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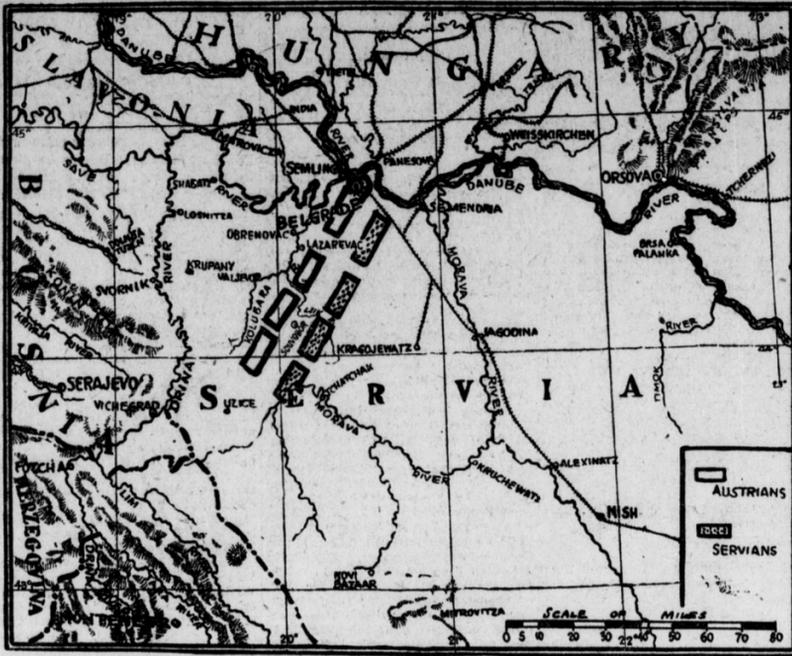
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AUSTRIANS CAPTURE SERBIAN CAPITAL AFTER BATTLE ON KOLUBARA RIVER.

Austrian troops have occupied Belgrade, which was evacuated on Monday by the Serbians. Communication with Nish, the temporary capital, is cut off. This is the culmination of a campaign which began early last month, when the Austrians crossed the Drina River, which forms the northwestern Serbian boundary, and, advancing from Shabatz and Krupany with continuous fighting, finally crossed the Kolubara River, extending their lines at the same time both south and north, until they finally reached Belgrade. This city, which was the Serbian capital until the beginning of the war, was also bombarded from the Austrian side and from monitors in the Danube.

DE WET, REBEL LEADER IN SOUTHAFRICA, LIABLE TO TREASON DEATH PENALTY

London, Dec. 4, 2.50 A. M.—The question as to what punishment should be inflicted on General Christian De Wet, the rebel leader in South Africa, recently captured, is recognized in England as one of great importance. Martial law is in operation in the Union of South Africa and the death penalty for treason would be within the possibilities. The government proclamation calling upon rebels to lay down their arms offered amnesty, except to those who had taken a prominent part in the rebellion.

Cape Town messages say that the capture of De Wet relieves the government of great anxiety. The rising in the Orange Free State at one time threatened to be formidable because of General De Wet's military prestige, but his capture is believed to have ended it.

The happenings at one town give an illustration of the lengths to which the rebellion might have gone. Five hundred farmers were commandeered to defend the town, but a majority of them went over to the rebels and looted the place they had been called upon to defend.

But for the introduction of motors into warfare, De Wet's old-time tactics might have enabled him to dodge his enemies and worry them indefinitely. The Johannesburg Motor Club organized a force under Captain Bullock, which undertook the pursuit and General De Wet's horsemen were run to earth by the superior speed of the motors.

London, Dec. 4.—General Christian De Wet's fate will be decided by the South African government, but the demand is being raised in the Unionist press that he shall be made to suffer the rebel's fate. The "Pall Mall Gazette" says:

"His signature to the treaty of Vereeniging pledged his loyalty to the flag in exchange for clemency. He has shown ingratitude for the generosity of the empire, has basely broken his own engagement and done South Africa the injury of renewing those ravages of warfare from which she has taken so long to recover. There can be no pity for his fall."

The "St. James Gazette" says: "The charitable must suppose he was radically upset by the paralytic seizure he suffered a year or two ago. To condone his conduct on these considerations would be foolish. A traitor is a traitor."

The "Globe" declares: "It is right to say that De Wet's life is forfeit and we trust he will receive due punishment for his treachery."

