

ANGLO-FRENCH QUIT SERBIA

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IN THEIR RETREAT TOWARD THE SOUTH

British Claim Small Victory on the Western War Front

London press comment indicates that the British capital considers the situation of the allied armies in the Balkans as grave, following the recent clashes with the Bulgarians which have resulted in a withdrawal of both French and British lines.

Direct advices from Vienna are that the central powers, according to an expression in authoritative circles, are confident of being able successfully to meet any moves made by the entente allies in the Balkans.

The Teutonic empires have put no pressure upon Greece, it is declared, their one wish being that she should remain neutral.

Vienna announces the successful continuance of operations against both Serbians and Montenegrins, with the capture of more than a thousand prisoners. Austrian troops have been heavily counter-attacking and have captured a part of the Italian position near Dokje, northwest of Tolmino, Vienna reports.

Constantinople announces that the British expeditionary forces in Mesopotamia are offering less vigorous resistance to the Turkish attacks.

The sinking of the Danish steamer Minsk is reported in London. The crew were saved.

Berlin, via wireless, Dec. 10.—According to information received at military headquarters here, the Anglo-French expedition in the Balkans has continued its retreat and has now entirely evacuated Serbian territory.

BRITISH WITHDREW TWICE

After Onslaughts by Bulgarians in the Balkans

London, Dec. 10.—Two successive retreats of the British forces in the Balkans were officially announced last night. On December 7 the troops were withdrawn from a new line and on December 8 they retired to another line.

The official statement follows: "On December 6 the Bulgarians after a heavy bombardment, attacked our troops west of Lake Doiran. Our advanced trenches were entered by small parties of Bulgarians who were immediately driven out with the bayonet.

"On the morning of December 7 the Bulgarians attacked again and by weight of superior numbers drove our troops out of their position. Under cover of darkness the troops were withdrawn to a new line. Reports as to our losses have not yet been received.

"On December 8 the British troops successfully repulsed all attacks and in the evening they were withdrawing to a new position in order to conform with the general alignment."

BOMBED THE TRENCHES

British Won Success and Then Withdrew in West

London, Dec. 10.—A British official communication made public last night says: "Bad weather has limited activity in the air, but our airmen have been able to do useful work. Two machines which went on reconnaissance on the fifth have not returned.

"As the result of a successful little enterprise in the region south of Arras a small party of our men entered a German trench and bombed the occupants, successfully withdrawing after completing their mission.

"The destruction of the enemy's parapets and wire entanglements at various points on the front by our artillery continues.

"In reply to a successful bombardment of the enemy's position near Pilken on the eighth instant the enemy shelled Ypres and the area north heavily, but did little damage. Works of Fricourt were assaulted a large mine with success on the fifth. Yesterday near Givenchy an enemy mine buried two of our men, who were safely rescued."

A VERY TALL POTENTATE

Fred W. Hayward of Cairo Temple Measures 5 Feet and 5 1/2 Inches

Rutland, Dec. 10.—Fred W. Hayward of Rutland was elected illustrious potentate of the annual meeting of the organization held in the Shrine theatre yesterday. The Rutland man defeated C. D. Simonds of Burlington. By this vote the Vermont branch of this order probably has the tallest illustrious potentate in the country for "Shrines" is six feet five and a half. The banquet tables were surrounded by nearly 300 members and their women guests all being entertained in the evening with a vaudeville program.

The officers elected were as follows: Illustrious potentate, F. W. Hayward of Rutland; chief rabbi, C. D. Simonds of Burlington; assistant chief rabbi, B. A. Robinson of Bellows Falls; high priest and prophet, George C. Kinross of Fair Haven; treasurer, Dr. A. W. Ferris of Rutland; secretary, Frank E. Allen of Fair Haven; recorder, Philip S. Sawyer of Rutland; representatives to the imperial council, which will be held at Buffalo, N. Y., probably in June, Fred Hayward of Rutland and George F. Leland of Springfield, Charles E. Frost of Rutland and Fred E. Quinn of Burlington.

