

SERBIA LIKELY TO MAKE CONCESSIONS

Believed She Will Comply With Request of Entente Powers in the Matter of Ceding Territory to Bulgaria—Greece Still Holding Out Against Making Concession to Bulgarian Government.

Paris, Aug. 11.—A despatch to the Journal Des Debats from Rome says: "The general opinion here is that Serbia will answer the communication of the Quadruple Entente Powers by offering to cede territory for a fixed sum, in order to avoid responsibility for the failure of the negotiations with the Balkan States regarding their participation in the war. It is difficult to forecast the decision of Bulgaria, for Greece apparently is refusing to make any concessions to Bulgaria."

OFFICIAL REPORTS

RUSSIA

Petrograd, Aug. 11, via London, August 12.—The following official statement was issued tonight: "On the road to Riga Monday evening our troops successfully repulsed enemy attacks on the Ekau river. In the direction of Jacobstadt (northwest of Dvinsk on the Dvina river) we drove back the Germans from the Schoenberg district. From Dvinsk to Poniewesch we continue to press the retreating enemy, some of whose detachments have been driven with the bayonet from the positions they are defending stubbornly at various points. At Kovno, during Monday night, the Germans renewed persistent attacks on our western works, and continued them Tuesday. In counter-attacks by the garrison three German battalions were almost annihilated. We took 100 prisoners and some machine guns.

"On the road near the Middle Vistula there have been minor engagements. On the road from the Vepz to Lukow and Viadova Tuesday our troops repulsed attacks. Germans advancing from Cholm were driven back towards the Ukerka river. In the district of Vladimir-Volynsky our cavalry pressed the enemy. "On the Dnieper fighting, which began in the region of its confluence with the Stripa continued. The Austrians again employing explosive bullets. Towards evening their attacks stopped."

FRANCE

Paris, Aug. 11.—The following official statement was issued tonight: "In the Artois artillery fighting is reported to have taken place in the sector north of Arras. The bombardment, reported in the previous statement has increased in intensity. A great many asphyxiating shells were used. At daybreak the bombardment was followed by a violent German attack, made by at least three regiments, against our positions between the road of Binerville-Vienne-Le-Chateau and the Houyette ravine.

"In the centre of this sector the Germans succeeded in penetrating our positions, from which, however, they were driven out by our counter-attack during the day. Only a portion of our first line trenches remained in their hands. The prisoners captured by us belong to the Wurttemberg corps. "More to the east, toward the Fontaine-Aux-Charmes (Hornbeams Spring), the enemy made an attack against our trenches, which was completely repulsed. "In the Vosges at Linde and Hilsenfirst, a rather violent cannonading is reported."

TURKEY

Constantinople, Aug. 11.—The following official communication was issued today: "On August 9 we again repulsed an attack by the enemy north of Avburnu, inflicting heavy losses upon them. "More to the north we drove the enemy back by a vigorous attack, making prisoners of four officers and 50 men and capturing two machine guns, a quantity of arms and heliographic and telegraphic apparatus. "Near Avburnu, on our left wing, we captured, by a bayonet attack, part of our trenches which of late had been occupied by the enemy. "At Beddul Bahr we occupied, on the left wing, the greater part of a trench situated in an isolated position between ourselves and the enemy."

AUSTRIA

Vienna, Aug. 11, via London.—The following official communication was issued tonight: "Yesterday the Austro-Hungarian troops which had advanced across the Vipers-River (south-

ODD FELLOWS GIVE MOTOR AMBULANCE

Grand Lodge in Session at Charlottetown Votes to Make Gift to C. A. M. C.

Charlottetown, Aug. 11.—The Maritime Oddfellows spent this afternoon sight-seeing and attending matinee horse races put on for their benefit. At tonight's session of Grand Lodge it was unanimously decided to purchase a motor ambulance for the Canadian A. M. C. at a cost of \$1,500. Many stirring patriotic speeches were given, and after the standing vote the National Anthem and O Canada were sung.

A clergyman from Lunenburg, N. S., of German descent aroused much enthusiasm by declaring that although that country had more German names than any part of eastern Canada, all were loyal Britishers. The mileage and per diem report showed an expenditure of \$1,615, rate being 3 cents and \$2 respectively for two days of session paid to officers members of committees and one representative of each.

