

INDIAN ARMY IS WITHDRAWN FROM FRANCE

War Office Silent as to Destination But It is Believed They Have Been Sent to Guard Suez.

RUSSIANS ARE PLANNING BULGARIAN INVASION

Austrian-Hungarian Drive into Montenegro Checked. Are Thrown Back Across Tara River.

LONDON, Dec. 28.—Official announcement of the withdrawal of the Indian army from France took first place in the news of military operations today.

While the war office gave no intimation of the destination of the Indian troops the belief was general that they were being sent into Egypt to guard the Suez canal.

Turkish reports of fighting on the Sinai peninsula are minimized by the British war office, but notwithstanding this fact dispatches from German sources indicate that operations against the British in Egypt have been under way for some time, being carefully carried on by Arabs.

In the Balkan situation the outstanding feature was the report from Bucharest of increasing military activity along the Danube with the possibility of a Russian attempt to invade Bulgaria and also the official announcement in Petrograd that the Bulgarian coast has again been shelled.

A dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph Co. from Bucharest states that 30,000 Bulgarian soldiers have been withdrawn from Serbia and are being massed around Varna.

New defensive works have been erected at Varna. Five German submarines are said to have arrived there.

The Austro-Hungarian invasion of Montenegro has met with a serious check, according to the Montenegrin war office.

The Austrians that crossed the Tara river are reported to have been thrown back to the east bank with the loss of 300 prisoners.

ROME, Dec. 28.—There are fresh indications of an attempt by the Russians to invade Bulgaria, says the Bucharest correspondent of the Corriere De La Sera.

There is great military activity along the Danube all the way from Tucha to Turnu Severin, especially in the vicinity of Kufalat where several Austrian steamers laden with war materials, are awaiting orders.

German pioneers have erected a wireless station at Vidin. At Tucha the Russians have established several depots for war supplies.

By the amount of materials and munitions gathered there is evidently intended that a large force is to be equipped.

Working under the direction of German engineers, the Bulgarians have dug 12 lines of trenches along the Danube from Rutchuk to Ekerec.

In addition to the earthworks wolf-pits have been dug and barbed wire entanglements erected.

PETROGRAD, Dec. 28.—The Bulgarian Black sea coast has again been attacked by Russian warships.

JAPAN MAY TAKE PART IN REVOLT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—The continued spread of revolution in China is causing the keenest interest in diplomatic circles here.

Observers closed to the allied powers say that the revolt in China may have an important bearing on the world war. This, of course, means that before long Japan will take a hand in the affairs of her neighbors.

China was so troubled by Japan through acceptance of the demands forced upon her by the Nippon government early in the present year that she is no longer in a position to dictate her own policies.

Should Japan decide that the present is an opportune time to work her will further in China, her reported plan for a more active participation with the allies in the European war would, of course, be abandoned. And such a decision on Japan's part would come at a time when the allies admit the need of all the assistance they can muster from every quarter to cope with the German campaign in the Balkan state and in Egypt.

In circles close to the Japanese embassy here it was said that Japan would be compelled to show her hands in Chinese affairs.

Faithful Service Is Rewarded by \$2,000 Legacy

Seven thousand dollars worth of real estate, and personal property valued at \$4,000 is left by Michael Wagener, whose estate and will was admitted to probate in circuit court Tuesday.

The chief beneficiary under the terms of the will is Minnie Helm, a domestic, who gets \$2,000 in consideration for the faithful service she rendered the deceased and his wife during their lifetime.

Stephen Infalt, a nephew, receives the Ford automobile, Ida Waddell of Chicago, a niece, \$200, and the Sacred Heart church \$100 to be used by the pastor in saying requiem high mass once a month for 14 months for the repose of the souls.

The residue of the estate is to be given to Mary Kaumrner, Lizzie Wagener, Thill, Annie Wagener, Barbara Wagener, sisters; Alfred Gruesback, a nephew, and Mary Wagener, a sister-in-law, of Germany, to share and share alike.

BONDURANT HOME IS BURGLARIZED

Boy and Girl Awakened by Thieves Watch Them Ransack House.

While two burglars ransacked their rooms early Tuesday morning, Pauline and Albert Bondurant, daughter and son of Mr. and Mrs. Philip E. Bondurant, 214 W. Navarre st., lay and watched the men at work, afraid to move, as both burglars carried revolvers in their hands.

