

KAISER RUSHES BIG FORCE TO THE EAST

Three Hundred Thousand Men Said to Have Been Moved to Meet Russians.

ANOTHER BIG BATTLE IMPENDS

Tentons Using Cavalry with More Freedom Than for Some Time to Screen Movement of Their Forces.

(Copyright, 1914, by Press Publishing Co.) PETROGRAD, Dec. 12.—(Special Cablegram to New York World and Omaha Bee.)—The Germans continue their attacks upon the various points of the Russian positions in Poland, but they are not of a nature to effect any immediate results. With the moving up of strong reinforcements from the western front to the German side and the consequent changes in the disposition of the Russian forces, a trying period of preparation for another decisive battle on a titanic scale once more is entered upon.

Line Up for New Battle.
At the present stage the fighting in Poland and on the Russian front, generally is preparatory. The Germans have moved up from the French front at least 30,000 troops and are very busy concentrating for a final effort. It is expected a week will pass before the issue is joined, but minor conflicts will be taking place at various points over the whole line from the Baltic to the Carpathians throughout the period of preparation.

Fewer Flares Used.
The fighting now reported daily is rather in the nature of reconnaissance, each side trying every device to penetrate behind the screen which hides the enemy's concentration for the great struggle. The Germans are now utilizing cavalry for this purpose with considerable more freedom than hitherto noticed, but their aeroplanes have been curtailed owing to the Russians having learned the art of bringing down the flyers.

Use Close Formations.
Night attacks are another form of warfare which the Germans are beginning to utilize more frequently. The Germans, however, still stick to close formations, particularly at night, whereas the Russians go out individually at wide distances apart. The results naturally correspond. The cost of life to the Germans is appalling and the results nil.

How Russians Work.
The Russians go to work very differently. A few volunteers scouting over the whole area first prepare the ground. Then the forces move up, widely extended. When the alarm is given the Germans usually find reason to believe they are attacked at least on three sides, and often in the rear.

Recanvass of Vote Ordered in Madison

MADISON, Neb., Dec. 12.—(Special.)—In the case of the application of John W. Fitch for a writ of mandamus requiring County Clerk McFarland, F. H. Davis and J. B. Douglass, members of the county canvassing board, to reopen ballots and tabulate and abstract the vote on county commissioner in the First district and to issue a certificate of election to the one receiving the largest number of votes, the court ordered a writ to be issued forthwith requiring the canvassing board to reconvene and reopen the ballots and further ordering certificate of election to issue to the person receiving the highest number of votes cast for such office.

The court held that whether the term of the commissioner were a three or a four-year term the result would have been the same. The effect of Judge Welch's decision in this case is to make it possible for Fitch to qualify for commissioner for the term beginning early in January and to make Watson Purdy, present commissioner from the First district, fight an election through the courts to succeed Fitch.

CO-OPERATIVE CREAMERY PLANS ARE PERFECTED

FIRMONT, Neb., Dec. 12.—(Special Telegram.)—The delegates from the farmers state union, who have been in session here this week behind closed doors, have decided to establish a co-operative creamery, to be located at Firmont, and if the plans of the union are carried out it will be a big factor in the creamery business of the state.

The paid up capital at the beginning is to be \$50,000, and it is said that a good part of it is already subscribed. No person may hold more than twenty shares. Dividends on stock are to be limited to 5 per cent and the profits divided among the patrons.

HANOVER FARMERS RAISE RELIEF FUND FOR GERMANS

HEATRICE, Neb., Dec. 12.—(Special.)—The German-American farmers living in Hanover, Filley and townships have raised a fund of \$1,500, which will be sent to a fund being raised in Iowa for the Germans in East Friesland, Germany, where most of the contributors to the fund resided before coming to America. Many have relatives in the army.

August Lucke, a pioneer resident of the Cortland vicinity, passed away at his home at that place, aged 71 years. He is survived by his widow and four children. Henry Burroughs, who was fined \$500 and costs and lodged in jail Thursday for purchasing liquor for an inebriate, was released Friday on bond of \$500 furnished by his mother and sister. His case was appealed to the district court.

HYMENEAL.
Wood-Negley.
FAIRBURY, Neb., Dec. 12.—(Special.)—Frank L. Wood and Miss Barbara Negley were married in county court Thursday. Judge C. C. Boyle officiating. The groom is a traveling salesman and the bride is a daughter of Mrs. Susan Negley of this city. She has resided here but a short time, being raised in Kansas. Mr. and Mrs. Wood will make their home in Fairbury.

