

NAVY FIGHTING IS IN PROGRESS ON BRITISH FRONT NEAR YPRES

ACTIVITY BEING RESUMED IN THE WEST WAR ZONE

German and Austro-Hungarian Forces Are Held to West of Warsaw

Attacking Railroad

to Cut Link With Main Petrograd Line at Astrolenka

fighting in progress on the front near Ypres

of great guns and mine explosions audible there for three miles and it was quickly followed by a stream of wounded men

Most of the casualties from shrapnel wounds

held west of Warsaw

The armies of German and Austria-Hungary are being held at Warsaw

at various points on the front according to official reports from Berlin and Vienna

German determined attack being made against Wyszkiow

to cut the main Warsaw-Petrograd line

at Astrolenka

Most dispatches direct from Warsaw from a correspondent of the Associated Press

dated July 31 and stated that conditions are much better than were previously indicated

heavy fighting is again in progress on the British section of the front

and there has been a change of infantry activity

with each admittance that the German captured some trenches in the area

the Marie Therese line claiming that counter attack retaken a portion of the lost trenches

at the Vosges mountains Paris that the French troops took German trenches after infantry losses

KILLED, THREE WOUNDED IN AN EXPLOSION

WAR DOCUMENTS BURNED BY BELGIANS

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RESERVE BOARD NOW WORKING OUT SYSTEM FOR CROP MOVEMENT

Washington, Aug. 3.—Preliminary plans designed to make available the resources of the Federal Reserve System in the annual fall movement of the cotton and other crops have been worked out by the Federal Reserve Board.

In a letter addressed to regional banks they pointed out how the crop movement could be financed. The board called special attention to the marketing of the cotton crop because it is "clearly to the common interest that credit based upon this crop be protected as far as possible from the danger of demoralization."

It shows that no staple commodity is subject to greater variations in price than cotton. "Sudden and violent fluctuations," it continues, "are clearly to the advantage of neither the loaning banks, the producer, the manufacturer nor the consumer. They offer, on the contrary, an inviting field for the speculator."

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SECRETARY M'ADOO FOR AN ADEQUATE MERCHANT MARINE

Cornish, N. H., Aug. 3.—Secretary McAdoo, who was here today for a brief visit to the president, on his way with Mrs. McAdoo to their summer home at North Haven, Maine, said he was devoting much time to studying the shipping question and was confident it would be pushed by the administration at the next session of congress.

"The Democratic party is pledged to provide an adequate merchant marine for the United States," said Mr. McAdoo, "and in my opinion no time should be lost in taking action. The need for more ships under American registry is being shown more and more every day."

Secretary McAdoo also said he was studying the question of systematizing the operations of the government finances and of providing a budget system.

TO PASS ON SANITY OF CONDEMNED MAN

Raleigh, Aug. 3.—Supt. Albert Anderson, of the Central Hospital for the Insane here; Supt. John McComb, of the Western Hospital, at 5 Orange; Supt. W. W. Faison, of the Eastern Hospital, at Goldsboro, are appointed by Gov. Craig as a special commission to examine Charles Trull, under death sentence in Mecklenburg county, to pass on his sanity.

"This is in connection with the fight being made by Cameron Morrison and Jake Newell to save Trull from death in the electric chair September 3, to which time a reprieve has been issued."

TWO YEAR CHILD OPERATED ON JUST SIXTEEN TIMES

Denver, Colo., Aug. 3.—After undergoing sixteen operations in her two years of life, Deborah Pelton is believed to be on the road to health. The disease affecting the child is known as panloma. The child's throat fill with a thick growth which nearly shuts off her breath. As fast as one growth is removed another appears. However, the surgeons believe they have controlled the disease.

Nearly all the little girl's life has been spent in hospitals. For the last six months she has been breathing through a silver tube inserted in her neck. Surgeons believe the only cure for panloma is to operate continuously until the growth ceases. They believe that the Pelton baby will require no more operations.

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This decision was communicated by Prince Oyama and Field Marshal Yamagata to Count Okuma, who said he would take up with his colleagues the question of withdrawing their resignations.

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BRITISH GAINS AT THE DARDANELLES.

London, Aug. 3.—The crest of the ridge on the Gallipoli peninsula has been gained by the British troops and the position of the British in the Dardanelles has been improved, according to a statement given out today by the official press bureau.

TRYING TO PREVENT THE THREATENED STRIKE

New York, Aug. 3.—Mayor Mitchell's counsel of conciliation was endeavoring today to formulate a plan which would prevent a strike of 60,000 members of the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union.

Nearly 40,000 members of the union have voted to strike unless their differences with the cloak, suit and skirt manufacturers are adjusted to their satisfaction. In the event of failure of the peace move, a strike was expected to begin tomorrow. The mayor's counsel hoped to submit a satisfactory peace plan today.

