

Stecher an Easy Winner--Cornell Runs Away with Pennsy

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JOE STECHER IS AGAIN CROWNED KING OF 'EM ALL

Disposes of His Husky Opponent Youssif Hussane in Four and Five Minutes Time.

GIANTS CONTEST AT LINCOLN

Huge Auditorium at the State Fair Grounds Scene of Another Contest for Nebraska's Pride.

BIG CROWD GOES FROM OMAHA

BY BENJ. H. SERKOWICH.
"And if there be any among you here to offer objection to this union let him speak now or forever hold his peace!"

Hugo gobs of silence.
"Mister Joseph Stecher, do you take this wrestling championship crown to be your legally wedded ornament, to have, to hold and go into vaudeville with?"

Answer: "I do."
"Then join hands. I now declare you man and title. Whom the sporting population hath joined together, let no son-of-a-gun put asunder."

Of course, all this is a bit of ritual. There wasn't any ceremony like that, but there might have been, if only to make a little laugh for the boy--because Joe Stecher put his everlasting trademark on the old crown in a way that makes the bonds of wedlock look like a two-spot. Nine minutes and six seconds it required for him to demolish the ambition of the most formidable of all his challengers.

Without detracting one whit from the ability of Hussane as a wrestler, nor intending to give the impression that he failed to do a good day's work, it must be stated in all fairness to Stecher that the tigerish Bulgarian was like a war baby in Belgium. You've all heard of that tallow-legged terrier that was being pursued by the asbestos feline down in the place Bill Sunday talks of. Mister Hussane had the same opportunity for victory as the wax-footed canine.

The fair grounds auditorium holds about 7,000 people but only about 4,000 paid admission to see the big go. It was colder than a policeman's heart in the big building, but the moment Nebraska's pride and joy stepped out the fans commenced to let off steam and it was a warm welcome Joe got. Hussane, too, was accorded the respect due a regular, up, but at no time were the fans anything but skeptical. In Omaha, two hours before the match, Stecher backers were chasing all over town with bundles of needful, offering to lay it 3 to 1 that the Bulgarian wouldn't last forty minutes.

At the ringside there were plenty of bets made at 5 to 1 and even at 8 to 1. Just before the big go, Joe Hetmanek, Stecher's manager, remembered that Youssif never wrestles except bare-footed. "That's an advantage. It's easier to get a grip on a shoe than on a man's bare skin," he objected. A squabble threatened to consume an hour or more, but in the interim, a compromise was agreed upon.

Youssif wrestled in his sock-two pairs of them--that is, he wrestled as long as Joe let him.

Stecher walked out to the middle when referee Ed Smith yelled "Go!" with a smile on his face that spelled money in the bank to the big crowd of loyal Nebraskaans. They stilled for a minute, possibly a minute and a half, Joe hooted his right arm out and gripped his opponent's neck. Youssif tried to get away, but Stecher kept him at arms length, placidly studying him the while. Then like a bullet he dropped to his knees, caught the Bulgarian about the thighs and he was behind him. The crowd was standing on chairs, tumultuously begging the Nebraskaans to "let him in, another minute an expression of exulting pain shot over the features of the swarthy wrestler as Stecher interlocked the terrible scissars about his body and bore him down with a bar-arm hold. Hussane was as helpless as though he had been manacled hand and foot. Referee Smith stopped Joe on the shoulder and announced the official time--four minutes and two seconds.

Hussane retired to his corner and remained there during the brief recess, smiling critically at the sea of faces which alternately cheered and hooted him.

The next session there was no feeling out. The two wrestlers came together with fierce impact. Hussane was behind when the scramble for legs and arms ended for a brief spell. The foreigner spun Stecher around the floor in one or two seconds.

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The Weather

For Nebraska--Generally fair, with rising temperatures; fresh winds. Des. Excess for the day, 1.1 inches. Precipitation for the day, 0.0 inches. Comparative Local Record, 1905-1914, 1915, 1916.

GERMAN TRENCH MORTAR ON EXHIBITION IN LONDON

The picture shows piece at the Horse Guards Parade in London. Captured German guns are now used to enthuse the people, who turn out to see the famous Horse Guards Parade and to stimulate recruiting.



