

### EMPEROR HONORS VON HINDENBURG

Kaiser Sends Grand Cross of Iron Cross to Field Marshal for Roumanian Campaign.

### PROUD OF THE VICTORY

Berlin, Dec. 10.—Emperor William has conferred upon Field Marshal von Hindenburg the grand cross of the Iron Cross with an autograph letter in which he said:

"My Dear Field Marshal: The Roumanian campaign which with God's assistance already has led to such brilliant successes will be valued in the war history of all times as a bright example of the strategic art of genius. You have again conducted great operations with rare prudence as regards splendid arrangements, with the greatest energy in carrying them out, and you proposed to me with far seeing thoughtfulness measures which directed the way to separately marching columns for a united blow.

"To you and your well tried assistants of the general staff the thanks of the Fatherland are due. With proud joy and satisfaction it has learned the news of victory and with sure certainty full of confidence in such leaders, looks into the future. But I desire to give especial expression of my deepest thanks by conferring upon you as the first of my generals the grand cross of the Iron Cross.

Your grateful and always very affectionate king. "WILHELM."

### ROUMANIANS TO MAKE STAND ON BUZEU FRONTIER

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attack yesterday and regained their positions, the war office announced today.

The statement follows: "On Saturday evening the enemy pressed back the Roumanians along the Ploesti-Mizil high road. The next morning the Roumanians by a counter attack restored the position. The battle is still proceeding.

"In Dobruja and on the Danube reciprocal firing is under way."

Battle in Galicia.

Austro-German troops took the offensive yesterday in the region of Pomorzany, forty-five miles southeast of Lemberg, in Galicia, says today's war office statement, but were brought to a halt by the Russian fire.

The statement reads: "Western front: The enemy bombarded the region of the forest of Calova without cessation from midday until 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

"Southeast of Pomorzany, in the region of the village of Josepohovka, the enemy took the offensive but its detachments were repulsed by the fire of our advanced posts.

"In the region six versts west of Dzembronja the enemy, having taken the offensive, pressed back one of our advanced companies, which, however, supported by another company, beat back the enemy and again restored our position. Repeated enemy attacks in the same sections were unsuccessful."

Entente Advances in Macedonia.

Saloniki, Sunday, Dec. 10.—(Via London, Dec. 11.)—An advance by the entente forces on one section of the front northeast of Monastir is announced in a Serbian official statement as follows:

"Yesterday there was artillery firing and local infantry fighting.

"West of Suhodol, the allies drove the enemy back several hundred yards."

German Official Report.

Berlin, Dec. 11.—(By Wireless to Sayville.)—Strong forces of Russians yesterday again attacked the Teuton troops to the north of Tartar pass in the Carpathians in the Bystritsa sector northeast of the Gergyzo mountains and on both sides of the Trotus valley in western Roumania, but without success, says today's German official statement.

The pursuit by Field Marshal von Mackensen's troops of the retreating Roumanian armies continues in spite of a pouring rain and the destruction of bridges. At places some resistance was met, the statement adds, and this has now been broken. Several thousand more Roumanians were taken prisoner.

Entente troops on the Macedonian front launched a very considerable attack with forces of artillery and infantry on December 10, says today's German official statement. The attacks met with severe failure, it is added, on account of the tenacious resistance of the German and Bulgarian troops.

War Department Faces Deficit, Says Sharpe

Washington, Dec. 11.—Major General Sharpe, quartermaster general of the army, told the house military committee today that the War department faced a \$25,000,000 deficit now on account of the extraordinary expenses of the border mobilization, and predicted that if the National Guard were kept there until June at a strength of 75,000 the deficit would be \$50,000,000.

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### MILLER WANTED TO TRADE PLANT FOR WILD HORSES

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4,500 wild horses on his ranch in Arizona. Was Smith a reliable man, he asked Jack Shircliff, one of the men indicted by the grand jury. Certainly. And to prove it, he said, letters of recommendation were read telling of parties who had bought some of the wild horses and who were very well satisfied.

Brauer told of Smith coming into the office wearing blue goggles. When asked what the reason was, he said Smith told him he had recently come back from a roundup on his ranch and that he had caught cold in his eyes from sleeping on the ground.

"Smith showed me pictures," the farmer added, "and told me he had to sell so many horses regularly to keep from being overstocked.

"My, but it must take an awful lot of grass to feed all your horses," the farmer said he conjectured to Smith. "Oh, yes, but we keep lots of feed for them," was his reply.

After these talks, Mr. Brauer said, he felt sure the deal was on the square and decided to make the trade for his 216 acres of Oneida county, Wisconsin land.

Paid Commission, Too. After the deal was made, the farmer testified, F. B. Guidinger, in whose office negotiations had been carried out, asked him for a commission of \$50. He said he paid the commission.

"Did you see Smith pay his half?" "No, nor no one else did," the farmer answered.

When asked if he got a receipt for his \$50 the farmer replied, "Sure, I always get a receipt or I don't pay." Brauer then told of his attempts to get his 100 head of mares by wiring to Flagstaff, Ariz., where they were to be put on cars for him. But he said his telegrams were never answered.

"Did you get any horses or anything for your property," he was finally asked. "Not that I know of." "If you make the deal we will give you the trade of your life." This, in substance, is what A. V. Everett, real estate dealer of Rolfe, Ia., told the jury he was assured by John Bolecey of the Western Land company of Atkinson, Neb., if he would trade his quarter section of Hamilton county (Kansas) land for 160 of the wild range horses.

On the face of the evidence presented him, he testified, he was positive that if he made the deal he certainly would have made the trade of his life. But he didn't trade. And as a result he has his Kansas farm, he said, valued at about \$8,000, which he came mighty close to swappin' for the wild horses.

