

TEUTONS ARE TRYING TO TRAP MAINSERBARMY

PLUCKY SERBIANS OFFERING SPIRITED RESISTANCE

ROUMANIA MAY JOIN THE ALLIES

Greece Gives Assurance of Continued Friendly Neutrality—Gen. Joffre in London.

London, Oct. 29.—The Germans, with their Austrian and Bulgarian allies are still trying to cut off the retreat of the main Serbian army, which is offering spirited resistance as it retreats. On Mackensen's forces are advancing slowly from the north, the Austrians have crossed the western border of Serbia south of Visehrede, and the Bulgarians are marching westward on a wide front from Plerot, which they have just captured.

The Bulgarians are heading toward Zajcar, but it is a long distance and the Serbian defense is expected to be desperate as their great arsenal at Kraguevatz, is situated in this area, and they doubtless will hold on with the hope of eventually retiring into the Montenegrin mountains.

The exact situation on the Greek border where the Anglo-French and Serbians are opposing the Bulgarians is unknown, but unofficial reports say the French occupied Strumitsa, and have advanced about twenty miles into Bulgaria, causing heavy Bulgarian losses. The Bulgarians are known to have recaptured Velen on the railroad south of Uskup.

From Grecian sources it is reported Rumania is about to join the allies. Greece has assured the allies her neutrality toward them remains friendly.

Paris reports that the French captured several trenches in the La Courtaigne Salient in Champagne with German casualties at about four hundred. The fighting continues. Artillery duels predominate on the remainder of the French front.

In the east the Germans are still striving to advance toward Dvinsk and Riga, but according to both sides there is no change in the eastern situation.

The Italians continue violent attacks on the Gorizia bridgehead, but the Austrians claim they repulsed the Italians along the whole front.

General Joffre is visiting in London, and has conferred with Earl Kitchener and Premier Asquith.

Kling George was thrown to the ground when his horse reared, slipped and fell yesterday while he reviewed troops. The latest reports say he is resting easily and that his injuries are not serious.

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"MRS. FLAGLER" GETS NINE YEARS

Swindled Telegraph Operator Out of Funds by Promising Fat Job.

New York, Oct. 29.—Mrs. Zora Johnson, the elderly woman who by representing herself as the widow of Henry M. Flagler, a late standard oil millionaire, procured from Frank J. Mahoney, a telephone operator, his savings and all his cash, having from relatives, was sentenced to from three to nine years in the Auburn prison. She obtained about \$25,000. Mahoney said she promised to make him private secretary at \$20,000 yearly.

ANOTHER PRINCETON STAR KILLED IN WAR

John Francis Fox, Jr., Was Famous Football Star Few Years Ago.

Baltimore, Oct. 29.—John Francis Fox, Jr., and famous Princeton football player of the nineties, was killed September 25, while fighting with the British army in France according to letters he related here today. Fox was international fame as a captain in the Household Cavalry, when with a band of men he drove a German gun out from a ridge near Ypres. He is forty years old.

OFFICIALS TO SEEK CAUSE OF PEABODY FIRE

TWENTY-ONE CHILDREN LOST IN FLAMES AT PAROCHIAL SCHOOL

FIVE BODIES ARE YET UNIDENTIFIED

Five Families Report Girls Missing But Condition of Bodies Prevents Identification.

Peabody, Mass., Oct. 29.—A search of the ruins of St. Johns Parochial school was made for evidence of the cause of the fire which cost the lives of twenty-one girls, and the ruins examined carefully for more victims. Five bodies are still unidentified. Five girls are reported missing by their families. Owing to the condition of the bodies positive identification will probably be impossible. The fire is known to have started in a small store room in the basement. It was customary to place waste paper and sweepings in wooden barrels there. According to the sisters in charge there was nothing else in the room.

Plans for a public funeral of the victims are being discussed.

All Bodies Identified.

Peabody, Oct. 29.—The bodies of all of the 21 victims were claimed by relatives. Only one body remained at noon. That was a little girl too badly burned for recognition. Mrs. John Ahearn, the mother of Agnes Ahearn, aged eight, later went to the morgue and finally accepted the body.

THREE ON TRIAL FOR YOUNG WOMAN'S DEATH

Woman, Son and Friend Alleged to Have Killed Young Mountain Girl Near Greenville.

Greenville, Oct. 29.—Lizzie Pruitt, a decrepit widow, her son, John, and Charles Tapp today were placed on trial for life in the court of general sessions, charged with the murder of Minnie England, a mountain girl, who, the coroner's jury reported, came to her death from gunshot wounds inflicted October 2 at the hands of the trio, whose fate will rest with the jury this evening.

Examination of state witnesses was concluded about 1 o'clock. The defense offered no evidence, except that which was produced in the coroner's deposition. James H. Price counsel for the defense has opened and will close the argument, after Solicitor Nathan speaks this afternoon.

