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ZEPPELIN RAID ENGLISH COAST KILLS 6, 23 HURT

Airship Raid on East Coast Nets 14 Destroyed Homes, Injures Nine Children, 11 Women—Second Raid Within Week—Total Killed to Date By Aerial Raids 100.

LONDON, Aug. 13.—Official announcement was made today of an airship raid last night on the east coast of England.

Six persons were killed. One Zeppelin, the announcement says, probably was damaged, but escaped.

The text of the announcement follows:

"Two Zeppelins visited the East coast last night between 9:30 p. m. and 11:45 p. m., dropping incendiary and explosive bombs in various places, resulting in the following casualties:

"Killed, four men, two women; injured three men, 11 women, nine children, all civilians. Fourteen houses were seriously damaged.

"The Zeppelins were engaged at some points but succeeded in getting away from our aircraft patrols. One of the Zeppelins was probably damaged by the mobile anti-aircraft section."

Last night's raid of Zeppelins was the second this week. On Monday night Zeppelins flew over the English coast and with their bombs killed 14 persons and wounded 14 others.

These raids mark the renewal of the Zeppelin attacks on England after an interval of several weeks. The last previous raid, with the exception of a minor attack on Harwich early in July, was on June 15, when 16 persons were killed and 40 injured. In all there have been nearly a score of these attacks, resulting in the death of more than 100 persons.

FIREBUG'S WORK DESTROYS GREAT LUMBER PLANTS

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Aug. 13.—Fire, presumably of incendiary origin, today destroyed the lumber in yards of two companies at Portola, Plumas county, at a loss estimated at between \$250,000 and \$2,000,000. At noon today the flames were still spreading. They were sweeping toward the great saw mill of the Feather River Lumber company. The outlook was that it would be destroyed.

The conflagration started in the yard of the Feather River Lumber company at 2:30 a. m. All of the lumber in this was destroyed.

The flames then spread to the yards of the California Pine Box and Lumber company. Practically all of this was consumed.

The yard of the California Pine Box and Lumber company contained 21,000,000 feet of lumber. In all approximately 25,000,000 feet was destroyed in the two yards.

The immense factory of the California Pine Box and Lumber company stood directly in the path of the flames but was saved after heroic fighting.

The night watchman at the plant of the Feather River Lumber company states he saw the fire shortly after it started and asserts he saw a man running away from the spot.

The alarm was immediately given but all efforts to check the flames were futile.

After the fire had gained some headway the heat was so intense the fire fighters could not get within a hundred yards of the flames.

Hot steam discharged against the burning lumber piles by the Western Pacific engines and the use of dynamite were both unavailing to check the course of the flames.

All the plants have water available, while the yards had no fire protection whatever.

The California Pine Box and Lumber company expected to start its factory in fifteen days. This fire will delay their initial run several months.

CZAR'S HOST IN POLAND ESCAPE KAISER'S TRAP

Grand Duke's Army Extricated From Warsaw, Halt German Advance in Baltic—Built Paved Roads to Transport 42 Centimeter Guns to Kovno.

PETROGRAD, Aug. 13.—The Russian armies having successfully extricated themselves from the Warsaw sack in which the Germans tried to enclose them, are now stubbornly opposing the German advance on a line 70 miles to the east of Warsaw and on both sides of the railroad between the Polish capital and Bialostok.

The Baltic German campaign appears to be at a standstill with the Russians astride the highway between Vilkomir and Ponieweseli, threatening the communications between these in vying armies.

"The Germans are approaching slightly nearer to Novno. They are pounding that position with their heavy guns, to which Russian artillery is replying effectively. Peasants who escaped from the German labor gangs describe the deliberate preparations for the assault on Kovno which were begun three months ago. The Germans imported an enormous mass of structural materials, built paved roads from the westward and dug foundations 15 feet deep for mortars, taking endless pains in preparing the cement platforms.

When the refugees escaped No. 42 centimeter guns had arrived but those of small caliber, each requiring three large tractors were being hauled into position.

