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HEROIC SERB ARMY FACING ANNIHILATION

Allies and Nish Admit Situation Serious—Move of Entente Troops Unknown—Czar's Star on Rise on Long Eastern Front.

LONDON, Oct. 22.—Serbia's military position is critical. Hammered by superior forces on two sides, her armies are threatened with being crushed as no army has been crushed during the war.

Not only are these facts admitted in England, France and Russia, but they are reflected in official Serbian statements. The key to escape from this situation is the speed with which France and England can throw forces north from Saloniki, in the hope of relieving pressure from the Austrians and Germans in the north and the Bulgarians in the east.

The Bulgarians are now battling under the eyes of King Ferdinand. Notwithstanding the presumably superior artillery of the Austrians and Germans, it is the flank attack by the Bulgarians which seems the most menacing to the Serbians.

From Sofia and Saloniki come denials that the Bulgarians have lost Strumitza. This means that Bulgarian soil is still free from invasion. It is reported that Turkish cavalry is co-operating with the Bulgarians, and that a great battle is raging at the Macedonian town of Velez, where the Serbs won a victory over the Turks in the Balkan war of 1912.

Greece still hesitates. England's offer of Cyprus and, according to report, a considerable extension of Greek territory along the Aegean sea, and of colonies in Asia, have brought no outward change in the situation.

On most of the long eastern front the Russians seem to be in the ascendancy, but both Petrograd and Berlin emphasize the increasing danger of Riga's position. From the southwest the Germans are nearing the village of Olai, which is only 12 miles from Riga. They are also increasing their hold along the Dvina river, to the southeast of the city, being in that quarter within eight miles of their goal. The Russians assert that German attacks in the region of Olai were repulsed but the Germans are bombarding the Riga-Dvinsk railway beyond the Dvina, interfering with the forwarding of Russian reinforcements.

According to dispatches from Christiania, the Russian port of Archangel already has been closed by ice. If this is true, Russia will be deprived of this means of bringing in supplies, unless ice breakers are able to work successfully.

FEDERAL PROBE OF CREAMERY TRUST

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 22.—Leon Bone, special agent of the department of justice, stationed at Salt Lake City, arrived here today to pursue investigation of an alleged creamery trust which is said to be in control of markets and Utah, Wyoming, Nevada, Washington, Oregon, Arizona and parts of California. Three or four big creamery companies, it is said, dominate the dairy market and fix the prices of milk, cream and butter.

BULGRIN DRIVE GAINS GROUND, TEUTONS GAIN

Foes Forced Over Vardar River—Mackenzies Advances—Serbs Enter Battle Singing for Joy at Chance to Meet Ancient Foe on Field of Battle.

PARIS, Oct. 22.—An important battle between Serbians and Bulgarians is in progress at Koprulu, in Serbia, on the Nish-Saloniki railroad, about 30 miles south of Uskup. A message from Athens to the Havas News agency says information has been received from Saloniki that the Bulgarians are being assisted in this battle by Turkish cavalry. The Bulgarians, the dispatch says, are fortifying the passes of Mount Rhodope. A great number of refugees from the north are arriving at Monastir in southwestern Serbia.

LONDON, Oct. 22, 2:35 p. m.—A dispatch from Nish says official announcement has been made there that the losses of the Austro-German army of invasion have reached 60,000 dead, wounded and prisoners. The Serbians are said to have repulsed the invaders.

BERLIN, Oct. 22, via wireless to Sayville.—Bulgarian troops have advanced south of Strumitza and have driven the forces opposing them across the Vardar river, it was officially announced today by German army headquarters.

Occupation of Kumanova and Velez by Bulgarian troops is also announced. Field Marshal von Mackenzies' Austro-German forces have further advanced in the north, General von Koevess' troops having reached a line running from Arnayev to Slatina mountain while the army under General von Gallwitz has advanced to a front running through Salevae, Savinovac and Tirovca and to the north of Ranovac.

SALONIKI, Oct. 20.—Only five cannon of the allies and eight of the Serbians were lost around Belgrade, notwithstanding German reports. Seven of those cannon were destroyed before the city was captured.

"The Bulgarians occupied Piro, on the route to Nish. They hope to effect a junction with the Germans. At the present rate of progress it will be next year before this can be done."

"The Serbian troops who were dispatched to the eastern front to face the Bulgarians marched forward singing, being overjoyed at the chance to come to grips with their ancient enemy and confident of the outcome."

