

BRITISH CAVALRY WINS BIG VICTORY

Line Firm and Gains at Several Points Made.

ENEMY ATTACKS ARE VAIN

Field Marshal Haig Reports That Teutons Sustain Heavy Casualties.

HUNS LOSE THREE TOWNS

Moriancourt, Chipilly and Proyart Are Recaptured and Ancre Line Defended.

OTTAWA, March 27.—British cavalry has been in action and has achieved a brilliant victory, according to a dispatch from the Reuter correspondent at British headquarters, received here tonight. The message said no details of the action had been given.

AMSTERDAM, March 27.—Enormously long ambulance trains are passing through Liege and Namur, Belgium, on their way to Aix la Chapelle and other parts of Germany, with wounded Germans from the French battlefront, according to the Telegram frontier correspondent. Many of the wounded have been detained at Namur, says the correspondent, who adds that the hospitals in Northern France have not sufficient accommodations for the great stream of sufferers.

PARIS, March 27.—With fresh troops the Germans today attacked the French lines east of Montdidier, and although their assaults were repulsed several times they succeeded in making some advance, according to the War Office announcement tonight. Around Lassigny and Noyon powerful enemy attacks were broken up.

LONDON, March 27.—The British front is standing firm along the whole line, which appears to be the strongest it has occupied since the battle began, says Reuter's correspondent with the British headquarters in France. Even at points where the line is not strong, the correspondent adds, it is being held in very orderly array, alike of men and guns, and nowhere is showing any signs of enforced retirement.

The enemy, says the correspondent, attacked at various points today but from all reports these efforts made no progress.

British airmen report the whole of the enemy front areas to be black with troops.

The British forces are not only offering strong resistance to heavy en-

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BATTLE GROWS MORE ENCOURAGING TO ALLIES.

LONDON, March 27.—Tonight's news from the battle front confirms the hopeful impression formed early in the day that the British now appear to be on a line they are able to hold firmly, at least on the Somme and the Ancre rivers.

Farther south in the Roye-Noyon region the situation is less well defined, but it is stated that both the French and British are bringing up reserves there. The correspondents also are showing greater confidence that the enemy will be held on this terrain.

The German official communication of tonight was significantly brief and reserved. It reports the crossing of the Ancre, but only refers to Tuesday's events, while the British War Office statement shows that the Germans who had crossed that stream were thrown back today in counter attacks.

The news from the Somme front is distinctly encouraging, the British having recaptured Moriancourt and Chipilly and advanced to Proyart.

TEUTON SMASH IN ITALY IMPENDING

AUSTRIANS CONCENTRATE MEN AND HEAVY ARTILLERY.

Psychologic Effort of Big Hindenburg Drive in France Calculated to Dishearten Italian Armies.

WASHINGTON, March 27.—Preparations for a Teutonic offensive on the Italian front continue, the Italian Embassy was advised today by cable from Rome. New divisions are arriving daily on this front from the Roumanian front and the Austrians have brought up numerous new pieces of heavy artillery.

"The situation at the Italian front is becoming every day more tense," the dispatch says. "It appears that the Austro-Hungarian forces are counting upon the success of the German drive in France to discourage the Italians before attempting a new offensive.

RECALL ELECTION ASKED

Klamath County Petitioners Would Oust Judge Marion Hanks.

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., March 27.—(Special.)—A petition filed here today and signed by approximately 300 persons demands that a special election to vote on the recall of County Judge Marion Hanks be ordered within five days unless the judge resigns in the meantime.

TEUTONS' LOSSES 400,000

More Than 70 German Divisions Are Hurled Into Battle.

LONDON, March 27.—From the average of casualties in the various German units as given by prisoners, says Reuter's correspondent at British headquarters in France, one arrives at the conclusion that the German Emperor has lost 40 per cent of these men since he gave the signal for the advance.

GREEK UPRISING PLANNED

King Constantine Sends Officers to Foment Disturbances.

ATHENS, March 25.—The purpose of former King Constantine in sending two Greek officers who were arrested recently, after being landed on the coast by a German submarine, was to lay the foundation for an uprising against the government, according to depositions made by the officers and read in the Chamber of Deputies today by Premier Venizelos.

