
Cincinnati, Ohio, Oct. 26.—To emphasize the necessity for all people in this country to unite in their allegiance to America, the nation of nations, President Wilson came to Cincinnati today.

He arrived at 11:30 and received a tremendous reception. Hamilton county, whose German population is such that no election was ever won by her without the support of the German vote, put party lines and personal feelings aside to tender the executive one of the greatest demonstrations he has received.

Germans were on all the committees, their presence was marked in the crowds, and there was every evidence of their intention to give the president a clear impression that his was to be a fair hearing in a community reported hostile to him.

The president made his way through crowded streets to a hotel for a brief rest previous to starting out on a busy day. He was welcomed officially to the city by Mayor George Fuchta, republican, William B. Smith, republican leader, president of the Chamber of Commerce, and Judge Howard Hollister, life long republican, joined in the ceremony of welcome.

The president was in fine fettle after a trip through West Virginia and Ohio marked by enthusiastic welcomes from the townspeople at every point. He made no speeches, confining himself to expressions of appreciation for the demonstrations and hopes that "I have done my work well," when enthusiasts shouted "We are for you, Woody," and "You have kept the country out of war, God bless you."

The Chamber of Commerce hall was jammed to the doors when the president arrived to be officially welcomed by

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PITIFUL STORY OF LIFE WITH BRUTE IS TOLD BY WIFE

Women with Downcast Eyes Lays Bare Incidents of Married Life

HUSBAND'S INSTINCTS WERE THOSE OF ANIMAL

His Abuse and Constant Fear of Him Caused Her to Take His Life

(United Press staff correspondent.)
Newark, N. J., Oct. 26.—Blushing deeply and with eyes downcast to escape the stares of a curious court room crowd, Mrs. Margaret Beutinger today told in dramatic fashion why she shot and killed her husband, Christopher Beutinger, a wealthy coal broker, after he had forced his way into her bedroom.

"He was a most brutal man when amorous," she testified. "From the time I married him until the night I shot him he continually made demands upon me that were impossible for me to fulfill. When I refused he would threaten to kill me."

The jurors cast sympathetic glances at the pretty little woman in the witness box as she continued her story. "He was built like Jack Johnson," she continued. "He was a huge man physically. He weighed about 250 pounds and of course I was afraid of him."

Frequently Mrs. Beutinger paused in her recital to send a reassuring smile to her five little children, the white haired little Billy Beutinger chewing gum vigorously and his pretty little sisters, grouped about her sister, Mrs. Heron, a few feet from the witness chair.

Prompted by Attorney McCarter, the woman on trial for her life gave the jury a story of a married life full of horror from the time when she left her home on the Island of Jamaica to marry Beutinger, then a quartermaster's clerk in the war department at Washington.

"He beat me when we were in Washington," she said. "En route to the Philippines we stopped in Chicago. He made me get out of bed one night there because my physical condition made it impossible for me to yield to him."

"In the Philippines he was very

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BRYAN GETS OVATION

Oshkosh, Wis., Oct. 26.—Two bands and 5,000 people greeted William Jennings Bryan here last night when he came to urge the re-election of President Wilson. Only 1600 people could be packed into the opera house for the main address, but Bryan spoke to 1600 outside the building and several thousand others met him at the train and lined the streets on the way to the opera house.

Bryan speaks today at Appleton and Fond Du Lac and Milwaukee tonight.

(United Press staff correspondent.)

TWENTY-SEVEN DEAD AND MANY MISSING

350 In Building Find Fire Escapes Blocked—Children Jump From Windows

Farnham, Que., Oct. 26.—At 1 o'clock today it was reported that at least 27 lives had been lost in the fire which had destroyed the Roman Catholic hospital at St. Elizabeth hall and stables during the night.

Twenty persons were injured in jumping from the upper stories, about a dozen of them children. The fact that survivors are scattered in homes all over the town makes the work of compiling a list of the missing difficult.

When the fire broke out there were 318 persons in the building, the majority of whom were children. They were saved by heroic work on the part of the firemen and citizens.

Yesterday morning firemen were called to the same institution when a fire broke out in the basement. It is now thought this must have broken out again last evening with such disastrous results.

