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OPTIMISM PREVAILS IN BERLIN

Official Points Out Work of German Vessels and England's Inactivity

ASSERTS TURKEY WILL SOON ATTACK RUSSIA

Also Claims Turks Will Fight England On Account of Loss of Egypt

(By Karl H. Von Wiegand.)
Berlin, by wireless via Sayville, Oct. 6.—Optimism breathed from every line of the government report issued here today, summarizing the war situation.

Attention was first called to the persistent activity of the kaiser's cruisers in foreign waters. That the allies would quickly wipe out Germany's navy was predicted early in the war, it was recalled. Yet, it was pointed out, not a single Teutonic fighting vessel of importance had been lost.

On the contrary, the world was reminded, the cruisers Goeben, Breslau, Emden, Karlsruhe, Leipzig, Scharnhorst and Gneisenau have not only escaped but have wrought immense damage to the allies' shipping.

Attention also was called to the fact that the allies' attempts to force the sultan to reopen the Dardanelles had all failed, despite the fact that the Russian ambassador at Constantinople, in particular, was furious at the embargo placed on the exportation of his country's grain crop and the importation of arms by the southern route.

The Turkish navy, recently increased, it was stated, was expected shortly to attack Russia by way of the Black Sea.

As against this, the German government issued an optimistic statement. It referred to German gains in France.

Turkey Will Fight

A Turkish campaign against Great Britain was also predicted, in retaliation for the virtual loss of Egypt. In the western field of war, it was announced that Camp Des Romains, near St. Mihiel, had been wrested by the Germans from the French after a hard fight, five French officers and more than 500 men being captured and the rest of the garrison perishing in the ruins of their defenses.

Neutral correspondents behind the French front in the Marne were quoted as estimating that a French civilian population of 10,000,000 had been expelled from home and thrown into the deepest distress.

The Russians were declared to have been utterly defeated near Suwalki October 1 and 2, losing 3000 prisoners and 18 cannon, besides many rapid-fire guns.

Voluntarism figures were given to show to what an extent British methods of warfare, as claimed, had paralyzed American trade. Germany, it was stated, buys a billion and a half dollars worth of goods annually from the United States, which was asserted to have been cut off by the arbitrary British methods of interfering with neutral commerce.

PEACE MEETING WILL OPEN OCTOBER 10

Agua Caliente, Mex., Oct. 6.—General Villa arrived here today to confer with a delegation of Carranzista generals. He was accompanied by ten generals of the division of the north. Preliminary of the peace conference to be held here, it was announced, will commence at once, October 10 has been set as the date for the formal opening of the peace meeting. Most of the Carranzista generals already have arrived.

He is a wise candidate who sticks to his regular job until he gets into office.

CITY COUNCIL HAS REAL LOVE FEAST

Gets Right Down to Business and Does It Without Any Back Talk

At a quiet meeting of the city council last night G. C. Millet was elected to serve as chairman from the Seventh ward in the place of C. O. Presnell, whose resignation from the council was accepted last night. Mr. Presnell gave as his reason for resigning that he was no longer a resident of the town. Mr. Millet comes strongly endorsed and his friends in the city expect him to prove an able and efficient representative.

Councilman Constable called for a report of progress from the committee in charge of the revision of the city charter and Councilman Cummings reported that the committee had met several times and that the objections to the charter were rapidly being removed. He said there was no doubt but that the charter would be ready for submission to the voters at the next election. The next meeting of the charter committee is to be in the office of the city attorney at 7:30 Wednesday night.

A communication was read from the Salem Tennis association asking permission to use the old armory in the city hall for playing indoor tennis. The association was willing to pay for the lights and a reasonable rent for the room. The communication was signed by E. M. Hatfield.

Jacob Glinther, with a bid of \$402.43 secured the contract for the paving of the alley in block 3 from the north line of Center street to the south line of Union. The bid of G. E. Woods was \$408.84 and that of Lee W. Acheson \$411.79.