PHONE DEVICE MAKES EVEN WHISPERS CLEAR

London, Aug. 3.—According to telephone experts here, a vast stride in the mechanical perfection of the telephone has been made through an invention by Pierre de Lange, a Dutch engineer, who is visiting London.

De Lange asserts that his appliance goes a long way toward making wireless telephony practical. Various technical bodies in England have examined his invention and think highly of it.

The invention is a simple contrivance in the receiver that regulates the sound waves, eliminating the rattling noises over the telephone and making long-distance talking easier.

The phone will be an aid, says De Lange in every household or office, by doing away with the disquieting noises that now are so disturbing. Scotland Yard has accepted De Lange's invention as practical and is installing it. De Lange showed Scotland Yard how it is possible to hear a whisper over the phone thru his invention. This applied to Scotland Yard and a comprehensive system is to be adopted.

COL. ROOSEVELT STICKS TO PROGRESSIVE PARTY

Oyster Bay, N. Y., Aug. 3.—Col. Theodore Roosevelt reached home yesterday from his western trip and issued a statement last night relative to the recently published announcement of some of the Progressive party leaders in New York state that they intended to enroll with the Republican party this year.

Colonel Roosevelt's statement said: "As regards the Progressives who have announced their intention of enrolling as Republicans in this state, I have nothing to say except that I think it has been fine of them to have made the great fight they have made during the past three years for Progressive principles and I am sure they are acting conscientiously in the step they now take and with the purpose of doing what they regard as most useful to the community."

"Holding the convictions I do it would be an impossibility for me myself to take that step. I shall enroll as a Progressive and if any man in this state asks my advice I shall advise him to enroll as a Progressive."

Colonel Roosevelt was accompanied home by Mrs. Roosevelt.

