

AUSTRIANS ENTER CETINJE; FOES DESERT CAPITAL

Pursue Hard-Hit Montenegrin Army in Sweep of Mountain Kingdom

KING MAY SUE FOR PEACE

LONDON, Jan. 14.—A Rome dispatch says that it was Austria and not Montenegro that proposed an armistice.

VIENNA, Jan. 14.—Cettinje, the capital of Montenegro, has been occupied by Austrian troops. It was officially announced this afternoon.

The Vienna official statement, transmitted through Berlin, carried no mention of Roman reports that the Austrians and Montenegrin forces have arranged an armistice, preliminary to Montenegro's surrender.

LONDON, Jan. 14. Peace between Montenegro and the German allies is believed to be imminent unless the Allies can put an army into Northern Albania in the next few days.

Only one construction is placed here on this intelligence—that Montenegro admits defeat and has passed, practically, under Austrian control. Another decisive step in the Balkan situation, it is felt, has been reached and that the stage is set for an unfavorable to the Allies and more important in its eventual results as the overthrow of Serbia.

Even if Montenegro and Austria come to terms the Austrians will be compelled to keep a heavy force in the conquered kingdom, for the possibility will exist of an attack by the Italians and Serbians by way of Albania.

Dispatches from Athens state that a comprehensive attack upon Salonica is being developed by the Central Powers. The entire Austro-German line of operations, including three dreadnoughts, is now assembled in the harbor of Cattaro.

The London Times asserts that Italy's interests in Montenegro are as important as England's in the opening of the Dardanelles, and that the prospective annexation of Montenegro will have far-reaching maritime consequences in the Eastern Mediterranean.

FOUR GERMAN SAILORS ARRESTED AT DU PONT'S

Continued from Page One They were arrested by Immigration Inspector Harry Y. Davis while working in the Bancroft cloth mills, Wilmington, from which plant they could overlook the du Pont powder works.

They were arrested so quietly that nothing was known about it in Wilmington or in this city until today. Warrants for their arrest had been issued by the Department of Labor, and their hearing today, before Commissioner Greenleaf, they were held to await the action of the department on the cases.

What is considered of the greatest importance in regard to this case is the fact that the Department of Labor is evidently keeping a close tab on the whereabouts and activities of all the Germans who have come to this country on ships since the outbreak of the war.

One theory is that the Government believes the Germans now in custody at Gloucester know something of the whereabouts of the officers and certain members of the crew of the Eitel Friedrich, who left that German auxiliary cruiser before it was interned at Norfolk. Questioning of the detained seamen may bring out this information, it is thought.

MEN SPEAK ONLY GERMAN The four men were asked today why they left their ships without permission. They indicated that they knew only German, and so were addressed in that language. "Oh, I don't know," said Altman, shrugging his shoulders. "I suppose because we were tired of staying on board a ship locked up in port indefinitely. We wanted to see something of the world and get to work. It's no fun being idle."

"Did you try to get work in the du Pont powder works?" "What would have been the use of trying that?" was his retort. "Our German names would have prevented us from getting jobs there."

Interned German sailors, or sailors from any country for that matter, who are allowed to leave their ships have to give their wages to the port authorities and are not supposed to take positions as residents of this country, unless they have left the service of their ships and passed the necessary immigration examinations to determine their fitness to remain in this country.

There is considerable mystery about the case of the four men now at Gloucester. Immigration Station as to whether they are held as aliens who have not passed immigration examinations or as suspicious persons because of the positions they are said to have taken while on board.

Another report said that the men had run away from the Kroppfing Friedrich, since the vessel was at Newport News. These reports are authoritatively denied. In the case of freighters the word "interned" in general use is used loosely, as the vessels are at liberty to leave port, being unarmed, but the British cruisers lying off the American coast make it impossible for them to put to sea, and they are virtually interned.

STATUS OF SAILORS DIFFERS The status of a sailor on a belligerent ship properly interned is different from that of a sailor on a trading vessel, in that the escape of the former and his engagement in activities in behalf of his country would be a breach of neutrality, while the escape of the latter would be merely a breach of the immigration rules, which require examination to determine the fitness of aliens to reside here.

No one in Wilmington, outside of those who witnessed the arrests, know that four "suspects" had been caught. There has been a great deal of trepidation among employers of the du Pont plants on both sides of the river since the explosion of November 30, last, when 30 workmen were killed. The explosion at Carney's Point last Monday, shortly after midnight, in which three men lost their lives, has mysterious factors, the officials saying at the time that here never had been an explosion of just that nature at the plant. While all those who were killed by the "Sweetie" house, which blew up, were killed, this, it is argued, does not necessarily mean that it was an accident, as a device to the international might have given an enthusiastic courage to risk his own life in the ruin of a supply of powder destined for the enemies of Germany.

The du Pont officials are greatly agitated over the arrest of the Germans. One of them said today that there had been four explosions and fires in the various du Pont powder plants since the Eitel Friedrich was interned. Immediately after the last three explosions, all on one day, January 10, government officials at Washington co-operated with the company investigators in their inquiries.

