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BULGARIAN PORTS BOMBARDED BY WARSHIPS OF THE ALLIES

Russians Achieve Further Successes in the Caucasus

Petrograd Official Statement Tells of Defeat of Turkish Army in the Vinicity of Erzerum---Some Discussion in Germany Over a Separate Peace With Belgium---Conflicting News From Montenegro.

LONDON, Jan. 22.-The Balkans continue to take precedence in the war news, both Montenegro and Greece being points of notable interest.

The situation in each is somewhat clouded by paucity of direct news, and decidedly conflicting such advices as are received.

Further reports regarding the resumption of hostilities between Montenegro and Austria following a rejection of peace terms by the former, are lacking, and there is small disposition in Teutonic quarters even to admit that there has been any break in the negotiations. A Berlin despatch early today, however, quoted a Cologne newspaper as con- FORD PEACE PARTY ceding that obstacles had arisen during the negotiations and that there had been refusal of a part of the Montenegrin army to lay dawn its arms.

Russians are Reported to be Driving the Turks Before Them in the Caucasus Campaign

Despatches late last night from Petrograd claimed further successes for the Russians against the Turks in the Caucasus campaign, the Russian official statement declaring that the Turkish army in the vicinity of Erzerum had been defeated and was retreating precipitately in the direction of the Erzerum forts.

There is discussion in Germany of a separate peace between Germany and Belgium, and a London despatch quotes an influential Frank- be permitted to cross Germany. fort newspaper as suggesting that Belgium ought not to wait too long before taking the subject up, as Belgium, which until now has been considered as an object of exchange by the German Chancellor, would come to be consiedred a good prize.

FLEET OF SIXTEEN ALLIED WARSHIPS

NORWEGIAN TOWN HAS BOMBARDED THE BULGARIAN COAST

PARIS, Jan. 21.—A despatch from Milan to the Temps says

AVIATION CRISIS IN FRANCE ENDED. Paris, Jan. 21. — What has been alluded to in certain of the French newspapers as the "aviation crisis," was ended to-

day by a reassuring statement made by Aristide Briand, the French Premier, in the Cham-ber of Deputies. At the opening session sev-eral deputies asked the government to fix a date for discus-sion of the aviation question. Premier Briand, in reply, says Premier Briand, in reply, says that a complete explanation had already been given to the committee of the Chamber hav-ing this matter under its con-sideration. He said that the whole question had been made the object of much exaggera-tion, and that M. Beanard, the Under Secretary of State, who has charge of military aviation, has been doing his entire duty. The Premier then appealed to the Chamber of Deputies to abandon the projected discus-sion in the interests of nation-al defence, and this was agreed al defence, and this was agreed

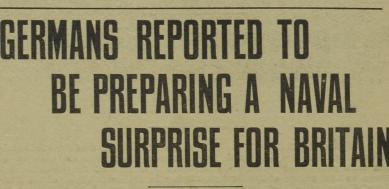
TO CROSS GERMANY

The Hague, via London, Jan. 22 .-About one-half of the American mempers of the F ord Peace Expedition who remained at The Hague departed yesterday for Copenhagen on their way to Stockholm. The party will travel through Germany. Included among those in the party

were Mme. Rosika Schwimmer, Louis P. Lochner and the office staff, totaling 25.

Assurances were given to Madame Schwimmer and Mr. Lochner by the German minister that the party would However, there is a remote possibility that they will be turned back by the military authorities.

SERBIANS CHARGED



ONE CENT PER COPY

London Daily News Claims That They Are Arming New Bettleships With 17 Inch Guns---Separate Peace With Belgian Hinted At.

LONDON, Jan. 22 .- The Daily News gives prominence to an article suggesting that the Germans are preparing a naval surprise for Great Britain. The article says the Germans ard arming their new battleships with 17-inch guns. The Daily News adds that it is believed the shells thrown into Dunkirk some time ago were fired by 17-inch naval guns. The Daily Mail asesrts that it knows "upon the highest authority" that the statement made by the Daily News regarding the 17-inch naval guns is true.

