

GERMANS ADMIT CHECK IN BALKAN REGION

RUSSIANS TAKE OFFENSIVE ON RIGA FRONT

Berlin, Oct. 25, (by wireless to Sayville)—Heavy fighting is still in progress for possession of the Baltic port of Riga. The official report given out here today mentions no further progress for the Germans, and indicates that the Russians are now on the offensive on one part of the Riga front. The statement says Field Marshal Von Hindenburg's troops repulsed Russian attacks southeast of Riga. Russian attacks against positions northwest of Drinsk which were captured by the Germans, on October 23, also were beaten back. The number of prisoners was increased to 22 officers and 3,705 men. Twelve machine guns and one mine thrower were captured under Gen. Von Linsingen entered Russian positions over a front of several kilometers to the west of Komarow.

SAYS VETERINARY RECEIVED \$5 FOR EACH HORSE PASSED

Did Not Ask for it, Witness Tells Sir Charles Davidson at Winnipeg Probe.

Winnipeg, Oct. 25.—That Major H. D. Smith, veterinary surgeon, now in England or France with the Canadian forces, accepted \$175 from Dr. Vilhelm Himman, horse dealer, the amount being paid by Dr. Himman as \$5 for each of thirty-five horses which Dr. Smith inspected and passed for the Canadian government from Himman's stables was the evidence given by Dr. Himman this afternoon before Sir Charles Davidson at the first session in Winnipeg of the war supplies investigation.

Dr. Himman said he collected \$10 from the owner of each horse which was sold from his stable, for "expenses," he told the owners. After the thirty-five horses had been purchased, Dr. Himman said, he asked Dr. Smith if he would object to taking \$5 per head on them. Dr. Smith, according to the evidence, said he would not object, and Dr. Himman paid him \$175, and later \$100, John Thompson, K. C. counsel for the examination, wanted to know why he paid the money, since Dr. Smith did not ask for it.

"I thought that about 2,000 horses were to be bought," was the reply. "And you thought that would grease the way," asked the lawyer. "Not necessarily. I've always paid commissions, always got them," said the witness.

Col. Rutten, D. O. C. of military district No. 10, called as a witness, said that he had known Dr. Smith for many years. "Most excellent," he thought him "a most reliable, straightforward, hard-working man."

Col. Rutten said that Smith went to the front with the Canadian staff of the second contingent as chief of the veterinary service.

At the request of Sir Charles Davidson, Col. Rutten undertook to advise Dr. Smith's family here of the evidence concerning him, and to suggest that he be excused for him.

E. W. McLean said that he had sold 700 or 800 horses to the British and Canadian remount commission, and he declared that on 218 horses he sold the British government he was \$5,000 out. He said he had never been asked for a commission, and had never paid any.

John Moyle said he and Dr. Himman bought three horses together, and after they had been sold to the government buyers, and Himman settled him \$15, it was for Dr. Smith.

Dr. Himman swore that when horses were left with him for inspection by the remount officers he told the owners there would be \$10 for expenses, if the animals were sold.

"You collected this bribe—was it a bribe?" asked Sir Charles.

"No, sir, the horses were passed before the money was paid," replied the witness.

He said the owners did not pay him the \$10 until they were themselves paid for the horses, and some of them only paid him \$5 for each horse which he said, he paid over to Dr. Smith. He did not tell any of these men that he was to pay any money to Smith, and he did not enter the \$175 in his books. Himman said he had no further dealings with Smith after paying him this money.

The commission will resume tomorrow morning.

KING GEORGE IN FRANCE.
London, Oct. 25.—King George is now in France, whither he has gone to visit the British army. He hopes also to see some of the allied troops.

GERMAN OFFICER ADMITS PLOT TO BLOW UP STMS. TAKING SUPPLIES TO ALLIES

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laying steamers sailing from this country with arms and ammunition for the allies.

