

GERMANS AND BULGARIANS EFFECT JUNCTION; ROAD OPEN TO TURKISH CAPITAL THROUGH SERBIA

Serbia's Doom Apparently Sealed in North, but With Aid of British and French are Holding Out in South and May be Able to Save Macedonia — Bulgaria Threatened With Troubles at Home Where Military Plot Has Been Discovered — Popular Opinion in Roumania Strongly in Favor of Allies.

Military Plot Against Bulgarian King is Discovered

Popular Agitation in Roumania to Force Government to Enter War on Side of the Allies.

London, Oct. 27.—The internal situation of Bulgaria, which is reported serious, may have some effect on the campaign. A military conspiracy against King Ferdinand, Athens despatches say, has been unearthed and the leaders have been shot. Many of the inhabitants of Bulgaria are said to be still loyal to Russia, and are showing disinclination to join the colors.

The Roumanians, too, are displaying some uneasiness as to the inactivity of their government, and an agitation in favor of the Allies is being carried on, according to unofficial reports, by influential leaders. The Allies, however, are depending on their own resources, and arranging to throw into the Balkans as many men as can be spared. At the present time they cannot weaken the other fronts, as the Germans are showing considerable activity. The latter have made still another counter-attack, in the attempt to re-capture La Crotte, in Champagne, which the French recently took from them. Strong German patrols, however, an attack were also observed in the Loos region, but were dispersed.

The Germans continue their attacks against the Russians in the Riga and Pskov districts, and claim to have penetrated the Russian positions near the railway line north of Dvinsk. They could not hold all the ground gained, as the Russians launched immediate counter-attacks.

While the positions in this region remain serious for the Russians, they appear, on the whole, to be holding their own.

In the south on the other hand, along the Sty river and Galician frontier, the Russians report successes both in carrying through their own attacks and repelling German attacks.

The Italians are persisting in their offensive, and although their progress is slow they seemingly are making advances.

"LET DOWN" BY DIPLOMACY IN NEAR EAST

British Press Representative Says No Hope of Forcing Dardanelles, and England Cannot Save Serbia this Year.

London, Oct. 28.—In a lecture last night on the Dardanelles operations Captain Ellis Ashmead-Bartlett, the British press representative in that campaign, said that although the Allies were firmly established in the Dardanelles, he did not think there was any chance of a further advance.

"The Turks are too numerous and skilful," said Captain Ashmead-Bartlett. "Despite their losses there are now not less than 800,000 Turks under arms, and the longer they fight the more formidable and experienced they become in the methods of defense. With the participation of Bulgaria we can no longer hope to get through to Constantinople."

Discussing the work of the British diplomats in Turkey and the Balkans, the lecturer, using an expressive British slang phrase, said the nation had been badly "let down" by its diplomacy in the near east.

"The Turks," Captain Ashmead-Bartlett continued, "were most kindly dis-

German and Bulgarian Armies Join Forces; Open Road to Aegean

London, Oct. 27.—The German army which crossed the Danube at Orsova has joined hands with the Bulgarians, who invaded Serbia near Prahovo, and the central powers now have an open road through northeastern Serbia and Bulgaria to the Aegean Sea and Constantinople. They are thus in a position to send guns and munitions by river and railway to their Bulgarian and Turkish allies, who will be greatly strengthened thereby.

The invasion of the northern portions of Serbia by the Austro-Germans continues apace, while Bulgaria is putting forth a strong effort to secure control of additional sections of the Belgrade-Saloniki railway.

So far as the north is concerned, Serbia is feared by her allies, is doomed, but in the south, reinforced by the British and French, who are now fighting by her side, Serbia is using all her strength to throw the Bulgarians back.

After the French victory at Krivolak, the Serbians, according to the Athens report, were able to re-occupy Veleo, an important railway and road junction just south of Uziup, where a big battle is still in progress.

It is argued here that if the Bulgarians can be held in the south until Anglo-French reinforcements, which are now on the way, arrive, Bulgaria may yet be robbed of Macedonia, on which she has set her heart. But the allies will also have to make an attempt to block the German road to Turkey, and their big attack may be directed elsewhere.

EXHAUST EVERY MEANS BEFORE LORD DERBY'S PLAN ABANDONED

London, Oct. 27.—(Montreal Gazette Cable)—The energetic support which Lord Derby's recruiting campaign is receiving from public bodies indicates that every step, short of compulsion, will be tried before the campaign is pronounced a failure. The London county council has offered eligible teachers part payment of their salaries if they volunteer, but state that they will receive nothing in the event of conscription.

A builder, employing a large number of men, complained to the Gazette today that a recruiting officer stationed at the gates was depriving him of his best men.

The Trafalgar Square meetings are crowded each day. Yesterday one thousand recruits were registered at Whitehall Central Depot.

SPENT YEAR IN NORTH SEA WITH GRAND FLEET

Vancouver Signaller Saw No Actual Engagement; but Lot Going on of Which Public Hears Nothing, he Says.

