

GERMAN NAVAL BASE THWARTED

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FLEET OF ALLIES ATTACKS

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GREAT CRANE DISAPPEARS

Effort to Remove Stores Is Frustrated by Damage to Railway Line.

LONDON, Nov. 25.—"Germany's scheme to establish a naval base at Zeebrugge has been thwarted by British warships, says the Daily Mail's Rotterdam correspondent.

"Zeebrugge is burning, the Solvay works near the Bruges ship canal are a heap of ruins and the sections of six submarine boats which had been brought there are reduced to twisted iron. A large quantity of stores also was destroyed.

Military Train Destroyed.

"The bombardment lasted from 2 o'clock until 5 o'clock Monday. The Coast Guard building and the public schools were destroyed.

"The military trains at the Solvay works were blown to fragments and a large crane which was being used for putting the submarines together simply disappeared.

Removal of Stores Prevented.

"In desperation the Germans tried to remove their stores, including the apparatus for making hydrogen for Zeppelins, to Bruges, but found a section of the railway had been blown up.

"For several weeks the enemy had been collecting stores at and fortifying Zeebrugge in the hope of making it a strong naval base."

A dispatch from Amsterdam says: "Yesterday, after British aviators had reconnoitered cleverly hidden German gun positions along the coast," says a Sluis correspondent, "a combined attack was undertaken by the allies' infantry against the German trenches.

British and French Bombard.

"The attackers were aided by a bombardment from the Anglo-French squadron, consisting of three small cruisers and numerous torpedo-boats and torpedo-boat destroyers, which came close to the coast. The Germans replied with a heavy artillery fire.

"During the afternoon a second squadron appeared between Ostend and Weenduyt, but neither here nor at Nieupoort was there any success for either one side or the other.

Squadron Forced to Retreat.

"Near Westende two German batteries were silenced, but the British and French squadron was forced to retreat owing to the good marksmanship of the German artillery, which damaged one of the destroyers.

"The second squadron then steamed to Zeebrugge, probably with the intention of destroying German submarines. Before sunset the electric works were fiercely burning and also the Palace Hotel and other buildings. The church steeple at Heyst was damaged, and it is reported that the sluices at Zeebrugge were destroyed.

"The German firing suddenly stopped and the German submarines left the port. After some maneuvering the British fleet disappeared in the fog. Part of Zeebrugge was burning and the population had fled in all directions."

ALLIES FACING NEW ATTACK

Germans Reinforced and Terrific Battle Is Renewed in France.

LONDON, Nov. 25.—"The allies have been attacked in force from Ypres to La Bassée," says a dispatch from a Daily Chronicle correspondent in Northern France. His dispatch continues:

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DEATHS ON HANAIEI LAID TO NEGLECT

NEGLECT TO REBUILD LIFESAVERING STATION IS CITED.

Sea Quiet and Rescue Would Have Been Easy First Few Hours, Say Coast Veterans.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 24.—Utterly inadequate protection of commerce on the Pacific Coast, emphasized two days ago by Secretary of Commerce Redfield as having caused the drowning of 21 persons in one instance, has cost the lives of 21 souls who perished on the Hanaiei.

John H. Heavers, including Captain J. L. Notter, of the Point Bonita lifesaving station, whose men picked up 13 survivors, said flatly tonight that if the Government had not neglected to rebuild an old lifesaving station at Bolinas when it changed to burn down, to one need have been drowned from the wrecked schooner.

Despite the fog, Captain Notter said, rescue would have been possible but for the hours consumed in getting lifesaving crews and apparatus moved from San Francisco Bay. Darkness fell before they arrived, and impeded their work until a score of persons went to their death in a quiet sea and under conditions favorable to rescue. "I shall telegraph to Washington to ask that apparatus be supplied at Bolinas before another week," said the captain. "I want to see it there before there is another wreck on Duxbury Reef. We can't afford to wait for an investigation into this one."

VENETIAN PATRIARCH DIES

Cardinal Cavallari Noted for Abhorrence of Immodesty.

PARIS, Nov. 24.—A dispatch to the Havas Agency from Venice says that Cardinal Aristides Cavallari, patriarch of Venice, died today.

Cardinal Cavallari was born at Chioggia in 1849 and was raised to the cardinalate in 1907. He was noted for his simple piety. On various occasions he expressed himself volubly against the immodest dress of women, and once is said to have stopped a church service to make a woman worshiper cover her openwork shirtwaist.

