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BRITAIN NOT SEEKING PEACE WITH GERMANY

Lloyd George Replying for Premier Stated that no Proposals had been Considered. Britain will not Sheathe the Sword Until the Freedom of Europe has been Secured.

PARIS, Oct. 28.—All four Entente Allies have refused peace, and preparations are now being made for new drives on all the fronts. LONDON, Oct. 28.—An emphatic denial that Great Britain was engaged in any peace negotiations, direct or indirect, was made by David Lloyd George, the Minister of Munitions, in reply to a question in the House of Commons to-day.

THE STRUGGLE IN BALKANS IS INCESSANT AND SANGUINARY

Serbian Gallyantly Holding off the Invaders who are Making but Slow Progress and at Fearful Cost. French have Driven Bulgarians Out of Veles District and Captured Strumitza Advancing 20 Miles into Bulgaria.

(Special to The Guardian.) LONDON, Oct. 29.—The Germans with their Austrian and Bulgarian allies are still making an attempt to cut off the retreat of the main Serbian army, which is offering such spirited resistance to the invaders. While Von Mackensen's force advances slowly from the north, the Austrians have crossed the western border of Serbia south of Visegrad and are moving eastward. The Bulgarians are marching westward on a wide front from Pirot, which lies south-east of Nish to Zajecar north-east of Nish.

DVINA RIVER CHOKED WITH GERMAN DEAD

Enemy Lured by Russians who Allowed Them to Instal Themselves then Began Bombardment from both Sides. German Shortage of Ammunition Critical.

(Special to The Guardian) LONDON, Oct. 29.—Accounts reach here, says a Reuter despatch from Petrograd, "of spectacular fighting on the Island of Dalen on the Dvina River, a few miles Southeast of Riga, whither the Russian troops, the Germans allowing them to instal themselves before beginning a bombardment from both sides. Spectators from Riga who witnessed the cannonade from a bridge across the river, say the river was choked with German corpses floating down the stream and the German troops had been almost entirely wiped out.

Japan Joins Allies in Peace Compact

(Special to The Guardian) LONDON, Oct. 29.—Japan has become a party to the agreement not to conclude a separate peace with Germany.

CHINESE PREMIER HAS RESIGNED

(Special to The Guardian) WASHINGTON, Oct. 29.—The resignation of Hsu Shih Chang, Chinese Premier, was announced here to-day. The official telegram from Peking conveyed the information but no cause was given. The report is that he is out of sympathy with the proposed change from a republic to a monarchy.

No Conscription in Australia Without Election

(Special to The Guardian) MELBOURNE, Oct. 29.—When a delegation representing the Trades Hall Council of Melbourne waited on Premier Fisher a week ago and asked for a promise that conscription for a promotion would not be introduced in Australia unless the people of the Commonwealth were given an opportunity of voting upon the question, Premier Fisher declared that his intention of bringing in a bill dealing with conscription.

Roumania Likely To Accept Proposals From Entente Allies

(Special to The Guardian) ATHENS, Oct. 29.—The Hestia says it has learned from a diplomatic source that there are indications that Roumania will accept proposals from the Entente Allies for joining with them. It is highly probable, the newspaper says, that the Roumanian front will be permitted to pass through Roumania to go to the assistance of Serbia. The Entente Powers, it is said, intend to satisfy Roumania's ambitions, including her desire for territory in Russian Bessarabia.

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KING GEORGE INJURED WHILE REVIEWING TROOPS

HIS HORSE BECOMING FRIGHTENED AT THE CHEERING OF THOUSANDS OF SOLDIERS, REARED AND FELL BACKWARDS. HIS MAJESTY'S INJURIES SAID TO BE SLIGHT.

(Special to The Guardian.) LONDON, Oct. 29.—An accident to the King happened yesterday morning. He was thrown from his horse severely bruised. The following official announcement was made:—"While the King this morning (Thursday) was inspecting his army in the field, his horse, excited by the cheers of the troops, reared up and fell. The King was hurled severely and was confined to bed for the present. "A later bulletin says the King had a 'fair night'."