Evidently the case is based on circumstantial evidence. The theory advanced by the defense was that the deceased Minnie England shot herself with a single barreled shot gun, which was exhibited to the jury. The prosecution attempted to prove by its witnesses that the accused trio put the girl out of existence for a purpose.

300 Bales Lost in Fire

Montgomery, Ala., Oct. 29.—A fire at Newville this morning destroyed the community warehouse containing 300 bales of cotton, which was the season's picking of the community. The loss is approximately \$50,000.

King George Escapes by Horse

London, Oct. 29.—King George was thrown from his horse while inspecting the British army in France and severely bruised. He will be confined to bed for the present. He had a fair night.

GERMAN PAPER WANTS WHITLOCK RECALLED

Says Germany Should Demand That Minister to Belgium Be Recalled by Her.

London, Oct. 29.—The Voerische Zeitung, according to dispatches via Amsterdam, challenges the Dutch government to request the United States to recall Brand Whitlock, American minister at Brussels, and says "if the United States desire a representative at Brussels, she must first be agreeable to Germany."

TRIED TO BLOW UP SHIPS LAST SUMMER

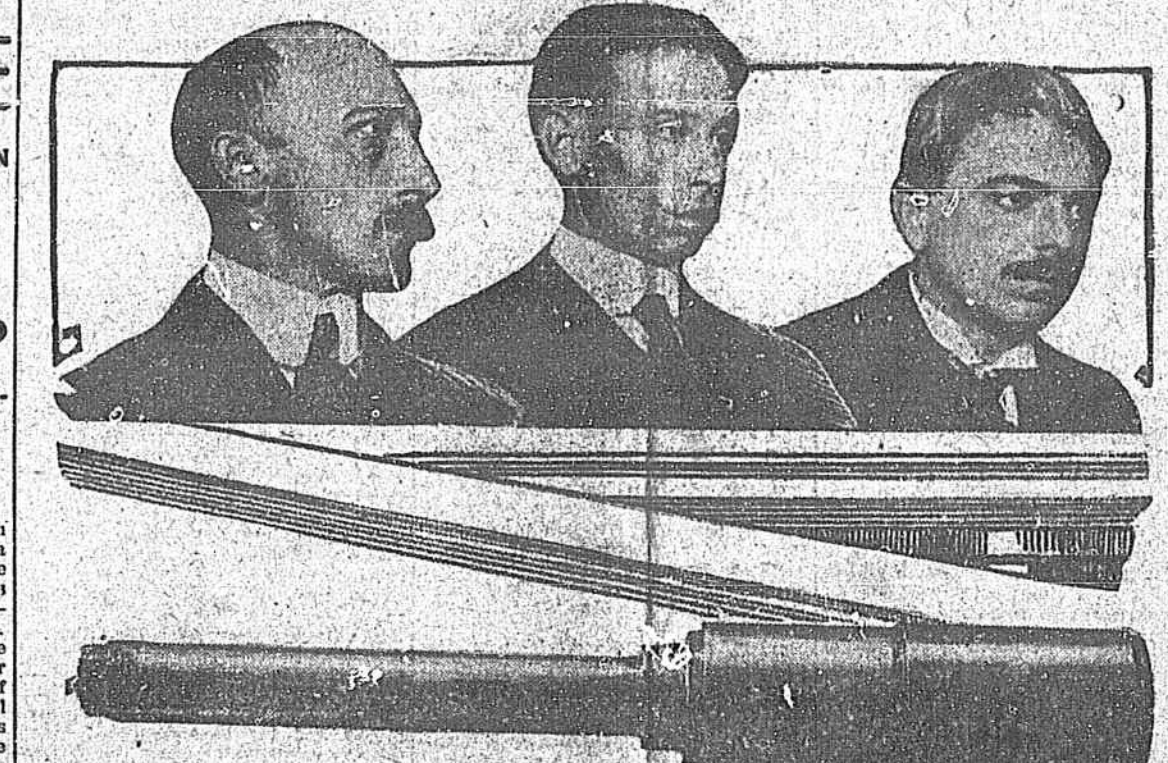
Officials Believe Fay and Accomplices Responsible for Many Fires on Vessels.

New York, Oct. 29.—Secret service men are working on a rumor that the bombs used by Robert Fay, the confessed dynamite man, were similar to those which caused fires in trans-Atlantic ships last summer. Four others are charged with Fay in connection with the alleged munitions ships.

Some small fires were reported on the ships last month. One vessel reported that two bombs failed to explode.

Ready to Blow Up Munitions Ships.

From left to right: Robert Fay, German Lieutenant; Walter L. Scholz, his aid, and Paul Dacche, arrested later.



Bomb to Attach to Steamship Propellers.