PEACE RIOTS BREAK OUT

In Some of the Larger Cities of Germany, Say Two Reports

Berne, Switzerland, via Paris, Dec. 10.—Peace manifestations have occurred not only in Berlin but at Dresden and Leipzig, according to a German correspondent at Tagwacht. The correspondent adds that the conviction prevails among the masses in Germany that only a revolutionary outbreak would force the government to make peace.

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TALK OF THE TOWN

Frank E. Robinson of French Street returned last night from a business trip to Bellows Falls and Barnardston, Mass.

Mrs. James Long and child of Franklin street left the city last evening for a visit of several days with relatives in Quincy and Boston, Mass.

Miss Annie McLeod entertained a party of her friends at her home on Park street Wednesday evening. The party was a celebration of Miss McLeod's birthday and she was presented a pendant and chain by her guests. A lunch was served late in the evening, after which the party broke up.

The Combination Five was defeated last night in Williamstown by the Mohawk A. C. by the score of 25 to 18, in a fast and exciting game. The features of the game were the playing by "Peggy" Oliver and Clogston for the Mohawks the scoring of Goals and the guarding of Glass for the Combination. The Combination put up a good game against the heavier team.

Alex Milne, a former resident of Barre, who is passing a few days with friends in the city, went to Burlington this morning for a few days' visit with his son. In other days Mr. Milne was one of the best known amateur golfers on the course of the Barre Golf club. Just now and some early last summer he is rated as a professional, having secured a position as an instructor on a course near Newark, N. J. During the golfing season he was in charge of six sub-instructors. He expects to return to Newark in January.

Nearly 200 club members and their guests will gather in Clan Gordon hall this evening for the 10th annual banquet of the Italian Athletic club. A venison dinner with delicate Italian side dishes will be served at 7 o'clock and an impromptu program of amateur entertainers followed by dancing until midnight. The banquet committee was busy to-day decorating the hall. Novel electrical effects are to be introduced in connection with the vaudeville.

Dr. J. Edward Leene, who with Ivan Lockwood of Montreal, P. Q., has been in Vermont endeavoring to create interest in the formation of a hockey league, received a telegram from the Canadian metropolis this morning advising him that a letter received there yesterday brought information from France that his brother, Reginald Leene, was recently wounded by a bullet while serving with the McGill dental corps in Ypres. The dispatch added that Mr. Leene's wound was not considered serious, although it is probable that he will be invalided home within a short time. Dr. Leene and Mr. Lockwood planned to pass a week in Barre and Burlington, but the former will return to Montreal tomorrow. Both men were formerly connected with the famous Wanderers hockey club.

BOAT CRUSHED BY ICE

Youth Was Drowned but His Father Was Taken Ashore

Springfield, Dec. 10.—Kenneth Johnson, 10-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Johnson, was drowned yesterday in the Connecticut river when the rowboat in which he and his father were crossing the stream was crushed by floating ice. This is the second child in the family to die by drowning. The family lives on the Livermore farm between this village and Rockingham.

When they were about in mid stream a piece of ice struck the frail craft and crushed it. Mr. Johnson jumped upon a section of ice which bore his weight but the boy threw himself out of the sinking boat upon ice which gave way beneath him and he was swept under the ice and carried down stream.

Both father and son screamed as they jumped from the boat and Charles D. Cutler, who lives near the river bank hurried to their aid. He was unable to do anything to save the boy. The father was taken ashore by the boat.

The Johnson family, which is in strained circumstances, came here about three months ago from Keene, N. H. The boy was a pupil in the fourth grade of the Gould's Mill school. Besides his parents he is survived by a brother and two sisters.

TUFTS COLLEGE HAS FIRE

Damage of \$5,000 Done at Goddard Gymnasium Last Night

Medford, Mass., Dec. 10.—Led by Raymond C. Krepps of Waynesboro, Pa., pitcher of the variety nine, a band of Tufts college students, armed with fire extinguishers, helped save athletic trophies and equipment from a fire which damaged the Goddard gymnasium last night. Glee club members were having a rehearsal on the top floor of the building and had to rush for safety through smoke that rolled up the stairways. Unmolested by their experience, the singers joined the students, who had rushed from the nearby dormitories, under the leadership of their star pitcher, and snatched from the flames many prizes of victory before the fire department arrived.