"Throughout Serbia there is a conspicuous sentiment of gratitude to America, on account of the assistance extended by the medical commissions, which are believed to have saved the people from annihilation by the typhus epidemic."

POLITICAL SLANDER CAUSE OF SUIT

BOSTON, Oct. 22.—Probable cause was found against Former Governor Eugene N. Foss in an action for criminal libel brought against him by Dennis D. Driscoll, a labor leader, in the municipal court today. Foss was held for the grand jury in \$100 bail. The alleged libel was said to have been made during the recent primary campaign.

ARREST POLICE FOR ACCIDENT SILENCE

SEATTLE, Oct. 22.—Patrolman J. T. Egan, stenographer at a police headquarters, was arrested and locked in the city jail today for failing to report the killing of Andrew Johnson, a railroad switchman, by an automobile. Egan, according to the police, was intoxicated when arrested, and was searched and thrown into a cell like an ordinary offender. The police are seeking the automobile that ran Johnson down. Egan, who took Johnson to a hospital, admits that he was a passenger on the car. The policeman is booked for investigation.

RUSSIA CLAIMS VICTORY SOUTH, GERMANS NORTH

Official Slav Report Tells of Surprise Attack at Tarnapole—Berlin Tells of Gains in Same Sector—Accounts Conflict—Both Claim Many Prisoners Taken.

PETROGRAD, Oct. 22, via London, 4:35 p. m.—Further Russian successes on the southern part of the front were announced today by the war office. It is stated that several Austro-German positions and more than 7500 men have been captured. The announcement follows:

"By an energetic surprise attack in the region of Novo Olexinetz, thirty versts (20 miles) north of Tarnopol (eastern Galicia) we captured portions of the enemy's positions yesterday."

"Similarly we seized part of the enemy's positions in the region of Lopouehno, which is north of Novo Olexinetz."

"In the course of the day we made prisoners in these combats, 145 officers and about 7500 soldiers. We captured two howitzers and numerous machine guns."

BERLIN, Oct. 22 (by wireless to Sayville).—Russian attacks north-east, east and southeast of Baranovichi, have been repulsed by the troops of Prince Leopold, it was officially announced by the German war office today. The capture of eight officers and 1140 men is reported.

The army of General von Linsingen has made a general counter-attack to the west of Czartorysk and thrown back the Russians. During the last few days 19 officers and 3600 men have been taken prisoner in this district and one cannon and eight machine guns captured, the official announcement adds.

NO SURRENDER CRY OF ALL SERBIANS

AMSTERDAM, Oct. 22.—A representative of the Lokal Anzeiger at the Serbian front telegraphs that the desperate resistance of the Serbians is responsible for the relatively small number of prisoners taken by the Austrians and Germans.

"Serbian troops rarely surrender, even in hand to hand encounters," the correspondent says. "They fight until the last possible moment. Thus their are enacted in these battles horrible scenes of the wildest fighting, unparalleled on any other front."

CHICAGO UNIONISTS BACK SCHMIDT

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 22.—Miss Katherine Schmidt, young sister of Matthew A. Schmidt, who is on trial charged with murder in connection with the blowing up of the Los Angeles Times building five years ago, called upon her brother today in the county jail. She brought greetings from his friends in Chicago and assurances that organized labor there "stood solidly behind him."

Schmidt's trial will be resumed next Monday after a delay of a week caused by the death of Charles Fairall, his chief counsel.

WOULD QUASH MURDER CHARGE AGAINST WIFE

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Oct. 22.—A motion to quash the indictment against Mrs. Elizabeth Mohr, charged as an accessory before the fact in connection with the murder of her husband, Dr. C. Franklin Mohr, on August 31 last, was made in the superior court here today, on the ground that the statute under which the indictment was drawn is unconstitutional.

AUSTRALIAN GUNNERS STRIPPED FOR THE FRAY



This splendid photograph was taken during a fierce artillery duel on the Gallipoli peninsula at a considerable risk to the man with the camera.

