

GERMANS ACROSS YSER RIVER AGAIN

But Way to Dunkirk Is Still Blocked By Wedge of Allies At Ypres.

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London, Nov. 13.—(1:05 a. m.)—The Germans have crossed the Yser river, according to the admission in the latest Paris official communication...

Paris, Nov. 13.—The conviction is growing here that the period of the German strategic offensive is drawing to a close...

Ypres, extending like a fortress bastion into the lines of the invaders, is still held by the British, and unless the flank attacks on this position are successful, Dixmude is likely to prove a barren gain for the Germans...

The theory that the Germans are making an unprecedented attempt on this coast objective is confirmed by an official just returned to Holland from East Prussia...

Little attention has been paid to the operations along the River Aisne, but according to latest dispatches, fierce fighting has been in progress for some time with no great alteration in the line...

In the coast battle the latest report indicates that the Germans, after heavy artillery fire, made massed infantry assaults suffering losses much heavier than the defenders.

From the east come reports that Petrograd is expecting to hear any moment that the great battle before Cracow has been started...

Bucharest reports two Austrian divisions annihilated along the river Pruth, which, if true, indicates that the Austrian opposition in Bukowina is at an end...

The campaign in northwestern Serbia is proceeding successfully, the Austrian reports declare. The heights of Mlase to the south of Shabatz were captured November 10...

In the minor war theaters there is little to report except the severe defeat administered to General de Wet by his old comrade in arms, General Botha.

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Special to The Gazette-News. Shelby, Nov. 13.—Only routine matter has been before the Western North Carolina conference in session here...

On principal number one of the board of missions, discussion waxed warm as to whether Secretary Rev. Frank Siler should be retained.

The committee of laymen to cooperate with the presiding elders in nominating boards for the next quadrennial conference was announced as follows:

This is the first time such a committee has ever been created and marks a rising of the tide of democracy in councils of the church.

Rev. D. H. Tuttle will preach this afternoon and tonight. The board of education will hold its anniversary meeting, Dr. Plato Durham, dean of the theological department of the Atlanta university making the principal address.

Boston, Nov. 13.—The annual business meeting of the American Association for Study and Prevention of Infant Mortality was held today.

New York, Nov. 12.—Arrived: Antonio Lopez, Genoa.

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GUTIERREZ DECLINES TO MEET CARRANZA

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AIRSHIP OVER ENGLISH PORTS

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NORTH SEA FREE OF MINES IN THE NORTH

Berlin Press Says That Great Britain Had to Have Much Help in Stopping the Emden's Work.

Berlin, Nov. 13.—(By Wireless)—According to information given out to the press today in official quarters, German aviators have flown over the English seaports of Sheerness and Harwich.

The German admiralty has declared that the northern portion of the North sea is free of mines. Consequently the sailing of neutral ships along this route is not attended by danger.

The German press in deploring the loss of the cruiser Emden, destroyed by the Australian cruiser Sydney off Coos Islands, lays emphasis on the fact that England, to hunt down the Emden had to call Australian, Japanese, Russian and French warships to her assistance.

The Prussian socialist deputy, Herr Hirsch, in an article published in the socialist weekly Review, lays emphasis on the fact that the socialist voted the Prussian war credits. This proves again, he says, that the hope of German enemies for internal discord has not been fulfilled.

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New York, Nov. 13.—The New York cotton exchange will re-open for unrestricted trading next Monday morning, Nov. 16. The board of governors will begin unrestricted trading Nov. 16th, Board of Governors Decide.

New Orleans, Nov. 13.—The New York, New Orleans and Liverpool cotton futures markets closed in the order named Friday, July 3. The suspension was thought by many to be a matter of only a few days.

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BRITISH KILLED 31,570,000

Estimate Given by Premier Asquith—Could Not Estimate the Enemy's or Other Allies' Losses.

MILLION MORE MEN MAY BE CALLED OUT

German College People's Falling in Battle—Notorious German Nobleman Receives Cross.

London, Nov. 13.—The British casualties in the war up to October 31, were approximately 37,000 men of all ranks. This estimate was given by Premier Asquith in the house of commons today in reply to a question by Edward T. John, member of the house from East Denbighshire.

Mr. John also desired information as to the final conditions of peace, the effective establishment of international law, the cessation of competitive military expenditure and so forth.

A telegram from Vienna states that 731 officers and 73,354 men are prisoners of war in the Austrian concentration camps, says an Amsterdam dispatch to Reuter's Telegraph company.

The enemy's wounded are being treated like our own soldiers, the telegram adds. While the officers who are prisoners are interned in castles and in great private houses and the captured men in great barracks.

Berlin, Nov. 13.—(Via The Hague and London)—The newspapers printed yesterday and today the obituary of four university professors who have just fallen in battle.

The fallen men are Heinrich Hermelink, professor of church history at Kiel; Ernest Heideich, professor of art and history at Strassburg; Ernst Stadler, professor of German philology at Strassburg and Professor Fricke, the head of the Hanover-Muenchen forestry academy.

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MANY OPPOSED TO BLACK LIST

Prominent Suffragists Maintain That Plan Proposed Savors Too Much of Partisanship.

SPIRITED SESSION OF ASSOCIATION LIKELY

Report of Congressional Committee Is Matter of Keen Interest—A Prolonged Discussion Expected.

Nashville, Tenn., Nov. 13.—Discussion of the report of the congressional committee of the National American Woman Suffrage Association was expected to provide a spirited session of the national convention here today.

The no-called "black list" of nine senators and nine representatives in congress, which was sent out by the committee's methods and achievements, indicated that the discussion might be prolonged and possibly heated.

The discussion of the committee's work, it is predicted, may lead to the throwing out on the convention floor of the differences between members of the administration element and supporters of the congressional union, which the national association has barred from affiliation.

Today's sessions will be devoted entirely to business of the association and tonight the program will be under the auspices of the National Men's League for Woman Suffrage.

MORE JOBS SOON TO BE PARCELLED

Several New Deputies to Be Named in North Carolina to Collect War Tax.

(By Parker R. Anderson.) Washington, Nov. 13.—Commissioner of Internal Revenue Osborn left here yesterday for a ten days' tour of the west.

Bird S. Coler, of New York, spent the day here after a visit to the Coler properties in North Carolina. Mr. Coler expressed the opinion that so much calamity talk incident to the price of cotton was creating an unfortunate and erroneous impression respecting business conditions in the south.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Jenkins of Asheville left for home last night. Mr. Jenkins came here to attend a meeting of the directors of the Continental Trust company.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter A. Hildebrand are at the Raleigh. They are enroute to New York.

New York, Nov. 13.—Arrived: Abinal, Piraeus.