CAPTURED GERMAN TRENCH MORTAR IN LONDON

MIKADO WORSHIPS AT FATHER'S TOMB

Emperor Yoshihito Pays Homage Before Mausoleum of Late Emperor Mutsuhito.

OFFERINGS AND PRAYERS MADE

KIOTO, Nov. 25.--Emperor Yoshihito, who paid a visit to the mausoleum of Emperor Jimmu at Mount Uenohara, yesterday, proceeded today to Fushimi to pay homage before the mausoleum of the late Emperor Mutsuhito at Momoyama. The emperor and court journeyed to Fushimi by a special train from Kioto station, where huge welcoming crowds gathered.

Only two years have elapsed since the body of the late sovereign was interred at Momoyama and but one year later Empress Haruko, his consort, followed her husband and was buried beside him. The mausoleum of Emperor Mutsuhito is known as the Momoyama mausoleum and that of the late empress as the Eastern mausoleum of Momoyama. The place is situated on a wooden highland surrounded by lovely country and the mausoleum are on the top of hillocks covered with verdant evergreen and other ancient trees.

The site was selected according to the wish of the late emperor himself, who sometimes visited the country on his tours to Kioto and who greatly admired the beauty of the district.

Emperor Walks Up Hill

Upon arrival at Momoyama station the emperor drove to the mausoleum ground. Alighting at the foot of the hill he proceeded to the sacred precinct of the mausoleum. The crown prince and all princes and princesses of the imperial family followed his majesty and the whole court escorted the imperial procession. The ceremony was begun with the presentation of offerings before the mausoleum by the ritualists and with music by the court orchestra. The chief ritualist knelt before the altar and read a Shinto prayer. Then the emperor approached, made a low bow and spent some moments in silent meditation. Next the crown prince and princess and princesses of the imperial family worshipped. Subsequently the members of the retinue and other participants were allowed to pay their homage.

The ceremonies being concluded, the emperor left the mausoleum and visiting the Eastern mausoleum prayed for the repose and happiness of the spirit of Empress Haruko.

The emperor left Momoyama by special train and returned to Kioto in the afternoon.

United States Needs 2,000 Aeroplanes, Says Hammond

NEW YORK, Nov. 25.--John Hays Hammond, Jr., member of the aeronautical division of the naval advisory board, who has just returned from a journey in Europe to learn how the unpreparedness of the entente allies had affected them, declares that the United States should have at least 2,000 aeroplanes ready to be sent into the air at a moment's notice.

"There should be also as many trained observers for the land forces alone," said Mr. Hammond. "It will take ten years to build up our defense. When the war began France had 25,000 officers. Now it has 100,000 and that is not enough. At least that number would be necessary to put the United States in condition to meet a first-class power."

WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENT FOR FLORENCE CUDAHY

CHICAGO, Nov. 24.--(Special Telegram)--One of the most interesting weddings of the year will be that of Miss Florence Cudahy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward A. Cudahy, 22 Banks street, to Vaughan Skidling son of Mrs. Charles F. Skidling, 1300 Astor street. It will take place Saturday afternoon, January 22, at Paulist church, Wabash avenue and Park court. Afterward a reception will be held at the house.

DIPLOMATS ATTEND ANNUAL SERVICE

Ambassadors, Ministers and United States Officials at Pan-American Service at Cathedral.

WHITE HOUSE FAMILY DINNER

WASHINGTON, Nov. 25.--The annual Pan-American Thanksgiving celebration at St. Patrick's cathedral, attended by members of the cabinet, the diplomatic corps, the supreme court and other prominent officials, was the feature of the observance here today.

President Wilson was represented at the celebration by Secretary McAdoo. Diplomats, in brilliant uniforms, assembled with other dignitaries and marched into the church, where mass was said in celebration of peace and Thanksgiving among the Americas. After the mass, the guests were entertained at a luncheon by Monsignor Russell, pastor of St. Patrick's.

President Wilson spent the early part of the day in putting the finishing touches on his annual message to congress. He had arranged to have dinner with Mrs. Norman Galt, his fiancée and his family. A thirty-five pound turkey, a gift of Seth Trimble, clerk of the house, was prepared.

