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Fearful Loss Of Life Reported By The Allies--Desperate Fighting Going On

Battle North of Aisne River Continues With Renewed Violence. Rus- sians Take Last Fortress In Gali- cia Held By Austrians--Germans Intend to Invade and Capture Warsaw if Possible.

PARIS, Sept. 17.—In the battle of the Aisne, on which the result of whether the Germans will be re-enabled to march on Paris or to leave France. The Allies have lost more men during the two days fighting than during any previous period since the war began. The fighting continues with the utmost violence north of the Aisne river and the Allies are making an effort to avenge the terrible losses inflicted upon their ranks by the big German guns during the perilous crossing of the Aisne river.

THE ALLIES REPULSED IN FIERCE ATTACK.

The Allies were repulsed in a fierce counter attack by the Germans from an entrenched position on the German right where General Von Kluck has received re-inforcement and has taken the offensive. The French have also been re-inforced near the Neve. The extreme left of the Allies has been forced to yield slightly several points. General Von Kluck today reported to be drawing his lines closer to those of General Von Buelow which in turn is fast closing up the gap between him and the main German centre. This appears to indicate the failure of General Damas' stroke at the rear of the German right wing in which he swept sixty miles north of Paris in an attempt to cut off Von Kluck from the main German forces. The French admit their failure to isolate General Von Kluck and the rivals now engaged in the frontal attacks. Numerous trains loaded with prisoners continue to arrive in Paris from the neighborhood of Rheims.

REPORT SAYS RUSSIANS HAVE CAPTURED FORTRESS.

PETROGRAD, Sept. 17.—It is reported here that Przemyśl, an Austrian fortress on the river San, has been taken by the Russians. This was the last fort in Galicia held by the Austrians. Cracow is now the only fortified position of importance on the road to Vienna. The Germans are now concentrating 750 men east of Prussia for the invasion of Poland and it is believed that they aim to capture Warsaw. News was received here tonight that 90,000 Austrians who were attempting to cross the river Drina had been repulsed with great losses. Prince Alexander of Oldenburg has been appointed Supreme Chief of Hygiene of the Russian army.

GERMANS PUBLISH AN OFFICIAL CASUALTY LIST.

BERLIN, Sept. 17.—The official casualty list published today shows that 33,796 have been killed, wounded or missing. Among the wounded carried on the list today was Prince Frederick Henry.

THE SITUATION IN GALICIA IS EXPLAINED.

LONDON, Sept. 17.—A Russian dispatch from Petrograd gives this outline of the situation in Galicia. The position of Grodek occupied by the Russians, between the river San and the Aisne, is situated on the eastern bank of the river. It is a strategic point which the Austrians have been unable to capture. The Russian forces have been successful in capturing the fortress of Przemyśl, a natural stronghold which was the key to the

rivers west of Lemberg on the main line between Przemyśl and Lemberg. The shattered second Austrian army was evidently incapable of staying the Russian advance and took refuge in Przemyśl.

THE REAR GUARD ACTION WILL MAKE HISTORY.

PARIS, Sept. 17.—The rear guard action, supposed at first to be intended as a check to pursue it and to facilitate the retreat of the mass of the armies of the Generals Von Kluck and Von Buelow, has developed into what will probably be called in history the battle of Aisne. Whether or not it was necessary that impelled the Germans to turn and engage in a general action, the fierce conflict resulting rivals in importance the battle of the Marne.

The war office says the French have not flinched at any point. That sounds as if they were on the defensive, which might be so in view of the strength of the positions the Germans occupy.

Official communications say the French and English had crossed the Aisne, and if so they have the river at their back while the Germans are strongly entrenched on the heights of Laon and Rheims with their right protected by the Oise and Aisne at Orton.

INDIAN TROOPS MAY NOT HAVE LANDED.

PARIS, Sept. 17.—There is still no confirmation of the report that Indian cavalry have landed in France.

In a dispatch reporting the rout of 3,000 German cavalry between Hoogled and Pomeroy, Belgium, the name of the cavalry forces operating against them is censured. This combat was violent and many automobiles with quick fires and ammunition and provisions were captured, though the Germans were said to outnumber their opponents 3 to 1.

Cold, heavy rains are falling today throughout the fighting zone. Military observers are of the opinion that the inclement weather will hamper the Germans in greater degree than the French. It will make the use of heavy field artillery impossible, except on the best roads, and interfere with the progress of the German supply trains, encumbered with men made ill by exposure.

FOR NINETY MILES THE GERMANS AT BAY.

LONDON, Sept. 17.—Along a ninety mile front the German armies are at bay and the allies occupy a ledge across the River Aisne which was won after one of the most spectacular river crossings ever made by an attacking force under fire.

For the past two days there have been sporadic attacks from both sides along this line, but according to admissions from the rival headquarters they have not produced any definite results. Both sides have suffered enormously and the present pause undoubtedly is being used to bring up reinforcements and supplies.

Petrograd reports that the flower of the German corps detached for service in East Prussia is again hurrying back to the western front. Stockholm news that General Von Hindenburg, backed with victory against the Russians on the East Prussian frontier, has been recently promoted as commander-in-chief of the German army.

