

Czar Within Cannon-Shot of Cracow Russians Open Road To Berlin French Are Occupying Lesmenils

IN THE GERMAN TRENCHES IN BELGIUM.



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Note the two dead soldiers who were killed while using their rifles. The other soldiers are proceeding about their deadly work without paying any attention to their fallen comrades.

FRESH TROOPS AID IN THE OFFENSIVE

Servia Casualties Since War Began Estimated at 100,000.

With hundreds of thousands of fighting men along the battle front in the eastern and western arenas of Europe the official statements vouch little in formation regarding actual operations. Apparently only on the French right wing in France have the troops of the opposing nations shown any particular activity during the past 24 hours. The French report the occupation of Lesmenils and one of the signal stations at Non on the right bank of Moselle. Likewise in the Vosges the French have taken an observation point previously occupied by the Germans.

Russian Advance Being Attacked

In Poland, upon which all eyes are fixed, the Germans have extricated themselves from a difficult and menacing position and are now directing their efforts against the Russian advance which failed a few days ago to encompass the invaders. The Petrograd view of the situation is that "the Warsaw campaign of the Germans appears to have resolved itself into a persistent and dogged grinding against the Russian center with the aid of the recently arrived heavy reinforcements."

Nineteen thousand Servian prisoners are said to have been taken

by the Austrians since they began the present offensive movements and Servia's casualties, since the beginning of the war are estimated at 100,000.

Italy's "Watchful" Neutrality

Italy will maintain an attitude of "loyal but watchful and armed neutrality" if she follows the advice of Premier Salandra.

The premier in a statement made at the opening of the Italian parliament in the course of which he frequently was applauded, declared a careful study of her treaty obligations and the causes of the present war had convinced the government that Italy was not called upon to participate.

Italy, he added, has vital interests to protect and justly aspires to maintain her position as a great power and must, therefore, be ready for any eventualities. Thus the supreme task of the government was to bring the army and navy to a state of preparedness.

French to Move Capital.

The French cabinet is to return to Paris from Bordeaux and the French parliament will meet, in extraordinary session in Paris on December 22. The announcement of the return of the government to the capital is taken as an indication that the allies are convinced they now have in northern France force of sufficient strength to check any further advance the Germans may attempt.

NEW BATTLE BEGUN BY THE TEUTONS

Defeat for Muscovites Means United Blow by Kaiser in West

London, Dec. 3.—With the lull in the battle in the west, which has assumed the proportions of a heavy campaign at widely separated points, with only occasional infantry attacks, interest is now almost centered in the struggle between the Russian and German hosts in the east.

At last the Russians have approached within firing distance of Cracow, their steady advance from Przemysl having proceeded without any real check. They were reported to be mounting heavy batteries around the town of Wieliczka, which they occupied yesterday and from which the outer forts of Cracow can be reached.

Road to Berlin Opening

Important as this is—for the fall of Cracow would lay open the roads to Vienna, Breslau and Berlin—the main interest in the east continues to rest with the operations on the irregular front from Czenstochowa through Lodz and Lowicz to the East Prussian border. Official pronouncements as to the progress here are guarded and indefinite and it is thus difficult to arrive at a conclusion with regard to the course of events.

Water Company, Before

Judge Telford at Somerset
Judge Telford was in Somerset for the purpose of taking testimony in the case of Elsie Croyle against the Johnstown Water Co., in which the plaintiff seeks to restrain the defendant from laying pipe line across her farm, near

the junction of Benscreek and the Stonycreek river.

The attorneys for the plaintiff are Norman T. Boose and Berkey & Shaver. The defendant is represented by H. S. Endsley and J. C. Davies, of Johnstown, and Early and Uhl of Somerset.

The plaintiff contests the right

of the Johnstown Water Company to build a pipe line through land, alleging that the company is proceeding with the work of building the pipe line in a manner not authorized by the charter granted by the commonwealth, also that it will take more water than is necessary.

