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TEUTONS START NEW CAMPAIGN

Troops Being Massed Along Rumanian Front For an Attack on Balkans.

RUSSIANS LOSING HOLD ON GALICIA

Violent Artillery Duels in Western Field Without Important Results.

Grodno, last of the great fortresses in Poland held by the Russians, now seems to be the objective of a German drive. Berlin today reports the capture by storm of the town of Lipak, about twenty miles to the west of the fortresses, the Russians being compelled to surrender.

The defeat by Field Marshal von Mackensen's troops of Russian forces which made a stand south of Kobrin while retreating in the marshy districts east of Brest-Litovsk is reported.

German trenches at several places in the Argonne region were seriously damaged late on Sunday by the explosion of mines and the pounding of the French artillery, according to today's official report from Paris.

The sinking of the British steamer Sir William Stephenson of Newcastle, a 1,500 ton vessel, presumably after having been torpedoed by a German submarine, is reported from London.

London, Aug. 30.—11:44 a. m.—Reports from the eastern front indicate that the Austrians and Germans are engaged in an effort to clear the last corner of Galicia still held by their opponents, have excited great interest here. The Russian lines on the upper Bug and the Zlota Lipa have been pierced, but it is not yet clear how serious a resistance is being offered to the vast enveloping movement from the south.

Having lost Brest-Litovsk, Grand Duke Nicholas cannot afford to hold the river positions in the south in the face of an important movement, for to do so would endanger his armies. The opinion is ventured by some English critics that this latest move may conclude for the present the great offensive effort against the Russians, which has been in progress since May, and that once Austrian soil is cleared of the invaders a new campaign may be undertaken by the Teutonic forces, this time in the near east. In support of this theory is cited the report that the central powers are massing troops near the Rumanian border.

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TONS OF GOLD TO BOLSTER CREDIT

ENGLAND SENDS ANOTHER HUGE SHIPMENT OF MONEY TO THE UNITED STATES.

New York, Aug. 30.—Forty-two tons of gold, worth nearly \$20,000,000 and securities valued close to \$25,000,000 were in the vaults of the United States treasury here today to help pay to Great Britain's huge purchases of war munitions. The gold and securities are being shipped from London via Halifax, consigned to J. P. Morgan purchasing agent for the British government.

The gold was American coin which has been shipped to England in years of trade indebtedness by this country to England and the securities were all American issues. This shipment, it is estimated, brings the grand total of gold and collateral sent here by and through Canada to \$172,000,000 since the beginning of the war. During the same period, however, about \$90,000,000 was sent from New York to the account of the bank of England at Ottawa, but this was in the early part of the war, before the trade balance shifted to this side of the Atlantic.

Effect Unnoticed. England's \$45,000,000 shipment of gold and securities, which reached here yesterday from Halifax, produced no effect whatever today on foreign exchange rates. Pounds sterling were quoted at \$4.61 3/4, the lowest value ever recorded. Francs also were weaker, their price being 600.

REPRESENTS FIGHTERS. Washington, D. C., Aug. 30.—Ambassador Morgenthau at Constantinople has taken over the diplomatic interests of Italy, Russia and Montenegro.

BLOCKADE RULE TO BE MODIFIED

Great Britain Announces Desire to Avoid Trouble With United States.

GERMAN GOODS TO PASS THE LINES

Undue Hardship Upon the American Shipper Will Not be Insisted On.

Berlin, Aug. 30.—It is understood today that Germany's course with regard to the Arabic case has been decided upon and that it is in line with the most recent conciliatory statement by Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg, the German chancellor.

Washington, D. C., Aug. 30.—Concessions in the enforcement against American commerce of the British order in council, were announced today as a result of informal negotiations just completed by the foreign trade advisers of the state department.

The British ambassador, Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, assured the trade advisers that their informal representations in cases where the British orders have caused "undue hardship" to American commerce will receive special consideration.

The ambassador called at the state department personally to explain the extent of the British concessions, which are especially intended to meet the growing complaint of American importers that their Christmas trade is threatened by failure to obtain goods made in Germany and Austria, which they had contracted for.

Generally speaking, it is the intention of the British government to permit the passage through the blockade lines of goods for which the American importers have entered into contract with German and Austrian firms.

Heretofore, it has been required that the money shall have actually been paid for the goods. Now, it will be sufficient to show that they were regularly contracted for and that the American importer is really the person responsible for them and title rests with him.

