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BEATEN RUSSIANS BEING PURSUED

Austrian Statement Says There Has Been no Important Fighting in South Poland.

VIENNA, Dec. 18.—The following Austrian official statement was made public today:

"The beaten Russian main forces are being pursued on the entire battle front 400 kilometers wide (about 250 miles) from Krosno (Galicia) to the mouth of the Brzra River (in Poland) where it empties into the Vistula.

"The enemy yesterday was driven from his positions north of the Carpathians between Krosno and Zakhitsyn. On the lower Donajec River we and our allies are doing battle with the enemy's rear guard.

"In South Poland our advance so far has been made without important fighting. Piotrkow day before yesterday and Przedoborz, yesterday, were stormed.

"The heroic garrison at Przemysl has continued further fighting in front of the fortress with success.

"The situation in the Carpathians is not yet substantially changed."

Coal Movements Show Increase

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—The moving of anthracite and bituminous coal on 13 leading eastern railroads increased slightly during September over that month a year ago. Coke showed a large falling off.

Statistics issued today by the department of commerce show an anthracite increase for the month of 253,540 tons; a bituminous increase of 35,640 and a coke decrease of 747,572 tons.

The Money Market

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Commercial and Financial

Bradstreet's Report

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Bradstreet's will say tomorrow:

Trade currents run along irregular lines. On the one hand retail trade has been helped by two factors, holiday buying and cold weather, but in the larger lines the immediate situation is quiet, reflecting pre-inventory conditions plus seasonal slowing down in industrial pursuits.

Incidentally, buying of finished steel as well as of cotton goods for future delivery has expanded somewhat, quotations being sufficiently attractive to induce business.

Bank clearings for the week aggregate \$2,897,662,000 a decrease of 12.3 per cent from this week last year.

Business failures for the week were 466 against 378 in the corresponding week last year.

Wheat exports from the United States and Canada were 9,707,133 bushels against 6,964,102 in the same week last year.

New York Cotton

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—The cotton market was irregular during today's trading, with the close steady, net unchanged to 5 points higher.

The market opened at a decline of 1 point on July but was generally above yesterday's closing figures during the early trading.

There was a good deal of realizing around 7.70 for May, or about 35 points above the low level of last week, and prices became easier, while selling was promoted during the early afternoon by reports from New Orleans suggesting that recent naval developments might temporarily interrupt the export movement.

Spot cotton quiet; middling uplands 7.70; Gulf 7.65. No sales. Cotton futures closed steady.

Table with columns for month (January to October) and price ranges (open high low close).

New Orleans Cotton

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 18.—Conflicting influences were at work in the cotton market today and more fluctuations in prices than usual resulted.

War news considered unfavorable and freight brokers said that if the resumption of fresh restrictions on English shipping were true it might work against the transportation of cotton.

Spot cotton steady. Sales on the spot 1100 bales; to arrive 1,774.

Cotton futures closing: January 7.12 May 7.47; March 7.28; July 7.66; October 7.95.

Weekly Cotton

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—The cotton market has been firmer during the past week and prices recovered a good part of the decline which followed publication of the government's crop estimate a week ago last Thursday.

For the first time since the beginning of the season, exports of cotton this week exceeded those for the same week last year, and advice coming in from various southern ports suggested a continued large movement during the balance of December and January, particularly from Galveston.

The census figures on supply and distribution showed a falling off in domestic mill consumption for November as compared with the previous month and last year. Stocks of lint cotton in the hands of the mills on December 1 were comparatively light, in keeping with the reports that domestic spinners are still buying only for their more immediate needs.

Such increased offerings as may have come from the interior in order to secure funds for the holidays or first of the year obligations, are, therefore, supposed to have been absorbed chiefly by exporters. Meanwhile the big increase reported in the winter wheat acreage in cotton acreage, and local brokers say there has been somewhat better demand for the late months from investors.

The advance in contracts, however, has been most generally attributed to covering or rebuying by traders who had sold during the previous week in anticipation that the record breaking supply figures would shake the confidence of interior holders, but who found very little hedge selling, while advice reaching local speculators have indicated that pre-holiday offerings in the south have been smaller than usual this year.

