

BELGIUM LIBELED, DECLARES BRITON

Under Secretary Replies to Herr von Jagow's Charge Resistance Was Inspired.

AGADIR AFFAIR RECALLED

Incident Declared to Show That Little Nation Was Prepared to Defend Honor Without Guidance of Anyone.

LONDON, Sept. 30.—In an interview granted to the correspondent of a Copenhagen paper, Francis Dyke Acland, parliamentary under-secretary for Foreign Affairs, denies certain statements made by the German Secretary of State, Herr von Jagow, in an interview recently issued at Berlin—"that England has provoked poor Belgium to make resistance."

"This leaves it to be inferred," says Mr. Acland, "that Belgium, if provoked, would really have allowed herself to be trampled on. It might have been thought that the nature of the resistance offered by Belgium would be enough to prevent such a libel on a gallant foe."

Belgium Compels Respect.
"An official statement issued this week by the Belgium Government conclusively proves that no provocation from England or anybody else was needed to make Belgium maintain her rights. The Belgian Government at the time of the Agadir crisis did not hesitate to warn the foreign Ambassadors in terms which could not be misunderstood of its intention to compel respect for the neutrality of Belgium by every means at its disposal."

The under-secretary calls attention to Herr von Jagow's statement that Germany did not violate Belgium's neutrality until the night of August 3-4.

Germany Asked to Agree.
"On August 5, he says, Sir Edward Grey, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, promised the French Ambassador the full support of the English fleet if the German fleet attacked the French Coast."

"The German Minister" comments Mr. Acland, "suppresses the facts that already, on July 31, Sir Edward Grey had asked the French and German governments if they were prepared to agree to respect the neutrality of Belgium; that France immediately gave the required agreement, that Herr von Jagow said he could not answer and that the answer ultimately received was 'no.'"

DUM-DUM USE DOUBTED

NOTED HUNTER SAYS STEEL-JACKETED BULLETS ARE TO BLAME.

F. C. Selous Cites His Own Experience and That of Roosevelt to Explain Ragged Wounds in Warfare.

(Correspondence of the Associated Press.)
LONDON, Sept. 19.—F. C. Selous, the big-game hunter, is inclined to scout the charges made by the warring European powers that each is using the dum-dum bullet. Ragged wounds that have been inflicted, he believes were by the steel-jacketed bullets turning aside.

ing big game and relates instances as told to him by Colonel Roosevelt.
"I think in all probability both the Allies and their antagonists," said Mr. Selous, "have been innocent of the charges made against them in this respect, and that the serious ragged wounds supposed to have been caused by bullets which have been purposely tampered with, have more likely been due to the fact, which I believe is not generally known, that the new pointed bullet—'itself' a German invention—now for the first time being employed in warfare in Western Europe, inflicts at short ranges more grievous wounds than any form of soft-nosed expanding bullet."
"In 1910, on his journey through British East Africa and the Sudan, Mr. Roosevelt used for all game, except the very heaviest, an American Springfield rifle of .350 bore, taking the American military cartridge."

APPOINTMENT PLEASES POLK COUNTY REPUBLICANS.



Mrs. Ella G. Metzger, of Dallas.
DALLAS, Or., Sept. 30.—(Special.)—Dallas and Polk County Republicans feel proud of the fact that a Dallas woman has been selected as one of the two members outside of the City of Portland upon the woman's auxiliary to the Republican state central committee. Mrs. Ella G. Metzger, of Dallas, the appointee, is one of the leaders among the women in this city and county. She has at all times taken an active interest in public affairs and in politics and has been identified actively with the Woman's Club.

gen, with the solid nickel-covered point bullet known in Germany as the "spitzkugel." These solid, pointed military bullets, Mr. Roosevelt told me, although they never broke up on striking the animal, inflicted more serious wounds than any kind of expanding bullet he had ever previously used for big game shooting.

"It would certainly seem that these pointed bullets turn sideways on striking an animal, for although the hole of entry is always small, round and clean-cut, the skin is often torn open where they pass out on the other side. I cannot help thinking, from my own experiences in big game shooting, that accusations that dum-dums are used will always be made on one side and the other in all future wars, whenever the shooting is at fairly close quarters, as long as pointed bullets are used."

Station E Contract Stands.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 30.—The Post-office Department has refused to reopen the case of Substation E, Portland postoffice. Postmaster Myers requested that the contract with the owners for the new station be annulled, but the department refused.

From France comes a new perpetual calendar by which can be determined without calculation the week day which any date has fallen or will fall.

TRAGIC TALES TOLD

British Make Extracts From German War Chronicles.

MEN OF VILLAGE SLAIN

Artillery Officer Quoted as Describing Vengeance on "Stupid Peasants" Who Shoot Troops From Lurking Places.

LONDON, Sept. 30.—German tales of tragic episodes of the war were issued by the Official Press Bureau tonight. The stories were taken from a book called "Kriegs Chronik" which was seized from aliens entering English ports. The volume consists, according to the bureau, "partly of a highly trustworthy chronicle of the war, and partly of soldiers' letters from the front."