Invented Scheme for Blowing Up Ships

Fay declared, however, that while he had been here he had acted independently of the German embassy, or other German agents here. He added that he had told Captain Von Pappen, military attaché, and Captain K. Boy-Eid, naval attaché of the German embassy, of his plans, but said that both men told him not to interfere with steamers sailing from American ports or American ammunition plants. Fay said that while serving in the field with the German army he invented a device for blowing up ships.

He gave out a statement to the newspapers, as follows:

"My only object, when I came to this country, was to interfere with the enormous shipments of artillery ammunition to the allies. Being a manufacturer myself, and knowing that any ordinary damage that may be done to a factory may be repaired within a few hours, I decided it was useless to bother with ammunition plants. Therefore the intimations that I have been connected with various explosions or accidents in the United States is entirely wrong."

"I am not a college man, but I hold the diploma of an efficient engineer from an American correspondence school. I am interested in the United States in manufacturing small machinery."

"I was serving with my regiment in the Champagne district, and saw the terrible havoc and loss caused by the French artillery fire."

"During my spare time I had invented a device to explode mines by doing away with electrical wires. In this way I was able to overcome the effect of dampness or water on the wires, and he decided to give me a chance."

"He put me in touch with the secret service office, and one of the agents arranged for my passage to the United States. I came here on the steamship Rotterdam, arriving, I believe, on April 23 last. I had no trouble in getting into the country."

Suggested Device Be Used in Canada.

Fay said that he and Scholz had conducted a large number of experiments with his mine device along the Hudson River, but declared that Dache was in no way implicated. The man said that although Fay did not appear to be a German name, Robert Fay was his correct name, and that he was listed under that name in his regiment. He also said that his father had been an Englishman. Fay said he was supplied with money when he arrived here, and therefore was able to act on his own responsibility.

"When the German secret service arranged for my trip to the United States they left the advisability of using my device to the judgment of German military and naval authorities in this country," Fay said. "Both Captain Von Pappen and Captain Boy-Eid strongly refused to make any use of my device in this country, but said that its use in Canada would depend upon developments."

Lieutenant Fay explained how he planned to attack mine carrying vessels to the sterns of ammunition-laden vessels sailing from New York. By properly arranging the device, he calculated, the mine would be exploded when the steamer was about half a day out.

"Fay declined to say whether he had attempted to attach mines to any ships in this harbor, but he declared that he had not attached loaded mines to any vessels. He said he had been ready since early in July to carry out his mine planting campaign and waited here, hoping the German military and naval attaches would change their minds about accepting his offer."

Gross Offense Against Us, If True.

Washington, Oct. 25.—If the state department determines that Robert Fay is telling the truth in his story to the New York police of how he, a lieutenant in the German army, was sent to this country by the German secret service for the purpose of disabling, by explosives, steamships leaving American ports for Europe, the matter probably will be made the subject of vigorous representations to the German government.

State department officials were most interested today in press accounts of the confession said to have been made by Robert Fay, Commissioner Woods, and it was said that a report on the case was expected tomorrow by Secret Service Agents, who arrested Fay and his alleged accomplices. The American government would regard such an action as Fay attributes to the German secret service as an offense against the United States of grave character.

Quebec, Oct. 25.—The steamer Lady of Gaspe which grounded a fortnight ago near Quebec, floated Saturday evening and brought to Quebec, but while alongside the Point A. Carey wharf she sank. It is thought she will remain in that position till the spring.

BULGARIA IRRITATED AT GREECE

Amsterdam via London, Oct. 25.—A Budapest despatch received here says that Emperor Francis Joseph has declared an amnesty for all political offences committed in Hungary before the war. The amnesty especially includes Socialists.

London, Oct. 25.—The Bulgarian newspapers are adopting a threatening attitude towards Greece, according to a despatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company from Zurich. The despatch says the newspapers are very much irritated over Greece's acquiescence in the landing of allied troops at Saloniki, and that the government organ, Kamabana, declares that if Greece cannot expel the allies, Bulgaria must perform the task herself.