The Nice Bait. The Iowa real estate dealer told of his first nibbling at the "wild horse" bait when he answered an advertisement in a paper to the effect that the Western Land company had horses to trade for land. In reply to his letter, he said he received a letter from A. O. Perry of Omaha telling more about the quality of the animals. During this stage of the negotiations, Everett said that he was acting as an agent for one of his Iowa clients.

In response to another letter from Mr. Perry, in which the real estate man said that Perry wrote him his "client was not going up against a skin game," he came to Omaha with H. H. Roberts, a garage owner, also of Rolfe, Ia., who wanted to look into the proposition.

"In a room in the Merchants hotel where Mr. Perry took me," he said, "I was shown pictures of the kind of horses they had on the range. They were nice gray ones and I decided that if I made the deal I would take as many of the dappled grays as possible." He said that was agreeable to Perry and J. Smith and Jack Shircliff, who had entered the room.

Map and Photos. In addition to being shown pictures in the room, he said he was also given a map showing how easy it would be to capture the animals and load them on the cars at Flagstaff, Ariz.

Jack Shircliff, he testified, lay

down on the ben in the room and during the conversation remarked to Jack Smith: "Jack, I made a lot of money on the last carload of horses shipped." Everett said that he was most tempted to make a deal for his client then, but that somehow he put the matter off for a later time.

From John Bolecey of the Western Land company of Atkinson, Neb., Everett testified that he was then deluged with letters as to why he did not make the deal. In one of Bolecey's letters, he said, was the following: "We notice that there is a 'wild horse' case being investigated by the federal authorities. Don't confuse us with that company. We don't do business that way."

House's Story. J. E. House, an attorney of Schaffers, S. D., was next called upon the stand and told of his futile efforts of trying to get back the property of George McDonald, former barber of Draper, S. D., and Jack Hayward of the same place, who had traded for some of the wild animals.

"I came to Omaha and told Mr. Hodder, the attorney for the United States Land company, that I wanted to get the property back and that there were no horses in Arizona as had been represented.

That Telegram. M. H. Roberts of Rolfe, Ia., garage owner, corroborated Everett's testimony. He said that he had come to Omaha to trade his North Dakota homestead for some of the horses if they were as they had been represented.

"And why didn't you trade?" he was asked. "I didn't think that the horses they claimed to own could be as good as what they represented," he said. "And while I was in the room, J. C. Smith showed me a telegram which said that he had lost one of his stallions on the range valued at \$1,600 and weighing 1,950 pounds. Right there I knew that the scheme was a fake," he said.

"He said that there were horses as had been described in the contract, but that my clients had been unable to catch them.

"When I called his attention to the fact that his name appeared on one of the bills of sale as an officer of the United States Live Stock company and that he was responsible also for the deal, he told me that he did think his name had been signed to one of the contracts, but that he had no responsibility in the matter.

House then told of how he was referred from one officer of the company to the other without getting any satisfaction.

"Nearly all told me that the horses were on the range, but that my clients had been unable to catch them.

Peter Allison, wanted by government attorneys to appear in the case and who had been advertised for in papers all over the country, appeared to testify. He arrived from Pacific Junction, Kan.

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### ADAMSON ACT CASE IS SET FOR JAN. 8

Supreme Court Will Not Be Able to Pass On Law Before It Becomes Effective.

### LAW WILL BE AMENDED

Washington, Dec. 11.—Arguments on constitutionality of the Adamson eight-hour law were today set by the supreme court for January 8.

Chief Justice White announced the court's action on the motion, presented last Monday by Solicitor General Davis, to advance the Missouri, Oklahoma & Gulf railroad test for early hearing. The case was ordered heard before a dozen other important cases previously assigned for January 8. The law becomes effective January 1.

The stipulation before the court, signed by Department of Justice and railroad representatives, suspending all litigation over the Adamson law pending a decision, requires the railroads to keep special accounts of wages due employees under the law so they may be paid promptly if its constitutionality is sustained.

Both sides are pledged to expedite the test case, particularly as it is considered that congress would consider legislation to meet the court's decision.

French Steamer Sunk. Paris, Dec. 11.—The French steamer St. Philippe has been sunk, according to a dispatch to the Havas agency from Havre. The dispatch adds that two of the crew were killed while the vessel was being shelled. The captain and five members of the crew have just arrived at Havre.

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Washington, Dec. 11.—The inquiry into all conditions that affect news print paper prices to be made by the federal trade commission at a public hearing here tomorrow, it was announced today, will go into the reasonableness of contract and current prices, costs and profits of paper manufacturers, gross profits of jobbers,

factors affecting the supply and demand and remedies for the situation. At a previous hearing during the summer papers users declared they would later present evidence to show there had been collusion among news print producers to raise prices.

Manufacturers, jobbers, publishers and others interested will testify tomorrow. Among those expected here are P. T. Dodge, president of the International Paper company; George C. Chahoon, jr., a Canadian manufacturer; E. W. Backus, the Minnesota & Ontario Power company; George H. Mead of Dayton, O.; J. I. Carey of the International Brother-

hood of Paper Makers; Gorge W. Marble, representing Kansas publishers; David Lindsey, jr., of the Philadelphia Paper Trade association; William C. Ridgeway of the National Paper Trade association.

L. E. Calvert, Burlington Engineer, Seriously Ill

Lincoln, Dec. 11.—L. E. Calvert, chief engineer of the Burlington lines west of the Missouri river, is seriously ill at his home here. Specialists have been summoned from Chicago in hope of saving his life. He has heart disease.

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