

SERBIA PILLAGED BY TEUTON AND BULGAR

Formal Note Charges Illegal Economic Exploitation and Wholesale Seizure of Private Property.

Washington, July 24.—Serbia in a formal note made public at the State department today charges Austria and Bulgaria with an illegal economic exploitation of occupied provinces and gives notice that it "reserves the right of claiming at the time of the peace negotiations an indemnity corresponding to the damage inflicted both on the Serbian state and its subjects by these flagrant violations of public international law.

The note, giving the first official glimpse behind the scenes in occupied Serbia, claims that over 100,000,000 crowns have been illegally extorted, as well as 6,000,000 crowns in the form of forced subscriptions to Austrian war loans and the Austrian and Bulgarian Red Cross.

Legalized Pillage Ruins Trade.

Serbian trade is stated to have been ruined by the abolition of the Serbian moratorium for the purpose of allowing enemy merchants to collect with 6 per cent interest debts estimated at 120,000,000 crowns. Failure to pay is stated to be penalized by sale of property at ridiculous auction figures, which allows the invaders to make immensely profitable purchases of large stocks of goods. In addition many shops have been pillaged and trade has fallen off at least one-half.

"By such arbitrary measures towards our merchants and by means of this legalized pillage the military authorities have attempted to ruin our trade," the note says. "Austrian and German firms will take the places of the ruined Serbians and will so bring about the denationalization of Serbian commerce."

Private Houses Plundered.

All private houses abandoned by their owners, including the royal palaces, are stated to have been plundered under the theory that they were "un-owned property" because the owner was absent. The national and the ethnographical museums are reported to have been completely ransacked by the Austrians; the national library, the library of Nish and the library of the School of Theology at Prizren by the Bulgarians. Books, manuscripts and art works were stated to have been carried away as booty.

"The Bulgarians," it is stated, "have plundered to such an extent and with such effrontery as to be unexampled in modern warfare."

Austria also has placed the assessment of all taxation in the hands of a military committee. In the provinces occupied by Bulgaria the whole Serbian taxation system has been swept away.

Similarly, the note adds, "military authorities have ordained that Serbian money shall be accepted at 50 per cent of its normal value. Serbian money was taken by force from private persons and Austrian money given in exchange at a rate less than half its value. The Austrians collected all our bank notes at a very low price with the intention of changing them abroad at a higher rate."

ALLIED DRIVE ON WESTERN FRONT NOW UNDER WAY

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a renewed offensive over the Germans on the Franco-Belgian front.

Allied Artillery Active.

There has been notable activity of late by both the British and French artillery. The situation on the Aisne front appears to show that the crown prince fears a renewal of the French offensive, his countless attacks being considered in many quarters an attempt to forestall it. On the British front intense aerial and artillery activities presage important movements.

The main infantry movement of the last twenty-four hours was again in the Craonne sector, where the crown prince launched another attack on the French lines without achieving any success. An attempt to advance was also made north of Nancy. This was likewise frustrated. Frequent disposition of the forces opposing them.

From Baltic to Black Sea.

Berlin, July 24.—(Via London).—The German forces in Galicia are advancing from the Sereth river to the wooded Carpathians over a front 155 miles wide, says the official statement issued by the German army headquarters staff. Several German divisions, the statement adds, report that they have each taken 3,000 prisoners. Numerous heavy Russian guns have been captured and also much booty has been taken by the Germans.

Over the entire eastern front from the Baltic to the Black Sea bitter fighting is proceeding. The statement says great successes have been obtained by the German and allied arms.

The Germans have advanced beyond Podhajice, Halicz and the Bystrizza Solotvina river and have crossed the Sereth south of Tarnopol, the war office reports.

Russians Take Offensive.

Berlin, July 24.—(Via London).—The Russians have taken the offensive on both ends of the front in the regions of Jacobstadt and Dvinsk, and in the Rumanian line. The announcement says that offensive operations by Russian and Rumanian troops in

the Trotsus and Putna valleys were defeated almost everywhere. Fresh fights developed today.

Masked Bandit Holds Up Two Autos Filled With People

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every turn from the Mynster Springs road and when the car reached Bryant street going west on Washington avenue, Wright attempted to turn toward the police station only half a block away. The bandit jammed the gun against Wright's neck and told him he would kill him if he tried that.

Wright and Young are skilled automobile men and have been taking care of two cars used in the service by Captain Howard, and it was at Captain Howard's suggestion that they took his car for the Sunday night ride. One of the young men is engaged to be married to one of the young women and the young women have long been intimate friends.

One of the young women in the car which was held up at Council Bluffs was able to give a much better description today of the bandit. She says he was about 30 years old, five feet nine inches tall and weighed about 185 pounds. He was dark with thick lips and a rough heavy voice. The bandit wore a dark cap, light grey shirt with collar attached and khaki trousers.