BERLIN, Aug. 13.—The Polish city of Siedlce, 55 miles southeast of Warsaw, has been captured by the Germans. Announcement to this effect was made today at army headquarters.

The city of Siedlce lay directly in the path of the Teutonic forces which pressed eastward from Warsaw after the capture of that place. It is in this section that the Austro-German forces are advancing most rapidly. Siedlce is the capital of the province of that name and has some 25,000 inhabitants.

LONDON, Aug. 13.—The Russians for the time being are holding in check the Baltic flank of the German armies which are struggling to cut the Warsaw-Petrograd railroad and are battling toward the Dvina, beyond which lie the roads to the Russian capital. This has been accomplished with the aid of reinforcements and by virtue of one counter attack after another.

The fortress of Kovno still holds out. German attacks toward Riga have been repulsed and the railway junction at Dvinsk remains in Russian hands. From Ostrolenka, north of Warsaw, to Chelm in the south, the Teutons claim to have made further progress, but between the Vloprz and the Bug they apparently have been thrown back with heavy loss.

The fact that the Germans are able to advance with comparative rapidity due east of Warsaw, while being checked on the right and left flanks, has given rise to the impression in England and in Russia that the stout resistance offered by the Russian wings will insure the safe withdrawal of the main body of troops from the Warsaw salient. Contrary to many reports—

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TURKS SAY ALLIES LANDING IS A FIZZLE

BERLIN, Aug. 13, by wireless to Sayville.—The Overseas News agency gave out the following from Constantinople:

"Reliable reports from the front state that the last landing operations of the allies were relatively unimportant. At Karacheshli, 350 men tried to land but were repulsed. Twenty of them were killed. The other regained their ships.

"At Anaforta Bay 1500 British landed and attempted to outflank the Turkish positions at Ari Burnu. They were repulsed without making any progress."

THESE ARE THE MEN WHO ARE TRYING TO SHOO THE DOVE OF PEACE BACK TO MEXICO



THE U. S. A. AND THE A. B. C.'S AND THE B. U. G.'S.

Robert Lansing, U. S. Secretary of State. At left (Reading upwards) are the A. B. C.'s, R. S. Naon of Argentine Republic, Donico Da Gama of Brazil, and Eduardo Saurez-Mujica of Chile; at right (Reading upwards) are the B. U. G.'s, Ignacio Calderon, Bolivia; Carlos Maria De Pena, Uruguay, and Joaquin Mondoz of Guatemala.

CLAIM REPULSES FOR FRENCH IN ARGONNE SECTOR

BERLIN, Aug. 13.—The official statement today says:

"Western theater: In the Argonne several French attacks near Martigny-Week which was taken by us, were repulsed.

"Eastern theater: The troops of Field Marshal Von Hindenburg which are before Kovno made progress. In the Dvina section the Russians made repeated unsuccessful attacks.

"Between the Narew and the Bug we made further advances, although the enemy continually brought fresh attacking troops to this front and his resistance had to be broken from section to section.

"The army of General Von Scholtz took 900 prisoners yesterday and captured three cannon and two machine guns.

"Since August 10 the army of General Von Gallwitz has captured 6559 Russians, including 18 officers, nine machine guns and one pioneering depot.

"The troops of Prince Leopold of Bavaria have reached the district of Sokolow, during continuous fighting, and after having captured the city of Siedlce, last night, reached the Lawice section."

ITALIAN VOLCANOES ARE ACTIVE AGAIN

ROME, Aug. 12.—The great volcanoes of Southern Italy, which have been disturbed during the last few days, are becoming increasingly active. Thus far it has been impossible to procure detailed and authentic information from the zone of the disturbances in which the earthquakes occurred early in the week. It is known, however, that eruptions have taken place.

BEET PROSPECTS BRIGHT, SETTLE FACTORY LATER

F. S. Bramwell of beet sugar fame, arrived in Medford last night, and in company with W. H. Gore and S. Storey made a roundup of the experimental beet fields planted last spring. Mr. Bramwell secured an average of the fields visited and was much pleased with the showing made thus far.

