

AUSTRIAN FORCES PREPARE TO LEAVE SERBIAN CAPITAL

It is Unofficially Reported that Army of Dual Crown Ready to Evacuate Belgrade.

BLOW FROM THE CITY FALLS

Attacks Against Right Wing of Enemy's Troops Prove to Be Unsuccessful.

SERBS ARE GAINING RAPIDLY

Their Recovery from Overwhelming Defeat Considered Remarkable.

CAPTURE FIVE THOUSAND MEN

Crown Prince Tells Soldiers They Have Beaten and Pursued Foe with Speed Unheard of in Military History.

Omaha Shivers and The Mercury Works Above Zero Mark

All Omaha shivered yesterday when the thermometer started in at 7 above zero shortly before sunrise and then refused to go above 12 above, about noon.

Funeral of Joseph Smith is Marked by Extreme Simplicity

INDEPENDENCE, Mo., Dec. 13.—Without flowers, drapery or pageantry the body of Joseph Smith, president of the Reorganized Church of Latter Day Saints, who died Thursday, was buried here today.

Fashions of 1830 to Return, According to Style Bulletin

CHICAGO, Dec. 13.—New materials for women's early spring clothes are decidedly like those of grandmother's day, according to the bulletin of the Fashion Art League of America, issued here today.

The Weather

Table with weather data: Temperature at Omaha Yesterday, Comparative Local, and Normal temperature.

CARRANZA PEEVED BY THREAT OF U. S.

"First Chief" Says if America Uses Force to Stop Firing Over Border it Will Be Unfriendly Act.

SAYS VILLISTAS TO BLAME

Speaks of Imprudent and Curious Flocking to Witness Fighting, as if a Show Staged for Their Benefit.

CARRANZA'S POSITION

Carranza's reply to the American note which is expected to reach Washington tomorrow, will be in general a repudiation of responsibility for any shots that have been fired.

ON DEFENSIVE

"General Hill, who is commanding the constitutionalist forces at Naco is on the defensive," continued General Carranza, "and since his back was to the line it is difficult to see how he could be responsible for the firing in question."

BRYAN DOESN'T REALIZE GRAVITY

"As to the use of force, of which Mr. Bryan talks, that is something the gravity of which I fear he does not fully appreciate. He says it would not mean an invasion of our territory nor a violation of national sovereignty."

BLISS TAKES ACTION

NACO, Ariz., Dec. 13.—Brigadier General Tasker H. Bliss, commander of the United States troops guarding American territory, revoked tonight all passes previously issued for crossing the international line.

GERMAN WOMAN IS SENT TO FRENCH PRISON

PARIS, Dec. 13.—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 (\$140) on the charge of using an American passport which was obtained by a fraudulent declaration.

HITCHCOCK TO TAKE UP HAMMOND BOND MATTER

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—(Special Telegram.)—Senator Hitchcock is to confer with Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo some time next week relative to the matter of relieving former Revenue Collector Boss Hammond from liability on his bond.

IN BELGIUM WITH THE ALLIES—A rest by the roadside. These trees are now being used for firewood by the armies on both sides.



CANYASS SHOWS BUSINESS GOOD

Commercial Club Makes Investigation at the Request of the Omaha Ad Club.

INCREASE IN MOST LINES

Some Report an Advance for Every Month in Last Half Year Except During the Month of November.

Business in Omaha is as good, if not better, than this time last year, according to a canvass of the situation just made by the Omaha Commercial club.

Omaha's Protest Heard in January

(From a Staff Correspondent.) WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—(Special Telegram.)—An opportunity for Omaha and other cities to present objections to being included in the Kansas City reserve district will be given by the Treasury department in January.

OFFICERS OF COMPANY ACCUSED OF TAKING CASH

CHICAGO, Dec. 13.—Charging three officers of the National Commercial Paper company with misappropriating funds, suit seeking the appointment of a receiver was begun today by K. E. Hill, a stockholder.

KANGAROO COURT ACTION MOB VIOLENCE IN KANSAS

TOPEKA, Kan., Dec. 13.—The action of a "kangaroo" court that lashed with a strap a victim who refused to pay a fine assessed by the mock tribunal led to a ruling by the state supreme court today holding that the doings of "kangaroo" courts in the state constitute mob violence when through them a person is "injured in a personal encounter."

RUSH DESTROYERS, PLEA OF GOETHALS

Panama Canal Governor Requests Washington to Send Him Naval Vessels at Once.

DOES NOT EXPLAIN PURPOSE

It is Believed that He Wants War Craft to Aid in Preserving Neutrality of Zone and Waters.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—Colonel Goethals has requested that destroyers be sent to the canal zone immediately, it was learned tonight, but no specific explanation of the need for naval vessels was included in the message.

Farm Co-operative Association to Be In Omaha This Week

Beginning Wednesday another convention of farmers about as large as the Nebraska Farmers' Congress, which just finished its sessions last week, is to be held in Omaha.

Italy Asks Turkey To Liberate Consul

ROME, Dec. 13.—(11:50 p. m.)—Baron Sonnino, the Italian foreign minister, has asked the Turkish government to liberate G. A. Richardson, the British consul at Moddeia, Arabia, who recently was forcibly removed by the Turks from the Italian consulate, where he had taken refuge.

REPUBLICANS WHO CAME BACK VISIT THE HOUSE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—Republicans returning to the next congress had a gathering at the capitol. Former Speaker Cannon, with spirits as high as in early days of his congressional career, called on Speaker Clark.

KAISER NOW FACES SURGEON'S KNIFE, SAYS ONE REPORT

Information Reaching Basel from Berlin Asserts Emperor Obligated to Be Operated On.

