

RUSS ENVOYS CROSS TO GERMAN LINES

BISMARCK WILL RETURN THANKS FOR BLESSINGS

Capital City Folk of all Creeds and Conditions Unite Tomorrow in Union Service

MANY SOCIAL AFFAIRS ARE PLANNED FOR DAY

Annual Thanksgiving Night Ball of Firemen and "Fair and Warmer" Evening Features

- FARMERS RESPONDED. Washington, Nov. 28.—Thanksgiving day finds America's horn of plenty with new high record fullness. Responding faithfully to President Wilson's appeal and the needs of a war-torn world, American farmers produced a gross total of \$21,000,000,000 worth of farm products, equal in value to the nation's total expenditure in one year of war.

- HOW TO SPEND THE DAY. 9 a. m.—Services at St. Mary's cathedral. 10 a. m.—Special Thanksgiving service at St. George's Episcopal church. 10:30 a. m.—Union Thanksgiving service, Municipal Auditorium. 12 noon.—Old-time family dinners; big hotel dinners, medium-Hoover dinners. 5 p. m.—Matinee, "The Little American," with Mary Pickford, at the Grand. 7:30 and 9:30 p. m.—The movies, special Thanksgiving day attractions. 8:15 p. m.—"Fair and Warmer" at the Auditorium. (Something to be thankful for.) 9 p. m. to 1 a. m.—Bismarck fire department's annual Thanksgiving ball, Patterson's hall. Music by O'Connor's orchestra. A warm reception for the boys.

WHY WE ARE THANKFUL. "Thanksgiving day brings us so many reasons for being thankful that we need not urge upon every citizen of Bismarck his duty tomorrow of giving some outward expression of that gratitude by joining religiously in the observance of this most typical of American holidays. The first Thanksgiving day on American soil was celebrated in a time of stress. There have been other Thanksgiving days which found America absorbed in war; days when the republic was fighting for its very existence. Never has a Thanksgiving day found America involved in a more righteous or holy cause than it is today. No Thanksgiving day has found America more vigorously and successfully defending the cause of democracy and right and justice. "We should be thankful tomorrow that we are Americans; thankful that America once more has proven true to the trust imposed in her by liberty-loving people the world over; thankful that Americans to a man have stood and are standing back of the president and the administration in this war; thankful that we as a state and as a community have done our share and have the faith and courage to continue to do our share, whether the call be for our blood, our brawn or our money." —Mayor A. W. Lucas.

NO EVENING PAPER ON THANKSGIVING

In order to give The Tribune staff an opportunity to observe the day, there will be no issue of the evening Tribune on Thanksgiving Day. The morning Tribune, however, will be published as usual and all subscribers to the evening edition will receive the morning paper.

FUEL ORDERS MODIFIED BY CAPT. BAKER

Two Months' Supply of Bituminous May be Purchased in Addition to Anthracite

CHANGE MADE BECAUSE OF DEALERS' PROTESTS

Large Cities of State Contended Decree Increased Hauling Charges Materially

Fargo, N. D., Nov. 28.—I. P. Baker, state fuel administrator, at the opening of the conference held here this morning with fuel administrators from all parts of the state, announced a modification of his order limiting coal deliveries by which it will be possible for household consumers to purchase sufficient bituminous and lignite coal now for a two months' supply. The amended order allowed only a two weeks' supply. The half ton limit on anthracite, bituminous and coke purchases is still maintained, however, the fuel administrator announced. Under the modified order consumers may purchase a half ton of anthracite and two months' bituminous supply at the same time and may renew anthracite purchases from time to time even though they have soft coal on hand. The modification of the order is the result of numerous protests, it was said, from coal dealers and others from throughout the state, especially of the larger cities, who maintained that the shortage of teaming facilities and extra hauling expense working a hardship both on the public and the coal dealers, as a half ton of coal did not last the consumer a long time in cold weather.

Boyish Pranks Cause Tragedy On Frisco Line

Wetsetka, Okla., Nov. 28.—The playful throwing of a piece of scrap iron, to which a rope had been attached by three boys, on the tracks of the Frisco railroad near here, caused the wreck Sunday morning of the fast train known as the Meteor, and the subsequent death of two members of the train crew, according to a confession made by the boys to their parents today. The boys abandoned the iron when it became lodged in a joint. According to authorities here, no action has been taken against the boys.

