

BELGIANS UNSHAKEN BY ENORMOUS LOSS

Youthful General Says Army, Though Sadly Decimated, Is Confident of Victory.

REGIMENT DOWN TO 36 MEN

All Others of Original 2300 Dead, Wounded or Prisoners—Gaps in Allies' Ranks Filled by Determined Fighters.

LONDON, Nov. 27.—(Special.)—General Taffet, a student, who joined a Belgian cavalry regiment at the outbreak of the war, reached London today from the allies' firing line in Flanders. He said that his regiment, which numbered 2300 men when it entered its first engagement, now numbers 36 men. All the others are dead, wounded or prisoners.

Belgian Front Confident. "One must take things lightly," he observed, philosophically. He returns to the firing line tomorrow. He brought important dispatches to the Belgian authorities in London.

"Absolute confidence in victory inspires the whole front in Belgium," said the brilliant young soldier. "The allies have suffered terrible losses and many regiments have practically disappeared, but all gaps have been promptly filled by new men coming out of the factories. The situation is not so serious as it is made to appear by the newspapers."

FIRE OF GERMANS SLACKENS

Small Engagements Mark Fighting in Belgium and France.

PARIS, Nov. 27.—The following official communication was issued tonight: "The day has been calm. There is nothing to report." The earlier official report said: "The slackening of the artillery fire of the enemy was noted all along the line during the day of November 25. Two infantry attacks directed against the heads of the columns which he had thrown down on the right bank of the Yser, to the south of Dixmude, were easily repulsed."

SWISS WANT EXPLANATION

Alleged Neutrality Violation by Aviators Is Taken Up.

BERNE, Switzerland, via Paris, Nov. 27.—The Swiss Ministry at Bern and London, according to a report published here, have been told by the Swiss government to request an explanation of the alleged violation of Swiss neutrality by British and French aviators who are said to have flown over Swiss territory in proceeding to the attack of the Zeppelin airship sheds at Friedrichshafen.

MICHIGAN FLOATS AGAIN

Stranded Battleship, Pulled Off by Tugs, Reaches Hampton Roads.

NORFOLK, Va., Nov. 27.—The battleship Michigan, aground since early yesterday on a sandbar just inside Cape Henry, was floated by tugs late today. She apparently was undamaged, but it was said she would be docked for thorough examination.

COLONEL DESERTS MOOSE

(Continued From First Page.) bringing about the defeat of Republican nominees. Hence his allusion to his "lunatic friends," being those who thought they could be elected, or thought that the Progressive nominees could be elected that portion of the matter for speculation.

Murdock and Finn. They did not propose to let the Colonel leave them stranded two years after they cut loose from their old political moorings to support him. They demanded that he repay his debt. That debt has been paid, and in the future the Colonel will be found working with others than his "lunatic friends."

DENTAL BILL IS PROPOSED

Abolition of Use of Cocaine and Arsenic by Practitioners Is Aim.

Dr. E. H. Parker returned Thursday from a trip through California and to New York, in which he inspected his various dental offices. "I saw a good deal of snow and cold weather in the East," Dr. Parker said last night, "and I am mighty glad to get back to Oregon, even if it does have a dental trust."

ANOTHER MAP OF TURKEY IN ASIA, SHOWING SCENES OF HOSTILITIES.



AT UPPER RIGHT IS TRANS-Caucasian BORDER, WHERE TURKS ARE FIGHTING RUSSIANS. AT LOWER LEFT CENTER IS SUEZ CANAL, TO EASTWARD OF WHICH TURKS ARE FIGHTING BRITISH-EGYPTIANS.

deal of talk in the East over the probable cause of the celebrated Carman murder, many believing that it was due to the jealousy of a wife over one of her physician-husband's women patients. "It is proposed, even by physicians to whom I talked," said Mr. Parker, "to have a law enacted which will make an operation on or examination of a woman patient by a physician impossible except in the presence of a qualified woman nurse."

WATER BIDS OPEN TODAY

Prices for Oregon City Pipe Line Given by Many Contractors.

OREGON CITY, Or., Nov. 27.—(Special.)—The water committee, headed by William Andressen, will open bids for the south fork mountain water project tomorrow. Estimates will be received for the construction of both wood and steel lines, in case bids for steel pipe are low the committee will adopt that material if the voters authorize the building of the system.

MAN SAYS HE SAW MURDER

Witness Avers China Dan Killed Accuser in Conspiracy Case.