TRIBAL DRINK STILL LEGAL

Effort to Prohibit Use of Peyote Blocked by Senator Owen.

WASHINGTON, March 27.—Legislation to prohibit use on Indian reservations of "peyote," said to be a habit-forming intoxicant and used in tribal ceremonies, was stricken from the Indian appropriation bill today in the Senate without discussion on a point of order.

PRINCE COACHED FOR POST

August Wilhelm Believed Slated for Vice-Regal Job.

LONDON, March 27.—Emperor Wilhelm has appointed his fourth son, Prince August Wilhelm, prefect at Potsdam to learn civil administration, says an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Amsterdam.

N. Romanoff to Be Moved.

LONDON, March 27.—The Bolshevik government has decided to transfer Nicholas Romanoff, the former Emperor and his family, from Tobolsk to the Ural region, according to an announcement in Petrograd newspapers transmitted in a Reuter dispatch.

POLITICS ISSUE IS RAISED IN SENATE

Partisan Clash Comes With Jones Speech.

PRESIDENT DIRECTLY ACCUSED

Wilson Using Office to Aid Party, Says Smoot.

FACTS KEPT FROM PUBLIC

Washington Senator's Charges That War News Is Being Doled Out in Sugar-Coated Doses Creates Rumpus.

WASHINGTON, March 27.—The biggest partisan breach between Democrats and Republicans of the Senate since the war began developed today in a bitter debate which followed a speech by Senator Jones, Republican of Washington, attacking the Shipping Board and criticizing President Wilson's attitude toward Congress.

Senator Williams, of Mississippi, Democrat, accused the Republicans of playing politics in behalf of Representative Lenroot, candidate for the Senate in Wisconsin. This aroused the Republicans and leaders on both sides of the chamber joined in the fray.

Senator Smoot, Republican of Utah, delivering an address he had prepared for tomorrow, charging the President himself with using his high office to further partisan ends.

Clash Not Yet Ended. Adjournment brought the clash to a close. It may be renewed tomorrow and is regarded as certain to commence again when consideration of the Overman bill to enlarge the President's powers to reorganize Government departments is undertaken.

In his speech Senator Jones declared statements of Chairman Hurler, of the shipping board, were misleading and that German submarines are sinking ships twice as fast as they can be built.

Patriotic Disunity Hinted At. Senator Jones asserted that if the President and Congress co-operate as they should "a feeling of patriotic unity throughout the country that I fear is now lacking, but which ought to exist, would be created."

In directing his attention to profiteering, Senator Jones declared that it was everywhere and the "Nation's need is its common prey."

"The fight for gain is so fierce that it seems universal," he continued. "It is confined to no class or condition. Why is that? It is not because we are not patriotic."

"We have not come to realize what we must do to win this war. The people do not know the real facts. They will not cease their race for gain and profit till they do know the urgent need for self-denial."

After Senator Shafroth, of Colorado, Democrat, had deplored what he termed "unfair" criticism of war operations and said all Government officials were doing their best, Senator Williams took

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Progress of the Battle.

The strength of the great German offensive in France apparently is fast diminishing. On the seventh day of the titanic battle there were strong indications that the enemy was feeling materially the strain he had undergone and that his power had been greatly impaired through hard usage.

While the town of Albert has been captured by the British, and west of the Roye the French have been compelled to give ground in the face of greatly superior numbers, the British have repulsed heavy attacks both north and south of the Somme, and also driven back across the Ancre River the Germans who forded the stream Wednesday.

The fighting still continues sanguinary on all these sectors, but everywhere the British and French are holding the enemy. Especially severe has been the fighting west of Albert, where the Germans, in an endeavor to debouch westward, were repulsed by Field Marshal Haig's men with the heaviest casualties.

The British gains between the Somme and Ancre regions are represented by the recapture of the towns of Moriancourt and Chipilly. South of the Somme they have advanced to Proyart, which lies to the south of Bray.

It is estimated that in the great attacks delivered in mass formation more than 400,000 of the nearly a million men the Germans threw into the fray are dead, wounded or in the hands of their foes.

About 25 miles represents the greatest point of penetration made at any place by the enemy in his advance, and on the northern and southern ends of the front the British and French have been able to counter attack.

