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LONDON, OCT. 13.--BULGARIA HAS DECLARED WAR ON SERBIA, SAYS A DESPATCH FROM PARIS.

The Big Drive Against Serbia Now Started in Earnest

Austro-Bulgar-German Army Is Reckoned at 600,000--Serbian Army Total Quarter Million--Latter Arranges to Transfer Capital

ITALY WILL NOT ENTER BALKAN FIGHT

Russians Meet Good Success on West Dvinsk--Teutonic Powers Rush Reinforcements To Check Russian Advances

LONDON, Oct. 12.--Serbia is now being attacked from the north and east. The Austro-Germans, after their capture of Belgrade and Semendria are advancing southward, while the Bulgarians have sent forces to endeavour to interrupt the communications north and south of Nish, the war-time capital of Serbia, and to attack the Serbs on their flank, if they are driven back by the Germans.

here the British and French Western line will give the Germans no rest. It is much the same on the Eastern front. The Austro-Germans have brought their offensive to an end except in the region of Dvinsk. The Russians have recuperated wonderfully and are striking back in their old familiar way. The Germans claim another success west of Dvinsk, but they are still fighting west of Ilouk. They also announce that all Russian counter-attacks have been repulsed south of the Pripiet River, in Volhynia and in Galicia. Here it is reported from Petrograd that the Russians won a victory on the Stripa River. The territory on which this battle was fought marks the extreme left of the Russian's battle-line. The Russian offensive on this front started several weeks ago, when successes were won at Tarnopol and Trembowla. Austro-German reinforcements were rushed up and hard and incessant fighting has taken place ever since. Both General Count von Bothmer, who commands the Austro-German armies in this sector, and the German official report issued today, says the position of the German troops with him is unchanged.

SUSPECT YACHTS WATCHED

WASHINGTON, Oct. 13.--British agents are investigating the operations of certain yachts which they suspect have been prepared, or are being outfitted for use against ships carrying oil from Mexico for the British navy.

ARMENIAN ATROCITIES DISCUSSED

There Can Be But One Feeling of Horror and Indignation About It," the Foreign Secretary Added

LONDON, Oct. 12.--A bill authorizing the Loan which has been arranged in the United States, was introduced into the Commons to-day by Mr. McKenna, who defended, as fair and reasonable, the terms of the Loan, arranged by the Commission. He said the true value of these terms could be estimated only by comparing them with the rate of interest paid in this country. Deducting accrued interest, he remarked that the British 4 1/2 per cent. Loan now stands at 96 1/2. As American underwriters took the Loan at 96, it is argued that Britain is paying one half of one per cent. more than the market rate.

All information in possession of the British Government on the subject of massacres and deportations of Armenians by Turkey, was made public by the Marquis of Crewe, in his recent speech in the Lords; Sir Edward Grey told the Commons this afternoon.

OFFICIAL BRITISH

(To The Governor of Newfoundland.) LONDON, Oct. 12.--General French reports that a German attack on the 8th resulted in a very severe reverse. The French Government report marked progress near Souchez, and fresh progress also in Champagne, north-east of Tahure. Russia reports the Germans driven back near Dvinsk. The Serbians have evacuated Belgrade. Fighting continues.--BONAR LAW.

Bulgar Minister At London Dismissed

LONDON, Oct. 12.--The following official announcement was issued to-night: "His Majesty's Government announces that the Bulgarian Minister has been handed his passports. Diplomatic relations between Britain and Bulgaria are broken off."

ANOTHER BRITISH VICTORY

LONDON, Oct. 12.--Another success of the British arms in Kamerun, the German colony in Western Africa, where the Allied troops have been fighting the Germans for several months, was officially announced today. The statement says: "Wumbiagas, in the Kamerun, was captured by the British forces after a 30-hours engagement on Oct. 9th. The enemy, in considerable numbers, is being pursued."

