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## BALKANS TO ENTER THE WAR

### All Are Expected to Join the Fight in May.

### Action Only Awaits Russia's Victory in Carpathians.

### RUMANIA AND ITALY TOGETHER

### Partition of Austria and Turkey Is End Sought.

### Bulgaria Has Been Wavering Until Recently.

[By Henry Wood.]  
Nish, April 12.—By the middle of May all the Balkan states may again be plunged into war for the third time in less than four years.  
This is the information I have obtained from some of the leading political authorities of Serbia and Greece. Greece, Bulgaria and Rumania as well as Italy, they hold, must inevitably be drawn into the conflict if the war continues much longer. With equal certitude they declare that all four countries will enter on the side of the allies. A decisive victory for the Russians in the present Carpathian fighting may set the ball rolling.  
The Balkan states have two ends they feel they must at some time attain. One is the expulsion for all time of the Turks from Europe and the division among themselves of what remains of European Turkey. The other is to wrest from Austria the provinces of Bukovina and Transylvania. Rumania and Italy, according to reports in diplomatic circles here, will enter the war simultaneously. For six months a secret agreement to that effect.

## FIGHTING IN NORTH

### Another Battle in Progress for Possession of Ossowetz.

### Bombardment of the Fortress by Howitzers Is Begun.

London, April 13.—The German attack on the Russian forces in the north near the Prussian frontier has been resumed and another battle is in progress for the possession of the important Russian fortress of Ossowetz. The abandonment of the former siege of this fortress was interpreted in Petrograd as indicating that the Germans had given up their attempt to break through the Russian line of defenses and advance on Warsaw from the north but it is now said semi-officially, at the Russian capital, that the invaders have brought up howitzers and begun a new bombardment. One of the German siege batteries is said to have been damaged badly by the Russian guns.  
Five independent Austrian armies are operating along the Carpathian front. Petrograd newspapers publish semi-official details concerning this campaign to the effect that the various Austrian armies are in the possession of the German general staff. It is said also that Emperor William personally is supervising the work of the staff.  
In Bukovina heavy fighting is in progress, according to a Bucharest dispatch to Paris. Of two Austrian armored trains which were destroyed against the Russians yesterday, one is said to have been blown up and the other forced to withdraw after being damaged.  
The highest German authority in Rome has denied reports that Germany is considering peace negotiations. From this source comes the statement that the German general staff has made plans for resumption of the offensive with fresh vigor.  
The Italian military authorities have ordered army officers to dull the metal on their uniforms and scabbards. This is described as a measure usually adopted on the eve of war.

## NAME CARL MOORE.

### Kinsley Man Succeeds W. P. Feder as Utilities Secretary.

The public utilities commission today announced the appointment of Carl Moore of Kinsley as secretary of the commission to succeed W. P. Feder. The appointment was made effective May 1.  
Moore is well known in Seventh district republican circles. He was chairman of the Textile Recorders' committee last year and also served at the head of the congressional committee. He was appointed by the commission over a long list of applicants.  
Feder, who retires May 1, is also a seventh district man and was formerly editor of the Barton County Democrat. He has served as secretary of the commission since April, 1913. The retirement of Commissioner Cable placed the commission in control of the Republicans and Feder is the first employee to walk the plank as a result of the change in political complexion of the commission. This is the first important political change in the state since the legislature passed the joke civil service law.

## PUT UNDER ARREST.

### President of St. Louis Board of Aldermen in Trouble.

St. Louis, April 13.—A. H. Frederick, president-elect of the board of aldermen of St. Louis, was placed under arrest today at the direction of Circuit Attorney Harvey. The arrest was made as a result of developments at the grand jury investigation into Frederick's affairs, which began yesterday.

## WAR BREAD IN 1870, TOO.

Berlin, April 13.—"War bread" is no new thing in this war. One of the exhibits in the "Bismarck Museum" in the Schoenhausen Castle, Schoenhausen, where Bismarck lived is a loaf of French bread that was baked in Paris during the siege in 1870. It consists of materials unlike those now being used, however, for it is made of French rice ordinarily used for starch and oat straw. The loaf was brought to Germany as a keepsake by a German artilleryman and sent to Bismarck on the latter's 80th birthday.

## SEA RUSHES IN

### Collapse of Galleries in the Ube Coal Mine

### Causes the Death of 300 Miners by Drowning.

Tokio, April 13.—Three hundred persons are reported drowned in the collapse of undersea galleries in the

## BULLETS TEAR CROSS AWAY; LEAVE FIGURE



This remarkable photograph, taken by Prince William of Hohenzollern, reigning prince in Germany, shows what strange pranks bullets may sometimes play. The bullets flew around this crucifix in the war zone. While the figure of Christ escaped the cross was shot away.

## DYESTUFFS SCARCE.

### Cotton Manufacturers Will Try to Find a Way Out.

Memphis, April 13.—Difficulties presented by the European war and the scarcity of dyestuffs are expected to form the most important topics of discussion at the annual convention of the American Cotton Manufacturers' association which convened here today. The convention will be in session two days.  
The program for today's business session included the address of the president, T. I. Hickman, of Augusta, Ga., an address by Frank Nasmith, editor of the Textile Recorder of Manchester, England, on the possible increased use of electrical and pneumatic forces in textile machinery and general discussions of business efficiency in connection with cotton mill management and the dyestuff situation. Action on the so-called Duke warehouse plan, deferred from the meeting last year, probably will be taken tomorrow. Officers will be elected at the final session.

## WEATHER FORECAST FOR KANSAS.

### Generally fair tonight and Wednesday; moderate temperature.

## KANSAS WAITING FOR WARM SUN

### Government Crop Report, First of Season, Optimistic.

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## WHEAT WAS NEVER BETTER

### Most Favorable Reports From Many Parts of State.

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