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PETROGRAD LINE IN DANGER FROM GERMAN ADVANCE

Railway From Warsaw, Last Avenue of Retreat, is Threatened by the Victorious Teutonic Forces.

BATTLE RAGES ON THE BUG

Terrific Engagement Begins as Von Gallwitz Tries to Smash Way Through Russian Resistance and Cross the River—Germans Rushing Forward from Warsaw.

BULLETIN

PETROGRAD, Aug. 9.—The Russian have driven back the German forces in Courland and recaptured Mitau, according to unofficial reports.

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BERLIN, Aug. 9.—Praga, an eastern suburb of Warsaw, is occupied by the Germans. Since evacuating Warsaw, the Russians bombarded the city from the eastern bank of the Vistula but the Bavarians have now driven them out of Praga. The Russians were forced to retire further east to escape capture by the Germans who are closing in on the angle formed by the Bug and the Vistula rivers. The forces in the pursuit of the retreating Slavs threaten to form a complete ring about Novo Georgievsk. This will completely isolate the fortress still held by the Russians. Novo Georgievsk was declared to be prepared to resist a siege.

BERLIN, Aug. 9.—Blasting their way through the Russian defenses, Von Gallwitz with 200,000 Germans has advanced to within less than 10 miles of the Warsaw-Petrograd railway, one of the last of the two avenues of escape for the Russians in the Warsaw district.

A terrific battle has begun on the Bug river, south of Vysok, where Von Gallwitz is endeavoring to force a crossing of the river. Thirteen miles to the southeast the Germans who occupied Serock are moving to the south to attempt to force a second crossing of the Bug at its west junction with the Raszka river. The Germans who crossed the Vistula south of Warsaw are steadily pushing on against the Russian left flank and the ring about the Polish capital is rapidly closing. The Slavs north of Novo Georgievsk and Siedlce and along the railway to Siedlce, the last line left open to the Russians for retreat from Warsaw, are seriously threatened. With the Teutonic ring thus steadily tightening about the Russians, the German predicted the capture of thousands of Russians before the operations are brought to an end.

Cost Would Be \$15,000,000. CHICAGO, Aug. 9.—Plans for the electrification of its Chicago terminals were submitted to the city by the Illinois Central railroad. More than \$15,000,000 will be spent if the plan is carried to a conclusion.

NEWS SUMMARY

General. Americans are wounded in fight with Mexican raiders. Carranza will proclaim himself provisional president. Germans fight for freedom of the seas.

Local. Grain fire burns over 200 acres and automobile today. Commissioner H. A. Waterman dies as result of injuries. Glen Estes receives fracture of skull in fall at summer resort. Two Pendleton boys injured during weekend in traffic accident. Local auto club sends man to map road to La Grande.

AMERICANS HURT WHILE FIGHTING BORDER RAIDERS

Three United States Soldiers are Killed and Two Wounded—Fifteen Mexicans are Wounded.

BATTLE IS BEING RENewed

Engagement Goes on at Morias Ranch—Four Companies of Troops Leave by Special Train to Join in Hunt for Mexicans—Principal Towns Will Be Given Protection.

BROWNSVILLE, Texas, Aug. 9.—Three American soldiers and upwards of 15 Mexicans are reported wounded in the renewed fighting at the Morias ranch. Five Mexican raiders were killed and two wounded and two Americans were wounded in the fighting last night. Jesus Garcia and Brownville, died of wounds received in last night's battle. Frank Martin and George Forbes, Americans, were wounded last night.

LAREDO, Texas, Aug. 9.—Four companies of troops left on a special train for Raymondville to join the hunt for the Mexican bandits who raided that section.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 9.—United States troops at Brownsville, Texas, have been reinforced by a battalion of infantry from Laredo, Funston reported to the war department. The infantry will protect the principal towns in that district, leaving the cavalry free to hunt down Mexican raiders.

Glen Estes is Seriously Hurt in Fall Sunday

WELL KNOWN YOUNG DRUGGIST SUSTAINS FRACTURE OF THE SKULL.

Suffering from a fracture of the skull which he sustained Saturday night in an accidental fall while at Lehman Springs, Glen Estes, well known young druggist of this city, is lying at St. Anthony's hospital. His condition is admittedly serious but indications today were very favorable for a complete recovery.

The young man, in company with Eugene Lyman, had gone to the springs for the weekend, and, owing to the crowded conditions, had gone to the barn to secure some hay for a bed. He had mounted to the loft and stepped through a hole, falling to the lower story and striking his head violently in the fall.

Medical assistance happened to be at hand and he was given immediate attention. By Sunday morning he had partially regained consciousness and was brought down during the afternoon to the local hospital. Today he is still partially conscious.

