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Roumanians Have a Fighting Chance to Retain Their Capital

Arrival of Russian Troops Before retreat, the Germans and Bulgars had

Changed the Situation

PETROGRAD, Dec. 5.—The timely arrival of Russian troops before Bu charest at a critical moment, when the loss of the capital seemed almost certain, has somewhat changed the rou tine of the German situation here. The Roumanians at least have a fighting chance to retain their capital with the aid of the Russians, who have rendered their first valuable assistance to Roumanian defence by their offen- Steamer and Two sive in the Carpathians which began five days ago, and they will now attempt to include Bucharest in its zone which they are able to defend by establishing a permanent line north and west of the capital.

According to information received here from Bucharest the German plan for encircling Bucharest was perilously near accomplishment when it struck an unexpected obstacle in the form of a Russian force between Bucharest and the Danube. Strong cavary columns of the Teutonic Allies ports. had been sent forward on both wings of their united front, forcing the Roumanian flanks backward both, north and south of the capital. A flanking movement was partially successful when the Teutonic forces advancing from Lake Greou, encountered a sudden stiffening in the resistance of the Roumanians, due to the arrival of Russian troops, and were compelled to retire in disorder, leaving emplacement which had already been completed for Bucharest forts. Executing a hasty Netherlands, has resigned.

Bucharest Have Enabled the to abandon guns of all calibres and Roumanians to Check the Ger- a large quantity of war material. man-Bulgar Advance-Teutonic North, the Teutonic Allied group, Forces are Forced to Beat a which is attempting to flank Buchar-Hasty Retreat Leaving Many est from the side of Piteschte proceed-Guns of all Calibres and a Large ed with greater success, but the Rou-Quantity of War Material Be- manians have managed to retreat with tells of the capture of heavily fortified hind Them-Success of Rou-'out losing connection with the force Bulgarian positions north of Grunmanians has now Somewhat defending the western fortifications of ishte and Budimirtsa, east of the their capital.

Greek Consuls Resign

LONDON, Dec. 4.-The Greek Minister at London and the Greek Consuls at London and Manchester have resigned, stating, that they were unable further to identify themselves with the policy of King Constantine.

Vessels Sunk

LONDON,, Dec. 4.-The Danish steamer Yrsa, 441 tons gross, and the British schooners Grace and Secker, a quantity of ammunitions and other both small vessels, have been sunk.

Greek Ships Held Up

ernment has prohibited the sailing of

Another British Sunk

steamer King Bleddyn has been sunk She was of 4387 tons and sailed from New York to Nov. 16, for Havre.

U.S. Minister Resigns

THE HAGUE, Dec. 4.-Dr. Henry the big guns which were to bombard Van Dyke, American Minister to the

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SERBS GAINED **BIG VICTORY**

SALONIKI, Dec. 5.-A Serbian official communication issued to-day Cerna River in Serbia, fighting lastng over several days in which the Bulgarians suffered heavy casualties, lost many prisoners, guns, machine guns and ammunition. Despite bad weather, difficult terrain our troops, by a brilliant attack yes-Bulgars flying northward, leaving a bard that city. large number of dead on the field, By this brilliant victory we captured numerous trophies, including 5 field guns, 5 caissons, many machine guns,

Says it Was the Work

NEW YORK, Dec. 4.-The steamships blown up in the Russian har-OVER BULGARS bour of Archangel several weeks ago with the loss of millions of dollars worth of munitions and other supplies, Serbs Capture Heavily Fortified were destroyed by bombs placed in Bulgarian Positions North of the cargo of the ships at the piers of Grunishte, East of Cerna River the Bush Terminal Company in this -Bulgars Fly Northward Leav- city, it was charged to-day at police ing Large Numbers of Dead on headquarters by a commercial agent the Field, Many Guns and Much here of the Imperial Russian Em-

Calm in Athens

PARIS, Dec. 5.—A despatch to the Temps from Athens on Monday says the city has become calm, but that armed bands of reservists are still moving about the streets. King Constantine and the members of the Royal family are at the Palace.

terday, captured the entire series of COPENHAGEN, Dec. 5.—According should be given an opportunity to tions in the region north of Grunishte National Tidende German artillery, said: and Budimirtsa in the ruins of the which is emplaced only 11 miles from ancient fortress above Grunishte, the Bucharest, began yesterday to bom-

Nothing to Report

LONDON, Dec. 5-Except for usmaterial. Many prisoners, who have ual artillery trench mortar fires not yet been counted, were taken, along our front, says official from change in the policy, I can assure The number of guns captured up to British headquarters in France to- them they are entirely mistaken. night, there is nothing to report.