P. E. ISLAND SOLDIER DIES IN GERMANY

Charlottetown, Aug. 11.—Frank Currie received a wire today that his brother, John, aged 27, who enlisted in the 17th Battalion at New Glasgow, N. S., was dead in Germany. He was previously reported missing. No particulars have been received. He has a brother also at the front.

east Poland) dislodged the enemy from the region northwest of Kome and continued their pursuit in the northeasterly direction. "Between the Upper Tisamenitza and Bug, where the Russians lately established themselves in Ostrow and Uchruak, the attacks of the allies are proceeding. "Italian war theatre: "Yesterday the artillery fire and other offensive actions on the part of the Italians on the Italian front in the coastal district increased. On the edge of the Dobrodo Plateau strong hostile forces attacked our positions east of Montfalcone, which, however, after bitter fighting, remained in our possession, without exception. The repulsed enemy sustained heavy losses, especially through a flanking artillery fire. "Two attacks against the section of the Plateau Jutting to the west were repulsed by our artillery."

"At the Gorizia bridge-head, Italian attempts near Perma to approach our entrenchments were repulsed by hand grenades. During the darkness attacks were attempted near Sasgora, southeast of Piava, but they miscarried."

SIR ROBERT BORDEN TO BORROW IN ENGLAND?

London, Aug. 11.—Speculation is rife in London. Sir Robert Borden will do some financing for Canada before he leaves England. It is known here that some of the Canadian railroads need assistance, and that this can only be obtained by a loan from the British government. Forty million pounds is mentioned as the requirement. The idea of nationalizing Canadian railroads finds little favor in London, the policy being considered a failure in South Africa and Australia.

Regarding his financial mission Premier Borden refuses to make a statement, but the fact that his stay has been extended beyond what was at first planned lends color to the belief that some important negotiations are pending.

MORE INTERESTING SIDELIGHTS ON HORSE SALES IN KING'S CO. N. S.

Kentville, N. S., Aug. 11.—Samuel Sparrow Selridge of Aylesford and A. B. Harvey of the same place both of whom gave startling testimony at the investigation held in Ottawa by the Public Accounts' Committee into the purchase in Kings county last year of horses for the Canadian contingent, then at Valcartier, were the star witnesses at today's session of the Royal Commission, now engaged here in sifting out these purchases.

A. B. Harvey, who told at Ottawa the historic tale of the horse that in the distant past had been traded for two ducks and a drake, was on the stand for half an hour or more under the examination by John Thompson, K. C., counsel for the government. The "two ducks and a drake," end of Mr. Harvey's story was not drawn out this afternoon, but the Aylesford butcher told enough about the five horses which he had sold at Berwick to make King's County to make clear that some of these animals were absolutely unfit for the service which the government officials purchased them. The most glaring example of this was a horse which he sold at Kingsville to McKay and Chipman, the government buyer and veterinary for ninety dollars. This was the horse which Harvey spoke of before the Public Accounts' Committee as being as old as he (Harvey) was, that is thirty-two years of age.

Another horse was rejected, so he traded him there and then for the aged horse already referred to and sold the horse nine minutes afterwards for ninety dollars and no questions were asked. Before this sale he disposed of a pair of horses for which he had paid respectively eighty-five and seventy-five dollars.

The government officials gave him two hundred for the pair without asking him what he wanted. He had bought these horses the day of the sale from persons unknown and had sold them to the government shortly after at a profit of forty dollars.

Twenty Years Old with a Touch of the Heaves.

Another horse over eighteen years of age also purchased by Harvey the day the government buyers were at Kingsville brought one hundred and thirty dollars, giving Harvey a profit of fifteen dollars.

Selridge testified that the two horses which he himself sold the government were sound, as far as he knew. He corroborated portions of his evidence before the Public Accounts' committee and said that owing to a misunderstanding he had made a mistake then regarding the age of the famed Bobby horse.

Selridge examined by Mr. Stangster counsel for A. Dewitt Foster, ex-M. P., said that he had gone to Ottawa. Asked why he had sold such an animal witness said that he thought that was the kind of horses that was wanted. "If Chipman had wanted a good horse I could have sold him one," said the witness.

WILSON GOES TO CAPITAL TO DISCUSS MEXICAN AFFAIR

Latin-American Diplomats in Conference at Washington Favor Appeal to Mexican Factions Urging Peace Conference of Warring Elements, at Which Government Would be Formed.

New York, Aug. 11.—Secretary of State Lansing assured the Latin-American diplomats who gathered here today to discuss plans for the restoration of peace in Mexico that the United States, in sending battleships to Vera Cruz, intended only to afford protection to foreigners and a place of refuge. The assembled diplomats, representing Brazil, Chile, Argentina, Bolivia, Guatemala and Uruguay, then discussed, with Secretary Lansing, details of the appeal to be issued to the Mexican people, urging a peace conference of all factions, through which a provisional government would be re-established that could be accorded formal recognition.

The conference adjourned late today, after having approved the appeal to the Mexican factions, which will probably be despatched tomorrow, following a conference in Washington of President Wilson and Secretary Lansing.

