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## RUSSIANS AND RUMANIANS FLEE AFTER DOBRUDJA BATTLE

### CHANCELLOR QUIT IN DISGUST, SAYS SCHOOL EX-HEAD

Dr. Bynum Testifies Classen's Heart Was in Epworth.

### TESTIMONY ABOUT TITLE Deed Changed After Conference Shows Displeasure.

Dissatisfaction over Epworth university became so great in the Methodist Episcopal church, south, that the district conference at Vian in 1908 refused to receive Dr. E. T. Bynum, vice chancellor of the school, unless he brought with him an unconditional title to the property, according to Dr. Bynum's testimony in district court today.

In view of this definite request, Dr. Bynum said, he went to Anton H. Classen, president of the University Development company and principal donor to the university cause, and told him of this request, adding that the church was dissatisfied and must be shown an unconditional title to the property.

**No Reversion Clause.** According to the witness, Classen agreed to give a deed and have it recorded. The deed contained a condition that the property could not be mortgaged or sold, but it did not contain the reversion clause, under which the property was to revert to the company if the churches failed to make a success of the institution.

Dr. Bynum said the deed was prepared and given to him. He went to the conference and delivered an address, during which he waved the deed in front of the conference and exhibited it to all. In his address he stated Classen had promised to have the deed recorded. The conference, according to the witness, was satisfied with the showing made, and much of the serious opposition to the school ceased at that time.

But when Bynum returned to Oklahoma City, he said, Classen had shown the deed to John W. Shartel, development company attorney, and the latter had found objection to it. He insisted upon inserting the reversion clause and making other changes, which was done. The deed was then recorded.

Bynum was called as a witness for the church, which is seeking possession of the fifty-two-acre tract of land known as the Epworth university property, worth from \$150,000 to \$500,000. The development company also is seeking possession of the property.

**Attitude of Church.** The witness testified to the attitude of the M. E. church, south, toward the institution.

"There were two factions in the church; one led by Rev. Sam G. Thompson, an ardent supporter of the

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### FLEEING CONVICT PURSUED, CAUGHT BY LIFE TERMER

Weaponless Prisoner Travels Six Miles After Fugitive.

A story of a "trustee" to be trusted and of one convict capturing another for the first time in the history of the state prison at McAlester has come to the Times.

A few days ago a convict escaped from the road gang of white prisoners. He was No. 6943 who was serving a three-year sentence. His part of the road gang work was carrying water, so that when he started "over the hill" he had a start of an hour and a half before the guards missed him.

**Bloodhounds Started.** Three rapid shots fired into the air from the guards' Winchester notified the "dog sergeant"—the sergeant of the guard in charge of the prison bloodhounds—that a prisoner had escaped. He hurried to the gang and the dogs picked up the trail of the escaped prisoner. With the sergeant rode Bill Nutt, No. 2121 in the files of the prison, a life-terminer.

At the end of the first mile in the chase the sergeant's horse fell, pinning the sergeant down and injuring him so he could not ride further when released.

**Discovers Fugitive.** Bill Nutt rode ahead with the dogs. He followed them for six miles to the top of a mountain, where the escaped prisoner was crouched in the crotch of a tree and the dogs yelped below him. Without a gun or any weapon Bill Nutt, the life-terminer prisoner and trustee, captured No. 6943 and took him back to the prison.

Prison officials say it is the first time in the history of the McAlester penitentiary that a life-terminer has captured an escaping prisoner and without the aid of a gun returned him to the walls.

### Lady Eglantine, Hen That Laid \$10 Eggs, Dead

GREENSBORO, Md., Sept. 16.—Lady Eglantine, the wonder of the poultry world and the pride of the Eglantine Farms at this place, is dead.

Lady Eglantine for many years has been the most famous hen in the world. Her supremacy goes back to the time that she laid 315 eggs during her pullet year. She easily won every prize for which she has competed in poultry shows. At one of the shows here a room was reserved for her at the Imperial Hotel.

The hen was of single comb white leghorn breed. Her owners sold only seventeen of her eggs and these brought the record price of \$10 each.

### JOHNSON TO BE HIGH OFFICER IN MICHIGAN LINES

Oklahoma Railway Official to Leave Here Monday.

J. J. Johnson, assistant general manager of the Oklahoma Railway company's lines for the last five years, will leave here Monday for Grand Rapids, Mich., to become assistant general superintendent of the Michigan Railway company, one of the largest electric rail properties in the north.