Conscriptionists in Cabinet to Force the Issue For or Against

Says Kitchener is More Inclined to Their View Than He Was a Month Ago--Its Adoption Now Would Have Striking Effect on Military Situation.

LONDON, Oct. 13.--The parliamentary correspondent of the "Daily News" asserts that conscriptionist members in the Cabinet, headed by Churchill and Curzon, will make a renewed attempt at to-day's Cabinet meeting to force the issue and obtain a definite ruling for or against conscription. Conscriptionist members believe, the "News" says that Kitchener is more inclined to their view than he was a month ago and they also believe that if the British Government should announce the adoption of conscription at the present juncture, when a new war is beginning in the Balkans, it would have a striking effect on the military situation.

Where Greece Stands

LONDON, Oct. 12.--When the Serbian Minister at Athens officially advised Premier Zaimis of the beginning of the Bulgarian offensive against Serbia, Premier Zaimis, according to a despatch to the "Star" from Athens, replied: "Greece remains in the position of armed neutrality."

JAPAN AND THE BALKANS

Bulgaria's Action Reopens Question at Tokio of What Japan's Future Course Will Be

TOKIO, Oct. 13.--By Bulgaria's participation in the war, advices received here from London say that British opinion in some quarters at least, favors the despatch of Japanese troops to the Balkans, have suddenly reopened the question in Tokio of what Japan's future course will be. There is a strong impression here by the return from Paris today of Baron Kikujire Ishii, recently appointed Minister of Foreign Affairs and previously ambassador to France, it is likely to be followed by a full reconsideration of the international situation with special reference to Japan's policy for the preservation of her own permanent interests.

French Premier's Cheerful Words

PARIS, Oct. 12.--In addressing the Chamber of Deputies to-day, Premier Viviani said, Russian troops to-morrow would be fighting alongside the French and British troops in the Balkans. France, Britain, and Russia, were in complete accord, he said, and ample troops were available without weakening any front.

Bulgar War Minister A Good Pupil

SOFIA, Oct. 12.--General Jacoff, the Bulgarian Minister of War, who has just been appointed Commander in Chief of the Bulgarian forces, said today in a statement to representatives of the foreign Press, that Bulgaria does not desire war. "We mobilized only when the Serbians, instead of giving up Macedonia, concentrated troops on the Bulgarian frontier. Instead of compelling the Serbians to adopt a more complaisant attitude, the Quadruple Entente presented an ultimatum to Bulgaria, demanding an immediate breach with the Central Powers. This would have meant suicide to us."

Russians Advance

PETROGRAD, Oct. 12.--Russian forces have penetrated the Austro-German lines on the Styra River. They have already taken more than two thousand prisoners and have captured four guns and ten rapid flcers. The Russian advance is being pushed vigorously.

POSTAL PROPOSALS ABANDONED

Modification in Press Rates and Press Censorship is Now Promised

LONDON, Oct. 12.--A picture post card known as "Thumbs up" reached the newspapers today from Raphael Tuck & Sons, announcing the withdrawal of the proposal to abolish the halfpenny post. This announcement was subsequently made in Commons, but Tuck's action indicates the quarter which influenced the Chancellor, for many trading interests would undoubtedly have suffered by the abolition of the halfpenny stamp. Another modification is promised in respect to press telegram rates. As this proposal has not met with much criticism, evidently the Government prefer not to add to the burdens of the press. Probably it is a sop, offered to allay the growing irritation in connection with the press censorship.

Allied Aviators Successful Raid

AMSTERDAM, Oct. 12.--Despatches state that in a recent raid by Allied aviators on Ghent and the neighboring town of Genotrode was so successful that not a single hangar on the German aviation grounds was left standing. All of them with their contents were burned by incendiary bombs. Ten houses were burned.

British Steamer Sunk by Submarine

LONDON, Oct. 12.--British steamer Haltzones, 5,530 tons, has been sunk. The crew are rescued.