The blaze started in the boiler-room and worked rapidly up through the store-room and lockers in the northwest corner of the building. The track team lost part of its outfit. Smoke and water did considerable damage to the gymnasium equipment and to the music-room. Some of the athletic trophies were lost. The damage was estimated at about \$5,000.

SHIP STRANGELY DISABLED

American Schooner Had 9,100 Barrels of Oil for French Government

Philadelphia, Dec. 10.—The American schooner Henry W. Cramp, Captain Morris, Philadelphia for Rouen with a cargo of 9,100 barrels of refined oil for the French government, returned to Philadelphia last night under conditions which according to shipping men, have a suspicious appearance. The Cramp sailed from Philadelphia on Nov. 30. On Dec. 5 when 500 miles east by north from Cape Henlopen the schooner was discovered leaking badly and with seven feet of water in her hold. The vessel was stopped and pumping commenced. The next day Captain Morris discovered the pumps were disabled and the fore strand rigging had parted. As the weather had not been severe and there was no apparent reason why these mishaps should occur in good sailing weather, the captain grew suspicious and decided to return to Philadelphia.

C. O. F. OFFICERS

John Pappas Was Elected Chief Ranger for Next Year

St. John's court, No. 322, of the Catholic Order of Foresters held their annual election of officers last evening. The following men will serve for the coming year: John Pappas, chief ranger; Lawrence O'Kelly, vice chief ranger; J. E. Murphy, recording secretary; J. E. McNulty, financial secretary; A. J. Lavigne, treasurer; Thomas H. Carroll, treasurer for three years; W. W. White, speaker; P. S. Duffy, court physician. After the meeting the members repaired to the dining room, where a champagne and smoking party was enjoyed.

Myra Lewis of the Union Clothing store is detained in his home on North Main street by illness.

The regular monthly meeting of the Vermont Football club will be held in the pavilion this evening at 7 o'clock.

HATCH IS INDICTED FOR MANSLAUGHTER

St. Johnsbury Man is Accused of Killing Sumner G. Brown of the Same Town on July 18—He Will be Tried at Present Term of Court.

St. Johnsbury, Dec. 10.—The grand jury for Caledonia county completed its labors yesterday and reported one true bill. Harlow Hatch was indicted for manslaughter in connection with the shooting of Sumner G. Brown on July 18. The shooting occurred on Sunday evening in Hatch's pool room here after the two men returned from an auto ride. They were alone in the room at the time and the state has been unable to establish a motive. So the indictment for manslaughter was generally expected. Hatch will be tried at the present term of court. He has retained Simonds, Searles and Graves of St. Johnsbury and the state will be represented by State's Attorney N. A. Norton of Lyndonville and Attorney General Barber of Brattleboro.

DEATH OF H. J. THWING

Former Barre Man Passed Away at Northfield

News was received in Barre this morning of the death of Ueber J. Thwing, a former resident of this city, who passed away at his home in Northfield last evening at 9 o'clock, after a three months' illness of acute bronchitis. Mr. Thwing was born in Barre in October, 1855, and as a young man he learned the granite cutter's trade in this district. Later he engaged in the wood business with his brother, Clinton Thwing, the firm conducting a wood yard in the north end, which was supplied in part from a timber lot purchased by the Thwing brothers in Roxbury. He moved to Northfield early in 1914 and had been engaged at various times as a traveling salesman.

Mr. Thwing was a past master of Granite lodge, No. 35, F. and A. M., and also belonged to Granite chapter, No. 26, R. A. M.

Besides his wife, he leaves a daughter, Mrs. Leon C. Smith of Northfield, who with her husband recently purchased the Smith stock farm in St. Barre.

Prayer will be said at his late home in Northfield Sunday forenoon at 10 o'clock. The remains will then be brought to Barre, where funeral services will be held in the Universalist church at 1:30 o'clock. Barre Masons, with whom the deceased was affiliated, will have their services at the grave.

