

TURKS WILL FIGHT TO THE BITTER END

Patriotic Sentiment in Constantinople is Flaming Against Any Submission.

Tchatalja Fight Was a Rout---Constantinople Situation Grows Worse Daily.

Constantinople, Nov. 11.—There is every indication here now that the war against the Balkan allies will be continued to the bitter end, as advised by Nasim Pasha, the Turkish commander-in-chief.

Officers of the army join with the Turkish press in applauding the determination of the commander-in-chief to continue the fight and it is stated that the population of the Turkish Empire is ready to assist by every means in its power. At the same time, many Moslems are said to have sworn to sacrifice their lives in order to safeguard the glory of Islam.

The Yeni Gazette says to-day: "If Europe wishes to tear up treaties it may do so, but we will not allow the Koran and the history of Osman to be torn up. All the Turkish Ministers, with the Grand Vizier, aged 84, at their head, as well as our high dignitaries, our soldiers and the whole nation, have sworn to shed their blood in that cause. Those who entertain the idea of abandoning the fatherland will incur the malediction of the Almighty Prophet."

WANT NO INTERMEDIARY.

Sofia, Bulgaria, Nov. 11.—The Bulgarian Cabinet maintains the absolute necessity of any peace negotiations with Turkey being conducted directly with the Balkan nations, in order to ensure the future position of the various states involved, and to prevent the danger of further conflict after the war has ceased.

The Government organ, Mir, expresses surprise that Turkey recognizes her defeat, but yet ignores the victors and continues to seek salvation from the powers. The newspaper remarks that such mediation in the past has proved costly for Turkey territorially, and if persisted in now may cause the Asiatic empire to become a second Egypt.

DIRECT NEGOTIATION RUMORED.

Cologne, Germany, Nov. 11.—It is reported in Sofia, Bulgaria, that the Porte has proposed to Bulgaria to begin peace negotiations without the mediation of the powers, according to a despatch to the Cologne Gazette.

BRITISH PRESS VIEWS.

New York, Nov. 11.—A London cable says: "The London press this morning gives much space to editorials discussing the division of spoils in the Balkans. Following are some extracts: Daily Telegraph—"Austria will abandon her ambitions on the Adriatic coast only on the assurance that they will not be forestalled by a greater Serbia." Daily Express—"The great powers have to deal with an unknown force in King Ferdinand, who will probably be the first to cut the cake, and the reckoning must be made with him."

Morning Post—"The small states by stepping into Turkey's shoes make little change in the framework of Europe, but a considerable extension of Austria-Hungary would be a great alteration." Daily News—"Public opinion here will insist on Serbia getting an open way to the sea." Daily Chronicle—"Austria-Hungary will purchase Italian support by offering Italy an autonomous Albania, under an Italian prince, and herself regard her claims to the Sanjak and Scutaria. It would be a disgraceful bargain."

Standard—"To the victors cannot be denied a share in the spoils."

Daily Graphic—"It would constitute an inextinguishable stain on the reputation of the Balkan states if they should despoil and partition Albania."

The Standard's Constantinople correspondent telegraphs: "The wild rush of a demoralized and hungry mob of soldiers into the doomed city is adding to the general terror. Many Turks have crossed the Bosphorus, and many Europeans are seeking refuge aboard steamships."

The Sultan's yacht is waiting with steam up to take him to Brusa, in Asia Minor. The imperial treasure has already been sent away.

Twenty warships of the powers are now in the Bosphorus.

It is reported that the United Powers will lay before the Balkan States to-day the fact that Turkey has applied for mediation, but it is believed the al-

lies will insist on being addressed directly by the Porte."

TRIPLE ALLIANCE STANDS PAT.

Berlin, Nov. 11.—Germany, Austria-Hungary and Italy will not intervene in the Balkan situation so long as their special interests are not affected, and unless they are requested to do so by the belligerent nations.

This determination was reached during a series of conferences held here between the Marquis Di San Giuliano, Italian Foreign Minister, the Imperial Chancellor, and the German Foreign Secretary, at which the Austrian Ambassador was also present.

In a semi-official statement issued to-day it was announced that the three powers belonging to the Triple Alliance will follow a common course in regard to the Balkans, while at the same time keeping in friendly touch with the other powers.

THE ROUT AT TCHATALJA.

London, Nov. 11.—The victorious Bulgarians made one swift, vicious assault on the fortifications of Tchatalja to-day, and won them. The disheartened Turks are now scattered over the 25-mile district between those captured lines of defence and Constantinople, and the Bulgarians are pursuing them, capturing some and killing others. There is now nothing save these disorganized, fleeing bands of Turks to stop the Bulgarians in their conquering march towards the capital of their enemies.

