

CHIEF BULGARIAN PORT IS IN PERIL

Roumanian Army Gains South Side of Danube.

BLACK SEA CITY MENACED

Central Powers Are Forced Back Along Front in Dobrudja—Teutons Win in Galicia—Roumanian Move of Two-Fold Value.

London, Oct. 3.—The Roumanians have invaded Bulgaria. On the upper reaches of the Danube, between the fortified towns of Ruscuk and Turtukai, where the river begins its bend northeastward, leaving Bulgarian territory and separating Roumania proper from Dobrudja, the troops of Roumania have made their way to the southern bank of the stream.

Just how many men were thrown across the river is not disclosed in either the Roumanian or German official communications, but the strategic value of the maneuver seemingly is twofold.

Ninety miles eastward from Turtukai, which lies at the western extremity of Southern Dobrudja, is Varna, Bulgaria's chief seaport on the Black sea.

Varna Menaced.

If sufficient men have been sent across the river and are sent along the Dobrudja-Bulgarian frontier toward Varna, not alone would the seaport be in danger, but the move would constitute a serious menace toward the isolation of the German, Bulgarian and Turkish forces operating against the Russians to the north.

Simultaneously with the announcement of the crossing of the Danube, comes a report from Bucharest that a fresh attack along the entire front in Dobrudja has resulted in the defeat of the center and right flanks of the troops of the Central powers.

In Transylvania the Roumanians on both sides of the great Kukul river have advanced against the Teutonic allies.

Westward, in the vicinity of Orsova and near Petroseny, however, the Austro-Hungarians have captured positions from the Roumanians.

Teutons Win in Galicia.

The fighting in Galicia, with Lemberg the stake, has resulted in successes for the Teutonic allies northwest of the Galician capital and for the Russians in the southeast.

On the Brody-Slocoff road the Teutons recaptured the ground lost last Saturday, according to both Berlin and Vienna, and made prisoners 2,306 Russians, while in the Narayuvka and Zlota Lipa sectors the Russians repulsed vicious attacks of the Teutons, inflicting heavy casualties and capturing 1,600 men.

In the Lutsk region of Volhynia, northwest of Svienskiy, a Russian attack was repulsed.

On the front in France the Germans at Eaucourt l'Abbaye in fierce fighting regained a footing in some of the buildings of that town, but west of Gueudecourt and east of Courcellette the British improved their positions.

On the part of the line held by the French the men of General Foch made progress east of Bouchavesnes and repulsed an attack south of the Somme in the region of Vermandovillers.

GREEK-ALLY PACT NEARS COMPLETION

Athens, Oct. 3.—Negotiations between Greece and the entente powers are believed in circles close to King Constantine to be nearing completion, and it is even asserted in some quarters a military accord has been reached already, but is being kept secret pending the arrangement of details as in the case of Roumania.

The refusal of the entente to recognize the Kalogeropoulos ministry has been hampering the negotiations and helping to confuse the situation.

The negotiations of the entente representatives so far have been direct with King Constantine and have not been technically official communications.

WOMEN "ADOPT" SOLDIERS

Winnipeg Church Members to Cheer Prisoners of Germany.

Winnipeg, Oct. 3.—Women of the Westminster church of Winnipeg have "adopted" 200 lonely soldiers, prisoners of war in Germany. The soldiers are Winnipeg and Manitoba boys who have been captured in the war, and who have no relatives to send them food and clothing.

Harvard Men Honored for Bravery.

Cambridge, Mass., Oct. 3.—Twelve of the thirty-nine members of the American ambulance service who have been awarded the Croix de Guerre by the French government for conspicuous bravery since the beginning of the European war, are students of alumni of Harvard university, according to statistics compiled here.

IOWA NEWS BRIEFS

Motorists at Sioux City ran down three children in one day.

New buildings in Sioux City this season will total about \$1,000,000.

Wm. McNales, aged 35, of Marcus, was killed by a kick from a horse.

Fire destroyed the store of Idso & Co., at Fergusson, with a loss of \$8,000.

Dave Cutler, near Essex, was seriously injured when his auto struck a train.

