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# RUMANIANS ARE CRUSHED AGAIN

## SECOND SEVERE DEFEAT

Rumanian Invaders of Bulgaria Are Said to Have Suffered Loss of Fifteen Thousand Men.

## RETREAT UNDER FIRE

With Pontons Destroyed and Monitors Raining Shells, Flight Across River Was a Panic.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.] SOFIA, Oct. 5.—Bulgarian troops have enveloped and destroyed fifteen or sixteen Rumanian battalions (about 15,000 men) which crossed the Danube and invaded Bulgaria near Rihovo, said an official statement from the war office today.

The defeat suffered by the Rumanians is the greatest since the destruction of the Rumanian army at the fortress of Tutrakan, when 23,900 Rumanians were trapped and captured south of the Danube.

The Rumanians were caught by an encircling movement and began to stream back across the river without offering stubborn opposition. Teutonic monitors had smashed some of the pontoon bridges over which the invaders crossed, thus interfering seriously with their retreat to the north bank.

Bulgarian artillery was trained on Rumanian transports that attempted to facilitate the retreat, adding to the confusion in the ranks of the enemy. The exact number of prisoners is not definitely known, but it is reported that large quantities of war material were brought in.

On the Dobruja front, all Russo-Rumanian attacks were frustrated.

The German war office yesterday afternoon announced that the Rumanian force that crossed the Danube had retreated before a German-Bulgarian encircling movement.

If the Bulgarian statement is true, the Rumanians have suffered two most severe defeats in the Danube in the five weeks since they entered the war. When German and Bulgarian forces captured the Rumanian fortress of Tutrakan, the Rumanian garrison was surrounded on the south bank and captured. Several hundred Rumanians, including a general and a number of other officers were drowned while attempting to swim the stream.

The Rumanians had occupied several Bulgarian villages before they were attacked by Bulgarian forces from Rutchuk and Tutrakan.

Grand Duke Recalled. LONDON, Oct. 5.—The Grand Duke Nicholas, former commander in chief of the Russian armies, has been recalled from the scene of his triumphs in the Caucasus to command the Russo-Rumanian drive against Bulgaria, said a Stockholm dispatch received here today.

The grand duke will be given supreme command of all the Russian and Rumanian forces operating in

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## SEPARATE PEACE FOR RUSSIA

Despite Official Denials, Some Sort of Conference Did Take Place for Such Discussion.

## OZAR WAS DISCOURAGED

Little Prospect Now That Any of the Allies Will Desert, Since Rumania Entered War.

[By Carl W. Ackerman, United Press Staff Correspondent.]

THE HAGUE, Sept. 16. (By mail)—Despite official denials that Russia and Germany recently discussed a separate peace, I have learned from recent visits to Warsaw, Copenhagen and The Hague that some sort of a conference did take place.

At present, however, there is little prospect that Russia will desert the allies. Rumania's intervention in the war has changed the situation entirely from the czar's standpoint. The report that a peace meeting was held at Kovno was published recently in the Nieuwe Courant, one of the best informed newspapers of Holland. The Courant article has not been published in any belligerent country, it is understood here, though it created a sensation in Holland and the neutral Scandinavian countries.

Immediately following its publication, the Russian legation here issued a denial. Similar denial was telegraphed from Berlin, but regardless of this fact officials in Scandinavian countries believe a great deal of the Courant article is true.

The Courant asserted that special representatives of the czar and Premier Sturmer met the kaiser and Field Marshal von Hindenburg at Kovno in August. Exactly what caused the negotiations to be broken off was not learned. One report was that Russia learned that Rumania was about to enter the war. Another report was that Emperor Franz Josef had refused to cede Galicia and Bukovina to Russia, the price demanded by the czar for a separate peace.

Russia was said to be willing to make a separate peace because she was afraid of Japanese aggression in China, because General Brusiloff's offensive had failed to capture Lemberg and Kovel and because the allies had not given her successful co-operations on other fronts. Germany, according to a neutral in The Hague, was willing to see that Turkey made some concessions to Russia regarding the Dardanelles. Poland was to be made a kingdom with a slice of Galicia added, under Prince Leopold of Bavaria.

## Demand for Diamonds.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.] NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—Though the cost of living goes higher, the demand for diamonds is largely to war bride profits—is on the increase, said diamond merchants today. Indeed, it is so strong that some dealers are offering bleached yellow diamonds as pure white.

## Fairbanks in the West.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.] SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., Oct. 5.—Expressing confidence that Hughes would carry the west, Charles W. Fairbanks, republican vice president candidate, left today for Portland, Oregon to campaign throughout the northwest.