In January of this year Cardinal Cavallari issued an episcopal letter strongly condemning the tango dance, declaring that "only those persons who have lost all moral sense can endure it." He ordered all the ecclesiastics to deny absolution to those who danced the tango, did not promise to discontinue the practice.

BOMB USED BY MISSIONARY

Military Duty Above Religious Aim, Says German in Africa.

LONDON, Nov. 24.—A German tried to blow up the British gunboat Dwarf with an infernal machine in a West African harbor recently, according to a report to the Colonial office. It was discovered that he was a missionary.

"When questioned as to how he found such an act compatible with his work," the report said, "he replied that he was a soldier first and a missionary afterwards."

BULLETINS

AMSTERDAM, via London, Nov. 24.—According to a Berlin dispatch to the Telegraph, the Duke of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha narrowly escaped death in the Eastern theater of the war by a shell which exploded near where he and his staff were standing. The explosion killed Colonel von Berg and wounded two other officers.

LONDON, Nov. 24.—A dispatch from Lisbon says the Portuguese government today decided that Portugal should cooperate with the allies when it considers the step necessary. The Ministry of War will issue a decree for partial mobilization.

PARIS, Nov. 24.—Telegraphing from Athens, the correspondent of the Havas Agency says the Turkish government has forbidden all subjects of the triple entente powers, with the exception of women and of children under 15 years old, to leave the Ottoman territory.

LONDON, Nov. 25.—The Admiralty announces that all points of military significance in Zeebrugge were subjected today to a severe bombardment by two British battleships. The German opposition was feeble. The extent of the damage done is unknown. The British ships returned safe.

BERLIN, Nov. 24.—(By wireless to Sayville, N. Y.)—Switzerland has lodged protests at London and Bordeaux against the violation of Swiss neutrality by British aviators, and demands satisfaction.

PETROGRAD, Nov. 24, via London, Nov. 25.—A German aeroplane with two aviators has been captured by Cossacks 24 miles from Plock, Russian Poland. The aviators had dropped several bombs in Plock.

SANTIAGO, Chile, Nov. 24.—An official statement issued by the maritime authorities today says that it has been proved that German warships have violated the neutrality of Chile by the seizure of several vessels in the Juan Fernandez Islands, capturing neutral ships, seizing coal and provisions and sinking the French bark Valencian a half mile from the Chilean coast.

LONDON, Nov. 25.—New rates of pay for army officers showing increases of from 10 to 25 per cent are announced in an army order. The new daily rate for a captain is raised from \$2 to \$3.50, and for a lieutenant from \$2 to \$2.50. These increases also are augmented by various special allowances.

GERMAN ADVANTAGE TURNS INTO DEFEAT

Armies Cut Up Each Other in Poland.

TERRIFIC BATTLE LASTS WEEK

Russian Reinforcements Sent in Pursuit of Enemy.

KAISER LOSES HEAVY GUNS

Whole Regiments Surrender—Craecow Believed Farther Advanced Than Public Is Informed; New Teuton Battle Line Forms.

LONDON, Nov. 25.—The Petrograd correspondent of the Morning Post says that the Russian successes in Poland, as announced in official dispatches, was preceded by a week of hard fighting with varied success and reverse.

In the neighborhood of Brzeziny the Germans made a supreme effort and actually succeeded in temporarily breaking through the Russian defense and getting to the rear of the Russian positions, says the correspondent.

Germans Let Chance Slip. It appears, however, that the Germans did not fully realize their chances and the Russians countered by piercing the German lines at another point, compelling the Germans to withdraw, with the loss of a whole battery of heavy artillery and two regiments of prisoners.

The failure of this most determined attack, which was almost a success, disheartened the Germans, continues the correspondent, and when the ordinary hammer-and-tongs fighting was resumed, the Russians convinced the enemy in a couple of days that the time had come to retire and the Germans are now in retreat.

Reinforcements Move on Rear.

Large bodies of reinforcements are moving on the German rear from the neighborhood of Wlun.

The latest intelligence indicates, the correspondent concludes, that Grand Duke Nicholas, Commander-in-Chief of the Russian forces, is entirely satisfied with the situation along the whole Russian front. Such news as is given out from the neighborhood of Craecow seems to be about a week old. The Grand Duke's plan probably is a good deal more advanced than the public has been allowed to know.