This counter attack, if successful, possibly might result in a retreat greater than the 1916 retrograde movement of the Hindenburg line and nullify all the drive has accomplished. It is not improbable that British and French reserves and possibly American troops known to be behind the battle front soon will be thrown against the weakened enemy.

Notwithstanding the strength of the German drive, nowhere has the British or French front, along the latter of which American troops have given a good account of their ability as fighters, been even gentled. Ground has been given, it is true, but so skillfully and with such precision of movement that from north to south a surveyor scarcely could have worked out a more even line.

Just who is in command of the German forces seems to be somewhat in doubt. Late dispatches report that Field Marshal Hindenburg has been at Drinsk, in the Russian theater, and German war correspondents assert that General von Ludendorff not only planned the offensive, but was on the ground last Friday personally to conduct the attacks.

PUPILS STUDY WAR CAUSE

Curricula of New York Schools to Counteract "Kultur" Precepts.

NEW YORK, March 27.—A new study, "What every pupil should know about the war," was tentatively added to the curricula of the public schools here today when the Board of Education formally approved a committee report providing for the preparation of a syllabus outlining the new course for every grade from primary to high school.

Determined to stamp out pro-Germanism in the New York schools and to counteract the dissemination of "kultur," the plan as decided upon provides that no pupil shall be promoted or graduated unless he shows the required proficiency listed for his particular grade.

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COAST YARDS ARE ASSURED BUSINESS

Contracts for Wooden Ships Promised.

WESTWORTH BRINGS MESSAGE

Fleet Co-operation Is Pleaded by Spirit of West.

DEALS TO BE MADE HERE

Western Builders Depended On for Both Wood and Steel Construction—Posting \$10,000,000 Wager—Makes Impression in East.

To shipyards of the Oregon district now actually engaged in construction will be given more wooden ship contracts, a sufficient number to keep them busy for the present year, and probably longer.

Contracts will be negotiated hereafter at the Portland office of the Emergency Fleet Corporation, and after telegraphic approval from Washington as to price and time of delivery will be awarded here.

The Pacific Coast is depended on for both steel and wood construction by Government officials and the action of the Grant Smith-Porter Ship Company in posting a wager of \$10,000 in backing construction of Ferris ships as to speed, efficiency and workmanship has set the entire East agog, being particularly pleasing to the Emergency Fleet Corporation as indicating the spirit of the West.

WESTWORTH BRINGS GOOD NEWS.

Such is the news brought by Lloyd J. Westworth, district officer of the wooden ship construction department of the Emergency Fleet Corporation, who arrived home last night after a month's absence, the time being spent at Washington and other Eastern cities where shipbuilding is under way.

"Oregon is firmly on the map today in ship construction of both classes, and in that respect the entire Coast is being depended on," said Mr. Westworth. "A change has been made in all Pacific Coast districts as to the method of negotiating wooden ship contracts. In the future the district officers will handle them, closing on telegraphic approval from Washington. That should expedite matters. As to contracts for other yards than those now actually working, that has not been determined, but probably will be disposed of soon."

The understanding seems to be now that the Emergency Fleet Corporation will decide shortly just what capacity of the yards now working and those ready will be required. If the new plants yet awaiting contracts are not ahead, they will be permitted to go ahead on private contracts, subject to an understanding that their construction must not interfere with that of Government vessels as to material.

COAST BUILDERS MAKE GOOD.

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TEUTONS HOPE TO BOMBARD LONDON

HUNS ARE SHOOTING UP PARIS MERELY FOR TRY-OUT.

So Far Performance of Big Gun Has Proved Only Counter-Irritant on Parisian Nerves.

LONDON, March 27.—Lieutenant-General von Rohne, a German authority on ordnance, says in the Vossische Zeitung of Berlin that the bombardment of Paris is merely in the nature of a trial for guns which are really intended to bombard London, says an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Copenhagen.

London is about 125 miles from the nearest point on the front.

BERLIN, March 26, via London.—The Germans have not halted their long-range bombardment of Paris, according to an official statement from general headquarters today. The announcement says:

"We continued the bombardment of the fortress of Paris."

PARIS, March 27.—If the Germans believed that by inaugurating their bombardment of Paris at the moment of their offensive they would bring panic or add to the anxiety of the people, they have shown themselves poor psychologists once more. The bombardment has acted rather as a counter-irritant to the nerves of Parisians, serving to divert attention from the grave events on the front so close to the capital.

