

Greek Torpedo Boat Blows Up Warship

Daring Act of Hellenes in Harbor of Saloniki

ISLAM SOLDIERS IN SAVAGE RAGE KILL VILLAGERS

Reports of Terrible Atrocities in Slaying of Christians in Towns of Epirus

slopes of the Istrandia mountains in Thrace, it undoubtedly will be reckoned among the world's great struggles.

Almost uninterrupted for four days and three nights, the battle has proceeded, the moon having afforded sufficient light at night for the armies to continue their fierce onslaughts. Turk and Bulgarian are locked in a grapple which will be broken only by the decisive defeat of one or the other.

The dearth of news from the front Wednesday and Thursday had given rise to a feeling of despondency, and sensational rumors of Turkish reverses gained currency. Official reports today proved these rumors to be unfounded.

Telegrams from various sources gave favorable accounts of the military situation. The Turkish forces were reported not merely to have been holding their own, but to have effected an important advance which was threatening the Bulgarian rear. If this Turkish column joins hands with the garrison at Adrianople the Bulgarian army will be practically surrounded and its position desperate.

It is alleged that, realizing the gravity of the situation, the Bulgarian commanders have withdrawn the army from Kustendje and the evening before Adrianople and that these troops are being hurried to support the center of the main Bulgarian army.

THOUSANDS OF WOUNDED

Some idea of the desperate nature of the fighting is gathered from the fact that more than 8,000 wounded soldiers arrived in Constantinople tonight from the front. Fortunately, a majority of the bullets drilled clean holes in their victims, and these will heal rapidly.

Indignation and surprise were expressed here today over the fact that a Greek torpedo boat had succeeded in entering the harbor of Saloniki despite the mines and heavily armed forts, and had blown up the Turkish battleship Feth-I-Bulend. The commander of the Pera is being called to account for permitting this incursion.

The movement of troops to the front continues. A battalion of Kurdish and Albanian volunteers marched through the streets of Pera this evening on their way to the railway station. The men were cheered and appeared to be in the best of spirits.

STEPS TO CHECK MASSACRES

As a result of a meeting Thursday of the heads of the diplomatic mission to consider the situation in Constantinople, the Austro-Hungarian ambassador and dean of the diplomatic corps today visited Noradughlian Effendi, the foreign minister, and called his attention to the necessity of adequate measures to maintain order in the city.

Among the measures the government has in mind in event of further Turkish reverses is the dispatch of an army division to stop all fugitive soldiers between Thessalonica and Constantinople. The city at present is tranquil, business is proceeding as usual, though the keenest interest is being taken in the military drama in the Thracian hills.

GREEK TORPEDO SINKS WARSHIP

ATHENS, Greece, Nov. 1.—The Turkish battleship Feth-I-Bulend was sunk last night in the gulf of Saloniki by a Greek torpedo boat. The Greek commander's daring enterprise was carried out under the guns of the Turkish forts without being observed and the torpedo boat escaped unscathed.

Lieutenant Vothis, commander of the torpedo boat that last night sank the Turkish battleship Feth-I-Bulend at Saloniki, today issued the following report of the incident to the government: "The forts of Karabun were flashing their searchlights unceasingly between the estuary of the Vardar river, and the mouth of the Vardar river, but I passed safely in. Making full steam for Saloniki I arrived at 11:29 o'clock in the evening.

I discovered a Turkish cruiser at the left extremity of a pier. At the right extremity there were other vessels, including a Russian war ship. I maneuvered cautiously and escaped detection and launched a torpedo at a distance of 150 meters from the starboard side of the vessel. Then springing slightly to the left I launched another from the port side. Then I steamed away at full speed to a safe distance, and, again turning, discharged a third torpedo at the breakwater.

"Then such an explosion was heard that we thought a cannon had been fired and on the first explosion a bright light was noticed on the cruiser and heard whistles blown. The officers' quarters were lit up by the explosion, which occurred at a spot a little forward of the right funnel.

"Dense volumes of smoke poured from the funnel and the vessel lurched forward by the bows. I then departed at full speed, passing in front of Karabun, which certainly had been apprised of the event from Saloniki, as the forts there began to flash their searchlights. As we passed unnoticed I carried out a promise previously made my gunners and fired a shot at the fortresses from a range of 2,500 meters.

Turks Confirm Report

CONSTANTINOPLE, Nov. 1.—The sinking of the Turkish battleship Feth-I-Bulend by a Greek torpedo boat in the gulf of Saloniki is confirmed in a dispatch from Saloniki. The warship sunk in five minutes. Part of the crew was on shore at the time, so that the number of lives lost is not known. The commander of the Feth-I-Bulend telegraphed that nearly all the crew of the Turkish vessel, which began to sink immediately. The commander, three engineers and four bluejackets were thrown into the water and rescued by fishing boats. The hull of the Feth-I-Bulend exploded as she sank.

