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Italy Likely Now To Send Troops To Balkans To Aid The Gallant Serbians

Bulgarian Threat to Invade Albania in Order to Reach Adriatic Believed to be Incentive—Serbian Situation Reported Satisfactory to Allies

Rome, Nov. 9.—What appears to be a forecast that Italy will send troops to Albania to aid the Serbs is contained in a semi-official note which says that while Italy did not participate in the recent expedition of the allies to assist Serbia, she has found a better way to oppose the Austro-German-Bulgarian attack on Serbia.

This way, the note says, was opened by the Bulgarians themselves when they threatened to invade Albania to reach the Adriatic, a design so dangerous to Italy's interest that the cause must oblige Italy to take appropriate measures to frustrate it immediately.

ENEMY GETS MUNITIONS AND TROOPS THROUGH London, Nov. 9.—Germany and Austria already have begun to use the Danube River to pass supplies into Bulgaria, says the Times Bucharest correspondent.

"On last Saturday three arrived at Ruzhica three tons of barges escorted by Austrian monitors. Troops and a large quantity of munitions and motor cars were landed for the army of Field Marshal Baron Von Der Goltz, commander of the first Turkish army.

Satisfactory for Allies Paris, Nov. 9.—Reports from the Serbian front represent the situation as satisfactory for the allies, says a Havas dispatch from Athens. The French have reached Gradiska on the railroad from Kraljevo to Velez.

A Bulgarian attack against Kraljevo with heavy forces of infantry and artillery is reported to have been repulsed, after which the French occupied the village of Kometel.

On the Anglo-French front northwest of Guevguet, the advance of the allies continues and the Bulgarians now occupy only the village of Ormanli, in Serbia territory. There is no confirmation of a German report that the Bulgarians, heavily reinforced, have renewed their attacks in the regions of Guevguet and Kometel.

Cettinje, Nov. 9.—The Austrian offensive continues on the Herzegovina and fronts, but up to the present all enemy attacks have been repulsed, says an official statement issued at the Montenegro War Office today.

BOY OF TWELVE WISHED TO BE BUGLER IN 64TH Moncton, N. B., Nov. 9.—Before the 64th Battalion left Sussex, Lieut. Henry received a letter from Carey Bray, twelve year old son of Fred Bray, of the A. L. Goodwin staff, Moncton, pleading with the lieutenant to get him "a job as bugler" in the 64th.

The officer found that the lad was acting without knowledge of his parents and was obliged to inform him that, while the battalion would be proud to have a boy of his spirit in the ranks, the regulations necessitated refusal of his application.

ON MISSION TO POPE Rome, Nov. 9.—A mysterious envoy bearing an autographed document to the Pope from the ruler of one of the belligerent nations, has been seen in Rome, according to the Giornale d'Italia. His mission has not yet been accomplished, the paper says, and it is not known whether he is awaiting a reply from the Vatican or orders from his chief.

DEATH OF MRS. MARY A. PETERS Mrs. Mary A. Peters, widow of Harry D. Peters, died last evening at her home, 100 Orange street, St. John, in her fifty-seventh year. She was a native of Cornwall, Eng., and came to this country with her parents, while a young girl. Her husband died several years ago, and she is survived by three sons, Harry, Harold and Lester, and one daughter, Miss Marion; one sister, Mrs. Harry Crump of St. John, and one brother, John White of Campbellton, N. B. The funeral will take place from her late residence on Thursday afternoon, service commencing at 2:30 o'clock.

THE EXHIBITION. The annual meeting of the St. John Exhibition Association is being held this afternoon, the retiring president, R. O'Brien, in the chair. As there was no exhibition this year, the proceedings will be chiefly formal, and the election of directors will be the principal business. There has been no discussion as far regarding plans for 1916, and it is probable that this will be left for the incoming executive to decide.

"And We Are Sure of Winning"—Premier Asquith Paris, Nov. 9.—Telegrams congratulating each other upon the "confaternity of arms" in the different theatres of war and the intention of both countries to act in greater union have been exchanged between Premier Asquith of Great Britain and Briand of France. In closing his message, Mr. Asquith said: "Whatever changes time and circumstances may bring, I know that in France, as in England, the will to defend our common cause until a decisive victory is won, remains unshakable and we are sure of winning."

RUSSIANS SEE MUCH TO DO YET BEFORE VICTORY

Believe Balkans Most Important Theatre at Present BELIEF AS TO CHIEF NEED

Say it is More Perfect Co-ordination of Strategy by Allied Armies—Germans Take More Troops From East to West

London, Nov. 9.—The Times Petrograd correspondent who is visiting Russian headquarters and has had talks with General Alexieff, the chief of staff, and other Russian military personages, writes from there that there is no tendency on the part of the Russians to underestimate the still encumbered road to victory.

