

JAP WARSHIPS GUARD PACIFIC COMMERCE LANES

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Sept. 3.—More Japanese warships may come to the Pacific coast, the Japanese consulate here said today, to keep open the lanes of travel between this port and Japan.

A published report that Japan intended to send three battleships, three armored cruisers, one scout cruiser and seven torpedo boats, was characterized as "absolutely inconceivable." That provisions were being bought here to victual warships, the consulate would neither affirm nor deny. It was absolutely without advice or instructions, it said, from Tokyo.

The possibility that more warships might be sent was merely a supposition based on the acknowledged fact that the lanes of Japanese commerce between the Pacific coast and the Orient are now poorly protected. Any additional protective force sent probably would consist of a cruiser or two. Their base of supplies would necessarily be the same now utilized by the Izumo, Esquimalt, B. C.

TURKISH WAR SCARE DIES OF OWN WEIGHT

WASHINGTON, Sept. 3.—The first cablegram received from Ambassador Morganthau at Constantinople in several days reached the state department today. It made no mention of any declaration of war. It was dated September 2 and said the ambassador had succeeded in sending home all Americans who desired passage.

GOD MADE DAYS TOO SHORT FOR WORK: EMPLOYER

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Sept. 3.—Attempts now are being made to form an employers' association here whose purpose shall be to convert San Francisco into an "open shop" city, John O'Connell, a member of the Iron Trades council, testified today before the federal industrial relations commission.

"There is a president of one of the local banks who, in former years, as a produce merchant, often worked his men from 11 o'clock one night until 7 o'clock the next," he said. "He used to remark that God did not make the days long enough, and there should be no Sundays."

The witness also told of plans for organizing the woodmen of the coast.

"There are workmen in the Humboldt woods who have never seen a railroad train," he testified. "They will remain in serfdom, too, until organized labor comes to their rescue."

Kinghorn Jones, who has been writing Chairman Walsh letters insisting that he be allowed to explain a plan he has for solving the unemployed problem, was found seated in the witness chair when the commission convened today, and he refused to move until given a hearing. A special officer removed him.

TAUBE GERMAN AIRSHIP FELLED BY RIFLEMEN

LONDON, Sept. 3, 10:30 a. m.—A dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph company from Paris declares that one of the German aeroplanes of the Taube type, which recently dropped bombs on the city of Paris, has been brought down. The two German aviators on board were killed.

AUSTRO SUMMER EMBASSY GIVES VICTORY REPORT

MANCHESTER, Mass., Sept. 3.—Victory for the Austrian armies in Russian Poland and reverses for Russian arms in Eastern Galicia are reported in a message from the Austrian foreign office received by wireless today at the Austro-Hungarian summer embassy here.

The message as given out at the embassy follows:

"Former Austrian War Minister General Eussenberg, commander of one of the armies in Russian Poland, gained a decisive victory after hard fighting. The Russians were repulsed over the Bug river, suffering heavy losses. Many prisoners of war and 150 guns were captured."

"On the left wing the Austrian army also made a successful attack on Lublin."

"In eastern Galicia the situation is difficult to resist the advance of overwhelming Russian forces for several days."

PRESIDENT ASHORE ON ANACORTES TIDE FLATS

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Sept. 3.—The steamer President of the Pacific Coast Steamship company's fleet went ashore on the flats at 10 o'clock last night, 20 miles south of Anacortes, according to advices received by the Chamber of Commerce here from Seattle. The vessel is resting on soft bottom. Tugs from Seattle have gone to her assistance and she is expected to be floated without damage at high water at 5 o'clock tonight.

TUETONS WAVER UNDER BRITISH ARTILLERY FIRE

LONDON, Sept. 3, 11:15 a. m.—The Chronicle correspondent at the front, writing from an unnamed town in the Department of Somme, Tuesday, says:

"The superiority of the British artillery, coupled with the pluck of the British infantry, is rapidly telling on the German attackers. A few more days such as Sunday and Monday and the German army invading Northern France will have destroyed itself completely."

"No army that ever existed could survive the terrible losses suffered by the Germans in the last few days. Whole divisions of soldiers have been blotted out and shattered and the German ranks are beginning to show demoralization."

"In the latest assault the Germans manifested unmistakable signs of unsteadiness and were seen to waver and frequently to break and flee in confusion. As a result of this prolonged battle the German line has advanced a few miles but has not gained any marked advantage."

TRENCHES BEING DUG PROTECTION GAY PARIS

PARIS, Sept. 3, 4:32 p. m.—An immense and complicated system of entrenchments is being constructed outside the city. It is reported that the engineers in charge of the work are keeping several hundred thousand men busy.

GERMAN SAMOAN GOVERNOR BOWS TO BRITON RULE

LONDON, Sept. 3, 10:25 a. m.—A dispatch received here from Wellington, New Zealand, declares that the governor of New Zealand has received a message stating that the German governor of Samoa has surrendered and that he has been sent with other German prisoners to the Fiji islands.

The landing of British troops in Samoa was carried out with great expedition. The union jack was hoisted over German Samoa at half past twelve in the afternoon of August 29.


The Samoan or Navigator islands, in the Pacific ocean, up to the present time, have been owned jointly by the United States and Germany, each country being in possession of two islands. Upolu and Savaii were the German holdings.

The British forces which took possession of this German territory was sent from New Zealand. The announcement of British occupancy was first made through London, August 30.

The Fiji islands are a British colony about 650 miles southwest of Samoa.

Foreclosure for C. R. I. & P.


NEW YORK, Sept. 3.—Foreclosure suit against the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railroad company was brought in the federal district court here today by the Central Trust company. Default of interest to the amount of \$1,426,000 on the road's 4 per cent gold bonds of 2002 is alleged.



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