All of the cabinet, with two exceptions spent the day here. Secretary Garrison was in Jersey City and Secretary Daniels was with his mother in Goldboro, N. C.

Turkey for Federal Convicts

LEAVENWORTH, Kan., Nov. 24.--The 1,000 prisoners at the United States penitentiary here will enjoy a real Thanksgiving dinner today. There will be plenty of turkey and cranberry sauce. "Home-made" mince pie will finish the meal. The prison orchestra will play a special concert during the dinner.

Thomas W. Morgan, warden of the prison, arranged the dinner. He also granted the men the freedom of the yard for the day and provided for a motion picture show and vaudeville entertainment this afternoon.

Embargo Against Food for Nogales Causes Bitterness

NOGALES, Ariz., Nov. 25.--General Francisco Villa, with General Acosta and a small detachment of men, were in Nogales, Sonora, opposite here, today. They returned from the front south of here, and Carlos Randall, acting governor, declared that General Rodriguez, who eluded the Carranza troops of General Alvaro Obregon at Cananea, were now in position to prevent a successful attack by Obregon on Nogales. Rodriguez, according to Randall, has 7,000 men.

Although last night was quiet the feeling occasioned by the refusal of United States authorities to permit provisions to cross the line was further aggravated by the partial failure of the water supply of the Mexican town. The water service is a local Mexican enterprise. People on the other side of the boundary were convinced, however, that American authorities had cut off the water in an effort to force the abandonment of the town.

The rule preventing the transportation of provisions across the international boundary was stringently enforced. A woman carrying a loaf of bread was turned back. Another with a can of sardines also was stopped.

Some Mexicans made the complaint that their children in Sonora were hungry. The United States troops stationed on the border line yesterday were withdrawn after a few hours.

SPAIN WILL NOT INTERVENE IN WAR

Premier Dato in Address to Parliament Says Relations with All Belligerents Friendly.

DENOUNCES TROUBLE MAKERS

MADRID, Spain, Nov. 24.--(Via Paris, Nov. 25.)--In an address to Parliament today Premier Dato denied there was a possibility that Spain would intervene in the war. He said that since the outbreak of hostilities Spain had been receiving constantly expressions of good will from all the belligerents.

The premier's remarks were made in reply to criticisms of the minority directed against measures taken by the government to reform the military system. He censured certain Spaniards who took pleasure in attempting to create complications by crediting rumors of a nature calculated to reflect upon the dignity of the nation.

The premier took issue with those who believed the cabinet wished to retire, but was restrained by fear of unforeseen events.

Building Trades Consider Six-Hour Day Proposition

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Nov. 25.--Resolutions providing for investigation to determine when a six-hour day can be established in place of an eight-hour day and outlining certain trades from the building trades department of the American Federation of Labor were under consideration today by the resolutions committee at the ninth annual convention of the department.

Both measures were held in committee and probably will not reach the convention until tomorrow.

The six-hour day measure was presented by delegates from several organizations. It offered shortened hours of labor as the only remedy for conditions caused by the invention and perfection of machinery "making it increasingly harder for working people to continue in steady employment as shown by the large number of unemployed at all times of the year."

The resolution instructed incoming officers of the organization to "take this matter up with all affiliated building trades to ascertain when it will be possible to begin the reduction of hours of labor from eight to six hours per day." A definite report at the next convention was asked.

The elimination of certain trades from the department was proposed in a resolution by delegates from three organizations. It was directed at the International Association of Machinists and the boiler-makers, iron ship builders and helpers, which the resolution said were "not building trades and not eligible to membership and which, it provided, 'be declared unassisted.'"

Jewels Stolen from Union Pacific Car Found Near Track

CHEYENNE, Wyo., Nov. 25.--Jewelry and silver valued at \$1,500 and thought to have been stolen from Mrs. Jane McClurg Hamilton of Chicago on a Union Pacific train Sunday, was found late yesterday in possession of school children near Granite Canyon, eighteen miles west of here. The valuables were in a suitcase the children found near the track. Detectives expressed the belief that the grip was stolen and later thrown from the train by the thief, who feared detection.