HAD MARKED SUCCESS

Ladies of Presbyterian Church Were Good Salesladies and Entertainers

The closing night of the joint fair held in the vestry of the Presbyterian church by the ladies' auxiliary and ladies' aid was attended with success and spirited buying, as was the case in the first evening's showing. The vestry was crowded with eager Christmas buyers, who availed themselves of every opportunity and completely cleaned out the large variety of wares displayed in the many booths.

The program was very enjoyable and each number was given hearty applause. The following was the entertainment as given last evening: Piano solo, Gladys F. Hinde; dainty drill, young boys; piano solo, Gilbert Roberts; dainty drill, young girls; piano solo, Ruth Wylie; little drill, young girls; good-night song, little girls.

The ladies hope to clear in the vicinity of \$70 from the two nights' sale. The committee from the two societies having the general oversight of the fair was composed of the following: Mrs. Murdo McVey, Mrs. James S. Milne, Mrs. Peter Park, Mrs. John Brechin, Mrs. John Robertson, Mrs. Alex. Mackie.

K. O. P. FALL BEARERS

At Funeral of Charles F. Stevens on Thursday Afternoon

Funeral services for Charles Foster Stevens, who passed away at his home, 14 Highland avenue, Tuesday evening last, were held at the home Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. J. B. Beardon, pastor of the Universalist church, officiating. Pythians of Vincitla lodge, No. 10, honored the memory of one of their deceased members, a past chancellor, and a past prelate of the lodge, by sending a large delegation to the funeral. The bearers were the following knights: H. A. Holt, N. J. Roberts, Homer C. Ladd and Arthur S. Martin. There were many floral tributes. Interment was made in the family lot at Elmwood cemetery.

PARIS GREEN DOSE FATAL

But Edward L. Mann of West Rutland Lingered Two Days

Rutland, Dec. 10.—Edward L. Mann of Pleasant street, West Rutland, who took two teaspoonfuls of Paris green in alcohol Tuesday morning with suicidal intention, died at his home yesterday. Three hours after he had taken poison, Mr. Mann told his wife of his act and she immediately summoned a physician who, from the first, held out but little hope for the patient's recovery.

Mr. Mann, who was 45 years old, was a marble polisher and had been employed at the Carter Rutland plant of the Vermont Marble company. He is survived by his wife, two daughters, Florence and Bernadette Mann, one son, Lionel Mann of West Rutland, three sisters, Mrs. O. T. Vignone and Mrs. Frank Morrill of West Rutland, and one brother, William Mann, of Salt Lake City, Utah. The funeral will be held at the Church of the Sacred Heart of Jesus Saturday morning at 9 o'clock.

FURNISHING CHARGED

Harold Edson Pleaded Not Guilty in Barre City Court

Harold Edson of Foster street was arrested by Chief Constable this afternoon on a charge of furnishing liquor illegally. A complaint against him having been made to Grand Juror William Walker. When arraigned before Magistrate H. W. Scott in city court, the respondent pleaded a plea of not guilty and a hearing was set for Monday morning at 9 o'clock. The defendant is held in jail at the sum of \$200, to be held at police headquarters.

ALLIES' WHEAT IN ELEVATORS DESTROYED

500,000 Bushels Were Stored in Property of Pennsylvania Railroad at Erie, Pa., Pending Its Shipment to Great Britain and the Other Nations on Her Side

Erie, Pa., Dec. 10.—Two grain elevators of the Pennsylvania railroad, which contained 500,000 bushels of wheat awaiting shipment to Great Britain and the allies, were destroyed by fire early this morning, with a loss of \$750,000. An investigation of the origin of the fire will be requested, although no other cause than spontaneous combustion has yet been assigned.

