

TEUTONS OCCUPY IPEK; OUTFLANK FRENCH IN SERBIA

Capture of Important City Gives Control of Eastern Montenegro

BULGARS CIRCLE ALLIES

BERLIN, Dec. 7. Simultaneously with the announcement that the Montenegrin town of Ipek had been captured, the German War Office stated today that the French troops in southern Serbia had been forced to retreat.

The French forces have been outflanked, and their withdrawal was made necessary by threats of envelopment.

By capturing Ipek the Teuton forces have established themselves firmly in eastern Montenegro. Ipek is 21 miles from Scutari, where the Serbian Government is now located.

The following report from the General Staff was issued at the War Office: "Balkan theatre of war: Ipek has been reached. The prisoners brought in during yesterday's fighting number 1250."

"The French have been compelled to give up their position in the salient formed by the Cerina and Vardar Rivers owing to threatened envelopment."

"Fierce fighting in northeastern Montenegro and a sudden assault by the Bulgarians against the right wing of the French army marked the renewal of important actions in the Balkans today."

The city of Ipek is the largest city in eastern Montenegro.

After holding the enemy in check for 48 hours by valiant resistance, the Serbs and Montenegrins are reported to retreat, assailed on their right flank by bands of Albanians.

Whether the Bulgarian onslaughts against the French mark the beginning of an effort to throw the Allies back to Salonica it is too early to determine. Lack of definite information regarding the position of Field Marshal Mackensen's main army adds to the anxiety felt in some quarters over the position of the Anglo-French forces. Mackensen, it is believed, may be preparing to hammer the expeditionary forces back across the Greek border in one mighty smash.

The Bulgarian attack was preceded by violent bombardment of the French positions near Valandovo. The infantry onslaughts were launched Sunday night. The result of the fighting is in doubt.

RUMANIA BARS FOREIGN NAVIGATION OF DANUBE

PARIS, Dec. 7. It is reported that Rumania has decided to stop all foreign navigation on the Danube and the river runs through Rumanian soil, as a measure of self-protection.

The Montenegrin Government, fearing complete subjugation of the country, is sending its treasure to Italy for safe keeping.

The success of the Austro-German campaign in northern Serbia and Montenegro and the reverses inflicted upon the Anglo-French troops by the Bulgarians have had marked influence upon the Greek Government and King Constantine.

Scalded Babe Dies

A 3-year-old child who fell into a wash boiler filled with scalding water died at the Polytechnic Hospital last night. She is Elizabeth Patton, of 25 Christian street. The accident occurred when the girl's mother was in the yard hanging out clothes.

THE WEATHER

Official Forecast WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 7. For eastern Pennsylvania and New Jersey: Partly cloudy tonight and Wednesday; not much change in temperature; light variable winds. Cloudy and moderately cold weather has prevailed throughout the northeastern portion of the country during the last 24 hours, while generally clear weather and freezing temperatures are reported from the southeastern States, excepting Florida. A disturbance on the Texas coast and one over Manitoba are united by a cooperative troughlike depression. The Southern disturbance has caused moderately heavy rains over Texas, while the Northern one has been attended by snow flurries.

U. S. Weather Bureau Bulletin

Table with columns for Station, Time, Wind, and Weather. Lists various cities and their weather conditions.

PICCOLE AVANZATE SUL CARSO DA PARTE DELLA FANTERIA ITALIANA

La Rumania Impedisce Che l'Austria Attacchi dal Fiume le Forze Russe Concentrate a Reni

RINFORZI AGLI ALLEATI

ROMA, 7 Dicembre. Il Ministero della Guerra pubblica oggi sul rapporto del generale Cadorna: "Nella zona del Carso brevi ma audaci avanzate ci hanno dato alcuni vantaggi, grazie al valore della nostra fanteria."

"Azioni di artiglieria si sono avute su tutto il fronte nonostante il cattivo tempo e le condizioni atmosferiche poco favorevoli."

"La nostra artiglieria ha distrutto alcuni ripari nemici nella Carnia ed ha disperso reparti di truppe austriache nella valle del Seebach, mentre le batterie nemiche hanno fatto qualche danno a Paulara e Montebelluna."