McADOO ADVOCATES INCREASED TAXES TO PAY FOR DEFENSE

Secretary of Treasury Urges Raising Internal Levies Rather Than Issuance of Bonds for the First Year.

OVER 100 MILLION NEEDED

No Appreciable Burden on American People to Dig This Up Says Exchequer Chief.

GIVES OUT FULL STATEMENT

WASHINGTON, Nov. 25.--Increases in internal taxation, rather than issuance of bonds to meet the first year's expenses of the administration's defense program are advocated by Secretary McAdoo of the treasury, in a formal statement issued tonight, giving an estimate of the federal government's revenue and expenditure up to the end of the fiscal year beginning next July.

Assuming that congress will continue in effect the present emergency tax law and customs duty on sugar, the secretary estimates that \$112,806,394 in additional revenue will be needed for the expenditures for 1917, including \$93,800,000 for new measures for national defense.

"This amount," says the statement, "can easily be raised by internal taxation without appreciable burdens upon the American people."

Mr. McAdoo suggests a reduction in the income tax law exemption on single persons from \$3,000 to \$2,000 and on married persons from \$4,000 to \$3,000; changes in the surtax imposed on incomes above a certain figure; and new taxes on gasoline, crude and refined oil, horsepower of automobiles, other internal combustion engines and various other things.

The statement follows: "In view of the many inaccurate and misleading statements which are being made, either deliberately or ignorantly about the condition of the treasury and the finances of the government with respect to the current fiscal year and the fiscal year 1917, I feel that a true and accurate analysis of the situation may be of service to the public. The question of the national finances is so intimately related to other vital problems which must be settled in the interest of the American people that every right-minded citizen should want the truth in order that he may help form that intelligent public opinion out of which alone can arise sound and just conclusions."

Information Submitted

"With this in mind I desire to submit to the public the following information: "We began the fiscal year 1916 (July 1, 1915) with a general fund balance, not including amounts to the credit of disbursement officers, of \$104,170,167.31. Compared with the balance shown in the treasury statement of June 30, 1915, this is composed of the following: Balance in general fund June 30, 1915, as per treasury statement, \$82,025,716.03. Add national bank note redemption fund, which, by law, is a part of the public debt and not to be set up as a liability of the general fund, \$19,306,345.00. Add cash deposits during the year 1915 and included in the revised totals, advances of which were received at the treasury after June 30, 1915, \$2,837,944.25. Balance in general fund June 30, 1915 (revised basis), \$104,170,167.31."

Duty on Sugar

"Under existing law the present duty of 1 cent per pound on raw sugar ceases May 1, 1916, and the present emergency revenue law expires on December 31, 1915. Assuming that these two sources of revenue are eliminated, the following results may be expected for the fiscal year, 1916: "General fund balance in the treasury July 1, 1915, as already shown, \$104,170,167.31. "The estimated total receipts for 1916 are \$70,965,200. "Total \$74,335,067.31. "Total estimated disbursements for 1916, excluding Panama canal payments, \$716,821,000. "Surplus or balance June 30, 1916, \$57,514,067.78. "The duty on sugar and the emergency revenue taxes ought to be continued. If this is done the additional receipts from these sources for the fiscal year 1916 should be \$41,000,000 from emergency taxes and \$15,000,000 from sugar; \$56,000,000. "Balance, \$113,334,867.78. "It may be assumed that: (Continued on Page Two, Column One.)

Hauser Ends His Fast by Eating Turkey Cooked by Mrs. Kline

Arthur Hauser, the apeman, held at the city jail, accused of the murder of W. H. Smith, Woodmen of the World cashier, broke his hunger strike when Captain Kline of the Salvation Army and Mrs. Kline visited him in his cell, carrying a full-sized Thanksgiving dinner, which Mrs. Kline had assisted in preparing.

Hauser ate the following quantities of food: Three "helpings" of turkey, including both light and dark meat. Mashed potatoes and gravy, in large amount. Two pieces sweet potatoes. Three dishes cranberry sauce. Two pieces of mince pie. One piece of pumpkin pie, and four pieces of bread and butter.

Captain and Mrs. Kline carried the dinner in a basket to Hauser after they learned that he had entered upon a hunger strike in an attempt to commit suicide, a plan to kill himself in Wichita having previously failed.

