



TURKS FIGHT ON BANKS OF SUEZ CANAL

English Officers and Many Soldiers, as Well as Wounded, Taken Prisoners

POLAND BATTLE FAVORS GERMANS

Kaiser's General Staff Considers Situation Everywhere Favorable in Great Struggle Now Nearing a Decisive Outcome—Russia Reports a Victory

Constantinople, by Marconi Wireless to London, Nov. 23, 7:58 A. M.—Turkish troops have reached the Suez canal according to an official communication made public Sunday. The statement reads:

"Turkish troops have reached the Suez canal. Fighting has occurred between Kantasa and Teatebe, both thirty kilometers east of the Suez canal and near Kantara Teo, (probably El Kantara, twenty-five miles south of Port Said).

"English officers and many soldiers, as well as many wounded were taken prisoners. Troops of English camel riders and Egyptian police surrendered."

El Kantara is on the right bank of the Suez canal, twenty-five miles south of Port Said and on the caravan track between Egypt and Syria.

Fighting Continues in Poland

Berlin, Nov. 23, (By Wireless to Sayville, L. I.)—Army headquarters today gave out an official report dated November 22, which reads as follows: "In the western arena of the war the situation remains unchanged. In Poland the fighting continues, and the struggle is going on to the south of Ploek in the vicinity of Lodz and near Geenstochau."

Berlin, Nov. 23, (By Wireless to the Associated Press)—The general staff of the German army, referring to important operations in Poland now nearing a decisive outcome, announced today that it considered the situation everywhere favorable.

Russians Report Capture of Gumbinnen

London, Nov. 23, 3:38 A. M.—The correspondent of the "Telegraph" in Petrograd reports the capture of Gumbinnen, in northern East Prussia by the Russians. He says:

"Although official dispatches only mention skirmishes in East Prussia, a dispatch from a correspondent with the active army reports, with circumstantial details, the Russian capture of Gumbinnen after a battle lasting five days, the Cossacks being the heroes of the most stirring incidents of the struggle, capturing the enemy's batteries by a daring charge which put the gunners to flight.

"The German defenders declined to await a bayonet attack and the Russians entered in triumph to discover the town half demolished by shell fire and abandoned by the population."

Gumbinnen, 66 miles east southeast of Konigsberg, is the capital of the town-enclosed district of the same name. It is in a great measure a modern town and has some fine monuments. The population is about 15,000.

MRS. LABAREE IS SAFE NOW

Letter From Daughter of Samuel W. Fleming, Shows She Is In Tabriz, Out of Probable War Zone

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel W. Fleming received a letter on Saturday from their daughter, Mrs. Mary Fleming Labaree, who has been in Persia as a missionary. The letter was five weeks on its journey here, which was not long considering the chaotic conditions abroad.

Mrs. Labaree wrote that she was in no special danger where she was at the time,—in Tabriz—but that Urumia, her former home, was suffering from incursions from the Kurds who frequently rush down from the surrounding mountains and invade the town.

The Labarees went to Tabriz some little time ago, the greater safety of that city being a strong element in favor of the change.

Mr. Fleming said it hardly seems probable that the war zone will include the present quarters of Mr. and Mrs. Labaree.

Snow and Floods Hinder Troops

Berlin, Nov. 23 (By Wireless to Sayville)—According to official information reaching Berlin today, the Austrians again are meeting resistance in Serbia, but strong detachments of Austrian troops have crossed the river Kolubara. Floods and soft ground on the levels, together with snow in the mountains, has greatly hindered operations.

PASSENGERS OF BRITISH VESSEL TELL OF ITS CAPTURE BY THE GERMAN CRUISER KARLSRUHE



GROUP OF THE VAN DYCK'S PASSENGERS ABOARD THE SAO PAULO. BOY IS JAMES A. DUPAS, SON OF FRENCH CONSUL AT NEW ORLEANS, GIRLS ARE MARIE AND HARRIETT, DAUGHTERS OF MRS. M. A. LAMME

This group was taken as the Sao Paulo arrived at New York city from South American ports with 114 passengers. Fifteen of whom were women. From the steamship Van Dyck, of the Lamport and Holt line, which was intercepted and presumably destroyed off the coast of Brazil by the German cruiser Karlsruhe. Striking evidence of their varied experiences was shown by the passengers in their unkempt appearance and lack of baggage. Crowded into a small vessel, with comfortable accommodations for not more than twenty persons, the long voyage from Para was a hardship that few among their number would care to undergo again. Despite their suffering they spoke in unstinted praise of the courteous treatment which they received at the hands of the officers and men of the Karlsruhe. On the other hand, only the most bitter complaint was heard of the actions of the officers and crew of the Van Dyck, a British vessel, manned almost wholly by English.