"I distaccamenti nemici, favoriti dalla nebbia, tentarono di forzare le nostre linee in vari punti, ma furono respinti, e nella zona di Glomba furono contrattaccati dalle nostre forze e messi in fuga."

NET ITALICANI

La situazione balcanica si fa di nuovo interessante per causa della Rumania. Un dispaccio da Bucarest dice infatti che il governo rumeno, allo scopo di impedire un attacco degli austriaci contro le forze russe concentrate nella Bessarabia, ha deciso di chiudere a tutti i vapori esteri quella parte del Danubio che e' esclusamente rumena.

"Questa azione e' stata causata dal fatto che i montenegrini che si trovano nel porto di Rumania bulgari di Rutenick si preparavano a partire per bombardare a Reni le truppe russe concentrate. Per recarsi a Reni i montenegrini avrebbero dovuto passare per il tratto del Danubio che e' esclusivamente rumeno."

Nell'interesse tempo si apprende che lo zar di Russia ha al nuovo telegrafo al re di Serbia promettendo un'azione militare russa nei Balcani a breve scadenza.

Si apprende pure che gli alleati operanti nei Balcani sono stati notevolmente rinforzati.

IL PAPA E LA SUA LIBERTÀ

"A Roma si sta tenendo un concistoro al quale partecipano anche alcuni cardinali francesi e tedeschi, fatto questo che ha fatto sorgere voci di possibili trattative di pace, voci che sono smentite da dichiarazioni avute in tutti i paesi partecipanti alla guerra. Invece il papa ha parlato al concistoro per far sentire ancora i suoi lamenti per la mancanza di libertà, come se invece, di essere in un'epoca di democrazia e di lotte per il principio di nazionalità si fosse ancora al tempo del terzo impero. Il papa ha detto:

"Seguendo l'esempio dei nostri predecessori non abbiamo dimenticato che la nostra posizione di pontefice romano sia tale da non permetterci di usare di fatto quella piena libertà che e' assolutamente necessaria al governo della chiesa. Ma chi e' che non vede questo reso ancora più evidente dalle circostanze attuali?"

"Certamente coloro che governano l'Italia non mancano di buone intenzioni per eliminare gli inconvenienti, ma e' chiaramente dimostrato che la posizione del pontefice dipende dalle autorità civili. Con un cambiamento di uomini o di circostanze questa posizione potrebbe divenire negativa."

"Noi ci limiteremo ad osservare che alcuni ambasciatori e ministri accreditati presso di noi dai loro sovrani furono costretti a partire per proteggere la loro dignità personale e le prerogative del loro ufficio, ciò che significa per la Santa Sede una riduzione del suo potere e del suo diritto e l'indebolimento di una garanzia necessaria, eguali privazioni dei migliori e più ordinari mezzi di comunicazione con i governi esteri. A questo riguardo dobbiamo richiamare l'attenzione al fatto che tra le nazioni in guerra sorse il sospetto che noi, per forza di circostanze, ci lasciammo guidare nel trattare gli affari delle nazioni in contesa dai suggerimenti di coloro che potevano giungere fino a noi col vivo della loro voce."

Il papa aveva dimenticato che probabilmente la partenza degli ambasciatori teutonici accreditati presso il Vaticano era una furba mossa dei loro governi per creare una situazione equivoca al Vaticano e per discreditarlo il governo italiano presso i cattolici dei paesi neutri.

SMENTITE ITALIANE

Intanto a questa accusa del papa il governo italiano ha dovuto dare una smentita, dimostrando che gli inviati teutonici presso il Vaticano non avevano subito alcuna restrizione nell'adempimento dei loro doveri diplomatici. Il comunicato governativo dice:

"Il governo italiano diede ampie garanzie per la protezione dell'azione diplomatica dei rappresentanti diplomatici degli imper centrali presso il Vaticano e questi desiderarono Roma di loro propria volontà."

Tutti i giornali commentando l'allocuzione del papa la definiscono almeno inopportuna, e ricordano e difendono la legge delle garanzie."

