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BU VAGUE REPORTS FROM THE FIELDS

Only on the French Right Wing in France Are Troops of Opposing Nations Showing Activity.

NO STATEMENT GIVEN OF ACTUAL OPERATIONS

In Poland the Germans Have Extricated Themselves from a Difficult and Menacing Position and are Now Directing Their Efforts Against the Russian Army Which Failed to Encompass Them—Nineteen Thousand Prisoners are Said to Have Been Taken by the Austrians Since They Began Their Recent Offensive Movement—French Cabinet is to Return to Paris—Action Taken as an Indication that the Allies are Convinced That They Have Sufficient Forces in Northern France to Check Advance of the Enemy.

With hundreds of thousands of fighting men stretched out along the battle fronts in the eastern and western theaters, the official statements vouchsafe little information regarding the actual operations. Apparently only on the French right wing in France have troops of the opposing nations shown any particular activity during the past 24 hours, and the French report the occupation of Lemnais and one of the signal stations at Xon, on the right bank of the Moselle. Likewise, in the Vosges the French have taken the observation point previously occupied by the Germans.

NINETEEN THOUSAND SERBIANS TAKEN AS PRISONERS

Since the Austrians Began Present Offensive Movement

Berlin, Dec. 3. By wireless to London.—Nineteen thousand Serbian prisoners have been taken since the Austrians began the present offensive movement, according to a report received here today from Vienna. News from other sources indicates that Serbian casualties since the beginning of the war will reach about 100,000, or virtually one-third of her entire strength.

PITIFUL APPEAL FROM RUSSIANS IN LEMBERG.

Has Been Received in Petrograd Urging Relief For Widows and Orphans.

London, Dec. 3. 6:35 p. m.—A pitiful appeal, telegraphed Reuter's correspondent at Petrograd, has been received by the British authorities of the Russian capital from Lemberg, urging that relief be extended to Russian widows, orphans and other destitute persons who are stranded in Galicia. About ten thousand Russians, the appeal says, have been arrested by the Austrians. The Russian army rescued 2,000 of these men. The remainder were taken into the interior of Hungary, and nothing has been heard of them since their departure.

VERDICT OF NOT GUILTY FOR MRS. MABLE SCUDDER.

Jury Deliberated Over Five Hours—Was Charged With Murder of Brother-in-Law.

Full River Mass., Dec. 3.—A verdict of "not guilty" was returned tonight by the jury in the trial of Mrs. Mabel A. Scudder, who was charged with the murder in the second degree of her brother-in-law, Edgar C. Scudder, at Tappan. The jury deliberated five and a half hours. The shooting occurred April 14. The defense claimed the woman shot to defend herself from a snail.

WEALTHY CHICAGO LAWYER ARRESTED FOR OLD OFFENSE.

Charged With Forfeiting Bond of Client in New York 22 Years Ago.

Chicago, Dec. 3.—Charged with forfeiting the bond on which Charles Hudson had been held in New York twenty-two years ago accused of forgery, Charles Hudson, a wealthy attorney for many years an active member of the Moody Church of Chicago, was arrested today at the request of the New York police. He was released on bonds to be tried at a hearing tomorrow, at which a continuance will be asked, his attorney stated. The arrest was made on complaint of Dr. Charles Sanders, whose uncle, Joshua Sanders, was on Hudson's bond in 1892.

LARGER APPROPRIATIONS FOR GEODIC SURVEY.

Secretary Redfield Says Three of the Vessels Are a Menace to Crews Manned Them.

New York, Dec. 3.—Larger appropriations of money by congress to extend the work of the geodetic coast and geodetic survey to make the service safe for those employed in it were declared necessary by William C. Redfield, secretary of the department of commerce, in an address today before the members of the maritime exchange.

GUNMAN SHOT AND KILLED BY A WOMAN

"Getting" Her Husband

Toledo, Ohio, Dec. 3.—Four gunmen called at the home of Harry E. Plummer, tonight, with the intention of killing him. As a result one of the gunmen was shot to death by Mrs. Catherine Plummer and her husband's intended victim, is suffering from bullet wounds in a hospital.

WASH. DEC. 3.—REPRESENTATIVE

Joe Cannon's Campaign Expenses \$3,274.

EMPEROR WILLIAM VISITS TROOPS.

