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GERMANS LAUNCH DRIVE UPON DUNKIRK

INITIAL PUSH NETS GROUND FROM BRITISH

Germans Reach Right Bank of Yser Near Sea in New Offensive Which Follows Heavy Bombardment That Leveled Defenses and Isolated Sector by Destruction of Bridges Over Yser—Battle Still Raging—Firing Heard in London.

BERLIN, July 11.—More than 1250 prisoners have been taken by the German marine corps in the Yser district of Belgium, army headquarters announced today.

LONDON, July 11.—The enemy penetrated British positions in Belgium on a front of 1400 yards to a depth of 600 yards, says a statement issued by the British war office today.

In their advance the Germans reached the right bank of the Yser near the sea. The attack followed a 24-hour bombardment in which the defenses in the dunes sector near the coast were leveled. The sector was isolated by destruction of the bridges over the Yser.

Heavy Artillery Duel.

One of the heaviest big gun duels of the war raged yesterday on the Belgian coast. Sounds of the distant firing were heard in London from 6 o'clock in the morning until nearly midnight and again today, beginning at dawn. In some London suburbs the tremors, like an earthquake, could be felt.

PARIS, July 11.—The Germans made an attack last night in the Woevre north of Flirey. They were repulsed, the war office announced today.

German Offensive.

Just as the Russians in the east have torn a big gap in the Austro-German lines in Galicia, capturing Halicz, the Galician capital, the Germans on the western front have started a menacing offensive near the Belgian coast.

This movement, while it may turn out to be nothing but a local effort or something with which the British can cope after the shock of the first thrust has been met, nevertheless indicates the possibility of a determined attempt to bend back the British flank on the Belgian coast and reach the French city of Dunkirk, about 17 miles distant.

The Germans succeeded in their initial push by leveling the defenses thru an intense bombardment for 24 hours and then attacking last evening over the devastated ground. The bridges across the Yser were destroyed by the heavy fire and the sending up of reinforcements was found impossible. Thus a penetration 600 yards deep on a front of 1400 yards was effected, the Germans pushing as far as the east bank of the Yser near the North sea.

Attack Extensive.

The attack also extended further south, opposite Lombaterzyde, but here, after having temporarily driven in the British advanced line, a counter-

BOMB EXPLOSIONS BY CHICAGO BLACK HAND

CHICAGO, Ill., July 11.—Three bomb explosions in widely separated sections of the South Side last night took a toll of one man dead, another probably fatally injured, scores of buildings damaged and dozens of families driven into the street. Two of the explosions are laid at the door of the "black hand," the other to labor trouble, according to the police. Several small fires following the explosions were quickly extinguished.

GERMAN CRISIS OF TRANSITORY NATURE ONLY

Enormous Amount of Unrest Which Will Lead to Internal Changes and Reform of Abuses but Trouble is Largely Surface and Will Not Affect the General Staff.

AMSTERDAM, July 11.—Chancellor Von Bethmann-Hollweg declined yesterday to make known to the reichstag main committee the proceedings in the session of the crown councilor Monday regarding which there is much speculation within and without Germany. The committee then decided to adjourn.

COPENHAGEN, July 11.—The retirement of Ministers Helfferich and Zimmermann will be gazetted Tuesday, according to a Berlin dispatch to the Cologne Gazette.

Count Von Bernstorff, former German ambassador to Washington, is mentioned as a candidate to succeed Foreign Minister Zimmermann in case of his retirement.

Of Transitory Nature.

WASHINGTON, July 11.—Germany's latest political difficulties are regarded by officials here as due largely to internal problems and probably of a transitory nature only. The dismissal of Foreign Secretary Zimmermann, Minister of Finance Helfferich, or even Chancellor Von Bethmann-Hollweg himself would be considered largely a surface movement, for not until the great army general staff itself is reached, it is believed, will the real crisis of German militarism be broken.

The German foreign office, it was pointed out today, has served during the war merely as a means to get the military leaders out of trouble. Decisions have not been made without reference to the civil branch and matters brought to the attention of the latter only when it was desired to negotiate a way out of the difficulty.

Of No Significance.

American officials agree with allied diplomats here that many of the German officials who figure so largely in the news are in fact largely puppets being pulled across the stage as a blind to the German people. Their rise or fall, they say, has little significance on Germany's military and foreign policies.

Nevertheless it is agreed that there is an enormous amount of unrest in Germany today which in all probability will lead to internal changes in personnel of the government and in reform of the obvious abuses of the German governmental system.