The boy, who sleeps on the third floor, awakened to find a man with a flashlight and revolver ransacking the drawers of the dresser, while the daughter, who sleeps on the second floor, underwent the same experience.

Although the robbers flashed their lights on the two children both feigned sleep until the men left the house. The father slept through the entire affair, while one of the robbers succeeded in extricating about \$15 from one of his trousers pockets.

Nothing else of value was discovered missing when the two men escaped from the house.

Entrance to the house was gained through a rear window. The entire house was ransacked by the men, but nothing besides the money was taken. They left by the front door and Mr. Bondurant was immediately called by the children, who saw the men in front of the house as they left.

The police were summoned but no trace of the men could be found. It was at first believed that the men left in an automobile but later it was ascertained that the automobile which was in front of the house when the men left was in motion continually and belonged to other persons.

Mrs. Bondurant was not at home at the time of the robbery, being out of the city during the holidays.

WOMAN ASKS POLICE TO FIND HER HUSBAND

Axel Carlson Disappeared More Than Year Ago—Not Home Christmas.

Police Chief Kerr is making an effort to locate Axel Carlson, 40 years old, husband of Mrs. Thine Carlson, 312 Lincoln way E., who disappeared more than a year ago.

According to Mrs. Carlson she last heard from her husband shortly before Christmas, 1914. At that time he was at the hotel Eden in Minneapolis, Minn., and said that he was coming home for the holidays. He did not appear and she has been unable to locate him.

It is believed by the police that Carlson deserted his wife, although Mrs. Carlson is under the impression that her husband may have met with foul play. Carlson was an insurance agent at the time of his disappearance.

SLIDE POPULAR PLACE

Hundreds of "kids" are having the times of their lives daily on the toboggan slide which was opened at Silver playground on Christmas day.

Ever since the slide was opened there has been a continuous string of sleds going down the incline. The slide is 15 feet high, 18 feet wide and 56 feet long. The height and length gives enough of a start to send the little bobs for 75 yards on the level ground. Competition for distance is the chief amusement.

Work was started Tuesday on flooding the large rink that will be opened at the field by the end of the week. J. H. Hudson is in charge of the recreation park.

MARRIAGE LICENSES. Leopold Fischer, tinmith, Chicago; Matild Sorek, Chicago. James Kline, farmer, Michigan; Georgia Bloom, stenographer, Michigan. Andrew Katt, tinner; Lizzie Stanck. Steve Szedemik, laborer, Victoria, Ont.

BUCHANAN AND SEVEN OTHERS ARE INDICTED

Men Are Named in True Bills by Federal Grand Jury For Pro-German Activities in This Country.

SIX ARE MEMBERS OF LABORS PEACE COUNCIL

Indictments Returned Under the Anti Sherman Laws. One of Members Prisoner in London.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Eight men, one of them a member of a congress and another a former member of congress, were indicted by a federal grand jury today for their pro-German activities in this country.

Six of them were members of Labors National Peace Council, an organization whose chief function, it is charged, was the fomenting of labor troubles in plants turning out supplies for the allies.

The eight men indicted are: David Lamar of New York, known as "the wolf of Wall st.," congressman Frank Buchanan of Illinois.

Jacob Taylor of East Orange, N. J. H. Robert Fowler, former member of congress from Illinois.

Frank S. Monett, former attorney general of Ohio.

Herman Schultels, Henry B. Martin, Franz von Rintelen, now detained in England.

Von Rintelen, a personal friend of Emperor William, is alleged to have been the founder of Labors National peace council, conducting his activities through Lamar. When he began his campaign here, von Rintelen is said to have had \$3,000,000 for the purchase of strikes in this country.

The indictments were returned to Judge Hand and were made under the Sherman anti-trust law. The specific charge against the eight men is conspiracy to restrain trade by bribing labor leaders and creating strikes. The penalty, if found guilty, is a year in prison, a fine of \$10,000 or both.

Not Actual Members. Lamar and von Rintelen are the only two of the indicted men who were not on the membership roster of Labors National Peace Council.

Despite his activity in the formation of the organization Lamar did not become an actual member of it. The organization was formed in Chicago and Taylor was chosen its president.

Fowler, who was counsel for the organization in an interview declared that the object of Labors National Peace Council was "to try to establish peace in Europe and maintain peace in the United States."

It is doubtful if von Rintelen will be brought to this country to stand trial although it is understood the British government has offered to give him up.

SEIZE AMERICAN MAIL

Sacks Taken From Ships Bound For Dutch Ports.