BRITISH SUBMARINE ACTIVE

COPENHAGEN, Oct. 13.--The "Politiken" says that British submarines in the Baltic Sea are causing the German mercantile fleet great loss. Five steamers are now known to have been sunk, says the newspaper. How many British submarines have got through the narrow Sound is not known but it is evident that Germany was too late in laying the Baltic mine fields. Traffic across the Baltic, the "Politiken" adds is in a state of disorganization.

Recalled: Why?

NEW YORK, Oct. 12.--The Greek steamer Constantine, which sailed with two thousand reservists for Piraeus, to-day, was recalled two hours later by a wireless message from the local office of the Greek line.

House of Commons Debates New U.S. Loan

Grey Delays Speech On Balkan Crisis

LONDON, Oct. 12.--The statement by Sir Edward Grey, Foreign Secretary, on the Balkan situation, was not made to-day in the Commons. It is deferred until Thursday. Asquith announced that he was unable to give the decision of the Government on the subject of recruiting, but said it would not be long delayed. Herbert Samuel, Postmaster-General, advised abandonment of the proposal to abolish half-penny postage.

Another Hun Steamer Goes To Bottom

KALMAR, Sweden, Oct. 12.--The German steamer Nicomedia, with a cargo of 6,800 tons of iron ore, from a Swedish port, for Hamburg, was sunk in the Baltic yesterday by the British submarine E-19. The crew were given fifteen minutes to take to their boats. They all landed safely.

Red Sox Win

BOSTON, Oct. 13.--Boston Red Sox won the fourth game of the series from Philadelphia, by two to one.

GREEKS REFUSE SERBIA

Says Crisis Not a Purely Balkan Character--Does Not Come Within Terms of Treaty

PARIS, Oct. 13.--The Athens correspondent of the "Matin" says, he has learned from a diplomatic source that the Serbian Government having raised at Athens the question of Greece being called upon to give her support under terms of a treaty of alliance, the Greek Government replied that the present aggressive action of Bulgaria had not a purely Balkan character, and that, therefore, it did not come within the provisions of the Graeco-Serbian treaty.

RUSSIAN MINISTERS RESIGN

LONDON, Oct. 13.--A despatch to the "Daily Telegraph" from Petrograd says Alexander Voisin has been appointed new Procurator-General of the Holy Synod. He has been the head of the General Department of the Ministry of the Interior, and is credited with being the initiator of the recently adopted statute extending residential rights to Jews. Other Cabinet changes are imminent. It is said that Ministers of Agriculture, M. Krivosheina, and Education, Count Ignatievoff have all resigned, but that for the present their resignations have not been accepted, many changes being made also in Secondary Government posts.

Seeking Information

WASHINGTON, Oct. 12.--In a Note despatched to Germany today, the case of the American ship, W. P. Fry, asks that if it is found necessary to destroy American ships carrying absolute contraband, that passengers and crew be removed to a safer place than a small boat.

McKenna Outlines the Purpose of Loan and Expresses Thanks to Commission--Not Much Opposition Raised

REGARDED AS INDEX AMERICAN SYMPATHY

LONDON, Oct. 12.--The Bill authorizing the Loan which has been negotiated in the States, passed all its stages in the Commons to-day. In the course of the debate there was some criticism of the rate of interest. John Dillon, supporting the terms, declared that the success of the Loan was an index to popular sentiment in America towards the Allies. It was a business transaction, but more than that, he said, and six, seven or eight per cent. would not have succeeded in obtaining the money, if it had not been for the deep wave of sympathy in America in favor of the Allies. It would, therefore, be a mistake to criticise the loan, to which we are now committed, as if the people of the States had taken advantage of our necessities.

More German Losses

AMSTERDAM, Oct. 12.--Admission that German losses have been very heavy in the past few days on the Western front is made by a correspondent of the Berlin Tageblatt.

Collier's Crew Landed

FRELLEBORG, Sweden, Oct. 12.--The crew of 34 men of the Hamburg collier Gutruene, which was torpedoed yesterday off Meland, were landed here.