No Ministerial Crisis at Paris

EX-PREMIER BRIAND GIVES A STATEMENT TO THE PRESS. PARIS, Oct. 28.—The following statement to the press was made by M. Briand:—"Premier Viviani took steps to enlarge his cabinet. I am continuing them in my turn, but I have no official mandate, since there is no ministerial crisis. Accordingly, the conversations I have had with various political leaders have been only semi-official, and I ask you to explain that it is in this sense that my action may be regarded. Perhaps I may be in a position to say more very soon."

Sir Bryan Mahon To Serbian Command

FAMOUS IRISH GENERAL IS LEADING BRITISH IN BALKANS. LONDON, Oct. 29.—Sir Bryan Mahon has taken command of the British forces in Serbia. This announcement was made in the House of Commons Thursday afternoon by Harold J. Tennant, parliamentary under-secretary for war. Major-General Sir Bryan Thomas Mahon was born at Bellefleur, County Galway, Ireland, on April 2, 1852. He began his military career in the 8th Hussars in 1873, and later fought with great distinction in India, Egypt and South Africa. General Mahon fought under Kitchener at Khartoum and also in the South African war. He led the Mafeking relief column and was twice mentioned in despatches. He was awarded the Queen's medal with three clasps. He was also awarded the Sudan and Egyptian war medals, the latter with eight clasps. He was created C.B. in 1906, and K.C.M.G. in 1911. General Mahon commanded the 8th division in India from 1909 until the outbreak of the present war.

Russians Bombard Bulgarian Ports With Serious Damage

ROME, via Paris, Oct. 29.—A despatch to the Giornale d'Italia from Kustendje, a Roumanian port on the Black Sea, describes the attack by the Russian fleet composed of battleships, and torpedo boats, bombarded Varna and Birgas and the neighboring coast. The torpedo boats, and advanced 22 miles from the coast, and inflicted damage caused by the bombardment is described as very serious. The Bulgarian artillery made a feeble reply. The report says that some detachments among the Bulgarian troops in the coast forts gave cheers for Russia, during the bombardment.

German Plotters Blamed For A \$500,000 Fire

PIER USED BY LINE OF BRITISH STEAMERS FOR SHIPMENTS OF SUPPLIES FOR ALLIES DESTROYED. SEATTLE, Wn., Oct. 29.—Police and fire department officials conducted a thorough investigation into the origin of the \$500,000 fire, which last night destroyed a pier, used by the Blue Funnel Line, of British steamers for shipments of provisions and supplies for England, Russia and Japan. More than a million dollars' worth of freight, mostly imports from China and Japan, was in the warehouse, but half of the contents of the buildings was saved. The fact that the fire started in piles of rattan stored with other highly inflammable merchandise in the same manner as two small fires last Tuesday, caused officials to believe that the fire probably was set by some one who objected to the shipment of munitions of war for the Russian armies.

More French Troops Land at Saloniki

(Special.) LONDON, Oct. 29.—(Special.)—One hundred and fifty thousand French troops, with 100 big guns, have been landed at Saloniki, according to Bucharest advices. Sir Briand Mahone has taken command of the British forces in Serbia.

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FRENCH AVIATORS NOW AT SALONIKI.

PARIS, Oct. 28.—The Saloniki correspondent of the Havas News Agency says the fighting on the Franco-Bulgarian front has subsided, calm having prevailed for 24 hours. A squadron of aeroplanes has been assembled at Saloniki and is soon to proceed by air to the front. THE WEATHER. TEMPERATURE, TIDE, MOON, ETC. (Special to The Guardian.) TORONTO, Oct. 30.—Maritime: Showers at first, followed by moderate north-west winds, clearing and cooler. THE WEATHER.—Yesterday was fine, clear and warm. The highest temperature recorded yesterday was 52 degrees above zero. At nine o'clock yesterday morning it registered 46 degrees above zero; at nine last night 49 degrees above. The coldest the previous night was 38 degrees above zero. The tide will be high this afternoon at 4.05, tomorrow at 5.05 and Monday at 5.53; it will be high tomorrow morning at 2.24, Monday at 3.27 and Tuesday at 5.10. The sun sets this afternoon at 4.49 tomorrow at 4.48 and Monday at 4.46; it rises tomorrow morning at 6.40, Monday at 6.41 and Tuesday at 6.42. There was a full moon on Friday, Oct. 22nd at 8.15 p. m. The last quarter of the moon will be on Sunday, Oct. 1st at 12.40 a. m. The length of day will be ten hours and ten minutes and of tomorrow ten hours and eight minutes.

