

AFTER THE HUNS IN EAST AFRICA



A railway bridge destroyed by Germans who were retreating in front of the successful British forces in the conquered German East Africa, which is now pretty well cleared of the foe. It will be noticed that the Germans have done their work of destruction pretty thoroughly, but in spite of this the British engineers had trains running over it again within two weeks.

Czar's Minister
Victim of Spies

Fate of Sukhomlinoff, to be Tried
For Treason, Laid to Adventurers

London, June 16—(Correspondence)—General Sukhomlinoff, the Russian ex-Minister of War, who is awaiting trial for treason, is a man of unusual military gifts who has allowed himself to be

influenced by people of the adventure type to his eventual undoing. The Russian Slovo tells of the circumstances which led up to his arrest.

While at Kieff it is alleged General Sukhomlinoff was very friendly with Kilkobko Bogoff (the murderer of Stolypin) and Myasodoff (charged last year for betraying Russian plans to Germany), and all three frequented his salon.

When Sukhomlinoff moved to Petrograd and took over the post of Minister of War, he was followed by the majority of his Kieff satellites. Among them was Myasodoff. It is admitted that the ex-Minister of War probably had no inkling of the true character of this double-crossed traitor. He appears to have reposed the greatest confidence in Myasodoff, and to have communicated to him not only all his private family news, but also

many of the secrets of the department he was administering.

On the other hand, according to this account, a very considerable share of the responsibility for Russia's unpreparedness for war rests upon Sukhomlinoff and on him alone. It is further laid to Sukhomlinoff's charge that without consulting any of his official coadjutors, he furnished and put into execution a faulty scheme of defence which involved the abandonment of the Polish fortresses.

As soon as the war had begun the minister was deluged with appeals from the front for a more liberal supply of munitions. Such appeals are said to have reached him as early as August, 1914. Nevertheless, Sukhomlinoff obstinately refused to consider all the offers of war material which were made to him either by foreign firms or by industrial enter-

prises in Russia. He adopted the standpoint that the manufacture of munitions as work which could only be undertaken by government arsenals and replied to the petitions from the firing lines with the words: "Try to be economic; the military works cannot make more."

Attempts were frequently made to enlighten the minister on the shady character of many of his associates, but he paid no heed whatever to these warnings. Indeed he singled out those who gave them as his particular enemies and treated them accordingly. Meanwhile, possibly without exciting the least suspicion on his part, his home had become a sort of "general staff of the enemy's spy organization." All the threads of German espionage in Russia, thus came together in the very residence of the Russian Minister of War.

The conspirators, according to this account, made great use of Mme. Sukhomlinoff, a young and very attractive woman, who gladly accepted the obeisance of the frequenters of her salon.

It is reported that ex-Ministers for Justice (M. Schlegelovitch) and for the Interior (M. Maklakoff) are to be called as witnesses in the Sukhomlinoff affair.

BRITISH CABINET CHANGES

London, July 9.—Following the appointment last week of David Lloyd George as secretary for war, official announcement was made today of several other changes in the government. Edwin Samuel Montagu, financial secretary to the treasury, takes Mr. Lloyd George's place as minister of munitions. Thomas McKinnon Wood, secretary of state for Scotland, becomes chancellor of the duchy of Lancaster and financial secretary to the treasury. Harold J. Tennant, parliamentary under-secretary for war, is made secretary of state for Scotland.

"In view of the very heavy responsibilities of the treasury during the war," Mr. Asquith has invited McKinnon Wood to return to his former post of financial secretary.

"Mr. Asquith has invited Lord Curzon to become a permanent member of the war committee."

Edith—"You haven't seen my engagement ring, have you?" Marie—"I don't know. Who is the man?"

GERMAN PRISONERS AT VERDUN



The operations around Verdun bring a continual procession of German prisoners from the trenches in towards the town. It is a "ribbling off" process which tells in the long run.

Breaking Enemy In East and West

London, July 10.—The British troops have made "steady progress in the face of stubborn opposition" in the neighborhood of Ovillers, on the Somme front, according to the official statement from general headquarters last night. The German counter attacks near the Bois de Trones were repulsed.