BOTH AFTER JACK RABBIT; MAN GETS EAGLE; LOSES JACK

Milton, N. D., Nov. 28.—When Andrew Flom and a large black eagle had a dispute over a jack-rabbit eight miles southeast of Milton, Flom got the eagle and the rabbit got away. The bird measures 80 inches from tip to tip and is one of the finest seen here in recent years. It was brought down with a long-range rifle shot.

Sixty-Three Missing From U. S. Steamer

Washington, Nov. 28.—Sixty-three men are missing in the three unaccounted-for boats of the American steamer Actaeon, reported torpedoed yesterday by a German submarine. The navy's official report says one boat with 20 survivors landed at Cape Finisterre yesterday and adds nothing more to published accounts of the sinking.

SIX DROWNED

Baltimore, Md., Nov. 28.—Six men, all members of the crews of three Dutch steamships lying at this port, were drowned and nine rescued early today, when a launch carrying them to their ships capsized in the harbor. Six of the survivors were taken to a hospital suffering from exposure, and their condition was said to be serious.

RUSS LEADERS HOPE TO RESTORE NATIONAL ORDER

Conference at Petrograd of Deep Significance for United States

POLITICAL PARTIES TRY TO COMPOSE DIFFERENCES

Washington Will Await Outcome of Party Meeting Before Stating Policy

Washington, Nov. 28.—The conference at Petrograd today of Russian political leaders, which, according to the London Times, is for the purpose of forming a government representative of all parties, added to the interest with which official Washington, and unofficial Washington, as well, is watching the march of developments in that changing capital. What really lies back of the conference, it is too early for officials to judge. It was significant, however, that former members of the Kerensky cabinets are among those who assembled, along with the Bolshevik leaders, although the calling in of some members of an overthrown regime, it is recognized, may be a strategic move for effect on the diplomatic corps at Petrograd, who have uniformly refused to indicate any recognition of the newly sprung element in power, while Russian diplomats and consuls in this country openly repudiate it. The developments more than confirmed the contention of those who have held from the first that the Bolsheviks were fostered by German propaganda, seeking to break Russia from her allies. One of the first acts of the allied governments, when they learn officially that the Bolsheviks are actively working with the Germans, undoubtedly will be to withdraw their embassies in Petrograd. This, of course, will include American Ambassador Francis B. Saypol.

ELEVATOR HEADS HERE DEFENDING GRADING SYSTEM

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MILITANT SUFFRAGISTS RELEASED FROM JURY

Washington, Nov. 28.—All militants of the woman's party who remained in jail after yesterday's release of the hunger striking twenty-two, were released today. This entirely cleared the jail and workhouse of the women imprisoned for picketing the white house.

TRADING STAMP ACT TO BE TRIED IN HIGH COURT

The supreme court late Wednesday afternoon on petition of Andrew J. Miller, representing Theodore Olson, manager for Sperry & Hutchinson Green Trading Stamp Co., issued a writ of habeas corpus of the act of trading stamp act passed by the legislature before the supreme court for an early decision as to its constitutionality. Olson is now under arrest at Fargo on a charge of violating this act, which provides that no concern of individual can enter into a contract to supply trading stamps without first paying a state license fee of \$5,000. The license fee makes the act practically prohibitory, although not actually so, and this feature was included by the last legislature with a view to assuring the constitutionality of the statute and at the same time banning of trading stamps and other premium schemes in North Dakota. The constitutionality of the act will be defended in supreme court by Attorney General Langer, who will be assisted by Aubrey Lawrence of Fargo, acting on behalf of the Fargo Retail Merchants' association, which was largely instrumental in the passage of the act.

FOUR-YEAR-OLD TOT SHOOT TWO YEAR-OLD BABE

Binford, N. D., Nov. 28.—Alvin two-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Johnson, was shot and instantly killed by his four-year-old brother Elmer while the children were playing with a loaded shotgun which they discovered in a granary.

TIN COMMANDEERED

Washington, Nov. 28.—Protests by canners against government commandeering of tin, revealed today that the navy department has commandeered all tin in New York warehouses.