German Regiments Give Up.

The Daily Mail's Petrograd Correspondent, describing the capture of

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CROCKERLAND NOT THERE

Country Peary Thought He Discovered Has Disappeared.

NEW YORK, Nov. 24.—Crockerland, the unknown country in the Arctic which Rear-Admiral Peary believed he sighted in 1895, has either disappeared or never existed. The belief of Donald E. McMillan, who left New York with an expedition to find the unexplored country, in July, 1913.

News from McMillan was received today by the American Museum of Natural History. The expedition, after journeying from Cape Thomas Hubbard, 125 miles over the Polar Sea, from about which point Peary reported having sighted the country, was unable to see it. McMillan reports that at first he thought he saw land, but this finally proved to be a mirage.

41 OF STEAMSHIP'S PERSONNEL SAVED

18 Known to Be Dead, Five Are Missing.

15 VICTIMS ARE IDENTIFIED

Names of Survivors and Known Dead Given.

WOMEN FIGHT FOR LIFE

Frantic and Helpless Ones in Wreckage Hear Companions' Cry in Vain for Aid—Baby Is Among Those Who Are Lost.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 24.—Out of 64 persons who were aboard the steamer Hanaiei when she crashed into the northern spur of Luxbury Reef shortly before noon yesterday 41 are known to be alive tonight; 15 dead have been identified; two bodies have been recovered whose names are unknown. Five are missing, including the infant of Mrs. Val Franz, who is known to have been drowned.

The following list includes the names of all survivors and dead cast ashore or rescued from the surf at Bolinas and also those brought to San Francisco today or the revenue cutter McCulloch:

Passengers Saved. Elwood Scherwin, Berkeley, Cal. Mrs. Ethel Turkenson, Windsor, Cal. Harold Turkenson, 3 years old, Windsor, Cal.

W. J. Edmondson, San Francisco. Roger Bay, San Jose, Cal. Miss Elsie Brown, San Francisco. David Neville, Los Angeles. Earl Carlson, Oakland. George Studebaker, Eureka, Cal. C. E. Blincoe, Visalia, Cal. J. O'Donnell, San Francisco. Anton Subar.

Miss Gretta La Rue. Miss Joy Stone, San Francisco. Miss V. Goldfinger. Miss Ester Oakland, Cal. Mrs. Val Franz, San Francisco. A. F. Mason, San Francisco. Sydney Aston, Fruitvale, Cal. T. Maher, Eureka, Cal. Andrew J. Place, Eureka, Cal. George W. Harrison, Hydeville, Cal. Virginia Lawton. Miss R. C. Smith. John Hunt, Eureka, Cal.

Crew Saved. Captain J. J. Carey, San Francisco. First Assistant Engineer C. Runth. C. W. Pettigill, chief engineer. Thomas McPeague, first officer (seriously injured). Alfonso Ornaecha, fireman.

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Tuesday's War Moves

DECISIVE news from the Polish battlefield is expected hourly. A thorough victory by either Russia or Germany would vitally affect the course of the Winter campaign both in the East and in the West, but there is no assurance that there has been any definite result, although Petrograd messages declare that the Russians have inflicted at least temporary reverses on the Germans in the angle between the Vistula and Warta rivers.

Both combatants have achieved these strokes before settling the fortunes of war permanently. The correspondent of the Paris Matin describes the Germans as fleeing, while the latest Petrograd official bulletin says that the Germans are retreating.

Berlin announces officially that the issue has not yet been decided.

On the snow-covered fields of Belgium and France quiet continues, the only unusual incident being the bombardment of the towns of Zeebrugge and Brest by British warships with a few shells which struck hotels where the German staff was quartered, and other buildings, while the German shore batteries were unable to reach the warships in reply.

The Hague reports that railway communication with Antwerp has been suspended and that no travelers will be admitted to Belgium during the next few days. The Germans are believed to be on the eve of another assault on the allies' defenses, but for the time being there is a near approach to rest for the armies spread out from Ostend to Verdun that at any time in the past two months.

Portugal has taken the final plunge into the European war. The Portuguese Congress yesterday decided that the country should co-operate with the allies when it considers the step necessary and the Minister of War will issue a decree for partial mobilization.