TYPHOID FEVER IN BELGIAN ARMY VIGOROUSLY ATTACKED

London, Dec. 4, 4.29 A. M.—The British medical authorities are vigorously attacking the problem of a typhoid outbreak in the Belgian army. Orders have been issued assigning a ship for duty as a floating hospital in the harbor of Calais.

To-day Major Stedman, who is in charge of the anti-typhoid campaign, will select a site in Calais for an isolation hospital on land. As soon as possible this equipment will be supplemented by the erection of a number of waterproof shelters as isolation units. The floating hospital will be supplemented by a number of barges.

A thorough inquiry is in progress regarding the water supply and sanitation with a view of stamping out the source of the epidemic.

Asks Funds for Prisoners

Washington, Dec. 4.—An appeal for funds for German and Austro-Hungarian war prisoners in Siberia who are said to be suffering greatly, was forwarded to the Foreign Office at Vienna yesterday by the State Department, at the request of the Austro-Hungarian embassy here. No official report has come to the United States as to the condition in the Siberia camps. American representatives have reported on conditions in Great Britain, France, Germany, Austria and Hungary.

A man's task is always light if his heart is light.—Lew Wallace.

WAR MAKES GEM TRADE THE LOWEST FOR YEARS

New York, Dec. 4.—Because of the war the gem imports to the United States for 1914 will be the smallest in many years. According to an estimate made by a Maiden Lane authority, they will not reach \$20,000,000—less than one-half of the total in a normal year. Figures compiled by William B. Treadwell, jewelry examiner at the Appraisers Stores in this city, show that the gem imports for the first eleven months at the port of New York totaled only \$16,208,679. It is estimated that about four-fifths of the receipts for the entire country come through this port. The total imports for 1913 reached \$46,137,328, and in 1912 the total was \$40,571,543.

Gem cutting is practically at a standstill in Amsterdam and Antwerp, the two big European centers of this industry. All of the Antwerp cutters are in the army and the cutting shops of Amsterdam are closed because no rough material can be obtained from the diamond syndicate in London, which receives its supply from the African mines, where operations have been discontinued.

As a result of these conditions the gem imports during November were only \$1,039,213. The cut gems were valued at \$855,010 and the uncut gems, dutiable at 10 per cent, under the new tariff, reached \$169,913. The uncut material free of duty, which is mostly miners' and glaziers' diamonds, is used in the arts and crafts, was valued at \$14,308. In October the total imports were only \$432,729, and in September they were \$584,334. Prior to that time the receipts were more than \$1,000,000 in each month.

Since the war began officials of the American Jewelers' Protective Association have learned that foreign dealers have been offering diamonds in the New York market that had been imported in bond and have offered to take possible buyers to bonded warehouses to see the gems. In view of the advantages thus obtained by foreign dealers over domestic importers and because there was a possibility of veiling big smuggling operations, the matter was put before the Treasury Department and it will refuse hereafter to permit prospective buyers to inspect gems in bond.

Ludwig Nissen, president of the American Jewelers' Protective Association, said regarding recent stories that because of the European war New York may become the center of the big smuggling trade that "such a condition is impossible because the duty on cut and uncut gems would prohibit it."

FRENCH GOVERNMENT GOING BACK TO PARIS DECEMBER 22

Paris, Dec. 4.—The French Parliament has been called to meet in extraordinary session at Paris on December 22. The members of the French Cabinet are to leave Bordeaux next week for this city, where they will put themselves at the disposition of the Finance committee of the Chamber of Deputies.

There have been several reports during the past month that the French government, which was transferred from Paris to Bordeaux in the early part of September, was about to return to Paris and resume their functions. The foregoing dispatch is the first official announcement that the administration is to return. Previous reports have said unofficially that Parliament would meet the latter part of December to pass emergency laws.

HOTELS HOLD THE WOUNDED; OFFICERS ARE CONSPICUOUS

London, Dec. 4.—Although it is well known that the guards and regiments have suffered heavy losses, the fact was conclusively illustrated last night, when an official of a well-known hotel, speaking to some American guests who had remarked on the number of wounded officers in the dining room, said: "By actual count I know that thirty officers of the guards who regularly dine here have been killed."

Although wounded officers appear only in civilian clothes, they can easily be distinguished in a dining room because of bandaged heads or arms in slings.