STOCK EXCHANGE OPENS WITH BOOM

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The going ceased ringing the cheering had died down to a great hum, and the hundreds of brokers were grouping themselves in knots around the trading posts. The galleries raged down in dwindling interest and slowly began to empty. Within the first ten minutes the floor of the exchange was white with paper snow—the torn fragments of thousands of memoranda.

Prices Rise Rapidly.
There was hardly need, it seemed, during the first few minutes of trading, for the posting of minimum prices. The market opened with a rush and an old-time upward swing that sent the principal issues whole points above the rock bottom figures determined upon by the committee in advance. There was one feature, however, that was not at all in keeping with the activity of the big days of more prosperous times, and that was the small volume of single trades. Most of the trading was in blocks of 100 to 200 shares, and much of it in blocks of less than 100 shares.

Around posts 11 and 12 on the floor of the exchange the crowds were thickest. There were a few Reading and copper—such of them as were not hurriedly bought and sold. Although the trading was most active there, the volume continued to be small, few single lots of more than 200 shares changing hands. The largest single transaction recorded during the early trading was a sale of 1,400 shares of Reading. This stock opened at more than five points above the minimum price.

Few Stocks Decline.
Notwithstanding sky-rocket advances over the minimum, trading seemed to assume a cautious tone. The greatest gain noted was one of more than 38 points by General Motors. Texas Company stock came next with a rise of 18 points above the minimum, and many more active issues, such as Lehigh Valley, Tennessee Copper, American Beet Sugar and Central Leather showed gains of 6 to 10 points. Some stocks declined, notably Southern Railway preferred, which went down 2 1/2 points from the opening figures.

Trading today was for cash only. In this way the governors sought to curb speculation, and succeeded, though it was believed, at the expense of the volume of trading. Within the first quarter of an hour, it was estimated that 25,000 shares had changed hands. This ordinarily would be a poor record. The actual number of transactions, however, was vastly in excess of the ordinary, as most of the transactions were for small lots.

Although open trading on the floor of the exchange was forbidden in United States Steel, Anaconda Mining and certain railroad stock held largely abroad, these issues were traded in semi-private under the supervision of the stock exchange's clearing house and committee of five. None of the restrictions on bonds, in force during the last two weeks, was lifted with the resumption of trading in stocks. Bond transactions, however, were dwarfed by the trading in stocks, as was expected.

Business was more active and the undertone stronger in the final hour, with a higher level for most of the prominent issues. Reading was the act 2 feature, increasing its gain to over 30 points. Lehigh Valley gained 12 points, St. Paul 9 1/2 and Northern Pacific 7 1/2. Seasonal gains were also made by other specialties. People's Gas jumped 11 points. The closing was strong.

Army Aviators to Get Warlike Test in Meeting for Trophy

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 12.—Aerial reconnaissance work, in which warlike conditions will be simulated as far as possible, is to be the test for army aviators who enter the contest this year for the Mackay trophy, presented several years ago by Clarence H. Mackay, through the Aero Club of America. The trophy is awarded annually for the best record in carrying out certain prescribed conditions. It was announced at the War department that marines, artillery and cavalry will be moving about the territory over which the aviators will fly.

First Break in the Royal Line of King Ak-Sar-Ben

St. Knights are noting that the death of E. A. Nash is the first break in Ak-Sar-Ben's royal dynasty, which has produced a remarkable lot of healthy and long-lived line of kings. Mr. Nash was the sixth to be crowned by Ak-Sar-Ben, and is now called in his sixty-seventh year. The first king of Ak-Sar-Ben was Edmund M. Bartlett, who is a year younger than was Mr. Nash. Major Robert S. Wilcox, who was the fourth king, is in his seventieth year, while Casper E. Yost, the second king, is the grand old man of the royal family, and his and hearty in his seventy-fourth year. Charlie Beaton, the last king, is the baby of the dynasty, and in years too.

GERMAN WOMAN IS SENT TO FRENCH PRISON

PARIS, Dec. 12.—The permanent court-martial today sentenced Louise Zach, a German woman, to serve six months in prison and to pay a fine of 700 francs (\$100) on the charge of using an American passport which was obtained by a fraudulent declaration in the consular office in the employ of an American family. She got a passport at Geneva by representing herself as the wife of an American named Appel and on the strength of this came to Paris.

SAMMONS DENIED NEW TRIAL

Conviction on Robbery Charge Upheld by Federal Judge.

DEFENSE PREPARING APPEAL

Court Postpones Date of Imposing Sentence to Thursday Morning—Penalty is Prison Term or Fine.

Walter F. Sammons, ex-sheriff of Buffalo county and lieutenant colonel in the Nebraska national guard, was denied a new trial in federal court Saturday, after lengthy arguments. He was convicted by a jury Thanksgiving day of robbing the Kearney postoffice last Christmas of a registered package containing \$5,000.