PEN. FOR ROBBING COLLEGE ROOTER

"Hard Luck" Story Fails to Save Man Who Stole Suitcase From Football "Fan"

BICYCLE THIEF GOES SAME WAY

Court Hears Tales of Prisoners Who Say They Stole Because of Hunger —One Man Asserts He Could Eat Pilfered Shoes

Martin Simmons, a smooth-tongued individual, tried to impress Judge Kunkel in sentence court this morning with a "hard luck" story as an excuse for going into a room in the Commonwealth Hotel and walking out with another man's suitcase, Judge Kunkel was not impressed, however, and Simmons got a penitentiary term of not less than one year and not more than three. The suitcase belonged to a student who had come to Harrisburg to attend the Bucknell-Gettysburg football game on November 14.

As Simmons was being led away from the bar by a Deputy Sheriff, Judge Kunkel advised the defendant: "Tell your tricks of smartness to someone else!"

"What was I to do? Lay down and die?" smiled Simmons.

"Go on, go on," said the Judge, waving a hand toward the prisoner. Simmons told the court that his having a bunch of keys and a file in his pocket when apprehended by the police had no particular significance. He said he walked the streets of the city for two days and two nights, without getting anything to eat, and when he found he would be compelled to beg or steal, he said he preferred to "rob someone" rather than take the chance of being jailed for "panhandling."

For stealing four bicycles, two in September and two this month, Charles E. Danner, an old offender, was sent to the penitentiary.

ELKS' TREASURER ROBBED

House Entered Last Evening and Money of Colored Lodge Taken

H. H. Burchett, 125 Balm street, reported to the police today that his house was entered some time between 7:30 and 9 o'clock last evening and \$220 taken from a trunk on the third floor. Mr. Burchett is treasurer of the local colored lodge of Elks and the money was the property of the lodge, the police say.

Mrs. Burchett was in church last evening and on returning found the place ransacked and the money stolen. She reported it to her husband, who notified the police. Entrance to the house was gained through a side door.

Wrecked Schooner's Crew Rescued

New York, Nov. 23.—Breeches buoy and surf boats from the Shinnecock life-saving station successfully rescued the captain and crew of the four-masted schooner D. J. Jenkins, St. John for New York, which went ashore early this morning on the Long Island coast.

LATE WAR NEWS SUMMARY

At two points in the battle line extending across France and Belgium the Germans were making determined efforts today to break their way through, while at the same time a critical struggle was under way in Russian Poland.

Today's French statement said that Ypres, Belgium, the point selected for the new German attempt to force a way through to the English channel, the artillery fire yesterday was violent and that many buildings were set on fire. The region of the Argonne forest, the well on toward the eastern end of the line, where the Germans are centering another severe attack, the fighting yesterday was described as "very hot," and it is said that the German onslaughts were repulsed. Rheims and Soissons also were under bombardment, with what effect is not disclosed.

The German official statement speaks of the severe fighting at Ypres, and also says that a British squadron's attempt to bombard Nieuport was repulsed twice.

In the Argonne region, it is said, the Germans are gaining ground slowly. The renewed efforts of the Germans in the west notwithstanding the effects of the cold, wet weather, which was said to make fighting in the lowlands almost an impossibility, attracted renewed attention to the eastern end of the battle. The struggle between the Russians and Austro-German forces in the east, however, was still rated as of greater immediate importance, because of the influence the outcome is expected to exert upon the whole future course of the war. From this quarter came no definite news today. Berlin was confident of an early decisive victory, but the War Office there acknowledged today that the arrival of Russian re-

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YPRES UNDER A VIOLENT ARTILLERY FIRE; MANY BUILDINGS WERE BURNED

Paris, Nov. 23.—The official French bulletin given out in Paris this afternoon says that yesterday Ypres was subjected to a violent artillery fire and that many of its important buildings were consumed by the flames. The text of the communication follows:

"Yesterday was marked by a violent artillery fire. The enemy directed his attention particularly to the town of Ypres, where the belfry, the cathedral, the markets and a number of houses were set on fire; to Soissons and to Rheims."

"In the Argonne the day was characterized by very hot fighting. The enemy delivered very spirited attacks, which were repulsed."

"In the Woivre and in the Vosges the situation is without change."

CHICAGO STOCK EXCHANGE OPEN

Holder Did Not Appear Anxious to Dispose of Stocks

Chicago, Nov. 23.—The Chicago Stock Exchange opened its doors today and trading resumed where it stopped July 30 when, with other trading centers, the exchange closed because of the European war.

