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BELIEVES THE POSITION OF THE TURKS DESPERATE

Desertion of Turkish Army Official So Interpreted—Dissentions Among German Staff in Turkey—Bulgaria Sees in Treaty an Obstacle to Balkan Union

New York, Aug. 14.—A cable to the Tribune from Lugano says: "The wife and family of Von Der Goltz Pacha, re-organiser of the Turkish army, passed through Bucharest Tuesday from Constantinople, bound for Berlin. This is considered a sign that he believes the position of the Turks desperate."

"The substitution of the Grand Duke of Mecklenburg for Liman Von Sanders, as commander-in-chief of the troops at Gallipoli, is called another proof of dissension in the German staff at Constantinople."

"Germany is making her best efforts to intimidate Bulgaria and Roumania, by pouring immense numbers of troops into Hungary. Nearly 140,000 are now concentrated between the Eas and the Danube."

"If the attack on Serbia is successful, Bulgaria will be summoned to grant free passage to the Austro-German army on its march to Constantinople. This critical situation forces the Balkan States to decide immediately with whom they will ally."

ROUMANIA'S ATTITUDE  
London, Aug. 14.—The Daily Telegraph has received from Bucharest, Roumania, the following dispatch:

"Roumania has replied to the German threatened prohibition of Roumanian imports, by removing all Roumanian restrictions on the export of grain and reducing export duties to the following rates per hundred kilograms, (220 pounds):"

"Wheat 6 francs, (81.17), barley and oats 5 francs, maize 4 francs, peas, beans and similar products, 10 francs."

"Prompt action to stimulate exports was made necessary by the fact that it was impossible to find storage for the new crops on account of the unexpected balance of last year's harvest."

"Unless Germany's threatened boycott is carried out, it is hoped that exports will proceed hitherto at the rate of six hundred carboys a day."

"There is no indication of Roumania yielding to the German demands for the transit of munitions."

TREATY A STUMBLING BLOCK  
Sofia, Bulgaria, Aug. 14, (via London).—The newspaper Echo De Bulgaria, in an editorial on the anniversary of the treaty of Bucharest (August 10, 1913), which the paper says has been disastrous not only to Bulgaria, but to all the Balkan States, declares that "until that stumbling block is removed from the path of the Balkan peoples, there will be neither peace, tranquillity or security in the peninsula."

The newspaper, speaking of the conditions for joining the entente allies, holds that a Balkan entente is impossible unless this treaty, which it asserts, violates the essential rights of the interested nations, is annulled.

DOES NOT BETRAY ITS ALLIES!  
London, Aug. 14.—Reports that Germany has made overtures to Russia for a separate peace, by offering to Russia a free use of the Dardanelles is ridiculed by the Hamburg Nachrichten, according to a Reuter's despatch from Amsterdam.

"Germany does not own the Dardanelles, and therefore cannot offer them to anybody," declares the Nachrichten.

"They are the property of the Turks, who for five months have proved that they know how to defend them. The German Empire does not betray its allies."

HALIFAX BOY WINS MILITARY CROSS  
Lieut. Mahar Decorated by His Majesty at Windsor Castle—Stayed For Luncheon

Another Halifax boy has been honored by his king and country. Postoffice records have just received the signal honor paid "Bert" Mahar, now Lieut. T. B. J. Mahar, son of John Mahar, Edward street. Lieut. Mahar lunched with King George at Windsor Castle, July 21, and was decorated by his majesty with the Military Cross. Ten other officers were present, among whom were two Canadians. One of the Canadians was Capt. Serlinger.

Writing to his brother, Fred Mahar, Lieut. Mahar told in the most modest manner possible of the honor done him. "My dear Fred," he wrote, "was in England last week on a few days leave. While there I was decorated by the King at Windsor Castle (Military Cross). I stayed for luncheon. There were ten of us down, including two Canadians. One of the Canadians was Capt. Serlinger, the doctor. "Things will continue in the same manner. By the way, in what battalion is Sgt. Baddell? I have met none of the Canadians, but as yet have met none that I know."