Greek steamers from British to Greek Question of Strategy Is the Real Cause of Present Political Crisis

Many Favor Concentrating Whole Man Power on the Western Front and Forcing the Germans There-Others Favor a Big Army From Saloniki of 1,000, 000 Men-This the Westeners Contend Would Place an Intolerable Strain on Our Depleted Shipping—"Manchester Guardian" Says with Present Methods we Will Never Win the War

of the political crisis, according to the Parliamentary Correspondent of the 'Star" is a conflict between eastern and western strategy. Westerners, strain on our depleted shipping. The terest.

sounds those notes of warning: thereof. war we should never win it."

Press despatch from Washington says amounts: Canadian and American munition manufacturers are writing personal half-year), £1,000,000. letters to enlisted men in the navy. Proposed War-time Profits Tax for offering big pay, Rear Admiral Pal- 1915-16, £1,000,000. mer, chief navigation officer, told the Proposed War-time Profits Tax for House Naval Committee to-day, and 1916-1917, £2,000,000. to keep trained men on the ships the Proposed 25 per cent. increased navy practically has to bid against Income Tax, £1,000,000.

Better Deferred

LONDON, Dec. 4.—Replying to nuestions with regard to the appointment of Food Dictator, Premier as to personell had better be deferred until the process of reconstruction-

LONDON, Dec. 5.—The real basis AUSTRALIA LIMITS **BUSINESS PROFITS**

OTTAWA, Nov. 27.-In view of the the Correspondent says, are concen- fact that Sir Thomas White, when trating the whole manpower on the he returns from England, undoubtedwest front, forcing the Germans to ly will have to struggle with the fight our war in France and Flanders. problem of increased and new taxes Cabinet crisis and its solution would number of members of the diplo-They argue the lines of communica- to help meet part of our rapidly be forthcoming when the House met tion to the western front are short growing war expenditure, the new to-day, was not realized. The Premier in memory of the late Emperor and secure. They devour less ships, Australian legislation, as explained simply announced that King George Francis Joseph. while a deviation of forces to the East- by Mr. D. H. Ross, Canadian Trade had approved of his proposal for ern theatre would place intolerable Commissioner in Australia, is of in-reconstruction which was forced by

East school is in favor of standing on The Australian War Times Profits George and other ministers for the defensive on the Western front Tax is exceedingly drastic, although smaller war council with powers in and taking the offensive from Sal- consideration of some such similar dependent of the Cabinet. The Prem oniki whether they propose to send a tax in this country undoubtedly will ier suggested that the House adjourn huge army between half million and a be given. The new proposal of the after to-day's business which was not million men. The Westerners regard government is to allow a profit controversial until Thursday. State this as lunacy which is only likely to standard of eight per cent. to pri- ments by Sir Jas. Henry Dalzie lead to disaster by playing the Ger- vate firms or companies and of seven (Liberal), that resignations of mans' game, Field Marshal Von Hin- per cent. to public companies, after ministers had been handed to denburg's aim being to shift the cen- which all the war profits will be re- Premier was not denied. This tre of gravity from France to the Bal- tained by the Federal Treasurer.

sixteen million dollars.t NEW YORK, Dec. 4.—An Associated mated to produce the following asked questions, but took no part in

ments, say £3,333,000.