PREMIER BORDEN SAVES WOMAN'S LIFE AT MONCTON

Moncton, N. B., Oct. 25.—Premier Borden saved the life of a woman who had fallen on the railway track here this afternoon. Sir Robert, who was on his way from his home at Grand Pre, N. S., to Montreal, was standing on the platform when the woman was thrust on the rails by the crowd which congregated at the depot to see him. The woman was rolling under a moving train when the premier caught her and placed her in safety.

CARLETON COUNTY ORGANIZES FOR A RECRUITING CAMPAIGN

Recruiting Officer Donald Munro and Committee Outline Campaign—Organize County by Parishes.

Special to The Standard

Hardland, N. B., Oct. 25.—An organization meeting for recruiting purposes was held tonight in Pythian Hall by Donald Munro, M. L. A., and was fairly well attended, considering the short notice. M. L. Hayward was called to the chair and A. D. Colwell was appointed secretary.

Donald Munro, as recruiting officer for Carleton county, spoke of the need of men in answer to the King's call, and stated that it was desirable to have the county organized by parishes in order to get in closer touch with the eligible recruits.

"He stated that one company of the 104th would be wintered at Woodstock and already arrangements were being made for their accommodation in the army there. It would be an inducement to young men to enlist when it became known that the greater part of those doing the King's uniform from this county would be quartered together near home for the winter. He advised the appointment of a committee to arrange for mess halls in the parish and to co-operate with the central county organization in Woodstock. On motion of E. A. Britton a committee of three with power to add to their number was named for this purpose. The were Major C. H. Taylor, R. W. Cameron and H. H. Hatfield. A public meeting will probably be held here next week when some good speakers will be on hand to inspire the young men of the place with a desire to offer themselves as soldiers of the King."

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TEUTONIC ARMY WHICH CROSSED DANUBE TAKES SERBIAN TOWN OF LEKIA

Paris, Oct. 25.—The Austro-German army which crossed the Danube at Ozova, near the Roumanian frontier, is reported to have occupied Lekia, in Serbia, across the river from Orzova. A telegram from Bucharest to the Havas News Agency under date of Saturday, which conveys this information, says that the crossing of the river was preceded by a bombardment of the Serbian positions for 24 hours.

After taking Tekia the invaders marched in the direction of Brza Palanka. The Serbian population sought protection by fleeing across the border into Roumania.

Keeping An Eye on Bulgarian General Fighting With Russians
Amsterdam, via London, Oct. 25.—Information has reached here from Sofia to the effect that the Bulgarian government is keeping a close watch on the movements of Gen. Raako Dimitrieff, the Bulgarian general who has been fighting with the Russian army. Gen. Dimitrieff is now said to be in Roumania.

NO CONFIRMATION OF REPORT THAT PORT OF ARCHANGEL IS CLOSED

London, Oct. 25, (Gazette Cable).—Nothing is known by Lloyd's, the Baltic Exchange or the Commercial Intelligence Branch of the Board of Trade regarding the reported closing of the port of Archangel. Agents of the Imperial Russian marine say they received daily wires from Archangel, and it was last stated the weather was mild, with no ice.

SAVE YOUR HAIR! 25 CENT BOTTLE STOPS DANDRUFF

Every bit of dandruff disappears and hair stops coming out. Try this! Your hair appears glossy, abundant, wavy and beautiful.

Thin, brittle, colorless and scraggy hair is mute evidence of a neglected scalp. There is nothing so destructive to the hair as dandruff. It robs the hair of its lustre, its strength and its very life; eventually producing a feverishness and itching of the scalp, which if not remedied causes the hair roots to shrink, loosen and die—then the hair falls out fast. A little Danderuff tonight—now—any time—will surely save your hair.

Get a 25-cent bottle of Knowlton's Danderuff from any drug store or toilet counter, and after the first application your hair will take on that life, lustre and luxuriance which is so beautiful. It will become wavy and glossy and have the appearance of abundance, an incomparable gloss and softness; but what will please you most will be after just a few weeks' use, when you will actually see a lot of fine, downy hair—new hair—growing all over the scalp.

Danderuff is to the hair what fresh showers of rain and sunshine are to vegetation. It goes right to the roots, invigorates and strengthens them, its exhilarating and life-producing properties cause the hair to grow long, strong and beautiful.