BERLIN (By wireless via Sayville), Dec. 28.—Six hundred sacks of United States mail were seized by British naval officers on board the Holland-American liner Nieuw Amsterdam at Falmouth, according to the Overseas News agency.

Forty sacks were taken by the British from the steamer Christian Michelsen. Both were bound for Dutch ports, the Nieuw coming from New York.

LINER AFTER BATTLE WITH GALE IN PORT

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—A 95-mile gale, which piled waves 50 feet in the air, battered the American liner New York on her voyage from Liverpool to New York. The New York arrived today, 24 hours overdue.

The full fury of the storm struck the ship Sunday and for a time the 218 passengers were fearful over the state of the liner.

"It was the worst storm we ever saw," declared Mrs. Anthony J. Drexel Jr. of Philadelphia, who arrived with her husband. "It was worse than a hurricane for the wind came from every direction and the giant waves tossed us about so violently that it was a wonder the ship lived through it. At times the vessel careened over so far she seemed to be lying on her side. My husband and I were afraid we would be shot through the portholes of our cabin. It was impossible to move about. One poor woman tried it and was thrown down stairs. The waves broke over the bridge and swept everything from stem to stern."

NO INDICTMENTS. Dec. 28.—Official advices received by the department of justice this afternoon stated that the grand jury at Brownsville, Texas, investigating the so-called "plan of San Diego," under which a certain faction in Mexico would attempt to seize a portion of Texas and set up an independent republic, had failed to find any indictments against the alleged conspirators.

STEAMER SUNK. Dec. 28.—The naval steamship Vanstrum has been sunk by a German submarine. Her crew was saved. The Vanstrum, a British steamer of 2,283 tons, was requisitioned by

Asquith Silent Following Long Cabinet Session

LONDON, Dec. 28.—For more than two hours today the Asquith ministry struggled with the conscription problem, seeking a solution that would avert a crisis.

The cabinet council lasted two hours and 15 minutes. At its conclusion the premier declined to make a statement, despite the nationwide interest in the situation.

The possibility of a general election and a discontinuance of the government in its present form loomed large when the ministers gathered in conclave. Public places and especially the government buildings in Downing st. were surrounded by excited crowds.

The statement by the Daily Mail that David Lloyd-George, minister of munitions, would resign unless Premier Asquith consented to apply compulsion to unmarried "slackers" created consternation among the leaders of the political faction favoring conscription.

PEACE PARTY NO HIT IN GERMANY

None of the Members Know Anything About International Law, Says Paper.

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 28.—A copy of the Frankfurter Zeitung, received here today, contains the following comment upon the activities of the Ford peace party:

"Why are there no men who know something about the international law with the party? Why are there so many obscure members?"

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 28.—A new peace plan is to be presented to the Ford pacifists. It has been compiled by Madame Inez Carit Et Leer, a noted Danish woman writer.

Despite the lack of demonstrative enthusiasm, interest in the Ford party continues unabated. Local newspapers today devoted nearly seven pages to a discussion of the prospects of the pacifists being able to accomplish anything.

Individuals as well as some of the newspapers have asked the Ford party to make their headquarters in Sweden and to hold the international peace conclave in this city instead of in Copenhagen or The Hague.

Eight hundred persons attended a pacifist meeting in the academy of music last night. The Rev. Dr. Charles F. Aked made an address in which he said that hopes of success for the party were based upon declarations by Mme. Rosika Schwimmer that neutral governments would assist the peace apostles in their efforts.

Such help, however, has not been forthcoming. Another speaker was K. H. Arnoldson, holder of an Nobel peace prize. Mr. Arnoldson may be a delegate to the national conference.

ITALIAN KING WOUNDED

BERLIN, Dec. 28.—(Via Sayville by wireless.)—King Victor Emmanuel of Italy has been wounded by an Austrian grenade and is now in the hospital, it is stated by the Overseas News agency.

The agency attributes its information to a traveler who has just arrived from Italy. Terroristic and anti-government demonstrations are extending to an alarming extent in Italy, according to this traveler.

SHIP IS SUNK

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—An Italian liner bound for Catalonia has been sunk in the Mediterranean, according to a cable to the state department this afternoon from the American embassy in Rome. No details were given.

Latest in the News World

SHOOT AT VILLA. EL PASO, Texas, Dec. 28.—News was received here today of an attempt to assassinate Gen. Francisco Villa near Bustillos, state of Chihuahua, yesterday. Four of Villa's followers tried to shoot him but missed. Villa thereupon drew his pistol and killed two of the would-be assassins.

