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Allies Ready If Bulgaria Strikes

Forces at Dardanelles Available and Can Be Easily Augmented—Greeks Jubilant Over the Mobilization There

Paris, Sept. 25.—The allied chancelleries were not surprised at the action of Bulgaria, according to the Petit Parisien. The Quadruple Entente powers' representatives are said to have been conferring during the last week as to the best means of acting with a maximum of force in the Balkans, as they attached little faith to the declarations of Premier Radouloff.

They now are in a position to strike quickly there should the necessity arise, as there are important reserves at the Dardanelles and they can be augmented quickly.

Premier Venizelos of Greece, the Petit Parisien's Rome correspondent says, has affirmed the necessity for an agreement by Greece, Roumania and Serbia, in order to force the Bulgarian government to consider carefully the possible results before it takes positive action.

Mobilization is under way today and is proceeding quietly. The people are somewhat bewildered by the latest turn of events, not knowing whether it may lead them.

King Constantine, who recently passed through a severe illness, is indisposed, and his conferences with Premier Venizelos have been postponed for a day.

Greek People Pleased

Athens, Sept. 25.—Great relief has been caused throughout Greece by the order calling for the mobilization of the army. The people apparently are glad to exchange the uncertainties of politics for the possibility of war. It is not thought, however, that hostilities will follow immediately, although it is generally believed in unofficial circles at least, that a struggle between Greece and Bulgaria cannot be avoided eventually.

Parliament will be called upon at its session next Wednesday, not only to proclaim martial law but to vote upon declaring a state of siege in Macedonia and other measures the situation may demand. The national bank will advance funds to meet the present needs.

It is reported from Sofia that Bulgarian mobilization is being carried out normally, but without enthusiasm.

London, Sept. 25.—A despatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company from Athens says:

"Without distinction of parties, the press unanimously approves the measures taken by the government in defence of Greece. All Greek seamen have been requisitioned. A mobilization will be immediately established."

Opinion in Rome.

Rome, Sept. 25.—Although it is admitted that Bulgarian mobilization is significant, especially in view of the relations with Serbia, it is thought here that events still may prevent Bulgaria from embarking upon a serious enterprise.

Reports from Bucharest indicate that the Bulgarian mobilization order is considered in Roumania to preclude hostilities. It is said that impressive anti-German manifestations have resulted in the Duke of Mecklenburg-Schwerin, personal representative of Emperor William, hastening his departure for Berlin.

Italian Success.

Rome, Sept. 25.—The following official communication was given out last night:

"On the plateau northeast of Sudere the strong position of Monte Coston has been captured by our troops. We secured five officers and 118 men, besides great quantities of ammunition, hand grenades, explosives and other material."

NOW SPEAK OF LOAN EVEN SMALLER THAN THE HALF BILLION

New York, Sept. 25.—Members of the Anglo-French financial commission agreed the half holiday today, after a brief session and prepared to leave the city over Sunday.

Before the next full holiday rolls around, it was the general expectation of bankers today, an agreement will have been reached over the details of the proposed loan. Tentative proposals at present fix the maximum at \$500,000,000, with the possibility that the sum may be lower. The interest rate, fixed at five per cent, will be in reality greater, it was said, inasmuch as the notes would be sold slightly below par.

Eight Shot in Street Fight.

Akron, Ohio, Sept. 25.—Eight men were shot, one seriously, in a street fight early today. Two men have been arrested. John Justice, forty-five, has a bullet in his head and has lost one eye.

PHREZIDIAL WEATHER BULLETIN

Issued by Authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Stewart, director, meteorological service.

Synopsis.—The area of high pressure is centered in Quebec, and a low area is advancing towards the Great Lakes from the west. Heavy rains with rather low temperature, have been almost general in the western provinces and near Lake Superior, while from Lake Huron eastward the weather has been fine.

Fine and Cool

Maritime.—Fresh northwest and north winds, fine and cool today and on Sunday. Danger of frost Friday morning.

New England Forecasts.—Fair to night; Sunday cloudy, fresh northeast to east wind.

ABANDON THAT THIS CONDITION SHOULD EXIST, SAYS JUDGE GRIMMER

Street Railway and City Matter Again Before Court—City Already Has to Pay Costs of Appeal

"This has been going on since September 2," said Judge Grimmer this morning, during the hearing of the case of St. John Railway Company vs. the City of St. John, "and it seems that the matter is just about getting down to practical litigation. It is absurd that this condition of affairs should exist, and there must be, here, some way by which this thing can be stopped and the inconvenience avoided. It seems to me that the parties in control should get together and settle the matter finally. The ones who will suffer in the end will not be the commissioners or the manager of the company, but the citizens, the tax payers. The city already has to pay the costs of appeal, and somebody will have to pay the costs, which will be heavy if this thing goes on."

At the outset F. R. Taylor, K. C., withdrew the application for attachment against Mayor Potts and Commissioner Potts because he said the contempt had been purged as to the restrictive portion of the injunction by the removal of the concrete mixer and pile of stones by Commissioner Potts, upon being served with a summons, and inasmuch as he (Mr. Taylor) had been served by the city solicitor with a notice that the latter would move to vary the mandatory part of the injunction. His Honor said that while the matter would be considered at an end, he did not hesitate in saying that the injunction had been served by the city with utter contempt since the beginning, and no effort had been made by anyone to obey it. This, he said, was not the law of the land; the injunction should have been obeyed had it stood, whether or not he had a right to grant it.