The following is the telegram which Lieut. Mahar received summoning him to meet the king at Windsor Castle: "Lieut. T. B. J. Mahar, Norfolk Hotel, Surrey street, Strand, W. C. Your attendance is required at Windsor Castle tomorrow, July 21. Service dress. Proceed by 12.5 train from Paddington. You are invited to lunch at the Castle. If unable to lunch, there is a train leaving Windsor at two o'clock. Kindly telegraph acknowledgment of summons, stating whether able to remain for luncheon."

LORD CHAMBERLAIN.  
Speaking of the event, one of the London papers said: "Second Lieut. T. B. J. Mahar, of the King's Royal Rifle Corps had the honor of being received by the king at Windsor Castle on Wednesday, when his majesty decorated him with the Military Cross."

A SOLDIER'S WIDOW  
Mrs. John Jardine, of Somerville, Mass., formerly of St. John, has arrived for an extended visit to her relatives, Mr. and Mrs. George Oram, of 164 Brittain street. Mrs. Jardine's husband was killed on March 24, in action, while fighting with the P. C. L. I. in northern France.

UNCLE SAM CAN'T FRIGHTEN HIM

General Carranza, First Chief of the Mexican Constitutionalists, who has always been credited with suspecting the affirmed good intentions of the United States toward Mexico. Carranza is deeply opposed to American interference with Mexican affairs.

Details by St. John Men Who Were Present—Breezy Letters From the 6th Mounted Rifles in England

In a letter dated Aug. 1, to St. John, Lieut. W. J. Brown, of the 6th Mounted Rifles, tells of their arrival at their camp at Debagate, near Shortcliffe, some distance past the lines of the 28th, 29th and 30th Battalions, Army Service Corps and Ammunition Column. There are, he says, about 40,000 Canadians in camp. No English regiments are in training there.

Lieut. Brown went down to Folkstone, and while there met George Gambin, Walter Harrison, Capt. Sturdee, Alban Sturdee, Don Pidgeon, Andrew Rainnie, Major McGowan, Edgar March and a dozen others from St. John. Everybody goes to Folkstone at night, and three out of every four meet there in the khaki. Lieut. Brown saw dozens of wounded, and they had had very severe experiences.

Capt. Kuhring is no longer with the 8th. He left for the Dardanelles on two hours' notice and, Lieut. Brown says, there is no information as to how long the 8th or any other unit will remain in England. From what he has heard he is impressed with the fact that the war is still far from an end, and the Germans very confident. Among others he met was Arthur Bland, who is wounded in the leg and will not be able to return to the firing line.

The statement that the steamer Hesperian was watched for by a German submarine has been confirmed. Big dirigible balloons go up and down the Channel looking for submarines, which they can detect quite deep in the water. They also convey hospital and transport steamers, and aeroplanes are constantly on scouting duty, watching for German aircraft.

Of the death of F. M. McDonald, Lieut. Brown says: "Friday a thunderstorm came up suddenly. I was walking toward one of the sheet iron cook camps when there was a terrific report right behind me. I thought a shell had burst for an aeroplane had just gone over my head. I turned, and not fifty feet away a man was lying on the ground. I ran up to him, but he was dead. Two others were struck in their tents, but are recovering in hospital."

The men in camp have their washing done by women who come into camp with their baby carriages and carry their clothes away. The camp is not to be compared, however, with the quarters at Valcartier.

A letter from Signaller Belding says that 1st, 2nd and 3rd C. M. R. are stationed near the 4th, 5th and 6th, and have their horses. There is still no word, however, whether Brigadier Smart's men will get horses and go as mounted rifles, or go as infantry or artillery. The signalling instruction the corps of the 6th got before leaving Canada is of little use to them, as they have now to learn something quite different. Signaller Belding and his companions were much upset by F. M. McDonald's death, for it occurred just outside their tent.

be taken up gradually, and it is felt that before many months have passed the need of a shelter and camp fund for the work will have been so fully demonstrated that the people will rally very heartily to its support. Another very important forward step has been taken in welfare work in St. John. Several pitiful cases of child neglect lately reported will be investigated and action taken as soon as possible.