Grand Opera Singers With the Neapolitan.

The vocal soloists are Signor Monetti, tenor, and Madame Bellini, soprano. They were members of the Grand Opera at the La Scala, Milan, Italy, the real home of Grand Opera, so say the Italians, and also sang with the San Carlo Opera Co., of Naples. It was not easy to induce these singers to leave their native land where they were regarded as great successes, but the lure of America finally prevailed. Both are excellent soloists and sing in duets as well as solos. Madame Bellini is an accomplished pianist as well as singer; Signor Monetti was for several seasons one of the leading tenors at the La Scala Grand Opera in Milan. They appear in attractive Neapolitan costumes, their personalities are unusual, to put it as a boy, who heard them, said: "They sing just as if they cannot help it." All this makes their offerings unusually attractive to any audience.

Second number of the Y. M. C. A. course at the Auditorium, on Tuesday evening, December 8. Reserved seats at Hall's store Tuesday morning at 7 o'clock. Season tickets one dollar.

Murray Wortman Is Owner of The Moore

C. Murray Wortman, formerly proprietor of the Clawson House, has purchased the Moore Hotel. An application for a license for this well-known hostelry will be made. Mr. Wortman will endeavor to secure the license refused by Judge Telford to Charles H. Moore because of violations of the rules of the court. The consideration will be more than \$80,000, it is reported.

Failed to Name Man Who Killed Tomosky

A coroner's inquest into the death of Alex Tomosky, who died in the Indiana hospital Monday from injuries received in a fight at McIntyre on Saturday night, failed to place the responsibility for the crime. Indiana county officials know but little about the murder as it was never reported to them and their first knowledge that anything was amiss was when the man was brought to the hospital in a dying condition. County Detective Josiah Neal worked on the case Monday.

Trace Fugitive to Indiana; \$1,200 Theft.

W. S. Coffman, a stock dealer of New Alexandria, Westmoreland county, charges Philip Stoffle, a former employee, with the larceny of a wallet containing notes and papers valued at upwards of \$1,000 and \$200 in cash. Coffman traced Stoffle to Blairsville and then to Indiana, where trace of his former employee was lost. Indiana county authorities have been notified of the theft and are aiding in the search.

Fire at Dixonville.

Wednesday morning about 2:00 o'clock the store building and restaurant of S. T. Smith, on Main street, Dixonville, was burned to the ground. The origin of the fire was a mystery and the loss is a total one. Mr. Smith estimates his loss at \$600, which is partially covered by insurance in Thompson agency.

Guardsman Resigns.

First Sergeant Lex Watson, of Company F, Tenth regiment, N. G. P., of Indiana, has resigned and Joseph Dickey was elected to the position caused by the vacancy.

Indiana Agricultural Society Holds Election

Officers and managers were elected and gratifying reports were made at the annual meeting of the Indiana Country Agricultural Society held in the Court House Tuesday afternoon. M. F. Jamison was re-elected president. David Blair, secretary, and A. W. Mabon, treasurer. James McGregor, of this place, and H. J. Thompason, of Marion Center, were re-elected managers. Attorneys J. Elder Peelor and James W. Mack were elected auditors. The annual report of Treasurer Mabon showed a balance of \$1500 in the treasury of the organization. This report was very gratifying from the fact that during the last year a new agricultural hall, costing \$2,500, was erected on the grounds.

Plan to Resume at Blairsville Plant

There is a probability that the affairs of the Blairsville Enamel Ware Company will be arranged so that the plant will resume operations in the near future on a larger scale. J. R. Hofmeister, of Pittsburg, it is rumored, will purchase the first mortgage on the plant and after some improvements will resume. A complete re-organization of the company is planned.

Had Narrow Escape.

Paul Ansley, son of County Commissioner and Mrs. E. M. Ansley, is none the worse of a thrilling experience, which occurred near Chambersville, when he fell over a 40-foot embankment into the icy water of Crooked creek. Ansley, with two companions, were going home from Creekside and in taking a near-cut missed the road and Ansley, who was in the lead, plunged over the embankment into the creek. His companions rescued him.