The beets brought in by Mr. Bramwell are declared by those experienced in beet culture to compare favorably in size and sugar content with the matured product of the Idaho and Utah fields and it is expected that a campaign for acreage will be instituted in the near future. The question of a factory will then be up to the agriculturists of the valley.

MILITARY HONORS TO DEAD ARMEN

FORT SILL, Okla., Aug. 13.—Military honors today were accorded the body of Captain George H. Knox, who was killed here Thursday when an aeroplane which he was piloting over the United States Army maneuver grounds fell a distance of 350 feet. Funeral services were held at Fort Sill. Lieut. R. B. Sutton who also fell with the aeroplane, is in the hospital here but will be out within three days. Examination of the personal effects of Captain Knox here showed that he had made arrangements for their distribution in anticipation of such an accident.

Old Ship in Service. NEW YORK, Aug. 13.—The steamer Communiap, formerly the German oil tank steamer Deutschland, which was laid up at Rotterdam since August 1914, reached New York today.

SEND APPEAL TO MEXICAN CHIEFS BY WIRE TODAY

WASHINGTON, Aug. 13.—The inter-American appeal to all factions in Mexico agreed upon by the Pan-American conference is expected to go forward today. Secretary Lansing said today there would be no further conference with the Latin American diplomats until replies have been received.

No change in the Vera Cruz situation was recorded in navy department despatches. The battleships Louisiana and New Hampshire still "were proceeding southward" today, and it was expected that they will go directly to Mexican waters in the vicinity of Vera Cruz.

General Villa's proposal of a three months truce for a peace convention has been unacted upon by this government.

KAISER'S AFRICAN GRIP ON WANE

PARIS, Aug. 13.—A dispatch received today by the Havana News agency from a correspondent in West Africa reports further successes by troops of the entente allies in the Kamerun, a German colony in western equatorial Africa. The dispatch says:

"Allied troops which had entered Garua and N. Gaundere, in the northern Kamerun, succeeded on July 18 in occupying the important post of Tingere in the western section of the colony between Ngaundere and Kontaha. The enemy fled but on July 23 reinforced by a company from Banjo, counter attacked heavily, but was repulsed after a brilliant engagement and fled in the direction of Tibati. "The losses of the allies were slight but those of the enemy heavy."

WILSON ORDERS TROOPS FOR ARMY BORDER CRISIS

All Movement of Soldiers Rests With General Funston—Military Arm Held in Readiness—Villa Willing to Eliminate Self for Mexico's Good.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 13.—President Wilson personally took up the situation on the Mexican border today with Acting Secretary Breckinridge of the war department, and gave directions that sufficient troops be held ready for any emergencies. Governor Ferguson's telegram asking for more troops is being held at the war department awaiting any further word from Major-General Funston. Secretary Breckinridge reported there were no new disorders. Any further troop movements will be left entirely to General Funston.

A detailed statement of the distribution of the troops has been laid before the president and officials take the view that the army can be used further only if the governor of Texas were to certify in a constitutional manner that he can not control the situation with the state authorities and ask for federal aid.

Secretary Breckinridge said after his conference with the president that General Funston had asked for no more troops and that none would be sent without his request.

The Carranza agency's despatches today contained a categorical denial from General Nafarrete that any of his troops had crossed into Texas. Other advices expressed the opinion that the Mexican trouble makers were neither Carranza nor Villa troops.

Announcement was made here today on behalf of General Villa by his Washington agents that all the civil and military elements of his party would eliminate themselves if necessary for the success of a Mexican peace conference.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 13.—Villa's proposal was contained in a telegram from Diaz Lombardo, his secretary of state, to his agency here.

"If the peace conferences between the factions in Mexico reach a successful end," Lombardo's message said, "not only General Villa but all the civil and military elements affiliated with the convention party would be disposed to eliminate themselves of necessity, with the single condition that the men who are placed in charge of the new situation shall solemnly agree to restore constitutional order and that they shall not be drawn from the decadent and odious scientific or reactionary party."

