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## GERMANS STRIKE BRITISH; RUSSIANS PUSH FORWARD

### Teutons Pen 600 Yards on Nearly Mile Front in Drive For North Sea--Russians Follow Capture of Halicz With Pursuit of Enemy.

By the Associated Press.  
Just as the Russians in the east have torn a big gap in the Austro-German line in Galicia captured Halicz, and menaced Lemberg, the Germans have delivered a vigorous attack on the British positions in Belgium.

This movement, while it may turn out to be nothing but a local effort or something with which the British can cope after the first shock, nevertheless indicates a determined effort 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 through an intense bombardment of 24 hours and then attacking the British forces over devastated ground. The battle is still in progress.

This penetration to a depth of 600 yards on a front of 1,400 yards as affected, the Germans pushing towards the North sea town of Dunkirk.

The attack also extended farther south opposite Lombardeyde, but here, after having temporarily driven in the British line, the counter-attacks resulted in ejecting them.

There have been no serious attempts by the Germans to break through the front in Belgium since their two campaigns for Calais in the early months of the war. The first attacks were checked by the British and Belgian armies, aided by sea forces.

In the second battle of Ypres in the fall of 1915 the Germans sacrificed thousands of men in an effort to reach the North sea.

Reports from London today indicate that the battle in Belgium is still in progress. The sounds of firing heard in London yesterday were again heard today.

In the sensational campaign which the Russian revolutionary army is waging in Galicia the capture of Halicz, important as it is, is only of incidental nature. The Russians have the road to Lemberg opened up and a continuation of their attacks in anything like the scale of the last ten days seems likely to result in the fall of the Galician capital.

In the capture of Halicz the Russians took 2,000 prisoners and 30 guns. The Russians, according to Petrograd, are pursuing the enemy in the direction of Lemberg.

On the French front in northern France an attack was made by the Germans in the Woivre district near Fliry. They were ejected from a portion of the trench which they temporarily gained.

Today's Russian official statement reveals clearly that the Russians, besides menacing Lemberg, are carrying out a movement embodying serious threats to the Carpathian mountains.

The advance by the Russian armies on the Brokodi-Zlovothin front represents a drive into the Carpathian foothills.

Zlovothin is 20 miles from Stanisla.

The available passes, however, lie chiefly some distance either west or southwest of this line. Two thousand prisoners were captured yesterday.

### NEARING VOTE

By the Associated Press.  
Washington, July 11.—Debate on the administration trading with the enemy bill neared its final stretch today.

### ENTRANCE OF MEXICO AS AN ALLY NOT FAVORED

Washington, July 11.—Reports that Mexico is about to break with Germany led to the authoritative statement that any such move would not be based on advice given by the American government.

It was stated that no suggestion of an active indorsement of the position of the United States has gone to Mexico City from Washington, except the general note addressed to all neutral governments upon the rupture of relations with Germany in March. It was made clear that while the American government would welcome a friendlier attitude by Mexico, many high officials believe the best interests of most of the nations concerned will be served if the southern republic maintains neutrality.

Ambassador Fletcher, who came here to report in detail to Secretary Lansing on conditions in Mexico, has told the state department that despite some improvement in Mexican affairs generally, much remains to cause concern to the American government. This circumstance is considered important because a break with Germany would give Mexico an opportunity to get money and place the United States under certain obligations.

## GERMANS STRIKE BRITISH HARD BLOW

By the Associated Press.  
London, July 11.—The enemy penetrated British positions in Belgium on a front of 1,400 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 back of the Yser near the sea.

The attack followed a 24 hour bombardment in which the defenses in the dunes near the coast were leveled.

## HEFNER IS ACQUITTED IN SUPERIOR COURT

Newton, July 11.—Cecil Hefner, charged with entering the home of Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Nicholson in Hickory and carrying off jewelry and silver, was found not guilty in Catawba superior court here today. The case consumed nearly two days and a half.

The court this afternoon was trying the case of James Pope of Catawba, charged with forgery, and at 2 o'clock it was not known when the Dr. Price case would come up. It was set for early in the week and many witnesses from Hickory have been here since Monday.