Britain Bars Logwood Exports

JAMAICA, Dec. 7.—The Government, on instructions from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, has prohibited the export of logwood, except to Great Britain.

SECRET SERVICE NET CLOSES ON ARMS PLOTTERS

Austrian Arrested, Explosives Seized in New York. Lamar Fomented Strikes

BERLIN BACKED HUERTA

NEW YORK, Dec. 7. A continuous series of investigations, indictments and trials of alleged pro-German propagandists, in the Government's war against the campaign of strikes, violence and violations of American neutrality, was promised here today by Federal officials. Numerous free aboard steamships leaving American ports are believed to be accounted for with the indictment of "Lieutenant" Robert Fay and his associates. Strikes are now being taken up and munition factory fire probes will follow.

Labor's national peace council, of which Congressman Frank Buchanan, of Illinois, for a time was head, is now admitted to be under investigation. The associates of Anton F. Mente, 24-year-old Austrian, arrested yesterday in his "bomb studio," are to be sought. The Government will lay special stress on numerous mysterious strikes in American plants in presenting evidence involving the labor council. David Lamar, the "wolf of Wall street," and Franz von Hintelten are named by the Government as leaders in the strike crusade. Von Hintelten is now in prison in England.

According to District Attorney Marshall the principal work of the organization was the fomenting of strikes. He charged that the tie-ups were financed by the Imperial German funds, distributed in the United States by a series of German and American agents. Samuel Gompers, Marshall said, disapproved the labor council's plans. Gompers was expected today to be served with a subpoena to tell the grand jury what he knows of the relation of the labor council to a series of sudden and costly strikes in American industrial plants.

Indictments were looked for today or tomorrow.

The Grand Jury began its activities on the arrival in New York of C. H. Canale and William F. Kramer, of Chicago, labor leaders, in response to Government subpoenas. The men, it is understood, are anxious to inform the grand jury what they have learned of the efforts by German sympathizers to stop the output of munitions and supplies for the Allies.

San Luis Obispo Wireless Closed

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 7.—The wireless station at San Luis Obispo, which has been in operation here for some time, has been closed by the Western Union Telegraph Company.

\$100,000 IN GIFTS FOR WIDENER SERVANTS

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for the servants and was distributed by the young Mr. Widener to the publisher around the postoffice and the barber shop and the stores at Ogontz, where the servants do their shopping and chatting, has crystallized into several conclusions, in spite of the secrecy to which the servants are said to have been sworn.

100,000 FOR SERVANTS?

Seventy-five thousand dollars went to the servants on the big estate, Ogontz citizens assert, and the remainder to employees of the Land Title Building. Only those at Lynwood Hill in the service of the late financier himself were included, and no term of service was too brief to make a footman or a maid ineligible for a gift. There were 40 on the late Mr. Widener's personal payroll and all were remembered.

The largest amount went to Charles Cook, Mr. Widener's valet, the employe who was closest to the dead philanthropist in the last 14 years of his life. Village gossip has established that \$2,000 and his salary for life was the reward of his service.

"Lucky Charley!" they say at the barbershop. "He's a gentleman of leisure himself now, with nothing to do but walk 'cross country with his dog."

"All I can say is that I've been very handsomely remembered," says Cook. Several years ago his employer presented him with a comfortable home at Elkton Park.

"Bill" Cosgrove, general "hand man" on the estate, who entered Mr. Widener's employ 25 years ago, and to whom is entrusted the getting of the mail and shopping, received a check for \$1000, they say. So did his brother "Steve," one of the night watchmen, and Thomas Cavanaugh and Barney Kelly, who helped guard the treasures of the estate during the night.

Henry Langevin, who came from France seven years ago to become Mr. Widener's personal chauffeur, received—quo vobiscum? No one will say; not he, at least. But that it was a fat sum no one can deny—perhaps 10,000 or 15,000 francs.

WOMEN EMPLOYEES REMEMBERED

Of the women employes, Hilma Quist, parlor maid, received perhaps as much as any other female servant, basing calculations on length of service. She recently put \$1000 in the bank, the villagers say authoritatively. Mrs. W. L. Urub, the housekeeper of the spacious mansion, who distributed the gifts among the women under her, was remembered generously. Other female servants who wipe away a tear as they recall the death which swelled their savings are Mary Hutton, Louisa Osten, Margaret Quist, Hilma's sister, Margaret Matthews and Anne Cloverstone, all chambermaids.

