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Teutons Draw Nearer Roumanian Capital

Teutons Have Full Control of Entire Line in Alt River in Roumania Running North and South Through That Country From Transylvanian Alps—Invaders Continue to Make Progress in all Directions—Von Mackenzen's Troops Have Captured Alexandria, 47 Miles East of Bucharest—Central Powers Captured Considerable Stores and Took Many Prisoners when Orsova Fell Into Their Hands

LONDON, Nov. 28.—The entire line in the Alt River, in Roumania, running north and south through that country from the Transylvanian Alps to the Danube, is now in the hands of the Teutons. In all directions the invaders continue to make progress, with Bucharest, their objective, becoming nearer. The southern and eastern drive in the Alt region has brought the Teutonic forces across the Topolog River, while south, between Rochi de Vede and Vateni, their line has been drawn considerably nearer the Roumanian capital, Alexandria, forty-seven miles east of Bucharest, has been taken by Field Marshal von Mackenzen's troops. Considering the swiftness of the advance of the Teutonic Allies through Wallachia comparatively few prisoners have been taken, although semi-official reports credit them with having captured considerable supplies and a lot of stores near Orsova, and with 23 officers and 1,200 men made prisoners, while in the Alt region, 10 additional officers and 4,000 men fell into the hands of the Teutonic Allies.

A big battle, extending over a front of about seventeen miles, is in progress north-west and north-east of Monastir, between Trnovo and Makovo. The Entente Allies, according to Berlin, have met with a severe defeat through the failure of their attack launched against the lines of the Central Powers.

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British Recapture Prize From Germany

LONDON, Nov. 27.—The Admiralty make an announcement of an incident which it says is interesting in showing what happens when a commander of a German submarine departs from his custom of sinking all ships he meets and follows in a particular instance the procedure of civilized warfare. On Nov. 18th, according to the statement, a German submarine captured the Norwegian steamer Older, bound from Newport to Gibraltar, and placed a prize crew aboard the vessel. For a time the sub. accompanied the vessel, and continued its acts of piracy on other ships, but eventually the Older separated, apparently intending to make for a German port. She was intercepted by a British warship and recaptured, despite attempts to blow her up, and brought to a British port where the prize crew are now prisoners.

Deported Ministers Reach Kavala

BERLIN, Nov. 27.—Advises from Sofia by the Overseas News Agency says the ministers of the Central Powers whose departure from Greece was demanded by the Entente Powers have arrived at the Bulgarian port of Kavala.

Roumanians Abandon Alt River Position

BUCHAREST, Nov. 27.—The Roumanians have retired from the line of the River Alt, the War Office announces.

Italian Progress

LONDON, Nov. 27.—The Italians continue to make progress in the region west of Monastir.

War Is Only Half Over

War Correspondents Who Return From France Say Germany Cannot Win, Despite Their Wonderful Fight.

NEW YORK, Nov. 27.—The Times this morning says: According to Will Irwin, war correspondent, who returned here yesterday from France, the war will end when France and Belgium have been cleared of German troops. For the Allies to make peace on any other conditions, he said, would mean the death of British and French nationality. Irwin said the Allies would continue the offensive along the twenty-eight miles of the Somme front all the winter every fine day. It was impossible to operate during the heavy rains, as mud was so deep that artillery could not be moved. There can be no question whatever as to who will win, said Irwin, but the war is only about half over. The Germans are putting up a wonderful fight, but they can't win.

INDIA SEES VICTORY FOR ALLIED ARMS

Whole of India Regards Victory for the Allied Cause as Certain—War Gifts are Still Coming in From Ruling Princes of all Classes—Crop Prospect Favorable

LONDON, (via Reuter's Ottawa Agency)—A special dispatch from Delhi says the Viceroy Lord Chelmsford has been making a tour of India lasting nearly three months, finding everywhere keen enthusiasm among all classes to win the war.

The whole of India regards victory as certain, and somewhat naturally some of the sections of educated classes already are speculating on post war changes, urging domestic political reforms more keenly openly perhaps than they did when the issue seemed less certain.

Native officers of the Indian army who have returned from France are extremely optimistic and speak of the marked superiority of the Allies' military quality and resources over those of the enemy.