## AVIATOR IS KILLED WHEN LIGHTNING STRIKES CRAFT

Camp Borden, Ont., July 11.—A bolt of lightning, it is believed, struck the airplane while in flight of Lieut. Clair A. Page, of the royal flying corps, who was hurled to his death here in an electrical storm yesterday evening. The same storm drove down Cadet Donlin, who was seriously injured while his machine turned over in landing. A third member of the corps was able to land safely. Lieut. Page came from Hamilton, Ont.

## DRILL CONTESTS ARE ON IN ATLANTA NOW

By the Associated Press.  
Atlanta, July 11.—Prize drill contests today between teams and drum corps today and tonight were the features of the Woodmen of the World today. The business of the session lasted one hour. Preceding the drill contests will be aviation flights.

## NEW YORK GOVERNOR CALLS LEGISLATURE

By the Associated Press.  
Albany, July 11.—A proclamation summoning the legislature in extra session on July 31 to enact food control legislation was issued today by Governor Whitman.

## CHARLOTTE LIKELY TO OBTAIN CAMP

By the Associated Press.  
Washington, July 11.—The national guard site previously announced as selected at Fayetteville, N. C., probably will be transferred to Charlotte. A delegation of citizens from Charlotte were here today and a delegation from Fayetteville was expected.

The secretary of war indicated that his experts already had arrived at the conclusion that the camp would not be located at Fayetteville, owing to a lack of water.

The best gardens in Hickory are burning up and unless rain soon falls the vegetable crop will be a failure in town.

## SENATE COMMITTEE WORKING ON CONTROL

By the Associated Press.  
Washington, July 11.—Administration leaders in the senate spurred on by Herbert C. Hoover's letter to the president declaring the delay in senate threatens serious losses to the farmers and consumers caused senate members of the committee on agriculture to hold a conference today.

The committee again today worked on the substitute while the senate continued debate on general features of the measure. The senate will vote on the bill July 21 under an agreement after the leaders had agreed to eliminate some of its most drastic provisions, including prohibition.

## MORE THAN TEN THOUSAND IN TWO DAYS

By the Associated Press.  
Petrograd, July 11.—The Russians have reached the Posiecz Kosmacz line. In the fighting between Sunday and Tuesday in the direction of Dolina the Russians took more than 10,000 prisoners and 80 guns.

## SUBMARINE BASE FOUND OFF BRAZIL

By the Associated Press.  
Rio Janeiro, July 11.—The newspapers announce that a destroyer has discovered a submarine base near Santa.

## WOODMEN WILL KEEP ALIVE ITS FIGHTERS' INSURANCE

Atlanta, Ga., July 11.—William A. Franer, sovereign commander, speaking at the opening session of the sovereign camp, Woodmen of the World, said arrangements would be made whereby the order would pay the premiums on the life insurance policies of all of its members who enlist for war service. It was estimated that out of nearly 1,000,000 members, more than 25,000 already are serving under the colors.

Patriotism was the keynote of the session today. About 1,200 delegates from all parts of the United States and from Canada are in attendance according to the registration records.

## CHANCELLOR IS IN FAVOR OF GRAB

London, July 11.—The crown council called by Emperor William was held in Berlin Monday, according to an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Amsterdam, but no announcement as to what took place has been made.

The German public is very uneasy regarding the absence of news as to the decisions of the crown council which the emperor held, says the dispatch. Only in times of greatest stress are such meetings held.

Other advices from the same source say that the meeting lasted three hours, being one of the longest on record since July, 1914, when Emperor William signed the mobilization order that preceded the declaration of war.

The ministers of both the empire and the kingdom were in attendance, together with the members of the emperor's military and naval cabinet.

It is believed, says the dispatch, that one of the results of the council will be the introduction of a franchise bill for Prussia granting universal, direct suffrage and the secret ballot.

## MARKETS

### COTTON FUTURES

By the Associated Press.  
New York, July 11.—Better prospects for showers or rains in the southwest and a less hopeful view of peace probabilities seemed to be responsible for scattering liquidations in the cotton market today. The opening was barely steady with new crop months relatively easy. Selling was not particularly active or aggressive and prices worked steadily lower before the end of the first hour.

	Open	Close
July	26.75	26.61
October	26.10	25.42
December	26.16	25.46
January	25.23	26.11
March	26.40	2.00

### HICKORY MARKETS

Cotton	25.12
Wheat	\$2.00

### CHICAGO WHEAT

By the Associated Press.  
Chicago, July 11.—Nervousness over checks in trading in corn at St. Louis and Kansas City here a bearish effect in corn prices here. In both markets there was little trading.