## Should Put Navy on Guard TO BLOCKADE OWN PORTS

anywhere to be found on Fifth avenue and similar localities. But as far as the worker is concerned, he said, look at the strikes. They mean that the workers, in view of all this prosperity, is not getting enough to live on.

"As for Mexico, Wilson himself declared that there were financial interests seeking to drag us into war. The Mexicans are having a hard enough time and we should let them alone. I believe the border raids are inspired by American interests. And though we socialists do not believe in capital punishment, if I did I would suggest that the men who are causing trouble in Mexico be taken out and hanged."

He predicted that the war would increase socialist strength in Europe. "When it began they were not strong enough to carry out our ideas, just as the socialist party is not strong enough in the United States. But when we are placed in power, we will take the responsibility for what happens."

## Christian Brothers College's Destroyed By Fire

Three Aged Men Are Missing and Believed to Have Lost Their Lives in the Flames

[United Press Leased Wire Service] ST. LOUIS, Mo., Oct. 5.—Brother Carmack, 92, and Brother Clement, 78, and an aged attendant are missing and believed dead in the fire that destroyed the Christian Brothers college here today.

The fire, which started at 7:30, spread rapidly and in less than an hour had almost completely destroyed the institution, which was one of the oldest Catholic schools in the United States.

A few minutes before noon one of the walls of the college building collapsed, burying about ten firemen. Two were taken from the ruins immediately. They are dying.

Brothers Carmack and Clement, among the oldest brothers in the order, were on the retired list and lived in what is known as the infirmary on the fifth floor. The infirmary was cut off almost immediately following the outbreak of the fire.

The attendant also was on the fifth floor at the time the blaze was discovered. The fact that the death toll was light, was due to a rule which compelled students to leave their beds before six o'clock. The brothers and employes of the institution are generally up at five. The college houses between two and three hundred students, tutors and attendants.

The destruction of the college probably means the abandonment of the institution of the order in St. Louis.

## WIRES CUT BEFORE BATTLE

Villistas and Carranzistas Expected to Come to Decisive Clash Within a Few Hours.

## TRAINS NOT RUNNING

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[United Press Leased Wire Service.] JUAREZ, Mexico, Oct. 5.—Communication between this city and Chihuahua City which failed yesterday, had not yet been restored early today. Orders issued by General Gonzales, Carranza commander here, that passenger trains for the south would not be allowed to leave the city have not yet been revoked.

General Trevino, Carranzista commandant at Chihuahua City, with a large-part of his forces marched out northward from Chihuahua yesterday to engage the Villistas gathered at Laguna, according to a report made to one United States government department at El Paso.

Wires between Juarez and Chihuahua City are believed to have been cut by Villistas and United States government agents expect a decisive battle between Villistas and Carranzistas to result within forty-eight hours.

## Withdrawal of American Troops.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 5.—Despite official denials from Mexico City that General Carranza has decided to demand the immediate withdrawal of American troops, Mexican Ambassador Arraondo is now using every effort to dissuade the first chief from insisting upon such action through the Mexican commissioners at Atlantic City. This was the purpose of Arraondo's trip to Mexico City, it was learned today from authoritative sources.

Before he left for Mexico City, Arraondo conferred in New York with Luis Cabrera one of the Mexican commissioners. Cabrera told Arraondo that he and his colleagues had proposed the immediate withdrawal of the American troops and that the American commissioners had replied there could be no action on that question until after further discussion of domestic problems of Mexico including foreign problems.

Will Not Be Withdrawn. ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Oct. 5.—There will be no withdrawal of American troops from Mexico as a result

## CRYING OVER SPILLED MILK

Driver Dragged From His Cart, While Mob of 200 Drained it to the Last Drop.

## NIGHT RIDERS ARE BUSY

Meagre Portions Are Being Doled Out While Officials Attempt to Put An End to the Strike.

## [United Press Leased Wire Service.]

NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—The milk famine got to the riot stage today. Police blotters showed trouble on the east side where famished women and children took desperate steps. In one instance a driver was dragged from his cart, while a mob of 200 drained it of every drop of milk. Milk lines have been established in some sections. There, meagre portions are doled out. One man started a row when refused a larger quantity, but women behind him made him desist by threat to attack him if he persisted. Up-state the night riders are busy and extra deputies have been called, particularly in northern West Chester county to guard creameries against attack.