Lieutenant Robert Fay of the German army, who describes himself as a veteran of the battle of the Marne and the Champagne country, was arrested in New Jersey by New York city detectives as a conspirator ready to blow up steamships carrying freight to the allies in Europe. Large quantities of explosives were found in his possession. Walter L. Scholz, his brother-in-law, was taken at the same time. Paul Dacche, who denied he had anything to do with them, was arrested later. Fay confessed the whole story to the New York police, but he denied that he had so far been able to attach his bomb to the propeller of any steamship. He had been caught before he could do that.

ORDUNDA ATTACK GERMAN ERROR

Memorandum Made Public by State Department Last Night Says Attack Was Error on Part of Submarine Commander.

Washington, Oct. 29.—A memorandum from Germany explaining the unsuccessful attempt to torpedo the Cunard liner Orduna, July 9th last, was made public here tonight. It shows that previous to that date and more than a month before the Arabic attack, commanders of German submarines were instructed not to sink "large passenger steamers" without warning, and states that the attack on the Orduna was an error, which is not likely to occur again in view of more explicit instructions having been issued.

RESERVE BOARD WILL RECOMMEND CHANGES

Will Ask Congress to Correct Errors Found in Year's Test of System.

Washington, Oct. 29.—Members of the federal reserve board are considering changes which may be laid before congress. Most of the changes are technical in nature, and are designed to correct mistakes in the original law in light of the year's experience.

One would change the law to allow federal reserve banks to handle domestic transactions. Only acceptance on imports or exports can be handled now.

The reports say all federal reserve banks are in excellent shape.

DEMOCRATIC NATION COMMITTEE TO MEET DEC. 11

New York, Oct. 29.—William F. McCombs, chairman of the democratic national committee, tonight called a meeting of the committee to be held at Washington December 7, to choose the next national convention place.

POPE WOULD SAVE CITIES CONTAINING ART TREASURES

Rome, Oct. 29.—The Carriers D' Italia states that the pope has asked access to be granted with non-possessions and landed cities rich in art treasures. The Venice club is believed to have caused the request.

JAPAN WONT MAKE SEPARATE PACT

Tokio, Oct. 29.—Japan has published official correspondence done showing that on October 9 Japan agreed not to make a separate peace with the allied powers.

WAS UNAWARE OF POLITICAL ACTS

Mellen Testifies He Didn't Know New Haven Directors Used Influence to Aid or Prevent Legislation Affecting Plans of Road.

New York, Oct. 29.—Charles S. Mellen testified today at the trial of eleven former New Haven railroad directors that he had never known of the political activities of the late John M. Hall, vice president and later president of the New Haven, influencing legislation in favor of the New Haven.

Mellen also said that as far as he knew the Hall letters, which revealed in court these activities, were unknown to the other directors or officers of the New Haven. The government, however, continued to introduce Hall letters today, in which political activities and plans to destroy competing steamboat lines were told.

CHINA'S PREMIER RESIGNS OFFICE

Hsu Shanh Ching Was Not in Sympathy With Proposed Change From Republican to Monarchical Form of Government.

Washington, Oct. 29.—The resignation of Hsu Shanh, Ching, Chinese premier, was announced today in an official telegram from Peking. The reason was not given, but it is presumed he does not sympathize with the proposed change from a republic to monarchy.

The United States has declined to express any opinion on the proposed change in the Chinese government, it became known today, although it is understood that privately officials oppose the change because of the national sympathy for the republican form government and because of the belief that the change might affect the equilibrium in the far east. Interested powers have been trying to sound the United States on its attitude toward the change, but China has not asked our views.

JUMPED TO DEATH

Birmingham, Ala., Oct. 29.—W. B. Foster, age sixty, jumped or fell from the eighteenth story of the Jefferson County Savings bank building this afternoon. He was dead when he struck the pavement.

MAXIM CALLS ON DANIELS

Washington, Oct. 29.—Hudson Maxim conferred with Secretary Daniels regarding a device of his for timing the explosion of torpedoes from airplanes. The details are kept secret.

MEMORIAL SERVICES FOR EXECUTED NURSE

Many Prominent Diplomats, Lord Mayor, Nurses and Soldiers Honor Memory.

London, Oct. 29.—Service was held at St. Paul's cathedral in memory of Miss Edith Cavell, the British nurse executed in Brussels and was attended by a throng which recalled the funeral of Lord Roberts at the general almost a year ago. Before 8 o'clock a great crowd, about 50,000, was waiting the opening of the doors. Shortly after 10 o'clock, finding that the church had a full house, were hung on all the doors except those reserved for ticket holders. Many wounded soldiers, attended by Red Cross nurses, were in the crowd. The lord mayor, several allied diplomats, 500 nurses and representatives of royalty attended.

BRAND FORMS COALITION FOR NEW CABINET

ALL PARTIES AND FACTIONS REPRESENTED IN NEW FRENCH MINISTRY

FIRST TIME IN FRENCH HISTORY

Military and Naval Leaders Chosen to Head War Office and Ministry of Marine.