Wheat eased off again a little in sympathy with corn. After opening at 2.03 1-2 for July and 1.91 for September, the market receded to 1.90 for September.

## THE WEATHER

For North Carolina: Generally fair tonight and Thursday; gentle to moderate northwest winds becoming variable.

## RUSSIANS CHASE AUSTRIANS STILL

By the Associated Press.  
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 being in pursuit of the enemy. Prisoners and 31 guns were captured.

## PUBLIC SUFFERING BY SENATE'S DELAY

Washington, July 11.—A report on the food situation prepared for President Wilson by Herbert C. Hoover, holding that both the farmer and the consuming public are suffering while food speculators make unearned profits from the delay in enactment of food control legislation, was given out at the white house.

Unless strong and efficient government action is immediately taken, the food administrator reported, the farmer will face a slump in wheat prices and consumers will be caught in a situation even more serious than that which already is resulting in actual under-nourishment in the great consuming centers. The speculator, it is declared, is taking a large part of the prices now paid by consumers.

We are practically helpless to safeguard either the farmer or the consumer, concludes Mr. Hoover, until the pending legislation is passed.

The report in the form of a letter to the president was issued through the public information committee with the statement that publicity was given it in order that the country may know how serious and far-reaching the consequences may be both to the farmers of the country and to the consumers, of the present delays in passing the pending food legislation.

## BERNSTORFF RUNS FOR ZIM'S JOB

By the Associated Press.  
Copenhagen, July 11.—Count von Bernstorff, former German ambassador at Washington, is mentioned in the lobby of the reichstag as a candidate to succeed Foreign Minister Zimmerman.

## WANT GOVERNMENT TAKE OVER PLANTS

By the Associated Press.  
Minneapolis, July 11.—Resolutions urging the federal trade commission to take over the American print paper mills were adopted today by the National Editorial Association.

## PUBLISHERS OF POST COMPLAINED AGAINST

By the Associated Press.  
Washington, July 11.—Formal complaint against the Curtis Publishing Company was issued today by the federal trade commission, charging unfair business practices and competition in refusing to sell its publication to newsdealers which handle rival publications.

## SWEDEN TO PROTEST TO BERLIN CROWD

By the Associated Press.  
Stockholm, July 11.—The government has instructed the Swedish minister at Berlin to protest against the sinking of Swedish vessels.

## AMERICAN MISSION TO RETURN HOME

By the Associated Press.  
Washington, July 11.—The American mission to Russia is expected to return directly home, instead of stopping off in Japan. It was stated officially at the state department that there never was any intention of having the mission visit Japan.

## BRITISH AIR RAIDERS ATTACK TURKISH SHIPS

### Drop Bombs on Goeben and Other War Vessels in Golden Horn and War Office--Germans Take Prisoners--Big Guns Shake London Again.

## TO AID CITIZENS IN BUILDING CLOSETS

City council Tuesday night instructed City Manager Ballew to order a lot of sanitary cans to be used in connection with sanitary closets to be erected in Hickory on or before the date the new ordinance goes into effect. Plans of closets will be on file and the city will make it easy for every household that cannot connect with a sewer line to install the next best thing.

The ordinance will become effective in less than 90 days.

Under the supervision of the city manager, the West school will be completed and ready to have the job done by August 3. Contractor Kline of Carthage filed a petition in bankruptcy several weeks ago and the bonding company has arranged with the city to complete the work.

## SAYS TOLEDO IS ALIVE WITH MUCH WAR TALK

Mr. J. F. Coble, professor of science in Lenoir College, in a letter to the Record man, says that he has talk around Hickory was Sunday school recitations, compared to the stuff he is hearing every day around Toledo, Ohio, where he is bivouacing preparatory to serving Uncle Sam. German born people, the popular professor declares, unite in giving the kaiser all that is coming to him, and there are very few people there who are sore, but they don't count.

## SENT TO PRESENT BILL BY SATURDAY

By the Associated Press.  
Washington, July 11.—Work of revising the administration's bill to provide for a great aircraft program was begun today and Chairman Dent expected to report it by Saturday.

The bill calls for an initial outlay of \$639,000,000 for an initial outlay for airplanes.