Goods valued at many millions of dollars have accumulated at Rotterdam and await transportation to the United States. The order applies to these, but whether it will extend to goods yet in German factories but under contract for delivery on this side of the Atlantic, is yet undetermined. The entire responsibility for the holding up of dyestuffs for Germany manufacture intended for America, is placed by the British authorities upon the German government, and it is alleged that a contrary impression has been sought to be created because of ill feeling against Great Britain. To set itself straight in this matter, the British embassy today issued the following statement:

"On April 14, a formal notice was issued by the British government that they would allow vessels carrying two shipments of dyestuffs which were paid for by delivery in Germany of certain cotton cargoes, to pass without interference, provided the vessels sailed under a neutral flag; that the shipments were made from Rotterdam, and the dyestuffs consigned to the secretary of commerce for distribution directly to the textile industries. This offer, which was refused by Germany, still holds good."

TRANSPORT TORPEDOED?

Germany Gives Out Rumor That One Thousand Canadians Went Down With Ship.

Berlin, by wireless, Aug. 30.—Passengers who arrived at Amsterdam Saturday afternoon on the Holland-American steamship Ryndam brought a report that a British transport carrying 2,000 Canadian troops was torpedoed on August 15 off the Scilly islands. It is said that about 1,000 were saved.

No hint has come from British sources of the foregoing report. While it is possible that had such an event occurred the British censors might have withheld the news, this is improbable in view of the fact that official announcement was made promptly of the torpedoing of the British transport Royal Edward in the Aegean sea with the loss of about 4,000 men.

ONLY A HUNDRED JOIN THE RESERVE

Washington, D. C., Aug. 30.—To date, 103 former enlisted men have joined the naval reserve established by act of congress approved March 3, 1915. Suggestions are being considered as to an amendment of the law so as to stimulate enlistment in the reserve. While the enlistment has not been large during the few months in which the law has been in operation, those in the naval reserve outnumber those in the army reserve.

COLD WAVE SWEEPS DOWN FROM CANADA

Temperature Drops to Remarkably Low Point and Much Damage to Growing Crops is Done in Wisconsin, Michigan, Illinois and Other States.

Washington, D. C., Aug. 30.—Abnormally low temperatures prevailed today over the upper Mississippi and lower Missouri river valleys and the upper lake regions.

In some places, the weather bureau reported today, the thermometer showed temperatures which made records for the month of August. Frosts were reported in many places. In some instances they were heavy and caused considerable damage to crops.

Over almost all of the sections mentioned the temperatures were from 10 to 23 degrees below the seasonal average. The cold came down from the Canadian northwest and tonight will spread eastward, reaching the Atlantic states tomorrow.

Frost was predicted as probable tonight in Michigan and northern and central Indiana and Ohio.

Nebraska Feels Cold.

Lincoln, Neb., Aug. 30.—Reports of light frost in northern and western sections of Nebraska were received by the local weather bureau this morning. The low places were chiefly affected, but no damage to the corn crop is feared. Small garden truck was slightly injured.

MILITIA GUARDS COLORED SLAYER

THREE COMPANIES SURROUND JAIL IN ILLINOIS TO PREVENT LYNCHING.

Murphysboro, Ill., Aug. 30.—This town was in the throes of excitement today—the day set for trial of Joe Deberry, a negro charged with the murder of Mrs. James H. Martin, wife of one of the most prominent attorneys in southern Illinois.

Three companies of the Illinois state militia stood guard about the jail and court house to prevent the carrying out of lynch threats.

Accounts of the ruse by which Deberry was spirited away through the rear door of the Harrisburg, Ill., jail last night while a mob of several hundred men in front of the jail stormed a decoy automobile, filled with deputy sheriffs, added fuel to the feeling against the negro which has been smoldering here since Mrs. Martin's badly mutilated body was found in her home a month ago. This feeling was intensified several weeks later when Mr. Martin died of the shock induced by his wife's death.

Deberry, who was a servant at the Martin home, confessed to the crime charged against him soon after his arrest, according to local police officials. The negro was badly scared when he was lodged in the local jail after a wild ride from Harrisburg by special train last night. He prayed almost constantly and this morning showed the effects of a sleepless night.

LOST SUBMARINE FINALLY FLOATED

Honolulu, T. H., Aug. 30.—Work preliminary to the dry docking of the submarine F-4, lost with 22 men March 26 and raised yesterday in Honolulu harbor, was under way today. It was expected the craft would be placed in dry dock tomorrow. Until then nothing definite can be announced as to what caused the disaster.

The F-4 was raised by the pontoon method, six pontoons, each with a lifting capacity of sixty tons, having been constructed at the Mare Island, California, navy yard for the purpose when all other methods proved unavailing.