Of German Agents WILL INVOLVE

Premier Asquith Tells the House Proposed Changes in the Cabinet Will not Effect the Present Policy and that the Present Ministers Will Continue to Perform Their Duties-Adjournment is Taken Till Thursday, Only the Nationalists Offering a Protesting Voice-Thursday's Debate May be Lively One

risit to the King, when members of the House suggested a longer adjournment than to Thursday on the ground that it was not certain the Premier S. Co., New Zealand; the Robinson would make any definite statement on was 186 tons. that day, and that the House should be given an opportunity to discuss the and desperate resistance by the enemy 11 Miles from Bucharest new situation, Asquith said: "I desire to make it perfectly plain to the House povterfully fortified Bulgarian post- to the Berlin Correspondent of the discuss the new situation, Asquith

> "I desire to make it perfectly plain to the House and to the country that what ever reconstruction of the Cabinet takes place it involves no policy already announced and pursued since the beginning of the war. If 64 Killed, 120 Injured any one encourages or entertains an idea that there is any question of a Ministers," added Asquith, "will continue to perform their duties."

protesting. Before adjournment the House on Thursday would be to vote

Berlin Claims Teutons Are Advancing Closer **Towards Bucharest**

Subs Still Busy

PARIS, Dec. 5.-Reports received from Bordeaux, Toulon and Brest, say the following vessels have been sunk by submarines:-The Norwegian steamers Boss, the British steamer LONDON, Dec. 5 .- After to-day's Moeraki, and the French schooner Robinson. All the crews are saved. The British steamer Moeraki was 4,392 tons and owned by the Union S.

The Appam Case

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4 .- The request of the British claimants of the steamer Appam, now a German prize have reached the town of Tergovisat Newport News, to expedite the hearing of the case of testing the vessel's possession, was granted to-day by the Supreme Court, which set Jan.

persons were killed and 120 persons hold intact all railway lines running injured, many of them seriously, in a into Bucharest from west of Predeal A motion to adjourn till Thursday railway accident at Herchzalen last Pass, the line running north from was carried, the Nationalists alone night. It has not been definitely estab- the Capital into Transylvania is the lished as to the cause of the accident.

Details of Reconstruction Cabinet Not Yet Agreed On

Reconstruction is Result of De- IN MEMORY OF mands Made by Lloyd George and Other Ministers for a Smaller War Council with Powers Independent of the Cabinet Approved of the Change-Favorite Leaders are Cheered as They Entered Parliament

LONDON, Dec. 4.—The cabinet expectation that an explanation of the the demands of War Secretary Lloyd taken as an indication that the details kans. The Somme offensive is one of There is a proposed entertainment of the reconstruction had not yet tak, which will amount to half a been agreed upon and that further After suggesting that the people penny for a ticket coasting three negotiations were necessary. Lloyd choose a new ruler through a general pence; one penny for a ticket cost- George was not present during the sitelection the "Manchester Guardian" ing six pence, and one penny for ting, but all other prominent figures commenting on the Cabinet situation, each additional six pence or part in the crisis put in an appearance and were cheered by their adherents as "There are in fact two crisis, for the There is a proposal for a re- they entered the chamber. Bonar Law crisis in the Ministry is but a reflec- patriation levy which will amount occupied his usual seat next to the tion. The critic in war criticism war to one and a half per cent. on all Premier, and the two were chatting amounts to this, that the progress of estates, real and personal, of the cheerfully as Asquith was awaiting expected, will realize something over postponed until the reconstruction is that town, and in Kobe. consummated. Sir Edward Carson Summarized, this taxation is esti- took his seat among his followers and PASTOR RUSSELL the questions arising from the Prem-Proposed Entertainments Tax (say, ier's statement regarding the result of his visit to the King.

The New Vote

the total of 1916 up to £1,750,000,000. cal work.

FRANCIS JOSEPH

fical High Mass celebrated by Lansing, Baron Zwedinek, Charge D'Affaires, of Austro-Hungary, Count Von Bernstorff, the German Ambassador; members of the staffs of the Austro-Hungarian and German Embassies and a matic corps, was said here to-day

POTATO SLUMP STILL HOLDS

Caribou, Maine, Nov. 29 .- The best price for potatoes during the week was \$3.75 and often the firms were unable to sell for more than \$3.50 the barrel. A few loads were brought in at that price, but the farmers are holding out and are apparently determined to get at least \$4 before they sell. One of the largest buyers stated succeeded in entering an advanced the middle of the week, that it trench, but later were driven out. would be difficult to buy a whole British attack against LeSars also carload of good stock at less than failed, and considerable artillery ac-\$3.90, but that to pay that price tivity continues along various fronts. would be poor business.