AS YET THERE IS NO CHARGE OF PLOT, BUT A REQUEST WILL BE MADE FOR AN INVESTIGATION OF THE ORIGIN OF THE FIRE, IT IS SAID

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In the order of their singing, the musical synopsis of the play was divided into the following parts: "I Guess We'll Walk," school boys and girls; "The Popular Man," John Leslie and chorus; "Make a Lot of Noise," Fred Inglis and chorus; "Kid Days," Alex. Hall and kiddies; "Hello, Friends," Miss Humphrey and Mr. Carroll; "Sally," "Foolish Time," ensemble. Act 2: "When a Sorcerer Learns a Secret," Harriet Lander, Marie Quinlan, John Sectors, Alex. Walker and Thomas Tombs; "The Girl Who Sings," Mrs. Hayden, Miss Quinlan, Miss Robertson and Messrs. George Leslie and Hale; "In Vaudeville," (a) "The Ballad," Mrs. John A. Leslie, (b) "The Irish Lament," Mrs. Leslie, (c) "The Chaplin," Miss Humphrey and Charles, (d) "The Ragtime Rascal," chorus, (e) "The W. W.," Miss Quinlan, (f) "The Ballad," Mrs. Philbrook and Mr. Carroll, (g) "Honey-moon Lane," Mrs. Hayden and girls; "The Flower Girl," a waltz duet, Mrs. Philbrook and Mr. Hall; "The Ready as Quick as a Gun," Mr. Inglis; "The Merry Old Nick," Mr. Carroll, Mrs. Nichols, Mrs. Seevy, Glynora Gould and Elizabeth Stevens, Fredy, chorus.

WILSON GOES TO COLUMBUS

Arrived at Ohio' Capital This Morning to Make Two Speeches

Columbus, O., Dec. 10.—President Wilson arrived here this morning to deliver two addresses and to attend a public reception in the rotunda of the State House. He was greeted by an enthusiastic, cheering crowd at the railroad station.

EVERY LODGE REPRESENTED

At Sixth District Knights of Pythias Meeting at Montpelier

Lodges comprising the sixth district, Knights of Pythias, domain of Vermont, met last evening with Montpelier lodge, No. 13, in that city for the annual district meeting. Every lodge in the district sent a good-size delegation to the meeting and when the venison supper preceded the meeting was ready, nearly a hundred members sat down to enjoy the repast. This number was materially increased later in the evening with the arrival of tardy members of the local lodge.

C. D. Swasey of Waterbury, deputy district grand commander, presided when the gathering was called to order at 7:30 o'clock in Odd Fellows hall, and the opening ceremony was performed by Montpelier lodge.

A reception to grand lodge officers present followed the opening and paved the way to the address of welcome made by J. B. Estee of Montpelier lodge. Past Grand Commander H. C. Ladd of Vincitla lodge, Barre, made the response for the visiting lodges.

Montpelier lodge conferred the rank of page upon one candidate and the remainder of the evening was given over to addresses by grand lodge officers and members of the lodges in the district.

District Deputy C. D. Swasey presided over the speaking part of the program and introduced in order Grand Chancellor Commander Whitaker of Bellows Falls, Grand Master of the Exchequer Vernon Rand of Hardwick and Grand Keeper of Record and Seal Frank E. Robinson of Barre.

Remarks by members of the lodge in the district followed the more pretentious speeches by the grand officers and Past Grand Keeper of Records and Seal C. M. Wither of Barre and Past Grand Commander H. C. Ladd of Barre were also called upon.

After the session had formally adjourned, the gathering paid tribute to the memory of the late Charles F. Stevens of Barre, whose death occurred this week, and deceased having been held in the highest esteem by his brother knights. A committee was ordered to draw up a resolution of regret to be sent to the wife of Mr. Stevens and the entire body stood for a minute in silent reflection in prayer as a last mark of respect.

The committee in charge of the annual meeting which was one of the most successful held in recent years was as follows: Arrangement, B. A. Sumner, Bert C. Brown and Andrew E. Frost; reception, J. B. Estee, Arthur Allen and Henry Lawson.

The following lodges are included in the sixth district: Vincitla, No. 10 of Barre; Montpelier, No. 13; Marshfield, No. 14; Marshfield, Caledonia, No. 15; Groton; Ethan Allen, No. 22, West Town; Paul Dillingham, No. 31, Waterbury.

WATCH WAS RETURNED

But Emery Fellows Was Ashamed to Restore It to Owner

Emery Fellows, employed for the past few weeks by Contractor Cashman in the construction of the bridge on State street, pleaded guilty in Montpelier city court at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon to petty larceny and paid a fine of \$10 and costs of \$6.65.