Two of the servants, dandy, faithful servants, bow their heads with gratitude. They are Jenny Laws, a chambermaid, who was Mrs. Widener's personal attendant while her mistress lived, and William Johnson, caretaker of the gallery at Lynwood Hill which houses the \$2,000,000 Widener art collection. Both of them have served the Widener family for years and are all that remain of the train of servants who cared for the Widener home when it was on Broad street. That

"Ad" Men Hold "Pepper Night"

Advertising men got together last night at the Poor Richard Club for what they term a "Pepper Night." There were 45 representatives from all agencies. They are working up the "pep" necessary for the success of the Associated Advertising Clubs of the World's convention, to be held here next June.

Birds Carry Matches; Churches Burn

MARLBOROUGH, N. Y., Dec. 7.—A loss of close to \$50,000 occurred here early today, when the Methodist church was burned to the ground and the belfry of the Episcopal church was consumed by fire. It is believed that birds, which were nesting carried matches into the Methodist church tower and ignited them.

GREEK PRESS "TEUTONIZED"

Charged That One Section Has Been Subsidized

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 7.—There is a considerable section of the Greek press that has been subsidized by German interests, while there are other journals that are sincerely anxious to have Greek neutrality maintained at any price.

One Greek paper is quoted as saying: "Germany conquered Deligium at the price of her soldiers' blood. The Allies want to conquer Greece without spilling a drop of tears."

Trolley Company to Invoke the Courts

WILKES-BARRE, Pa., Dec. 7.—T. A. Wright, general manager of the Wilkes-Barre Railroad Company, the lines of which have been tied up by a strike for the last eight weeks, announced this afternoon that the company would go into the courts of Luzerne County with the view of forcing striking carmen back to their posts.

Barnato's Son to Wed American

LONDON, Dec. 7.—A marriage has been arranged between Second Lieutenant Woolf Joel Barnato, of the Royal Field Artillery, and Miss Dorothy MacLaud Falk, of White Plains, N. Y. Lieutenant Barnato is the son of the late Barney Barnato, the famous South African millionaire.

LEAVE FOR RIVERS CONGRESS

Philadelphia Delegates Go to Washington Meeting

Philadelphia delegates to the National Rivers and Harbors Congress, which meets in Washington tomorrow, left today. Among them were J. K. W. Holton, president of the Maritime Exchange; George B. Bartol, president of the Board of Trade; George W. Fernald, secretary of the Commissioners of State; Emil P. Albrecht, secretary of the Bourse; Captain John P. Vidler, president of the Pilots' Association; John Meigs, Director Department of Wharves, Docks and Ferries; E. H. Sharwood, secretary of the Maritime Exchange, and Dr. Robert M. Keely.

Advertisement for Library Bureau. Text: 'Getting 100% out of modern methods'. Machine speed and legibility applied to the Library Bureau card ledger give high-power efficiency. The card ledger long ago proved its superiority over all other methods of keeping accounts, reducing the time and lessening the labor. Now comes the machine to do the posting and adding, taking the remaining drudgery out of the job and giving the guarantee of absolute accuracy in the results. There are large and small posting machines, according to the size and needs of a man's business. Likewise, there are large and small L. B. card ledgers—especially adapted to the posting machine. If you adopt mechanical posting, adopt the L. B. card ledger. That will give you 100 per cent on modern methods. Our new catalog, 'The L. B. Card Ledger for Mechanical Posting,' is free. Library Bureau Manufacturing distributors of Card and filing systems. Unit cabinets in wood and steel. M. W. MONTGOMERY, Manager 910 Chestnut st., Philadelphia. Image: A man sitting at a desk with a typewriter and a woman standing by.

Advertisement for The Rosenbach Galleries. Text: 'There is always something New to be seen at The Rosenbach Galleries'. When you are in the vicinity of Broad and Walnut Streets stroll through our galleries and look for the things that a few weeks before were shown for the first time in Europe. The newest "creations" of the masters abroad are always exhibited here the first time in America. The Rosenbach Galleries 1320 Walnut Street Christmas Cards and Calendars. Image: A framed picture of a gallery interior.