The street commissioner was authorized to purchase a rooster plow for any sum up to \$50. Upon motion of Councilman Von Eschen the police committee was authorized to hire another policeman to serve in the down town district. Some of the councilmen re-

WAR STORY OF DAY AS TOLD IN LONDON

Von Moltke Removed On Account of His Christian Science Views

(By Ed. L. Keen.)
London, Oct. 6.—With the Germans admittedly on the offensive again along both their right and left wings in France, British military experts never-theless insisted today that conditions were improving for the allies. The resumption of aggressive tactics was forced on the kaiser's general staff, it was asserted, by the discovery that his troops' spirits dropped as soon as they found themselves fighting defensively, and it was declared they would assuredly suffer from a resort to methods, forced on the German commanders, which the strategy of the situation did not warrant.

It was said that all the ground the Teutons had gained was relinquished voluntarily by the allies for their own advantage and that they could and would recover it when the proper time came.

Headquarters stated that they were receiving reinforcements constantly, so that the German pressure on their wings had not made it necessary for them to weaken their own center.

The early relief of Brussels and Antwerp was predicted.

Of the London standard's Amsterdam report that the kaiser had removed General Von Moltke from his position as chief of the German general staff confirmation was lacking.

The story was generally believed, however. It was said he had never been very successful and that his military associates had indulged in much criticism of his Christian Science views as inappropriate to his profession. The basis of the kaiser's reported disapproval of him, however, was understood to be his refusal to sanction the spectacular campaign the German ruler called for.

General Von Voigts-Rhetz, said to have succeeded Von Moltke, was almost entirely unknown here.

INFORMATION ABOUT OREGON FARM LANDS

(From last Federal Census Reports.)
Oregon has 45,000 farms; of this number 38,043 are operated by owners and managers and 6,957 by tenants. Eighty-five per cent of the farms of this State are operated by owners and managers and 15 per cent by tenants. The farm home owners and managers of Oregon cultivate 3,274,000 acres of land and the tenants till 1,001,000 acres in this State.

The value of the land and buildings of the tenant farms of this State is \$91,085,000; that of the home owners and managers is \$364,312,000.

CLAIM GERMANY AT END OF RESOURCES, ALL RESERVES OUT

This Claim Is Based on the Large Number of Reserves Among Prisoners

FIGHTING IS FIERCE BUT IS NOT DECISIVE

German Movement Indicates Intent to Destroy Railroad to Brussels

(By William Philip Sims.)
Paris, Oct. 6.—An attempt by the German right wing at an encircling movement of its own was suspected here today from reports of the presence of Chians near Lille.

Experts inclined to think this was merely a reconnoitering force but in view of the fact that Lille is on the main railway the allies would have to use to relieve Brussels and Antwerp, it was also thought possible the Germans planned to destroy the line.

Today's official statement was generally encouraging. Fierce fighting was still in progress about Arras but the Germans had made no substantial gains.

Between the Somme and the Oise the conflict continued with alternate advances and retirements but thus far without any decisive advantage to either side.

Many Second-Liners

The Germans had been repulsed in an attempt to break the French line at Lassigny. This attempt, had it succeeded, would have endangered the Gallie left.

At headquarters it was said the removal of the German offensive need cause no alarm, though it was expected the kaiser's troops would endeavor to continue aggressive tactics as long as possible.

That they were at the end of their resources, so far as men were concerned, was considered established by the number of their reserves and second liners among the prisoners taken by the allies.

"On our left," said the text of the war office's statement, "the front is becoming more and more extended."

Unchanged at Arras.

Some German cavalry forces of large size have been reported in the environs of Lille, advancing ahead of bodies of the enemy which are engaged in a movement to the northwest of the line of Tourcoing and Armentieres.

Around Arras, on the right bank of the Somme, the situation is unchanged.

Between the Somme and the Oise there have been alternate advances and retirements.

Near Lassigny the enemy attempted a fierce attack which failed.

On the right bank of the Aisne, north of Soissons, we have advanced slightly, in cooperation with the British army. Likewise we have made some progress in the region of Berry-Au-Bac.

On the rest of the front the situation remains unchanged.

In the Belgian theatre of war, the Belgians engaged in the defense of Antwerp have occupied a line from the Rupel to the Nethe and the German attacks on this position have failed.

DESERT LAND BOARD MEETING POSTPONED

Because of the absence of the governor from the city, he having departed for southern Oregon to be away for several days, the scheduled meeting of the Desert Land Board, which was to have been held this morning, has been postponed until next week.