SEATTLE, Wash., Nov. 27.—Robert W. Smith, a carpenter, testified in the United States District Court today that he saw China Dan shoot and kill Lum Kong, a Government witness, September 10, in the case of the Chinese defendants on trial with Frank H. Tape, former Chinese interpreter in the Federal Immigration Service, for conspiracy to intimidate Government witnesses in the case against Tape for smuggling Chinese into this country.

PEACE TALK REPUDIATED

Cologne Gazette Says All Germany Is Determined on Clean Score.

BERLIN, Nov. 27, via The Hague and London.—The Cologne Gazette, commenting today on a newspaper dispatch dealing with the renewed peace talk, writes: "It is premature to talk about peace, and it strikes us as frivolous. No German diplomat and no German soldier thinks of concluding an illusory peace with the powers which we have beaten, and candidly hope to continue beating."

Union High School Vote Today.

Special elections will be held this afternoon in Gresham School District No. 4, Terry No. 8, Powell Valley No. 26, Lyle No. 28, and in Hillsboro No. 8, to decide whether a union high school shall be established at Gresham. The form of the ballot is "For Union High School, Yes, or No." Gresham has voted to give a five-acre site to the union high school if it wins. County School Superintendent Armstrong favors the movement and thinks the opportunity for the union high school is excellent, now that Portland high schools are filled. At Gresham, 100 students are enrolled in the high school department. It was expected that 10 districts would vote, but five dropped out, and many come in later if the measure carries.

100,000 APPLY FOR BIG BRITISH LOAN

Lloyd George Estimates That Nation's Credit Is Close to \$90,000,000,000.

PARLIAMENT IS ADJOURNED

Lords to Reassemble January 6 and Commons Nearly Month Later.

Financial Condition of Country Declared Good.

30 HURT IN TRAINWRECK

Coaches Leave Rails at 40 Miles an Hour in Missouri.

MEXICO, Mo., Nov. 27.—Thirty persons were injured, one of them probably fatally, when a Burlington-Alton passenger train, east bound from Kansas City to St. Louis, left the rails three miles east of Clark Station today. Steve Preston, negro porter, injured internally and bruised about the head, probably will die from his injuries. The others, several of them seriously hurt,

order to restore these exchanges upon which the commerce and industry of the country depended for their daily life. By this step, the speaker said, the unimpeachable character of the British bill of exchange had been maintained.

Money Market in Good Shape. The Chancellor said the British money market was in better position now than any money market in the world. The treasury had just floated the largest loan ever raised in the history of the world and the success of this measure, Mr. Lloyd George said, he took as justification of the government's action. He pointed out that before the loan of £250,000,000, he already had raised £90,000,000 (\$450,000,000) for the same purpose, so that practically he had asked for £40,000,000 (\$200,000,000) from the same market.

reassemble on January 6, but the House of Commons will not resume until February 2.

David Lloyd George, Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Winston Spencer Churchill, First Lord of the Admiralty, reviewed, respectively, the status of the country's finances and of the navy to the members of the House of Commons. Each presented a glowing picture of the condition of the branches of government over which they presided.

BRITISH WAR LOAN OVERSUBSCRIBED

The Chancellor's statement on the subscription to the largest war loan ever floated was eagerly awaited. He announced that the loan had been oversubscribed, but did not mention the amount. The Chancellor said there were nearly 100,000 applications for the bonds, a large proportion of them for small amounts, and added that the small subscribers would have preference in the allotment.

BRITON BLAMES SHIPPERS

Failure to Make Clear Destination of Copper Impedes Adjustment.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 27.—Failure of American copper shippers to make clear the ultimate destination of shipments sent to neutral countries still is impeding the restoration of that traffic, in the view of British officials here. Sir Cecil Spring Rice, the British Ambassador, discussed the subject today with Counselor Lansing of the State Department, saying that a study of several ships' manifests disclosed that the demand laid down by Great Britain was not being followed generally, and that many shipments were being made "to order" instead of to specific consignees in the neutral country.

PRISONERS PROPERLY FED

British Camps Cold, but Remedy Near, Says American Inspector.

LONDON, Nov. 27.—Chandler P. Anderson, a special representative of the United States State Department, who has inspected the German detention camp at the Newbury racetrack, concerning which many complaints have been printed in German newspapers, is preparing his report for presentation to the German authorities.

ALLIES' FLEETS ARE ACTIVE

French Naval Office Says Duties Are Being Performed.