Stocks and Bonds.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Prior to announcement shortly before midday that the interstate commerce commission had granted a restricted 5 per cent freight advance to the eastern railroads, the stock market was dropping at a pace which strongly suggested liquidation.

Some shares were within a few points of the minimum prices and seasoned issues were declining for lack of support. What made the movement more noteworthy was the fact that it took very little stock to effect the decline.

Although early advice reaching the financial district respecting the decision were somewhat misleading, they were of a tenor to indicate that many of the more important demands of the railroads had been granted.

This was sufficient to precipitate a hasty covering movement by the bears and induced some long buying, which not only obliterated all early losses but restored the average of prices well above the previous day.

Students of the railway situation regarded the commission's decision as a victory for the roads, although its importance largely was nullified, it was said, by the failure to include coal, coke and iron ore in the list of commodities entitled to higher rates.

Time money was easier, the rate for all dates being reduced to 4 per cent. Large amounts of call money were placed at 3 per cent. The local federal reserve bank followed the lead of similar institutions elsewhere by lowering its discount rates.

Bonds were heavy at the outset, but recovered with stocks. Total sales, par value, \$1,392,000.

United States government bonds were unchanged on call.

Liverpool Cotton

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 18.—Cotton, spot, steady; prices steady. American middling fair 5.30; good middling 4.68; middling 4.44; low middling 3.70; good ordinary 3.35; ordinary 2.90. Sales 7,900 bales, including 5,600 American and 1,000 for speculation and export. Receipts 14,000 bales, including 6,500 American.

Futures closed steady. May-June, 4.20-1.2; July-August 4.27-1.2; October-November 4.37; January-February 4.43.

Cotton Seed Oil

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Cottonseed oil was higher early today on professional support, but declined later under freer offerings of crude and poor demand in general. Final prices were 3 to 5 points net lower. Sales were 3,600 barrels.

The market closed steady. Spot \$5.60@5.85; December \$5.65@5.75; January \$5.75@5.78; February \$5.84@5.89; March \$6.00@6.02; April \$6.08@6.12; May \$6.25@6.28; June \$6.32@6.39; July \$6.45@6.48.

Dry Goods

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Domestic cotton goods were being ordered steadily by jobbers today. Print cloths were firmer. Carpet wools were bought freely for future delivery. Improvements in silks continued.

Weekly Cotton Statistics.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 18.—Total forwarded to mills 82,000 bales, of which 60,000 were American; stock 708,000, American 445,000; imports 101,000, American 85,000; exports 4,800.

Alimony Subject to Income Tax

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Alimony is fixed income and subject to provisions of the income tax law, Commissioner of Internal Revenue Osborne ruled today. His decision is in disagreement with previous rulings and supercedes them.

Salaries of United States judges appointed since the law was enacted are subject to the tax, the commissioner ruled, as are those of retired judges. The mileage of congressmen except that part actually expended in transportation also is subject to the tax.

Christmas Presents for Soldiers. NORFOLK, Va., Dec. 18.—The naval collier Cyclops sailed today for Vera Cruz with Christmas presents for the men on American warships in Mexican waters. She also carried supplies and coal for the ships.

Betts Did Not Testify. MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Dec. 18.—Carleton Hudson, indicted recently in New York under the name of Carleton Hudson Betts, who arrived here yesterday, did not testify today in the suit brought against him by Mrs. Caroline King to recover more than \$100,000 which she asserted Hudson had obtained from her. It was denied that the case had been settled out of court.

Food For Belgians. ROTTERDAM, via London, Dec. 18.—(11 p. m.)—The steamer Orna arrived here today with 1,900 tons of food for the Belgians.

Additional Details of French Advance

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Additional details of the French advance in Flanders and northern France, announced today by the Paris war office, were given in official dispatches to the embassy here. The message said:

"We have the road from Tombartzyles Bains to the east of Streunstraete. We have captured the enemy's trenches, gained 350 yards, made 100 prisoners and taken three mitrailleuses. In the region of Bixchoote we have gained 500 yards, made 80 prisoners and taken three mitrailleuses. To the north of Notre Dame de Consolation our progress has been about 500 yards."