LASHED BY GALES. LONDON, Dec. 28.—The British coasts were lashed today by gales which wrought heavy damage to shipping.

A steamship disappeared in the storm off Pensance and it is feared she foundered. The Scottish trawler, Empress of Aberdeen, of Aberdeen, is missing.

CAPTURE SUBS. PARIS, Dec. 28.—Nine German and Austrian submarines have been sunk or captured in the Mediterranean sea, says the Figaro.

The paper adds: "When official reports are compiled it is believed that these figures will be exceeded."

EUROPEAN WAR AND LESSONS CHIEF TOPICS

Necessity For Increased Cooperation by All Americans is Urged at Meeting of Pan Americans.

ADDRESSES ARE MADE BY TWO CABINET OFFICIALS

Sec'y M'Adoo Says Horrors of War Compels Destiny to Turn to the Western Hemisphere.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—The European war and its lessons; the necessity for increased cooperation of "all of the Americas," and suggestions for world-wide cooperation to enforce international law, featured today's session of the Pan-American scientific congress.

The delegates got down to business with separate gatherings of the nine affiliated sections. The chief interest naturally attached to the international law section, the section on transportation, commerce, finance and taxation and the mining and agricultural branch.

Two cabinet officials, Secretaries Lane and McAdoo, made notable addresses. McAdoo especially called for "mutual helpfulness to result in a new epoch in international relations where cooperation will take the place of jealousy and antagonism."

Lane took a shot at the peace at any price advocates by declaring that "there are times when nations which believe in themselves ought to fight," but insisted that civilization never has been the "product of arms."

Sec'y McAdoo, after reviewing the work already accomplished toward cooperation between all of the nations on this hemisphere, emphasizing that it has resulted in "practical benefits of far-reaching independence," said:

"It seems as if the very horrors of war in Europe had compelled destiny to turn an appealing and benevolent face to the western hemisphere. We must not be insensible to that appeal. We must seek to bring about such a consolidation of moral and material influence among the nations of America as will make them irresistibly potential in peaceful and helpful service to humanity and civilization."

Sen. James Hamilton Lewis of Illinois, spoke upon important lines. The meeting of the women's auxiliary congress was chiefly featured through the first public appearance of Mrs. Robert Lansing, wife of the secretary of state, as a presiding officer.

Civic betterment the world over as the result of the work of community civic associations, was testified to by Lord Aberdeen, former lord lieutenant of Ireland, before the meeting of the American Civic association. Lady Aberdeen and Miss Margaret Wilson, daughter of the president, will address the organization tomorrow.

INDICT TOLEDO MAYOR

Karl H. Keller Accused of Bribery by Grand Jury.

TOLEDO, O., Dec. 28.—Indictments were returned against Mayor Karl H. Keller for bribery; William Delahanty, chief of the detective bureau, and John J. (Mickey) Sheafar, for receiving money under false pretenses, by the federal grand jury.

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2—Against the motion to confine all the testimony relating to the acquisition of the Metropolitan Steamship line by the New Haven to Edward B. Robbins.

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Will Use Horse in Campaign



MRS ALICE MOYER WING AND LABELLE

Mrs. Alice Curtice Moyer-Wing, field secretary for the Missouri Equal Franchise association is planning to reach the remote sections of her state in the Ozark mountains on horse-back in her campaign for votes for women. In the last campaign many of the remote mountain

sections were not canvassed owing to the difficulties of reaching them. Now Mrs. Moyer has a thoroughbred campaign mare, "La-Belle," purchased by her husband, and presented to the cause, which she will ride into the mountain fastnesses of the Ozarks and expound the cause from the saddle.

OPERATOR BLAMED FOR BAD WRECK

Pennsylvania Officials Are Seeking Perry Kelley Employed at St. Paris, O.

URBANA, O., Dec. 28.—Pennsylvania officials were hunting today for Perry Kelley, missing operator, who they charge with responsibility for the fatal wreck of last night at St. Paris, eight miles from here, in which one trainman was killed, four badly injured, and two passengers painfully injured. In addition, a score of other passengers were bruised.

One of the injured trainmen is not expected to recover. The surviving victims are in Columbus hospitals.

The dead man is Engineer M. F. Coffee, of Columbus. The injured include: Engineer W. M. Newpher and Fireman J. W. Ulrich, of Logansport, Ind.; Fireman A. A. Innis, who is believed to be dying; Mail Clerk Joseph Herman of Logansport; Mrs. Sam Stowe of St. Paris, O.; a passenger and a baby whose name is unknown.