Flushed with the increasing total of victories, the Bulgarian troops, under the direction of King Ferdinand, decided this morning that it would not be necessary to await the arrival of the reinforcements which have already started from Sofia. The grating hatred which the Bulgarians feel towards the Turks fed fire to the zeal of the soldiers, and after testing the mettle of the defensive army by pressing them hard on Tuesday, Wednesday and to-day, King Ferdinand decided on one assault. The Turks had been yielding to his varied attacks during these days, and this afternoon he piled all his forces on top of the Turks on a sweeping assault.

The Turks resisted as best they could, but the soldiers, weak from lack of food, disheartened by defeat, and having endured terrific physical hardships during the few weeks of the war, at last were pushed from their position. The retreat of the Turks began in confusion, which increased as the Bulgarians pressed home their attacks, and at last the Turks broke into a sprint for their capital, throwing away their packs and arms to increase their speed.

IAS ADRIANOPLE FALLEN.

London, Nov. 11.—Charles P. Hands, one of the Daily Mail's war correspondents, has just reached Bucharest from Sofia. He telegraphs as follows: "I have grounds for a believing that Adrianople has fallen, but the Bulgarians are concealing the fact, lest the powers, realizing that the war should intervene before the capture of Constantinople. Extraordinary endeavours have been made since Monday to prevent the news from getting out. Nothing has been issued officially at Sofia except bulletins. The censorship has been extended to all letters."

CONSTANTINOPLE'S PLIGHT.

London, Nov. 11.—The situation in Constantinople is growing in desperation every day. News was received to-day that 25,000 Kurds are marching through Asia on their way to Constantinople. Their purpose is to aid in the fighting against the Balkan allies, but it is improbable that they will arrive at the front in time to do anything in the organized battles.

These Kurds are religious fanatics, and are barbarians. In religious riots in the past they have proved their viciousness, and will stop at nothing to wreak vengeance upon Christians. If they arrive at Constantinople they will add to the general confusion, and unless the authorities are able to keep them strongly under hand a slaughter of the Christians in the capital is probable.

The small armed bands of routed soldiers who have drifted into Constantinople are fierce from hunger, and any day they, augmented by the Kurds and the ruffians of the town, may break out.



WOODROW WILSON, of NEW JERSEY, Newly elected President of the United States.

Every Christian who can do so is leaving the capital. There are 600,000 Christians in the town normally, and in the event of a massacre those will inevitably be wiped out. The feeling against them is caused not by the fact that it was a condition of Christian nations who are winning the victories against them, but also because the Mohammedan Turks say that the loss of many battles was due to the fact that the Christian soldiers in the Turkish army were the first to break under heavy fire. If a massacre starts the warships in the harbor will be able to do little to save the Christians.

The ambassadors of five powers held a meeting this morning at the Porte and there met the Grand Vizier and the Foreign Minister. It is understood that they discussed measures of public safety.

BIG BATTLE NOW ON.

London, Nov. 11.—A great battle is in progress between the Bulgarians and Turks along the line of Tchatalja fortifications, only some twenty miles outside of Constantinople. It is generally believed that this will be the last of the remarkable series of combats which have been going on for upwards of a fortnight, with little or no breathing space.

One report received from Sofia last night said that the Bulgarians had occupied the Tchatalja line, but this remains without confirmation.

While the Turks have another more modern line of fortifications between Tchatalja and Constantinople, there is little chance, in the opinion of military experts, that they will make a stand there if they are defeated at Tchatalja. It is reported, however, that the famous Damascus regiments of the Turkish army have been reserved for the last effort to save the capital.

There is no fresh news today from Adrianople, which was reported last night to have surrendered.

The position at Monastir and at Saloniki, where large Turkish armies are concentrated, is unchanged so far as the outside world has been informed. The Montenegrins are finding the Turkish fortress of Scutaria a hard nut to crack, and it is again reported to-day that they have had to retire across the Boyana River, because heavy rains and floods had made it impossible for them to keep up their commissariat service.

NORTHERN ROADS

New Ontario Highway Work Nears Completion.

A Cochrane dispatch says: Two weeks more, and possibly less, will see the completion of the road construction work being done by the Ontario Road Construction Branch in and about the Cochrane and Transcontinental section of Northern Ontario. The forces have now been reduced to the minimum, and at the end of a fortnight the headquarters will be transferred from Cochrane to the Parliament Buildings in Toronto. From that time on the headquarters will be in Toronto, and next summer the work will be directed from that point and will be carried on not only in the north, but around Sudbury and Port Arthur.

ROYAL GEORGE ON THE ROCKS

All the Passengers Have Been Safely Removed.

OFFICERS PRAISED

Complimentary Resolution to Royal George Officials.

