

HEAVY DEFEAT FOR BULGARS AT HANDS OF SERBS GREECE ABOUT TO THROW IN LOT WITH THE ALLIES RUSSIANS ARE NOW PASSING THROUGH RUMANIA

SEVERE CHECK FOR BULGARS ALONG MACEDONIAN FRONT; ESTIMATED LOSSES 15,000

(Canadian Press.)

London, Aug. 31.—The fighting is very severe all along the Macedonian front, says an Athens dispatch to the Wireless Press, which adds that the Bulgarian regiments suffered a severe check at the hands of the Serbians on the Entente's left flank, and that the Bulgarian losses are estimated at 15,000.

The Bulgarian regiments, says the dispatch, attacked the Serbians in close formation, after the German style, near Lovozit, and suffered severely. They were compelled to ask for reinforcements from Valbank and Kastoria.

The Serbians appear to be masters of the situation at Gomcheve, says the Athens correspondent, and Bulgarian officers of Rumanian origin who deserted, said the Bulgarians called Gomcheve "another Verdun."

THE BULGAR REPORT.

(Canadian Press.)

Sofia, Aug. 30.—Via London.

Aug. 31.—"There has been no

essential change on the Macedonian

front," says the official statement

issued today by the Bulgarian

war department. "Our troops

who reached and captured the

positions indicated to them are

now consolidating their captures."

"After the defeat inflicted upon

him had broken his offensive the

enemy is contenting himself all

along the front with maintaining

an artillery fire without effect."

"Only to the north of Lake Os-

trovo and in the Delnitsa Valley

has the enemy striven by fruit-

less counter-attacks in the

region of his lost positions to

modify the situation, which has

become precarious for him. All

the attacks were repulsed."

"On Lake Ahinos we sank two

hostile steam launches by artillery

fire."

"The enemy's fleet bombarded

without result the mouth of the

Mista, and an aerial squadron at-

tacked a bridge near the Buk sta-

tion without doing any damage."

GERMANS EXPELLED FROM TRENCHES IN LORRAINE FIGHTING

(Canadian Press.)

Paris, Aug. 31.—News of German troops penetrating the French trenches in Lorraine forest in Lorraine last night but were immediately ejected by a counter-attack, says today's announcement of the war office.

The announcement follows: "The night was calm on the greater part of the front. In Lorraine today, toward the end of the day, the Germans attempted a surprise attack in Farroy forest. They penetrated a portion of one of our trenches, whence they were driven out immediately by our counter-attack."

TRIED TO STOP SHOOTING OF SHEEHY SKEFFINGTON

Lieut. Dobbin Tells of Strange Actions of Bowen-Colthurst.

(Canadian Press.)

Dublin, Aug. 31.—Lieut. Dobbin, who was commander of the guard on the occasion of the shooting of P. Sheehy Skeffington, editor of the Irish Citizen, and two of his companions, in the Dublin rebellion last Easter, testified before the commission of inquiry at the Four Courts today.

The lieutenant said that when Capt. Bowen-Colthurst (who was found guilty but insane at his trial for the shooting) told him he was taking the prisoners from the guardroom to shoot them, he immediately sent Lieut. Wilson to the adjutant to report on the action of Capt. Bowen-Colthurst. Just as Lieut. Wilson returned with an order instructing the captain not to take the prisoners from the guardroom, the witness said he Dobbin heard shots in the yard. Later, going into the yard, he saw the prisoners, who had been shot, lying on the ground.

DUTCH TAKE CHARGE OF DUAL MONARCHY'S AFFAIRS

(Canadian Press.)

The Hague, via London, Aug. 31.—At the request of the Austro-Hungarian Government, the Dutch minister at Bucharest has been authorized to take charge of Austro-Hungarian interests in Rumania.

DISAVOWS ATTACK.

(Canadian Press.)

Washington, D. C., Aug. 31.—Germany, in a note received at the state department today, practically disavows any unfriendly submarine attack on the American steamer Owego several weeks ago, and submits a statement of fact which is expected to close the case. The Owego was fired upon in the fog.