EVENTS IN THE WAR JUST ONE YEAR AGO TODAY

A long range duel between the German cruiser Karlsruhe and H. M. S. "Bristol" was one of the features in the despatches contained in the Times-Star one year ago today. It was a battle in the dark. The Karlsruhe had been intercepted while coaling from the German steamer Krompfin Wilhelm by the British cruiser "Bristol" and being encountered by the "Bristol," and the despatches contained in the Times-Star one year ago today. It was a battle in the dark. The Karlsruhe had been intercepted while coaling from the German steamer Krompfin Wilhelm by the British cruiser "Bristol" and being encountered by the "Bristol," and the despatches contained in the Times-Star one year ago today.

GERMANS SAVE THEIR COTTON

New Regulations, To Check Use, Published

ENGLISH TRADE EXCITED

Rumor That Export of Cotton Piece Goods May be Restricted—The Wheat Mystery

Berlin, Aug. 14, (via London).—The German government has promulgated two regulations intended to check the consumption of cotton. The first regulation limits the work in cotton mills, weaving mills and establishments using cotton wool, flax, hemp and jute to five days each week.

The other orders dealers under penalty of imprisonment to dispose of all cotton refuse within a fortnight to manufacturers, who may work only on army and navy orders.

On account of the shortage of hemp and flax, the stores no longer fit parcels.

In England.  
London, Aug. 14.—The Manchester, England, correspondent of the Morning Post, sends the following despatch:

A report that the government war trade committee is about to restrict the export of cotton goods to certain countries that they may reach the enemy through neutral countries, has caused excitement in the cotton trade.

The committee is negotiating with the committee in an endeavor to limit the restrictions to certain countries not contiguous to the enemy. The order is expected next week and traders are anticipating a congestion of products.

No Explanation.  
London, Aug. 14.—No explanation of reported cancellation of orders for wheat from America by the entente allies has as yet been obtainable here. Persons connected with the wheat market, including a government broker on the Baltic exchange, professed ignorance on the subject.

It was suggested by those in touch with the market that the report, if correct, might be connected with the fact that the wheat market is much larger and of better quality than anticipated, or the improved prospects of Russian wheat getting out through the Dardanelles.

Report Regulations.  
Bucharest, Aug. 14.—The export prohibitions against grain, beans, lentils and peas and petroleum have been discontinued, and their export will be allowed against payment in Dutch gold. The export of gasoline, however, is still prohibited.

Mayor Assassinated.  
Santa Clara, Cuba, Aug. 14.—Emilio Coya, mayor of Santa Clara, was shot and instantly killed today by Upland Blanco, a Spaniard with a criminal record.

A Bone To Pick With Germany  
Norway Says British Steamer India Was Torpedoed in Norwegian Waters

London, Aug. 14.—Reuters Telegram Company has received the following despatch from Christiania.

"The British auxiliary cruiser India was sunk by a German submarine in Norwegian territorial waters, according to the contention of the Norwegian government. It is officially announced that, just as Norway previously insisted that the west Fjord, in its entirety, is Norwegian territorial waters, the government has on the occasion of the torpedoing of the India, informed Germany that the west Fjord from time immemorial has been regarded as belonging to the Norwegian sea territory. This was specifically the case with part of the Fjord when the India was attacked."

The India was torpedoed and sunk by a German submarine on August 8.

Russia Prepares To Deal With The Shortage of Ammunition

Committee Appointed Following Secret Session of Duma—Demand That High Position Shall Not Protect Those Responsible—Not Worrying About Petrograd's Safety

Petrograd, via London, Aug. 14.—Following are the members of the committee appointed to inquire into the cause of insufficient ammunition used by the Russian military forces. Chairman, General Petrieff, a member of the council of the empire; M. Naoumoff, vice president of the council of the empire; Count Bobrinsky, vice president of the Duma; Adjutant General Panteleiff Smoliar; Panteleiff.