"As showing the methods of thought of the enemy, these last have considerable value," continues the bureau. "It is not the truth or falsity of the tales that matters, but the applause and self-congratulations of the writers on deeds of gross treachery and cruelty said to have been done by themselves or comrades."

Belgian Villagers Exterminated.

The narrative of an artillery officer on the extermination of a Belgian village, as given out by the bureau, follows:
"The countryside was full of our troops. Nevertheless the stupid peasants must need shoot at our men as they marched by from lurking places. Day before yesterday morning the Prussian troops surrounded a village, put the women, children and old people aside and shot all the men. The village was then burned to the ground."

The story of the shooting of a boy scout is given as follows:
"A traitor has just been shot. He was a little French lad belonging to one of the gymnastic societies which wear the tri-colored ribbons, a poor young fellow who, in his infatuation, wanted to be a hero."

Boy Faces Death Bravely.

"As the German column was passing along a wooded defile he was caught and asked whether the French were about. He refused to give any information. Fifty yards further there was fire from the cover of the wood. The prisoner was asked in French if he had known that the enemy was in the forest and he did not deny it.

"He went with a firm step to a telegraph pole and stood against it, with a green vineyard at his back, and received the volley of a firing party with a proud smile on his face. Infatuated wretch. It was a pity to see such courage."

TEACHERS DROP EARRINGS

Ridiculing of Baubles by Eugene Superintendent Like Ban.

EUGENE, Or., Sept. 30.—(Special.)—Eugene school teachers are discarding earrings.
Disapproval of earrings by C. I. Collins, Superintendent of Schools, has been announced, and, although no order against the wearing of earrings has been issued, the effect has been similar.

"The war has put Paris out of commission as the world's fashion center, but we seem to have taken to imitating from Zululand," says the Teachers' Bulletin, issued by the Superintendent of Schools. "The hideous, barbarous, disfiguring ear baubles of the most savage races are all the rage. May the Lord deliver us from noserings and tatooings."

Remarriage is more frequent among widows than widowers.



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TURKS IN CREW MUTINY

WAR RUMOR MAKES TROUBLE FOR BRITISH SHIPMASTER.

Attempt Made to Murder Captain and His Family—Penalty is Death Under British Law.

NEW YORK, Sept. 30.—A tale of mutiny on the high seas by Turks who had heard that Turkey had declared war on Great Britain was told in the Tombs Court today by Captain Stewart, of the British tramp steamer Isle of Mull, which arrived yesterday.

This vessel left South American ports about three weeks ago. A stop was made at Barbadoes and there the Turks in the crew received news that their country was warring on England. They refused to work after the ship got under way again, according to Captain Stewart, and held whispered consultations in the fore-castle. One night the master frustrated an attempt to murder himself and his family and

seize the ship, he said. He locked his wife and children in the cabin and made for the nearest port, Charleston, S. C. There the immigration authorities would not let him land the belligerents, Captain Stewart testified, so he placed the ringleaders in chains under guard of a Charleston police detective, who accompanied the ship to this port.

As the mutiny alleged was not committed within the three-mile neutrality limit, the Turks arraigned today were ordered kept in a court prison until their case should be brought to the attention of the British Consul-General here.

Captain Stewart said he would ask the Consul-General to have the Turks transferred to one of the British cruisers off this harbor for trial on a charge of mutiny. The penalty for conviction of mutiny under the British naval law is death.

Union Fair Stock to Be Transferred.

LA GRANDE, Or., Sept. 30.—(Special.)—In order to clear the way for the taking over of the Union County fair by the county, 150 shares of fair stock, representing a value of \$7500, will be surrendered by the fair backers, who have signed an agreement to that effect. A petition to place a question

providing for an extra tax for county support of the fair on the ballot has been liberally signed and promises to carry by a big majority at the coming election.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS GATHER

Hayesville District Convention Is Held at Church Near Brooks.

BROOKS, Or., Sept. 30.—(Special.)—The Hayesville district Sunday schools, numbering 21, met in convention Sunday at Pioneer Church, near Brooks. About 400 persons were present. Addresses were made by State Sunday School Superintendent Philip, Dr. H. C. Eppley, Rev. Mr. Summerlin, Rev. Mr. Jasper, Luther D. Cook, Lloyd Holdiman and Gustav Anderson. The banner for the largest attendance was given to Waconda. Brooks was selected for the next quarterly convention.

Vale Prisoner Kills Self in Jail.

ONTARIO, Or., Sept. 30.—(Special.)—E. S. Pak, a Korean, bound over Monday on a charge of horse-stealing,

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committed suicide in a jail cell at Vale last night by strangling himself with a small cord. The man was evidently a drug fiend.

Kittitas Teachers in Session.

ELLENSBURG, Wash., Sept. 30.—(Special.)—The annual session of the Kittitas County Teachers' Institute opened here today. The sessions will close Friday, the last day being known as peace day. Those on the programme are:

Dr. G. W. Nash, of Bellingham; C. A. Sprague, Assistant State Superintendent; F. J. Dollinger, of Seattle; Mrs. C. C. Thomas; E. J. Klemme, J. H. Morgan, Miss Mae Picken and E. R. Kookan, all of Ellensburg.

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