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AUSTRIANS CANNOT CHECK ROUMANIAN ADVANCE Kronstadt and Many Villages Fall Into the Hands of Invaders

SEEK TO STAY WOOD POWER DEVELOPMENT

Electrical Development Co. Gives Notice of Suit Against Hon. I. B. Lucas.

HAS SERVED WRITS Attorney-General Treats Attempt to Block Chippewa Work Lightly.

Two writs were served by the Electrical Development Co. of Ontario on Hon. I. B. Lucas yesterday, one upon him as attorney-general of the province, the other upon him as a member of the Hydro-Electric Commission.

Previously steps were taken to secure a site for the power plant at the entrance to the Gulf of Finland.

RUSSIA LAYING MINES AROUND ALAND ISLANDS Mine Fields Will Extend as Far as Swedish Territorial Waters.

LONDON, Aug. 31.—It is announced in a despatch from the British capital, that Russia has ordered mines to be laid around the Aland Islands as far as the Swedish territorial waters.

The Aland Islands are in the Baltic Sea and command the waterway entering the Gulf of Bothnia as well as the entrance to the Gulf of Finland.

WAR SUMMARY THE DAY'S EVENTS REVIEWED

ROMANIA'S invasion of Transylvania is meeting with almost uninterrupted success. Occupation of the important City of Kronstadt, whose evacuation by the enemy was indicated in Vienna's communication Wednesday night, is unofficially reported and a number of villages have fallen into the hands of the invaders, who are stated to be pouring over the border at many points along the whole four hundred mile stretch of the Transylvanian front.

MILITARY MANOEUVRES ON MILITARY DAY



A company of the 169th Battalion giving an exhibition of bayonet fighting while charging one of the model trenches at the Exhibition yesterday afternoon.

SOME PROGRESS MADE BY FRENCH

Slight Advance Reported Near Estrees, South of the Somme.

ARTILLERY IS ACTIVE

German Grenade Attack at Maurepas Wood is Easily Repulsed.

PARIS, Aug. 31.—The French official communication issued this evening reports some progress for the French south of the Somme, near Estrees and Soyecourt, but says that elsewhere along the French front there is nothing important to report.

DEATH FROM NATURAL CAUSES

That John Barrand, aged 70, of 40 Ferner street, came to his death from natural causes was the verdict returned by the jury under Coroner E. H. Sheard at the morgue last night.

PRESS DAY AT THE FAIR.



John: See he e, Stoot, I'm goin' up v' York fair to rattle my tin cans at th' roomal editors what are on show there today in th' bull ring.

ONTARIO BATTALIONS ARRIVE IN ENGLAND

Three From Camp Borden and Two From West Land.

OTTAWA, Aug. 31.—It is officially announced thru the chief press censor's office that the following troops have arrived safely in England:

SIR JOHN EATON ASKED TO OVERSEE RECRUITING

By a Staff Reporter. OTTAWA, Aug. 31.—Sir John Eaton has been offered the position of recruiting officer for the Toronto Military District, under the new registration plan which the government has decided to put in force.

SOLDIER MISSING IS NOW GERMAN PRISONER

Special to The Toronto World. WOODSTOCK, Ont., Aug. 31.—A Woodstock soldier, Pte. John Tomlinson, who left Canada with the 24th Battalion and had previously been reported missing, is now officially reported prisoner in Dinscove camp, Germany.

DINEEN'S THE EXCLUSIVE HATTERS.

Dineen's are the exclusive agents in Toronto for the famous English Hatter, Henry Hays. The new fall styles in men's hats are now on display at Dineen's and the Hays hats are in complete assortment in all the shades in soft felts, as well as hard felts and silks.

ENEMY IS STOPPED BY MACHINE GUNS

Attack Intended in Highwood Vicinity Failed to Develop.

AUGUST CASUALTIES

Four Thousand Officers, Hundred and Twenty Thousand Men.