STRIKE ENDED AT BRIDGEPORT SHOPS

Bridgeport, Conn., Aug. 30.—Many hundreds of factory workers who had been on strike recently, returned to their accustomed tasks today, their differences with employers over hours and compensation having been adjusted. In nearly every instance the workers have entered upon the eight-hour schedule without a reduction in wages. The largest delegation of returning employes was that of upwards of 800 girls at the Crown and the George C. Batcheller Corset companies.

MASTER MASONS MEET.

San Francisco, Aug. 30.—The twelfth triennial assembly of the Royal and Select Master Masons of the United States was opened this morning at the Masonic temple. On Wednesday, the thirty-sixth triennial convocation of the general grand chapter, Royal Arch Mason of the United States, is to convene for a three day session.

Waterloo, Aug. 30.—Heavy frosts, and in some instances ice were reported in this section last night. The government thermometer here registered 34 above zero. All tender vegetation, including melons, late potatoes and some sweet corn, is said to have been damaged.

Reports from northern Iowa counties were that field corn suffered serious damages.

Fear Another Frost. Dubuque, Aug. 30.—Heavy frosts here last night did extensive damage to crops. Low temperature prevails today and growers fear another frost tonight.

Coldest August Day.

Green Bay, Wis., Aug. 30.—Today is the coldest August day in the history of the local weather bureau, which was established in 1887. The mercury dropped to 37.9 degrees. Ice formed and heavy frost did extensive damage to crops, with the exception of potatoes, which were reported saved.

Kansas is Affected.

Kansas City Mo., Aug. 30.—Although government stations did not report frost in Kansas and Missouri, unofficial reports from Atchison, Emporia and Junction City, Kan., indicated that light frosts prevailed at those places early today.

KANSAS WHEAT IS GREATLY INJURED

RAIN AND WIND STORM CUTS FORTY MILLION BUSHELS OFF ESTIMATED CROP.

Topeka, Kas., Aug. 30.—Rain and wind storms the past summer have cost Kansas farmers approximately forty million bushels of wheat, according to estimates of J. C. Mohler, secretary of the board of agriculture.

In his August report filed today, Mohler estimates the Kansas wheat crop at 98,690,000 bushels. Crop conditions in June were such that the estimate for that month was 138,700,000 bushels.

Bad weather at threshing time caused much of the loss. Millions of bushels of wheat were never taken from the shock because threshing was impossible.

Corn conditions are unchanged with the yield estimated at approximately one hundred and fifty million bushels.

GOLD RECORD EQUALED

Thermometer Drops to Point Reached Only Twice in Weather Bureau's History.

Chicago, Aug. 30.—Only twice before in the history of the local weather bureau has the mercury dropped so low in August as was today. It registered 47 degrees. This record was equaled in 1872 and again in 1887.

Wasau, Wis., Aug. 30.—Damage estimated at between \$200,000 and \$300,000 was caused by late potatoes and garden truck throughout Marathon county last night by a killing frost. The corn crop also suffered heavy losses.

MILITARY COURT TRYING GENERAL

HEAD OF COLORADO MILITIA FACED BY CHARGES GROWING OUT OF COAL STRIKE.

Denver, Colo., Aug. 30.—The military court of inquiry appointed by Governor George A. Carlson to investigate charges against Adjutant General John Chase and other officers of the national guard of Colorado, resumed taking testimony behind closed doors today.

The court consists of Major E. J. Boughton, Captain W. P. Hersey and Captain Henry M. Pingree.

It was stated that a partial report might be submitted to the governor before the close of the day.

The appointment of the court of inquiry was the culmination of public and secret charges against the adjutant general and other officers of the militia, growing largely out of the military administration during the recent strike of coal miners.

PEACE MEETING BEING PLANNED

Villa Faction Expects That Conference in Mexico Will Soon be Held.

CARRANZA REPLY DUE VERY SHORTLY

Hope is Expressed That He Will Fall in Line With Pan-American Idea.

Washington, D. C., Aug. 30.—Villa and Zapata agents here said today that a peace convention would be called in neutralized territory in Mexico to set up a provisional government. They said it was possible that the Pan-American congress would be asked to arrange the details.

The delay in receiving General Carranza's reply to the Pan-American peace appeal has raised hopes that influences are at work to induce him to participate.

Carranza troops in northeastern Mexico were reported today as being concentrated to defend Monterey against the attack of the Villa army.

Scott to Report.

American is Slain.

Official dispatches from Vera Cruz today tell of the receipt of mail reports there of the killing of E. F. Welles, an American, auditor of the Tobacco Plantation Co. No details were given further than that Welles was killed by bandits who blew up a train and shot the passengers, of whom Welles was one.