The Feth-I-Bulend saw active service in the Danube River during the Russo-Turkish war of 1877-1878.

GREEKS MASSACRED BY TURKS

ATHENS, Nov. 1.—Accounts are published here of a massacre of Greeks by Turks in the town of Servia, just across the Greek frontier in Turkey. The reports say the fleeing Turkish troops, in passing through the village of Melassa ordered the Greek inhabitants to follow them on peril of being massacred by Turkish cavalry.

On refusing 52 of the Greeks were made prisoners and taken to Servia and lodged in the jail, in which were 73 others of their compatriots. Later the governor of the prison told the Greeks they were free and ordered them to leave the building. On emerging, the Greeks were surrounded by soldiers and an armed mob who began a massacre.

Only four of the Greeks escaped with their lives. When the massacre was over a soldier cut off the noses and hands of the dead men.

Dispatches from Arta say that Turkish atrocities in Albania are continuing and that the inhabitants of Epirus are fleeing to Arta and the mountains.

POWERS DISCUSS WAY OF BUTTING IN

PARIS, Nov. 1.—A policy of territorial disinterestedness in the Balkans, if France, Russia and Great Britain have their way, will replace the now discredited shibboleth of "status quo" as a basis of collective action by the great powers should the time arrive for a redistribution of sovereignty in Turkey through the victory of the allied Balkan states over the Turks.

This self-sacrificing ordinance would apply only to the nations constituting the concert of Europe, as there is no longer any suggestion of opposing the aspirations of the Balkans for national unity.

It is recognized that the Balkan states must have their respective slices of territory about which the Turks finally acknowledge defeat, but it is feared that any attempt by outsiders to put their hands in the grabbag would lead to a European conflagration. A full agreement as to the new formula, which is to cement the accord of the powers has not been reached. France, Russia and Great Britain are ready to subscribe to it, but Germany, Austria and Italy hesitate.

M. Poincare, the French premier who is working untiringly for peace, does not despair of rallying all the powers under the banner of "disinterestedness" which he believes is the surest means of avoiding a general war.

Balkans Will Play Lone Hand

BELGRADE, Nov. 1.—The Stampa says it learns that the porte has sent two delegates to Vienna to request Austria's friendly intervention to re-establish peace, but declares the Balkan powers will refuse to negotiate with an intervening power and will deal directly with Constantinople.

BULGARS CUT COMMUNICATION

SOFIA, Nov. 1.—The Bulgarian troops today occupied the Turkish town of Demotica, thus completely cutting off the possibility of communication between Adrianople and Constantinople.

Details thus far of the rout of the immense Turkish army by the Bulgarians show that the Bulgarian forces were numerically far inferior.

The Turkish army is reported to have aggregated 20,000 men. It included the garrison that had retreated from the fortress of Kırk-Kilise, as well as the main body of Turkish troops that had advanced from Constantinople. It comprised practically the whole of the Turkish troops remaining in Europe apart from the garrisons of Adrianople, Saloniki, Monastir, Janina, Scutari and a few other towns.

This great army was under the personal command of Nazim Pasha, minister of war and commander in chief. The losses of the Ottoman army are reported to have been enormous in dead, wounded and prisoners, as well as ammunition and other supplies.

MILITARY TRAIN CAPTURED

The capture of a third Turkish military train near Lule-Burgas before the battle was an immense advantage to the Bulgarians, as it furnished them with more facilities for the transportation of their troops and supplies to the district where the fighting took place.

The Turkish cruiser Hamidieh discharged nine shells yesterday at the Bulgarians' firing position. The Bulgarians returned the fire, and the lighthouse was damaged. The Bulgarian government intends to protest against the bombardment of a building devoted solely to peaceful purposes.

CEAR THANKS SOLDIERS

King Ferdinand has wired the commander in chief of the Bulgarian army on the Bunarhisar-Lule-Burgas line as follows:

"I congratulate you and your men of all ranks on the glorious victory gained over the enemy and express to you all gratitude from the bottom of my heart. May the Almighty grant you further more glorious victories. My thoughts are ever with you, my valiant champions."

MONTENEGRINS BOMBARD TOWNS

RIEKA, Montenegro, Nov. 1.—The bombardment by the Montenegrins of the towns of Taraboch and Scutari continued through Thursday. Large numbers of wounded soldiers have been brought here.

SERVIA ORDERS OUT MORE MEN

BELGRADE, Nov. 1.—A third levy of conscripts has been ordered by the Serbian war office. The men, as soon as they are equipped, will be dispatched to the territory occupied by the Servians in Macedonia, where they will act as a reserve.