It is considered possible that German sailors have taken jobs at the plants to foment labor troubles and to "talk blue"; plants to force a change in the law by the plants by tales of finding bombs and warning notices and many other alarmist ideas.

A carpenter at the Carney's Point plant, a man whose word is reliable, recently said that he had seen notices in December warning workmen to quit the mills before January 1, as "something terrible will happen between January 1 and January 15." These notices were pasted up in various places about the plant, but were all torn down by the special police employed by the company.

DU PONT POLICE UNAWARES OF GERMAN SAILORS' ARREST

C. B. Landis, an officer of the du Pont Company, said today that the arrests had been made without the knowledge of the company's police.

"I heard about them this morning," he said. "While our police work in some sort of mutual agreement with Government officials, the arrests in this instance were made independently by the latter."

It would have been impossible for any of the men working in the Bancroft factory, near our black powder plant, to scale the walls and elude the guards surrounding the plant, if they had any desire to do so.

"It is absolute nonsense to say that Wilmington is in the grip of a spy network as one newspaper did recently, after its staff representative had been told explicitly by me and by Major Sylvester, head of our police, that we do not suspect German spies of being responsible for the fires and explosions that have occurred. To read this account would be to imagine that persons in Wilmington's streets move quickly in order to 'beat the blow-up.'"

"Just last night I had a long talk with Major Sylvester. After reviewing the general situation I asked him if he had encountered any incident which would lead him to believe that any person connected with or outside the company, with evil intent, had anything to do with any of the fires or explosions. He replied that he had not run across one single instance."

"The explosions are solely the product of accidents that go with hazardous work of this character. We congratulate ourselves on keeping them down to a minimum, considering the nature of the work and the large number of men we employ."

"KNOW NOTHING ABOUT IT," SAYS GERMAN ATTACHE HERE

Knowledge of the four Germans arrested in Wilmington on the suspicion of having been connected with the recent explosion in the du Pont Powder Company plants at Carney's Point was denied at the German Consulate, on South 7th street, today.

"It is nonsense," said one of the attaches. "We don't know anything about it, of course, and therefore we can't talk." It was explained that the four Germans necessarily had not violated their parole or deserted their ships merely because they were found near Wilmington. They could have obtained leave from their vessels, the attaché said, by "signing off" in the presence of the immigration inspectors at the ports where their vessels were interned. The majority of the crews of the Prinz Oscar and the Rhaetia, two German liners interned here, are on shore working, having "signed off" after obtaining positions, he said.

DANIELS NOT ADVISED OF ANY PAROLE-BREAKING RECENTLY

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14.—Secretary of the Navy Daniels has not been advised of any German sailors interned at Newport News escaping in the last few months. Some months ago four men, including two officers, escaped in a yacht, and nothing has been heard of them since.

Secretary Daniels, when told of the reported arrest of four men at Gloucester, telegraphed the commandant at Newport News Yard asking if any paroles had been broken recently by the interned Germans.

"GIBRALTAR OF ADRIATIC" FALLS



The Austrian army, which, by sheer weight of numbers and artillery, are slowly crushing Montenegro as they did Serbia, have captured Mt. Lovcen, which dominated the Austrian stronghold of Cattaro on the coast, and in their advance from the east have occupied Berane. These places are indicated on the map by arrows. The capture of Lovcen is a great blow to Italian prestige in the Adriatic. An Italian army, at least 170,000 strong, is supposed to be in Albania, with its bases at Durazzo (1), and Avlona (2).

U. S. U-BOAT POLICY BAR BRITISH RAILWAY MEN TO PROTESTS TO BRITAIN

Suggestion Made Washington Has Lost Weapon to Prevent Trade Interference

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14. The suggestion that the United States has lost its chief weapon to prevent illegal interference with American commerce by Great Britain and her allies is being investigated by those Senators and Representatives who have been advocating reprisals abroad in the British methods. This suggestion has been set up by the opponents of munition-embargo legislation, who hold that, in perpetrating the defense of the right of Americans to ship munitions abroad in its reply to Austria, the State Department committed the United States to a policy that cannot now be reversed without causing much embarrassment.

NEEDS OF THE POOR DEPICTED IN PLAY

Members of Plays and Players' Club Appear at Charity Exhibition

The little theatre in the Widener Building, in which the play "Where Charity Begins" is given every afternoon in conjunction with the educational exhibit of the Society for Organizing Charity, has proved entirely too small to accommodate the large crowds that throng it. Workmen early this morning moved some of the partitions and considerable more space thus has been gained.

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GERMANS LOSE ENTIRE COLUMN IN ROYE ATTACK

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BRITISH AIRMEN ROUTED

Teutons Ahead in Balkans; Slavs Gain Galician Ground

The news that Austria and Montenegro have opened negotiations for an armistice was the first indication of a break in the line-up of the Entente Allies.

Montenegro had little to offer the Allies in the way of men and resources, but possession of the dominating height of Mount Lovcen, on the Adriatic, gives Austria a commanding mountain fortress that she has coveted for years.