"They realize," says the correspondent, "that the Germans have the advantage in the central position and unity of command, but that the allies eventually have the advantage in numbers. Nevertheless, they consider the struggle will be necessarily prolonged if numbers alone are relied on, for the Germans mean while continue to win the initiative and the allies have to remain expectantly on the watch to detect and, if possible, defeat their moves."

"They estimate that there are 110 German infantry divisions in the west, fifty German and forty Austrian infantry divisions with twenty-three Austro-German cavalry divisions on the Russian front, and twenty Austro-German divisions invading Serbia.

"The Germans continue sending troops from the Russian front to the west, whether they are also transferring some of their heavy artillery, which seems to indicate that for the present they have renounced the hope of obtaining a decision on the Russian front.

"The Russian headquarters regards the Balkans as the most important theatre for the moment and the chief need more perfect co-ordination of strategy by the allied armies is the chief need of the future."

26TH CANNOT HAVE ST. GEORGE GUN

Not of Same Type as Those They Have and There Would be Confusion

It will be remembered that the St. George's society, some weeks ago, cabled nearly 8000 to the War Office, London, to provide a machine gun for use of the army, and intimated a preference that the weapon should be used by the 26th N. B. Battalion, the gift and correspondence was through the Royal Society of St. George, London, who very kindly undertook all the details, and now E. H. Hamilton, the president of St. George's, has received the following letter and enclosure, and while it is regretted that the gun cannot be used by the 26th, it will not doubt be as effective in the hands of some other regiment, and the silver of the donor will show it is the gift of a patriotic St. John society, whose members are justly proud that their efforts individually have met with success.

The Royal Society of St. George, London, 22nd Oct., 1915. Dear Sir:—The enclosed letter from the War Office is self explanatory. I have sent you the desired inscription as per your favor of 28th ult; and in due course will let you know the name of the battalion to which your welcome gift of the Lewis gun has been presented.

You have no occasion to thank me for the very slight service I have been enabled to render in so good a cause. I trust the gun will destroy many Germans. Yours truly, (Sgd) HOWARD RUFF, E. H. HAMILTON, ESQ., President, St. George's Society, St. John, N. B.

War Office, London, S. W. 18th October, 1915. Sir:—With reference to your letter, dated 6th October, 1915, regarding the gift of a Lewis gun, I am directed to inform you that the particulars to be put on the plate are awaited.

I am to say that the 26th Canadian Battalion is already equipped with Colt machine guns, and that as this gun is materially different in design from the Lewis gun, it would only tend to confusion to associate the guns in one unit. In these circumstances it is regretted that the wishes of the donor cannot be carried out. I am to say, however, that the distribution will be placed in the hands of the Field Marshal's Commanding-in-Chief, Expeditionary Force, and you will be notified in due course of the name of the unit to which the gun is issued.

I am, Sir, Your obedient servant, (Sgd) H. GUTHRIE SMITH, Director of Artillery, HOWARD RUFF, ESQ., Hon. Secretary, The Royal Society of St. George, Bloomsbury, W. C.

Not All Settled Yet In Greece

New Premier Says Chamber Will Be Dissolved—War Minister Must Apologise or Venizelos Will Act

Athens, Nov. 9.—A prediction that the chamber of deputies will be dissolved is credited to Premier Skoufoulis by the Patria, which asserts that he is expected when asked whether the ministry would appear before the chamber: "The question is not formally settled yet, but will be voted upon at a meeting of the cabinet this afternoon. I can say, however, that the cabinet will not appear and that the chamber will be dissolved."

The section of the press which supports the cabinet is optimistic in its opinion, stating that the presence of General Yanakitsas in the new ministry, makes it quite impossible for the parliamentary majority to give even a vote of tolerance to the government.

London, Nov. 9.—A Reuter dispatch from Athens, filed yesterday says: "A cabinet meeting was held today, but nothing transpired as to whether the government will accept the proposals of M. Venizelos with a view to avoiding discussion of past and present policy."

"These proposals are either that of Minister of War Yanakitsas expressing regret for the incidents which resulted in the overthrow of the Zaimis ministry, or all the followers of M. Venizelos will absent themselves from the sessions of the chamber, giving a free hand to the other deputies who will constitute a quorum."

FIRE ON THE ROCHAMBEAU IS EXTINGUISHED

Gallant Soldiers in Furious Attack Take Austrian Positions by Assault

Rome, Nov. 9.—The following official statement was issued last night by the Italian general staff: "In the Daone Valley, one of our regiments consisting of three battalions and two light machine gun detachments concealed in the vicinity of Murandino bridge, between Val Daone and the river."

