

BALKAN STATES IN CLOSE PACT

Bulgaria and Roumania Settle Differences.

WILL CONTINUE NEUTRAL

Roumania to Restore Territory Acquired From Bulgaria in Second Balkan War, This Action Being Taken Without Pressure From the Big Powers.

Petrograd, Dec. 23.—The Bulgarian minister has announced that an agreement had been reached between Roumania and Bulgaria under which Roumania will restore to Bulgaria the province of Dobrudja and most of the other territory which she acquired from Bulgaria as a result of the second Balkan war.

"This agreement has been reached without pressure from either Germany or the allies," said an official connected with the Bulgarian ministry. "We shall continue to be neutral and believe that Roumania, although she has no cause to fear us, also will remain neutral."

It has been asserted here that the fear of Bulgaria alone had prevented Roumania from invading Austria and entering the war on the side of the allies.

"If Greece would return Kavala and the Macedonian territory she annexed during the second Balkan war and Serbia would restore to us the Macedonian provinces she occupied, despite her agreement of 1912, the Balkan union could be reconstructed," said the Bulgarian official. "Under those circumstances a lasting peace would be established in the Balkans. But unfortunately neither Greece nor Serbia has shown an intention to revise the treaty of Bucharest."

GERMANS ANNOUNCE HEAVY FRENCH LOSS

Berlin, Dec. 23.—The German official report reads as follows:

"At Neuport and in the region around Ypres the situation was generally quiet."

"In order to recapture the positions lost by them Dec. 20 at St. Hubert and Givenohy the English forces, reinforced by French territorials, made desperate attacks, all of which, however, were repulsed. In the region around Richebourg the enemy succeeded in obtaining a firm foothold in his old positions."

"French attacks in the neighborhood of Albert, to the northeast of Compiègne, at Souain and at Perthes were repulsed with heavy losses to the French."

"In the western part of the Argonne district we captured a few trenches. On the Eastern Argonne, to the north and northwest of Verdun, French attacks were repulsed with heavy losses to the French."

"The situation in East and West Prussia is unchanged. In Poland our troops engaged in a fierce battle for possession of branches of the Bzura and Rawka river. In many instances they crossed over the tributaries already in their possession."

"On the right bank of the River Pilica the fighting by the German allies continues."

CAUSES STIR IN THE SENATE

Sherman of Illinois Criticizes American Universities.

Washington, Dec. 23.—Senator Sherman of Illinois astounded the senate when he raked American universities over the coals because of their teachings in economics.

In a speech against the literacy test in the immigration bill now pending in the senate Senator Sherman said:

"There is more ineffable rot being taught in our American universities than can be found in the whole of the ignorant slums of the entire world."

"Whenever I find some parlor socialist, somebody who has inherited a few millions from an ancestor that amounted to something in his lifetime, somebody who is going out to overturn society and destroy the existing order of things, three times out of four he is carrying the degrees of one of our ancient universities."

AUTHOR IS SERIOUSLY ILL

Alfred Henry Lewis Suffers From Intestinal Trouble.

New York, Dec. 23.—Alfred Henry Lewis, the writer, is seriously ill at his home here. He is said to have developed intestinal trouble.

He had been in poor health for the past month, but his condition became very serious only Wednesday.

Former Senator West Dead. Valdosta, Ga., Dec. 23.—Former United States Senator William S. West was found dead in bed at his home here. He had retired apparently in good health.

VISITING THE WOUNDED.

Princess August Wilhelm in a Hospital in Berlin.



Photo by American Press Association.

Prominent Boer Arrested.

Bloemfontein, Orange River Colony, Dec. 23.—Bernard Wessels, member of the South African parliament for Bethlehem, has been arrested here. At a meeting of the loyal Dutch at Bethlehem recently a resolution was adopted urging his arrest because of alleged pro-German tendencies.

Thousands Idle in Cleveland.

Cleveland, Dec. 23.—A survey of the unemployed situation, made by the council committee on labor, indicates 61,000 wage earners are out of work in Cleveland.

Christmas Dinner Hotel Markham

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Celery Hearts

Consomme Patti	Cream of Celery
Hot House Radishes	Queen Olives
Salted Almonds	
Baked Walleyed Pike, Tartar Sauce	
Pommes Gastronomi	
Boiled Milk Fed Capon, Sauce Supreme	
Braized Veal Sweet Breads, Champignons	
Peach Fritters, Orange Sauce	
Grape Juice Frappe	
Roast Christmas Goose, Apple Butter	
Whipped Potatoes	Early June Peas
Roast Young Turkey, Chestnut Dressing	
Cranberry Jelly	
Browned Jersey Sweet Potatoes	
Golden Bantam Sweet Corn	
Braized Haunch of Cub Bear, Wild Rice	
Asparagus Tips	Fried Parsnips
Head Lettuce and Tomato Salad	
Hotel Markham Dressing	
Home Made Mince Pie	Washington Cream Pie
Christmas Plum Pudding, Hard or Lemon Sauce	
Tutti Frutti Ice Cream	
Fruit Cake	
	Macaroons
Mixed Nuts	Turkish Figs
	Layer Raisins
American, Edam and Roquefort Cheese	
Toasted Water Crackers	
Coffee	

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