The two trains were to have passed each other at St. Paris where there is a double track. Operator Kelley, who was substituting for the regular man, is said by road officials to have thrown the wrong lever in his tower, by mistake, thus sending the two trains toward each other on the same track. He could not be found today.

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NEW ANGLE IS BROUGHT INTO NOTE DISPUTE

Renewal of Sub Warfare is Laid at Doors of Austria. No Americans Lost in Latest Disaster.

GOVERNMENT WILL ASK PROOF OF CITIZENSHIP

Passenger on Jap Ship Was Traveling on British Passport—Lusitania Matter is Up Again.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—Renewal of the submarine warfare of the central powers in the Mediterranean by craft whose nationality is yet to be learned, was today causing officials grave concern.

The reports indicate that these vessels are torpedoed without warning. The presumption is that they are of Austrian nationality, but so far there is no proof to that effect. And, officials very frankly say, that should American lives be lost in this new campaign while the Ancona negotiations are still in progress, the hand of the United States will be forced, inasmuch as Vienna already has been warned that Austria's undersea campaign must be conducted in accordance with the strict letter of international law and the "principles of humanity."

Reports from consular sources of the sinking of the Ville De La Clotat, and other vessels sent to the bottom within the last 48 hours, say that no Americans were believed to be on board.

Fear for Americans. In consequence this government has no cause for action. But it is admitted that Americans constantly are traveling in the lane where the submarine activity now is more pronounced, and fears are entertained that some will fall victims to a wrecked vessel.

It has also been demonstrated that hereafter this government will insist upon having ample proof of the nationality of any citizen traveling in the war zone whose life may be endangered. In the case of Leight, the American who was a passenger on the Japanese liner Yasaka Maru, officials say that he probably was traveling on a British passport and that if this was the case, there will be no protest against the sinking of that vessel. Should Leight claim citizenship it is expected that he will be asked to prove it before anything additional is done.

Meanwhile the state department is awaiting word from Vienna as to the reply to the last Ancona note. It is expected that it will be handed to Ambassador Penfield within the next 48 hours. If the unofficial reports are true that it makes concessions but falls utterly to make the demanded demands, prompt action by this government will result.

Lusitania Case Up. Settlement of the Lusitania matter is to be completed if possible within the next few days. According to information from the German embassy and the state department, the only question in dispute is the language to be used in the final agreement. The question of the indemnity that is to be paid, officials say, is one over which there will be no haggling. Sec'y Lansing, however, wants the agreement to formally glow the sinking of the big Cunarder without any qualifications.

Telegrams and messages of congratulations on the birthday anniversary were being received throughout the day from both this country and Europe. The majority of them will be sent back to the executive offices in Washington to be answered without being brought to the attention of the president. Only those from heads of governments and personal friends will be answered from here. A number of intimate gifts from immediate relatives were also received.

It is expected that the president and his bride will return to Washington next Sunday night. While here the president has found time to carefully look over the legislation that he is chiefly interested in and it is expected that as soon as he gets back to the capitol he will send for congressional leaders and endeavor to speed up the congressional machine.

Police Refuse to Arrest Woman For Killing Roomer.

DAYTON, O., Dec. 28.—The unwritten law was upheld by the police last night when they refused to arrest Mrs. Prinitilla Rappazzo, who shot and probably fatally wounded Antonio Roppo, a roomer at her house.

Roppo was shot twice and found a square from the house where he had fallen on the street while seeking a physician. After the police heard the woman's story and that of neighbors, they permitted her to remain at home on her promise to call at police headquarters today for further investigation.

WAR TAXES WILL SUPPLY REVENUES

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—Indefinite continuation of certain sections of the war tax, if not the whole law, is considered probable by treasury officials. The reasons are given are:

1—The burden of imports must be kept light, and if possible, made lighter.

2—The prohibition movement and the campaigns against the use of tobacco are cutting down consumption of those commodities and will cut down revenue from that source.

3—The preparedness policy, to which the administration is committed, will require constantly increasing expenditures for both army and navy.

4—The great reclamation projects, possible government ownership of telephone and telegraph and general internal development through national aid will demand large sums.

It is pointed out that the liquor and tobacco taxes which were imposed during the Civil war as war taxes, have remained in effect so long that they are now considered ordinary taxes.

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