When brought into the office of Captain Kline at the city jail, Hauser was found to be in a faint as the result of having eaten practically nothing for several days.

GERMANS CAPTURE 17,400 SERBIANS

Berlin Official Report Tells of Spoils Taken at Battles of Pristina and Mitrovitza.

RUSSIAN TOWN IS OCCUPIED

BERLIN, Nov. 25.--(Via London.)--Large numbers of Serbians were captured by the Austro-German forces at Mitrovitza and Pristina, the occupation of which was announced yesterday. The war office today announced the capture of 10,000 Serbians at Mitrovitza and 7,400 at Pristina.

The official announcement respecting the Serb campaign follows:

"The army under General von Kossava took about 10,000 Serbians and nineteen cannon near Mitrovitza. In the Pristina swamps and on the Stitica river 7,400 prisoners fell into our hands. The amount of war material and other supplies taken is important."

Russian Towns Captured.

Announcement was made by the war office today that the Russian town of Bersemeude was firmly in German hands. The number of prisoners has been increased to nine officers and 700 men. Three machine guns were taken. The official statement of today concerning the Russian and Franco-Belgian fronts follows: "Eastern theater of war: Army group of Field Marshal von Hindenburg; Bersemeude is firmly in our hands. The number of prisoners has been increased to nine officers and 700 men and the booty taken to three machine guns. "Army groups of Prince Leopold and General von Linsingen: The situation is unchanged. "In the western theater of the war there is nothing to report."

Bersemeude is near the northern end of the Russian front in the Ilouk district south of Riga. Heavy fighting has been in progress in this district for several weeks in connection with the German attempt to take Riga. Capture of Bersemeude by the Russians was announced at Petrograd on November 11.

French Official Report.

PARIS, Nov. 25.--The war office gave out the following statement this afternoon: "The Artois and the Lorraine there was fighting last night with hand grenades in several districts. Our artillery directed an effective fire against machine gun emplacements in the region of the Fraize valley, in the Somme and in the region of Hoye, at the station at Beauvaisnes, and at Laucourt. "On the rest of the front there was the usual artillery fighting."

Italians Report Another Important Victory Near Lasvia

ROME, Nov. 24.--(Via Paris, Nov. 25.)--An important victory for the Italians was scored yesterday when Austrian trenches between the fourth summit of Monte San Michele and the church of San Martino were taken by storm and held in spite of desperate counter attacks, says an official statement issued tonight by the war office. The communication follows: "During the night of the 23-24 and the following day the enemy sought by surprise and forces to capture some of the important positions taken by us. These actions, always preceded by an intense artillery fire, occurred on Col di Lana and the Zagora section and on a height northeast of Lasvia. All attacks were repulsed with heavy loss for the enemy, who left more than 200 bodies on the field. "Our relentless offense on the Carso plateau was crowned by a brilliant success yesterday. Long, deep trenches between the fourth summit on Monte San Michele and the church of San Martino were stormed, the defenders surrounded and a large part of them taken prisoners. "The enemy immediately deluged the lost positions with shells of all calibers and behind a curtain of fire massed important forces for a counter attack east of San Martino. "While our infantry held firmly their positions, exposed on all sides, our batteries with rapidity and precision concentrated a quick, well directed fire on enemy columns and dispersed them. Five hundred and fourteen prisoners, many of them officers, fell in our hands and we captured great quantities of provisions, munitions and war materials. "Enemy aeroplanes dropped bombs on Arslero, where no damage was done, and on Ala, where four soldiers were wounded. One of our air squadrons bombarded the aviation camp at Assevizza, another camp being made at Aidusina, and railroad stations at Vasereto, Aidusina, Reifenberg and San Dielo. Our aeroplanes, which were fired upon as usual by anti-aircraft guns, returned undamaged."

Answer Delivered to Ministers.

ATHENS, Nov. 25.--Greece has met the demands of the entente powers and given guarantees that the requirements will be fulfilled. Official announcement is made that the reply to the collective note presented by the entente ministers, has been delivered to them. The announcement says: "The reply is couched in very friendly terms and gives satisfaction of the demands of the entente powers and all guarantees considered essential."