Austria's influence is becoming more and more insistent toward a liberal peace. Austria is said to be treated most contemptuously by German officials and given consideration only as the unavoidable weak link in the chain. Nevertheless, it is known that she would make peace tomorrow if possible and her activity in consulting German statesmen and political leaders is undoubtedly causing worry at German headquarters.

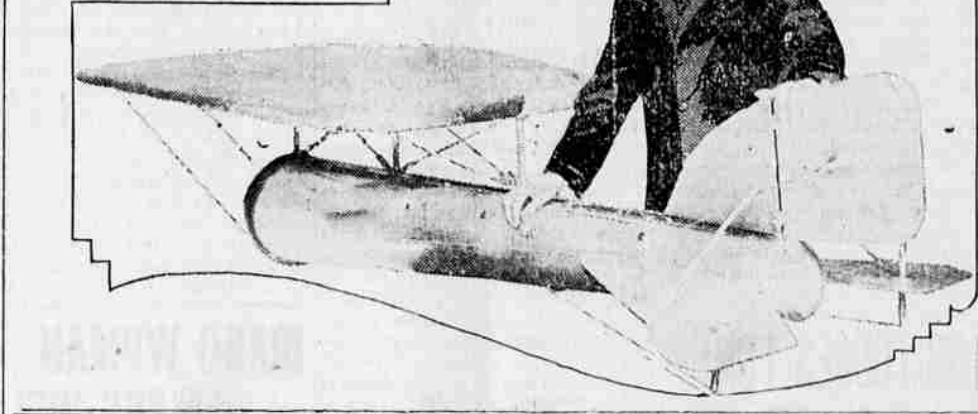
SINN FEINER ELECTED IN REDMOND'S PLACE

LONDON, July 11.—Professor Edward DeValera of Dublin university, a Sinn Feiner, has been elected to parliament from East Clare. He received 5019 votes against 2025 for Patrick Lynch, the national candidate. Professor DeValera is one of the Sinn Feiners arrested at the time of the revolution last year and recently released from prison.

Professor DeValera will hold the seat in the house of commons made vacant by the death of Major William Redmond, brother of John Redmond and for years a prominent member of the nationalist party in parliament. He was killed at the front last month.

AMERICAN INVENTS WIRELESS AIR TORPEDO.

America has another amazing war invention to add to her record—the wireless aerial torpedo. G. F. Russell of New York, its inventor, is here shown with the weapon. It is built with "planes" and "wings," can be controlled by wireless from the ground and made to strike wherever desired.



CALIFORNIA TOWNS SEND I. W. W. STRIKERS BACK TO ARIZONA

KINGMAN, Ariz., July 11.—Twenty of the 63 men deported from Jerome escaped after they were unloaded here by the combined armed guards from Jerome, who had taken them to Needles, and the shotgun squad of Needles' citizens that came to see the men safely back into Arizona. The remainder of the men were taken to the court house where they demanded food.

Immediately after the men detrain local authorities and home guards began rounding them up. The town is being patrolled by the home guards to prevent disorder.

NEEDLES, Cal., July 11.—Citizens armed with shot guns received 60 men, mostly Industrial Workers of the World, upon their arrival here early today from Jerome, Ariz., whence they had been deported. A woman in the party escaped, and search was instituted for her. Two men also got away.

The newcomers were told they would have to return to Arizona.

The car of men was picked up by an east bound train two hours after its arrival and returned to Arizona. It was intended to take the men to Kingman.

LIBERTY BONDS SELL AT SLIGHT DISCOUNT

NEW YORK, July 11.—Liberty bonds sold at 99 and 49-50ths on the stock exchange today, one lot of \$10,000 going at that price. This is the first time this issue has dropped below par since the day on which trading in the bonds began. The stock exchange authorities recently announced they favored free and unrestricted sales and the present recession, representing twenty cents on \$1,000 is attributed to reports of further liberty loans next fall and spring.

CURTIS PUBLISHING COMPANY IS SUED

WASHINGTON, July 11.—Formal complaint against the Curtis Publishing company was issued today by the federal trade commission, charging unfair business practices and stifling of competition by refusing to sell its publications to dealers handling competitors' publications.

NO MORE FREE LUNCH IN NEW YORK CITY

NEW YORK, July 11.—Free lunch and the large glass of beer have been abolished in this city by the Retail Liquor Dealers' association, it was announced today. Present high prices were given as the reason.