BULGARS CHARGE FOE WITH KNIVES

Unparalleled Scenes Witnessed in Big Battle by an Austrian Officer

VIENNA, Nov. 2.—The Reichspost this morning prints a story sent by its correspondent with the Bulgarian army, Lieutenant Wagener. It is dated from the Bulgarian headquarters Thursday evening and says:

"I have just returned after having spent three days at the front. The great final battle entered the decisive phase Thursday morning when the Bulgarian left wing at Bunarhisar took the offensive with mighty impetus.

"The pressure of the final crash at arms was a stupendous opening engagement which last Monday resulted very favorably for the Bulgarians, especially on the right wing at Lule-Burgas.

TURKS BRING UP RESERVES

Tuesday morning when the mighty Bulgarian counter attack was delivered against the right wing, the Turks' front ranks were already simply run down by a startling assault executed with unparalleled dash, yet they succeeded in sustaining the fight by continually bringing up reserves.

"At the same time the Bulgarian right wing attacked the Turkish positions at Lule-Burgas from Eski Baba and Yeniklu and drove the Turks from the fortified positions back on Lule-Burgas. The Bulgarians were splendidly supported by artillery which at critical moments succeeded in holding down the Turks by an annihilating fire.

"With the help of the guns, most of the Turkish positions were taken by bayonet assaults. Some of them, however, were stormed without artillery support.

"The dash of the Bulgarian infantry was unparalleled. Four hundred feet and farther from the enemy's lines whole regiments rose like one man and hurled themselves in one solid charging mass on the enemy, without halting, still firing and despairing all cover. Their officers were powerless against this burning frenzy to get at the Turk with the knife or bayonet. All attempts to hold the troops in leash were fruitless. One regiment hurled itself on the enemy on the mere order of a sergeant, totally disregarding its officers' orders to halt and lie down.

"Tuesday's fierce engagements had resulted disastrously for the Bulgarians both at Bunarhisar and Lule-Burgas, but the Turks brought up the whole of their reserves and held their advance in check.

WEDNESDAY'S FIGHTING

"Early Wednesday morning strong Bulgarian forces were brought by forced marches from Adrianople and renewed the attempt to break through the center of the Turkish position. The Bulgarian attack fell partly on the Turkish troops drawn up in the forest and partly on entrenched positions.

"After heavy forest fighting and continually repeated murderous bayonet assaults the Bulgarians succeeded by noon in co-operation with an attack delivered simultaneously at Lule-Burgas, in rolling up the whole Turkish wing.

"Here in the early afternoon began a general retreat on the line at Lule-Burgas and Dedekoni along the railway and in the direction of Tchorlu. The Bulgarians immediately took up the pursuit and continued to press the enemy with extraordinary energy.

"The Turks' retreat degenerated into wild flight. Meanwhile on their own left wing south of Bunarhisar, the Bulgarians had enveloped the Turks from the northeast.

FIFTY SERVIANS LEAVE FOR WAR

Fifty additional volunteers were sent to the seat of war last night by the Servian National Defense League. They left unostentatiously and will join the company which left here last Wednesday and assisted by some of the ablest Turkish generals.

GREEKS OCCUPY TURKISH ISLAND

ATHENS, Nov. 1.—The Greeks today occupied the Turkish island of Samothrace, which is the largest island in the Aegean sea. Its population numbers about 5,000, most of whom are Christians.

SAILOR DROWNED AT WHARF

A sailor on the French vessel Anne de Bretagne, was drowned at 11 o'clock yesterday morning when the vessel struck the pier at the Howard street wharf. The body was recovered. Thomas was a native of France, 32 years old and married.

Schooner Osprey Is Destroyed

Dashed to Pieces Upon Rocks

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All Persons Aboard Ill Fated Craft Lose Their Lives in Raging Sea

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rolling bar it could be seen why the crew of the vessel did not get ashore. Fragments of the vessel were lifted by each succeeding wave and pounded into kindling on the rocks and piling of the partly submerged jetty.

Little of the wreck was to be seen on the first trip out, and when the birdmen swooped down again there was no sign of what once had been the handsome little craft.

At dawn, when the Osprey first was discovered in distress, the tug Rescue went out and got near enough to throw a line to Captain Gus Johnson, but the doomed vessel's master appeared to have gone violently insane. He broke away from the line and a huge wave washed it into the boiling surf.

Captain H. Jacobson of San Francisco, a passenger, also lost his life. When the airship was coming back from the bar it passed directly over and several hundred feet above the members of the life saving crew, who were starting in an attempt to cross the bar and search for the wreck. The crews on all the vessels in the harbor cheered the airship on its return.