A Quebec dispatch says: That the steamer Royal George, which went ashore and ran aground at Pointe-aux-Lesques, on the 10th inst., on the St. Lawrence on Wednesday evening, is now stuck in an immediate position on the rocks, as indicated by the party successful at attempt to move her, which was made yesterday. It appears from a message received last night that she was pulled from the position in which she rested yesterday, and got into a stream, and is presumed to be better situated.

The message from the Royal George follows: "The vessel was moved yesterday to get off the rocks, and was found and made ashore on the 11th inst. to Quebec. Weather, contrary to tide, two points to the south, and condition of ship about the same, but it is to be refloated again in a few days. Present time snow and squalls."

This morning the steamer was too rough for the tug to go near the Royal George, and another attempt to refloat her this afternoon may be made. It is hoped by the Canadian Northern officials to get off the remaining five hundred staves of lumber this morning, and the steamer North was sent out for this purpose.

The N. R. has made arrangements for the shipment of baggage to its owners at their home address.

The following resolution has been passed and signed by two hundred and fifty of the passengers of the Royal George who stayed in Quebec: "We, the undersigned passengers of the Royal George, beg to most heartily thank the officers for their kindness and forethought on our behalf, under great difficulties and trying times. Our needs were promptly attended to, and we are more than satisfied with the arrangements made at the various Quebec hotels. We have been most ably treated in every way, and no claims have been spared in making us comfortable."

All the passengers have been safely removed to Quebec.

BRITISH TRADE RETURNS.

London, Nov. 11.—The Board of Trade returns for the month of October show that the imports were £71,226,531, an increase compared with £70,120,221 in 1911. The exports for the same period were £54,338,387, an increase of £2,879,439 compared with the previous month.

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WILSON'S TOTAL
Will Have 442 Votes in Electoral College.

New York despatch: Based on returns at midnight, Woodrow Wilson has carried Illinois and California by safe margins. Thus he will have 442 votes in the Electoral College, Roosevelt will have 77, while President Taft will get but 12.

It now looks as if Illinois will poll up a plurality of 15,000 for Governor Wilson, while the rural districts of California will put him at least 3,000 ahead of his nearest opponent, Col. Roosevelt, in that State.

The popular votes of the three leading candidates figure something like 6,000,000 or more for Wilson, 4,000,000 or perhaps less for Mr. Roosevelt, and 3,400,000 for President Taft. Those totals must vary to a certain degree with revised returns from the present doubtful States, but then in general they are not far from being correct.

The loss of California and Illinois to the Bull Moose candidate is somewhat offset by his decided success in Minnesota, where the farmer vote upset last night's predictions, and turned the tide there for the third party candidate.

The contest between Governor Wilson and Col. Roosevelt was a neck-and-neck race in Kansas, West Virginia, Illinois and California, but it was too much for the Progressive when it came to counting the votes from the rural districts.

Wyoming has been hanging in the balance, but estimates based on general returns would give the State to Wilson by from between 370 and 500. The Taft people have been claiming its electoral vote.

STRANGE TRAGEDY

Peculiar Hunting Fatality in the Northwest.

Edmonton, Nov. 11.—One of the most extraordinary accidents in the mortality records of Alberta was reported to Coroner Frankson, of Stettler, yesterday, when the 12-year-old son of Harold Engels, a farmer living near Stettler, brought the body of his father home after an interrupted hunting trip, during which the father was killed accidentally by his own hand.

Father and son had started out with a horse and buggy on a hunting trip. They had gone only a short distance when Mr. Engels tried to make his horse travel faster. Failing to coax the animal into a trot the father picked up a loaded shotgun, which was lying in the bottom of the rig, and struck the horse sharply over the back with the stock of the weapon, breaking the butt end below the trigger guard. By some unknown agency the trigger caught and the right barrel of the gun exploded, the charge entering Engels' left breast, killing him instantly.

The son placed his father's body in the bottom of the buggy, returned to Stettler and notified the coroner.

RUSHING N. T. R.

Trains From Winnipeg to Moncton Next Year.

Ottawa, Nov. 11.—That the National Transcontinental Railway will be completed sufficiently to permit of the operation of trains from Winnipeg to Moncton by the time next year was the expectation expressed by Hon. Frank Cochrane, Minister of Railways, to-day. The Minister and Major R. W. Leonard, chairman of the commission, have been hurrying up the contractors with such success that the prospect is bright now for the laying of steel sufficiently for the handling of wheat next fall.

A car ferry is being arranged for service at Quebec pending the completion of the bridge. A local service on the line from Edmonton, N. B., to Moncton will be started on Nov. 20, and will be tri-weekly. The Winnipeg-Superior Junction service is completed, and will be ready to handle grain this fall.

Some people are careful to have everything in its place, and then can't find the place.

NEWS OF THE DAY IN BRIEF

Toronto Wants Over \$12,000,000 For Improvements.