Berlin, Dec. 3. via The Hague and London, Dec. 4, 1:33 p. m.—Emperor William of Germany today visited a part of the Austrian and German troops which are fighting in the region of Zonetzko.

Cabled Paragraphs

Emperor Nicholas Visiting the Wounded.

Petrograd, Dec. 3.—Emperor Nicholas today left the front, returning to the Central and Russian for the purpose of wounded in the hospitals.

Decorated by Emperor Francis Joseph.

Vienna, Austria, Dec. 3. via Amsterdam and London, 3 p. m.—Emperor Francis Joseph of Austria today bestowed the Grand Cross of the Leopold Order on General Lieberov von Frank for distinguished service in the field.

Ven. Moltke Confers With Military Men.

Berlin, Dec. 3. Wireless Telegraph to London, 7:35 p. m.—Field Marshal Count Helmuth von Moltke, the chief of the German general staff, who has been in the putting through of in Berlin with a number of high military dignitaries from the German general headquarters in the field.

LETTER SUBMITTED IN ATLANTIC BANK CASE.

Tells of Way to Obviate Withdrawal of Money From an Account Which Has None in It.

Providence, R. I., Dec. 3.—A letter from Henry E. De Kay, a New York broker, to Edward P. Metcalf, president of the Atlantic National bank, tells of the way to obviate withdrawal of money from an account which has none in it.

Mrs. Bertha M. Riker, a stenographer employed by De Kay, identified the letter as having been dictated by him, but could not remember the circumstances surrounding the bank account mentioned. Mrs. Riker said she was not present when the letter was written and forwarded to the headquarters of the company in Mexico City for payment.

Telegrams alleging to have been sent by John W. De Kay, who was indicted in connection with the bank's failure, but never arrested, to his brother Henry De Kay, were offered in evidence. Some of these contained quotations of cablegrams which John W. De Kay wished Metcalf to send him as answers alleged to have been written by Metcalf were also read.

The letter indicated that the Russian company was to be paid in Mexico City property and were to be shown to London investors, according to the evidence.

PERSONNEL OF STAFF OF GOV.-ELECT HOLCOMB.

Gen. George M. Cole Reappointed Adjutant General.

Hartford, Conn., Dec. 3.—Governor-elect George M. Cole today announced the personnel of his staff, as follows:

Brigadier General George M. Cole, adjutant-general (re-appointment).

Colonel Frank J. Regan of Rockville, adjutant-general.

Colonel Philip H. Ingalls, M. D., of Hartford, surgeon-general.

Colonel William C. Cheney, of Manchester, commissary-general.

Colonel Alton Farrell, of Ansonia, adjutant-general.

Colonel Milton A. Alling of New Haven, judge-advocate-general.

Major Samuel Russell, Jr., of Middletown, commissary-general.

Major John N. Brooks of Torrington, aide-de-camp.

Lieutenant Commander William Sheffield Cowles, rear admiral, U. S. N. (retired), of Farmington, naval aide.

CLEARANCE PAPERS FOR STEAMER BERWIND.

Recently Detained at New York Pending Neutrality Investigation.

Washington, Dec. 3.—Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Peters tonight instructed collector of Customs Madison New York to grant clearance papers to the American steamship Berwind, recently detained by customs officers at New York pending investigation to determine whether she had violated the neutrality laws.

The vessel, which was chartered with a German warship outside the three mile limit. Upon investigation, however, the treasury department found it was on ground upon which to hold her.

The vessel, it was said here, is clear of all contraband and is to be cleared for the coast.

One result of the investigation by New York authorities was a fine of \$500 for the vessel's owners for making out a false manifest, in failing to declare certain articles aboard the vessel.

The \$500 was paid under protest.

LAMAR SENTENCED TO SERVE TWO YEARS.

Jury Finds Him Guilty of Impersonating a Congressman.

New York, Dec. 3.—David Lamar was sentenced to two years in the Atlanta penitentiary by Judge Sessions in the federal district court today after he had been found guilty by the jury of impersonating Representative A. Mitchell Palmer with intent to defraud. The jury also found Lamar guilty of impersonating Representative A. Mitchell Palmer with intent to defraud. The jury also found Lamar guilty of impersonating Representative A. Mitchell Palmer with intent to defraud.

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Arrest of Boston Pawnbroker

CHARGED WITH THEFT OF \$86,000 FROM LOAN CO.