AMERICAN SHIP KANSAN IS SUNK BY SUBMARINE

NEW YORK, July 11.—The American steamship Kansan, carrying a crew of fifty men has been sunk, presumably off the French coast, according to a cablegram received today by the France and Canada Steamship company, which chartered the vessel. The fate of those on board is not known.

The vessel was valued at \$3,000,000. She carried a cargo of flour and other foodstuffs, together with 4000 tons of steel, which, valued at \$2,000,000 was consigned to the French government. A majority of her crew were Americans. The cablegram did not say whether the steamer was torpedoed or where the sinking took place. The vessel left New York on June 28 commanded by Captain E. A. Forsythe.

WASHINGTON, July 11.—State department dispatches late today announced the destruction of the American steamer Kansan by a German submarine, and said that four members of the crew were missing but that all of the armed naval guard was saved.

All of those on board were reported landed except the following four members of the crew who are considered lost:

First assistant engineer J. M. Murphy, American.
J. A. Guitre, English.
A. P. Kua of Honolulu.
C. Hannan of Singapore.

WARDLE COLLECTOR INTERNAL REVENUE

WASHINGTON, July 11.—Justice S. Wardle of San Francisco was nominated today to be internal revenue collector for the First California district.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 11.—Mr. Wardle, nominated today to be internal revenue collector of the First California district, succeeds Joseph J. Scott, who will be brought to trial here July 16 on indictments charging him with embezzlement of government funds.

Mr. Wardle has been surveyor of the port here.

ENEMY TRADING BILL PASSES HOUSE

WASHINGTON, July 11.—The administration's trading with the enemy bill, containing prohibitions against business intercourse with countries with which the United States is at war or its allies, except under license and providing for governmental seizure of property of alien enemies and enemy patents, passed the house today without a record vote.

OREGON MILITIA ORDERED TO TRAIN AT LINDA VISTA

WASHINGTON, July 11.—Subject to approval by Major General Bliss, acting chief of staff, the following assignments of national guard troops to concentration camps has been made by the militia bureau for the troops from the western and central areas of the country:

North and South Dakota, Iowa and Nebraska to Deming, N. M.; Kansas and Missouri to Fort Sill, Oklahoma; Texas and Oklahoma to Fort Worth, Texas; Colorado, Utah, Oregon, California, New Mexico and Nevada to Linda Vista, Calif.; Washington, Montana, Idaho and Wyoming to Palo Alto, Calif.

U-BOAT SINKINGS SHOW A DECREASE

LONDON, July 11.—The sinking of fourteen British merchantmen of more than 1600 tons is reported in the weekly summary of shipping losses issued today. This is a decrease over the past few weeks.

With one exception the number of merchantmen sunk last week is the lowest of any week since the British inaugurated in March the system of giving out weekly reports. The report of March 11 showed 17 merchantmen sunk. The same total is shown in the last week's summary.

RAILROAD PROFITS SHOW AN INCREASE

WASHINGTON, July 11.—Reports of 178 of the principal railroads of the United States to the interstate commerce commission today showed that despite heavy increases in expenses, earnings had increased in May, 1917, more than \$3,500,000 over May, 1916. These roads earned in May, 1916, \$101,169,248; in 1917, \$104,721,377. Eastern roads showed a decrease in earnings which was more than offset by increases for both southern and western roads.

AIR RAID UPON TURKISH SQUADRON

LONDON, July 11.—An air raid on the enemy fleet off Constantinople was announced in a statement of the British war office today. Bombs were dropped on the Turkish cruiser Yuzuf Sultan Selim, formerly the German cruiser Goeben.

SAY NEBRASKA HONEYCOMBED WITH TREASON

State Council of Defense Accuses Bankers, State University Professors and Lutheran Clergymen of Unpatriotic Utterances, of Lack of Sympathy With America.

LINCOLN, Neb., July 11.—The Nebraska state council of defense today issued a statement charging "certain professors of the University of Nebraska" and "the conspicuous representatives of the Lutheran church" in the state with "disloyal activity and passivity that has tended to give aid and comfort to Germany, as an enemy."

Bankers Accused.

Business men in pro-German communities, and especially bankers are declared to have exhibited an "alarming antagonism toward Red Cross and liberty bond activity," and some of them are said to have openly made threats of business reprisal against men who were supporting liberty bond sales and Red Cross work. A banker is quoted as saying: "I would commit suicide before I would take up arms against Germany."