Details given the press of a secret session of the Duma on August 10, showed that an inquiry was initiated to determine the responsibility for the deficiency in war supplies. The session engaged in a discussion of a committee report on military and naval affairs, relating to the matter of recruiting for the coming year. During the discussion, the question of defence came up. In the course of debate on this, a number of members called attention to the alleged irregularities in supplying, and in the failure to supply, munitions for the army and navy.

STRONG MEASURES DEMANDED  
The demand was made for an immediate cessation of irregularities and a correction of the shortage. All speakers on the subject emphasized the necessity of calling to account all persons responsible, regardless of how high the positions which they may fill, or which they may have occupied. General Polivanoff, the minister of war, declared that for the purpose of an impartial inquiry into all that had taken place, to bring the army into its difficult situation, there would be appointed a commission of inquiry, and that an investigation would be set on foot with the assistance of this commission. In the inquiry, the commission would have the aid of both the members of the Duma and the council of the empire.

The Duma applauded the resolution. It has been informed that the council of ministers will visit the Grand Duke Nicholas at headquarters and lay before him the results of the Duma's secret session.

THE ATTACK ON KOVNO FORTRESS  
Almost exclusive attention of military observers has recently been directed to the operations at Kovno, which is the first strong Russian fortress attacked by the method employed at Antwerp, a system devised by the Beverin General Sauer. This consists of a cyclonic attack with heavy artillery on one point, without an attempt at investment.

The check and partial repulse of the Germans in the Baltic region, has stopped the critical discussion of the possibilities of a German offensive against Petrograd, which is generally regarded as premature.

LIBERALS CARRY OUT PLATFORM

Norris Government Notify Social Reform Officials To Prepare Prohibition Bill

Winnipeg, Aug. 14.—The Norris government has notified the officials of the social service council to prepare a prohibition bill for submission to the people of Manitoba on the referendum. This was the first official step in the carrying out of the Liberal platform.

Petitions are also being circulated to secure the name of fifteen per cent of the women of Manitoba, preliminary to the passing of woman suffrage. These petitions will be ready by the time the legislature meets.

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HOLLAND PREPARES

Reports of Enormous Orders Placed in America—To Side With Allies?

New York, Aug. 14.—Reports were current in New York last night that an enormous war order for Holland had been placed in this country, through the banking house of Harvey Fish & Sons. This order was reported as another European conflict and soon will cast her lot with the allies. It has been known for several days that munition makers have been estimating on an unaccountably large war contract for Holland.

Harvey Fish & Sons are connected with the Bethlehem Steel Corporation.

MONCTON HOME GUARD MAKES GOOD SHOWING

Moncton, Aug. 14.—The Moncton Home Guard, which was organized some time ago, with Dr. F. J. White commanding officer, is drilling regularly, and now makes a very creditable turnout. Many have joined the new organization, and it is expected that a large number of recruits will join after the holiday season is over. The guard has decided to secure new uniforms, which are practically the same as those worn by the Canadian militia, consisting of khaki shirt, coat, breeches, puttees and peak cap. A large number have placed their orders, and it is planned to raise a fund to provide uniforms for those who do not wish to invest in uniforms.

ANOTHER BREAK  
The grocery and confectionery store of Charles F. Russell, Dufferin Row, Lancaster, was broken into last night and a considerable quantity of goods stolen. The entry was made through a window in the rear of the shop.

Won't Follow Up Advantage  
Austro-German Forces to Reorganize Behind Warsaw and Await Developments

Budapest, Aug. 14.—All signs indicate that the Austro-German armies will not follow up their advantage any further than the second line of Russian defenses, after the fall of the Russian fortress, but will re-organize themselves behind Warsaw and await further developments, there strengthening and re-building the defenses behind them. This theory is not only borne out by the fact that a further advance would be suicidal, owing to the marches, but also by a statement of General Marwitz, commander of the Tenth German army corps, who is undergoing a cure in Hungary, at present.

HIGH PRICES CAUSE FOOD RIOTS IN GERMANY

Amsterdam, Aug. 14.—Food riots led by women took place at Schweinfurt, Germany, where the market was attacked and dealers in food-stuffs assailed. Meat, butter, eggs and vegetable stalls were overturned and the provisions seized. The high price of food is causing much unrest in some parts of Germany.