PROBABLY TOOK MORE

Investigation of Populations of Minor Employes Resulted in Discovery of Greater Thefts by President William Cobb.

Boston, Dec. 3.—William Cobb, who resigned today from the presidency of the Collateral Loan company, known as the largest pawnshop in the country, was arrested tonight, charged with the theft of \$86,000 from the company, however, are greater.

Accountants have discovered larcenies of \$25,000 additional, which are regarded by those charged against the former president. Any one of seven or eight employes of the company might have been responsible for these other peculations, so far as present investigation has developed, it was said.

Assistant District Attorney Lavelle said that none of those whose names appeared in these transactions was held responsible for the alleged thefts.

How Discovery Was Made.

The shortage in the company's accounts was discovered in connection with investigation of the petty peculations of the employes who were making pledges placed with the company. When private detectives and accountants employed by the directors examined the company's books, they were struck by the discrepancy.

Mr. Cobb resigned this morning, stating that his resignation had no connection with the losses sustained by the bank.

STATEMENT BY FATHER OF ACCUSED MAN

Declares It is Nonsense to Say His Son Resigned Because of the Trouble.

Barnstable, Mass., Dec. 3.—Francis J. Cobb, father of the man accused of the theft of \$86,000 from the Collateral Loan company for twenty years and father of William Cobb, his successor, under arrest in Boston charged with the theft of \$86,000 from the company, said tonight that his son's resignation had no connection with the losses sustained by the bank.

"In my estimate, the losses are entirely due to somebody on the inside," he said. "My son resigned because of the trouble. He had been planning to resign for some time because he needed a rest. He and I were going to talk over the matter and are willing to stand by our guns."

LAST PRELIMINARY STEP IN COTTON FUND LOAN.

List Completed of Local Committees in Eleven Southern States.

Washington, Dec. 3.—The last important step preliminary to the actual operation of the \$135,000,000 cotton loan fund was taken today by the eleven of the Southern states. The list of state committees in every cotton producing community throughout the south and applications for loans are expected as soon as the local organizations are formed.

The cotton loan committee also announced tonight that a meeting of the chairmen of the state committees will be held December 15 to talk over the details of the loan plan. The committee for Florida was not given in tonight's report, but it was said that a committee might be named for Missouri, since the southeastern part of that state produces cotton.

Although the plan for putting the fund into the hands of cotton producers have gone so far, it was indicated tonight that it is possible that a large part of the \$135,000,000 contributed by northern banks might never be used.

Officials here realize that some southern producers are not particularly enthusiastic over the plan in view of the interest to be paid on loans and the price now quoted on a cotton on the New York and Liverpool exchanges. At the same time, it was said that the plan is regarded as successful if the price now quoted on a cotton on the New York and Liverpool exchanges has reopened and the price advanced to a level good prices, officials declared was due some extent at least to the completion of the loan fund.

John R. Voorhis Vindicated.

Albany, N. Y., Dec. 3.—Charges filed by the Honorable Ballot association against John R. Voorhis, state superintendent of elections, alleging official misconduct and recommending his removal from office, were today dismissed by Governor Glynn. This action was taken, the governor said, on the recommendation of John R. Voorhis, who is the person who investigated the charges and reported them not sustained.

Income Tax Costs Congressmen \$16,000.

Washington, Dec. 3.—The income tax law caused the deduction of a total of \$16,000 from the salaries of representatives of the house for the current year. The deductions were made today in the checks issued by Sergeant James Gordon to the members of the house and the money will be turned back into the treasury.

Emperor William Visits Troops.

Berlin, Dec. 3. via The Hague and London, Dec. 4, 1:33 p. m.—Emperor William of Germany today visited a part of the Austrian and German troops which are fighting in the region of Zonetzko.

Condensed Telegrams

The Bank of England received 5,000 pounds in bar gold.

The Secretary of Agriculture lifted the quarantine against Canadian potatoes.

Forest fires in the state of Pennsylvania this year have caused damage of more than \$450,000.

A Philadelphia Stock Exchange seat sold for \$3,500, the last previous sale being made at \$3,100.

The Chicago & Eastern Illinois Railroad has completed its new \$300,000 car shops at Oaklawn, Ill.

Many cotton mills in Denmark and Sweden are closed because of the scarcity of raw material.