BORDEAUX, via London, Nov. 27.—An official naval bulletin issued here tonight says: "In the Mediterranean French and English squadrons continue to blockade the Adriatic Sea and the Dardanelles and to protect the coasts of Egypt and the Suez Canal."

DUBLIN CASTLE TO BE HOSPITAL.

DUBLIN, via London, Nov. 28.—It is understood that King George has approved the proposal to utilize the Dublin Castle as an emergency hospital for wounded soldiers. It is planned to have the hospital ready within three weeks to accommodate 500 patients.

PLAN FOR NEUTRAL OCEAN HELD BACK

United States Not Ready to Express Itself on Pan-American Suggestion.

BELLIGERENTS SILENT, TOO

Bryan Tells Diplomat Administration Desires to Avoid Incurring Displeasures of Any Nations Now at War.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 27.—The United States Government is not ready, according to an announcement today by Secretary Bryan, to express an opinion on the request of several South American nations for the co-operation of the Washington Government in negotiations with the European belligerents looking to the exclusion of their warships from the waters of this hemisphere.

Trade Restoration Suggested. Ambassador Da Gama, of Brazil, took up with Mr. Bryan, in another conference, the general subject of concerted action on the part of the principal belligerent governments as to the attitude toward the various suggestions which had been advanced, but Mr. Bryan informed him the Washington Government had not determined upon its course.

The Brazilian government has advanced no proposal, but has desired to ascertain the attitude of the Washington Government toward suggestions of this kind before making formal suggestions.

Beyond admitting that the various suggestions were under careful consideration, Secretary Bryan declined to state the position of the Washington Government.

Bryan Avoids Taking Sides. To one diplomat, however, he pointed out the desire of the United States to disfavor by any of the principal belligerents and that might impair the influence of this Government when the time for the settlement of the war arrives.

While the Latin-American diplomats exchanged views on the different proposals which have been brought forward, the European diplomats said today they were uninformed as to the attitude of their respective governments. At the British and German Embassies it was said that as no definite proposals had been agreed on by the Latin-American diplomats and no formal communication had been made as yet to their governments, so far as was known here, no opinion could be expressed.

step was taken to alleviate the anxiety of husbands at the front and to protect the coming generation.

KAISER PRAISES FRENCH

Hope Expressed That Two Nations May Yet Be Friends.

PARIS, Nov. 27.—Emperor William is described in a letter received by one of the editors of Patrie from a certain Captain "M." undergoing treatment at a hospital in the German fortress at Metz, as having visited the French wounded, saying:

"I give my imperial homage, gentlemen, to your valor, and notwithstanding the cruel circumstances of the present, I do not despair of seeing one day Germany and France united by ties of sincere friendship."

Germans Aid Expectant Mothers. LONDON, Nov. 27.—The Bundesrat of Germany has decided, says a Reuters' dispatch from Amsterdam, to furnish financial and medical assistance to the women at the time of childbirth. This

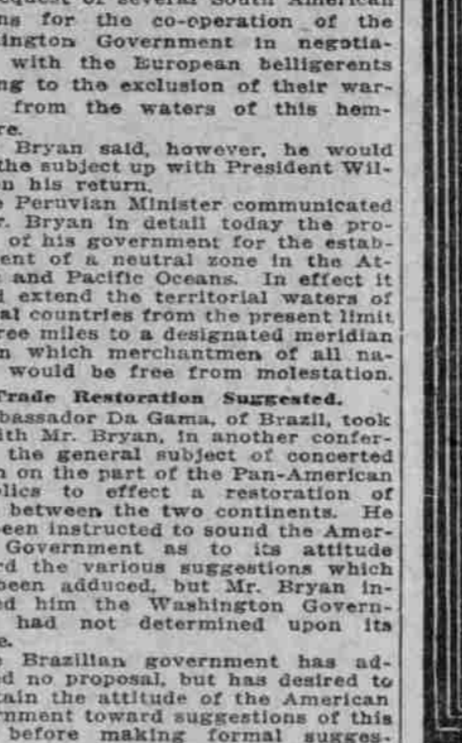
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bear passports, complications necessarily arise. Moreover, the persons mentioned, when they apply to the Ambassador at London for passports, usually experience difficulty in identifying themselves and presenting satisfactory evidence of citizenship.

Department regulations require that applicants for passports submit two small unmounted photographs, one to be attached to the passport, the other for the Department's records, and that persons going to belligerent countries, except England, have their passports vized by consular representatives of those countries in the United States.

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