"The conspicuous representatives of the Lutheran church," the statement says, "have very generally, and it may be said almost universally refused to co-operate with any of the several efforts made by patriotic citizens for the support of the government. On the contrary they have very generally, publicly and privately, discouraged the American cause and have shown marked partiality for the cause of America's enemy."

Professors Traitors.

Concerning Nebraska university professors the statement says: "Several professors of the University of Nebraska have so persistently given encouragement, publicly and privately, to those who are out of harmony with the American cause that the council deems it necessary and proper to publicly register protest against these practices."

The council, it is announced, "intends to employ its power and authority to the limit in the effort to suppress in Nebraska and interference with the determination to push this war to a speedy and successful conclusion."

The statement is signed by Lieutenant-Governor Edgar Howard, acting governor, Adjutant-General Phil Hall and all members of the state council of defense.

Fear Loss of Business.

The statement is made, it is announced, "after the most serious and solemn investigation and consideration," and after a hundred reports were received from every section of the state. The following quotation is given as a sample of 75 letters received from bankers:

"We don't fear threats, but would not be greatly surprised if the fact became known that we had invested money in war bonds, a good many deposits would be quietly withdrawn."

A report says of one community: "Many of the business men seem to be timid for fear they will lose business if they engage in patriotic activities."

The majority of bankers and other business men even in pro-German communities let it be known emphatically:

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ELKS GIVE MILLION FOR WAR RELIEF

BOSTON, July 11.—A fund of \$1,000,000 for war relief work was appropriated by the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks late today. The "Big Brother" movement designed to look after "the boys of those who will go to fight our battles in the war," was endorsed by the grand lodge of the B. P. O. E. today.

12,000 TAKEN PRISONERS IN SLAV DRIVE

Halicz, Key to Lemberg, and 2000 Prisoners Captured by Russians Who Advance to Lomnica River—Ponicz Line Also Reached—In Fighting in Direction of Dolina 10,000 Teutons Taken in Two Days Battle—Advance Continues.

PETROGRAD, July 11.—According to a telegram received from the general staff the pursuit of the enemy in Galicia continues. The capture of Halicz, strategic key to Lemberg, is confirmed, the Russians taking many prisoners and more than thirty guns.

In addition to capturing Halicz the Russians took 2000 prisoners and 30 guns. They also advanced westward to the left bank of the Lomnica river and pressed forward on the Bogorodchan-Zolotvin front. These announcements were made by the war office today.

The Russians have reached the Poleszcz-Lesivka-Kosmacz line. In the fighting between Sunday and Tuesday in the direction of Dolina the Russians took more than 10,000 prisoners and 30 guns.

Halicz Captured.

In the sensational campaign which the revolutionary army of Russia is waging in Galicia the capture of Halicz, important though it is, is only an incidental feature. Given secure possession of it, the Russians have the road to Lemberg well opened up to them and a continuation of their attacks on anything like the scale of the last ten days seems likely to result in the fall of the Galician capital at no distant date.

In capturing Halicz the Russians took more than 30 guns and numerous prisoners. The Russians, advised to the Russian war office say, are continuing their advance, paralyzing the retreating Austro-German forces.

Is Strategic Key.

LONDON, July 11.—Halicz, the strategic key to Lemberg, capital of Galicia, has been captured by the Russians, says a dispatch from Reuter's Petrograd correspondent.

Halicz, 63 miles southeast of Lemberg, on the Dunajec river, is an important railroad junction and the most important key to the Galician capital. It is 18 miles north of Stanislaw and about eight miles north of Jozopol, captured by the Russians Sunday. The fall of Halicz was presaged by the success of the Russians in breaking through the Austro-German lines between that town and Stanislaw.

Old Battle Ground

Halicz was the center of much heavy fighting last August and September and the Russians had captured Bukowina and were attempting to reach Lemberg.

Stanislaw was captured by the Russians in August, but they failed to take Halicz, after engaging in furious battles at Mariampol and Moensteryska and forcing the Austro-Germans

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REPUBLICAN TROOPS NOW IN PEKING

WASHINGTON, July 11.—Republican troops have entered Peking and momentarily expect the abdication of the restored Manchu emperor Hsuan Tung, according to a cable today from the Chinese legation to the Chinese foreign office.

President Fung Kwo Chang has ordered the arrest of General Chang Hsun, the military leader who was responsible for the coup. Dr. Wu Ting Fang, minister of foreign affairs, has resigned.