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GERMANS BATTER WAY INTO SERBIA

Defending Army Fights with Desperation, Few Prisoners Being Taken.

Berlin, via London.—The German and Austrian forces continue battering their way into Serbia and the gateways to the strategically important Morava valley are now in German hands. The Serbians are making a desperate resistance and reports of the battles fought show that these are bloody with few prisoners taken. Instead of retreating at the first sign of the enemy, the Serbians fight hand to hand until crushed by overwhelming numbers. They seem to feel that the outcome of the whole war depends on their resistance.

The Serbians had entrenched themselves thoroughly and their defense held well on the river fronts, but the heavy artillery of the German forces made it impossible for their opponents to hold Belgrade, Semendria and Posarowitz.

The Austro-German forces are advancing slowly but steadily. The railroad between Nish and Saloniki has been cut by the Bulgarians, sweeping over the frontier in superior numbers.

It is over this railroad the allies planned to rush reinforcements to Serbia, and if the Bulgarians succeed in holding it, it will be difficult, almost impossible, to get troops to the Balkan front in the immediate future. No news has been received of the movements of the Anglo-French army, although it is known to have been in action, as the arrival of French wounded at Saloniki has been reported.

Italy's declaration of war against Bulgaria increases the hopes of her allies that she will join in the Balkan campaign.

BRITISH CABINET MINISTERS DIFFER

London.—Premier Asquith has suddenly become ill. His state of health will require withdrawal from public activities, at least for a few days.

Premier Asquith's illness has had the effect of producing a greater air of calm in political circles than would otherwise have attended the resignation of Sir Edward Carson from the attorney-generalship and from present appearances there will be no more resignations from the cabinet.

The condition of Mr. Asquith was described by his physicians at noon Wednesday as satisfactory.

Sir Edward Carson announced in the house of commons that his resignation from the attorney-generalship was due to divergence of views in regard to Near Eastern affairs.

Further evidence of dissatisfaction with the military situation is furnished by the recall of General Sir Ian Hamilton, commander of the Dardanelles expedition, who is returning to England to make a report.

BATTLE RAGING AT DVINSK

Petrograd Says Germans Attacking Impetuously with Artillery.

Petrograd, via London.—With the exception of Dvinsk, on the northern end of the Russian battle front, where fierce artillery battles continue, the Germans appear to be on the defensive along the entire eastern front.

Russian military officials say they have obtained information that the German armies have been ordered to take Dvinsk at any cost. German attacks at this point have been made with the utmost impetuosity under cover of a terrific artillery fire, but so far they have been unable to break down the Russian defense.

Berlin, via London.—The German war office report on the fighting in the east says:

"In the army group of Field Marshal von Hindenburg, a Russian attack west of Dvinsk failed. Northeast of Wessolowo two attacks were suppressed at the outset by our artillery fire."

We have closed out the piano business and will sell what music rolls we have on hand at one half price. Jones-Knudsen Fur. Co.

BRIEF WAR NEWS

Along the western front there has been heavy fighting in the Artois, Champagne and Vosges regions. Attacks were made by both sides, but the gains and losses are described as being of minor importance.

Italy has declared war against Bulgaria, but the question whether she will send troops to join the British and French forces in Serbia remains as obscure as the results of the fighting raging on Serbia's eastern frontier.

The Austro-German armies which occupied Belgrade appear to have advanced more than 15 miles south of the city, but the outcome of the fighting between Bulgarians and Serbians along the important Saloniki-Nish railway cannot be summed up so easily.

Both Athens and Paris maintain that French troops have occupied Strumnitza in southwestern Bulgaria, but there are available no official reports relating to the struggle in this quarter and none is expected until the fighting reaches a more conclusive stage.

After having driven the German merchantmen from the Baltic sea, the British submarines have sunk one, and probably two, German torpedo craft—one reported to be a torpedo boat destroyer and the other a torpedo boat—which with other warships had come out to convoy steamers.

SHORT NEWS NUGGETS

The K-7, one of the four submarines which made the trip from San Francisco to Honolulu under their own power, completed the 2100-mile journey without a stop.

Lieutenant-Commander Lauterbach, of the German cruiser Emden when she was destroyed, has escaped from India, crossed the United States and is back in Germany.

Six warrant officers from the interned German cruiser Kronprinz Wilhelm have escaped and are believed to have gone to sea in a 60-foot yacht they purchased. The federal government is searching for them.

Official estimates of the navy's part in the administration's billion-dollar national defense program show that within five years it is proposed to spend \$62,482,214 on construction of new ships, development of air craft and creation of a huge reserve of ammunition and guns for the navy.

Reports now coming to the department of agriculture indicate the planting of a greater acreage in wheat than in any preceding year. It is believed that the continued war in Europe will interfere there with seeding in the wheat-growing sections and the demand on this country will be heavy and prices better than during the present year.

Gaffney's Successor Appointed.

Washington.—William H. Gale, of Virginia, was appointed consul-general at Munich, succeeding T. St. John Gaffney, whose resignation was requested because of unneutral utterances.

Taggart Case is Dismissed.

Indianapolis.—The case against Thomas Taggart, Democratic national committeeman from Indiana, charged with election conspiracy, was dismissed by Special Judge W. H. Eichhorn in the criminal court on the motion of Prosecutor A. J. Rucker.