Christmas Parcels Moving. WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Postmaster General Burleson, in a statement tonight, promised "successful dispatches and delivery" of Christmas parcels and letters. The vast bulk of mails, he said, has already begun to move and was being handled promptly.

CHECKS CROUP INSTANTLY You know croup is dangerous. And you should also know the sense of security that comes from always having Foley's Honey and Tar Compound in the house.

It cuts the thick mucus and clears away the phlegm, stops the strangling cough and gives easy breathing and quiet sleep. Take it for coughs, colds, tickling throat, hoarseness and for bronchial and la grippe coughs. Contains no opiates. Every user is a friend.

DRINK MORE WATER IF KIDNEYS BOTHER

Eat Less Meat and Take Salts for Backache or Bladder Trouble.

Uric acid in meat excites the kidneys they become overworked; get sluggish, ache, and feel like lumps of lead. The urine becomes cloudy; the bladder is irritated, and you may be obliged to seek relief two or three times during the night. When the kidneys clog you must help them flush off the body's urinous waste or you'll be a real sick person shortly.

At least you feel a dull misery in the kidney region, you suffer from backache, sick headache, dizziness, stomach gets sour, tongue coated and you feel rheumatic twinges when the weather is bad. Eat less meat, drink lots of water; also get from any pharmacist four ounces of Jad Salts; take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days and your kidneys will then act fine.

The famous salts is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and has been used for generations to clean clogged kidneys and stimulate them to normal activity, also to neutralize the acids in urines, so it no longer is a source of irritation, thus ending bladder weakness.

Jad Salts is inexpensive, cannot injure; makes a delightful effervescent lithia-water drink which everyone should take now and then to keep the kidneys clean and active. Druggists here say they sell lots of Jad Salts to folks who believe in overcoming kidney trouble while it is only trouble.

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INTERESTING ANNOUNCEMENTS BY PASTORS OF TWO CITY CHURCHES

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Of Central Presbyterian to Render An Interesting Program Sunday.

Apropos of Christmas, pastors of some of the local churches and superintendents of Sunday schools are giving their attention to the matter of arranging special programs which will be carried out on the occasion.

Already two interesting announcements have been made, one by the Rev. D. W. Dodge, pastor of Central Presbyterian church, and the other by the Rev. J. H. Gibboney, rector of Grace Episcopal church.

The usual Sunday school services at the Central Presbyterian church will not be held the coming Sunday. Instead, an attractive Christmas service will be rendered at the hour of the morning service, 11:30. The children will have their recitations and songs, and there will be some choice musical selections by some of the best musicians in the city.

An important feature of the service will be the presentation of gifts and money. Anything Christmasy may be brought, all of which will be distributed among the needy in the community. The cash offering will be sent to Thornwell orphanage.

At Grace Church. Interesting services for tomorrow, Christmas day and the following Saturday have been announced by the Rev. Mr. Gibboney, as follows:

Sunday, Dec. 20: 10 a. m.—Bible class. 10:15 a. m.—Sunday school. 11:30 a. m.—The Holy Eucharist and sermon.

Christmas day: Christmas eve midnight, Choral Eucharist. 8 a. m.—The Holy Eucharist. 11 a. m.—Morning prayer, the Holy Eucharist and sermon.

Saturday, St. Stephen day, 10 a. m.—Holy Eucharist. 4 p. m.—Christ service and tree for Sunday school.

\$40,000 FIRE LOSS AT GEORGETOWN

Chief Resigns, After Council Meeting Because of Lack of Pressure in Mains.

GEORGETOWN, Dec. 17.—Between 4:20 and 7 o'clock this morning half a block in the heart of the residence section of this city, between Queen and Cannon streets, was burned.

The residences destroyed were those of W. H. Andrews, mayor of the city and general manager of the Georgetown & Western railroad; A. P. Webber, local chief clerk for the Baltimore & Carolina Steamship company; M. P. Moorer, M. D., surgeon of the marine hospital service, and Miss Minnie Daggett.