There was a dearth of big selling orders and a surplus of buying orders which could not be filled. Holders did not appear to be anxious to dispose of their stocks.

BURNED SAVING BLAZING SISTER

Steelton Youth Makes Heroic Sacrifice in Rescuing Girl From Flames

TEARS AWAY THE CLOTHING

Lewis Howard's Hands and Arm Terribly Seared—Miss Howard Suffers Even Worse Injuries but Will Probably Recover

Saving the life of his sister whose clothing was in flames, Lewis Howard, 21 years old, son of Professor and Mrs. Charles F. Howard, 221 North Second street, Steelton, proved himself a hero this morning, but was frightfully burned about the hands and arms. The girl was even more terribly burned but will probably recover.

The sister, Mary Elizabeth Howard, 16 years, had gone to the bathroom of the Howard home shortly before 8:30 o'clock and was arranging her hair preparatory to going to school. In the room was a low gas stove which was lighted. The girl's skirt came in contact with the blaze and in an instant the whole garment was on fire. Her brother heard the girl scream. He was on the first floor and hastened up the steps, two at a time.

When he arrived in the bathroom he saw 12 flames encircling his sister. Without hesitation he went to her assistance and not having time to obtain a rug or blanket to place around the burning girl, he started beating out the blaze with his hands, at the same time tearing the clothing from her body.

This was finally accomplished, but not until the girl had been seriously burned from below her knees to her breast. The young man emerged from the battle with his right wrist so badly burned that the skin hung in shreds.

Dr. Benjamin B. Jeffers was summoned and it required several hours to relieve the sufferings of the brother and sister. The boy's father is a teacher in one of the Steelton schools.

SUES FOR BROKEN WINDOW

Casualty Seeks Damages After Having Paid the Insurance

When a plate glass window, twelve feet square, in the first floor of the building occupied by the Harrisburg Taxicab Company, Aberdeen and Strawberry streets, was accidentally broken several months ago, William Jennings, the owner of the building, recovered the amount of the loss from the American Casualty Company, of Reading.

The window was said to be the largest of its kind in the city. Employees of the taxicab company declare, Charles E. Anderson mistook the window for a door, and walked into it. The glass broke, crashing into bits on the pavement. The replacing the glass, it is said, cost the casualty company \$191.

AMERICAN TROOPS LEAVE VERA CRUZ

General Frederick Funston's Forces Begin Embarking on Trans- ports This Morning

WERE 7 MONTHS IN MEXICAN PORT

Constitutionalists Take Possession of Territory Vacated by the Amer- icans as the Latter Withdraw—City Quiet—Inhabitants Apprehensive

By Associated Press.

Vera Cruz, Nov. 23.—The American forces of occupation under General Frederick Funston, after a stay in Vera Cruz of seven months, today began embarking on the steamships which will return them to the United States. The outposts began falling back at 9 o'clock in the morning and two hours later the first American soldiers were going over the sides of the transports.

General Funston established his headquarters on board the transport Cristobal at an early hour this morning and all the organizations of his command began at daylight the work of moving out their equipment preparatory to final evacuation. Everything progressed smoothly.

Beyond the American outposts had been mobilized during the night a force of Constitutionalists. As the Americans withdrew, first from the outlying districts and then from the city itself, the Constitutionalists followed them and nominally occupied the territory vacated.

The city is quiet, but the inhabitants are nervous and apprehensive concerning the final outcome of this transfer of authority. All saloons in Vera Cruz remained closed today on orders of General Funston and many commercial establishments decided not to open their doors.

Americans Take Customs Money

The government of Vera Cruz is not being turned over to any faction of Mexicans, the territory is being evacuated and as fast as the Americans go out Constitutionalists are coming in.

The American army officials are taking with them the moneys collected for customs and from other sources of revenue. These will ultimately go to some Mexican government which the United States deems a proper one to receive them.

The American quartermaster's department has arranged to take away from Vera Cruz something like 300 Mexicans who did not care to be in the

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TENER NAMES NEW JUDGES

Tener Appoints for Benches of North- ampton and Montgomery Coun- ties to Fill Vacancies

Governor Tener this morning appointed J. Davis Broadhead, of Easton, to be Judge of the common pleas court in the Third district, Northampton county, to succeed Judge Henry W. Scott, who died two weeks ago. Judge Broadhead is a Democrat and served several terms in Congress from his district.