BLACKLICK MAN PAID FOR HIS FUN

Stewart J. Sides Assessed \$25.00 and Costs for Running a Deer With Dogs

On information furnished by Game Warden Kinter Rodgers, of Johnstown, Stewart J. Sides, a prominent lumber merchant of Blacklick, was arrested on charge of running a deer with dogs. Mr. Sides appeared before Squire J. A. Crossman, of Indiana, pleaded guilty to the charge and was given a fine of \$25 and the costs of prosecution.

List of Letters

Remaining uncalled for in the Indiana postoffice November 28:

Maggino Catvo, H. B. Byrone, Mrs. Clark Donohue, James George, Jaake Gift, J. C. Groft, Miss Ruth Lamer, W. M. Lydick, Mrs. Anie McNilen, Dan Patterson, Mrs. Blanche Pounds, Mrs. Ed Swanson, Mrs. J. H. Shields, Miss Pearl Sorber, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Sloan, Bert Uber, Miss Nellie Van Tyne.

When inquiring for letters in this list, please state that they were advertised, giving date.

HARRY W. FEE, P. M.

FOR SALE—113 acres, partly cleared, 2 miles from Nicktown, and 5 miles from Barnesboro; all and barn. Terms reasonable. For particulars, address M. G. Thomas 10 North 7th St., Indiana, Pa.

Mason Breaks Down. When Wife Visits Cell

Oldest Son of Victim of Homer City Shooting Visits Uncle

EAT LITTLE SINCE ARREST.

Samuel Mason, in the Indiana jail, charged with the murder of his brother-in-law, realized his position Thanksgiving when his wife visited the jail. Tears rolled down Mason's cheeks as Sheriff Jeffries left the alleged slayer alone with his wife. Mason has eaten but little since his confinement and has stopped the lengthy statements he was formerly making as to how the shooting occurred, realizing that his stories were not consistent.

Mrs. Mason was accompanied by a relative of her husband.

Shortly after Mrs. Mason left her husband's cell, the oldest son of John Roof, the victim, called at the jail and talked for a time with his uncle, who is accused of taking his father's life. Young Roof is a lad of about 17 years.

Sheriff George H. Jeffries provided a big chicken dinner with all the trimmings for the prisoners in the jail.

Big Carrolltown Tract to Be Cut

W. B. Wagner, of Heshbon, has purchased from F. I. Farabaugh, of Carrolltown, an extensive timber tract in Jackson township, Cambria county, estimated to contain 1,500,000 feet of lumber and 125 cars of mine posts. Mr. Wagner will move his sawmills to the tract at once and will be busy with a large crew of men cutting the timber and manufacturing the lumber for the markets.

Constable Bob Kerr Assaulted at Ernest.

Constable Robert Kerr, of this place, is little the worse of being assaulted at Ernest Monday afternoon, by an unknown foreigner, who escaped. Kerr suffered the fracture of two ribs, but is about work as usual. Two men for whom Kerr and Chief of Police Keller Harris were searching were placed under arrest. The alleged assailant of Kerr escaped.

Caught Under Rock.

A fall of rock in mine No. 29 at Clymer caught a miner under it. The miner was unable to extricate himself and so great was the fall of rock that it took a big force of miners with hoisting jacks five hours to release him. He was but slightly hurt.

Mason to Face Grand Jury Next Monday.

Samuel Mason, charged with the murder of his brother-in-law, John Roof, and placing the body on the Pennsylvania railroad tracks at Homer City, will face the December grand jury on Monday. Mason refuses to eat. No one has been to see him and in all probability the court will be called upon to name a member of the Indiana bar to defend him.

WANTED—To buy a 6 or 7 passenger automobile; one that has been used but a few months. Apply at this office, giving make and price.

Advertise in The Patriot.