

BULGARS FORCE STARVED SERBS FROM MONASTIR

Hungry and Half-Frozen, Defenders of Stronghold, No Match for Invaders

TEUTON DASH ON DANUBE

GENEVA, Dec. 3.—Count Goluchowski, ex-Foreign Minister of Austria, is in Athens on a diplomatic mission, says the Tribune. It is reported that he is trying to secure a promise from King Constantine that the Allies shall not be allowed to land any more troops at Salonica.

SALONICA, Dec. 3.—Austro-German troops entered Monastir on Thursday afternoon, according to dispatches from the Greek town of Florina, near the Serbian frontier. The Bulgarians operating southeast of Monastir, in the region of Kenali, planned to enter Monastir today, the dispatches asserted. It was stated that only the Austrian flag was hoisted in Monastir.

LONDON, Dec. 3. A force of starved, half-frozen Serbians, better described as ghosts than men, tried to defend Monastir, but stood no show before the well-equipped Bulgarians. The following dispatch from Milan describing the final effort of the Serbs to save Monastir was received today by the Corriere della Sera: "Six thousand starved Serbians marched for 17 days to the defense of the town, but were quickly thrown out. On two occasions the men had to march for two days without food. Although beaten, they refused to give in, but struggled against the snow and rain to avoid surrender. Hundreds fell exhausted and were left by their companions to die of hunger and cold. It was a group of ghosts that entered Monastir. They were fit only for the hospital. As the Bulgarians approached Monastir the starved and panic-stricken inhabitants fled. The last train left Monastir Monday. Afterward word was received of fighting, and then all communication was cut off."

"Victorious engagements against isolated Serbian detachments southwest of Mitrovitza occurred yesterday," says a Trench official War Office report from Berlin. "We captured 1300 Serbians." The Berlin official statement fails to contain reports from Greek sources that the Teutons have captured Monastir. A Reuter dispatch from Salonica says that Russian troops have entered Bulgaria.

The German General Staff is hurrying an army through Bulgaria to the Danube frontier of Rumania, according to unconfirmed reports. This field must be strongly defended. Berlin believes, in view of expected Russian aggression in Rumania or that nation's declaration for the Allies. The menace is immediate, according to a report that the Russians have crossed the Rumanian border and are marching through that country to Bulgaria. While this lacks confirmation, another report says the Rumanians are diverting their Besarabian army toward Galicia.

SERBS ENTERING GREECE. Imminent retreat of the hard-pressed forces in southwestern Serbia through Greek territory is expected to force the hand of Greece in the negotiations now being carried on at Athens regarding the attitude of the Hellenic Government toward the Allies.

While the remnant of the Serbian southern army is maintaining a desperate resistance to the Bulgarian onslaught near Monastir, it is learned in dispatches from Salonica that the forces further to the west are about to cross the frontier into Greece in an effort to effect a junction with the allied line on the Vardar, the center of which rests on Ghevelli. This would at once raise the issue which has been the crucial point of the diplomatic dealings between Greece and the Allies.

The latest unofficial reports regarding the present status of these negotiations lead to the belief that this eventuality has been fully discussed and that when the frontier has actually been crossed by Serb forces Greece will accept the situation as a "fait accompli" and permit her territory to become a base for extended operations of the Serbs and the allied armies.

ADVANCE IN MONTENEGRO. The Teutonic southwestern sweep in northeastern Montenegro is continuing. The German War Office reported today the capture by the Austrians of the towns of Plevlje and Jabuka, both a few miles west of the Montenegrin frontier, and the occupation of Holjenic (presumably the Poljenic plain).

The Montenegrins, aided by the Serbs, driven over the frontier by the armies of the Central Powers and their Bulgarian allies, are offering desperate resistance, facilitated by the mountainous country, while the increasing rigidity of the weather and snowfall are hampering the invaders.

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ULTIMATUM BY "SHOOTERS"

Insist on Naming Half of Board of Parade Judges. The Federation of New Year Associations issued an ultimatum today demanding the privilege of choosing half of the board of judges of the New Year's parade. The "shooters" have yielded in all points of the controversy but this, and declare that unless they are successful in dealing with Councils' committee in charge of the celebration they will march in New York, Wilmington or some other city.

French Guns Halt German Assault. British Artillery Smashes Teuton Positions in Four Days' Bombardment. Considerable activity is reported from the Artois district. The only infantry attack, attempted by a German detachment north of Les Clayes Chemins, was stopped by the French guns and the detachment was dispersed. The sectors of Loos, the Bois-en-Hache and Angres were shelled on both sides and Artois again was shelled by the Germans.