Jacob M. Schiff has resigned from the Japan Society, giving as his reason his sympathy with Germany.

Lawrence Page, of Quebec, his guide and two helpers have been frozen to death at Lake Septe, Canada.

As a rival to "Tipperary," the Germans in Belgium are singing a song, "It's a short, short march to Calais."

A reserve force of 28,156 men has been recruited in New York city to clean the streets of snow this winter.

Three hundred hotel men gathered in New York city for the annual convention of the State Hotel Association.

The Prince of Wales fund for the relief of the families of officers at the front has reached a total of \$20,000,000.

Eighty-four employes of the Ellis Island Immigration Station, New York, received a month's furlough without pay.

Temple Bowlin, member of J. P. Morgan's staff, died at his home in New York following an operation for appendicitis.

Police Commissioner Woods of New York advocates freer use of the night stick by policemen to drive out city gangsters.

A postcard addressed simply to "The Most Popular Man in Germany," was delivered to Field Marshall von Hindenburg.

The Women's Freedom League in London has formed a corps of police-women under the name of Women Police Volunteers.

As a result of a practical joke, 33 doctors called on Mrs. Charity McCarroll in Washington, having been summoned by postal card.

The Treasury laundry machine used in making old and dirty paper money clean and crisp will be exhibited at the San Francisco Exposition.

Purchasing agents for the Rockefeller Foundation bought 55,000 bushels of wheat in Chicago, agents for relief of the starving Belgians.

A girl who said she was "Happy Day" aged 15, wearing men's evening clothes, was arrested in New York charged with masquerading.

Enlistment for the second contingent to be sent by Newfoundland to join the British army is proceeding rapidly.

John F. Lamb, who retired as a department commander of the Grand Army in Maine, last June, died yesterday.

Alfred Ayotte, aged 12, was drowned at Biddeford, Me., by breaking through thin ice while skating on a brook. He is the first victim here this year.

Thomas J. Hill, an aviator, was killed in the suburbs of Los Angeles when his machine fell to the ground, while he was attempting a loop-the-loop.

An unidentified man was found roasted to death on an asphalt at Sparta, N. Y. He had laid on the pile to get warm, and was overcome by gas.

A prisoner at Auburn Prison, New York, has offered to give up his life to aid cancer research. He will allow himself to be inoculated with the cancer germ.

Cuban authorities have seized a sedition proclamation issued at Sagua Lagrande, in Santa Clara province, addressing the negroes to arm and assert their rights.

For the first time since the New York City Hospital on Blackwell's Island was opened to the public, electric farm lamps were replaced by electric lights.

On personal representations from President Wilson through Ambassador Gerard, Germany has released Admiral Noeld, retired, and his wife held at a German health resort.

One person was killed and several injured and dozens driven from their homes by a terrific wind and rain storm at Houston, Tex., during which six inches of rain fell.

Mrs. Victoria Jerezyk, aged 52 died at the New Britain general hospital from burns received at her home when she attempted to replenish the fire in the kitchen range with kerosene.

The American consul-general at Genoa has made arrangements for the free transportation by rail of the American military gifts to the orphans of Austria and Germany.

In a running fight with a railroad car burglar at Buffalo, N. Y., Policeman Richard Cronin was shot and fatally wounded. As he fell he shot and killed his assailant Stanley Wrublewski.

Official announcement is made at La Paz, Bolivia, that the cordial relations between Bolivia and Paraguay have not been interrupted, and that no mobilization of Bolivian troops has taken place, as reported.

By a vote of 20 to 16 the directors of the Connecticut Chamber of Commerce in Hartford voted to hold the next convention of the chamber in Windham. Thirty-five cities and towns were represented at the meeting.

The Chicago Association of Commerce has called a meeting of various interests for December 7, to consider the advisability of changing Chicago from Central Standard time to Eastern time.

Life Sentence for Murderer.

Fall River, Mass., Dec. 3.—Marcellino Farina of New Bedford was today sentenced to life imprisonment for murdering Maria Corio's wife, about with a razor and then fled. Later he returned and gave himself up.