TROUBLE CAUSES THE TROUBLE

This Will Be Done When He Has Sufficiently Recovered from Present Illness.

CANNOT LEAVE FOR THE FRONT

Amsterdam Hears that Wilhelm's Health Much Improved.

READY TO GO TO BATTLE LINE

Reuter Dispatch from Dutch City Declares Monarch Dines with Chancellor and One of His Generals.

Must Be Operated On

GENEVA, Switzerland, Dec. 13.—A report reached Basel from Berlin this morning that Emperor Wilhelm will be obliged to undergo an operation of the throat, when he has sufficiently recovered from his present illness, which is not considered serious.

Dines with Advisors

LONDON, Dec. 13.—A Reuter dispatch from Amsterdam says that according to the German papers the emperor's health continues to improve.

Dresden Stranded On Argentine Coast Near Gallegos Port

BUENOS AIRES, Dec. 13.—The German cruiser Dresden, one of the squadron engaged by the British warships off Falkland islands and which took to flight, has stranded on the Argentine coast near the port of Gallegos.

Russ Christmas Not On Date Elsewhere, So Truce is Opposed

LONDON, Dec. 13.—The pope's plea for a Christmas truce has failed, for while the majority of the European powers were moved sympathetically, the others did not feel able to support it.

AUSTRIANS LEAVE 2,500 DEAD ON BATTLEFIELD

PARIS, Dec. 13.—Telegraphing from Nish, Serbia, the correspondent of the Havas news agency reports that the Serbians have repulsed the Austrian forces with heavy losses at Komal, thirty miles south of Belgrade.

SNYDER OF OMAHA BEE GRIDIRON CLUB HEAD

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KAISER WILL TRY TO LAND 90,000 IN BRITAIN

(Correspondence of the Associated Press.) LONDON, Dec. 13.—General Baden-Powell agrees with the opinion of many other English military experts who believe that Germany fully expects to invade England, if possible, and will direct its activities toward the commercial cities in the north of England rather than toward London and the resort cities of the south.

U. S. PREJUDICED, CAN'T BE UMPIRE

Cologne Gazette Says Germans Could Not Trust This Country in Peace Negotiations.

IS TOO FRIENDLY TO ENGLAND

"We Must in a Friendly, but Firm Manner, Reject America as an Arbitrator," Asserts Tension Newspaper.

CANNOT BE UMPIRE

Despite all friendliness with America, the Cologne Gazette continues, Germans must not allow themselves to be deceived and they must look in the face of the fact that America can not be an arbitrator in the fight between Germany and Great Britain.

HAVE NOT CONFIDENCE

The newspaper then says: "In view of all this we can not have in America's confidence which we ought to be able to repose in a power which would act as an impartial arbitrator in regard to an arrangement of peace."

Maney Mills Play Safe by Stopping Flour Shipment

NEW ORLEANS, La., Dec. 13.—(Special Telegram.)—Flour valued at \$14,500, which lies on the docks here waiting shipment to London and Llundun, Gothenburg, Sweden, was today stopped by the Maney Milling company of Omaha, the shippers, because payment for it had been withheld.

Decision Given in Irrigation Case

DENVER, Colo., Dec. 13.—A decision affecting water rights of Colorado and Nebraska users was handed down late today in the United States district court by Federal Judge Robert E. Lewis.

ALL TOGETHER!

Think Business! Talk Business! and Everybody will Do Business. All Together!

11,000 RUSSIANS TAKEN IN POLAND IN HOT FIGHTING

German Headquarters Announces Storming of Several Positions Held by Czar's Men.

MACHINE GUNS ARE CAPTURED

No New Developments in East Prussia or Southern Poland, According to Berlin.

CLAIMS CONFLICTING IN WEST

French Tell of Important Advance, While Germans Assert Allies' Attempt Repulsed.

LITTLE FIGHTING ON SUNDAY

Intermittent Cannonading kept Up at Various Points on Front.

GERMAN MOVES ARE DEFEATED

Numerous Attacks on Post of La Mere Henri, Northwest of Senones, Made by Invaders, Without Success.

BULLETIN

PARIS, Dec. 13.—The following official communication by the French war office tonight: "It is announced that two German attacks at the two extremes of the front have failed. One was to the northeast of Ypres and the other against the railway station at Aspach (Alsace)."

French Claim Advance

PARIS, Dec. 13.—An important advance by the French troops in the forest of La Pretz, in France, and the repulse of three violent German infantry attacks to the southeast of Ypres, Belgium, were the outstanding features of the French official statement this afternoon. The text of the statement reads: "All the day of December 12 was particularly quiet. The enemy's activity was shown especially by an intermittent cannonade at different points of the front. In the region to the southeast of Ypres there were ventured, however, three violent infantry attacks, which were repulsed. "In the woods of La Pretz we have made important progress. "In the Vosges the enemy has attacked on various occasions the post of La Mere Henri, to the northwest of Senones, but was repulsed. "Serbia—The extreme Serbian left wing pursuing the enemy has forced him to recross the Drina near Baina Basta. On the remainder of the front the Serbian armies continue to drive back the Austrians to the north and northwest."

Czar Visits Soldiers in Caucasus Region

LONDON, Dec. 13.—Emperor Nicholas of Russia, who has been paying a visit to the headquarters of the army of Caucasus, left Tiflis today amid an enthusiastic demonstration, according to a dispatch to Reuters Telegram company from Petrograd.

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CHRISTMAS BUNDLE HIDES TRAIN; SHOPPER KILLED

PASADENA, Cal., Dec. 13.—With an armful of Christmas packages shunting at her view of the railroad tracks, Mrs. Richard L. Miller, 36 years old, was run down here today and instantly killed by a freight train at a street crossing.