PRINCE OF WALES, WITH THE ARMY, HAS OBTAINED DEAREST WISH OF HEART

London, Dec. 4, 4.25 A. M.—"The Prince of Wales has at last obtained the dearest wish of his heart and is present with the army. He has won golden opinions," says the military expert of the "Times" in a description of the life at General French's headquarters.

"The personality of this slight and almost fragile-looking Prince was but little known to the army until he joined it and now that it is becoming known it is a revelation. He is among the keenest and hardest soldiers in the army. He walks six miles before breakfast every morning, drives his own car and spends every moment of the working day in acquainting himself with the situation of the troops and the services of the army."

"Only last week he occupied a fitting cradle for a prince, a house rocking and shaking day and night under the constant detonations of bombardments, and has visited the trenches, including those of the Indian army. It will be difficult to keep him out of the firing line of his grenadiers, and a more zealous, indefatigable young officer does not serve with the King's troops."

The writer says that, while it is necessary for the commander of an army to work in the quiet headquarters behind the army, often General French cannot be prevented from dashing along the road under heavy fire to visit distant troops and going into the trenches to get a close view of the infantry positions.

TROOPS FROM NEW ZEALAND AND AUSTRALIA ARE IN EGYPT

London, Dec. 4.—"Australian and New Zealand contingents have been disembarked in Egypt," according to an announcement in the official bureau, "to assist in the defense of that country and complete their training there. When this training is completed they will go direct to the front to fight with the other British troops in Europe."

ALLIES' TRANSPORTS REACH ANTIVARI; AUSTRIANS LEAVE

London, Dec. 4, 7.55 A. M.—A dispatch to the "Central News" from Berlin says that according to an unofficial announcement made there a number of transports, escorted by British and French warships, have reached Antivari, the sole seaport of Montenegro. The Austrian ships guarding the coast are said to have retired before the newcomers.

War Ruins Lobster Market

Ottawa, Dec. 4.—War has spoiled the lobster market, Canadian canners declare, and they have asked the government to suspend licenses for a year so that they may work off surplus stock and give the fisheries of the Atlantic coast rest. Fishermen object to operations being suspended. Both interests have made strong representations to the government, which is now considering them.

Shirts and Bandages for War Relief

Kansas City, Dec. 4.—A consignment of 2,000 heavy flannel shirts and 7,000 bandages, all made by Kansas City society women, was shipped from here yesterday for the war sufferers in Europe.

A Different Ending

"You know Wombat, of course?" "Yes." "Forty years ago he lost a watch on his father's farm, and to-day—" "Yes, yes!" "He's still cussing about it."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

What He Paid

"Did the fellow pay any attention when you told him you had a bill to collect?" "Yes, sir, but that's all he did pay."—Baltimore American.

Hard Luck

"Haven't seen you since we left college. I hope fortune has smiled on you, old chap." "Yes, sarcastically."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

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BELGIANS ARE INDIGNANT OVER ARREST OF DOCTORS

Amsterdam, via London, Dec. 4, 4.30 A. M.—There is great indignation among the Belgians over the action of the Germans in arresting thirty-five Belgian medical men who believed that they had been granted safe conduct," says the Flushing correspondent of the "Handelsblad." "They have been imprisoned in Heidelberg, the Germans in explanation quoting several cases of alleged bad treatment by captured German physicians by the French."

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ITALY PREMIER'S WORDS CLOSE TO DECLARING WAR

Rome, Dec. 4.—Many members of Parliament consider that the statement of Premier Salandra in Parliament yesterday in which he advised that Italy maintain her attitude of watchful and armed neutrality and made a reference to what he termed the just aspirations of Italy, together with a demonstration by the members, means that Italy is now ready.

Deputy Labriola, a prominent member, summarized his opinion of the sitting by saying that "one word more from Salandra would have meant a declaration of war."

Others think that the phrase of the Premier regarding the aspirations of Italy was misunderstood and that he might instead have alluded to the existence of an Italo-Austrian agreement delimitating the Italian frontier by the peaceful annexation of a portion of the province of Trent.

One of the Firm

A friend of ours went out as a representative of a business firm. He presented his card. "I'm one of the firm," said he. "Which one?" said they. "Well, it's 'Wilson & Co.," said he. "I'm the 'and.'"—Milwaukee Free Press.

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"Language is a queer thing. You speak of your forbears." "Yes." "And yet you insist that we are descended from monkeys."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

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