MT. HOOD SPITS STEAM; CLOUDS ENFOLD SUMMIT

PORTLAND, Oct. 22.—Clouds continued to enfold Mount Hood today above the crater of which smoke or steam was seen to ascend late Wednesday by citizens at The Dalles, 37 miles north of the volcanic peak. Elijah Coolman, a mountain guide, who has ascended to the crater many times, reported to Supervisor P. H. Sherrard of the Oregon national forest today that he believed it was steam which was seen above the peak. According to Coolman, steam in small quantity issues continually from crevices in the crater. He does not believe that the observation cabin recently built on the summit could have been destroyed by fire and have given the appearance of an eruption. Since the eruption in 1874, neither steam nor smoke has issued from the mountain in sufficient quantity to be seen at a distance.

ARSONISTS BUSY ON SACRAMENTO RANCH

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Oct. 22.—Four fires, started by arsonists, broke out simultaneously at midnight last night at the brewery hop ranch of Horst brothers, east of this city, and across the American river, causing \$35,000 in damages. Telephone wires had been cut and power lines severed so that the pumps could not be utilized to extinguish the flames. A messenger who hurried to town to get aid was ordered to halt near the ranch by seven armed men, but drove madly by them. Hop kilns, press room and warehouse were fired.

ITALIANS CONTINUE TRENTO OFFENSE

VERNOVA, Italy, Oct. 22.—The Italians are continuing their advance in the Trentino as a result of their offensive movement inaugurated at about the time the Austro-German campaign against Serbia was launched. Reports reaching Verona today state that the Italians in one district have penetrated more than seven miles north of the latitude of the latitude of the city of Trent, passing to the north of Mount Sestoi.

Norwegian Bark Sunk

LONDON, Oct. 22, 7:22 p. m.—The Norwegian bark Cassie, 1997 tons gross, from Hull, October 19, for Port Arthur, has foundered in a collision off the Isle of Wight. Fifteen members of her crew were landed today at New Haven. Seven others are missing.

SLAYS BRITON TO AVENGE KIN SLAIN IN WAR

Austrian Uses Powerful Machinery to Crush Out Life of George Gray—Eyewitness Fears to Tell Story of Brutal Crime—War Hate Cause of Crime.

DENVER, Oct. 22.—George Flaragrad, an Austrian, was arrested here today, charged with murder in connection with the death of George Gray, an Englishman, who was crushed in the machinery at the Colorado & Southern railroad shops here August 16. According to the police, Flaragrad heard that a brother in the Austrian army had been killed, and in revenge pushed Gray into the machinery. Gray is said to belong to a wealthy English family.

Gray had been employed a salesman "boss" at the shops for six months. He and Flaragrad had quarreled frequently over the war. The Austrian's bitterness became intense when he was told that an Englishman had killed his brother in the European war.

Black told the district attorney that on August 26 Gray was operating a powerful drill press, boring holes through steel. Flaragrad, according to Black, seized Gray's sleeve, and shouting, "I'll show you how the Austrians kill the English," dragged the Briton's arm into the drill press. Then, Black said, the Austrian pushed Gray's head into the machine. The revolving drills crushed the head, killing Gray instantly.

Flaragrad was arrested late today and taken to the city jail to await the filing of formal charges. Black was held in custody as a material witness.

According to his story as told to the prosecutor, Black saw every detail of the alleged crime. He said he was so horrified that he was afraid to reveal it to any one, and after the coroner's jury had returned a verdict of accidental death he still kept his secret, fearing that he would be punished for his previous silence.

AFRICAN WITCHCRAFT WORSE THAN WAR

DETROIT, Oct. 22.—"It is probable that as many people are killed in Africa every year as a result of witchcraft as were killed in all the armies of Europe during the first year of the present war," was one statement made by Dr. J. E. Crowther of the Board of Missions of the Methodist Episcopal church in New York, in an address at the National Laymen's Missionary convention here today.

WIFE CONFESSES TO MURDER; DETAIL

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 22.—Mrs. Mary Pamlas, who confessed to the police Wednesday that she killed Michael Weinstein, a crippled peddler, in her apartment Tuesday night, made a second confession today in which she said she killed the man Monday night, secreted the body so that her husband knew nothing of the crime and cut the body to pieces the following day. Husband and wife slept that night in the bedroom where the peddler's body lay.

WANT WAR PRISONERS FOR TIMBER WORK

OTTAWA, Oct. 22.—Application for the services of the 60,000 war prisoners held in Canada has been made to the Dominion government by New Brunswick lumbermen. Labor is scarce in Canada and lumbermen complain that they cannot get men for the woods. The application has not yet been dealt with by the government.

EMBARGO USED TO CRUSH LAST HOPE OF VILLA

United States Prohibits All Shipments From Northern Mexico to Halt Revenue Sources of Pancho—Ban on Arms to Be Enforced Along Border.