Throughout India generous war gifts are to be received from the ruling Princes of all classes.

The Calcutta and Bengal Chambers of Commerce are providing a motor machine battery for the front. In addition to motor ambulance unit already provided, the manufacture of munitions and transport wagons, etc., continues steadily throughout the country.

The condition of the northwest frontier is completely tranquil.

The crop prospect is generally extremely favorable. Wheat is promising well, cotton have been damaged by the late rains. Trade is booming although high freights are somewhat affecting exports.

"Pro Patria" Is Ashore

French Passenger Steamer is Ashore at Flat Point, Near North Sydney—Tugs are Proceeding to Her Assistance.

HALIFAX, Nov. 28.—The steamer "Pro Patria," with passengers and freight is ashore at Flat Point, near North Sydney. The tugs are proceeding to her assistance. The "Sable Island" has intercepted an S.O.S. message from the "Amerique."

Island Swept By a Cyclone

PARIS, Nov. 28.—The Island of Sardinia, in the Mediterranean, has been ravaged by a cyclone, according to a report received at Rome and forwarded by the Havas Agency.

Saw No Submarines

NEW YORK, Nov. 27.—Steamships arriving here to-day from European and West Indian ports reported they caught wireless warnings yesterday to watch out for belligerent submarines, but all brought word that no craft of that type had been seen.

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BRITISH
LONDON, Nov. 27.—Bad weather. No special events on French and Italian fronts. Enemy continues to resist north of Monastir. In Roumania the enemy has captured Orsova and advanced beyond Craiova and crossed the Danube at two points. Six enemy destroyers approached the northern end of the Downs on Thursday night, and fired twelve rounds, hitting one drifter, and then steamed away.

BONAR LAW.
LONDON, Nov. 27.—Our artillery was active last night in the neighborhood of La Bassée, says to-day's official report of the Franco-Belgian front. Otherwise there is nothing to report.

RUSSIAN.
PETROGRAD, Nov. 27 (official)—In Dobrudja there has been an engagement between advanced infantry and cavalry detachments. An attempt of the enemy to drive away our detachments from the Isthmus between Lake Tachani and the sea was beaten back by our fire.

SERBIAN.

SALONIKI, Nov. 27.—An official bulletin from the Serbian headquarters, reads:—Yesterday the brave French Zouaves, co-operating with our troops, undertook a series of attacks against Hill 1050, which is of great strategic importance. The attacks were crowned with success. We carried the Hill by assault. It was defended by picked German troops, Chasseurs of the Guard, who had orders to hold the hill at all costs. Several enemy counter-attacks with the object of retaking the lost positions were repulsed. The hill remained in our possession definitely. On the rest of the front inclement weather stopped operations.

Gerard Off On Dec. 5th

Will Return to Berlin Via Copenhagen—Has Secret Interview With Lansing—Submarines Issue Supposed to be Discussed.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 27.—Ambassador Gerard had a final conference with Secretary Lansing to-day, preparatory to sailing for Germany on December 5th by way of Copenhagen. The Ambassador and Secretary of State were silent about what was discussed at their conference, which lasted an hour, but in official quarters the impression prevailed that the delicate nature of the submarine situation and deportation of Belgians to Germany were discussed. As to the submarine situation Gerard will be able to say the position of the American Government is unaltered and that it expects Germany to fulfil her pledge.

Think They Rammed A Submarine

NEW YORK, Nov. 27.—Passenger arriving here to-day on the White Star Liner Lapland said they were awakened early yesterday by a shock such as might be produced by the ship striking some submerged object. The impact was so severe, some of the passengers said, they were thrown from their berths. Wireless advices received the day previous, giving warnings that submarines were suspected of being in the travelled lanes, caused some of the passengers to believe that the Lapland rammed a U-boat. Capt. Bradshaw of the Lapland, was reticent on the subject. Other officers of the ship said the shock, if any, might have been caused by a heavy water hitting the ship.