This announcement was made today by George W. Knox, general manager of the Oklahoma Railway company.

The Michigan company has been negotiating with Mr. Johnson for two months and last week he went to Grand Rapids. After a conference with the road's board of directors he accepted an offer of the position of assistant general superintendent. He came back to Oklahoma City this week to make ready for an immediate change.

### GERMANS DISREGARD LOANS TO BELGIUM

WASHINGTON, Sept. 16.—Ambassador von Bernstorff today informed the state department that the German government will consider "null and void" any loan to Belgium negotiated in the United States during German occupancy of that country.

State department officials declared they had no knowledge that the Belgian government was seeking a loan in this country. Germany's position, however, is for the purpose of protecting American bankers who might become interested in such a loan.

### NEW GREEK PREMIER FRIENDLY TO ALLIES

LONDON, Sept. 16.—A Reuter dispatch from Athens today indicates that M. Callagyeropoulos, summoned to Tatoy by King Constantine, has been entrusted with the formation of a new cabinet in succession to the Zaimis ministry. M. Callagyeropoulos was a member of Theotokis' cabinet. He is a supporter of the entente cause.

### ANOTHER FIRE IN MISSOURI PRISON

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Sept. 16.—Another fire broke out shortly before noon here today in the state penitentiary. It is believed to be within the old walls and shop of the Sullivan Saddle Tree company.

### Warmer Weather, Sabbath Promise

Local Forecast—Somewhat warmer tonight; Sunday fair.

ARKANSAS—Fair; warmer. WEST TEXAS—Fair and warmer. E. A. SAS—Fair; warmer.

**"Zimmie"**

### U. S. TAKES UP LATEST BRITISH BLOCKADE ORDER

Seek to Learn What Commodities Are Included.

### CONSIDER TREATY TERMS Restriction May Violate Convention of 1815.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 16.—The state department sought today to learn through diplomatic channels precisely what commodities are included in Great Britain's latest blockade order restricting shipments from the United States to Holland and the Scandinavian countries. If action is found to shut off any great quantity of American trade with these neutral countries, it doubtless will be regarded seriously by this government.

**Retaliation Possible.** Interest in the effect of the order is enhanced at this time since President Wilson was granted authority by recent legislation to retaliate against countries interfering unduly with American commerce.

**May Violate Treaty.** The state department also is interested in ascertaining whether the reported agreement between Great Britain and France for the exchange of commodities whose importation from other countries is forbidden, does not violate the British-American commercial treaty of 1815.

The American embassy at London was requested to confirm published reports of the new order and explain its effect on American commerce.

**Blacklist Modified.** American Consul General Skinner cabled today that the blacklist order had been modified to permit British marine insurance companies to underwrite insurance on property of blacklisted United States concerns. It does not apply to Philippine or Porto Rico concerns on the blacklist. The modification officials consider of benefit principally to British insurance companies, but it will also aid blacklisted American concerns in moving their merchandise by allowing them to obtain British underwritings. Officials here believe the real motive is to enable British marine underwriters to hold American insurance business and not lose it through operation of the blacklist.

### Frisco Freight Kills Man.

FORTH WORTH, Texas, Sept. 16.—A Frisco freight train crashed into a gang of Mexican trackmen early today killing one and injuring another. The accident occurred between Fort Worth and Dallas, near Hurst. The section men were clearing the track where a derailment had occurred.

### ENGINE FATALLY INJURES PASSER IN LOCAL YARDS

A. W. Webb Struck by Locomotive; Dies.

A. W. Webb, an employe of the Frisco railroad in the east yards, was run down by a Santa Fe engine and sustained injuries which resulted in his death at 11 a. m. in the Emergency hospital.

According to witnesses of the accident Webb was crossing the Santa Fe main line track at Reno avenue when a switch engine and cars came south down the main line. The crossing flagman was in the center of the street giving warning, but Webb stepped in front of the footboard of the engine and was thrown to the ground.

Before the engine crew could stop the progress of the trucks, Webb was rolled beneath them. The serious injuries, which resulted in his death, were on the head. The Marshall and Harper ambulance was called and carried the injured man to the Emergency hospital, where he died soon after being received.

Webb lived at 624 West Pottawatomie avenue.

Webb leaves a widow and three children. They have lived here about six weeks.

**New Interest Rate for Short Notes**

### Strike Threatens Munitions Plants



J. P. Morgan.

New York union leaders have announced a plan to embarrass the "Morgan interest" by calling a strike of the machinists in war munitions plants as an expression of sympathy for the New York traction strikers. They say 70 percent of the 13,000 machinists have voted in favor of a strike.