MUTINEERS TO DIE

Heavy Fine For Illegal Liquor Selling.

Toronto Board of Education decided against basement classes in the public schools.

A circular on church union has been sent to every Anglican clergyman in Canada.

Toronto Works Committee wants over twelve million dollars for important improvements.

Bishop Stringer is to undergo an operation for appendicitis at the Toronto General Hospital.

John Kimmel, a resident of Berlin for nearly sixty years, died at his residence, Frederick street.

President Taft issued a thanksgiving proclamation, setting aside Nov. 28 for the observance of that day.

A fine of \$500 and costs was meted out to A. T. Neil for selling liquor in Sterling, a local option municipality.

Rev. Dr. Charles A. Eaton expressed the opinion that the two old political parties in the United States have passed.

A stray bullet killed James Campbell, near Folger station, on the K. & P. Railway, as he was sitting in his own house.

With five rescued seamen aboard, the tug James H. Martin reached St. Joseph, Mich., and reported the loss of the tow barge Plattie Wells.

The Dominion House session will likely see the introduction of important legislation amending the pure foods act and making it more stringent.

Frank Conway, a well known Windsor character, stumbled and fell down a flight of stairs at Trambles' garage and sustained probably fatal injuries.

Commander H. St. G. Landay, Dominion Wreck Commissioner, has decided to recommend that the master of the Kerestorm be suspended for one year and the mate for two years.

W. C. McLean, switchman in the Grand Trunk yards at Buffalo, residing at Fort Erie, was probably fatally injured at Welland by being caught between the humpers.

The Russian Naval Court has sentenced seventeen sailors to death and 106 to imprisonment for from four to eight years at hard labor for ignominious mutiny in the Russian fleet.

Mr. S. H. Armstrong, Independent Conservative, was elected by acclamation to the Legislature to fill the vacancy created by Mr. A. A. Mahaffy's resignation to accept a judgeship.

Harry Farby of Chatham, commencing a four years' term in Kingston Penitentiary, imposed on him by Magistrate Sturward for a hold-up, of which Oliver Brasseur of Tilbury, was the victim.

The Marine and Fisheries Department has ordered Wreck Commissioner Lind say to go to Quebec to make a searching enquiry into the grounding of the Royal George off the island of Orleans.

William le Ber, Toronto, foreman of a bridge construction gang at Ruel, a point on the Canadian Northern at mileage 92.5 from Sudbury, was killed through being his hold on the girders and falling a distance of 45 feet.

ARREARS CLAIM REFUSED.

Brantford despatch: An important decision was handed out by Judge Hardy to-night in connection with the application of the Collegiate Institute Board which claimed \$6,410.26 from the County of Brant for arrears on fees for pupils attending the Collegiate from the county from the year 1908 to 1912 inclusive. The county has been paying \$1,500 per year towards the cost of county pupils and the board claimed that the sum was sufficient by the sum quoted. The judge held that the School Board had accepted \$1,500 per annum for the past ten years and could not go back on that agreement. He dismissed the application with costs.

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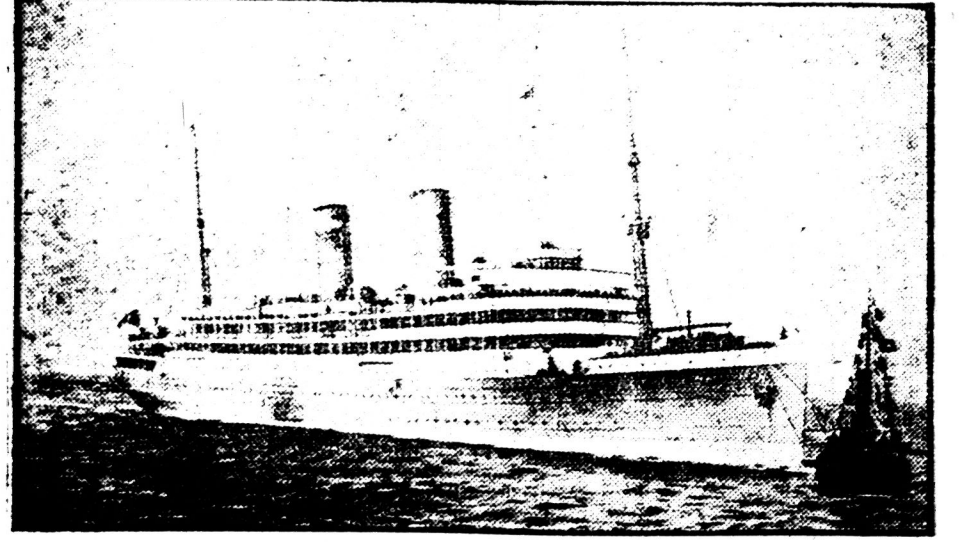
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