As his lawyers did not have an appeal bond and bill of exceptions ready to file yesterday, when their motion for a new trial was denied, Judge Page Morris deferred sentence until 9:30 o'clock Thursday morning. The penalty is a prison term not exceeding five years, or a fine not exceeding \$2,000, or both.

Immediately after sentence is pronounced on Sammons, Delbert Smith will be arraigned on the charge of conspiring with Sammons to rob the postoffice. He will plead guilty, United States District Attorney F. S. Howell says, and stands ready to go to prison if necessary to atone for his part in the case. Smith was the Kearney postoffice clerk, who confessed that he loaned Sammons the keys and gave him the safe combination. On Smith's confession implicating Sammons, the government successfully retried the pivot of the Sammons prosecution.

Judge Says Trial Was Fair.
"The defendant was fairly tried and convicted," Judge Morris said, in refusing to grant a new trial. "The jury which tried Sammons was of as high a character as ever heard a case before me."

Counsel for Sammons based their motion for a new trial on three points: The discovery of new evidence, tending to corroborate Sammons' denial of guilt and to impeach testimony introduced by the prosecution; the contention that the verdict was not sustained by sufficient evidence, and that the verdict was contrary to the instructions of the court.

In support of the assertion that new evidence has been discovered, ex-Senator Norris Brown produced the affidavits of Nellie Kinkaid, Roy Knapp, Jessie Burgher, Robert A. Robinson, Edward Sammons and W. W. Baker. All six swore to statements which tended either to discredit the government's testimony, or else to support Sammons' own story.

You're the loser if you don't read Bee Want Ads regularly.

Increased Freight Rates Ordered in Central Division

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—Formal orders, issued by the Interstate Commerce Commission, enable the railroad in central freight association territory to realize the 5 per cent advance in certain freight rates granted to them by the commission in its decision of August 1.

The lines are authorized to put into effect on five days' notice "joint through rates for the transportation of freight between points in central freight association territory and points in western and southwestern and southeastern territory, which shall be in excess of the existing joint through rates only to the extent that may be necessary to allow lines operating within central freight association territory an increase in excess of 5 per cent above the customary divisions, which the lines in central freight association territory have heretofore received for the transportation of traffic under such rates to and from the Mississippi river, or Ohio river crossings."

The orders stipulate that the increased rate shall be established upon commodities as to which increased rates within central freight association territory were not authorized by the commission.

Cruiser Dresden Takes Refuge in Patagonia Inlet

LONDON, Dec. 12.—A dispatch to the Evening News from Valparaiso, Chile, says it is reported that the German cruiser Dresden has taken refuge in an inlet on the coast of Patagonia.

The Dresden is the only vessel of the German squadron, which met the British fleet in the south Atlantic, December 3, that has not been accotered for. The engagement of December 3, off the Falkland islands, resulted in the destruction of the German cruisers, Scharnhorst, Gneisenau and Leipzig. Later it was announced that the Nürnberg also had been destroyed. The Dresden escaped from the encounter and was supposed to have fled westward. This would take it to the coast of Patagonia and the straits of Magellan offer numerous bays and inlets where a vessel could hide or take refuge. There are also some Chilean ports in this part of South America where a warship could intern.

British warships doubtless are in pursuit of the Dresden from the Atlantic side of the straits of Magellan and it is said that Japanese cruisers are watching the Pacific, or western, entrance on the strait, in case it should attempt to enter the south Pacific.



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Thomas Kilpatrick & Co. Will Keep Open Four Nights Before Christmas

Blow bugles of battle, the marches of Peace, East, west, north and south let the long quarrel cease, Sing the song of great joy that the Angels began-- Sing of Glory to God, and good will to men.

This song from the pen of our own sweet Whittier should be a prayer from the heart of every one who loves his fellow man. Oh, for a world full of Ben Adhems—then there would be no war. It is said that in the days of Rome, the promoters or those responsible for war led their armies in the engagements. Perhaps if that was the custom now—we would not have any war. Better still, let all the war lords and believers in war shoot at each other, instead of the poor fellows in the trenches, who have no quarrel and don't really know (thousands of them) what it is all about.

There are other abuses almost as cruel as war—man's inhumanity to man, makes mourning today as in the days of the poet of Ayr.

We congratulate one of the big stores on their announcement showing consideration for their employes by not keeping open evenings until the last four days before Christmas. We had already made similar announcement. This will allow plenty of time for everybody to make Christmas purchases. Show your regard for those who toil in stores.

Men and Women of Omaha Do You Care?
No wonder Galsworthy and others, feel that Christianity itself is on trial, and may be found wanting.