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KING'S AND QUEEN'S TO HAVE COMPANY

Plan to raise required number from these two counties—Good meetings.

Plans are on foot to raise a company for the 104th Battalion of men from Kings and Queens counties. Already many recruits have been secured from these counties and many others have signified their intention of enlisting in Colonel Fowler's unit.

At a recruiting meeting held in Penobscot last night the following men were signed on for the 104th Battalion: Arthur M. McLeod, nephew of the Chief Justice; William E. Hall, Gordon L. Williams and Arthur Hayward. The speakers at the meeting were J. D. McKenna and Rev. M. E. Conron. Tonight these gentlemen will conduct a meeting at Upland and Gray, brothers; James Cook, Stewart and Kenneth Moore, brothers; William Chambers and James Wortman. In addition to these many others have expressed themselves as prepared to go later.

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HOTEL ARRIVALS.

Victoria.

A. A. Peckham, Halifax; W. H. Spitzer, Montreal; William O'Neil, Wexford; Roy W. Wetmore, Perth, N. B.; J. G. Doyle, Campbellton; J. D. Gibson, Fredericton; C. Keough, Montreal; N. B. Gutelius, Brownville; C. Crandall, Vancouver; V. J. Cooney, Megantic; W. A. Wiley, Chipman; A. S. Downing, Albert, N. B.; H. F. Morton, Penobscot; S. S. Baird, Fredericton; F. S. Clinch, Clinches Mills; O. V. Kennedy, St. George.

Dufferin.

R. Forsythe and wife, J. P. McDuff, W. J. Driscoll, Boston, Mass.; A. E. Oul-

Deal, Eng., Oct. 25.—The British steamer Ilaro, from East African ports, is a total wreck on the beach near here as a result of a fire which started yesterday in her hold. The vessel was immediately beached after the fire was discovered and it was believed early today that the flames were under control. Later, however, an explosion rekindled the fire, and shortly the vessel with inflammable cargo was ablaze from stem to stern, the flames reaching mast height.

The chief engineer is missing, but the remainder of the crew, several of whom are injured, have been landed here.

The Ilaro was a vessel of 2,799 tons gross. She was owned by the African Steamship Company.

BORN.

STUBBS—To Mr. and Mrs. Fred C. Stubbs, 299 Main street, on the 25th inst.—a daughter.

DIED.

REED—In Fairville, on the 24th inst., Eliza Ann, wife of Thos. Reed, in the 64th year of her age, leaving a husband, a daughter, one brother and one sister to mourn.

Funeral Tuesday from her late residence, Prospect street, at 2:30 o'clock. Boston and Minneapolis papers please copy.

ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY.

Funeral Notice.

Members of St. Andrew's Society are requested to meet at 97 Charlotte St., on Tuesday afternoon at two o'clock, for the purpose of attending the funeral of the late

ROBERT T. LEAVITT.

By order ALEXANDER MACAULAY, President.

FUNERAL NOTICE.

The members of The Union Lodge of Portland, F. and A. M., will meet at the Lodge room on Wednesday at 7:45 a. m., in regalia, to attend the funeral of our late

Worshipful Brother ROBERT THOMSON LEAVITT.

Members of sister lodges are invited to be present.

By order of the W. M. J. T. HARTT, Sec'y.

FUNERAL NOTICE.

The members of Corinthian Lodge, A. F. and A. M., will meet at the lodge room on Wednesday at 7:45 a. m., in regalia, to attend the funeral of our late

Worshipful Brother GEORGE G. SCOVIL.

By order of the W. M. FRANK S. COMPTON, Secretary.

THIS WEEK MARKS OUR ENTRY INTO A NEW ERA OF MOTION PICTURE ENTERTAINMENT FOR ST. JOHN—A CONTINUATION OF SUPREME PHOTOPLAYS—THE BEST THAT MONEY CAN BUY.

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Anyone Wanting to Send Plum Cake to A Co.

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Officers.

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Lieutenant Cecil Port.