Fellows was arrested in the afternoon by Chief of Police Connolly on a warrant issued by Grand Juror Thibault, the warrant specifying that Fellows a week or so ago stole a gold watch from Mrs. D. Cautle of the Worcester branch road. The theft was reported to the police yesterday and an investigation made with the resultant arrest. After considerable questioning, Fellows admitted his guilt, according to the police, and said that he had been intoxicated when he stole the watch. He desired later to return the property but was ashamed to do so. He went to his room yesterday afternoon, procured the watch and turned it over to the police.

BOARD OF TRADE PLANS

May Hold Smoke Talk at Howland Hall January 11

If the necessary arrangements can be made the Barre Board of Trade will celebrate its reorganization on the evening of Jan. 11 with a smoke talk in Howland hall. This much was decided at a meeting of the directors held in Manufacturers' hall last evening. Much interest was manifested in the Justice on the part of the officers and others to participate in the occasion. It is expected that a speaker in the person of Fred. Alfred I. Smith of the Truck school of administration and finance at Dartmouth college will be secured. More information relative to the complete reorganization of the Board of Trade to its former place in the community will be announced.

"HONEYMOON LANE."

Home Talent Play a Big Success—Good Music and Acting.

Buoyancy of spirits and a wholesome showing of cleverly executed dancing and very tuneful music were conspicuous factors in the success of the initial presentation of "Honey-moon Lane" in the opera house last evening under the auspices of the allied societies of St. Monica's church. To measure either the piece or its production by the standards of other musical comedy creations and their presentations by home talent companies would be manifestly unjust in more ways than one. Some of the most exhilarating scores from the better class of musical productions are a part and parcel of "Honey-moon Lane" and as for the cast, which outdid itself last evening, some folks will say, the children were given a chance. And if they didn't outshine the older ones in their appeal to a large audience, they came pretty close to it, albeit a number of naturally gifted of Barre's stage talent acquitted themselves more creditably, many thought, than ever before, which is saying a good deal, to anyone who remembers that local productions have never lacked for better than the average talent.

"Honey-moon Lane" is on the boards again to-night. Those who were in the audience last evening are thoroughly convinced that it is one of the most charming little musical pieces that has ever been given in Barre. They are equally sure that a very capable cast has made the most of the opportunities for entertaining that the piece affords, and they know that the most commendatory criticism does not, as is too often the case, mean that a truth has been offered up as a sacrifice to local pride. People who acclaimed the artistry and finish of the initial performance are aware of its worth and people who failed to see it last night will not believe it is so worthy of patronage until they get comfortably seated to-night.

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In the order of their singing, the musical synopsis of the play was divided into the following parts: "I Guess We'll Walk," school boys and girls; "The Popular Man," John Leslie and chorus; "Make a Lot of Noise," Fred Inglis and chorus; "Kid Days," Alex. Hall and kiddies; "Hello, Friends," Miss Humphrey and Mr. Carroll; "Sally," "Foolish Time," ensemble. Act 2: "When a Sorcerer Learns a Secret," Harriet Lander, Marie Quinlan, John Sectors, Alex. Walker and Thomas Tombs; "The Girl Who Sings," Mrs. Hayden, Miss Quinlan, Miss Robertson and Messrs. George Leslie and Hale; "In Vaudeville," (a) "The Ballad," Mrs. John A. Leslie, (b) "The Irish Lament," Mrs. Leslie, (c) "The Chaplin," Miss Humphrey and Charles, (d) "The Ragtime Rascal," chorus, (e) "The W. W.," Miss Quinlan, (f) "The Ballad," Mrs. Philbrook and Mr. Carroll, (g) "Honey-moon Lane," Mrs. Hayden and girls; "The Flower Girl," a waltz duet, Mrs. Philbrook and Mr. Hall; "The Ready as Quick as a Gun," Mr. Inglis; "The Merry Old Nick," Mr. Carroll, Mrs. Nichols, Mrs. Seevy, Glynora Gould and Elizabeth Stevens, Fredy, chorus.

At the present time the defendant is held in jail at the sum of \$200, to be held at police headquarters.

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