The loss will approximate \$40,000 partly covered by insurance.

The fire originated in the home of Mayor Andrews, in the rear portion of the building. Just what caused it is not known. It was discovered by Miss Daggett, who lived next door.

The response of the fire department, under command of Chief Walter H. McDonald, was prompt. The fire had not gained much headway when the firemen arrived, coupled on their hose and opened the hydrants. But, according to Chief McDonald, there was no water pressure. Nor was there, he says, any pressure from the city mains at any time during the burning, which rapidly became fierce and at one time seemed to threaten the whole eastern end of the city.

Fire Chief McDonald has tendered his resignation to the mayor, giving as his reason that it is useless for him to bring the department up to a high state of efficiency only to find in an emergency that there is no water with which to fight fire.

The explosion of a hot water boiler and several hundred cartridges in the home of Dr. Moore added to the spectacular element, the effect of the boiler explosion, in particular, being to hurl a column of brands and sparks a hundred feet high, the detonation shaking the entire section.

Gore, Ga., P. A. Morgan had occasion recently to use a liver medicine and says of Foley's Cathartic Tablets: "They thoroughly cleansed my system and I felt like a new man—light and free. They are the best medicine I have ever taken for constipation. They keep the stomach sweet, liver active, bowels regular." Foley's Cathartic Tablets are stimulating in action and neither gripe nor sicken. They are wholesome and thoroughly cleansing, and keep the liver active. Stout people like them.

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Is there a baby on your Christmas list? Then here are a few suggestions from our stock that you will find of value in choosing the proper gift: Sterling silver baby spoons, plain or engraved designs—undeniably "cute" \$1.00. Lovely necklaces of petite lines for the girl baby's dimpled throat. \$2.00 to \$10.00. Silver cups to fit chubby hands, \$1.00. Pin sets, or napkin rings—very reasonably priced. —and many other charming little gifts that will be sure to please mother. Let us show them to you. Marchbanks & Babb GRUEN Veri Thin Watch

FRENCH REPORT SLIGHT ADVANCE

Claim Heavy Artillery Won Distinct Advantages in Region of Tracy-Le-Val.

(By Associated Press.) PARIS, Dec. 18.—(2:47 p. m.)—The French war office this afternoon gave out an official communication as follows:

"The day of December 17 was marked, as we said yesterday, by an advance on our part in Belgium, where every counter-attack undertaken by the enemy failed.

"In the region of Arras a vigorous offensive made us masters of several trenches. These are located at Auchy, La Bassee, St. Laurent and Biangy. At this last mentioned place we occupied a front more than one kilometre long, almost all the first line trenches of the enemy.

"In the region of Tracy-Le-Val, on the Aisne, and in Champagne, our heavy artillery won distinct advantages.

"In the Argonne the Germans blew up one of our trenches to the north of Four-De-Paris and endeavored to move out from their position with three battalions of troops. This infantry attack, as well as the one they undertook at St. Hubert, was repulsed.

"To the east of the Meuse and in the Vosges there is nothing to report."

NO DEFINITE ACTION TAKEN

On Proposed Amalgamation of Northern and Southern Methodist Churches.

(By Associated Press.) ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 18.—No definite action on the proposed amalgamation of the northern and southern branches of the Methodist church was taken by the Church Commission on Federation, which adjourned here today after three days of deliberation.

Three bishops from the southern church, four bishops of the northern church, six ministers and six laymen comprised the commission. All sessions were strictly executive, but it was stated tonight that more progress was made than at any time since the creation of the commission 12 years ago. It also was said that the commission decided to postpone final action until the next general conference of the church.

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Announce Changes in Examination System

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Comptroller of the Currency Williams tonight announced changes in the system of national bank examinations authorized in the federal reserve act. The old fee system has been abolished and all examiners put on salary. The country has been divided into 12 districts corresponding to the federal reserve districts.

There will be a chief examiner in each district with headquarters in the city where the federal bank is located, except in the Richmond district, where the examiners will have headquarters in Washington.

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