The state department today acknowledged receipt of General Zapata's acceptance of the Pan-American peace appeal. Favorable replies now have been received from practically all chiefs outside the Carranza forces.

SCOTT TO REPORT ON MEXICAN TRIP

Washington, D. C., Aug. 30.—Major General Scott, chief of staff of the army, was ready to report to Secretary Lansing today the results of his special mission to the Mexican border for the state department in furtherance of the Pan-American peace plans. General Scott conferred with General Villa and adjusted troubles due to the seizure of property of foreign merchants at Chihuahua and also discussed with him Pan-American peace proposals, which the northern chief and his followers have accepted.

The Pan-American conferees will not meet again until General Carranza's response to their appeal has been received. Carranza agents said they looked for it today. The conferees have that they will reject the proposal for a peace conference and urge recognition of the Carranza government.

WOMEN TO PARADE IN BIG PEACE MOVE

Chicago, Aug. 30.—Ten thousand women all dressed in white, wearing emblems of "The Shackled Mars," the official insignia of "The Friends of Peace," will parade up State street during the National Peace convention in Chicago September 5 and 6, singing the ten peace songs that have been selected for the occasion, according to plans formulated today.

The women will march into the convention hall, where they will present to the convention petitions signed by 500,000 citizens of the United States asking for peace and for an embargo on the shipment of arms and ammunition. Miss Jane Addams will preside at that session, which will be in the afternoon and the convention will appoint a committee to present these petitions to the president of the United States.

FRENCH APPRECIATE CANADIAN TROOPS

Montreal, Aug. 30.—Fourteen officers and twenty-two wounded men of Canadian regiments arrived here today on the steamer Missanabie from England. One of the arrivals, Corporal Stewart of the fifth battalion, received twenty-seven shrapnel wounds.

Mrs. Irene Gardner of Ottawa, one of the passengers, who has been in England and the France collecting data regarding the killed and wounded of Canadian Red Cross, said the French realize and appreciate the part the Canadians played in saving Calais.

WOUNDED BISHOP RECOVERING NICELY

Winona, Minn., Aug. 30.—Three days have passed since the shooting of Bishop Patrick R. Heffron by Father L. M. Lesches, a demented priest, and so far no adverse symptoms have developed.

Prayers for the bishop's recovery were offered in all Catholic churches throughout the Winona diocese yesterday and also in many Protestant churches.

Paroled Convict Gives Up Battle to Make a Living

St. Louis, Mo., Aug. 30.—A man who said his name was Wm. Clark, shivering from cold walked into the police station last night and asked the desk officer to send him "back to the penitentiary at Chester, Ill." "When did you escape?" the sergeant asked.

"I didn't escape, Cap," said the man. "I was paroled, but for a man in my fix, this fight out in the world is a losing game and I want to go back to my old cell."

Clark said he was twenty-seven years old and was sent up from Chicago for one to fourteen years. A few weeks ago he was paroled, he said, but penniless without references or friends and in competition against thousands of other unemployed men, life had become unendurable.

The penitentiary authorities have been notified, Clark says they told him if he failed to find work he could return to prison.

BANKER PROVES CLEVER FORGER

DUAL ROLE OF ARKANSAS MAN DISCOVERED: HAD PILED UP MUCH MONEY.

St. Louis, Mo., Aug. 30.—After maintaining for years the dual identity of banker and prominent citizen of Forrest City, Ark., and alleged forger of realty documents in other parts of the country, John W. Kline of St. Louis was under arrest here today. He has confessed, according to detectives, swindles and forgeries amounting to more than \$500,000.

As a bank director in the Arkansas city, Kline was known as John W. Barnhardt. He had been urged to become a candidate for a member of the state senate, in Forrest City he and his family were socially prominent.

Kline or Barnhardt was arrested here last night. He had escaped jail two weeks ago, the police said, from Waukesha, Wis., where his methods in attempting to mortgage property brought him under suspicion.

The hundreds of complaints against Kline charge that he would go into a rich farming community, inquire for a good farm which he might buy, and then would get acquainted with men of money. When he had selected a farm, it was charged, he either borrowed the deed and made out a bogus deed to himself, or he bought the farm, paid for it with a check and took possession of the deed.

As soon as the deed was safely recorded in his name, Kline, his accusers say, mortgaged it. By the time the check was returned marked "No funds," he had gone back to Arkansas to become a banker again.

The police say Kline is worth more than \$350,000.