FIERCE COUNTER ATTACKS FOUGHT IN BOURLON WOOD

Teutons Try Every Scheme to Regain Lost Heights About City of Cambrai

DESPERATE FIGHT TAKES PLACE ABOUT FONTAINE

British Lines still Intact Against One of the Worst Resistance of War

British Headquarters in France, Tuesday, Nov. 27.—Desperate and sanguinary fighting has been raging in and about Fontaine Notre Dame since dawn today when the British attacked the strongly held village. Shortly after 9 o'clock it appeared that the assaulting British had stormed its way through the village, both from the houses of the hamlet and from La Folle wood to the southeast. Five hundred German prisoners were taken in the early hours of the fighting. Late this afternoon the Germans hurried up two new divisions and threw them in for a counter attack along the Fontaine-Bourlon wood line. The fighting which followed in Fontaine was even more bitter, if possible, than that which occurred in the first rush through the ruined hamlet. At latest reports superior numbers of enemy infantry had pushed the British back through the village again to the western and northwestern outskirts, but the battle continued unabated fury. In the meantime, the British line running around Bourlon wood to the northwest was sustaining heavy assaults. The enemy seemed to be determined to regain this important position if it were humanly possible. The whole front, from Fontaine to Bourlon village was the scene of fierce fighting, which at many times was at close quarters. The British line about Bourlon wood is still intact. The attack on Fontaine Notre Dame was begun with the assistance of a heavy artillery barrage and throughout the morning the British gunners maintained an intense fire against the German positions there. The onrushing infantry drove an entering wedge into the northwestern part of the village in a short time, but they were held up there by terrific rifle and machine gun fire, to which they were subjected from every point of vantage. Conditions were favorable to the Germans, for they were fighting on the defensive on well prepared positions which could only be taken by superior numbers. Every machine gun was equipped with several hundred rifles. Despite the disadvantages the British continued the onslaught. It was a glorious demonstration of bulldog courage. They surged on and in less than three hours had pushed the hard hit German forces back to the eastern side of the village, leaving enemy dead strewn the streets.

Germany Makes Preparations For Offensive

Great Activity is Noted Along the Austrian Lines in Rome

Rome, Nov. 28.—"On the Asiago plateau, in the Primolano basin, at the north of Colne Beretta on the middle Piave," says today's Italian official statement, "our batteries, in co-operation with bombardment flights, have carried out concentrations of fire on enemy troops massed and in movement." Washington, Nov. 28.—Great activity along Austro-German divisions all along the Italian front, and reported in official dispatches from Rome received here today, are declared to forecast a still greater offensive in the northern sector with elaborate preparations for an effort to break through. Making Preparations. The dispatch says: "The enemy is making large preparations for a still greater offensive in the northern region. Yesterday, large enemy units with machine guns attempted an encircling movement, but were counter attacked and forced to retire, leaving in our hands complete sections of machine guns which were immediately turned on the fleeing enemy. Big guns are roaring all along the front, indicating the imminent renewal of a general offensive on the part of the Austro-Germans in a night effort to break through our lines. "The Observator Romano, the organ of the Vatican, flatly denies the pope having directed or prepared a new peace appeal."

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ALLIES HOLD WAR MEETING ON RUSS CRISIS

Indications are That the Radicals in Petrograd Are Being Strongly Opposed

COSSACKS GROWING IN POWER IN RURAL DISTRICT

Representatives of the allied powers are in Paris for a conference upon which the future course of war activities probably will depend. The French leaders have been joined by the representatives of the United States, Great Britain and Italy. A basis for joint action against the central powers will be determined at the conference, it is indicated, and the future policy toward Russia may be decided on. Although the Bolsheviki apparently has been unable to extend their power over Russia, except in the cities of Petrograd and Moscow, they continue their efforts toward an armistice and peace. It is announced officially in Petrograd that Bolsheviki representatives have crossed to the German side and entered into negotiations with German authorities. Indications are that the opposition to the Bolsheviki is rapidly gaining strength. Meanwhile General Kalendes of the Cossacks, who is reported to control the grain producing territory of southeastern Russia, is growing in power. Government employes in Petrograd have refused to recognize the Bolsheviki and have been dismissed from office. As the British press toward Cambrai toward the west they encounter stubborn resistance. Heavy fighting is in progress around Fontaine Notre Dame, less than three miles from Cambrai. Undismayed, apparently by the losses sustained in their fruitless efforts of the last two weeks to break the Italian line between Brenta and the Piave valleys, the Austro-Germans continue to hurl fresh troops against the defenders of the passes to the Venetian plains, but are unable to break the defense.

TELEGRAPHERS WANT EIGHT-HOUR DAY AND INCREASE IN WAGES

Washington, D. C., Nov. 23.—Mediation of the strike demands by the B. and O. railroad telegraphers revealed today that railroad telegraphers throughout the United States have asked for increased wages, an eight hour day, and pay for Sunday work.

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