Denial From Sec. Daniels. Washington, Aug. 11.—Secretary of the Navy Daniels late today denied reports that the Atlantic fleet at Newport, R. I., had been prepared to sail for Mexican waters, but announced that he had ordered the battleships New Hampshire, Connecticut and Louisiana to await further orders in "southern waters."

Wilson Leaves Summer Home For Washington

Cornish, N. H., Aug. 11.—President Wilson left here at three o'clock this afternoon for Washington to confer with officials there on the Mexican situation and other official business. El Paso, Texas, Aug. 11.—Representatives of the foreign mining interests in Villa territory in Juarez today were presented a proposition by General Villa to pay the employees in Villa currency, revoking a recent decree requiring payment in silver.

American Citizens Armed. Brownsville, Texas, Aug. 11.—Practically every American citizen in the three southernmost counties of Texas, Cameron, Hidalgo and Starr, is resting under arms tonight, in fear that the overwhelming Mexican population of the section may break out in a racial fight.

Object To Interference By United States. Washington, Aug. 11.—Tonight Mr. Arredondo made public a message sent to Gen. Carranza by Gen. Candido Aguilar, governor and military commander of Vera Cruz, protesting against interference in Mexican affairs by the United States and Latin-American republics. Similar protests, it was announced, were received from other Carranza adherents.

LIBAU TAKEN BY GERMAN FLEET?

London, Aug. 12.—The German Baltic fleet has occupied Libau, Russia, as a naval base, says the Copenhagen correspondent of the Daily Mail. A large force of experts is working night and day repairing, adapting and fortifying the harbor works. Libau in the province of Courland, was occupied some time ago by German forces. It is about sixty miles by water from the entrance of the Gulf of Riga and about 140 miles by water from the city of Riga.

MUST RAZE MONUMENT TO GRIT WASTE

Victoria Memorial Museum at Ottawa, Built by Liberals at Cost of Million, Will Likely Have to be Torn Down.

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Aug. 11.—The tower of the Victoria Memorial Museum, an immense structure, is to be removed. It is liable to fall at any moment and to save such a disaster the government has called for tenders for its removal. It is probable that the whole building may have to be taken down.

This museum which contains the natural art gallery was built by the Laurier government at a cost of one million dollars, and was completed about six years ago. The foundation is upon sand and no sooner was it finished than cracks began to show in the tower and the walls of the main building. These cracks have been repaired frequently, but the conclusion has been reached after consultation with a prominent New York architect that it is impossible to repair the tower and it must come down. The public have been excluded from the building for some weeks and many of the art and other treasures which it contained have already been removed.

DROWNS WHEN BOAT CAPSIZED; BROTHER SAVED

Toronto, Aug. 11.—Frederick Moyle, of 192 Grace street, 25 years of age, employed as a steno-typist on the Globe, was drowned this afternoon, through the capsizing of a boat in which he was rowing with his brother between Mimico and the Humber. The brother was saved.

showed him to be only ten years of age. Joseph Solman was sure that he had received only \$160 for his horse, though the voucher produced in court said that he had been paid \$165.

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P. 6.—MON.—Another Master Picture **LYRIC THEATRE**

A Contest for Boy Scouts and Girl Guides

Here is quite a new contest, and one in which I trust a great number of scouts will take part. Choose the name of any man who has become famous during the war, and make a sentence, the words of which commence with the letters in his name, in their correct order. Here is an example of what I mean: "Admiral Sturdee"—Seeing Troublesome Underwater Raiders, Drove Everyone Eastward.
I will give a valuable scouting book to the sender of what I consider the best sentence.
Send the scouts' contest coupon, correctly filled in, with your sentence, to Scout Editor, The Standard, St. John, N. B. All attempts must reach this office by August 12th, 1915.

STANDARD COMPETITION
For Boy Scouts and Girl Guides
Full Name
Address
Name of Patrol

BRITISH AUXILIARY CRUISER AT CALLAO.
Callao, Peru, Aug. 11.—The British auxiliary cruiser Gisella arrived here today, by way of Panama, with a cargo of coal. She is awaiting orders from the British consul.

KID THOMAS KNOCKED OUT.
New York, Aug. 11.—In a bout here tonight Harry Thomas, the English lightweight, after flooring Kid Thomas of Brooklyn, twice in the fifth round, knocked him out in the sixth.

MARRIED.
ALWARD GLADSTONE—On August 11, 1915, at the Church of the Holy Trinity, Paris, Ernest Turnbull Alward and Violetta Evelyn, eldest daughter of Albert E. Gladstone of Malmeson, Paris.