LONDON, Sept. 1.—The British official statement issued last night reads: "In the vicinity of Highwood today the enemy left his trenches, intending to attack, but was stopped by our machine gun fire. No attack developed."

"There was some minor activity of little importance on both sides about Neville St. Vaast and the Loos salient in the early morning, and also some fairly heavy bombardments in various sections during the day."

"Among the prisoners mentioned in the morning communiqué are eight officers."

"In the operations south of Martinpuich (Somme) reported last night," says the statement issued this afternoon, "two officers and 124 soldiers of other ranks surrendered. They belonged to a Bavarian regiment and their willingness to surrender instead of returning to their lines is interesting."

"We discharged gas over a broad front near Arras, and near Arras-terriere with good results."

EYES OF WORLD ARE TURNED ON BALKANS AND HINDENBURG

Closing of Danube Will Hamper Movement of Munitions and Supplies Between Germany and Turkey—Speculation As to Hindenburg's Plans.

LONDON, Aug. 31, 11 p.m.—The whole interest in the war is now focused on the Balkans and the German Field Marshal Von Hindenburg. Rumanian participation is considered here important not only from the accession of a new fresh army, but from the opportunity it gives the Russian army to extend its base and to co-operate with Rumanian troops on Gallicia and Transylvanian territory practically as one army against the Austrians.

Another important factor is the closing of the Danube, which has been the principal route for the shipment of munitions from Germany to Turkey, and the shipping of supplies to Germany.

Reports differ as to whether the central powers were prepared for Rumanian participation. Official messages assert that Austria-Hungary was prepared for the new development, other despatches to the newspapers say that the central powers were so confident of Rumanian neutrality that they left their boundary very thinly guarded and that they are hurrying reinforcements from every quarter, while the inhabitants are being pacified by the Rumanian advance.

Will Bulgaria Weaken? The possibilities of Bulgaria weakening and of the Greek people forcing the government to mobilize and resist Bulgarian occupation of the territory in Greece so recently won from Turkey have been discussed. King Ferdinand of Bulgaria is visiting Vienna.

ROUMANIAN SWEEP UNSTAYED AUSTRIANS RETREAT IN HASTE

Russ Warships Have Arrived Off Constanza, on Black Sea

More Slav Troops Being Landed at Rumanian Port to Join Forces Marching Thru Dobrudja.

LONDON, Aug. 31, 8.31 p.m.—Russian warships have arrived at Constanza, Rumania, says a Reuter despatch from Petrozoy on the Black Sea. It is the Dobrudja, or eastern section of Rumania.

"BEAT THE MILLION"

Everybody in Toronto has taken up the slogan "Beat the million. Let's go." Yesterday's attendance at the Exhibition was 64,000. Last year it was 61,000. In 1915, the record year, it was 68,000.

RAILROAD STRIKE PRACTICALLY OFF

Belief Grows in Washington That Order Will Be Revoked.

TO PASS LEGISLATION

U. S. Houses Meet Today to Act Before Midnight Saturday.

GENERAL ELECTION IN GREECE SOON

Test of Strength Coming on October Eighth, Says Athens Despatch.

WILL MEAN A DELAY

Venizelos' Demands That Greece Assert Sovereign Rights to Be Issue.

SIR WILFRID'S REFUSAL SETS TONGUES WAGGING

He Declines to Be Present at Laying of Parliament Buildings Cornerstone.

By a Staff Reporter. OTTAWA, Aug. 31.—There is considerable comment here this evening over the refusal of Sir Wilfrid Laurier to attend the ceremony tomorrow of the laying of the cornerstone of the new parliament buildings by the Duke of Connaught. He had been invited to make one of the two speeches arranged for, and the other to be made by Sir Robert Borden.

The letter of the Liberal leader to Hon. Robert Rogers gave no reason for absents himself. He is in the city and in good health.

His action is inexplicable in view of the fact that this will be the last public function in the capital in which the Duke of Connaught will participate.

Inva ders of Transylvania Reported To Have Occupied Kronstadt—Enemy is Falling Back on Almost Four Miles of Front.