The writer of the Daily News article expresses fear that the British will be caught napping. He recalls that Germany and Austria concealed the overwhelming powers of the howitzers which demolished the Belgian and Russian fortresses. Experts of the Allied nations had pooh-poohed them, but the experts were proved to be wrong. The writer asks anxiously whether Britain has an effective answer to the German 17-inch guns. He infers that the new German battleship Hindenburg is armed with the guns and expressed the conviction that there is a reasonable probability, if not a certainty, that sooner or later a German battleship squadron armed with 17-inch guns will appear in the North Sea.

'It is obvious," he adds, "that the Hindenberg, armed with 17-inch guns, will outclass an Invincible (the modern British battleship type) armed with smaller guns, as absolutely as the Invincible outclassed Admiral Von Spee's fleet off the Falkland Islands.

GERMAN NEWSPAPER HINTS AT A SEPARATE PEACE FOR THE BELGIANS

LONDON, Jan. 22.-An Amsterdam despatch to the Ex-

that the squadron of sixteen warships of the Allies on Wednesday last bombarded the port of Lagos, the Bulgarian seaport on the Aegean Sea near the Greek border. It shelled the military barracks and railway station at Dedeagatch and destroyed a military train. The despatch adds that among the attacking vessels was the Italian cruiser Piemonte.

MONTENEGRIN POSITION IS UNTENABLE

A Wail et Despair from King Nicholas

-Thinks Allies Should Come

to the Rescue.

NEGOTIATIONS GOING ON.

Reports Say a Portion of King Nich olas' Army Refused to Lay Down Arms.

Berlin, via London, Jan. 22.-The

Paris, Jan. 22.- "My situation has Italian reports regarding the with- ania. It has many historic associa become untenable," said King Nicho- drawal on the part of King Nicholas tions and conducts a trade in timber las to the Journal's' correspondent at of Montenegro from all negotiations Cettinje on January 6. "I am fighting for Peace with Austria are to say the in numbers to my troops, who are paper adds that it is a fact that obhave not eaten for five days. What tions and that a portion of the Monte can I do under such conditions? negrin army has refused to lay down "If the Allies do not come to our arms, but the negotiations are still in

rescue, if their fleets do not attack the progress. Austrian army from behind, I do not know what is to become of us."

"But your Majesty is getting provisions?

"Yes, the French fleet, while it had the direction of operations, supplied us admirably, but for some time we have been getting hardly anything. San Giovanni di Medua is not sufficiently protected, the Austrians sink ships bringing the indispensable food. Again, yesterday hte steamer Brindisi, bringing 400 recruits and 300 tons of wheat, was sunk.

"What is to be done? Tell your peonot be able to hold out."

This despatch was filed at Cettinje now arises in Albania. To Monteneuntil yesterday.

MONTENEGRO'S ATTITUDE.

Italian Papers Say Allies Will Be Responsible if Little Kingdom Fares Badly.

Rome, Jan. 21.-The Italian news papers show a disposition to put full in saving four hundred lives in less credence in the declarations regarding the new attitude of Montengro. lel. The Corriere d'Italia says that the Allies must be prepared to accept the responsibility for the grave conse quences that would ensue if the little kingdom should now fare badly and in ple if food is not sent at once I will any case they must accept the re sponsibility for the new problem that

by the Journal's correspondent on the gro, adds the newspaper, honor is due, numerous errors.

Copenhagen, Jan. 22, via London .to ashes and it is threatened with entire destruction. Nearly 2,000 people No casualties have are homeless. been reported.

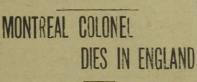
DESTROYED BY FIRE

An earlier despatch announced that the fire was started at Molde on Jan. 21. and consumed the central part of the town, and that the flames were being fanned by a high gale.