## SHIP BUILDING FACILITIES BEING GREATLY EXPANDED

Washington, July 11.—Expansion of ship building facilities at the government navy yards now in progress will make it possible to have 16 war vessels on the ways at the plants at one time, Secretary Daniels said yesterday. The number does not include submarines or chasers for the mosquito fleet. Three battleships, four destroyers and a number of smaller craft are now being built at government yards.

"All this work at navy yards is being rushed," said the secretary, "the men working overtime and in shifts, and in most cases bonuses are offered for completion ahead of schedule."

## FALL FOOD ACRE URGED BY SOUTHERN RAILWAY

Washington, July 11.—As an effective means of releasing a larger proportion of the food and feed stuffs grown in the south for the use of the armies and navies of the United States and her allies, the Southern Railway System, in cooperation with the United States agricultural department, seed dealers throughout the south, and local bankers and business men, is carrying out a campaign for the planting by individual farmers of a fall food acre.

Arrangements have been made by which the seed houses will put up assorted packages of seeds of standard food and feed crops which can be planted during the months of July, August and September, and which will furnish food and feed for the farmer's family and his livestock in the fall and winter months. These packages will be supplied in quantities by the seed houses to local banks and business men, who, in turn, will sell them at cost to farmers in their communities. The county agents of the United States agricultural department will cooperate in this campaign and will aid in the distribution of the seeds and in advising farmers as to the best methods in planting and cultivating.

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## DISLOYALTY CHARGE MADE IN NEBRASKA

By the Associated Press.  
Lincoln, July 11.—The Nebraska council of defense today issued a statement charging "certain professors of the University of Nebraska and conspicuous members of the Lutheran church with disloyal activity and passivity that has tended to give aid and comfort to Germany as an enemy."

## COLD STORAGE FOLKS WILL AID IN NEW FOOD SURVEY

Washington, July 11.—Representatives of the cold storage industry assured officials of the food administration and the bureau of markets of their support and fullest cooperation in the food survey to be made under pending legislation.

The organizations represented including the American Association of Refrigeration, the American Warehousemen's association and the American Refrigerating Engineers association. Cooperation with the government will be worked out through a committee consisting of

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By the Associated Press.  
London, July 11.—An air raid on the enemy fleet off Constantinople was announced by the British admiralty today.

Bombs were dropped on the cruiser Sultan Helim, formerly the German cruiser Goeben. The extent of the damage to the vessel is not given.

The war office at Constantinople also was attacked, and a direct hit was scored, the statement adds.

The announcement follows:

"A report has been received from the vice admiral in the eastern Mediterranean that on the evening of Monday an attack was carried out by the royal naval service against the Turkish fleet lying off Constantinople in the Golden Horn. When the Goeben, surrounded by warships, including submarines, was sighted, an attack was made from a height of 800 feet. Direct hits were observed on the warships.

"Big explosions took place on board them and flames were seen to rise. "The war office also was attacked and a direct hit was obtained. The enemy seemed completely surprised and until the bombs were dropped the anti-air guns were not used. All our craft returned.

## PRISONERS CAPTURED

By the Associated Press.  
Berlin, via London, July 11.—More than 1,250 prisoners have been taken by the German marine corps in the Yser district in Belgium, the war office announcement said today.

## HEARD IN LONDON

By the Associated Press.  
London, July 11.—One of the heaviest big gun duels of the war raged yesterday on the Belgian coast. Sounds of big gun firing continued today.

In some London suburbs tremors like a slight earthquake were felt.

## THIRTEEN COUNTRIES AT WAR WITH GERMANY

By the Associated Press.  
London, July 11.—An official statement from the foreign office recently informed the British public that twenty-two countries had severed diplomatic relations with Germany. Of these, the statement added, thirteen are at war with Germany and may be considered in alliance for that purpose. The list of the twenty-two is as follows:

Russia, France, Belgium, Great Britain, Serbia, Montenegro, China, Brazil, Bolivia, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, Japan, Portugal, Italy, Roumania, United States, Cuba, Panama, Liberia, Haiti, San Domingo.

## HEARINGS ARE CONCLUDED ON GREAT AVIATION BILL

Washington, July 11.—Hearings on the administration's \$639,000,000 aviation bill were concluded by the house military committee and the measure probably will be reported before the end of the week. Secretary Baker did not appear before the committee as had been expected.

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