LONDON, Aug. 31.—Rumanian forces have made material progress in their drive into Transylvania and have occupied Kronstadt, the chief city, according to advices received tonight. Admission of further retirement of Austro-Hungarian troops on a wide front is made in an official report from Vienna, which claims a Geneva despatch via Paris says: "Fighting has become general over the 40-mile Transylvanian front, according to the correspondents of the Bund and Austro-German headquarters. The Austro-Hungarians, he says, are finding it impossible to hold on to the political boundary and are retreating to the second fortified line of defence."

"It is reported that a council of war will assemble shortly at Vienna, at which Emperor William of Germany, Emperor Francis Joseph of Austria-Hungary and King Ferdinand of Bulgaria will be present."

"Bulgarians, it is also reported, fear that the Russians will make a combined land and sea attack on Varna, a Bulgarian port on the Black Sea."

Well into Transylvania. Rumanian forces which attacked the Austro-Hungarians were repulsed, according to the Austrian war office statement, received here today, says a Berlin report. The Austrians captured positions in the mountains.

"The official report shows that the Rumanians have penetrated well into the interior of Transylvania. The Austrians have fallen back west of Osk Szerecs, 80 miles northeast of Kronstadt, which is six miles over the border. The announcement follows a telegram to the heights east of Herculesfury near Osk Szerecs, near the Iron Gate of the Danube, 15 miles north of Orova, Rumanian attacks were repulsed."

Rumanian troops fighting the Austro-Hungarians took new positions on the heights west of Osk Szerecs. Otherwise there is no change on the Hungarian front.

"On the Russian front the enemy's artillery was more active at various places."

Russians Crossing Rumania. Official announcement was made at Bucharest that Russian troops are passing thru Rumania.

The statement reads: "General mobilization of the Rumanian army began Thursday night, August 24. On the same night Rumanian troops crossed the Austro-Hungarian frontier."

"(This appears to be an erroneous version.) Kronstadt (Centred in the Dobrudja (Black Sea) district, between Russia and Bulgaria), were welcomed enthusiastically by our population."

"Austrian monitors and batteries are firing on the Towns of Orova, Turn Severin and Gurgurov."

Rumanian troops, according to a report received in Paris, have occupied the Bulgarian Town of Ruzhchuk.

Ruzhchuk has a population of about 35,000, and is situated on the Danube opposite the Rumanian Town of Gurgurov.

The wireless Press today gave out a Rome despatch to the effect that Bulgaria has stipulated that she must have the assistance of 200,000 troops as a condition for a declaration of war on her part against Rumania.

A despatch from Rome says: Nine Hungarian towns and villages, including four with populations of more than 5000 and Kronstadt, the most important commercial city of Transylvania, have been captured by the Rumanians in the first three days of a sweeping invasion thru the Transylvanian Alps.

A semi-official statement issued at Vienna and received here from Bern today, admits that the Rumanians are attacking with extraordinary vigor on a 375-mile front. The pressure is strongest at the Hungarian town of Orova, near the Serbian frontier, where Rumanian artillery has ceaselessly bombarded the Hungarian positions since the declaration of war.

The Austrians are hastily evacuating the extreme southeastern corner of Transylvania, the most important of the Villages of Bodza, Calka, Csilyanes and Gyulafava, encountering only feeble resistance. "Pressing westward from these towns, Rumanian troops entered Iloszafalu (a town of 8000 inhabitants), and within a few hours had occupied Kronstadt (a city of 40,000 inhabitants). At the same time other Rumanian forces invaded Transylvania thru the Vitezna Pass, 140 miles west of Kronstadt, capturing the Village of Livzseny, and advanced ten miles into enemy territory, occupying the Town of Petrozoy (about 8500 inhabitants)."

"An official statement from the Austrian war office indicates that the Town of Kozdi-Vasohely, 45 miles north of Kronstadt, and 16 miles inside the Transylvanian frontier, has been captured by the Rumanians."

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