Molde is a small seaport on the Bay Volke Zeitung of Cologne says that the of Molde, to the southwest of Christi and fish

ARABIC'S SKIPPER

Liverpool, Jan. 22 .- The Government has presented a piece of plate to Capt. Wm. Finch, commander of the White Star steamer Arabic, which was sunk by a German submarine on August 19 last. The Mayor of Liverpool, the American consul and Admiral Stileman participated in the pre-Admiral Stileman in a sentation. speech said that Captain Finch's feat than ten minutes was without paral-



Montreal, Jan. 22 .- The death of Col. H. B. Yates of Montreal was an-6th of January, but did not reach Paris while the Allies owe reparation for nounced in a cable received here this morning.

the trial has begun at Banyluka, in Bosnia-Herzegovina, of 156 Serbians. The Norwegian town of Molde was The men are charged with high treastill burning at midnight. The great- son and the crown attorney demands er part of it has already been reduced the death penalty for all the prisoners except a few minors.

Paris, Jan. 22 .- A despatch to the

Havas Agency from Geneva says that

WITH HIGH TREASON

them 335 children.

"The trial is being conducted be hind closed doors," says the despatch

STOCK MARKET

New York.

American Car Foundry American Smelting ... 1043% Anaconda Baltimore and Ohio 947/8 California Pete crucible Steel Erie . Maxwell Common Mexican Petroleum 115 Northern Pacific 97 3/4 Canada War Loan bonds Studebaker . Union Pacific 154 1365

United States Steel Westinghouse

Montreal.

224 493 974 361/2 Steel Co. of Canada

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WEEK END MARKET.

s follows Potatoes, per bbl., \$2.75 to \$3.00. Pork per lb., 13c. to 14c. Beef, per lb., 9c. to 10c. Eggs per doz. 40c. Hay per ton, \$11 to \$15. Butter, per 1b., 36c.

change Telegraph Company states that the Frankfurter Zeitung, discussing the possibility of a separate peace between Germany and Belgium, says that as long as Belgium has not signed the London agreement regarding the making of a separate peace, she is free to do as her interests demand. The According to the despatch 112 of the newspaper is quoted as adding that Belgium until now has men are married and have among been considered by the German chancellor as an object of exchange, and that sensible Belgians ought to be told not to wait too long or Belgium will be considered a good prize. The Amsterdam despatch says this article has caused a sensation in Germany and that it is believed to have been inspired from official sources.

ITALIAN NEWSPAPERS ARE SKEPTICAL OVER **KING NICHOLAS' DEFENCE OF SCUTARI**

ROME, Jan. 22, via Paris.-The decision of King Nicholas to defend Scutari meets with skepticism in the Italian press. It is affirmed that a secret treaty assuring Austria of the possession of Lovcen was negotiated in June, 1914, when the Montenegrins occupied Scutari. The capture of Lovcen was carefully arranged behind the backs of the Montenegrin general staff, and only a small force was sent to defend it, says the Idea Nazionale, and plentiful provisions which had been sent by Italy were allowed to rot at San Giovanni di Medua, so as to prove to the Montenegrin people the need of a separate peace.

VIENNA,, via London, Jan. 22.-The Kreuz Zeitung says that peace negotiations will only begin after the disarming of the Montengrins is completed. Reliable news that the disarming is proceeding quickly and without difficulty has been received here, but it is expected that some time will elapse before it is completed.

Lost a Valuable Cargo.

Liverpool, Jan. 22 .- The newspap-The country market today was fair- ers, in discussing the seizure of the ly well attended. Hay was offered in large quantities, but other produce was not over-abundant. Prices ruled steamer Stockholm, publish a report that pails supposed to contain 500 tons of lard really contained copper ingots, tween the ages of 50 and 55 years will while exceedingly heavy parcel post do service only for six weeks continupackages contained a large quantity ously and then only in districts outof rubber.

Berlin, Jan. 22 (via wireless to Sayville) .- The Austrian government, in order to replace territorials sent to the front, according to the Overseas News Agency, has issued a decree fixing the age limit for the course of the war at 55 years. Those who are beside of the war zone

St. Paul

Ames

Scotia

Canada Car Cement....

Dominion Iron.