The blow was received at the base of the skull and undoubtedly caused a small fracture. It generally requires several days to determine how serious such an injury will be.

BRITISH SUBMARINE SINKS BIGGEST TURKISH WARSHIP

EXPLOIT OCCURS IN SEA OF MARMORA, ACCORDING TO BERLIN REPORT.

BERLIN, Aug. 9.—A British submarine sank the Turkish battleship Khyreddin Bazarossan, one of the largest in the Turkish navy in the sea of Marmora, according to advices received here. Part of the crew was saved. The battleship normally carried a crew of 579. It was purchased from Germany in 1910.

Men Who Discussed Mexican Situation



ROBERT LANSING, SECY. OF STATE

IGNACIO CALDERON, BOLIVIAN MINISTER



ROMULO S. NAON, ARGENTINE AMBASSADOR



EDUARDO SUAREZ, CHILEAN AMBASSADOR



JOAQUIN MENDEZ, GALICIAN MINISTER

WAR BULLETINS

French Repulse Attacks. PARIS, Aug. 9.—The repulse of further German night attacks north of Souchez with the checking of similar assaults east of Lille are reported by the war office. The Germans were thrown back with heavy losses about Souchez. Attacks of the

French Raiders Captured. BERLIN, Aug. 9.—Two French aviators who participated in a raid upon Saarbrücken yesterday were

brought down by German guns. It was announced. A few civilians were injured in the raid.

German Losses 2,000,000. LONDON, Aug. 9.—The German losses in killed, wounded and missing to date amount to 2,718,682, according to a dispatch from a Berne correspondent to the Post.

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NON-STOP CAR AT DESTINATION



The record-breaking Franklin and J. W. McCormmach and his aides, as they appeared at the finish of the 1000-mile low-gear run from Walla Walla to San Francisco. John McLain and Gus Boyer, who greeted the record-breakers stand on the left in the picture which was taken by the staff photographer of the San Francisco Chronicle.

The arrival of J. W. McCormmach and his aides with the non-stop Franklin in San Francisco last week after a record-breaking run on low-gear was greeted as a big event in the automobile world and the papers of the Bay City gave the feat much publicity. The following story is from the San Francisco Chronicle, written by Leon J. Pinkson:

Once again the air-cooled Franklin car has established a low gear record that the automobile world must marvel at. This time the performance is no less than setting a one-thousand-mile non-stop motor record in low gear that totally eclipses the former marks established in the 1000-mile runs made by the Franklin car. In its latest record-breaking performance, the Franklin made the

one thousand miles between Walla Walla, Washington, and San Francisco in 83 hours and 40 minutes elapsed time. During the entire trip the motor was not stopped once and when the car pulled up at the California street headquarters of the John F. McLain Company, Franklin distributors in this territory, which was the finishing point, the engine was running as smoothly as though it had just been started.

Start at Walla Walla.

The car was driven here by J. W. McCormmach, Franklin agent in Pendleton, Ore., assisted by W. C. Small and R. W. Riggs. The start was made at Walla Walla at 6:10 a. m., Sunday, and the car pulled up to the finishing point at 6:50 yesterday afternoon, beating the ten miles an

hour schedule that Mr. McCormmach had fixed some two hours. This time would have been battered some 50 minutes had not the party just missed the 4:15 creek ferry from Oakland. On the entire run not one mishap occurred, nor were it necessary to make a single adjustment of any character on the car.

McCormmach drove most of the way, twice staying some twenty-four hours continuously at the wheel, then crawling into the tonneau of the car and getting a little sleep while Small and Riggs divided honors on shorter stretches. In place of carrying an official observer to vouch that the car was run continuously in low gear, McCormmach

GERMANY HOPING THAT VICTORIES MAY MEAN PEACE

Expression of Chancellor to United Press is That End of Struggle May Come Soon.

FREEDOM OF SEAS SOUGHT

Kaiser Seeks to Obtain Advantages For All the Nations of the Earth and is Contending for This Principle—Lasting Peace is Desire of the Emperor.

BULLETIN

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Alpine Troops Force Enemy to Abandon Places

AUSTRIANS EVACUATE POSITIONS UNDER WITHERING ITALIAN FIRE.

GENEVA, Aug. 9.—Plunging through a withering fire, Italian Alpine troops forced the Austrians to evacuate the region around Montozzo, 34 miles northwest of Trent. The Italians stormed Montozzo Peak, capturing the enemy forces, reports declared. Artillery was then mounted on the peak and the Austrians were shelled from the surrounding peaks.