The collective note was presented to the Greek government on Tuesday. As outlined in unofficial dispatches it contained no request for Greek intervention in the war with the allies, but asked Greece to give assurances that it would preserve its friendly attitude in case the allied troops near in Macedonia would be compelled to retreat across the frontier to Greek territory.

Belgians Assess Eight Millions a Month by Germans

ROTTERDAM, Netherlands, Nov. 25.--(Via London.)--The first year of the collection of money levied from the occupied portion of Belgium by the Germans expired November 30. A new law continuing the cash requisitions provides no definite period for the collection, merely specifying that monthly payments of 40,000,000 francs (15,000,000) will be forced until further notice. The city of Brussels, it is stated here, will be compelled to provide \$5,000,000 of the monthly total. This is considered as showing that the provincial communes are now so short of resources that banking centers must bear the chief burden of the enforced contributions.

Man Who Burned Wife to Death is Given Life Term

OTTAWA, Ill., Nov. 25.--George David Starck, convicted of burning his wife and baby to death last spring by setting fire to his house on an island in the Illinois river, was sentenced by the jury today to life imprisonment.

Cloudy Weather Delays Aeroplanes

AUSTIN, Tex., Nov. 25.--Cloudy weather and high winds today caused Captain B. D. Foullos, commanding the first aerod Squadron, United States army, to delay further the departure of the machines from this city on the last lap of the flight from Fort Hill, Okla., to Fort Sam Houston, San Antonio, Tex. The squadron will not leave, he said, until flying conditions are favorable.

GREEK REPLY TO COLLECTIVE NOTE IS SATISFACTORY

It Promises No Military Measures Will Be Taken Against the Allies' Troops Driven Into Greece.

SERBIANS AGAIN DEFEATED

Kosovo Plain, Which Was Expected to Delay the Invaders, Has Already Been Traversed.

BRITISH ARMY NEAR BAGDAD

BULLETIN. LONDON, Nov. 25.--Announcement was made in the House of Commons today by Sir Edward Grey, the foreign secretary, that he was not yet in a position to give information concerning the results of the latest negotiations at Athens.

LONDON, Nov. 25.--Although the full text of the Greek government's reply to the collective note presented by the entente powers has not yet been made public in England, there is every indication that the British government is satisfied with the position taken in Athens. The assurances given by Greece differ in marked degree with the previous expressions of benevolent neutrality. They are neither vague or evasive, but promise explicitly that no military measures will be taken against the Serbians, French or British troops in case they retreat to Greek territory.

Whether this guaranty of safety to the allied troops will carry Greece to the extent of opposing with its army any German forces which might attempt to pursue the allies across the Greek border probably will not be ascertained until full details are received in regard to the assurances given by Greece. From the optimistic tone of Athens dispatches to London, however, it may be inferred that Greece has yielded on every essential point to the allies. The Greek situation therefore is regarded as having been cleared finally.

Serbians Again Defeated.

Military events in the Balkans appear to be marching swiftly to a conclusion disastrous to Serbia. The approaches to the historic battlefield of Kosovo plain, which were expected to form a strong defensive line and seriously delay the advance of the invaders, already has been traversed. In the ensuing battle the Serbians are reported to have been unable to withstand the shock of the attack, and they are now said to be in retreat toward the Albanian border. Since the fall of Pristina and Mitrovitza, the key to the Serbian defensive position, final Serbian retreat has been regarded as inevitable.

In the absence of late information concerning the situation at Katchanik-pass it may be assumed the Serbians are still holding this position. In the south where the allied troops are operating the situation is unchanged.

Britons Are Near Bagdad.

Within twenty miles of Bagdad the British army is advancing through Mesopotamia. After a serious battle with heavy losses on both sides, the British troops retired three miles below a position they had captured from the Turks owing to lack of water. The violent struggle on the Austro-Italian front continues unrelentingly. Rome reports an important victory for the Italians in the capture of Austrian trenches in the region of Gorizia.

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Germans Drilling Chinese Army

PETROGRAD, Nov. 25.--(Via London.)--The assertion is made by the Pekin correspondent of the North Yunnan German and Austrian officers are now being employed in the Chinese army and particularly the arsenal.