Petrograd, July 9, via London, 7.10 p. m.—Important gains by the Russians are announced in the war office statement of today. In Southern Galicia the railway town of Delatyn has been captured. In the drive toward Kovel the Russians have taken two more villages. On the lower Stokhod the Austrians and Germans are retiring in great disorder.

London, July 9.—German casualties from the beginning of the war to the end of June, as computed from official German lists are given as 3,012,637 in an official statement made public here today.

London, July 9.—The eastern front continues to overshadow the western front from the spectacular viewpoint, the Russian forces going from success to success. Not only Gen. Letichitsky, in the south, where his army has now occupied the railroad junction at Delatyn, west of Kolo-

mea, thus cutting off Gen. Von Bortner from his supply base, but Gen. Brussiloff, in the north, is making surprising advances on both sides of the Kovel railway towards the Stokhod river.

Tonight's Russian communication reports the enemy forces in this region retiring in great disorder, and adds that the Russians have occupied Huleviche, which is about 24 miles to the east of Kovel, while apparently the Russians are already across the Stokhod river, somewhere in the region of Janovka.

German possession of Baranovitch and Kovel are absolutely essential, if she is to retain her hold over the invaded parts of Poland and Lithuania, but it is considered likely that it is only a matter of a few days before the Russians will be in possession of Kovel, which would compel Von Linsingen's retirement from the Letak salient.

German official and unofficial dispatches reflect anxiety over the Russian advance as being greater than even the Anglo-French offensive, which the German military critics contend will not interfere with the operations against Verdun. Major Michael and other German critics express surprise at the extent and persistence of the Russian offensive, and the "undiminished resources of ammunition."

It is reported from Rome that at a recent council of German and Austrian marshals Von Hindenburg declared that it would be impossible to attempt a new offensive on a large scale without reinforcements of at least a quarter of a million men.

The news of today shows little change in the relative positions on the western front except for a brilliant French gain east of Picourt when German trenches on a three-mile front were carried and the advance carried to a depth of from one to two miles. Berlin admits the loss of Hardecourt.

The Roumanian government, according to a Berne despatch has declined an invitation from the German and Austrian governments to participate in a conference of the Danube powers.

London, July 8.—French troops to the number of 4000 have disembarked at Petra Bay, Mytilene, according to despatches to the Daily Mail from Athens.

A CHANGE OF PLAN IN
CARNEGIE TEACHER PENSIONS

(Bangor Commercial)

There is to be instituted by the Carnegie Foundation a change of policy regarding teachers' pensions. The management feels that the system that has been in vogue for the last ten years is unsound in that it has made the teachers too dependent and has also tended to decrease moral responsibility.

Accordingly, they have sought to devise for the benefit of the great body of college teachers "a system which may increase their independence, not diminish it; which shall make for individual sense of responsibility, not against it; which shall promote migration from one college to another, not restrict it; which shall give genuine security to the college teacher, but without the sense of obligation; and finally, which shall give the college teacher himself participation in the management of the pension system."

As the most promising solution, the heads of the foundation now propose a system of term insurance for teachers to the age of 65 or later, followed by an annuity for life, accumulated by contributions from the teachers and their respective institutions. To this end the foundation proposes to use its entire income for the maintenance and development of the system. It is not designed to abandon the old system at once, but rather to make a gradual transition from the old order to the new. This change is dictated, it is said, not alone by the experience of the foundation itself, but by the conclusions drawn from the personal expressions of some 4,000 college teachers.

INQUIRY INTO MEAT
PACKING BUSINESS?

Washington, July 8.—Members of the House Judiciary sub-committee were yesterday considering informally whether they shall recommend a federal inquiry into the meat packing industry. The committee had before them a mass of testimony taken during hearings which began in March and ended on Thursday on Rep. Borah's resolution for an investigation by the federal trade commission.

Representatives of the cattle producers favored such an inquiry while the packers opposed it on the ground that it would be detrimental to their business. Cattlemen argued that the action was necessary to insure reasonable meat prices to consumers.

