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BIG BATTLE IS IN PROGRESS

Germans Are Taking the Offensive Along an Enormous Front Against Russians

RESULTS EXPECTED

Additional Villages Have Been Occupied by Teutonic Army in the Baltic Region

IS CRITICAL IN GALICIA

Russians Admit That Continued Successes of the Germans Have Brought Campaign to a Vital Point.

LONDON, June 17.—According to a wireless message from Berlin today, a decisive battle from which important results are expected is now in progress all along the Russian front.

Petrograd admits that the Germans occupied additional villages near Shaveli, in the Baltic region, but asserts that the Russians regained lost ground near Przasnysz.

Rome claims further progress toward Trent and on the Isonzo front. The Turks on Gallipoli peninsula have taken the offensive, but London claims that they failed to recapture lost trenches.

In the west no important engagements are reported except in Vosges, where the French claim to have become masters of the heights dominating the Fecht river north of Steinbruck.

RUSSIANS RETREAT

ABANDON POSITIONS ON SAN RIVER IN GALICIA

Fall Back on Town of Tarnograd in Front of Advancing German Army

BERLIN, June 17.—The Russians abandoned their positions North of Sienawa on the San river in Galicia and have retreated toward Tarnograd, in Russian Poland, according to an official statement.

REACHES BERLIN

SPECIAL MESSENGER FROM U. S. LANDS IN GERMANY

German Embassy Makes Denial That Dr. Gerhard Was in Reality Alfred Meyer

BERLIN, June 17.—Dr. Anton Meyer Gerhard, who sailed from New York on a mission to the German staff, reached Berlin last night.

EMEAASSY DENIES

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 17.—At the state department today a telegram was received from the German embassy at Cederhurst, New York, making general denial of the published charges that Dr. Anton Meyer Gerhard was in reality Alfred Meyer, a high German official secretly in the United States buying war materials.

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MUST NOT PREPARE ONE LIFE BOAT

BRYAN SAYS ARMAMENT ONLY PROVOKES WAR

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 17.—Asserting that preparedness provokes war rather than prevents war, and that the upheaval in Europe is the result of false philosophy that "might makes right," former Secretary of State Bryan today in the second of his series of three statements on "The Causeless War," submits an argument against military preparation by the United States and praises the course of President Wilson in the international emergency.

"How can preparedness prevent war if all prepare?" Bryan asks in his statement.

"Each step taken by one nation toward a more complete preparedness excites other nations to additional purchases and new levels until all have exhausted the productive industries and menaced moral progress. The doctrine that preparedness will prevent war will not stand the test of logic and the conflagration in Europe shows that it falls when tested by experience."

WOULD HAVE PEACE

DISTINGUISHED MEN MEET TO DISCUSS THE MEANS

Gathering is Held by National Provisional Committee at Historic Independence Hall

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., June 17.—Men distinguished in many walks of life gathered at the historic Independence Hall today at a conference to consider the adoption of measures for a true peace and to decide what steps will be taken with a view of obtaining the support of public opinion and of the governments.

The meeting was called by the national provisional committee and was presided over by William Howard Hoff.

BAR WAR LIFE INSURANCE

Three Big New York Companies Refuse to Take Risks in Fighting Zone

NEW YORK, June 17.—The three largest life insurance companies of New York, the Mutual, the New York and the Equitable, have virtually quit insuring persons who purpose making any voyage to a belligerent country.

"We issue no insurance to any person who plans to go to Europe," was the information given at the Equitable offices today.

"We are willing to insure you, even though you admit that you intend going to Europe within the next two years," Actuary Hall of the Mutual life said, "but we have inserted in our policies the special proviso that, should you meet death on your trip through war causes, such as having a German submarine sink your ship, you may collect no insurance, but we shall pay your beneficiary the amount you have paid as premium."

GOETHALS HONORED

GIVEN GRAND PRIZE IN DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL ECONOMICS

Announcement is Made by Jury of Awards at the Panama Pacific Exposition

SAN FRANCISCO, June 17.—Major General George W. Goethals, chief engineer in charge of the construction of the Panama canal, was awarded the grand prize in the department of social economy, it was announced today by the jury of awards of the Panama Pacific exposition.

ONE LIFE BOAT WAS LEAKING

SUCH WAS THE STATEMENT BROUGHT OUT IN INVESTIGATION OF LUSITANIA SINKING

SEVERAL TESTIFY

Attorney General Expresses Belief That a Second Submarine Was Lying in Wait

CAPTAIN ON THE STAND

Says He Did Not Release Collapsible Boats on Entering the War Zone Because He Feared They Would Slide When the Ship Listed

LONDON, June 17.—Upon re-examination today of the investigation of the sinking of the Lusitania, Attorney General Carson expressed the conviction that a second submarine was lying in wait on the port side of the Lusitania. Capt. Turner was recalled to the stand, and in reply to a question as to why the collapsible boats had not been freed on entering the danger zone, he replied that he feared the boats would slip when the ship listed.