What Mrs. Winslow Has To Say

NEW YORK, Nov. 28.—Mrs. Winslow, wife of Laurence Winslow, third Assistant Secretary to the American Embassy at Berlin, who arrived here to-day from Germany by way of Copenhagen, was reluctant to talk on conditions in Germany. She said rigid diet rules are maintained. A piece of meat three inches in diameter and one egg is allowed once a week. For the rest the food consisted solely of potatoes and cereals, Mrs. Winslow said.

To Dash North by Seaplanes

Amundsen Explorer Prepares For Another Dash in 1918—Machines Will Travel Over Smooth Ice as Well as on Water.

NEW YORK, Nov. 27.—Ronald Amundsen, explorer, is here to buy hydro-aeroplanes for his expedition in 1918, he said on his arrival here to-day on the Danish steamer Frederick 8th from Copenhagen. The flying machines, he said, would be constructed so as to travel over smooth ice as well as on water, and will be used in interior exploration starting from the ship, which will take the party into the Polar regions. The vessel will be so constructed that the planes can rise from and land on its decks. The explorer added that another purpose of his visit was to buy food supplies for the trip, because the price in Europe was prohibitive. Amundsen said the ship will be ready for launching in March. The work of equipping will begin in July, 1917, but no effort will be made to get away before the following year. The start originally was planned for 1917, but was delayed on account of the war. The exploration will take him this time north of the Polar regions.

REFUSES SAFE CONDUCT FOR NEW MINISTER

Britain Sends Note to U.S. Ambassador at London That She Refuses to Grant Safe Conduct to New Austrian Minister to United States—Refusal Surprises Washington Officials

WASHINGTON, Nov. 27.—Another controversy between the American Government and the Allies is in prospect as a result of the refusal of the British to grant a safe conduct to Count Tarnowski, the newly-appointed Austro-Hungarian Ambassador to the States. In the absence of official advices on the subject, officials state the department is not in a position to-day to discuss formally or forecast the course the government is likely to pursue. It was made evidence, the unfavorable action of the British Foreign Office came as an unpleasant surprise. It was learned the State Department so far had not made a formal request, for his safe conduct, but has confined itself to the transmission of the request, of the Austrian Government for such courtesy. Therefore, it is probable, if the issue is to be made up, it will be necessary for the States now to make such request on its own account.

LONDON, Nov. 27.—The Foreign Office has sent Ambassador Page a note definitely refusing to grant safe conduct to Count Adam Tarnowski Von Tarnow the new Austro-Hungarian Ambassador to the United States.

Norse Ship In Trouble

Freight Steamer "Meil Neilsen" is off U. S. Pacific Coast in Disabled Condition—U. S. Coast Guard Cutter Goes to Her Aid

SEATTLE, Wash., Nov. 28.—A radio message was received to-night from Captain Dietrichson of the Norwegian freight steamer "Meil Neilsen," which was early to-day reported as being disabled 250 miles off the Washington coast. It said the vessel was not in a dangerous position, and that the United States coast guard cutter "Snohomish" is proceeding to his aid.

Potato Crop

LONDON, Nov. 28.—The Board of Agriculture estimates the potato crop of England and Wales for the current year, with a decreased area of 35,000 acres as 350,000 tons less than 1915. However it is only 100 tons less than a ten years average.

The schr. Associate arrived at Woods Island from Lunenburg to load herring for Gloucester.

The S.S. Cranley arrived at St. John's from London with 1150 tons coal and 4 passengers.

SEES HOPE FOR ROUMANIA

Military Writers Are Yet Hopeful Rumanians Will Extricate Themselves From Their Precarious Position—German Official Statements Lack Claims of Any Large Captures of Men or Munitions

NEW YORK, Nov. 27.—A News Agency despatch to-day from London says:—News from German sources caused a renewal of hope here to-day that Roumania will, after all, extricate herself from the precarious position in which she was placed by Von Falkenhayn's brilliant strategic campaign. The prime basis for this hope is the utter lack in all German official reports of any claim to large captures of prisoners or war munitions. If the Roumanian army had been tactically trapped by the encircling movement around Orsova and the Turna river in reaching over Craiova, it was regarded as certain that the Berlin official reports would have chronicled big captures of men and supplies. It is known here that the Roumanians succeeded in removing their artillery from Craiova before that city fell into the hands of the enemy. The other source of hope was the report from a German correspondent at Von Falkenhayn's headquarters, that further progress beyond the Alt was delayed because of the conditions of the roads. Both these bits of news led military experts here to reconstruct the story of an orderly retreat of the Roumanian forces from the angle from which the two armies of the Teutonic forces are now exerting pressure. There was no disposition, however, to disguise the fact that the Roumanians are still in peril.