Ten Iowa girls left Sioux City for service on the border as red cross nurses.

Bert Jamison, windmill builder at Oskaloosa, had his back broken when he fell forty feet.

Vern Holt of Sioux City was killed when hit by an eastbound Milwaukee train near Perry.

Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Smith of Bloomfield celebrated their sixty-third wedding anniversary.

Five men were killed when a locomotive boiler blew up in the round house at Sanborn.

Oscar Carlson, near Essex, cut his throat with a pocket knife, almost severing the wind-pipe.

Miss Althea Wolfe of Ord shot and killed herself with a 22-caliber revolver in a hotel at Creston.

Mrs. Geo. Wallace of St. Charles cleared \$325 raising turkeys as a side line to her domestic duties.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Rubleman, near Lone Tree, celebrated their sixty-seventh wedding anniversary.

Louis Hoffman of Buxton shot and killed his wife and then turned the gun on himself with fatal results.

With a well directed punch Daniel Whitehead, a farmer near Logan, put a hold-up man out of commission.

An autopsy of the body of a well dressed man found near Shenandoah showed that he had starved to death.

Lawrence Rhode, aged 42, city patrolman at Ft. Madison, died from a stroke of paralysis, after making an arrest.

Safe blowers blew the safe in a five and ten cent store at Ottumwa and secured a considerable amount of money.

Amon Dorsey and Miss Ruby Helder, former grand opera stars, have been added to the faculty of Grinnell college.

Lincoln Harbold, farmer near Plano, has a herd of 2,000 hogs. He is buying corn for feed in the field by the acre.

Two men were seriously injured at Waterloo when the ammonia tank in the basement of a department store exploded.

Harry Edliss was arrested at Vinton charged with breaking infantile paralysis quarantine to visit his sweetheart.

Harry L. Green, aged 28, brakeman on the Great Western, was killed while on his way home to see his new born baby.

The body of Henry Werz of Selma was found in a deserted well with a bullet in his head and a rock tied about his neck.

Henry Schroeder, aged 79, of Postville, died as a result of a scratch from barbed wire, which developed in blood poisoning.

Uriah Bittner, aged 61, of Marshalltown, hung himself while despondent over two strokes of paralysis he has recently suffered.

A young farmer near Cairo was arrested charged with putting tacks on the road in hopes that some motorists would have tire trouble.

Two sons of Mrs. Mantz, near Angus, were painfully injured while playing with some dynamite caps that they found in the cellar.

A panic was narrowly averted in a moving picture show at Des Moines when a street car left the track and crashed into the building.

Rev. Joseph Fort Newton, of the Liberal Christian church at Cedar Rapids, declined a call to the City Temple of London, England.

Fred Wenzel, aged 6, of New Liberty, shot and killed his brother, aged 12, while playing with a shotgun that had been loaded for a supposed marauder of stock.

Frank Hines, farm hand near Grinnell, sued his employer for \$2,550, claiming his employer gave him a horse to work with that kicked him every time he got close to him.

Young men riding in an auto near New Sharon made the owner of a calf pay for damages caused when their car ran into the calf, because they claimed it had no right in the road.

L. H. Pammel, head of the botany department at Iowa State college believes that hay fever could be reduced to a minimum if the weeds along the highways were trimmed, giving them no chance to bloom.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hunter of Nevada have started to walk across country to Arizona to get an irrigated farm which their uncle wrote he would give them if they had "get up" enough to come out and get it.

Geo. Nichols of Ames, weight 520 pounds, is said to be Iowa's heaviest man. He witnessed in court at Nevada recently and a special chair had to be placed on the witness stand, in place of the one ordinarily used.

Between 200,000 and 300,000 bad eggs were destroyed this summer by the State Dairy and Food department, and Chicago commission houses are now offering \$1.50 and \$2.00 more a case for Iowa eggs than those of other states.

Iowa retailers in convention at Iowa City pledged themselves to stand behind Iowa grocers who may be prosecuted by the state pharmacy commission for selling patent medicines. The merchants favor selling these remedies in grocery stores.