The loss is estimated at \$250,000 with about \$30,000 insurance.

(United Press staff correspondent.)

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VILLA WILL LEAD FIELD FORCES OF NEW REVOLUTION

Legalistas Will Furnish the Money So Troops Can Be Paid In Silver

EXPATRIATED MEXICANS WOULD OUST CARRANZA

Only Hope They Have of Recovering Confiscated Lands Is His Downfall

(United Press staff correspondent.)
El Paso, Texas, Oct. 26.—Emisaries from Pancho Villa have been in this city in conference with members of the junta of the new Mexican revolutionary party of Legalistas, according to representatives of the United States department agents here. At least one Villista is known to have come overland of horseback, crossing the Rio Grande river below Juarez.

At this meeting, the United States authorities believe, an agreement has been perfected for the bandit leader to act as commander in chief of the field forces under the direction of the junta of the new movement. Several United States secret service men have already reported that such an agreement is now in effect. In return, the Legalistas are to furnish money in order that the army can be paid in silver.

Party Has Newspaper.
The new revolutionary party, in its official newspaper here, El Legalista, avows that the object of its formation is to achieve the downfall of De Facto President Carranza. Some members known to the authorities have already publicly laid out the southern republic, driven out of the country by the new regime, and their property confiscated. Some of these members are still wealthy and able to furnish financial backing for the new movement.

Department agents here have under surveillance an American filibuster, formerly with Villa, who is suspected of having taken medical and surgical supplies to Villa lately.

Villa's main forces today are continuing their leisurely retiring movement westward in the Santa Isabel district, carrying a great quantity of equipment and supplies, according to incoming natives leaving Chihuahua City yesterday, interviewed by United States government agents today.

Don't Want To Catch Him.
Desultory skirmishing between the slowly retiring Villistas rear guard and the detachments sent out by General Trevino was in progress late yesterday, but refugees believe the pursuit is but a half hearted one, the Carranzistas dreading another Villa trap.

Withdrawal from the vicinity of Chihuahua City by Villa is looked upon by United States authorities here as part of a strategic plan.

"He realizes," said one official who acted as a military observer during Villa's former campaign, "that the city would be untenable at present. Having captured plenty of supplies, there was no need of another raid even though Villa had reached the outskirts of the city. So he draws back into his old stamping ground and will force the Carranzistas to come to him in his own stronghold. Another reason is that Villa fears to attempt to hold the city because of the nearness of the Pershing Expedition."

Boasts that he "would control the entire state of Chihuahua a month after the American expedition leaves," have been made by the bandit chief.

Villa Easily Found.
El Paso, Texas, Oct. 26.—Pancho Villa has established headquarters at Santa Isabel, about 30 miles southwest of the Chihuahua capital, an official bulletin from the Carranzista authorities at Chihuahua City announced today. The bulletin, which was given out at Juarez, denies reports that General Trevino is short ammunition and is having trouble in getting more from Secretary of War Obregon.

"Trevino is well supplied with everything needed for the present campaign," the bulletin stated. "Delay of action

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WASHINGTON TO TRY FOR NON-PARTISAN LAW

Petition Will Be Filed Today Abolishing Partisan Elections

Seattle, Wash., Oct. 26.—There has never been a time when the voter has realized the foolishness and the danger of blind partisanship as he does today.

So declared Councilman Oliver T. Erickson, immediately upon his return will organize volunteer workers throughout the state to circulate the petitions for non-partisanship on election day.

"We expect to get 100,000 signatures to this petition," Erickson said. "The day has come to throw off the shackles of political slavery and Washington will be the first state in the union to lead the progressive march."

It will require only 32,000 signatures in the state to initiate the measure. It will then be presented to the legislature, which, under the law, must either accept it, or refer it to the people's vote.

Fifty conventions are taught in the United States Navy.

THE WEATHER

Oregon: Tonight and Friday fair except unsettled, probably occasional rain extreme northwest portion, warmer tonight southwest portion; winds mostly southerly.

Abe Martin



Mrs. Tipton Bud says it's a good plan never to step foot in an automobile without a thorough understanding of the driver that he is not to use the railroad tracks when the train wants 'em. Who remembers when we used to press their creases out of ready-made trousers?