### Gold Medal Given Local School Girl

Lulu Swain Winner of County W. C. T. U. Elocutionary Contest at Edmond.

Lulu Swain, 14 years old, an Oklahoma City high school girl, living at 605 1/2 West Sixth street, has been awarded a gold medal as a prize for winning an elocutionary contest Thursday evening conducted under the auspices of the county W. C. T. U. at Edmond. It was the fourth medal she has won in four years. It is likely that she will be entered in a state contest for a diamond trophy to be held at Perry.

This young elocutionist became locally famous during Roosevelt's visit to this city, she delivering a reading for the visitor on that occasion. She has been awarded two silver and two gold medals for superior elocutionary ability.

Others who participated in the Edmond contest were Ruth Cole, Lucille Larkin, Nellie Bilderback and Della Johnson. Three persons sat in judgment on the recitations.

### Ford Will Assist Crippled Children

WELLESLEY, Mass., Sept. 16.—Announcement that an unlimited fund has been set aside by the Ford Motor company of Detroit to be devoted to the treatment of crippled children throughout the country who are in need of orthopedic or surgical care was made today by the Rev. Samuel S. Marquis, head of the Ford educational department. Speaking at a conference of business men here, he said a fund originally had been created for the use of cripples in the families of the employes of the concern. The success of the work was so great he said that a fund was set aside to be devoted to children throughout the country who need treatment and have not the means to pay for it.

### \$69,275 IN BUILDING PERMITS IN A WEEK

Building permits totaling in value \$69,275 were issued during the week just closed. Building Commissioner Anderson expects another big week beginning Monday as a number of contractors have stated that they would ask for permits. The permits this week were for the erection of twenty-one buildings.

### Like an Ichthyosaurus Revived, New "Tanks" Lead British to Victory

BY FREDERICK PALMER. BRITISH FRONT IN FRANCE.

Sept. 16.—The work of the new armored cars in co-operation with the British infantry in their charges in Friday's successful attack is the talk of the army today.

"The way they have gone over the German trenches and have entailed them with machine gun fire is some return for the surprise the Germans gave us with their gas attacks in the first battle of Ypres," said a staff officer.

**Ichthyosaurus Come Back.** "The British were able to keep the cars entirely secret and the first that the Germans knew of their existence was when in the misty dawn Friday morning they came trundling across shell craters and over tree stumps, cutting down many small trees on their way toward the German trenches, on to the second line, and even to the third line. The return to earth of the ichthyosaurus, near dinosaurs, spouting bullets from their nostrils, could not have been more amazing.

**Soldiers Call Them "Tanks."** "Tanks" is the slang word the army

staff has applied to these strange creations of machinery, but they look like tanks, that anything else in the world. It is hard to say what they look like. They have been compared both to armadillos and meandering worms and to many other weird creeping or crawling objects of natural history. A man-of-war's turret crossing fields in and out of gullies and through fences would present a spectacle resembling their progress.

**Everybody Laughed at First.** When during the days preceding the attack they moved up to the front and the soldiers gazed at them, the risibilities of all ranks were tickled. All sorts of questions were propounded. Would the thing stand when it was hit—would it be its tail and which its head? At all events, it was a steel-jointed incarnation of military secrecy. Spectators laughed at it but with the true British sporting instinct, hoped it would at least have a sporting chance.

**Do All the Work.** Last night wounded men back from the line forgot their pain and their

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### WILSON'S ONLY SISTER IS DEAD AT NEW LONDON

Mrs. Annie E. Howe Succumbs to Peritonitis.

NEW LONDON, Conn., Sept. 16.—Mrs. Annie E. Howe, only sister of President Woodrow Wilson, died at her apartments in a local hotel early today. Mrs. Howe had been ill for about a week with peritonitis and the end had been expected at any moment for the last two days.

**Too Weak to Know Brother.** The president was informed a week ago of his sister's critical condition and on Monday came here, returning Wednesday to Shadow Lawn. Mrs. Howe had been too weak to recognize him. He was kept constantly informed of her condition and when death came a message was sent to him.

**With Margaret Wilson.** Mrs. Howe came here from her Philadelphia home in the early summer with her niece, Miss Margaret Wilson, daughter of the president, stopping at a summer hotel in the suburbs. Her health had long been impaired. When her condition became a matter of grave concern Mrs. Howe was brought to a city hotel.