AMERICANS TO OFFICER ROAD

Chinese Government Agrees to Appoint U. S. Men.

1,500 MILES TO BE BUILT

Chief Engineer, Auditor and Traffic Manager Will Be From This Country—St. Paul Firm Secures Contract of \$60,000,000.

New York, Oct. 3.—In an announcement giving the details of the contract for the construction by the Siemens-Carey Railroad and Canal company of St. Paul, of a railroad for the Chinese government, the American International corporation, which is financing the project, says that the government has agreed to the appointment of an American chief engineer for the surveying and construction of the lines, and that later he will act as chief engineer of the railroad.

Other Officials From U. S.

The Chinese government also has agreed to the appointment of Americans to the positions of auditor and a traffic manager.

There will be built 1,500 miles of road between points to be agreed upon after investigation, and plans will be taken, the corporation says, "to avoid interfering with any agreements covering railway construction which have been entered into by the Chinese government with the various foreign governments or financial groups."

The American engineer is to be appointed soon and proceed to China immediately. Probably a year will elapse before the lines are located, it is said.

Preliminary contracts have been signed by the same interests, it was announced, for dredging the Grand canal in China.

DETAILS OF BIG LOAN DISCLOSED BY ROSE

Washington, Oct. 3.—Details of the proposed new American \$60,000,000 loan for railroad construction in China, twice the size of any previous similar loan and arranged with a view to increasing the republic's total railroad mileage by 50 per cent, were disclosed in details here by David S. Rose, counsel for the American interests from Peking indicating conclusion of the agreement.

Under the agreement, Mr. Rose, who is former mayor of Milwaukee, said the Siemens-Carey company of St. Paul contracts to construct as soon as possible with money furnished by the American International corporation 1,500 miles of railroad through the richest section of China, and obtains an optional contract to build another 1,500 miles later.

Estimating the cost per mile at \$40,000, the Siemens-Carey contract calls for an expenditure of \$60,000,000, with the possibility of doubling that amount if the option is taken up.

The largest previous railroad loan in China's history was the Hukuang loans of 1911 by German, British, French and American bankers, totaling \$30,000,000.

Road Work Costs Much More.

Washington, Oct. 3.—An enormous increase in expenditures for road building and bridge construction marked the development of highway work in the United States during the last twelve years. Statistics compiled by the office of public roads and made public here show that expenditures for the work increased from approximately \$80,000,000 a year in 1904 to about \$282,000,000 in 1915, or more than 250 per cent. State expenditures increased from \$2,500,000 to more than \$53,000,000.

Two Drown at Marinette.

Marinette, Wis., Oct. 3.—Two men were drowned and a third had a narrow escape when a locomotive crane of the Central West Coal company of Menominee, Mich., toppled off the dock into the Menominee river. The men drowned were: Michael Brown, master mechanic, and Ben Selewski, machinist, aged thirty. George Dumachelle was rescued.

RETIRED EDUCATOR SEEKS NEW CAREER IN CHINA.

Minneapolis, Oct. 3.—Anxiety to resume work was the object that led John F. Downey, seventy years old, former dean of the college of science, literature and the arts of the University of Minnesota, to leave for China, where he will resume active teaching.

Mr. Downey, who retired two years ago under the old age rule of the board of regents with the title dean emeritus, was accompanied by Mrs. Downey.

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 - Black Mare 2 years old weight 900
 - Sorrel Mare 11 years old weight 1000
 - Gray Mare 8 years old weight 1100
 - Gray Mare 10 years old weight 1000
 - Bay Gelding 12 years old weight 1200
 - Roan Gelding 6 years old weight 1400
 - Sorrel Yearling Colt

- ## 45 Head of Cattle
- 12 Milch Cows, fresh soon
 - Shorthorn Bull, 4 years old
 - 3 Black Poll Bulls, 18 mo.
 - 3 Shorthorn Bulls, from 10 to 18 months old
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 - 10 Spring Calves

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 - Double Box Extension Wagon
 - Ford Car and International Car
 - Single Buggy. Top Buggy, new
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 - 5 Boar Pigs, red

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