When asked by Baron Mersey if the increase in the number of small boats on liners since the time of the Titanic disaster were of advantage, Captain Turner answered that he did not think so.

Chief Steward Jones declared he had not seen any life belts on the upper decks of the Lusitania after the liner left New York. In reply to a statement of an attorney for a relative of one of the victims that a certain lifeboat leaked badly, and that all but two occupants were drowned, Chief Carpenter said it was possible for the hot sun to have warped the boat's sides.

Evidence showed that Staff Captain Anderson countermanded the orders of Captain Turner given previously to get the women and children into the boats. A number of witnesses testified that they got into the boats and had to leave them later on the orders from Anderson, who was heard shouting "The ship is safe."

ENGLAND USING WOMEN POLICE

Over Eleven Thousand Have Enrolled and Look After Women and Children

LONDON, June 17.—It is announced that over 11,999 women have been enrolled in Great Britain under the scheme authorized by the Home Secretary for organizing women police.

At Brighton, Winchester, and other places, women police have been in evidence for some months, but they have been the result of local effort rather than of a general nationwide movement. The Home Office authorization was intended to give official recognition to the scheme and encourage its general adoption.

The women police are intended partially to take care of young women and children in their respective districts. The chief recruiting efforts are being put forward in the vicinity of the great military camps such as Colchester, Chelmsford, Canterbury, Dover, Winchester, and Exeter.

The policewomen are given a course of special physical training and wear a distinctive uniform, with an armband not unlike that worn by the Special Constables enrolled soon after the beginning of the war for use in case of aerial attack and for home defense.

SANTA CLARA DELAYED

Heavy head winds have deterred the steamship Santa Clara, bound here from San Francisco and Eureka, according to a wireless, from Captain Lofstedt and she is not expected in before this evening and is scheduled to leave out for Portland tomorrow at 1 p. m.

AWAITING ANSWER WAR SHIP GOES TO THE RESCUE

MUCH HINGES ON POSITION TAKEN BY CARRANZA

Considerable Speculation as to Whether He Will Continue Fight or Talk Peace.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 17.—Considerable speculation is being indulged in here today as to whether Carranza would continue his course and fight on or modify his attitude in view of the overtures for peace in Mexico by Villa. Some definite word from Carranza as to whether he will accept Villa's proposals was awaited here with interest as upon his answer probably hinges the next move in the situation.

Carranza thus far has allowed three proposals for parleys made by Villa to go unheeded. The last offer to agree to an armistice pending a discussion of peace terms was made through American diplomatic channels. To this proposal Carranza is said to have stated there would be no reply.

TORPEDO THREE TURKISH BOATS

Transports Filled With Troops Are Sunk by British in the Dardanelles

SUBMARINE IS LOST

Germans Admit That U-4 is Destroyed and Crew Captured by the British

ENGLISH SHIP IS SUNK

The Trafford is sent to the Bottom and Members of Crew are Rescued—British Cruiser is Reported to Have Run Aground

LONDON, June 17.—A dispatch from Athens says that a British submarine torpedoed and sank three Turkish transports loaded with troops in the Dardanelles.

CRUISER AGROUND

Turkish Aviator Tells of Mishap to British Boat.

AMSTERDAM, June 17.—A dispatch from Constantinople says that according to an official announcement, a Turkish aviator reports having observed a British warship of the Agamemnon type aground in Ke-fala bay at Imbros Island. The deck of the vessel was almost completely submerged.

STEAMER TORPEDOED.

British Boat Sunk by a Submarine and Her Crew Saved.

LONDON, June 17.—The British steamer Trafford, 234 gross tons, was torpedoed and sunk by a submarine. The crew was saved.

SUBMARINE LOST.

German Boat U-4 Destroyed and Crew is Captured.

WAR SHIP GOES TO THE RESCUE

Flagship Colorado Starts for Guaymas, Mexico, to Aid American Colonists

MARINES ABOARD

Admiral Howard Prepared to Land Five Hundred Men if It is Necessary

GOVERNOR PROMISES AID

Sends Word That He Will Furnish Mexican Troops to Protect the Colonists Who Are Being Attacked by Yaqui Indians

SAN DIEGO, Cal., June 17.—With three companies totalling 300 men of the Fourth Regiment U. S. marine corps aboard, the flagship Colorado, Admiral Howard commanding, sailed today from San Diego for Guaymas, Mexico. Orders for embarking were received last night and without any loss of time four rapid firing field guns and two Colts automatic guns were sent aboard.

The Colorado's crew of bluejackets numbers 859, of whom 500 will be available for landing in case Admiral Howard decides on an expedition to relieve the American colonists reported to be besieged by Yaqui Indians 20 miles from the coast.

Before leaving Admiral Howard stated that the Colorado would maintain a speed of 14 knots. At this speed, the Colorado expected to arrive at Guaymas about noon next Sunday.