Dispatches from Petrograd indicate that the Austro-Hungarian and German forces in Galicia, having been reinforced, are attempting to assume a counter-offensive. In Bukovina, the Russians, despite the furious resistance of the German Allies, continue to make progress.

LONDON, Jan. 14. The capture of an entire German column, estimated at one regiment, as it was entering the town of Roze, on the Alsace front, is reported in the latest French official communiqué, issued last night, which says:

On the road to Lille a violent bombardment that destroyed at several points the trenches and shelters of the enemy. "Between the Somme and the Oise a German column estimated at one regiment was captured under our fire at the moment of entering Roze. To the north of the Alsace our artillery damaged an observatory and some machine gun shelters, and silenced an enemy battery at Hill 305 on the plateau of Vaudreux.

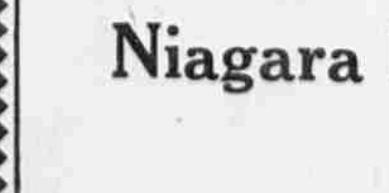
"In the Champagne we dispersed a large convoy in the region of Graudail. "In the Argonne we exploded one mine at La Fille Morte and two at Vaquois."

Four British aeroplanes have been brought down by the Germans while on reconnaissance duty at various points of the line in France, according to the German official statement, which says that six of the eight aviators were killed and two wounded. The fact that the four machines, absent since yesterday, have not returned to their stations was announced by the official press bureau here today.

The Daily Mail draws attention to German announcements that ten British aeroplanes have been downed and eight airmen killed on the western front in the past month, and asks what the reason is. In this connection it speculates on whether the new-battle plane, known as the Fokker, with a reputed speed of 112 miles an hour and the ability to climb 8000 feet in ten minutes, is establishing its superiority.

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Broken Tooth and Pebble Problem Perplexes Restaurant Owners—Are Raisins Adulterated? If So, Are Teeth Worth \$1000 Each

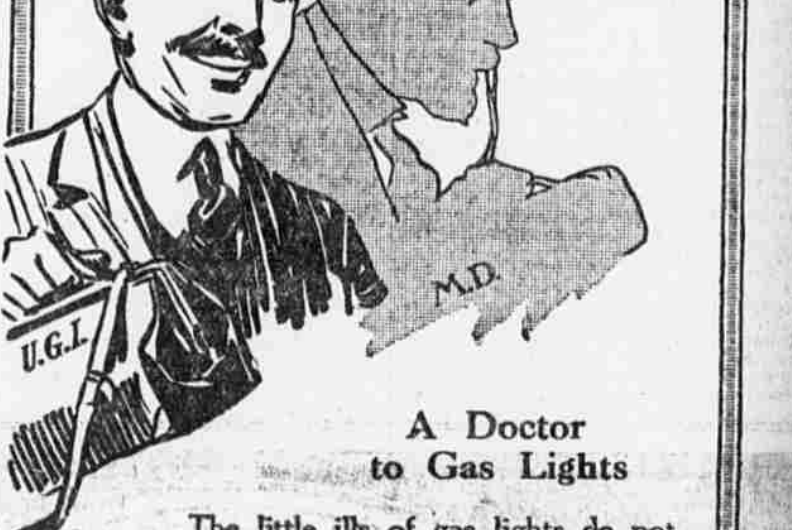
The problem of the broken tooth and the pebble caused considerable comment among restaurant proprietors today. The damaged tooth belonged to Nathan Solomon, of 1859 North Broad street, and it descended on the pebble which was concealed in a bun in the Glenwood restaurant at 908 Arch street. Solomon wants \$1000 damage.

As the pebble which caused the trouble was among the currants, some cafe proprietors believe that the baker or cook should be held responsible. Others contend that the man who sold the currants should stand the brunt of the trouble. And there are some who believe that the occurrence comes under the class of accidents, and that no one is responsible.

Incidentally, it is believed that the affair will lead to an investigation of the currant and raisin market. One prominent restaurateur said he believed that the market was being flooded with fake raisins and currants. He pointed out that if a number of broken pebbles were weighed in with many pounds of currants the dealers would save considerable money in a week. It is possible, too, he declared, that many persons in the crowd who eat currants do not know the pebbles and swallowed them without knowing it.

As many cases of indigestion have been reported recently, this suspicion seems reasonable. If you are feeling uncomfortable, it's just possible that you are carrying a part of a gravel walk or beach in your stomach. Physicians say that, as we are constructed very much differently from the ostrich or chicken, there is no hope of digesting such things. It is best to count your currants before they're swallowed.

A great deal depends upon the legal decision in the case. Should Solomon be granted \$1000, lucky men with their full set of 32 teeth figure that they'll be worth \$32,000.

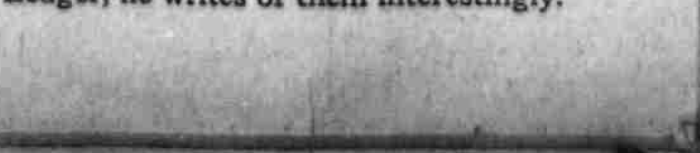


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