The appointment of John Faber Miller, of Springfield township, Montgomery county, to be Judge of the Montgomery county common pleas court, to succeed the late Judge Henry K. Weand, was also announced by the Governor. Mr. Miller is a prominent member of the Montgomery county bar, and his appointment was urged by a large number of attorneys.

Both of the above Judges will serve until the first Monday of January, 1916.

OPPOSES SUNDAY SHAVES

Union Official Says He Will Direct Bar- bers Here to Close on That Day

C. F. Foley, of Pottsville, second vice president of the Journeymen Barbers' International Union of America, was in Harrisburg today and stated that this organization intends serving notices on all barber shops in Harrisburg doing business on Sunday, ordering them to close on that day. Mr. Foley said that unless the order is complied with immediately the organization will prosecute through its attorney, William L. Leaser, of this city.

Yesterday Mr. Foley was on his way to York, where he intends to organize the barbers. Stopping in Harrisburg between trains, he said, he noticed that some of the barber shops were doing Sunday business. This, he said, is something the union will not permit.

Mr. Foley called on Dr. Henry W. Stough, the evangelist, in an endeavor to get him to aid in the campaign against barbers working on Sunday. Some of the barbers affected say that rather than have any trouble they will close. The fine, according to the "Blue Laws," is \$7.50 for each offense.

FIGHTING FOREST FIRE

Blaze Rages on Kittatinny Moun- tains, Near Dauphin

(Special to the Star-Independent.)
Dauphin, Nov. 23.—A force of men is fighting the forest fire on the Kittatinny mountains near this place. The blaze crept up from the other side of the mountain yesterday and burned briskly all day and last night. Up to the present no damage has been done other than to timber.

TO IMPORT SIX WITNESSES

Detective Goes to Pittsburgh to Get Policemen to Testify in Bush Murder Case

Six of the thirty-nine witnesses who will appear for the Commonwealth in the trial of Edward G. Smith, charged with having murdered his grandfather, John E. Bush, in Inglewood, on June 3, last, are Pittsburghers. County Detective James T. Walters, went today to the "Smoky City" to serve the subpoenas.

The Smith trial, according to the plans of District Attorney Stroup, will open one week from today. The Pittsburgh witnesses will include the city and railroad policemen who figured in the apprehension of Smith in the Pittsburgh passenger station shortly after Bush was found murdered in the ashes of his Inglewood cottage.

County Detective Walters, also it is expected, will go on the witness stand to testify against Smith. The detective it is said, will confine his remarks to a conversation he had with the accused while on the way here from Pittsburgh.

COLD WILL CONTINUE

Temperature of Twenty Degrees Ex- pected Here To-night

The cold weather continues its assault unabated, temperatures taking a tumble following the passing of a storm that gave light snows throughout New York and Pennsylvania last night. According to information sent in to the local office of the Weather Bureau, a snow flurry occurred here from a passing cloud about 4 o'clock this morning.

A minimum temperature of twenty degrees is forecasted for Harrisburg tonight by local weather officials. Tuesday will be fair with temperatures still below normal.

FROST BREAKS BRIDGE POSTS

City at Once Will Replace Damaged Concrete With Reinforced Work

The half dozen or more concrete posts on the Mulberry street bridge which snapped off near the base, due, it is said, to the freezing weather, will be replaced at once with reinforced posts so City Commissioners said today. In most cases the breaks are within a few inches of the base.

The section in which the breaks occurred has been roped off as a safe guard to pedestrians. The damaged posts yet are standing being held in place by the pipe railing, but they are not strong enough to withstand persons leaning against them.

30 CENTS TO BE COST OF TURKEYS

That Is the Price Per Pound That Dealers Assert Will Be Asked in Harrisburg

FEW BIRDS ARE NOW ON MARKET

Police Have Decreed There Shall Be No Raffles and No Reports of Any Have Reached the Ears of the Authorities

At least Harrisburg's part in the concerted national attack on turkey next Thursday, Thanksgiving Day, will not be damaging to the enemy. Carving knives that did valiant work a year ago will not be brought into play to the same extent this year, according to disheartening stories of commission merchants in this city. Old High-Cost-of-Living has taken a new lease on life and decrees that his majesty, the turkey, can be enjoyed only by the opulent, or, at least, the well-to-do.

In dressed form, turkeys will cost 30 cents a pound over the prevailing prices of last year, the commission men say. There are practically no turkeys in town as yet awaiting the purchaser, but many persons are ordering them ahead of time and 30 cents is the price merchants are quoting to them. While the quality of the available turkeys is about the same as last year, the quantity of them is not such that persons can hope for an eleventh hour reduction in price.