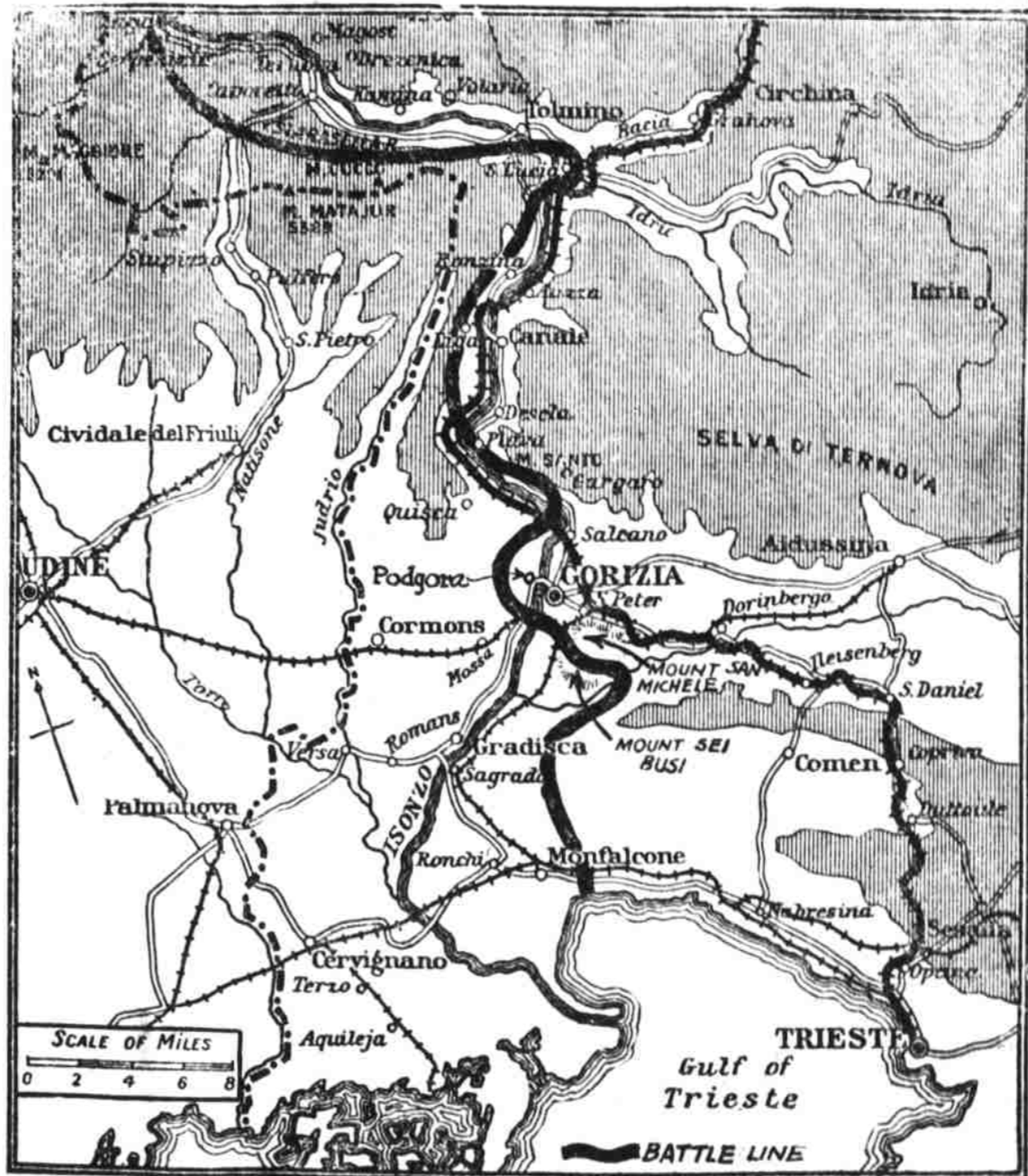
AEROPLANES DROP 25 BOMBS ON GERMAN CITY

Paris, Aug. 3.—A flotilla of Anglo-French aeroplanes today flew over the German city of Straasburg and dropped 25 bombs, according to news from Geneva to the Havas news agency. The extent of the damage is not known. It is the capital of Alsace-Lorraine.

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Progress of the Italian Campaign On Gorizia



The Italians by the capture of Mount San Michele and Mount Sei Busi, on the Carso Plateau, still further tightened their lines about Gorizia, their present objective. They now are north and south of this Austrian stronghold, east of the river, and are fighting for the bridge heads in front of the city. Battles of great importance are in progress for Tolmino, in the Upper Isonzo Valley. The advance toward Trieste along the coast awaits the outcome of the struggle for Gorizia.

WHITFIELD CASE IS IN HANDS OF JURY; NEGRO GETS 25 YEARS

NOT GUILTY.

At 4:30 this afternoon the jury in the Nick Whitfield case returned a verdict of not guilty.

At the opening of superior court this morning Judge Cline delivered his charge to the jury which heard the evidence in the case against Nick Whitfield, charged with setting fire to the Caudle store building on North Liberty street. The arguments in this case as given by attorneys for the state and the defense were completed when court adjourned Monday afternoon. Judge Cline's charge was a thorough and complete review of the evidence and law governing the case and was completed at 10:26 and the jury retired to consider the verdict.

Given Term of 25 Years.

At 10:26 the case of the state against W. M. Simmons, colored, charged with first degree burglary, was called. It will be remembered that this negro was found in a room in an East Fourth street boarding house a few months ago and in attempting to escape was struck over the head and badly injured by a water picher.

Upon opening the case Attorney W. T. Wilson for Simmons tendered a plea of guilty of burglary in the second degree. In agreeing to this verdict the solicitor assented with the understanding that a sentence of 20 years in state prison be imposed. Only one witness was examined, in view of the plea entered. Mr. Bryant, whose room was entered, repeating his evidence given at the preliminary hearing at the time.

After Mr. Bryant's testimony Simmons was examined by Judge Cline. Said he was born in High Point and at the age of 18 went to Princeton and later to Massachusetts; was married in Westminister, Mass. He claimed he did not remember about coming south from Massachusetts. Admitted he had trouble in Massachusetts before leaving. He did not realize he was in Winston-Salem, he alleged. He stated that the trouble he had in Massachusetts was very slight.

Simmons talked intelligently enough, appearing to be a well educated negro, but absolutely refusing to remember much of his past life. "It is distressing," said Judge Cline, "for a colored man to go up north and return and do something that would shame the southern negro."

Judge Cline asked for more information on this case and Tom Redd, colored, was called for the defense. He stated he saw Simmons the day before he was struck in the head. Was

at the corner of Fifth and Trade streets. Had a peculiar, strange look and witness went up and tried to talk with him, but couldn't get the defendant to talk with any sense.

Hereupon the court imposed a sentence of twenty-five years at hard labor, this being with the consent of the solicitor in view of the condition of the prisoner. A letter from the defendant's wife to the husband, addressed to him at High Point, was turned over to Judge Cline by solicitor Graves, the latter stating that he did not care to make the contents public.

The court intimated that no long cases were to be begun today, presumably because of the Muddy Creek murder cases set for tomorrow morning.

Another Burglary Case.

Jim Durham, colored, was tried by jury for burglary, the solicitor stating that he would not ask for a verdict for first degree, but would ask for verdict of second degree in this case. The defendant was represented by Attorney W. J. Swain, appointed by the court to defend the negro.