Engineer Lauregard, of the Tumalo irrigation project, was to have appeared before the meeting today to submit his recommendations upon the new price to be fixed upon lands in the project, but did not appear because of telegraphic advice of the postponement of the meeting.

State Engineer Lewis has been advised that the corps of workmen engaged in the construction of the diversion canal from Crater Creek to Tumalo creek, in connection with the Tumalo irrigation project, has been obliged to suspend operations on account of a heavy snow which renders digging operations impossible. This work, which entails an approximate cost of \$9,000 was nearly finished two weeks ago and will require but little more work to complete as soon as weather conditions permit.

WILL ENDORSE ALL

Washington, Oct. 6.—A blanket endorsement of all democratic congressmen seeking re-election will be made by President Wilson when congress adjourns, it was learned here today. It was understood that the president will write Representative Oscar Underwood, leader of the house majority, praising all.

ALREADY IN LINE TO GET TICKETS FOR WORLD SERIES

Line Two Blocks Long at Philadelphia Formed Monday to Buy Tickets

AT SALE BEGINNING TOMORROW MORNING

At Boston Line Forms to Buy Tickets at Sale Opening Friday Morning

Philadelphia, Oct. 6.—A line two blocks long had formed today to purchase tickets for the world's baseball series. The sale of seats will open tomorrow at a local department store. A line of men extending half a block formed yesterday and held their places throughout the night.

Joe Banks, aged 10 years, who held first place in the line throughout the night, sold his position today for \$15. He and his brother took turns during the night at holding the coveted place.

Robert McCoy, representing the National commission, arrived here today to take charge of the seat sale. He said the demand for tickets was the greatest in the history of the world's series games.

Bean-eaters Busy

Boston, Oct. 6.—The sale of seats for the games of the world's baseball series to be played here will open Friday, but a line of prospective purchasers was

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ROSEBURG VOTED \$500,000
Roseburg, Ore., Oct. 6.—Roseburg's municipal bond issue of \$500,000, to assist in the construction of a railroad between this city and Coos Bay, was authorized here yesterday by a vote of nearly three to one. At the same election, the voters selected a railroad commission of ten citizens. The half million will be paid to any responsible company as a bonus for the construction of the line. The voters also repealed the occupation tax and rejected a bond issue for park purposes.

TWENTY-FIVE HURT BY RUN-AWAY STREET CAR

Running at Tremendous Speed Jumps Track and Crashes Into Building

San Francisco, Oct. 6.—Twenty-five persons were injured here today, ten seriously, when a Masonic avenue car, carrying 100 passengers, jumped the tracks at Page street and plunged into a private residence, demolishing the front of the building. The injured were taken to the hospitals here.

Mrs. N. Burke, 68 years, Colonel Charles A. Blinn, James R. Wilkie, A. Clifton, W. R. Douglas, A. Watson and A. J. Thompson.

Motorman Caddagton lost control of the car at Ashbury street. When the emergency brakes failed to work, Caddagton tried to reverse his motor but the trolley left the wire and the car dashed madly down Masonic avenue from Ashbury street to Page. At the Haight street crossing it narrowly missed crashing into a cross town car. It jumped the tracks at Page street and was stopped when it tore across the street and crashed into the dwelling house.

There are a lot of good people on earth, and there are a lot more about six feet below the crust.

The Weather

THE HIGH COST OF LIVING IS NEW!
Oregon: Fair to night and Wednesday; variable winds, mostly easterly.

JUDGE BERIGONS.
Washington, Oct. 6.—Justice Daniel Thew Wright tendered his resignation today as a member of the District of Columbia supreme court bench. He asked that it become effective November 15.

IMPORTANT GAINS MADE BY GERMANS --ALLIES GIVE WAY

While There Is Nothing Decisive in This It Shows Germans Are Strong

BATTLES IN RUSSIA ARE ONLY "FEELERS"

Instead of Russians Opening Way to Berlin, Have Not Reached Cracow

(By J. W. T. Mason, former London correspondent of the United Press.)
New York, Oct. 6.—The ladder by which the allies have been climbing upward from France toward Belgium was being rather violently shaken at the bottom today as the allies' advance climbers began to get close to the top-most rungs.