VIVIANI MINISTRY HAS RESIGNED AND ARISTIDE BRIAND IS ASKED TO FORM NEW CABINET

PARIS, Oct. 28.—The French cabinet, of which Rene Viviani was head, resigned to-day, but up to a late hour to-night Aristide Briand, who was called upon to form a new cabinet, had not succeeded in completing his task. The subject of M. Viviani's resignation from the premiership and the re-organization of the cabinet was discussed at length by the political leaders, but as no definite arrangements could be reached, the chamber of deputies, which was awaiting the appearance of the ministry in the house, adjourned in the afternoon, without any formal announcement having been made. There had been rumours since the resignation of Theophile Delcasse, the foreign minister, of important changes in the cabinet, but the withdrawal of M. Viviani was in the nature of a surprise, as his ministry received a vote of confidence in the chamber recently by a very large majority. One explanation offered is that Premier Viviani has overtaxed his strength in his official position by his strenuous services in connection with the war. Aristide Briand, who held the office of minister of Justice in the late cabinet, and who was premier in 1913, in a statement respecting the changes in the cabinet, said that he had received no official mandate, as there was no ministerial crisis. Throughout the day he conferred with the political leaders of all shades of opinion, with the purpose of reorganising the ministry so as to include the best available men in the country. It is stated that M. Briand will be officially invested with the mission of forming a new cabinet as soon as his selections for the various portfolios are made.

PRICES OF FOX FURS STEADILY ADVANCING

LAMPSON'S REPORT FOR OCTOBER SHOWS A MARKED ADVANCE OVER MARCH PRICES. AN AMERICAN FIRM MAKES APPROPRIATION OF QUARTER MILLION TO BUY FOX PELTS ALONE. The report of Lampson's fur sales for October has just been received, and it will be gratifying to owners of foxes in this province and elsewhere to learn that practically all fur prices are higher than they were last March. Silver fox fur is 15 per cent. higher than at the March sales; red fox 40 per cent. higher; white, cross and grey fox 50 per cent. higher. Raccoon is 75 per cent. higher than in March, Muskrat 40 per cent. higher, Mink 20 per cent. higher and Marten 10 per cent. higher. The furs quoted same as last March are Russian sable, blue fox, bear, ermine and chinchilla. There are none quoted lower than in March. In this connection it is interesting to note that a private letter was recently received in Charlottetown from one of the largest, possibly the largest, fur houses in the United States, the following extracts from which are significant:—"Since the opening of the European war a new market has been established for the silver fox, cross and blue fox pelts, 90 per cent. of which was formerly exported to London. We imported the fox industry that would be the coming fashion and a strong demand would be created at advanced prices. These conditions were experienced by the fur trade a few months later, when, from the silver fox downward, all fox pelts advanced at least twenty-five per cent. An allowance of one quarter of a million dollars was made by the directors of our company to be invested in silver fox pelts alone." The fact that this company has made such an appropriation for the purchase of silver fox pelts is very significant and indicates clearly the prospective demand for this valuable fur.

GERMAN PAPER DEMANDS RECALL OF U. S. MINISTER

(Special to The Guardian) LONDON, Oct. 29.—The Vossische Zeitung, says a despatch to the Exchange Telegraph Co. from Amsterdam, challenges the German Government to ask Washington to recall the American minister at Brussels, Brand Whitlock. "The recent Cavell case," says Vossische Zeitung, "must be utilized as an occasion to put an end to Whitlock's activities, he being the minister accredited to Havre, the present seat of the Belgian Government, and not to Brussels. If America desires a representative in Brussels she must send one agreeable to the German Government."

U.S. AMBASSADOR IN CONFERENCE WITH KAISER.

BERLIN, Oct. 28.—United States Ambassador Gerard declined to-day to discuss for publication his conference yesterday with Emperor William. The conference took place at Potsdam and lasted for an hour.

COMING EVENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, MEETINGS, ETC.

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