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Berlin, Dec. 3.—Two hostile monitors shelled German positions at Westende, on the Belgian coast, without effect, yesterday, it was officially stated this afternoon. "French outposts near Lombardvde were surprised by our troops and several prisoners taken," said the official report. "West of Rouen, a French platoon was brought down by our guns and two officers made prisoners."

PLEA FOR BELGIAN SOLDIERS. Funds Needed to Send Them Christmas Cheer. An appeal for the "Help-the-Belgian-Soldiers Fund" of Princess Clementine, Napoleon, of Belgium, first cousin of King Albert, has been launched through Paul Hagemans, the Belgian Consul General, whose address is 687 Woodbine avenue.

75,000 Waiters Want More Pay. NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—Following the lead of union organizers of Chicago, 75,000 employees of New York hotels and restaurants are preparing to levy demands for higher wages and shorter hours, it was learned today. If their demands are refused the hotel employees plan to walk out just before New Year's eve.

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JUMP IN STEEL PRICES MAY MAKE NAVY YARDS BATTLESHIP BUILDERS

Bids Indicate Increase of 40 Per Cent., Department Officials at Washington Assert. LEAGUE ISLAND LEADS. WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—When bids were opened at the Navy Department today on steel for the two new battleships, contracts for which have not been awarded, officials of the Bureau of Construction and Repair asserted that it was evident the prices were 40 per cent. higher than they were one year ago, when bids were opened for steel for the California.

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MOTHER KILLED; WHO WILL FEED CHILDREN?

No Food, No Fuel in Home Left by Woman Who Fell Downstairs. The wooden planks of the floors at 259 Amber street are bare, because the carpets were ripped up to be sold to buy food for the children. Their mother fell downstairs in the little house last Monday. The three children heard the crash and ran out to find her struggling at the foot of the stairs. But she could not get up. As she was carried out to the ambulance she said, "What will become of these children? Who will feed them?"

Nobody did feed them with anything that can be called real food while she lay dying in the Philadelphia Hospital, turning over in her mind plans to get the family on its feet again. Her husband, a hard-working and willing man, Joseph Frata, had been hit by the lack of dyestuffs, which threw him out of his job. His wife, who was 33 years old, and in no condition to work, having been a sufferer for a year or more, wondered what could be done and kept asking the nurses in the hospital what could be done. Then she died.

Last night the body of Mary Frata was carried into the house, home from the hospital again. The men who carried the body had to get it down in a room which was bare of furniture, of carpets, of pictures, of anything but the coffin, which rested on the floor in the middle of the room. The children, scared, kept away. Frata broke down. His 7-year-old mother told the men from the hospital that there was no coal and no food for the children.

Mrs. M. W. Ketchum, who is known for her charitable acts in Kensington, heard of the case and said it was one of the worst she ever saw. She told an undertaker about it, John Conner, of 355 Frankford avenue, and he promptly offered to bury the woman without charge. The children are Sophia, 12 years old; Anna, 7, and Caroline 7 months old. The baby is seriously ill. They have not had sufficient clothing to go to school.

CHRISTMAS TREES SCARCE. Thousands Are on Sale, but Fewer Are Here Than Usual. Forty-eight carloads of Christmas trees have arrived in the freight yards at 18th street and Allegheny avenue. Never during the last 10 years has there been such a small number of trees in these yards so late in the year. There were 60 cars in the yards last year and in 1913 there were nearly a hundred.

The trees, which number 28,800, come from Vermont and New Hampshire. Some have arrived from Canada. The prices are high. A Camden firm bought 50 of the trees for \$70.

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ITALIANS REPULSE AUSTRIAN ATTACKS

Teutons Make Counter-Assaults on Foe's New Positions South of Gorizia. ROME, Dec. 3. Heavy storms along the Austro-Italian front are rendering military operations difficult, according to the official report sent from army headquarters under date of December 2. It announces, however, that the Austrians, now strongly reinforced, attempted by surprise attacks to capture new Italian positions on the northern slope of Monte San Michele, but were repulsed.

Against our Monte Piano positions at the bridgehead in the Reinz valley the enemy developed an unsuccessful artillery action without any infantry attack," said the official report. "Along the Isonzo front heavy storms, accompanied by a thick fog, hindered artillery and other military operations yesterday. Nevertheless, the enemy attempted surprise attacks against our new positions east of Oslavia and along the northern slope of Monte San Michele. He was everywhere repulsed. "Some small raids by our infantry resulted in the capture of some prisoners and a machine gun on Monte Orati."

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