DIES IN TRYING TO GAIN POSSESSION OF CHILDREN

Rio de Janeiro, Aug. 3.—Baron Aldebrand Werther, son-in-law of the late Baron De Rio-Branco, Brazil's famous foreign minister, was killed last night while trying to gain possession of his children who have been living with his former wife who obtained a divorce from him.

The divorce trial of Baroness Werther, which began September, 1913, resulted in sensational disclosures. The baroness declared that her husband seized important diplomatic documents belonging to the minister of foreign affairs of Brazil, and threatened her with death when she protested.

Baron Werther, she asserted, had frequent interviews with Herr Michallics, then German minister to Brazil. She stated also that her husband communicated to the Krupps, another German firm, documents referring to the defenses of Brazil.

About a year before the divorce proceedings were instituted Baron Werther was shot three times by his nephew, Senor Allicbes Paronhol Silva, but his wounds were not serious. The shooting took place in the Baron's home in Petropolis. Senor Silva declared he mistook his uncle for a burglar.

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DUMA SAYS RUSSIA WILL FIGHT TILL VICTORY IS WON

Petrograd, via London, Aug. 3.—Mikhail V. Rodzinko, of Ekaterinoslav, today was re-elected president of the Russian Duma by a vote of 296 to 245.

After the debate on the war the duma adopted a resolution declaring it to be the empire's unshakable determination not to conclude peace until victory was complete.

The resolution emphasized the necessity of forgetting political quarrels.

DENIES THE STATEMENT AS TO VILLA

Special Agent Carothers Says He Did Not Use the Words Attributed to Him.

HIS ORDER IS MODIFIED

Mexican Leader Has Softened Confiscation Edict, Mr. Carothers Reports.

El Paso, Texas, Aug. 3.—George E. Carothers, special agent of the state department, who arrived here early today from Chihuahua City, denied that General Villa had declared that, "If the United States does not like my action it can go to hell."

"I was in the room adjoining the conference on Saturday," he added, "and I am positive that if General Villa had used such language, I would have known it."

General Villa, since Saturday, has modified his order of confiscation, Mr. Carothers said, and has planned to station a representative of the Villa government in each store whose duty it is to see that profits did not exceed fifteen per cent.

Consuls of the United States, Germany, Italy and Spain had drawn up a list of questions upon the question of the stock trade and private property of their nationals which General Villa was to have answered yesterday. Carothers said he left Chihuahua City before the answer was received.

Edward Wassburn, of Santa Barbara, and Chihuahua City, stated that his store business had been taken over by the Villa government.

General Villa early today was reported en route to Juarez. More than 150 merchants, who say they have been expelled from Chihuahua City by the edict of General Villa, are expected to arrive here today, and in dispatches forwarded from them protesting to the state department at Washington, they declare the entire population of the district is starving because of the confiscation of their stores.

They declare the rate of exchange fixed by Villa between his paper currency and gold has forced them from business. This rate was decreed at 30 cents silver for one peso and at current prices of the paper money across the border, it will buy goods at only two cents on the dollar.

No Corn in Chihuahua.

Reports received here assert that there has been no corn in Chihuahua for two weeks and only one shipment of beans has been received in that time because of the withdrawal of merchants from business. Flour is at famine prices, it is said, and tramways and lighting plants have shut down because of lack of coal.

Summoned to Conference.

Villa is said to have summoned all mine owners to a conference on August 9 for the purpose of endeavoring to force a loan of \$300,000 and in a statement received here, he threatened to close all mining properties which are not represented.

Zapata Troops Forced to Retreat.

Washington, Aug. 3.—Further reports from Vera Cruz say that in a battle between Zapata and Carranza troops in the streets of Paso Del Macho on the night of July 30 the Zapata troops were forced to retreat. In another battle on July 29 on the outskirts of Cordova, Carranza losses were small.

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Rome, Aug. 3.—A lieutenant of artillery, writing from the front, says the formidable Austrian defenses on Mt. Podgora and on Mt. San Michele are no longer recognizable, the Italian artillery having done its work so well. A few days saw the destruction of what cost Austria a vast sum of money to build.

Other letters from officers at the front relate that a large proportion of the Austrian losses were caused not by the Italian fire, but by the hurling down of rocks. Over ten thousand men were thus crushed to death in their trenches, they say. At San Martini no fewer than 2,500 Austrian dead were found in a group of trenches, crushed by falling rocks. The Italians, those letters set forth, lost comparatively few men in this fighting.

19 PERSONS INJURED IN N. AND W. WRECK.

Roadsboro, Va., Aug. 3.—Nineteen persons were injured, none seriously, yesterday afternoon when a Norfolk and Western passenger train, bound for Hagerstown, side-swiped a freight engine on a siding near Buena Vista, Va.