The Germans' right renewed offensive fighting along the Oise is chiefly significant as an attempt to frighten the allies into backing down the ladder. In fact, the kaiser's smart successes in forcing the allies to give ground were a warning to the latter of the danger which will threaten them if they weaken the rest of their left wing by throwing an overwhelming force against the Belgian frontier.

Checked at Arras.

The lack of further news of the Franco-Belgian movement about Arras suggests that the Germans have succeeded in checking their opponents' northern operations by a sudden concentration at the southern end of their line. Besides this accomplishment, they contributed to the safety of their own right wing's retreat, if one should become necessary.

Russian operations in Galicia were still delayed today, apparently pending the perfection of plans for a fresh offensive after Cracow has been invested.

These plans must depend largely on the success or failure of German activities in Russian Poland.

The reports of engagements sent out from Petrograd are typical of the extreme optimism which warfare seems to implant in the bosom of the usually lethargic Slav.

Stories Are Wild.

Russian accounts of the progress of ferocious battles are invariably followed by claims of important successes by the czar's troops.

If these stories were true, the Germans should now be in full retreat, leaving the road to Berlin practically open. Instead of this the road to Cracow has not yet been cleared.

The truth is that these engagements have been no more than reconnaissance in force, their principal object being to feel up the enemy's strength.

They are duplications of the German operations in Belgium early in the war, when retirements by German skirmishers, probably with the information they had been thrown forward to secure, were magnified into important successes for the allies.

COLUMBIA COUNTY TROUBLES UNSETTLED

On the ground that one of the proceedings in relation to the recall election of several of the officers of Columbia county came before the secretary of state yesterday.

In response to a request of district attorney Glen R. Metsker, asking that a canvass of the vote be made by the state board, notified Mr. Metsker that the state board of canvassers was without authority in the matter and could not canvass the vote of the recall election.

This is another feature of the county official embroglio of Columbia county in which the county judges and other officials were recalled, and their successors elected at a special election and in which quo warrants proceedings were instituted in the supreme court to oust the retired officials, who refused to vacate in favor of their elective successors the latest of which were the proceedings brought by Mr. Metsker to have District Attorney Dillard ousted.

An opinion was given by the attorney general a few days ago to the effect that inasmuch as the election was purely a local one the certificates of election should come within the purview of the county clerk, and subject to issue by the county clerk. Certificates of election have therefore been issued to the successful candidates by the clerk of Columbia county.

SAILOR SUICIDES AT MARSHFIELD

Marshfield, Or., Oct. 6.—After having made the voyage safely from Valparaiso, Chile, on the schooner Encero, John Petoski, a sailor, jumped into the sea and was drowned early today. He had received his pay and after spending some of it with friends in North Bend, on coming ashore here, went back on the ship somewhat under the influence of liquor. Without a word of warning, he slipped past the night watch and leaped from the rail. When a line was thrown to him, Petoski laughed up at the watch and swam away. The body has not been recovered.

ENGLISH EDITOR'S STIRRING APPEAL

Says Germany Designs to Make Colonies of England and France

London, Sept. 21.—(By mail to New York.)—Arthur Mee, the well-known Cardiff editor and journalist, has just written the greatest appeal yet made to the men of England to take up arms for their country. He declares that England is facing possible annihilation and that unless its citizens put forth every effort they can that they may become subjects of the kaiser. His article follows:

"England is fighting for the right to be a free nation. She is fighting, not only for France and Belgium, but for our own homes.

"This war is a hundred times more important than the Boer war. It means life and death for us. We are fighting to keep our word, but we are fighting also to keep our homes. We are fighting with France and Belgium, to keep the Germans out of England.

"But the German army presses on, and our home, your country, these quiet streets, are in peril. You must help England now if you want to save her. If the Germans win, you will be a subject of the kaiser. You will no longer be a free citizen; you will be a Prussian slave, ruled with an iron rod by officers from Potsdam.

"There is no doubt about it and it is possible. It is possible that unless you strike a blow now, the last days of our free nation may be upon us. It is possible that the German army may defeat the allies. It is possible that the British fleet may be beaten and that the German troops will land in England.