WILSON STILL STRIVING TO HAVE STRIKE CALLED OFF

Not Lost Hope of Winning Over the Brotherhood.

MEN MEET COMMISSION

Leaders of Both Sides Today Present Case to Interstate Body.

(Canadian Press.)

Washington, Aug. 31.—"I have just been keeping in touch with things to see that they keep moving, and they are moving," said President Wilson, as he left the railroad conference with congressional leaders.

Congressman Adamson, chairman

of the House interstate commerce

committee, said:

"We will pass the 8-hour bill, in-

troduced today in the House, tomor-

row. That will include the provision

for an investigation of the effect of

the 8-hour day on the railroads. That,

we believe, will prevent the strike."

Following the conference, the

president returned to the White

House.

(Canadian Press.)

Washington, Aug. 31.—While Congress got down to work today, President Wilson's legislative program to prevent the railway strike, the president himself renewed his efforts to get brotherhood leaders to recall their strike order and at the same time took steps to hurry Congress along.

He summoned the brotherhood leaders

to the White House for 2 o'clock and

made arrangements to go to the Cap-

itol to confer with administration lead-

ers there.

(Canadian Press.)

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Representing the case were B. Gar-

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THE WEATHER

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.

Following were the highest and lowest

temperatures recorded in London during

the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last

night: Highest, 78; lowest, 55.

The official temperatures for the 12

hours previous to 8 a.m. today were:

Highest, 63; lowest, 45.

TOMORROW—COOLER.

Toronto, Aug. 31.—

Forecasts.

Winds, increased to fresh and strong

breezes southerly, shifting to westerly

and northwesterly; fair today; showers

tonight and early on Friday, then

cooler.

Temperatures.

The following were the highest and

lowest temperatures during the 24 hours

previous to 8 a.m. today:

Stations. High. Low. Weather.

Victoria..... 62 50 Clear

Calgary..... 78 54 Cloudy

Winnipeg..... 66 48 Fair

Port Arthur..... 68 50 Cloudy

Parry Sound..... 72 44 Fair

Port Stanley..... 75 48 Clear

Buffalo..... 70 48 Clear

Toronto..... 74 58 Clear

Kingston..... 76 46 Fair

Ottawa..... 70 52 Fair

Montreal..... 68 46 Clear

Quebec..... 64 52 Cloudy

Father Point..... 64 54 Clear

Weather Notes.

A shallow depression which was over

Saskatchewan yesterday morning now

covers Lake Superior, while a cool wave

has moved into the western provinces

from the northward. Showers have been

almost general from Alberta to Lake

Superior, also in the Province of Que-

bec.

Ferdinand Sends Message to Troops

(Canadian Press.)

Bucharest, Aug. 31.—Via London.—King Ferdinand has issued the

following order of the day, addressed to his army:

"I have called upon you, who are stout-hearted and full of hope. The spirits of the great Rumanian chieftains, Michael the Brave and Stephen the Great, interred in the provinces you are about to deliver, exhort you to victories worthy of them, and of our heroic and victorious allies."

"Terrific fighting awaits you, but you will endure its rigors as did your ancestors. In future ages the entire race will bless and glorify you."

GREECE ABOUT TO DROP POLICY OF NEUTRALITY AND JOIN THE ENTENTE

Rapid Developments Expected at Athens That Will Bring Actively Into the War on Side of Allies Within a Few Hours' Time.

(Canadian Press.)

Athens, Aug. 30, via London, Aug. 31, 1:33 p.m.

—Rapid developments in the diplomatic situation here

today make it appear that within 48 hours Greece will

have abandoned the policy of neutrality in the war.

King Constantine will receive the French minister

tomorrow (Thursday), and the Russian and British

ministers shortly afterward.

All staff officers on leave have been recalled for

active service.

ROBLIN TRIAL IS CLOSE TO FINISH; CROWN IS THROUGH

Defence Asks for Dismissal of Case Which Is Refused.

ADDRESS JURY TODAY

Cameron, Who Designed the Caissons, Last Man on Stand.