The caliber of the shells that are being fired into Paris by the German long-range gun is 8.8 inches, and the length of the shell is 29 inches, L'Homme Libre, Premier Clemenceau's newspaper, states. The shell weighs 200 pounds and contains less than 20 pounds of explosives.

The shell is provided with a fuse protected by a threaded stopper, and has a diaphragm inside which divides the shell into two compartments of unequal size. Two holes in the diaphragm afford communication between the two pockets. These facts are accepted as an explanation of the two explosions which on occasion have occurred in quick succession and which led to the belief that two guns were firing.

RED CROSS WORKERS HELD

German-Swedish Mission Charged With Espionage by Slavs.

LONDON, March 27.—Members of the Germano-Swedish Red Cross commission have been arrested at Simbirsk, in the Volga region, charged with espionage, a Reuter dispatch from Petrograd, filed on Monday, reports.

PLAGUE MENACES CHINA

Fifteen Deaths Occur at Nanking, in Province of Kiangsu.

PEKIN, Thursday, March 21.—(By the Associated Press.)—Fifteen deaths from the plague have occurred at Nanking, capital of the province of Kiangsu.

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UKRAINE UPRISING LOOMS

Rada Contemplates Armed Resistance to Central Powers—Prince Henry of Prussia Has Chilly Reception in Esthonia.

LONDON, March 27.—Odessa has been recaptured by the Soviet and Ukrainian troops after a bloody battle in which naval forces took part, according to a Moscow dispatch from the semi-official Russian news agency.

The German War Office on March 13 announced that Odessa had been entered by German troops.

The preliminary peace treaty between Roumania and the central powers contained a provision engaging Roumania to support the transport of troops of the central powers through Moldavia and Bessarabia to Odessa.

Route to India at Stake.

Semi-official announcement was then made that Germany had obtained a direct route by way of Russia to Persia and Afghanistan.

Odessa is the most important seaport of Southern Russia, and the fourth city of Russia in size. Its population is about 450,000.

Artillery Fighting Heavy.

A heavy artillery bombardment is reported in connection with the recapture of Nikolayev.

The German commander at Kiev requested the bankers there to float a loan of 10,000,000 rubles. The bankers declined to do so.

Peasants Will Resist.

Peasants at Nivel, 54 miles north of Vitebsk, organized to resist the German food requisitions. They are reported to have killed 80 German soldiers.

Many Vessels Seized.

In the shipyard at Nikolayev, according to these reports, the Germans took possession of many ships, including several uncompleted dreadnoughts and submarines, destroyers and two cruisers, together with a large number of merchantmen.

LONDON, March 27.—The forces of General Korniloff have been surrounded by Bolshevik troops, according to a Reuter dispatch from Petrograd.

The Council of Commissioners at Moscow has announced the complete rout of the remnants of the Korniloff forces, says an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Moscow.

General Korniloff, the former Russian commander-in-chief, allied himself with the Don Cossacks against the Bolsheviks and has been operating between Moscow and Rostov.

Defeat Frequently Reported.

Several times he has been reported defeated and near capture, but always managed to elude the government troops.

LONDON, March 27.—A serious dispute has arisen between the Ukraine and Germany over Germany's demand that she be given 85 per cent of the Ukrainian wheat, according to a telegram received in Petrograd from Kiev and forwarded by Reuter's Limited.

Germany also demanded that she be given a large percentage of other foodstuffs not needed by the population of the Ukraine.

Ukrainian Cabinet Splits.

The telegram adds that there are dissensions in the Ukrainian Cabinet, which is divided for and against the German demands.

MOSCOW, Monday, March 25.—(By the Associated Press.)—The Bolshevik Ukrainian Rada, which fled from Kiev to Kharkov before the Germans, is now at Ekaterinoslav, where it has adopted resolutions refusing to endorse the peace treaty between Germany and the Ukraine unless the central powers withdraw all troops from the Ukraine.

Rada Decides to Resist. The Rada decided to oppose the central powers by means of armed forces, strikes and boycotts.

LONDON, March 27.—A Reuter dispatch from Petrograd says that the

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THEY ARE CALLING US.



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