"If Germany should beat us, you will be a colonist of Prussia. Your children will be taught German and compelled to speak it; your boys will be German conscripts. You will be taxed to keep up the German army, which will keep you down. You will lose all that Eng-

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ANTWERP'S FORTS ARE STILL ALL SAFE

Belgians Assert Germans Have Not Silenced Any of Their Many Forts

Antwerp, Oct. 6.—"The bombardment of Antwerp's outer ring of fortifications continued today but the Germans had gained a foothold nowhere," was the gist of the Belgian war department's official statement this afternoon.

"Every fort and redoubt is holding," it was added, "and in a series of sorties, the garrisons have inflicted heavy damage on the besiegers, who have abandoned attempts to take our positions by assault."

Notwithstanding the optimistic tone of the Belgian statement and the repeated denial of the German claim that three of the Antwerp forts had fallen, it was informally admitted that pressure on the temporary capital defenses was severe and that the French and British general staffs had been urged to take steps to compel an abandonment of the siege and a German evacuation of Brussels.

The opinion here was that the Germans were seeking an excuse to destroy the latter city. They were accused of oppressing its inhabitants in a manner wholly unnecessary even for wartime, with a view, it was suspected, to provoking them to some act of violence.

IN CIRCUIT COURT.

A verdict in favor of the defendant was returned by the jury yesterday afternoon in the case of Hendrick versus Berry. This was the case over the ownership of certain furniture in the Florence hotel. Walter Winstow appeared for the plaintiff, and Grant Corby for the defendant.

R. R. Ryan's suit against C. E. Burnett was dismissed on a motion of non-suit on the part of the defendant. This was an action of forcible entry and detainer involving the Farmers' Cider Works.

WILL BE NO FIGHTING FOR AT LEAST A WEEK

Washington, Oct. 6.—Government officials here declared today that they did not expect General Villa's forces to make a general attack on those of General Benjamin Hill, entrenched at Naco, Sonora, for at least a week. Major General Bliss, commanding the American troops on the Mexican border, notified the war department today that General Maytorena was besieging Naco. He also said that an American trooper had been slightly wounded by a stray bullet.

Some people's idea of a bargain is a 50-cent article marked down to 49—that may be worth 40.

GERMANS GAINING AT AISNE

Both Right and Left Wings Vigorously Offensive in Today's Fight

LONDON WAR BUREAU IS GLUMLY SILENT

Germans Taunt Americans with Losing Trade Through England's "Piracies"

The German right and left wings in France were vigorously offensive today.

They continued to gain ground. The British asserted the Germans had taken no positions except those the allies relinquished voluntarily.

They added that the kaiser was forced to resume the aggressive to keep troops' spirits up.

The French war office spoke of the changes as alternate advances and retirements.

The fact remained that the Germans' center was holding its own and that their two wings were gaining.

German experts insisted also that the allies' new positions were less favorable to them than their old ones.

The London war information bureau was glumly silent and the British public, despite cheerful unofficial utterances, was a gloomy and anxious.

The fact that German cruisers were preying on the allies' shipping in spite of the British fleets' superiority.

The further fact that the Dardanelles were still closed, bottling up Russia in the Black Sea.

It predicted that Turkey would shortly attack Great Britain and Russia.

It remarked that Americans were losing \$1,500,000,000 German trade annually through "piratical" British interference with neutral shipping.

Antwerp still held out. The Belgians showed signs of worry, however, and were urging the allies to relieve both Antwerp and Brussels.

In the eastern theatre of war the expected big battle had not developed but there was constant skirmishing.

Both Germans and Russians continued to claim the victory in recent fighting in Suwalki province, Russian Poland.

The Germans and Austrians claimed the Russian advance on Cracow had been checked and that Przemysl still held out.

Reports that the kaiser had deposed General Von Moltke as his chief of staff and given the place to General Von Voigts-Rhetz were unconfirmed but generally believed.

Cholera was said to be spreading in Hungary.

The Japanese, having occupied Jaluit Island, Marshall archipelago, a German possession, said they did it "for military reasons" and without intending to retain possession.

In most cases the milk of human kindness yields more buttermilk than butter.