**Sons at Bedside.** With her were her two sons, George Howe of North Carolina, and Wilson Howe of Richmond, Va., and a daughter, Mrs. Cochran, of Philadelphia, besides Miss Wilson.

### President Shocked by Death News

LONG BRANCH, N. J., Sept. 16.—President Wilson received word this morning that his sister, Mrs. Anne Howe, died early today at New London, Conn. He was greatly shocked. The president plans to attend Mrs. Howe's funeral, which will be held at Columbia, S. C. He immediately cancelled an engagement to go to St. Louis next Wednesday to speak before an underwriters' convention. Secretary Baker will take his place there.

President Wilson also postponed other engagements for Monday.

### War News

EVERY DAY the Times shows its supremacy in the afternoon field in Oklahoma City by its accurate survey of developments in every field of battle in the Great War. Associated Press correspondents in every European capital and with every army are working for you.

Frederick Palmer's stories of the battle of the Somme, which appear regularly in the Times, are exclusive in the Times and the greatest war feature published in any newspaper.

All other afternoon newspapers in this field are BEHIND THE TIMES on war news.

### CENTRAL POWERS REPORT VICTORY IN A BIG BATTLE

Victors Still Pursue Retreating Enemy.

### BRITISH HOLDING GAINS Retain Possession of Captured Towns.

LONDON, Sept. 16.—With the echoes of the German defeat of Friday in the Somme region still sounding, the German army headquarters announced today a decisive victory for the troops of the central powers under Field Marshal von Mackensen over the Rumanians and Russians in the province of Dobrudja. The official statement says the victors are still pursuing the fleeing enemy. A dispatch from Emperor William to the empress also tells of the victory.

**Bulgarians Forced Back.** The Berlin statement, however, says that Bulgarian forces on the Macedonian front have occupied new positions after losing Malkanovo in a battle with troops of the entente allies.

It was announced in Paris today that Serbian troops have put the Bulgarians to rout in the fighting on the western end of the Macedonian front. The Serbians have advanced six miles northeast of Florina and have captured thirty-two cantons. The French and Russian forces also have defeated the Bulgarians.

Loss of Courcelle, Martignich and Flers is admitted by the Germans, who say that the town of Comblès was held by the Germans in the face of strong British attacks.

**Held at One Point.** The heavy offensive launched Friday by the British north of the Somme, the most powerful in weeks, was successful in gaining ground along the entire line except immediately opposite Ginchy, where the Germans clung on desperately, today's dispatches indicate.

The most important points gained were the villages of Courcelle, east of Thiepval, Martignich, south of the Poiriers-Bapaume road, and Flers, two miles north of Ginchy. These three villages are now completely in possession of the British, London announces today.

**Counter Attacks Repulsed.** The Germans already have begun counter-attacking the French at points where they recently advanced, both north and south of the Somme. Paris today reports the repulse of German attacks east of Clercy, immediately north of the stream, and near Berny, below the river southeast of Estress.

### SOLDIERS START ARMY'S LONGEST PRACTICE MARCH

Fourteen Thousand on Way From San Antonio to Austin.

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Sept. 16.—Fourteen thousand and sixty-three officers and men of the regular army and national guard started out of San Antonio today on the biggest practice march in the history of the American army—an eighty-three mile "hike" to Austin, which is expected to give the men who compose the twelfth provisional division marching experience under what would amount to war conditions.

**Equipped for Fighting.** Eight days will be consumed in the advance on the state capital. There will be three days of camping at Camp Mabry. Eight days will be spent in the return to San Antonio. After that the Wisconsin, Illinois, Kansas, Texas and Missouri guardsmen in the division are expected to be fit for service in the field as the regular army men. Army men say that with the guardmen's previous training the arduous Austin trip will give the army a complete new division organized and equipped for real fighting whenever it may occur.

The first Wisconsin brigade led the division out of San Antonio at 6 o'clock this morning. Marching conditions were fine, there being a fresh, cool breeze from the north while the sky was partly overcast with clouds.

**San Antonio Base.** During the march San Antonio will be the base of the division, which will draw all its supplies, except hay for its 5,750 animals, wood and water, from the starting point. One hundred and sixty-five motor trucks will do supply service.

Brigadier General Henry A. Greene commands the division.

**DID YOU EVER KNOW A LIBERAL ADVERTISER WHO WENT TO THE POOR HOUSE?**

**"Zimmie"**