BRENNER MUST FACE TRIAL IN NEW YORK

[Special Dispatch to The Call] SACRAMENTO, Nov. 1.—Jacob Brenner, under indictment for having abandoned his wife in New York city in 1907, arrested in San Francisco on the charge and who fought extradition, must return to face trial. The demand of the governor of New York on the governor of California for the prisoner was approved yesterday. Brenner was in the automobile business in San Francisco.

MONTE CRISTO UNDER FIRE OF THE REBELS

WASHINGTON, Nov. 1.—Monte Cristo, a town of 5,000 in the Dominican republic, on the north coast, 70 miles from Porto Plata, has been under fire by the rebels since Sunday, according to state department advices. Few Americans are there.

BENEFIT PERFORMANCE

A benefit performance of the three act comedy, "Der Herr Senator," will be presented in the German language tomorrow afternoon in the Cort Theater, at 2:15 o'clock, to raise funds for the widow and children of the late Carl Stippeloh, who was killed recently in an automobile accident.

STANFORD TEAM WINS IN DEBATE

University of California Men Are Defeated in Twentieth Annual Contest

BERKELEY, Nov. 1.—Honors in the twentieth annual intercollegiate debate between Stanford and the University of California, held here tonight in Harmon gymnasium, were awarded to the Stanford team after one of the most interesting forensic battles in the history of the annual contest.

The question debated was: "Resolved, that California should establish a series of endowed, nonpartisan, general newspapers." The affirmative side was upheld by the California team, composed of A. W. Drury, F. Collins and L. E. Goodman, while the Stanford team, composed of P. D. Nowell, H. F. Coyle and A. H. Morosco, took the negative.

Professor Charles M. Gayley presided. The judges were J. W. Liffenthal, Judge Frank J. Murasky and O. K. Cushing.

The University of California speakers favored the endorsement by the state of the ethics of the newspaper business and prevent its control by selfish private interests. Educational reasons were cited also, one of the debaters declaring an endowed press would be a university for the people.

Stanford attacked the practicability of the scheme, and on this point won the decision. The winning speakers estimated the cost at \$2,000,000 a year and declared that such a burden was not justified by the results that could be obtained.

In announcing their decision the judges said California had failed to prove that an endowed press would be practicable.

JURY ACQUITS LEWIS OF TOLLIVER MURDER

[By Federal Wireless]

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 1.—After deliberating from 11:20 this morning until 11 o'clock tonight, the jury in the case of Hubert Lewis, charged with the murder of Mrs. C. Tolliver, acquitted the defendant.

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CAPITAL	
Amount of capital stock paid up in cash	\$2,000,000.00
Real estate owned by company	\$300,000.00
Loans on mortgages	1,440,595.00
Cash on hand and in banks	29,000.00
and bonds owned by company	7,225,577.50
Investment in stocks	1,111,996.71
Interest due and accrued	49,734.84
Assets balance sheet represents, as shown in the annual statement subsequent to October 1, 1911	878,595.05
Total assets	\$10,407,847.85

Losses adjusted and unpaid	\$50,048.00
Losses in process of adjustment or in suspense	837,420.00
Losses realized, including expenses	\$3,747.60
Gross premiums on the risks run	517,251.25
Reinsured, 50 per cent.	1,749,453.84
Gross premiums on risks run	5,742,413.22
Reinsured, 50 per cent.	8,043,339.70
Taxes due or accrued (estimated)	21,000.00
Funds held for Mutual Reinsurance Company under contract	251,000.04
All other liabilities	15,185.96
Total liabilities	\$5,837,140.04

INCOME	
Net cash actually received for fire premiums	\$5,244,628.40
Received for interest on mortgages	61,250.88
Received from the sale of stocks, bonds and other securities	932,685.77
Received for rents	15,000.00
Gross profit on sale or maturity of judge assets	15,472.40
Income from all other sources	2,491.53
Total income	\$5,671,548.78

EXPENDITURES	
Net amount paid for fire losses (including \$318,850.92 losses of previous years)	\$3,010,376.02
Expenses of adjustment and settlement of losses	28,782.43
Dividends to stockholders	200,000.00
Paid or allowed for commission or brokerage	993,406.70
Paid for salaries, fees and other charges for officers, clerks, etc.	887,400.84
Paid for rent, national and local taxes	138,745.28
Gross decrease in book value of realty	9,062.80
Net decrease in value of realty	1,418.30
Miscellaneous general expenses	\$2,253.05
All other expenditures	274,925.41
Total expenditures	\$5,218,810.97

Net amount of risks written during the year	\$3,006,021.46
Losses incurred during the year	\$3,006,021.46
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