EL PASO, Tex., Oct. 22.—An embargo on shipments in and out of Northern Mexico has been declared by the United States, effective today, to be enforced at the discretion of customs authorities for the customs district of El Paso, extending from Marfa, Tex., to Columbus, N. M.

A new emergency embargo is expected hourly along the same lines. The combination, it is believed here, will stop all Villa sources of revenue from the sale of confiscated property, such as hides, cattle, beef, ore, bullion and other goods which have been rushed to the border this week for the purpose of funding the army operating from Casas Grandes, Chihuahua state.

Every carload of goods intended for shipment to Juarez must be unloaded and reloaded under the eyes of a customs inspector. Every wagon load must be emptied and reloaded before an inspector. Legitimate shipments may be permitted at the discretion of Collector Z. L. Cobb.

Every dealer in El Paso must supply the custom house with an inventory of arms and ammunition on hand, expected, sold or sent out, with details of destination. Shipment of meat out of Juarez to the United States is stopped and the Pioneer Packing company of El Paso, contractors for the Juarez packing house, have been ordered to close down and refuse shipments from the Juarez plant, without redress of any kind. Cattle shipments will be scrutinized, particularly unbranded calves. All carloads of hides will be inspected for brands of American and foreign ownership. Hours of importation and exportation are limited to daylight. Ammunition found on the way to Mexico will subject the carrier to arrest, whether in carload or rounds for a single rifle.

LEOPOLD'S ARMY BATTERS SLAVS AT BARANOVITZ

BERLIN, Oct. 22.—"Army of Prince Leopold; The Russians attacked near Baranovitch and were repulsed. Eight officers and 1140 men were taken prisoners."

"Army of General von Linsingen: Our counter-attack, begun on an extensive scale west of Czartorysk, was successful. We have begun pursuit. Nineteen Russian officers, 3500 men, one cannon and eight machine guns were captured. The loss of six cannon, which we captured yesterday, was due to an attack by Russian divisions to the rear of our artillery lines."

"Balkan theater: Army of Field Marshal von Mackenzies: The army of General von Koevess is holding the Arnayev-Slatina line. "Army of General von Gallwitz has pushed forward as far as Salevae, Savinovac and Tirovca, in the region north of Ranovac. "Army of General Royadjeff is making further progress north of Kralacevac."

HOUSE LEADER IN WILSON'S SUPPORT

WASHINGTON, Oct. 22.—Senator Kern, the democratic house leader, discussed national defense, the shipping bill, and Mexican affairs today with President Wilson. He said after seeing the president, that he would support the main features of the administration defense program. Prospects for passing a shipping bill, he considered much better than at the last session.

GREECE REJECTS BRITISH OFFER; STILL NEUTRAL

LONDON, Oct. 22.—The Times says this morning it understands that Greece has rejected the offer of Great Britain to cede the island of Cyprus in return for participation in the war by Greece on the side of the allies.

ROME, via Paris, Oct. 22.—From reliable information available here today it appears that the Greek government is likely to reply to the representations just made by the allies that Greece will abide by her policy of armed neutrality.

LONDON, Oct. 22.—The Greek government has informed the quadruple entente powers that it does not see its way clear at present to accept the proposals, including the cession of Cyprus and other concessions offered in return for Greek military cooperation with Serbia.

BOSTON STRONG FOR NATIONAL DEFENSE

BOSTON, Oct. 22.—An all-day demonstration in furtherance of its campaign for increased means of national defense was arranged for today by the Massachusetts branch of the National Security league. A demonstration camp on Boston common was the daytime feature. Governor Walsh was to preside at an evening mass meeting, at which the announced speakers include United States Senator John W. Weeks and President A. Lawrence Lowell of Harvard university.

NO OFFICIAL REPORT ON CAVELL KILLING

WASHINGTON, Oct. 22.—Secretary Lansing had no report today either from Ambassador Page or American Minister Whitlock on the execution of Miss Edith Cavell, the British nurse, by German military authorities at Brussels. So far as the Washington government is concerned the case appears closed, every diplomatic effort apparently having been exhausted previous to the execution.

50,072 ENGLISH DIE IN OCTOBER TO DATE

LONDON, Oct. 22.—British casualties published since October 1 total 2,285 officers and 50,072 non-commissioned officers and men.