Special to The Standard.
Ottawa, Oct. 27.—Signaller W. Harrison, of Vancouver, who is here on business with the naval service department, has just spent a year with the Grand Fleet in the North Sea, where the blockade of the German coast and the disappearance of the German fleet have been one of the features of the war. He says that although he did not see any actual engagements the time spent with the fleet was exciting enough. "There is a great deal going on that the public never hears of," he remarked. He had served 14 years in the navy and went as a naval volunteer when war broke out.

Seattle, Wa., Oct. 27.—A despatch from Nome reports that navigation in the Arctic Ocean has closed for the season.

British Submarines Sink 4 More German Steamers in Baltic

French Drive Back Enemy Near Rheims and Occupy German Ground by Successful Counter-attack.

Petrograd, Oct. 27, via London, Oct. 28.—British submarines have sunk four more German steamers in the Baltic. This announcement is made in the Russian official statement issued tonight.

German Attacks Near Rheims Repulsed.

Paris, Oct. 27.—The following official communication was issued by the war office tonight:

"After having exploded in the neighborhood of the road from Arras to Lille, to the southeast of Neuville-St. Vaast, a series of powerful mines, which destroyed the German entrenchments and entanglements, our troops immediately occupied the excavations. They installed and maintained themselves there notwithstanding a very violent bombardment and several counter-attacks by the enemy, who suffered serious losses. We captured about thirty prisoners.

"To the north of the Aisne, in the sector of Roche, west of Soissons, the methodical fire of our batteries has caused heavy damage to the organizations, blockhouses and shelters of the enemy.

"To the east of Rheims, the Germans renewed on the front, from La Ferme Des Marquises to Proches, their attempts to attack, with the employment of suffocating gases in large quantities. Our troops were able to protect themselves efficaciously against the blankets of gas coming from the enemy trenches. They broke down, by infantry and artillery barrier fire, the effort of the assailants, who were everywhere and completely repulsed.

"Spirited combats with the grenade continued during the entire day, without appreciable change, in the trenches to the north of Ville Sur Tourbe.

"The Belgian official communication reads:

"The enemy displayed much activity this morning on the Belgian front. His artillery bombarded Furnes, Loos and several points on our front. To the north of Stenestraete there has been bomb fighting."

REAL LEADERS IN DYNAMITE PLOT NOT YET FOUND

Other Arrests Will Likely be Made Before Case is Tried.

COUSIN OF DACIA'S OWNER OUT ON BAIL

Von Bernstorff Denies Fay is Connected with German Government or its Secret Service.

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TWO OTHER WOMEN WERE CONDEMNED TO SAME FATE AS MISS GAVELL

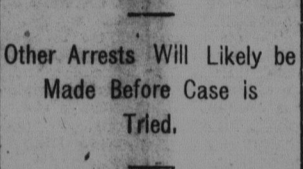
Madrid, via Paris, Oct. 27.—The Marquis De Lema, minister of foreign affairs, announces that he has received information which leads him to believe that death sentences imposed on women in Brussels will be commuted.

Aside from Miss Edith Cavell, the British nurse, who was shot recently in Belgium, the names of only two other women who were condemned to death have become known. These are Countess Johanna De Belleville, a Belgian, and Mile Louise Thullier, a French school teacher. A despatch from London of October 22 said Emperor William had notified King Alfonso of Spain that he had pardoned these two women.

Not Known by Berlin Authorities.

Berlin, via London, Oct. 27.—Baron Mumm Von Schwarzenstein, of the Foreign Office, speaking today of the arrest in New Jersey of Robert Fay,

GERMANS ARRESTED IN WEEHAWKEN BOMB PLOT



Robert Fay, a sergeant in the German army, who fought in the battle of the Marne, and Walter Scholz, a German, who is said to have been a sergeant in the Kaiser's household, were arrested in Weehawken, N. J., by a squad of detectives and government Secret Service men. The prisoners had in their possession a large quantity of high explosives, mechanisms for the manufacture of incendiary bombs and Goedetic Survey maps of sections of the Atlantic seaboard. The prisoners are believed to have been conspiring to blow up munitions factories in America and wrecking munition carrying vessels at sea with high explosives.

Canadian Army Will Soon Have Reached The 200,000 Mark

Ottawa, Oct. 27.—Recruiting has been so brisk during the past three weeks that Canadian grand army of men at the front and in training is nearing the 200,000 mark. At the present rate of enlistment the Canadian army will be 250,000 strong. This is Sir Sam Hughes opinion expressed tonight.

At the end of September the force was 164,000 men, but orders have been issued for the formation of new battalions, and those have rapidly swelled the great army. It has been found much easier to get men than to get rifles and equipment for them.

The new battalions are two pioneer regiments, one in Western Ontario and one in Quebec; one mounted rifles in Niagara district; one Toronto; 1 Grey County; two Simcoe County; one Ontario county; one and possible two Kent and Elgin; one Essex; one Rainy River; two Manitoba; two Saskatchewan; one Alberta; one New Brunswick; one British Columbia Mainland; one Victoria.

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LONG DELAYED PROTEST SENT TO GR. BRITAIN

Deals With British Interference With Trade Between the U. S. and Europe.

SENT FORWARD BY A SPECIAL MESSENGER.

Repetition of Arguments in Note of March 20—No Intimation of What U. S. Will do if British Refuse to Modify Policy.

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