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MILITARY EVENTS IN THE BALKANS IN A TRANSITORY STAGE; BRITISH CASUALTIES SINCE WAR BEGAN NOW NUMBER 510,230

MUCH SPECULATION OVER KAISER'S VISIT

Austrians and Bulgarians Said to be Fighting Over the Division of Serbian Territory—Francis Joseph Desirous of Securing a Separate Peace—Teutonic Forces Have Crossed the Montenegro Frontier—Attitude of Roumania uncertain.

London, Dec. 1—Emperor William's visit to Vienna, which coincided with the resignation of three of the Austrian cabinet ministers, is the chief cause of much speculation. The two events are variously assumed to be connected with the reported effort of Germany to force Austria into a German sovereign, a desire of Emperor Franz Joseph to secure a separate peace through the intervention of Pope Benedict, and a rumored dispute between Austria and Bulgaria over the division of Serbian territory.

There naturally is no authoritative basis for any of these reports, beyond statements in the German newspapers that Emperor William's visit was one of the highest importance. Meantime, the operations in the Balkans and the movements of the armies of the central powers—Germany, Bulgaria, and Austria—continue with unabated energy. Like armies of the central powers, Germany, Bulgaria, and Austria, continue with unabated energy. Like armies of the central powers, Germany, Bulgaria, and Austria, continue with unabated energy.

Monastir was still in the hands of the Serbians until late Monday night and no official news that there has been any change there has been received since.

MONTENEGRO INVADIED

Austria, with the assistance of some German troops, continues her operations against Montenegro, the frontier of which has been crossed, but not without considerable opposition from the Montenegrins, who are masters in mountain warfare, and who have been joined by some portions of the Serbian armies which succeeded in escaping from the invaders of their country.

Battles are now being fought in that part of the Sanjako of Uvri Pazar which was taken by Montenegro after the Balkan war. The Austro-Germans are advancing south from Stenica, and across the frontier from Priepolje. In the north the Montenegrins claim to have defeated the Austrians in the region of Potcha, Bosnia. It is expected, however, that the Austro-Germans have provided sufficient forces to make sure of a successful campaign, as they did in the case of Serbia.

In southeastern Serbia, where the British, French and Serbians hold strong positions, the snow still prevents any movements of importance. No news has been received of the Austrians and Germans who proceeded to Rustchuk, on the Danube river, to co-operate with the Bulgarians and Turks to oppose a possible Russian invasion through Roumania.

QUESTION UNSETTLED

The attitude of Roumania is still uncertain. The latest reports say that she, like Greece, is trying to remain neutral, but with two belligerent armies on her borders, this it is believed, may prove difficult.

Greece, in her reply to the latest note of the Entente Allies, insists upon the maintenance of her neutrality and independence, and a final settlement of the points at issue between the Hellenic Kingdom and the Entente Powers is not yet in sight. Greece objects, according to despatches from Athens, to the evacuation of Saloniki by her troops.

the handing over of the railway to the Entente Allies, and the holding by the navies of the Entente Powers of her coastal waters to circumvent the activities of German submarines. The Italians continue their offensive along the Isonzo river. On the other fronts comparative calm prevails.

MONTENEGRIN VICTORY

Paris, Dec. 1—"Our troops on Nov. 23 attacked and defeated the Austrians in the region of Potcha, Bosnia," says an official Montenegrin communication received here today. "The enemy retired in disorder towards Gorzada. The situation on the other fronts is unchanged."

Petrograd, Dec. 1—The following official communication was issued today:

There is no change in the situation on the western (Russian) front. "In the Caucasus, south of Lake Van, the Turks, after two days of fighting near the village of Varkou is, were dislodged from two fortified positions and retired precipitately in a westerly direction, pursued by our troops."

SERBIAN CAMPAIGN ENDED

Berlin, via Sayville, Dec. 1—An official report given out at the Bulgarian army headquarters under date of November 29, says:

"Bulgarian troops after a short and decisive engagement took Prizrend and made prisoners between sixteen and seventeen hundred Serbians. They also captured fifty field cannon and howitzers, 20,000 rifles, one hundred and forty-eight automobiles and a large amount of war material. The material. The number of prisoners continues to increase.

"King Peter and the Russian minister to Serbia, Troubetsky, on the afternoon of November 28 left on horseback for an unknown destination without any other companions. "The battle of Prizrend where the remnants of the Serbian army were made prisoners will probably end the Serbian campaign."

THE LIBEL CASE.

Application to amend the defendants' pleadings in the case of E. S. Carter vs. The Standard Limited, was to have been made before Registrar T. C. Allen today, but at the request of Mr. R. B. Hanson, who is acting for the defendant, a postponement was made.

THE STOCK MARKET.

The stock market showed some weakness today, most of the issues showing a tendency to sag. C.P.R. sold at 182½, Crucible at 71, U.S. at 85, Union at 138½, Reading at 80½, Pennsylvania at 59½, Smelters at 97, Car at 98, Bridge at 228½, Iron at 46½, Detroit at 68, Scotia at 98½, and Steel of Canada at 41.

FUNERAL TOMORROW AFTERNOON

The funeral of the late Isaiah Phillips, who met his death yesterday morning at Marysville by being struck by the I.R.C. train, will take place Friday afternoon at two o'clock from the Brunswick Street Baptist church. Rev. A. F. Newcomb will conduct the service.