"In the Upper Cordevole our offensive against the formidable rampart of Goldi Iana was crowned with success. Exceptional difficulties of terrain, to which must be added, numerous defensive works, the determined resistance of the enemy, and the severity of the early winter, have not succeeded in arresting the forward march of our brave troops. After an effective artillery preparation, our infantry, by a fast and furious assault, took enemy positions by assault yesterday afternoon, hoisting our colors on the steep summit which rises among the snows to a height of 8,000 feet. We have made up to the present 100 prisoners, four of whom are officers, including the commander's own light infantry (Kaiser-Jaeger). We also took a machine gun, with a great quantity of munitions."

"Along the Isarco front the activity of our artillery continues. We thus captured prisoners, took two small guns, one machine gun, one trench mortar, and a quantity of munitions."

CAPT. W. A. HARRISON BUT SLIGHTLY INJURED In a recent letter to his family, Captain Walter A. Harrison of St. John, N. B., writes that he was slightly wounded in the neck. His men were practicing bomb firing, when one of the bombs exploded prematurely and a fragment struck the captain just below the chin. Fortunately he escaped a serious injury, and is now recovering at the hospital. Captain Harrison, who was a member of the staff of T. H. Eatabrooks Co., Ltd., was attached to the divisional ammunition column, second contingent, which spent last winter in Fredericton.

AMERICANS PROTEST AGAINST GERMAN ACT

Washington, Nov. 9.—Ambassador Gerard at Berlin has been instructed to protest to the German government against detention of the American sailing ship Pass of Baltimore, which, after being seized by a British warship, was captured with the prize crew by a German submarine.

Germany recently ordered the vessel held for prize court proceedings at Hamburg, on the ground that her transfer from Canadian to American registry after the war began, was illegal.

GREECE TO ASK ALLIES FOR FINANCIAL HELP?

Paris, Nov. 9.—The Greek government is reported to have appealed to the allies for further financial assistance. A dispatch from Athens to the Havas News Agency says the government desires to obtain an additional advance of 5,000,000, and that this request is being considered sympathetically.

SUPREME COURT Fredericton, N. B., Nov. 9.—The November sitting of the supreme court opened here this morning with Judges White, Crockett and Grimmer present. J. Clippman Hartley of Woodstock, presented his R. C. commission and was called to the red.

There was only one common motion, that of ex parte St. Onge vs. Doust. Mr. Richards moved for a rule absolute for certiorari and a rule nisi to quash the judgment of the Parish St. Jacques civil court, Madawaska county, Rule nisi. Dr. H. M. Lee of New London, Conn., is here today en route to the Miramichi woods. He has just returned from Newfoundland, where he shot Caribou caribou.

Surprised to Find Son Member of The 52nd

Wm. McIntyre Makes Fourth of Have-lock Street Family in Uniform—Another Family With Three—Today's Local News of War

Included among the ranks of the 52nd battalion is a former St. John man, William McIntyre, and he is being warmly welcomed by friends here. His arrival was a surprise to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph McIntyre of Have-lock street, West St. John, as they did not know of his having enlisted, so that his welcome was all the more hearty.

He has been in Port Arthur with the battalion for about six months. Before joining he was a member of the surveying staff of the Canada Northern Railway.

Three others of the family are in uniform, brothers of his—one at the front Harold with the 26th Battalion, and two in the ranks of the 104th—Herbert and George, one of this city. The parents feel that they have made quite a sacrifice, but are proud of the stand their sons have taken. Letters received from Pte. Harold of the 26th recently told of his being in good health and that he had been in action with the machine gun detachment of that unit.

Recruiting for the Overseas Construction Corps has gone on steadily, and many men have been signed by H. A. Brennan, C.P.R. claims agent, in the King street office. Several of those accepted went to Montreal last night, including Harry Lilley and Fraser Steeves of West St. John; J. E. Moore, W. J. Foster, E. F. Dick, Wallace Brindle, Avid Buote, J. B. Walters, George Clarke, and Ernest Pearson, all of this city, and Stephen Whitehead of Fredericton. Others are waiting final approval.

The members of the 52nd battalion have not yet commenced a programme of daily drill, but are aiding in the equipment of their barracks for the winter. The intention is to have the army as a recreation and administration building with the exhibition building as sleeping quarters. The men say that their quarters are comfortable and satisfactory and they appreciate the efforts of the local people to make them welcome.

Another From Imperial Oil The employees of the plant of the Imperial Oil Co. met yesterday in the office and through J. F. Bullock presented to one of their members, Hugh R. McLean, a pocket Bible and sum of money on his departure to join the 104th. There was deep feeling about the presentation and all believe that Mr. McLean will make one of the truest and best of soldiers. He is the sixth to enlist this fall.

ITALIAN FLAG FLOATS ON PEAK 8000 FEET HIGH

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