Swindled Iowans.—John W. Kline, or Barnhardt, under arrest at St. Louis, charged with extensive forgeries, is said to have victimized prominent capitalists in Fremont, Neb., and Council Bluffs, Iowa, by means of forged mortgages a year or more ago.

ZION BARS PHYSICIANS

Injunction is Granted Against Drug Store in Limits of Illinois Community.

Zion City, Ill., Aug. 30.—Judge Edwards today granted an injunction restraining B. E. Simmons and W. H. Fabry from operating a drug store selling tobacco or harboring a physician on their premises in this city.

The restraining order was applied for by Wilbur Glen Voliva, as head of the Christian Catholic church in Zion, which was founded by the late John Alexander Dowle. The lease under which the ground was rented to the drug store is said to prohibit the use of the land for purposes opposed by the Dowle religion, a tenet of which is cure by faith.

U. S. MARINE IS GROWING

Records Show That the Number of Ships Under the American Flag is Increasing.

Washington, D. C., Aug. 30.—The American flag now floats over more ships in the foreign trade than at any other time since 1863, and the United States is pressing close on France and Norway as a maritime nation.

Figures made public today by the department of commerce show a record increase in American shipping for the year ended June 30. On that date there were registered in the foreign trade 2,768 ships totalling 1,813,775 gross tons, an increase of 863 ships and 737,822 tons for the year.

Practically all the increases are due to the new American registry law.

TWO PRISONERS GIVEN TEN YEARS

Brock and Clifton Enter a Guilty Plea to Entering Store Building.

HARTLEY SAYS HE DID NOT COMMIT PERJURY

Man Who Helped Smith Get a Marriage License is Arraigned in Court.

William Brock and Frank Clifton have pleaded guilty to an indictment charging them with breaking and entering a Main street store early this summer and taking goods and wares from it and each one has been sentenced by Judge Vermillion of the district court, to an indeterminate sentence not to exceed ten years at the state reformatory in Anamosa. They are to pay the costs of the case and their appeal bond is placed at \$1,000.

A number of those indicted Friday by the grand jury were arraigned this morning. George Henderson, indicted for larceny, with the consent of the county attorney, pleaded guilty to petty larceny and has been sentenced to thirty days in the county jail. He was accused of entering John Dawson's home and taking two razors, a bronze clock and some silk handkerchiefs. The case of the state vs. John Dambach and Robert Bennett was called for arraignment this morning and pleas of not guilty entered.

They are accused of breaking and entering Finnelly's hide store on South Market street about two weeks ago. Lester Hartley pleaded not guilty to perjury and breaking and entering a railway car. Chester Smith, indicted for perjury in connection with the same case as Hartley, was given until Tuesday to plead. Pete Junkin, charged with assault with intent to kill, Charles Royal burglary, Julius Garcia carrying concealed weapons and Henry Doran and Dave Gillespie breaking and entering, have all pleaded not guilty.

The court made out his criminal assignment today and the first case noted for trial is that against Oliver Brooks, accused of a statutory offense, which will begin next Tuesday afternoon at 1:30. Brooks was tried last term and the jury disagreed. The complaining witness is Miss Edith Zwer of this city. Alfred Brooks was indicted upon the same charge upon the instigation of Miss Malissa Thomas, but his case has never come to trial pending the outcome of the other. The case of B. C. Koons vs. the City of Ottumwa has been heard again today. This is an action in which Mr. Koons seeks \$5,000 damages for alleged breach of contract and wages claimed to be due him when employed by the city as poll tax collector.

Divorce decrees have been ordered in the cases of T. J. Cramblit vs. Lulu (Continued on page 5)

BERKELEY "COPS" TO BE COLLEGIANS

Berkeley, Cal., Aug. 30.—The policemen of Berkeley are required to attend the University of California, it was announced today. This, it is believed, is the first time any city in the world has made preparations to have a "college bred police department."

The Berkeley police are being educated along those particular lines that Chief of Police August Vollmer believes will best serve them in their work. Chief Vollmer is himself taking the course of study prescribed by himself.

More than a year ago Chief Vollmer outlined an extensive educational program for the improvement of his staff. Professor Henry Goddard, an authority on psychological subjects, gave the members of the police department a course in psychology. Now, each policeman having passed an examination in that course, another has been entered upon, the relation of mental disease to criminology.

The purpose of the lectures is to teach the policemen to "understand the character with which they are obliged to deal. The general subject of the series is "insanity."

Thus far the members of the police department have been instructed in following forms of insanity: The manic-depressive, the melancholic and the parietic.

The theory is that by the course being given them, the policemen are enabled, through psychological observations, to "size up" a man arrested for one form of crime and ascertain just what other crimes he might have committed.