Monday at Linen Counter
8-4 Damask Cloths, beautiful circular patterns, \$1.08 instead of \$3.00 each.
23x23-inch Napkins, pure Scotch linen, \$2.75 instead of \$4.00.
German Huck Towels, all linen, 49¢ each instead of 75¢.
Damask of excellent quality at 95¢ a yard instead of \$1.25.
Bath Mats, splendid value at \$1.98 each.

I think it was Balzac who wrote "Agony on Linens." That's not the kind we sell. We buy in the best markets and sell at a moderate profit, guaranteeing every item we sell.

Gloves for Christmas
We have arranged gloves in boxes—one, two and three pairs—from \$1.25 to \$5.00 for the box. A very attractive and acceptable present. Sizes or colors not right can be exchanged after Christmas.

Speaking of GLOVES, one of our customers called the attention of one of our firm to a purchase of gloves made at a sale some time ago. She had bought 19 pairs. She said she was a little ashamed of her purchase, but the seller had told such a tall story that she could not resist, and she then remarked: "I want to show you my purchase." Together they tested each pair, and more than a dozen pairs had to be thrown in the waste basket. This is a positive truth. And yet the stores everywhere which adopt the Hurrath methods "DO THE BUSINESS." Surely it will not be always thus. IT'S UP TO YOU.

While we are on the leather end of the business read the story from Tuttle which follows:
Our shoe department caters to women and children. At this season of the year women are constantly puzzled what to buy for HIM. Here's one suggestion:
House Slippers, Kilpatrick Quality
Dark Green Morocco, Brown Alligator, Red Kid, Patent Leather, Brown Kid, Black Kid, \$2.00, \$3.50 and \$4.00 per pair. Now, can't you just picture his lordship on Christmas morning. He has slipped into the House Coat or Smoking Jacket (bought at Kilpatrick's, of course), opened up his box of Diplomatics, Romeos or Hoyo de Montereos (not bought at Kilpatrick's), and then slips his feet into a pair of foot comforters as described above. SUBLIME! That's all there's to it.

For Her Ladyship Next
Felt Slippers with padded soles—Brown, Vermillion, black and green, at \$1, \$1.25 and \$1.50. Isn't it remarkable how readily a woman will pay out \$2, \$3 or even \$5 for something for a man, when she wants to get something for herself for \$1.50?
Fur trimmed Juliettes in brown, black, red, lavender and buff, \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$1.75.
The cutest little moccasin slippers, with draw ribbon at top, in green, lavender, black and gray, at \$2.
Satin quilted Slippers, low heel, tasteful linings—black, blue, pink and red, \$1.75 pair.

NEW ARRIVALS in colored top, laced Boot for women\$5, \$6, \$7
For children, the very sweetest little Comfy Slippers, \$5 and \$1.00. And now a Shoe for THE BOY—High tanned elk leather boot, lacing above calf of leg—cuff and buckles at top. We know of no boot equal for wear. Specially priced at \$3.50 and \$4.50, according to size.

Silk Section
Counter covered with a mixed lot of Fancy Silks—Brocades, Plaids, Kimono Silks, etc., worth up to \$1.00, at 49¢ yard.

Thomas Kilpatrick & Co.

Our last Ad surely did bring a crowd to the Stationery and Book Section

Ovid said: "Giving requires good sense." Hundreds showed it Saturday and there will be another army of buyers Monday. The bargains will be spread all over the Dress Goods Aisle.
Divisions: 5¢, 10¢, 25¢, 35¢, 50¢.
Don't fail to take a look at the Bronzed Book Ends.

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If there is a reader of this paper who has not seen or heard of our

Wonderful Handkerchiefs

It's time to get busy. We never had such an assortment. With had space to publish letter orders received from far away lands from customers who are judging us by the past. We know some who would be getting free advertising on front page if they received such communications. Dainty handkerchiefs in pretty boxes with the Kilpatrick name—(That's the Hallmark). And attention—courtesy that's where we shine. Some ones at a few days ago referred to the courtesy of their employes as being UNEQUALLED—Gentlemen get a sample of our brand and you may not use that word again. Just in Beautiful Bags! Don't forget to look at the new flowers made from Ribbon and Silk almost an improvement on the real.

Third Floor

Lace Curtains, Portieres, Bed Sets, Screens, Vacuum Cleaners, Sweepers, Table Runners, Curtain Stretchers, Tapestry Covered Boxes and Trays, Sweet Grass Baskets, Kensingtons, Pine Needle Pillows, Embroidery of all kinds, Knit Bedroom Slippers, Slipper Soles. You really didn't know we had so many things did you? Why bless your hearts we have only touched on the outer edges. Get acquainted. We would like to know you. How about it?

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