The greatest loan in England's history—\$50,000,000 (\$1,750,000,000)—has been successfully floated by the Bank of England, both large and small investors being among the buyers. The country awaits the announcement by the Chancellor of the Exchequer as to the amount of the subscriptions with the belief that they will exceed considerably the amount of the loan and that the colossal transaction will have an impressive effect on Great Britain's enemies.

Berlin reports that the Bundesrath has passed laws to prevent and to punish speculation in gold, to fix the prices of potatoes, to limit the consumption of bread in Berlin and to extend the moratorium on applying to bills of exchange in Alsace-Lorraine. East Prussia and parts of West Prussia another 30 days, making its extent 150 days. It is expected that the prices for wool will be fixed this week. The British government has taken up all the stocks of leather.

The hunger-stricken Belgians on the border of Holland are pictured as resorting to brigandage and reports say that a state of anarchy is approaching. Representatives of the Rockefeller foundation and the American commission for the relief of Belgium are about to visit Holland and Belgium and hope to co-operate in carrying out the relief work on an adequate scale.

Queen Mary has sent Mrs. Walter Hines Page, wife of the American Ambassador, a letter of thanks for the mission of the Santa Claus ship Jason, which is bringing Christmas gifts from American children to children in England and on the continent. The Jason will arrive at Devonport tomorrow. She will be the recipient of an official reception by the municipality of Plymouth and by representatives of the British government.

The annual report of the Board was read by R. H. Thomas, the clerk. O. M. Plummer, Dr. Alan Welch Smith and Dr. E. A. Sommer, members of the Board, were gathered on the platform. J. V. Beach, the fifth member, came in later.

The clerk proceeded with the reading without interruption until he came to the paragraph outlining the plan for a new Franklin High School, when he was liberally applauded.

But no less demonstrative was the audience when the clerk read the minority report of Dr. Sommer for a 4.8-mill levy.

Promptly upon conclusion of the clerk's reading Whitney L. Boise made his motion for adoption of the majority report providing for the 3-mill levy. Mr. Boise had hardly taken his seat when J. N. Teal presented a substitute motion for the adoption of the Sommer report.

Mr. Teal started to speak in support of his motion. He stood on the floor beneath the stage and in response to numerous calls mounted the platform. "It is necessary," he urged, "if we are to exercise economy in all our affairs not to submit to a single unnecessary item of expense."

He referred to current reports that Dr. Smith, one of the Board members, recently arranged for purchase of the trades school site for \$10,000 less than the original purchase price, declaring that "Dr. Smith jumped at that ten thousand like a hungry trout jumps at a fly."

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TAXPAYERS VOTE TO AID DIRECTORS

5-Mill School Levy Gets Majority Approval.

NEW PURCHASES PLANNED

Crowd at Armory Noisy and at Times Disorderly.

TWO MOTIONS PRESENTED

Dr. E. A. Sommer's Report for 4.8 Mills Rejected—Assessment for Coming Year Means Help to Franklin School Unit.

Taxpayers of the Portland school district, in their annual mass meeting at the Armory last night, voted to support the School Directors in their recommendation for a 5-mill tax levy for the coming year.

This assessment will provide for the purchase of new sites for the Hawthorne School and for the proposed school of trades east of the river and will make possible the erection of the first unit of the new Franklin High School.

The meeting was noisy and at times disorderly, but wholly good-natured and always under control of M. G. Munly, chairman of the board, who presided.

But two motions were presented—the first to support the recommendations of a majority of the Board for a 5-mill levy, and the second to adopt the minority report of Dr. E. A. Sommer, one of the directors for a 4.8-mill levy. The Sommer report was rejected.

The motion supporting the majority report was presented by Whitney L. Boise, and that upholding the Sommer report by J. N. Teal. Each spoke briefly in support of his respective motion. Each had a host of lusty-lunged supporters in the audience.

1500 Taxpayers Present. The Armory was comfortably filled. Officials of the Board estimated the attendance of taxpayers at approximately 1500. People began arriving in the evening. Chairman Munly took charge promptly at 8 o'clock. He proceeded by reading the call for the meeting.

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TRADE BALANCE GROWS

Week's Exports Exceeded Imports by More Than \$14,000,000.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24.—Exports at the principal ports, which handle 80 per cent of that business, totaled \$39,217,537 for the week ended November 21, as against imports of \$24,834,124, leaving a trade balance in favor of the United States for the week and bringing the trade balance for the month to more than \$46,000,000.