

LIEUTENANT FAY CONFESSES PLOT

German Officer Arrested in New York Admits Conspiracy to Disable Ships with Munitions.

TWO OTHER MEN IN CUSTODY

NE WYORK, Oct. 25.—Robert Fay, a lieutenant of the Sixteenth Saxony Infantry, admitted today that he came here last April, through an arrangement with the German secret service, for the purpose of blowing up or delaying steamers sailing from this country with arms and ammunition for the allies.

Fay declared, however, that while he had been here he had acted independently of the German embassy or other German agents here. He added that he had told Captain von Papen, military attaché, and Captain K. Böckel, naval attaché of the German embassy, of his plans, but said that both men told him not to interfere with steamers sailing from American ports or American ammunition plants.

Two Arraigned.

Fay and his brother-in-law, Walter L. Scholz, were arraigned at Weehawken earlier in the day on charges of conspiracy and were held without bail for an examination tomorrow. Fay and Scholz were arrested by New York and New Jersey detectives near Grantwood, N. J., late yesterday while the two men were experimenting with explosives.

Paul Daecher of Jersey City, who was arrested at his home early today, also was arraigned with Fay and Scholz. He was charged with conspiracy and held without bail. Detectives said, however, that Daecher had given them much valuable information and they expected him to be an important witness.

Didn't Destroy Plants.

Fay said that while serving in the field with the German army he invented a device for blowing up ships. Police announced that Fay had made a complete confession of his activities and later the prisoner gave out a statement to the newspapers. In that he said:

"My only objective when I came to this country was to interfere with the enormous shipments of artillery ammunition to the allies. Knowing that any ordinary damage that may be done to a factory may be repaired within a few hours, I decided it was useless to bother with ammunition plants. Intimations that I had been connected with various explosions in such plants in the United States is wrong."

"I hold the diploma of an efficiency engineer from an American correspondence school and am interested in a plant that is manufacturing machinery."

"I was serving with my regiment in the Champagne district and saw the terrible havoc and loss caused by the French artillery fire."

Exploding Mines by Wireless.

"During my spare time I had invented a device to explode mines by doing away with electrical wiring. In this way I was able to overcome the effect of dampness or water on the wires. I applied to the colonel of my regiment, and he decided to give me a chance. He put me in touch with the secret service office, and one of the agents arranged for my passage to the United States. I came here on the steamer Rotterdam, arriving, I believe, on April 23 last. I had no trouble in getting into the country."

Fay said that he and Scholz had conducted a large number of experiments with his mine device along the Hudson river, but declared that Daecher was in no way implicated. The man said that although Fay did not appear to be a German name, Robert Fay was his correct name, and that he was listed under that name in his regiment. Fay said he was well supplied with money when he arrived here and therefore was able to act on his own responsibility.

DEATH RECORD.

Anton Nelson.
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He is survived by his wife and nine children, Anna, Gladys, Agnes, Terry, Clarence, Harold, Lorraine, Pauline and baby Roy only six months old; also by three brothers and six sisters, Mrs. Gen. G. Grub, Mrs. C. C. Hardy and Axel Joel and Niels Nelson, of Columbus, Neb., Mrs. J. A. Kibler and Mrs. J. H. Moeller, Leigh, Neb., Mrs. C. C. Ruth, of Shickley, Neb., and Mrs. Henry Knudsen of Newman Grove, Neb. Funeral services were held in the home at 10 o'clock yesterday. Dr. F. E. Farmer of the Presbyterian church, officiating, and interment was in the Columbus cemetery by the side of his father and mother. Mr. Nelson has recently purchased and just moved into his beautiful home in West Madison.

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TEUTON WEDGES IN SERBIA NEAR MEETING POINT

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Arangateloac. Serbian rear guards were repulsed south of Slavina.

German forces, pushing forward on both sides of the Morava, captured the heights south of Raska and north of Petrovac. Troops which crossed the river at Orseva near the Roumanian border drove out the enemy from the mountainous country west of Kisovo.

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Man Charged with Murder of Monkey

GUERNSEY, Wyo., Oct. 25.—(Special)—The murder of a monkey is the charge on which George Thompson is under arrest at Bridgeport, Neb., and on which an attempt to extradite him to Wyoming will be made. Thompson is accused of having killed, with deliberation, premeditation and malice aforethought, one monkey owned by Frank Peterson, a railroad pumpman employed near this place. The killing occurred on September 27, from which time until his arrest at Bridgeport Friday Thompson was sought by the Wyoming authorities, who were aroused by the cruelty of his act.

The attack, although furious, immediately developed the inferiority of the Bulgarian contact with the experienced troops of France and England. Heavy losses are reported along the entire line. The Bulgarians are withdrawing up the Gradec valley, leaving the victorious possession of the railroad from Saloniki to Negotin, beyond which point the line is not threatened.

The French losses were slight. General Berrial, the French commander-in-chief, in a statement to the Associated Press, characterized the Bulgarian reports of their advances as fantastic. Nowhere, he said, have they advanced beyond a few undefended points of no military value close to the frontier.

An offensive movement by the allies seems imminent. The Greeks seem to be profoundly impressed by the rapidity and success of the French movement.

Last Friday Peterson recognized a passenger on an eastbound train as the man who had killed the monkey and notified the sheriff. A telegraphic request to the sheriff at Bridgeport resulted in the arrest of Thompson, who, it is stated, will fight extradition on the ground that it is no crime to kill a monkey. A supplementary charge of assault on Peterson, however, may result in his being brought back.

SMALL BOY INSTANTLY KILLED BY BROTHER

MARTIN, S. D., Oct. 25.—(Special)—The 4-year-old son of William Stiers, a rancher living near LaCreek, was shot and instantly killed by an older brother while they were playing with a shotgun. The father and mother had driven their children in a wagon to the Holy Rosary mission, on the Pine Ridge reservation near here, and left the children in the wagon while they chatted with those at the mission. In the wagon was a shotgun which the father through an oversight had left loaded. The charge entered the skull of the little boy from the back and the range was so short that half his head was torn away.

Department Orders.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25.—(Special Telegram)—Nebraska pension granted: Mar-

Henry J. Kindert has been appointed postmaster at Alaska, Walworth county, South Dakota, vice J. D. Shansback, resigned.

The comptroller of the currency has approved the application of the following persons to organize the First National Bank of Goodwin, S. D., capital, \$100,000; F. A. Anderson, president; Samson Lewison, Joseph Habal, H. E. Rohwedder and F. W. Anthony; (successes the State Bank of Goodwin).

Theophilus C. Convert approved: The Scandinavian Bank of Viborg, S. D., to the First National Bank of Viborg, capital, \$60,000; the Central State Bank of Hayti, S. D., to the First National bank of Hayti, capital, \$25,000.

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BULGARS FAIL TO CUT RAILROAD

Strenuous Attempts to Pierce Line
at Veles and in Volandovo Sector
Are Defeated.

LOSSES OF THE ALLIES SLIGHT

LONDON, Oct. 25.—French troops routed three divisions of Bulgarians on Saturday on the front of Gradev-Volandovo-Rabrovo, in southeastern Serbia, according to a dispatch filed at Saloniki, October 24, to the Havas news agency. The Bulgarian forces, the dispatch adds, were decimated.

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