While distributors had new sources of supply, city officials estimated that the pinch was greater than at any time since dairymen upstate refused to sell to the big three at existing rates. One hope of a break in the deadlock was the fact that there were some signs of weakening upon the part of the Borden company, distributors of one-fifth of the supply. They have already offered a 35 cent per hundred pounds increase for October while others in the "Big Three" have trailed at 31 cents. The farmers are standing out for a 45 cent raise and a six month's contract.

## Mayor Goes to Jail.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.] MOUNT CLEMONS, Mich., Oct. 5.—Mayor M. V. Bowers of Mount Clemens today was brought before Justice of the Peace George John, who fined the executive \$500 with the option of ten days in jail for contempt of court. The mayor refused to pay and was locked up.

The contempt charges grew out of a civil suit, in which Justice John rendered a verdict against a client of the mayor's. Mayor Bowers is alleged to have called the justice a "dirty rat."

## Beaneries Raise Prices.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.] NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—The milk strike and talk of need for embargoing wheat, flour and other food stuffs hit New York's lunchrooms today. Child's restaurants showed higher prices on numerous staple articles. Many other "beaneries" followed suit. Five cents was added to all egg orders. A slightly larger wedge of pie nicked the eater a dime instead of a nickel. Coffee with cream was raised to ten cents.

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## WOMEN'S SPECIAL COMING

Will Pass Through Iowa Tomorrow Afternoon on Way to Pacific Coast, Booming for Hughes.

## BIG DAY IN CHICAGO

Republican Candidate Will Soon be On Third Trip Into the For West After Registering.

## [United Press Leased Wire Service.]

CHICAGO, Oct. 5.—When the women's Hughes campaign special reached here at noon today, scores of gaily decorated automobiles lined up behind a big brass band to greet the women stumblers.

The visitors were taken to Grant park for a giant open air reception and then a parade was formed and after a march through Michigan avenue and the loop, a mammoth luncheon of 750 women at the LaSalle hotel was given, at which Alvin T. Hirt, western campaign manager for Hughes, Mrs. Raymond Robins, Dr. Katherine B. Davis of New York, Miss Harriet Vittum and others spoke.

Street meetings in front of the big industrial establishments will be held late today, as the workers are leaving for their homes. Tonight the visitors will occupy boxes at the republican rally when Albert T. Beveridge speaks.

## Leaving here at three a. m. tomorrow the woman's special will reach

Rock Island at seven a. m. and stay until 11. It will arrive in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, at one p. m., and leave at three p. m. for Waterloo, reaching there at five p. m., for an evening meeting. The train leaves Waterloo at one a. m. Saturday morning, reaching St. Paul at 10 a. m.

## They will be in Helena, Mont.,

Wednesday and an evening meeting will be held at Butte. From there the party goes to Missoula, and on into Washington and Oregon and then turns south to San Francisco.

## Hughes Off Again.

NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—Thirty-six stops with an average of from three to five speeches on each stop are on the program for the third western tour of Governor Hughes. The complete itinerary, announced today follows: Leave New York Monday for Newark where at noon speech will be made. Hughes returns to New York by automobile and will register; Philadelphia, October 9; Hagerstown,

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## WILSON CROSSES IOWA TODAY

President Reaches Omaha After Meeting Warm Reception All Along the Route.

## WILL HAVE A BUSY DAY

City is Filled With People to Attend Celebration and Get a Glimpse of the Executive.

[By Robert J. Bender, United Press Staff Correspondent.]

OMAHA, Neb., Oct. 5.—President Wilson came to Omaha today to greet 150,000 people who thronged into Nebraska's metropolis to see him. During his stay here he planned to make three speeches, one at the Commercial club luncheon, another at a dinner tonight and the third at the Auditorium at eight o'clock.

By his political managers, the president's addresses today are regarded as the big volley to protect the central west against capture by Charles E. Hughes. Local party lieutenants said, however, that Nebraska is already strongly in line with fifteen or twenty thousand votes to spare.

The president was in great fettle today after further enthusiastic receptions enroute through Iowa this morning. At Council Bluffs there was a big crowd with a singular number of old people. One elderly gentleman, reaching up to shake hands with the president said:

"Let me shake hands with a Lincoln."

An old lady greeted him: "God bless you, my dear." Omaha was in holiday array to greet the executive. Thousands of people drawn into the city by the lures of the annual Ak-Sar-Ben festival, thronged the streets and cheered the president on his every appearance.

Following the luncheon at the Commercial club the president was to ride in and later interview the great pageant held under the auspices of the Nebraska Historical society and the Ak-Sar-Ben. The pageant abounded in gorgeous floats, and was featured by a whole tribe of Indians and scores of cowpunchers, fresh from Nebraska ranches.