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SAY ALD. PALMER BARRED BECAUSE OF THE CHARGES

Municipal Legal Authorities Give This Opinion.

MAYOR WILL NOT ACT

Has Been Informed of Facts, However, Says Toronto Dispatch.

(Canadian Press.)

What is regarded locally as a most important issue in connection with the aldermanic legal fight that followed the fight between Ald. W. A. Wilson and Ald. Palmer in the council chamber on August 11 has been brought up in Toronto. A special dispatch to The Advertiser declares that authorities on municipal legal problems, now attending the Ontario Municipal Convention in the Queen City, say that so long as the charges laid against Palmer by Wilson are over Ald. Palmer's head he cannot act in the council.

If this statement is correct, it puts an

entirely different complexion on the case

here. By demanding jury trial, Ald. Palmer

was believed to have safeguarded

himself against the possibility of being

charged with assault with intent to

do bodily harm, it meant his sus-

pension from the council if the case

were proved. Common assault would

not come under the same heading, and a

conviction on such a charge would have

no effect on his council seat.

The fight was informally discussed at

the Toronto convention today, and is

being eagerly followed by the press.

Mayor Stevenson, it is claimed, has

been informed of legal opinion that

Ald. Palmer is not entitled to a seat

while even charged with a felony, but he

will take no action in the matter.

Intense Shelling Fails

TO BUDGE ITALIANS

(Canadian Press.)

Rome, Aug. 31.—Via London, 4:30 p.m.

—An intense artillery fire was directed

by the Austrians yesterday against the

new positions of the Italians on Monte

Carli, possession of which threatens

the Austrian communications. The of-

ficial announcement of today says that

the communications between the Ital-

ians continue to consolidate their position.

"In the Upper Polesia and Astico val-

leys small attacks by the enemy were

repulsed," the statement says.

"Yesterday the artillery of all calibres

concentrated an intense fire on our new

positions on Monte Carli, which com-

mands the Polesia valley and threatens

the communications between Cavale and

the Upper Avisio. Our troops, how-

ever, continue to consolidate the posi-

tion."

Prohibition Defeated

IN YUKON TERRITORY

(Canadian Press.)

Vancouver, Aug. 31.—Scanty in-

formation so far available is to the ef-

fect that prohibition was defeated by

Yukon yesterday by a majority of 60

votes, still to be heard from.

Czar's Troops Officially Reported Now Passing Through Rumania; Allies All Ready For Big Squeeze

EAST LONDON BOY
OF 70TH REPORTED
"KILLED IN ACTION"

Advertiser Illustration.

—Photo by George Henry.

PTE. JOSEPH MICHAEL WALSH,

who was on Wednesday reported killed

in action on August 25, Pte. Walsh

had been in the front trenches but a

short time. He was one of the best-

known and best-liked East Londoners,

who crossed with Lieut.-Col. R. I. Tow-

ers in the 76th Battalion, Pte. Leo

Walsh, a younger brother, was with

him in the trenches.

Official Report

OF ENEMY RECORDS

MINOR ENCOUNTERS

Repulses on All Fronts Claimed

by Berlin War Office.

(Canadian Press.)

Berlin, Aug. 31.—Via London, 4:40

p.m.—The official statement issued to-

day by the German war headquarters

staff regarding the western front says:

"Western theatre: In the sector ex-

tending on both sides of Arras, the

enemy developed lively artillery ac-

tivity. His reconnoitering detachments

which advanced after strong artillery

bombardment in surprise attacks were

repulsed.

"Near Rocquigny, north of Arras, a

German patrol took a number of pris-

oners in the British trenches.

"Recounting military operations on

the eastern front, the official statement

issued today by the German army gen-

eral staff says:

"Eastern theatre: To the west of Riga,

at the bridgehead of Divinsk, in the

Stockholm, southeast of Kovol,

southwest of Lutsk and in a few sectors

of the army of Gen. Count Von Both-

mer, lively artillery battles are taking

place.

"In the Carpathians we captured 1 of-

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