Lombardo also said that he firmly believed in the good will of President Wilson toward Mexico and that the American government would not attempt armed intervention.

EVIDENCE COMPLETE IN CASHIER TRIAL

PORTLAND, Aug. 13.—Evidence in the trial against officers of the United States Cashier company, charged with using the mails to defraud, was all in today and the United States district court this morning extended the jury until Monday when closing arguments will be heard. It is expected that a verdict will be reached early next week.

After the closing of the case of the defense abruptly today, United States District Attorney Clarence L. Reames asked for an hour this morning for his rebuttal, but was unable to get some of the witnesses here on short notice, and rested his case without rebuttal. Today was taken up with arguments of the attorneys before Judge Bean.

Young Couple Drown. BELLINGHAM, Wash., Aug. 13.—August Jacobson, aged 21, and Miss Lela Breckenridge, aged 19, both of Lynden, were drowned in Silver lake, in the northern part of Whitcomb county last night. The young woman stepped off a log into the lake and the young man attempted to rescue her. Neither was able to swim.

ALLIES CANCEL WHEAT ORDERS; STOCKS WOBBLE

Contracts Aggregating Over Two Million Bushels Repudiated—Means Europe Can't Pay or Dardanelles Soon to Be Opened—Mystery Over Europe's Action.

CHICAGO, Aug. 13.—Cancellation by representatives of the allies of contracts aggregating nearly 2,000,000 bushels of wheat, bought for September shipment to Europe, was puzzling to the grain trade today.

Not only were cancellations reported by Chicago concerns, but some seaboard exporters claimed to have closed out open contracts. Canadian exporters also reported some cancellations.

James A. Patten, former board of trade operator, said:

"If peace were in sight, Europe would still need wheat and she would have the credit to get it. The cancellation of orders therefore would seem to indicate one or two things—either Europe has found a source of supply which means Russia, or Europe finds that she cannot pay."

It was said that two of the largest firms which cancelled contracts were the Armour Grain company and the J. Rosenbaum Grain company.

George C. Marcy, president of the Armour Grain company, said:

"I am unable to understand what has happened abroad. It must be something important or they would not have cancelled purchases that show such profits. Possibly it is that the Dardanelles are to be opened. But we have no information. England wants to hold her gold and by buying wheat in Canada and Australia she can use her credits and keep her gold, with which to buy munitions. If Europe does not buy our wheat freely it will mean much to us and make a great deal of difference in prices."

Emanuel F. Rosenbaum of the J. Rosenbaum company, said:

"It was about three days ago that the buying stopped. The European buyers started to beg out of their purchases, accepting a loss of from 8 to 10 cents a bushel, I should say."

TEUTON ALLIES SOUGHT PEACE LATE IN MARCH

LONDON, Aug. 13.—Austro-German overtures for a separate peace with Russia were begun at the end of March, according to the Star which quotes telegrams it says were taken from the Italian green book, said to have been published today.

The first intimation of such peace proposals, according to the Star was contained in a telegram from the Italian ambassador at Petrograd to the Italian foreign office dated March 29, in which the ambassador said he learned from an unimpeachable source that a serious attempt to make peace had been addressed to the Russian government.

Twelve days later, the article continues, the Italian minister at Nish, informed his government that a separate peace between Austria and Russia was possible. The minister at Sofia, Bulgaria, sent similar news, the Star continues.

PULITZER'S FLIGHT GERMAN LINE

PARIS, Aug. 13.—Ralph Pulitzer of New York yesterday flew from a suburb of Paris to the fighting front in a new type of double motor bi-plane, which was operated by a military aviator. Mr. Pulitzer and the pilot covered about 93 miles, getting within sight of the German lines and so close to earth that they could see the German trenches and distinguish the bursting of shells.

After a trip along the firing line the bi-plane was flown back to the capital, where it landed safely.