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**BRIEF WAR NEWS**

The bombardment of Russian ports on the Black Sea coast by Turkish warships was the most important event in the European conflict during the past week. The entrance of Turkey into the conflict on the side of the Germans adds to the complications and will undoubtedly widen the area affected.

The bombardment of the Russian ports seems to have taken place without the direct sanction of the Turkish foreign office. The Turkish foreign minister made a disavowal to the French ambassador, declaring the action was due to the German officers and crews on the Turkish war ships. This disavowal did not prevent a breach and a state of war exists between Great Britain, France and Russia.

Germany failed to carry forward her offensive in western Belgium during the week. The dominant German military maxim to be always doing something, has been well emphasized in the coastal assault, but without result.

Throughout the great battlefront there has been a repetition of attacks and counter attacks, with at times a pronounced thinning of the lines, whether they have gained a slight advance or have been thrown back. The Germans made a particularly violent attack east of Soissons on the Aisne, and, according to the German report, drove the French across the river.

**COUNT VON BERNSTORFF**



Count von Bernstorff, who is the German Ambassador to the United States.

The allies have held their own in Flanders and northern France through the week. That they have been unable to carry out a counter-offensive is not as serious as is the failure of the Germans to resume the initiative.

For the second time, the western enemy has resisted the crushing process, and it is doubtful whether a third attempt as powerful as either of the two others is now possible. Certainly the battle of Flanders did not have the strength behind it of the first assault, directed against Paris.

Germany has admitted, in the course of the week, that a retreat has been necessary in Poland. Nevertheless, there have been intimations from Petrograd as the week ended, that the German retreat had been checked and a new offensive, apparently, was being planned by General von Hindenburg.

The Germans for five days carried out heavy offensive movements, but, according to the Russian reports, were repulsed with immense losses. In Poland the Germans are reported to be falling back to new positions near their own frontier, while in Galicia the fighting continues without any material change.

While the larger ships of the German navy remain under the protection of their harbors, the submarines continue to show activity, and another British cruiser has been sent to the bottom as a result of a raid by one of these destructive boats. The official announcement of the sinking of the light cruiser Hermes in the straits of Dover gives no details except that she was destroyed by a German submarine and that most of her officers and men were saved.

**Russia Denies Initiative.**  
 Petrograd.—The following official statement was given out here: "The communications from Berlin and Vienna agencies saying that the Russian fleet opened hostilities against the Turkish squadron are common inventions. They are trying manifestly to lead into error public opinion in Constantinople, which is purposely being kept in ignorance concerning the perfidious attack on our coast by the Turkish warships under the command of German officers."

**King Pleads for Help for People.**  
 London.—Albert, king of the Belgians, has asked the American people through the American commission, for relief in Belgium, to help feed his starving people during the coming winter.

**SUBMARINE SINKS CRUISER**

British Vessel Caught Alone and Destroyed by German.

London.—The enterprise of German submarines, which have been lurking along the French coast on the Straits of Dover, seeking to get a shot at British ships engaged in bombarding the German positions in Belgium was rewarded when one of them attacked and sank the light cruiser Hermes as she was returning from Dunkirk. The greater part of the crew was rescued.

The Hermes was a comparatively old vessel and from a naval viewpoint was of no great value, but the fact that she was attacked so near home indicates that the German submarines must have a base somewhere on the part of the Belgian coast which is occupied by the German troops, from which they menace ships of the allies passing between England and France.

**German Cruiser's Ruse Succeeds.**  
 Tokio.—The Russian cruiser Jentchug and a French destroyer have been sunk in the harbor of Penang by the German cruiser Emden, which entered the harbor flying the Japanese flag and carrying a dummy funnel as a disguise, according to information received by the British embassy here. Penang is a British possession in the Straits Settlements.

**Villa to Rule all Army, Says Report.**  
 Mexico City.—A dispatch received here from Aguas Calientes says the delegates to the conference have voted

**WINSTON CHURCHILL**



Winston Churchill, who, as First Lord of the Admiralty, is at the head of England's navy.

to accept the resignations of both Generals Villa and Carranza, that of Carranza unconditionally and that of Villa so as to mean his retirement from the command of the division of the north alone.

It was agreed to abolish all military divisions and to place all the troops of the nation under command of a secretary of war to be named by the convention. The dispatch says this position is to be given Villa.

**RUSSIANS CLAIM GAINS**

Advance on East Prussia Front and Rout of Rear Guard Reported.

Petrograd.—The Russian general staff makes the following announcement:

"On the East Prussian front our troops are progressing in the region of Wladislawow (government of Suwalki) and the forest of Romentin.

"The German attacks in the region of Bakalarzewo on October 31, have ceased, following terrible losses suffered by the enemy.

"Beyond the Vistula we have advanced victoriously along the whole front. We have occupied Patrikau, Optzne and Ojaroff. Battles took place in roads leading to Opatoff, where we routed the rear-guard of the enemy. We took 400 prisoners and captured six rapid-fire guns, convoys and provisions.

**Khedive Wants Explanation.**

London.—The Sultan has notified all the powers that the British attitude toward Egypt prevented the execution of his sovereign rights and that the Khedive will demand of Great Britain explanation of her actions.

**General Chaffee is Dead.**

Los Angeles.—Lieutenant-General Adna R. Chaffee, former chief of staff of the United States army, died at his home here.

**THE MARKETS.**

**Portland.**  
 Wheat—Club \$1.08; bluestem \$1.12; red Russian, \$1.01.  
 Hay—Timothy, \$15.50; alfalfa, \$12.50.  
 Butter—Creamery, 35c.  
 Eggs—Ranch, 34c.

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