Another Zep Raid

LONDON, Nov. 28.—There was another raid on the north-eastern coast on Monday night. Bombs were dropped on several northern counties. No damage or casualties have yet been received.

Boy Hit By Motor Car Strike Rich

At 3 p.m. yesterday as Mr. John Clouston was driving his auto west along Military Road, opposite the Cathedral, a boy named Kennedy, son of Mr. Hugh Kennedy of Goodview St., aged 11, on seeing the car advancing, several times crossed and recrossed the thoroughfare in front of it. Mr. Clouston swerved his car to avoid the lad repeatedly, but as he shot past the last time the dasher of the car struck the lad full in the head, when the car was immediately stopped. The boy was knocked down and seeing that he was seriously hurt Mr. Clouston bore him in his arms to the Sacristy of the Cathedral, where all possible was done for him and Dr. Mitchell was called to treat him. The blow received rendered him unconscious and he was removed to the Hospital in the auto, and Mr. Clouston who is greatly concerned over the unfortunate affair, remained at the Hospital all the evening. Up to to-day the boy had not recovered consciousness and concussion of the brain is feared. Mr. Clouston did all possible to avoid the accident and had checked his car when it occurred. Those who witnessed the accident say that no blame can be attributed to him.

The S.S. Halebury left Lewisport yesterday for Swansea with 1874 cords of pit props.

SHIPS AVOID TRADE LANE

Abandonment of Regular Route of Shipping is Thought to be Due to Warning Issued by British Patrol Ship That German Submarines Were Supposed to be in Vicinity

BOSTON, Nov. 28.—The trans-Atlantic steamer lane running south of Nantucket Shoal Lightship, the vicinity in which five ships were sunk by the German submarine U-53 on October 8th, was virtually clear of foreign traffic to-day.

According to reports received this apparent abandonment of the regular route of shipping is believed to be due to the wireless warnings sent out yesterday by the British cruiser Lancaster notifying all captains that German war submarines were supposed to be in this vicinity.

Incoming ships report a rough sea, which would ordinarily interfere with extensive submarine operations.

Bulgars Repulsed With Heavy Losses

PARIS, Nov. 27.—Bulgarian forces on the Macedonian front, launched a counter-attack against the Serbians in the Cerna River region last night, the War Office announces. The Bulgarians were repulsed with heavy losses.

Falkenhayn Captures Oil, Benzine and Rubber

BERLIN, Nov. 27.—According to the military correspondent of the Lokal Anzeiger, the booty taken by Falkenhayn's army at Craiova comprise oil, benzine and rubber in quantities that exceeded expectations.

New Appointments

MONTREAL, Nov. 27.—Word just received announces that Major-General Lessard has been appointed Adjutant-General of the Canadian Overseas forces, and that Col. H. C. Bickford, of Toronto, is to be his assistant officer.

Copper Lodes

A gentleman, who arrived yesterday from Little Bay copper mines says that Mr. W. A. McKay is in for a good thing in this proposition. Last week the men were making a drift in what is known as the "Polly Porter" shaft, and met ore across the corner of it, when at night time, as they worked, the whole bottom of the shaft opened out into a solid mass of almost free ore, and the richest discovery in the history of the mine was made. A similar discovery was made in another shaft about 200 yards from this one on the same night, and the owner of the mine, as well as the miners, are jubilant over the prospects. They are driving a shaft also through the cliff to the old mine, which is believed to be still very rich in ore, and this will cross cut the main lode there, and will facilitate development by drawing the water out of it. A great quantity of the best of copper ore is now in sight in the mine.

The Portia arrived at Bay of Islands this morning and the Prospero left Fortune Hr. at 5 p.m. yesterday.

The S.S. Sheba will leave here Saturday with general cargo for New York.

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