Paris, Oct. 29.—The new French cabinet headed by Aristide Briand as premier, and minister of foreign affairs, came into formal existence tonight. This is the first time in the history of France that there has been a coalition ministry of all parties and factions, and the action is taken to be the result of popular sentiment in favor of all parties backing the government and being represented during the war.

Viviani's cabinet represented only a few political parties, but this one includes virtually all. The Briand cabinet is also notable in having General Gallieni, a popular military leader, as head of the war office, and Rear Admiral Lacaze as head of the ministry of marine, both replacing civilians.

Poincaré Receives Resignations.

Paris, Oct. 29.—President Poincaré has received the formal collective resignation of the entire Viviani ministry. This gives the official form to the decision of the cabinet yesterday to retire. The president refused to allow Aristide Briand to form a new cabinet.

Greenville Strikers Appoint Relief Board.

Former Employees of Judson Mills Preparing for Winter Campaign.

Greenville, Oct. 29.—An enthusiastic and well attended meeting was held yesterday afternoon at Judson Mill at which time a relief committee was appointed. In case any of the Judson people should suffer from lack of funds as a result of the recent strike it shall become the duty of this committee to render all possible aid to the one in need.

One of the employees of the Brogan mill in Anderson, where a strike has been in progress for some time, was present at the meeting and told what the strikers in Anderson were doing. He said that instead of being antagonistic towards the "scabs" as is usually the case, that they sang and prayed with them and that this method as a rule had a better effect than a disorderly display.

The meeting was adjourned with a prayer by Rev. Caldwell.

Sterilization Law in Effect.

Madison, Wis., Oct. 29.—Wisconsin's Sterilization law will be put into effect in November, according to the statement of the state board of control today, with twenty-four operations on patients in the institution for feeble minded at Chippewa Falls.

Priests Murdered by Eskimos.

Winnipeg, Oct. 29.—The Northwest Mountain Police have arrested the murder of two Catholic priests and two prospectors in the Far North by Eskimos.

Villa Governor of Sonora Declares Recognition of Carranza Relieves Villa of Liability.

Douglas, Ariz., Oct. 29.—Carlos Randal, Villa governor of Sonora, was reported today to have issued a proclamation yesterday that since the United States has recognized Carranza, Villa authorities are not responsible for the lives of Americans.

It is believed that between fifty and a hundred Americans and American mining interests worth millions are in grave danger as a result of Governor Randal's proclamation. When was the nature of a report to the United States Senate, although Carranza troops in some towns have been reported to have been.

MAY DECIDE VILLA'S FATE AT AGUA PRIETA

PREPARATIONS COMPLETED FOR THIRD BIG BATTLE AT THAT POINT

U. S. TROOPS TO PROTECT BORDER

Five Thousand Troops Mobilized to See That American Territory is Respected.

Douglas, Ariz., Oct. 29.—Preparations have been completed for a third battle at Agua Prieta, between the various factions since Madero opened war in Mexico five years ago. Five thousand American troops with sixteen three-inch guns are mobilized here to see that Mexicans shoot only on their own side of the boundary. The Carranza troops are behind an elaborate system of earthworks awaiting the Villa army.

Fighting may begin today or be delayed until next week. This depends upon the plans, disposition and condition of Villa's troops. The outcome will probably determine whether Sonora shall be under Villa, or be driven across the American border.

Hostilities seem likely to begin quickly. The Villa forces are reported scattered fifteen to twenty-five miles south of Agua Prieta in a waterless region. The Carranza forces at Diguez are reported working in behind them.

The Carranza garrison at Agua Prieta numbers about thirty-seven hundred. The reinforcements of General Calles expected from Plazas Negras over American territory cannot reach here for two or three days. There is some apprehension also, on account of previous battles when five were killed and twenty wounded this side of the border.

Brownsville, Oct. 29.—Bandits early today made two attacks on a half company of United States Infantry at Capote village about 85 miles up the Rio Grande. No casualties are reported. The attacks were made at 1:31 this morning.

Reports of a battle between bandits and Carranza troops under Luis de la Pasa were received at Matamoros. It is rumored that de la Rosa captured.

Fruit Growers Close Meeting.

North Carolina Man Heads Association for Next Year—Meet Next in Jacksonville.

Albany, Ga., Oct. 29.—W. N. Hitt of Raleigh, N. C., was re-elected as president and Jacksonville was selected as the next meeting place of the National Fruit Growers association convention, which closed here late last night. P. W. Stone of Thomasville, Georgia is first vice president. Theodore Jechtel, of Ocean Springs, Mississippi, second vice president. W. P. Bullard of Albany, Georgia, secretary. Nathaniel B. Brewer, Jr., of Newport Florida, treasurer.