FOUR SENATE VACANCIES ARE FILLED

Ottawa, Dec. 1—Four of the twelve senate vacancies were filled by the government today by the appointment of two new senators from Ontario, one from Quebec and one from Prince Edward Island.

Hon. Dr. Sproule, speaker of the commons and next to Sir Wilfrid Laurier, the only member of the lower chamber who can boast of over thirty years continuous membership in the house, has been translated to the senate.

John Milne, the well known iron and steel manufacturer of Hamilton is the other new Ontario senator.

In Quebec, the vacancy caused by the death of the late Senator DeBoucherville is filled by the appointment of M. C. P. Beaudin, K. C., of Montreal, a well known Conservative lawyer, who was mentioned some weeks ago as a candidate for the federal cabinet in succession to Hon. Louis Coderre.

In Prince Edward Island, one of the two vacancies there is filled by the appointment of Hon. John McLean, a former member of the Matheson government and twice the Conservative candidate in King's county for the commons.

The appointment of Hon. Dr. Sproule to the senate, after continuous membership for Dufferin since 1878, will necessitate the election of a new speaker for the balance of the parliamentary term. It is probable that Richard Blain, member for Peel, will be given a long deferred promotion and be elected to the speakership when parliament opens next month. W. S. Middlebro (North Grey), and J. E. Armstrong (East Lambton), are also aspirants, but Mr. Blaine is the senior member in point of length of membership, and is one of the "old guards," his claims cannot very well be passed over. Mr. Serfegny, the present deputy speaker, may want to move up, but Quebec's turn for the speakership does not come until next parliament.

There are still three Ontario vacancies in the senate to be filled. Senator Milne takes the place of the late Senator Wm. Gibson, from the Hamilton district. Hon. Dr. Sproule may be considered as representing one of the seats held by the late Senators Jaffray, Cox, and Sir George Ross, of Toronto. The vacancy caused by the death of the late Senator Coffey, of London, will probably be filled by the appointment of a man from western Ontario.

Other vacancies are those caused by the retirement of Hon. William Macdonald, of Victoria (B. C.) and of Hon. A. A. Macdonald, of Charlottetown (P. E. I.); by the deaths of Senators McKay, of Truro (N. S.), Kinscholler, of Brandon, Robertson, of P. E. Island and by the appointment of Senator McKen to be lieutenant-governor of Nova Scotia.

When all the senate vacancies are filled there will be a Liberal majority of ten in the upper chamber.

KNIGHTS AS HOSTS.

The members of the 36th Battery and 104th Regiment belonging to the Knights of Pythias were pleasantly entertained by the local Knights at Castle Hall last evening. During an intermission light refreshments were served. The program was as follows:

Opening address by Chancellor Commander.
Madolin solo by Noel Barbour.
Banjo solo by C. D. Holder.
Vocal solo by Prof. Smith.
Vocal solo by F. L. Cooper.
Selection by quartette composed of Cooper, Holder, Dryden and McLean.
Reading by W. A. Walsh.
Scotch reading by Mr. Kesson.

REPORTED TO BATTERY.

Lieut. E. J. Vickery of the 29th Field Battery, Yarmouth, who has been on duty guarding Barrington Passage wireless station, reported to the 36th Field Battery, C.E.F., here last night, being attached for instruction and duty.

Paris, Dec. 2—Artillery duels have occurred in the vicinities of Brettincourt in the Artois region, Frishefay in the Somme district and Tahure in Champagne, today's official communique reported.

London, Dec. 2—Great Britain's killed, wounded and missing since the war began, number 510,230 Premier Asquith informed parliament today. The British steamships Colenso and Orange Prince has been sunk by submarines. The Colenso's crew landed today.

London, Dec. 2—Concerning the fate of those on the Orange Prince nothing yet is made public.

THE BALKAN SITUATION

London, Dec. 2—Military events in the Balkans are apparently in a transitory stage which may preface another German offensive, but whether it will be made against the Franco-British troops or against the Russians should they launch an attack against Bulgaria from the east, the present situation gives no indication.

CAMPAIGN IS COMPLETED

London, Dec. 2—With Prirend in Bulgarian hands both the Austro-Germans and the Bulgarians have formally announced the completion of their Serbian campaign.

FIGHTING IN MONTENEGRO

London, Dec. 2—The Germans are now engaging the Montenegrins on the Montenegrin frontier and at heavy cost have penetrated some distance beyond the border. There is no change on the eastern front reported today.

SWEDISH STEAMER SUNK

London, Dec. 2—Sinking of the Swedish steamship Zabrine in the North Sea by a German submarine is reported in a despatch from Copenhagen to the Exchange Telegraph Company.

The crew of the Zabrine, which was carrying coal from Scotland to Halmstad, Sweden, was taken to Emden.

London, Dec. 2—A despatch to Reuter's Telegraph Company from Malta says: "The lifeboats containing the full crew of the British steamer Malmiche have reached harbor."

RUSSIANS ARE MOVING

London, Dec. 2—Despatches to the Italian newspapers which have been retransmitted to London report Russian successes in Bukowina.

The Corriere D'Italia's Bucharest correspondent even asserts that the Russians have captured Czernowitz, capital of Bukowina, after four days of fighting. The reports have not been confirmed from any source.