Dr. Baxter, K. C., then moved that the mandatory portion of the injunction compelling the city to remove the concrete mixer and pile of stones be dissolved, to which Mr. Taylor consented, and the order was varied accordingly. Mr. Taylor then moved for an injunction to compel the city to remove the concrete mixer and pile of stones, and to replace the rails, and read affidavits of himself and H. M. Hopper in support of his motion. The judge granted the injunction, and the city solicitor, Mr. Taylor, said that the original injunction had been dissolved, a motion could be made for a new one, upon being served.

His Honor here said that Commissioner Potts, by placing the concrete in the track action hurriedly during the night created a condition of affairs, which should not exist.

The informal talk on the matter of settlement here switched into a legal argument on the merits of the motion and affidavits.

The affidavits were of a very interesting nature. Mr. Hopper referred to a conversation between the chief justice and the city solicitor, in which Judge McLeod informed Dr. Baxter, as to the meaning of his judgment. Mr. Potts, in his affidavit, stated that he had completed arrangements for the reception of wounded soldiers who will arrive in Canada after the St. Lawrence closes.

Mr. Scammell said that convalescent homes have been provided in each of the military hospitals, commission and honorary secretary of the Canadian Peace Centenary Association is in the city to that while the arrival of the wounded soldiers will be a great help, but the Canadian authorities have been advised that, beginning next week, parties numbering about 300 will be sent out each week for at least the next two months, most of the worst cases of hospital.

So far the arrivals have not included many men who need such a home, but the Canadian authorities have been advised that, beginning next week, parties numbering about 300 will be sent out each week for at least the next two months, most of the worst cases of hospital.

In this respect we have ready for use the residence in Sydney placed at the disposal of the commission by Mr. Potts, who furnished it and fitted it completely, undertaking all the expense in connection with it. In St. John the same has been accepted for use as a convalescent home. Mr. Scammell said this morning that it would not be used until required and he does not believe this would be; it might be three or four weeks or as many months.

When the time comes that it will be required it will be fitted up and Mr. Scammell said that this might be left in the hands of Dr. Weber, who is a member of the commission. In other places the citizens have aided in equipping and making material and taking the men out for stings in motor cars. "And from what I know of the ladies of St. John and the assurances of support which they have given I am sure the men will not suffer from lack of attention on their part."

Regarding the plans of the Peace Centenary Association Mr. Scammell said the association is continuing to work for the end of the war they hoped to be able to have united celebrations of the centenary of peace combined with the celebration of victory, in both of which, Mr. Scammell was sure our American friends would join heartily.

On Tuesday there will be a special convocation of the University of Toronto in which honorary degrees will be conferred upon six distinguished gentlemen from the United States who have aided in the peace centenary movement. They are: Hon. Joseph H. Choate, an eminent jurist; Hon. Alton Parker, a former candidate for the presidency; W. B. Howland, editor of the Independent; William Church Osborne; John A. Stewart, chairman of the United States Association; and Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler, president of Columbia University.

PAYS COSTS AND IS FREE ON SUSPENDED SENTENCE

End of Case in Which Selling of Objectionable Cards Was Charge

Theodore Mackies, a Greek, pleaded guilty before Judge Armstrong under the Speedy Trials Act, to a charge of selling post cards tending to corrupt morals, and was allowed out on suspended sentence on payment of \$300 costs of prosecution. H. G. McInerney appeared for the defendant and C. H. Ferguson prosecuted.

TRADES AND LABOR NEXT YEAR IN TORONTO

Vancouver, B. C., Sept. 25.—The trades and labor congress last night elected: President, J. C. Walter, Ottawa; vice-president, Andrew Watchman, Victoria; honorary secretary-treasurer, P. M. Draper, delegates to the F. L. Fed. Bancroft and James Simpson, Toronto; provincial vice-presidents and executives, Ontario: Joseph Gibbons, Toronto; W. J. Halford, Hamilton; A. Thibault, Ottawa; and George Murray, Toronto; Quebec: J. D. Foster, L'Esperance; A. Martee and T. Bertrand. Toronto was selected as the next meeting place.

WOMEN'S RIFLE DRILL

The Women's Volunteer Reserve Corps in Fredericton is to start rifle practice within a short time.

Russian Statesman Dead

Petrograd, Sept. 25.—Peter Nikolaevich Durnovo, at one time Russian Minister of the Interior, is dead.

THREAT IN CONNECTION WITH THE WAR LOAN

(J. M. Robinson & Sons private wire.) New York, Sept. 25.—German savings bank of New York city declares that it will withdraw its deposits from the bank and trust companies which participate in the Anglo-French loan. Henry Ford makes the same threat.

TENDERED LUNCHEON

A complimentary luncheon was tendered Major P. A. Guthrie, M.P.P., of Fredericton, N.B., today by the officers of the garrison artillery station on Partridge Island. Lieut. Col. Armstrong presided. A few other guests were present. The luncheon took place in the officers' mess on the island.

EARLY CLOSING

A petition is being circulated among the merchants on the west side, asking them all to agree to close their shops every day on and after Oct. 4.

THEIR ONLY SON

Private Wm. Collins of the 13th, formerly of the 40th Battalion has been severely wounded in the head. He is the only son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Collins of Halifax.

John H. Valentine, charged with the theft of \$1,050 from the First Presbyterian church, Edmonton, of which he was treasurer, has pleaded guilty.

Russians Turn German Guns Upon Themselves

Artillery Captured in Fight and at Once Used Against Enemy—Several Successes Are Reported

Petrograd, Sept. 25.—The War Office yesterday announced that German aviators appeared on the Gulf of Riga, but were driven off. Fighting continues in the Drinsk region. The enemy is making furious attacks. A desperate battle is progressing near Novo Alexandrovsky, on both sides of the Drinsk river and the passes in the Driviaty and Obolo Lakes region also are the scenes of violent engagements. Russian troops have dislodged the enemy from Vileika.

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