Great preparations are being made by the Italians to oppose an Austrian invasion down the Adige valley. It is believed such an invasion will be attempted when the Warsaw campaign is ended. Barricades are being built throughout the valley and guns placed on various heights.

Women Smokers Cause Fire. SAN BERNARDINO, Cal., Aug. 9.—"Under control." This was the word brought here by fire fighters returning from Lytle creek canyon, where they worked to extinguish flames which devastated a section a mile wide and two miles long. The blaze, according to evidence secured by forest rangers, was caused by three women campers who smoked cigarettes.

Harvest Fire Does \$10,000 Damage on the Reservation

The most serious harvest fire of the season in this county did between \$5,000 and \$10,000 damage on the R. F. Kirkpatrick and George Peringer ranches on the reservation this morning. Approximately 125 acres of grain in the Kirkpatrick field and 80 acres in the Peringer field adjoining were burned and the automobile of Mrs. E. D. Kirkpatrick was destroyed.

The fire was started by the automobile. The Kirkpatrick combine broke down and the auto of Mrs. Kirkpatrick was used to send in for extras needed to repair the damage. The car was driven as rapidly as possible and, consequently, became very warm. It was left standing in the field and soon set the stubble afire. This was about 10 this morning.

The fire spread rapidly through the dry straw, burning both through the stubble in which the sacked grain was lying and through the standing grain.

PASSES AWAY AT HOSPITAL AFTER STRUCK BY AUTO

H. A. Waterman Succumbs to Injuries Saturday Night—Body Will be Taken to Hermiston Tomorrow

WAS COUNTY COMMISSIONER

His Condition Became Critical on Friday Night and Rapidly Continued to Grow Worse—Internal Injuries Sustained—No Autopsy Will be Held Over the Body.

As a result of the injuries which he sustained last Wednesday morning when struck by an auto bus, County Commissioner H. A. Waterman died late Saturday night at St. Anthony's hospital. The body will be taken to Hermiston tomorrow morning and at 4 o'clock in the afternoon at the family home there the funeral will be held.

The condition of the commissioner became critical Friday night and all day Saturday continued to grow worse. Internal injuries together with the infection resulting from the fractured leg combined to make the efforts of the physicians futile.

The exact cause of death will probably never be known inasmuch as no autopsy will be held. There was no indication of internal injuries until several days after the accident but developments then proved conclusively that his hurts were not limited to those of his leg. The physicians believe that the commissioner's gall bladder was broken in the accident.

Deceased is survived by a wife and five children, ranging in ages from six to sixteen, and also by a father and mother who live in The Dalles. The father and mother and wife were here yesterday and made arrangements for the funeral.

Deceased was 45 years old, having been born in Jefferson, Oregon, March 4, 1870. He lived there until five years old when he came with his parents to eastern Oregon, settling in Grant county. There he remained until 1878 when he again returned to Jefferson to remain until 1882. In that year he returned to that part of Grant county which later became Wheeler county, remaining there until six years ago when he took up land on the government project near Hermiston. He was married 17 years ago.

Mr. Waterman served the town of Hermiston as mayor before his election to the county court three years ago. His death leaves a vacancy in the court which will probably be filled soon by the remaining members of the court. Tomorrow afternoon the county court house will be closed in respect to the deceased.

If a woman comes to you and says she just weighed herself and that she is increasing in weight, don't calmly look her over and agree with the scales unless she is thin.—Pittsburg Sun.

40,000 Bushels of Spot Club at \$1.02

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 9.—California milling interests bought 40,000 bushels of spot club on the Merchants' Exchange today at \$1.02.

CHICAGO, Aug. 9.—Close. Sept. \$1.06 7-8; Dec. \$1.07 7/8; ask; May, \$1.12 1-4 ask.

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 9.—Club, \$1.02 1-2; Bluestem \$1.07.

Minister of Guatemala is Dismissed by Gen. Carranza

WASHINGTON, Aug. 9.—Carranza has muddled matters by expelling Minister Ortega of Guatemala from Mexico. This was evident as further advices of Carranza's action were received and arrangements were made to resume the conferences between the Pan-American envoys and Secretary Lansing, so abruptly terminated last week. Carranza referred to "certain reasons" for handing the Guatemalan envoy his passports and giving him 24 hours to leave the country. No official explanation as to these "certain reasons" has been received, but it is reported that Carranza accused Ortega of encouraging the recent rebellion in Yucatan which caused the "first chief" a great deal of trouble. In this connection if Carranza proves his oft repeated charge that representatives of South and Central American countries in Mexico have been trying to reestablish the scientific in power, it was admitted negotiations between Lansing and the Latin-American envoys will become increasingly difficult.