MILLION MEN WILL BE SENT ABROAD SOON

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treasury department would favor raising \$1,000,000,000 more than had been planned in taxes, making the tax bill total \$2,670,000,000.

As to the tax sources to be tapped to meet the new estimates, the first disposition of the committee was to turn to new taxes on war excess profits and incomes. A meeting will be held immediately after the new estimates are submitted.

A resolution was adopted today, calling for submission of new estimates by all departments, so that the whole war expenditure program may be considered in connection with the pending war tax legislation. The \$5,000,000,000 army increases, Secretary McAdoo informed the committee are largely to provide for the second draft army of 500,000 men to be called while the first 500,000 are under training. The \$5,000,000,000 would provide for the first 500,000 men to be called while the first 500,000 are under training. The \$5,000,000,000 would provide for the first 500,000 men to be called while the first 500,000 are under training.

Platte County Farm Hand Accused of Counterfeiting

Grand Island, Neb., July 24.—(Special Telegram).—Joseph Bohman, a farm hand from the vicinity of Columbus, was brought to this city today and arraigned before United States Commissioner Cleary on the charge of counterfeiting. Owners of a picnic resort, near Columbus called Shady Lake, recently found several pewter dollars in their till. A few days ago they found Bohman had cashed another dollar just like the predecessors. For further proof they followed him, after he was discovered, and found six more similar dollars along the trail. Commissioner Cleary after a hearing bound Bohman over under bond of \$2,000.

WILSON OBJECTS TO JOINT WAR BOARD

President and House Leaders Are Striving to Eliminate Sections Put Into Food Bill by the Senate.

BULLETIN.

Washington, July 24.—Republican Leader Mann prevented the food control bill going to conference today because he could not get assurances that the house would have opportunity to vote separately on the senate amendment to create a congressional war expenditures committee, which is opposed by President Wilson. The bill will be sent to conference tomorrow under a rule to instruct the house conferees to disagree to all senate amendments.

Washington, July 24.—When the food control bill was taken up in the house today administration leaders were determined to send the measure to conference if possible, with instructions to have stricken out certain features objected to as rewritten in the senate. These are the provisions for the creation of a congressional committee on the conduct of the war and for a food-administration board of three members instead of a single member.

It was expected, however, that attempts would be made to have the house instruct its conferees to concur in all the senate amendments, but the leaders apparently are certain that they will be able to prevent this.

Strong Protest by Wilson.

In their efforts to have the proposal for a war committee eliminated the leaders have the backing of President Wilson, and there were indications also today that they would be backed by the president in the attempt to knock out the food board feature.

President Wilson's attitude on the war committee feature was made known in a communication to Chairman Lever of the house agricultural committee, in which he said that such a committee would be likely to harass those directly responsible for the conduct of the war. He would, he added, interpret the retention of the provision as signifying a lack of confidence in him.

Oppose Liquor Section.

Vigorous opposition is developing along the senate liquor and \$2 a bushel wheat amendments. Prohibition advocates in the house want to force acceptance of the house home dry provision or at least to compromise some control over the light wines and power to commandeer distilled liquors either in or out of bond. A large group of house members are opposed to leaving any minimum price for wheat in the bill.

Dry Motion Threats Moose into Uproar

Pittsburgh, July 24.—John M. Ford of Philadelphia was elected supreme dictator of the supreme lodge, Loyal Order of Moose, at an executive session of the twelfth annual international convention of the order today. Other officers elected today were: Vice dictator, Charles A. McGee, San Diego, Cal., and supreme president, William Broening, Baltimore, Md. The executive session of the convention was thrown into an uproar when Mark Anthony, a delegate from San Francisco, gave notice that some time during the convention he would introduce a motion to put the order on record as favoring prohibition.

Serb Prisoners in Austria Dying of Fever and Famine

Saloniki, Greece, June 26.—(By Mail).—Private reports received here state that many thousands of Serbian civilian and soldier prisoners in Austria-Hungary have perished from typhoid fever, other diseases or famine in the concentration camps or while laboring behind the Austro-Italian battlelines, according to a Reuter correspondent. He quotes a person of position who has closely followed the lives of Serbian prisoners as asserting:

"At the concentration camp of Matthausen in Hungary 12,000 prisoners died of typhoid fever and other contagious illnesses. At Nazymager between 10,000 and 12,000 succumbed from the same causes, while at Heinesgraens, in Bohemia, there only remain a few thousand survivors, who are suffering from tuberculosis.