Embargo on Arms to Mexico Declared

Washington.—President Wilson declared an embargo on the shipment of arms and ammunition to Mexico. The prohibition applies to the factions opposed to the government which the United States has recognized.

Fearing Serbia Will be Overwhelmed.

London.—Latest reports from the Near East indicate that Serbia is in deadly danger of being overwhelmed by the armies of her neighbor. No less than eight Bulgarian forces have crossed into Serbian territory.

PRESIDENT APPROVES PLANS FOR DEFENSE

Army to Have 1,200,000 Men. Navy to Be Largely Increased.

Washington.—The administration program for national defense to be recommended to the forthcoming session of congress, proposing a total expenditure on the army and the navy next year of about \$400,000,000, was practically completed. Secretary Garrison's plan, approved by the president, calls for an increase of \$75,000,000 in the war department's annual appropriation to be used for augmenting the regular army to 140,000 men and the creation of a new continental army of 400,000 men.

Approval also was given to the proposal of Secretary Daniels and the general board of the navy for a five-year naval construction program to cost \$500,000,000, giving the navy 10 new dreadnoughts and six battle cruisers, as well as more than 70 submarines, 50 destroyers, 10 scout cruisers and a host of auxiliary ships.

The plan of Secretary Garrison is as follows:

Enlistment of 133,000 "continentals" every year to serve at training camps two months annually and, after three years' service, go in the reserve corps for three years, making six years' service in all. After six years this would constantly provide an active continental army of 400,000 and a reserve of 400,000, as another 133,000 would be mustered out annually and as many enlisted.

Increase Regular Army to 140,000. Increase of the regular army from the present force of 97,100 to 140,000. By changing the enlistment term requiring the regulars to serve two years actively and four more years in reserve, by 1922, the reserves, it is estimated, would be 280,000 men and the regular army still 140,000 or 420,000 in all. These figures are based on belief that about 70,000 would serve out their active term annually and would then be in the reserve corps for four years more.

Continuance of state militia aggregating 125,000, the present force, but under federal control and with increased training and equipment. The army aviation corps planned, while not as large as those of Europe, to consist of four squadrons with 12 machines each and extra dirigibles and war balloons, it is believed, would be ample for scouting purposes.

MEXICAN BANDITS SHOOT PASSENGERS

Brownsville, Tex.—Inspired by race hatred as well as desire for loot, 20 Mexicans who claimed to be followers of Luis De la Rosa, leader of the so-called Texas Revolution, held up and robbed a train near Olmito, seven miles north of here.

As a result three men are dead, another is probably fatally injured and four others are seriously hurt. The bandits are believed to have escaped into Mexico.

The bandits removed the spikes from a rail and lying concealed in the nearby brush, jerked this rail from under the nose of the engine with a long heavy wire. The engine jumped the track.

The robbery was conducted by five or six Mexicans in khaki uniforms, while outside the train some 15 or 20 more Mexicans kept up a constant fire, apparently shooting either over or beneath the train.

Money to loan on first class farm mortgages. First National Bank.

SUFFRAGE IS DEFEATED

New Jersey Refuses Votes for Women by Big Majority.

Trenton, N. J.—Latest returns on the state election indicate that the proposed amendment to the state constitution granting suffrage to women was defeated by a majority of more than 50,000. Returns from 1679 out of 1891 election districts give a vote of 133,657 for and 187,849 against the amendment.

Ocean county, which returned a majority of 300 in favor of the amendment, apparently was the only county carried by the suffrage workers.

COUNTERFEIT COIN TRACED

Ex-Policemen Accused of Gigantic Plot to Pass Bad Money.

San Francisco.—The source of the flood of spurious \$5 gold pieces variously estimated as representing between \$25,000 and \$50,000, circulated throughout the United States and especially the Pacific coast for three years, has been discovered, government agents said here, in the arrest of two former Oakland, Cal., policemen, Rollie A. York and Edward Karr.

The \$5 short-weight gold coin made and passed principally in Los Angeles, San Francisco and Seattle is considered the best counterfeit with which secret service agents have been bothered in many years. It is said that the counterfeiters netted a profit of \$2.50 on each coin.

16 Dead in Train Wreck.

Randolph, Kan.—Union Pacific motor train No. 579, consisting of one passenger coach and a baggage and mail combination car, crashed through an undermined abutment, plunged into Fancy creek and buried about 15 feet of the forward end of the passenger car in flood waters and mud one mile south of here.

The total casualties were placed at 16 dead and two-score injured. Sixty-five persons were in the car and only four escaped unhurt.

THE MARKETS

Portland.

Wheat—Club, 95c; bluestem, 99c; red Russian, 92c; forty-fold, 99c; red five, 92c.

Hay—Eastern Oregon timothy, \$16; alfalfa, \$13.50.

Butter—Creamery, 29c.

Eggs—Ranch, 26c.

Wool—Eastern Oregon, 28c; valley, 28c.

Seattle.

Wheat—Bluestem, 98c; club, 95c; red Russian, 92c; forty-fold, 98c; five, 92c.

Barley—\$26.50 per ton.

Hay—Timothy, \$16 per ton; alfalfa, \$14 per ton.

Butter—Creamery, 30c.

Eggs—37c.



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