TOPEDO EQUIPMENT'S EFFECTS

Secretary Daniels Declares That the Defects Have Been Greatly Exaggerated

SAYS GARDNER'S STATEMENT IS MISLEADING

No Ship in the United States Navy Able to Handle the 58 Long Range Torpedoes, Which the Massachusetts Congressman Spoke of in His Effort to Have an Investigation of Our Preparedness for War, Admiral Strauss Asserts—They Were Built for the Nevada and Oregon, Which Will Not Go Into Commission Until the End of Next Year—Torpedoes Have as High a Range, or Higher, Than any Manufactured Abroad—Long Range Torpedoes Not Required for Submarines.

Washington, Dec. 3.—What officials regard as popular exaggeration of admitted defects in the American navy's torpedo equipment, was the subject of a statement issued tonight by Secretary Daniels embodying a special report from Rear Admiral Strauss, chief of the bureau of ordnance. Specifically, the statement was prepared to prove misleading a declaration that "of long range torpedoes there are only 58 in the navy," quoted from a speech by Representative Gardner of Massachusetts, who is urging the administration to support his resolution for an investigation of the nation's military preparedness.

"What the recent discussion of the subject has dealt only with the equipment of battleships and cruisers, Admiral Strauss took occasion to point out that long range torpedoes are neither required nor desired for submarines. He recalled that the British are equipped with torpedoes of the type known as the 'Hogue' and destroyed by a German submarine at a range of 500 yards.

Gardner's Statement Leave False Impression.

"This statement standing by itself is calculated to leave a false impression," said Mr. Daniels. "In view of repeated statements that the navy has only 58 long range torpedoes, the chief of the bureau of ordnance has been asked to furnish a statement concerning the torpedo situation, as has been compiled, as follows:

"The 58 long range torpedoes, so often referred to in the newspapers, are of the 21 inch, 21 foot type, and there is no ship in the navy which is fitted with torpedoes of this type. They were manufactured for new construction, beginning with the Nevada and Oklahoma, but are not yet in commission. They will not go into commission until about the end of next year. Their long range is obtained by an increase in the diameter of the torpedoes and no ship prior to the Nevada and Oklahoma is constructed for torpedoes of this length. So far as the navy is concerned, it is not necessary to ascertain these torpedoes have as

high a range, or higher, than any torpedoes manufactured abroad.

"Beginning with the Virginia class, which went into commission principally in 1906, and up to and including the Texas, which went into commission this year, all the battleships are provided with 21 inch, 17 foot torpedoes. Within the last two years it was found impossible to so improve the 21 inch, 17 foot torpedoes as to practically double their range, and steps were taken at once to construct new torpedoes to provide for the increased range. We already have a sufficient number of these longer range torpedoes to outfit the eight most recent dreadnoughts in commission, and that is the equipment that they will have on board.

"Torpedoes Enough For All Ships.

"In addition to the above, there are being manufactured at the government works at Newport and the Bliss works at Brooklyn a sufficient number to provide all of the battleships of the United States navy beginning with the Virginia class with the long range torpedo. The Ohio class, which were first commissioned about 1904, are fitted with 18 inch tubes and torpedoes of the highest range cannot be substituted for the equipment now furnished them, without serious alteration.

Cruisers Well Provided.

"All of the armored cruisers except four and all of the older destroyers are provided with 18 inch torpedoes, and the cruisers and all of the destroyers subsequent to destroyer No. 28 are provided with torpedoes that were up to date in range and speed at the time they were developed for increasing the range of the 18 inch torpedo and there are now in process of construction 18 inch torpedoes of the newer type, which will be fitted to the destroyers from No. 28 with the long range torpedoes. Long range torpedoes are neither required nor desired for submarines. Submarines were not designed to act as to make it advisable to use short range, high speed torpedoes, and that is the type of torpedoes which are being furnished with. The Hogue, Cressy and Hogue were torpedoed recently, and the Hogue was recalled, at a range of 500 yards."

CANAL MANAGER CHARGED WITH ACCEPTING BRIBES.

John Burke of Commissary Department Indicted on Two Counts.

New York, Dec. 3.—Additional indictments against John Burke, an official of the Manhattan canal commission, as manager of an increase in length of the canal zone, in them Burke is charged with accepting two bribes totalling \$10,000.

The first indictment charges that Burke accepted a bribe of \$5,586 from Arthur Goldsmith, member of a Hanover, N. Y., firm, for causing the consignment of supplies. The second indictment alleges that he accepted a bribe of \$4,414 from P. Canavaggio, a merchant of Colon, for passing wine and other supplies intended for use in the canal zone.