Advertisement for S. Kind & Sons. Text: 'Diamonds For Christmas Gifts'. Our stock offers probably the widest assortment for selection in this city; yet every diamond is of a uniform, fine quality. We are direct importers, make our own mountings, and our prices are as low as is consistent with high standards. For example—Diamond Rings from \$9.00 to \$1900.00. Diamond La Vallieres \$35.00 to 2250.00. Diamond Brooches... 25.00 to 2100.00. Diamond Bar Pins... 30.00 to 900.00. Diamond Bracelets... 12.00 to 725.00. Diamond Scarf Pins... 25.00 to 1000.00. Our new catalogue contains 20,000 photographic illustrations of the best in Diamonds, Watches, Jewelry and Silverware, all accurately described and priced. A copy is yours, free for the asking. S. Kind & Sons Diamond Merchants Jewelers-Silversmiths 1110 Chestnut Street Closing Hour Six o'Clock Until Christmas. Image: A diamond ring.

Advertisement for The Supplee Alderney Dairy. Text: 'Blending milk raises the price'. Milk is cheapened, the price remains the same. So when you buy blended milk, you receive less milk value for money expended. The nutrient is reduced, either through adding skimmed milk or by taking out cream. The price is therefore raised through selling an inferior product for the price of pure milk. The extra profit is taken out of the customer's pocket without the customer's knowledge or consent. The customer has no opportunity to protest or complain, because the practice is a secret one. There is no test that you can apply that will protect you from the blending milk dealer. The dealer who blends adroitly accomplishes a raise in price. In some cities, in addition to raising the price, the dealers resort to blending in order to secure still another profit. The practice will eventually prevail if the dealer who blends meets no obstruction. Supplee milk is not blended. The Supplee Alderney Dairy Milk-Cream-Ice Cream Eight Gold Medals. Image: A large letter 'S' with 'Eight Gold Medals' written vertically.

Advertisement for H&M. Text: 'Human nature is exacting in its demands for the right kind of clothes'. We recognize that patience is more than virtue in tailoring—it is a necessity. And it is our unvarying rule to pay particular attention to satisfying the most minute details of our customers' wants. HUGHES & MÜLLER 1527 WALNUT ST. ESTABLISHED 1918. Image: A man in a suit standing next to a woman in a dress.

Advertisement for JACOBS BOOKS. Text: 'Social Stationery'. Now for a December book business which will break all records. Our services, our store, and our stock will contribute to this end. A healthy optimism permeates each salesperson who is anxious to serve you. Let us demonstrate our fitness for service. "MEET ME AT JACOBS". JACOBS 1628 FOR BOOKS CHESTNUT STREET. Image: A stack of books.

Advertisement for Xmas Greens. Text: 'Orders booked now for Holly Wreaths, Mistletoe, Laurel and Immortelles. A large assortment of immortal novelties, such as Bells, Wreaths, Strings and Stars. Delivery made on any specified date. Send for price list. MICHELL'S SEED HOUSE 518 MARKET ST. Image: A wreath.

Advertisement for Abbotts Milk. Text: 'If you want milk that is much richer and cleaner than ordinary milk, have ABBOTT'S "A" MILK served at your home. Cleanliness and food value unequalled. Abbotts Milk has daily bacteriological tests in the country. It is the ideal milk for children. Abbotts Alderney Dairies 51st & Chestnut Sts. "What do you know about the milk YOU'RE using?" Image: A glass of milk.

Advertisement for Hardwick & Magee Co. Text: 'Just to Remind You how USEFUL, BEAUTIFUL PERMANENT, APPROPRIATE are our Nationally approved RUGS As Timely Xmas Suggestions'. A wonderful assortment of beautiful designs and colorings of Rugs from which you may readily choose. In our Oriental Rug Department you may find numberless gems, than which, for Xmas, nothing is finer. Hardwick & Magee Co. 1220-1222 Market Street. Image: A large, ornate rug.