

COSSACKS CAPTURE GERMAN GENERAL

Commander of Eighty-Second Division and Entire Staff Taken During Daring Raid.

KILL COLONEL WHILE FLEEING

PETROGRAD, Dec. 9.—(Via London.)—The entire staff of the Eighty-second German army division was captured by Russian scouts and brought as prisoners into the Russian lines as the result of a daring night raid recently, according to unofficial accounts which have just been received.

Under cover of darkness a small company of scouts worked its way past the German trenches toward the German base, the details as received here run. Emerging from a wood, the scouts found themselves close to a village. They stopped and sent forward a reconnoitering party.

The latter soon came upon a German sentry who gave the alarm. Ten minutes later a German cavalry squadron galloped out of the village, followed by two companies of Austrian landwehr troops. The Russians meanwhile had dismounted, hiding their horses and concealing themselves.

The Germans and Austrians fell into the ambush and became panic-stricken when the Russians opened fire. It is declared, the Austrians running for their lives and throwing down their rifles. In the confusion the German cavalry, not knowing how large a force might be opposing them, also retreated, many troopers falling under the Russian fire.

The Russians were ordered to follow on foot into the village. They came upon a large estate and through the windows of the mansion made out the figures of German officers.

A rush for the doors of the mansion was made by ten Cossacks, the account continues, and so rapid was the progress of events that the German officers did not have time to secure their coats and furs before they were hustled outside and hurled to the Russian lines. The whole incident took place in less than fifteen minutes.

It is stated that the captured staff includes two generals, one being a division commander, seven staff officers and several Red Cross physicians. One colonel was killed in attempting to escape.

HOLLWEG SAYS GERMANY ISN'T SEEKING PEACE

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give information as to the conditions under which he would be willing to enter into peace negotiations?

In his reply the chancellor said: "As long as in the countries of our enemies the guilt and ignorance of states are entangled with confusion of public opinion, it would be folly for Germany to make peace proposals, which would not shorten, but would lengthen the duration of the war. The masks must be torn from their faces."

"At present they speak of a war of annihilation against us. We have to take the fact into account, therefore, that arguments for peace or proposals of peace will not advance us, will not bring the end nearer."

Members Cheer Statement. In these words the chancellor, with impassioned force stated the position of the German government on the question of peace. His remarks were cheered with great enthusiasm. When Dr. Von Bethmann-Hollweg rose to reply to the interpellation presented by Dr. Scheidemann, Socialist leader, silence fell over the whole house, but was soon broken by many manifestations of approval. At times the deputies interrupted him with cheers.

Dr. Von Bethmann-Hollweg began by saying that in the countries at war with Germany there had been much discussion of the socialist interpretation and the knowledge that peace was to be discussed in the Reichstag had been a source of satisfaction to these countries. This was incomprehensible in view of the success won in the campaign against Serbia, which opened the road to Germany's Turkish allies and threatened the most vulnerable points of the British empire.

No Overtures Received. A desire for peace on the part of Germany's enemies, he declared, none of them had made overtures. Instead, they were clinging to the intentions which they had announced publicly "with naive brutality" at the beginning of the war. The chancellor then reviewed recent utterances concerning conditions of peace made in countries opposed to Germany, such as the handing over of Alsace and Lorraine to France, the annihilation of "Prussian militarism," the expulsion of the Turks, cessation of the left bank of the Rhine and the creation of a greater Serbia, including Bosnia.

It was true, the chancellor continued, that there were some persons in the countries at war with Germany who took a sensible position, but they were in the minority, and their voices, like those of certain members of the English House of Lords, were unheard.

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The theories advanced by Germany's enemies, he said, had lost their force. People had ceased speaking of a war of twenty years. The pretext that the war was being waged for the protection of small nations had lost its persuasive power, in view of recent events in Greece.

Small countries are in a serious plight since England has been fighting for them," he remarked.

He discussed the principle of nationality as applied by Germany's enemies. He asked whether the British colonial secretary knew that of the 3,000,000 inhabitants of Alsace more than 27 per cent speak German and the mother tongue. He asked whether Poland belonged to Russia by right of nationality, whether this principle lost its power and value if applied to India or Egypt? Germany's enemies, blinded at the beginning of the war by false stories, excited to hatred, were now able to cling only to the idea of Germany's annihilation.

For this purpose there had been in-

Trusting Nature of This Man Leads to His Early Arrest

Frank Schmardeer, wrestler, for whom the city of Louisville, Neb., put up a considerable sum of money in order that he might become a pupil of "Farmer" Burns, was successfully slugged and robbed of \$4 near Ninth and Dodge streets last night, and his assailant got away.

A few minutes afterward Mitchell walked up to a certain saloon man and asked him to put \$4 and a pair of trousers into the trunk of his car.

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