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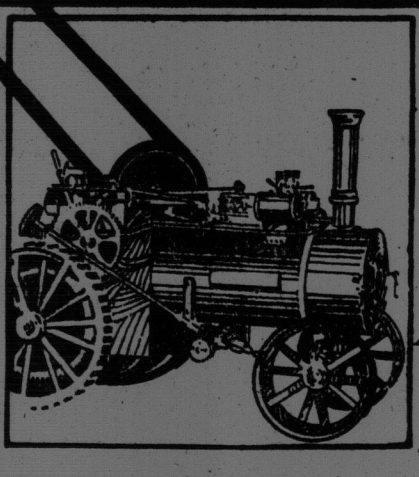
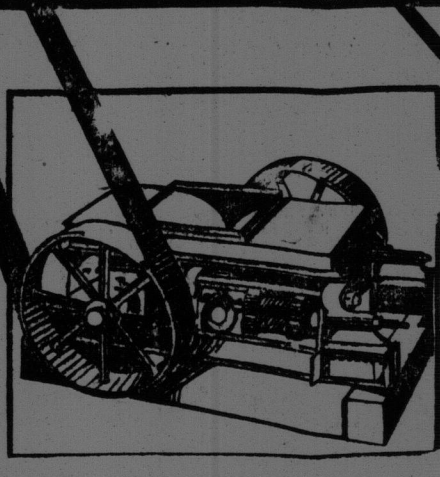
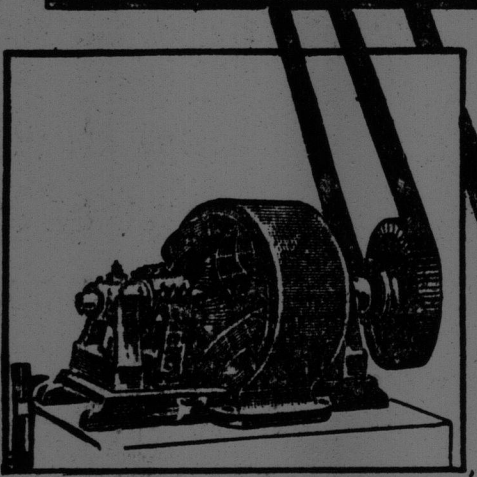
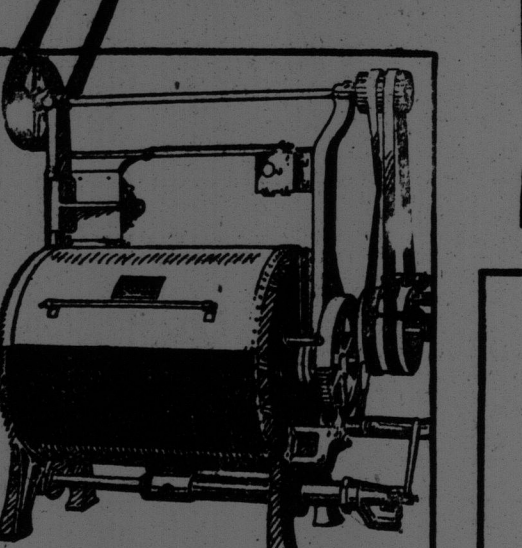
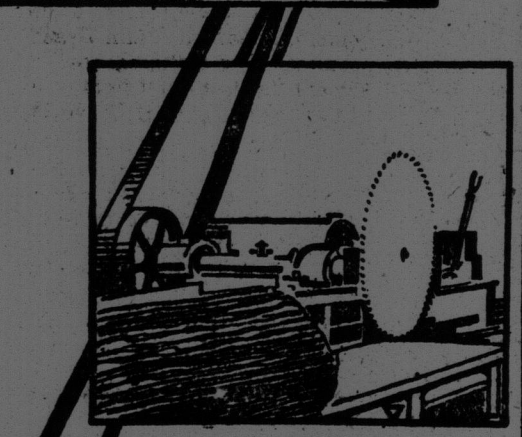
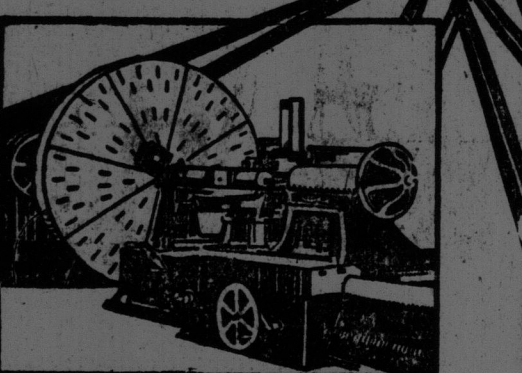
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