Merchants expect to have some trouble in filling orders. One of the biggest merchants in the city this morning had this to say of this year's supply: "Most of our birds for Harrisburg will come from Virginia, a few from Ferry county, but not many from Dauphin. This year if a farmer has a flock of ten or twelve he is lucky. We have been compelled to buy the birds wherever we can get them—a few here and a few there. The birds are scarce through this section and were it not for the Virginia and Vermont supply the demand could not nearly be met, even at the higher figure."

Hope of getting the Thanksgiving bird through the turkey raffle has about vanished, as there are not enough turkeys to be had in any one place to make a fair-sized raffle pay. The police have raided no raffles thus far in Harrisburg and no news of any operating near the city limits has come to the ears of local officials.

DR. STOUGH OPENS ATTACK ON BOOZE

Pleads With Multitude of Men in His Shirt Sleeves at Afternoon Meeting

TEARS FLAG OF DEATH TO SHREDS

Sermons Preached at Tabernacle Yes- terday Morning and Evening—Sep- arate Gatherings for Women and Children

At the Stough tabernacle yesterday afternoon there was what the evangelist styled, "the biggest gathering perhaps for religious purposes that Harrisburg has ever seen." The meeting was for men only, the third in the series, at which Dr. Stough opened his attack on booze. Men crowded the board seats, were lined along the outside aisles, jammed into the choir loft, and pressed at the doors from the outside in vain efforts to gain entrance. Policemen aided the ushers in maintaining order.

"I am not against individuals engaged in the liquor business," said Dr. Stough in opening his address on "Booze and Booze Hoisters," but I am against the traffic. I am not going anywhere for the next year or so except in old Pennsylvania. I'm going to clean up these dirty old rum holes. I'm going to beer-soaked Lancaster and booze-lapping Reading. I'm going to help clean up the saloons.

After pronouncing "the liquor traffic the greatest outlaw in the world," the evangelist proceeded to quote numerous statistics intended to show that "the great cause of accidents in the country is booze."

He paid a compliment to a Philadelphia newspaper, advised the Kaiser, who said that "the country which uses the least liquor in the war will win," to look out for Russia, praised "the wisdom of Secretary of the Navy Daniels, and attacked lodges and clubs which maintain bars."

He asserted that "booze sent the Titanic to the bottom," that the statistics of the Dauphin county Poor Directors show that "90 per cent. of the paupers in this city were brought to their present condition by booze," that New York City spends a million dollars a day for booze, and that "for every dollar received in this county in liquor licenses, there are twenty dollars paid

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FOOTBALLIST UNDER X-RAY

Norris, Hurt in Steelton Game, Escaped a Fractured Jaw—Reynolds' Shoulder Wrenched

An X-ray examination was made at the Harrisburg Hospital this afternoon to determine the extent of the injuries to John Norris, the center rush on the Steelton High school team, received in the game on the island with the Teah High school on Saturday. It was learned his left jawbone was not fractured as was at first believed. The nerves of the jaw, however, were found to have been painfully injured. Norris had to retire from the game on Saturday.

Harry Reynolds, of Bressler, another football player, received treatment at the same hospital today. His right shoulder was badly wrenched in a game at Nineteenth and Greenwood streets, Saturday afternoon. He also underwent an X-ray examination.

TO FLOAT \$17,000 LOAN

Swatara Wants Money for New School and Addition to Another

The school district of Swatara township is planning to float \$17,000 of improvement bonds to carry temporary loans amounting to \$2,000, the cost of erecting one new school building and an addition to another.

A two-room building is being erected in Bressler at a cost of \$5,000 while a four-room addition to a school in Enhaunt will cost something like \$10,000.

Proposals for the bonds will be received by the township school board, through its secretary, John M. Erb, until December 14, at 7:30 p. m.

GIRL DRINKS IODINE

Miss Florence Dinsmore Responded to Treatment and Has Recovered

Miss Florence Dinsmore, 17 years old, who resides with her sister at 280 Union street, fell over on the sidewalk in front of the office of Dr. John A. Fritchey, 911 North Second street, yesterday afternoon, in a serious condition from drinking a quantity of iodine with suicidal intent.

She was carried into Dr. Fritchey's office, from where she was taken to the Harrisburg hospital. There she responded to treatment and had revived sufficiently to be sent to her home this morning. Ambulance policemen asked her why she drank the poison and she replied that she had some trouble at home and would say nothing further.

2,000 Men Return to Work

Chicago, Nov. 23.—Two thousand men who were thrown out of employment early last spring, returned to work at the South Chicago plant of the Illinois Steel Company today when the rail structural mills were reopened.