"The largest number of prisoners, interned at Cachack, exceed 10,000 and form the center of the labor supply for the Italian front. Every fortnight a special train brings back from the Italian front exhausted or wounded Serbian laborers and returns with fresh contingents. In the course of the last six months over 20,000 Serbians died in this locality alone.

"When taken from fatigue duty the men rush like famished beasts to the refuse heaps and ravenously seize bone and other scraps of food with which to satisfy their hunger. The unfortunate prisoners are frightfully emaciated from prolonged famine, are clad in rags and wander about like ghosts."

Can Almost Hear Lions Roar as Circus Day Nears

You can almost hear the lions roar as circus day gets nearer and nearer. The performances of the Barnum & Bailey circus to be given in Omaha next Monday raises the question of what this season is to bring forth that will not bore the circus devotee of ten or twenty seasons' standing, and what will make the circus worth while.

The heralds announce many European novelty acts, all of which are described as sensational and thrilling. A beautiful spectacular pageant entitled "Aladdin and His Wonderful Lamp," will serve to open the performance. Many new equestrian features have been added. The clowns have been working overtime in developing new pantomimic stunts, and the animal trainers have, during the winter months at Bridgeport, developed a number of interesting and amusing new animal acts. Altogether the program promises a performance of rare attractiveness.

Bandit General Who Robbed Train is Taken

Nogales, Ariz., July 24.—General Fernandez Espinosa, pursued as the leader of bandits who held up a passenger train at Wamao station, Sinaloa, Mexico, last Saturday and robbed a Wells-Fargo express car of \$20,000 and took \$4,000 from the station, has been captured with some of his men, according to word received here today, the greater part of the money being recovered.

The capture was effected by soldiers under General Flores, who went from Mazatlan, Sinaloa, upon hearing of the holdup.

Ten of Espinosa's men were reported killed in a pitched fight with the soldiers.

Paul Hertz, a German, was reported as one of the Espinosa men captured.

General Espinosa was defeated at the last election for the office of governor of Sinaloa.

BLOOD AND IRON TO SAVE RUSS UNITY

Premier Kerensky Announces Heroic Policy and List of Ministers Who Will Help Execute It.

Petrograd, July 24.—A "blood and iron policy" will be put into effect, if needed to save Russia, by the government of Premier Kerensky, to which unlimited power has been granted. In an interview today the premier said:

"Relying upon the confidence of the masses and the army, the government will save Russia and Russian unity by blood and iron, if argument and reason, honor and conscience are not sufficient.

"The situation at the front is serious and demands heroic measures, but I am convinced the organization of the state is sufficiently vigorous to be cured without a partial amputation."

New Cabinet Completed.

Premier Kerensky has completed the constitution of the new provisional government. Like the ministry of his predecessor, Prince Lvoff, the cabinet is a coalition, but is limited to ten members. Five of the ministers belong to the socialist group and five are members of non-socialist parties. The other offices of state will be directed not by ministers, but by unpolitical directors of departments who are not members of the cabinet. Following is the list:

- Socialists: Alexander Kerensky, president and minister of war and marine. M. Tzeretelli, minister of posts and telegraph. M. Skobelev, minister of labor. M. Tchernofof, minister of agriculture. M. Piesvhehonoff, minister of supplies.
- Non-socialists: N. V. Nekrasoff, vice president, without portfolio. M. Terestchenko, minister of foreign affairs. I. N. Efrehoff, minister of justice. (M. Efrehoff is a member of the Duma's temporary committee). Nicholas Lvoff, procurator of the holy synod. M. Godneff, controller of state.

Department Directors.

The directors of departments so far named are: M. Prokopovitch, progressive member of the Duma, department of trade and agriculture. A. A. Barishnikoff, a member of the Duma and a Moscow manufacturer, department of social tutelage. The headquarters of the provisional government has been transferred from the Marinsky palace to the Winter palace.

Editors Asked to Help Cut Red Tape that Delays War

New York, July 24.—Letters to the editors of 1,400 American newspapers known to favor aggressive prosecution of the war were sent today by the National Security league, asking them to appeal to their readers to write to senators and congressmen urging the speeding up of the war program.

"Red tape and personal jealousy are delaying the efficient conduct of the war," the letter says in part. "Two weeks' delay lost the Gallipoli fight. Every hour wasted imperils our cause."

See Want Ads produce results.

Gogebic Iron Ore Miners Demand Dollar an Hour

Ironwood, Mich., July 24.—A general strike on the Gogebic iron range was threatened today when miners from two pits struck, demanding a \$6 wage for a six-hour day. The workers, it is claimed, are being organized by the Industrial Workers of the World.

North Island Aviation Bill Passed by House

Washington, July 24.—The bill to permit the government to take over North Island in San Diego harbor for an army and navy aviation training station was passed today by the senate. It would permit private claimants to the land to take their cases into court.

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