PROMISES HELP

Governor of Sonora Says He Will Furnish Troops

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 17.—Governor Maytoreno of Sonora advised the United States today that it would be unnecessary to land any of Admiral Howard's forces to rescue the American colonists as he would furnish troops for the purpose. Howard's orders will remain unchanged however, and he will be expected to act with wide discretion in the emergency.

DISCUSS RIGHTS

STRONGER MILITARY FORCES ALONE CANNOT PROTECT U. S.

Conference of International Relations Takes up National Questions for Consideration

ITHACA, N. Y., June 17.—That stronger military forces alone cannot secure the rights of the United States in a National crisis was the opinion expressed here at the opening of the conference of International Relations by Norman Angell, the noted English peace advocate.

"American rights can only be protected by, among other things, a radical form of sea law that implies an international law and some means of enforcing it more effectively than taking sides in a war in which both sides may be violating her rights."

BULGARIANS ARE CALLED HOME

SAN FRANCISCO, June 17.—Bulgarians in San Francisco have received orders to return home prepared for army service in the field, it was learned today.

One of the things that should always be taken for granted is a kiss. Think twice before you speak and maybe you will discover you were not going to say anything.

IS AWARDED \$205

SMALL DAMAGES OBTAINED BY CLAY CHURCH IN \$5000 SUIT

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Henry Beach Needham Meets Death When French Military Aeroplane Falls

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IS WITHOUT A HOME

FORMER VICTORIA BALL TEAM IS NOW ADRIFT

Players Arrive at Vancouver and Will Probably Find a New Home Soon.

TO ELECT GODDESS

Believe Celebration Not Complete Without Goddess of Liberty Much Interest Aroused

A Goddess of Liberty for the Fourth of July parade was announced this morning as a feature of the celebration and voting on the candidates is to start tomorrow morning, according to Robert Dillard, chairman of the contest. There will be four ballot boxes, the votes will cost one tenth of a cent apiece and the contest is to last approximately a week. The money thus secured will go toward purchasing the robes of the Goddess of Liberty and also to fix up her float in regal splendor.

Mr. Dillard has appointed as his assistants, Claud Thompson and Ben Fisher. The contest will be started tomorrow morning with about 10 young women and anyone else will be allowed to enter the contest by submitting their names to any member of the committee.

There will be four ballot boxes, according to Mr. Dillard. These will be at the Times office, at the office of the Evening Record, the Busy Corner Drug Store and at the Owl drug store on Central avenue.

Tickets are to be printed, none of them to be for less than 10 cents which means 199 votes. The largest ticket will be for 1999 votes and is to cost \$1.

All Are Welcome

Permission is freely granted to lodges, companies or stores to put forward a candidate for whom to work and it is expected there will be aroused much competition and good natured rivalry. This contest was put on last year and was one of the most successful ever conducted on Coos Bay.

Because of the short time now remaining between this date and the Fourth it is said the contest will be only for a week. This will be announced definitely tomorrow the committeemen state. The judges of the contest will be

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(Special to The Times by Associated Press.)

PARIS, June 17.—Lieutenant Warneford, who gained fame recently by blowing to pieces a Zeppelin over Belgium, was killed today by the fall of an aeroplane at Buc France. Warneford was piloting the machine which had as a passenger Henry Beach Needham, the American writer, was also killed.

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(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

CANCOUVER, B. C., June 17.—The former Victoria baseball team which was cast adrift last night by President Kingham of the Victoria Club, arrived here today to finish a week's schedule with Vancouver. President Blewett, of the Northwestern League, arrived from Seattle, to confer with Manager Nye, who was instructed to hold the team together and conduct it under the league's patronage until a permanent home is found. Everett is considered a likely candidate.

ISLE OF MAN WOULD BECOME BRITISH

Place Has Partial Independence But Wants England to Take Over Territory

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

LONDON, June 16.—Dr. Ambrose Quathrough, a member of the House of Keys, the governing parliament of the Isle of Man, gave notice at the last session of that body that at the next meeting he would move that the English Government be asked to annex the island.

He complained that the Isle of Man could not get needed reforms, and that the government had relapsed into a "one-man power." The Manx people, he affirmed, were worse governed than the Germans.

The island, owing to the cutting off of boarding house and hotel business by the war, is on the border of starvation.

The Isle of Man, although part of the British Isles, still maintains a certain independence. It is governed by a separate legislature called the Tynwald, consisting of two houses, the Governor and Council and the House of Keys. Bills after having passed both houses must receive the royal assent.

M. C. Maloney, John W. Motley and A. R. O'Brien. Money Still Comes In John Motley and Fred McClees reported late yesterday afternoon that already \$972 has been collected and that the total will probably run to \$1,100 with about \$300 more expected for the concessions.

YOU MAY NOT KNOW

A tumbler with a compartment that can be filled with ice or hot water to keep its contents cold or warm has been invented.