Every available spot for sitting and standing along the line of march was occupied long before the president took his place at the head of the procession.

## Mrs. Wilson Popular.

MISSOURI VALLEY, Iowa, Oct. 5.—[Aboard President Wilson's train enroute to Omaha, Neb.]—President Wilson was greeted by large crowds at Carroll, Denison and here, this morning. Mrs. Wilson accompanied him on the car platform during the big demonstration.

"Whatever happens to me in November, I believe you'd all vote for Mrs. Wilson, wouldn't you?" the president asked. "You bet we would," the crowd yelled in reply.

As a result of discomfitures from cold yesterday, the president had a new car today.

## Challenges Criticism.

[By Robert J. Bender, United Press Staff Correspondent.] OMAHA, Neb., Oct. 5.—Fired by a spectacular reception from 150,000 Nebraskans, President Wilson today made his first campaign appeal to the west. Speaking to 300 members

## MRS. WILSON LIKES TRIP INTO WEST WITH HUSBAND

Demonstrations Along Line Cause Aides to Think Election is Sure.

[By Robert J. Bender, United Press Staff Correspondent.]

ON BOARD PRESIDENT WILSON'S TRAIN, ENROUTE TO OMAHA, Neb., Oct. 5.—Campaign life agrees with Mrs. Wilson. She likes it and is having a fine time. Incidentally she is getting a lot of attention from the crowds who gather about the president's private car and is sharing equally with the president, the plaudits of the throngs.

Wearing a simple gown of black voile over white, her every appearance on the trip has brought a demonstration. For the most part, however, she prefers to stand by and let her president do the talking and receive the brunt of the noise. On one occasion she was greeted by one in the

## WHEAT AT \$2 BUSHEL BY JAN. 1

Grain Men Predict Price Will Go That High Before the End of This Year.

## REASONS FOR ADVANCE

Argentine Fields Offer No Hope for Relief Because the Last Crop Was Below Normal.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.]

CHICAGO, Ill., Oct. 5.—Two dollars for wheat was predicted by Chicago grain men today, before the first of January. Prices today both cash and futures ranged about ten cents lower than the record price established in January, 1915, immediately following the outbreak of the European war.

The heavy decrease in this year's crop, coupled with discouraging conditions in Argentine and the demand of the allies for available Australian and Canadian wheat, were pointed to as factors in the present high price. It was stated today at the board of trade that the northwest has practically no wheat of seed quality and that good seed wheat was now selling at from four to five dollars a bushel.

The importation of Canadian wheat for seed purposes is being seriously discussed and agricultural experts are canvassing the question whether or not the Canadian wheat will be found adapted to United States cultivation.

Dealers in cash wheat say that the northwestern farmers are practically all adhering to the decision not to sell wheat at less than \$2 a bushel while the receipts of grain from other primary shipping points are extremely light. December wheat has reached \$1.59 1/2, as against \$1.06 one year ago. May is \$1.58 1/2 against \$1.07 1/2 a year ago. Cash wheat is selling around \$1.65 depending on the grade, while the millers are eagerly snapping up all available milling wheat.

As a result of wheat conditions, millers say, flour continues its steady rise. Special brands were quoted today in Chicago at \$9.10 a barrel wholesale. Millers say that if the wheat advance continues, flour prices will have to keep the pace.

Members of the board of trade today said the present high prices could not be blamed on speculation. They said that were it not for open trading on the boards of trade, big elevator men long ago would have cornered the supply and wheat would have been much higher than at present.

Produce prices are trailing close behind grain. Potatoes are \$1.45 a bushel wholesale as compared to 48 cents a year ago.

Eggs, butter, poultry and produce and other supplies are up correspondingly in most cases. Dealers blame bad weather for the potato shortage and say the hot summer

## crowd: "You look mighty good to us Mrs. Wilson" and it took her some time to recover from the salute.

The entire executive party was cheered to a high pitch of optimism by the demonstration accorded the president along the way yesterday. Political aides who are on the train feel that Ohio and Indiana will swing into the democratic column with a bang.

Few stops were to be made before Omaha today. At Omaha the president faces a busy time. He arrives at 11:40 and goes immediately to a luncheon given by the Omaha Commercial club. From two to four o'clock he participates in the great historical pageant and will ride at the head of the procession for some time. The principal address of the day will be delivered at the Auditorium tonight.

The president leaves on the return trip at 10 p. m., arriving in Chicago at 11:20 a. m. tomorrow, leaving for the east at 12:40 p. m. On the return, he will follow the same route as taken coming west.