EARTHQUAKE STIRS MIDDLE JAPAN

damage has been caused by an events and a succession bitter exper- value of £500 and over. The levy the opportunity to make his announce- earthquake in middle Japan. iences it has at last been brought is to be paid in three equal yearly ment. This came when a question was Many houses have been destroyed ed with heavy casualties to Russians, home to the minds of most men the instalments. The commonwealth asked regarding the appointment of a in Kobe, Osaka and Kyoto. The fact that we are not winning the war, also proposes to increase its income Food Dictator. Asquith said no one railway station at Kyoto was damand further, the conviction that what tax by 25 per cent. during this year had been appointed, and then made aged and several pedestrians were with the present methods of waging of the war. The new taxes, it is the suggestion that such questions be hurt by falling walls and roofs in

LEFT SMALL ESTATE

New York, Nov. 29.—An estate tente Allies will immediately obtain of \$200, was all that Pastor Char-solution to Greek difficulties, which

les T. Russell left, according to it is said King Constantine and his his will, which will be published Government is deeply involved. in the December issue of the Britain has prohibited sailing of "Watch Tower." The estate is be- Greek steamers from British ports. LONDON, Dec. 5-The new vote of queathed to his widow. Pastor credit which the Premier will ask Russell, who was founder of the them. Only one-third of 6,180 men re- Levy on Wealth for Repatriation Commons to agree to on Thursday is "Watch Tower" Bible and Tract cruited in July and November, were Fund-first of three yearly instal- £400,000,000. This would bring Society spent 40 years in evangeli- a henry, "about the high cost of

Berlin Announces the Battle of the Argeshu River has Come to a Final Conclusion with the Central Powers as Victors-Teutonic Powers Now Control all Railway Lines Running Into Bucharest From the West Predeal Pass-Von Mackensen's Forces Have Inflicted Heavy Defeat on the Roumanians South and Southwest of Buch-

LONDON, Dec. 5-The armies of the Teutonic Allies fighting in southwestern Roumania with Bucharest as their main objective, have joined hands from Danube in south to north west to Bucharest where coming thro the mountainous region they

Berlin announces that the battle of

the Argeshu River has come to a final conclusion with the Teuton's victors, and that all along the front they are drawing closer their net towards Bucharest with capture In Railway Accident Tergovistea, and further south driving of Roumanians beyond the railway junction town of Titi. The BUDAPEST, Dec. 4.—Sixty-four forces of the Central Powers now sole remaining railway connection, Western Wallachia is partly in Rou-"The weather," writes a corre-manian hands, with Teutons nearly a credit which would give the em- spondent in the country, "still astride the line of Breza and rapidly advancing, this route may likely be taken from them. South and southwest of Bucharest the forces of Field Marshal Von Mackensen crossed the Danube have inflicted heavy defeat on the Roumanians, and captured town of Gradiohea, twelve according to Berlin, the Roumanian army suffered sanguinary casualties on Sunday, lost more than 8000 men made prisoners, and cannon to the number of 35 were captured. Near Washington, Nov. 29.—Ponti- Titu 13 Locomotives and much roll--Premier Announced to the Cardinal Gibbons, and attended Teutons. In Dobrudja and in northby President Wilson, Secretary west along the Bukowina-Transylvania fronts, violent fighting is in progress. According to Sofia informer Bulgarians repulsed heavy Russian attacks.

Berlin admits slight progress in northwest by Russians, and captured another height. Aside from Macedonia theatre little fighting of any moment has taken place.

Berlin admits realignment of Teutonic allied front east of Cerna river, while Serbian War Office asserts Serbs have captured entire series of powerfully fortified Bulgarian positions north of Granishte and taken additional guns, machine guns, ammunitions, and prisoners.

British sappers near Ypres and Wytschaete, in Belgium, by mine explosions, prepared war for raid on German trenches, and some British Along French front, and especially in Somme region and on Verdun sector, artillery duels have taken place, and small manoeuvres by patrol parties featured the fighting on the Tokio, Nov. 29.—Considerable Austro-Italian front. Russian attacks against the German lines near Lake Drisvety, south of Dvinsk, fail-

> The British Cabinet is to be reconstructed, but the changes to be made will not bring about policy different. from that which has been pursued. since beginning of war.

Unofficial advices from Athens say quiet prevails in Greek capital, and British War Trade Minister announced in Commons that the En-

"What." says a man who owns