KAISER WILHELM AT VARIOUS AGES



THE GERMAN RULER INTENDS TO FIGHT TO THE END

Acknowledges Receipt of American Inquiry as to Peace Terms But Makes Non-Committal Answer.

Washington, Sept. 17.—President Wilson stated tonight that Germany has acknowledged the receipt of the American informal inquiry concerning further peace overtures but makes a non-committal comment. The reply came from The German Chancellor. The Kaiser made no direct reply. High diplomatic authority says that the Kaiser is determined to fight to the finish.

of the armies from the Marne to the Aisne. The stories are told with great restraint but with enough gruesome details to make even military men shudder.

The Russians have crossed the River San and are hammering away at the retreating Austro-German forces. Despite their unprecedented losses the forces of the Germanic allies seem to retain their fighting organization and if they gain Cracow they may prevent the Russian right from making a march on Berlin from Warsaw.

Petrograd military critics express the belief that the Germans having recognized the strategic unimportance of East Prussian operations, will draw their army away from that region and begin a march on Warsaw, thus forestalling a Russian offensive toward Berlin from that direction.

The position at Grodek, sixteen miles west of Lemberg, occupied by the Russians is of great natural strength, provides an ideal operating base, and in case of a counter attack can be easily defended.

The Servians and Montenegrins continuing their campaign in Bosnia and Herzegovina are well within these provinces and are optimistically planning a march on Budapest.

WORK ON NEW CHOIR ROOM PROGRESSES.

The work of erecting a choir room in the rear of Christ Episcopal church is rapidly nearing completion. When completed this room will connect with both the church and Parish House, and will be a decided improvement.

SLIGHT ACCIDENT TO PASSENGER TRAIN.

Just as the passenger train, due to leave New Bern 9:05 a. m., for Beaufort, was pulling out from the Union Passenger station yesterday morning, one of the trucks of the tender by some means jumped the track, and the train went thirty yards or more before it could be stopped. The truck was soon put back on the track and the train departed for Beaufort. The only damage done was to the street where the wheels sank in the ground.

CHIEF OF POLICE LUFTON STILL SUFFERING.

Police Chief Lufton is still suffering from the flu and is unable to attend to his duties.

WOMEN OFFER PLAN FOR U. S. MEDIATION

SUFFRAGISTS WILL ASK PRESI- DENT TO ESTABLISH PEACE COURT IN NORWAY.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 17.—An appeal will be made to President Wilson tomorrow by representatives of the International Woman's Suffrage Alliance to take further steps to bring about peace in Europe. Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, President of the organization, and Mrs. Rosike Schwimmer, its Secretary, have the project in hand.

Carrying many cable messages and letters of appeal from the women of Europe, calling on America to end the war, the two women presented themselves at the White House and State Department today. Secretary Tamm promised to arrange an audience for them with the President tomorrow.

In Company with Senator Thomas of Colorado, the women called on Secretary Bryan and laid their plan before him. The plan provides for the President to bring about the establishment of a court of arbitration, preferably in Norway. This court would invite each of the belligerent nations to communicate to it any willingness it might feel to consider the laying down of arms. The court would hold all communications confidential until the time came to arbitrate.

Whether the German Emperor is thinking of peace has not been answered yet by Ambassador Gerard at Berlin, according to State Department officials. Ambassador Gerard was asked to make informal inquiry as to the Kaiser's attitude.

NUMBER OF AUTOMOBILES IS INCREASING.

(News & Observer.) The number of automobiles in the State continues to climb. The Secretary of State yesterday issued license number 13,876 this being to H. O. Pond, of Fayetteville. Motorcycle license number 1,205 was also issued yesterday to Armine Crawford, of Seaboard. At the present rate it will only be a short time until the fourteen thousand mark is reached for automobiles in the State.

ACCEPTING COTTON ON ACCTS AT 10 CENTS

FAYETTEVILLE CONCERNS TRY- ING TO RELIEVE THE SITU- ATION IN CUMBERLAND

FAYETTEVILLE, Sept. 17.—Duncan Jackson a young white man was seriously cut by another young man Fred Williams a companion last night in a fight over a bottle of whiskey. Jackson bled profusely at first. It was thought that he was dying and he was taken to a hospital. But he is still living tonight and his wounds are not considered necessarily fatal. Williams got away after the cutting and though the police are very much interested in his whereabouts a 24-hour search has failed to locate him. He is a painter.

The Fayetteville Furniture company is the first Fayetteville firm to offer to take cotton at 10 cents per pound. W. E. Brothers the proprietor of this company will during the next 30 days take cotton at this figure either on account or to be taken up in trade. The McNeill Milling company which does a big ginning business is also accepting cotton at 10 cents on account. The local representative of the Armour Fertilizer works is also making to the company's customers the same proposition the firm has made in Wilmington and Greensboro which is to take warehouse receipts as security for notes held by the company on a basis of 8 cents per pound for middling. This plan though based on a lower valuation than that of the local men will give the farmer a chance to take advantage of any subsequent rise in price while protecting his paper until such rise may occur.

KINSMAN OF FRENCH HERO OF 1799 IS KILLED.

PARIS, Sept. 17.—In the list of casualties just made public is the name of General Charles Roques who was killed by a bullet near Bar-le-duc, and that of Captain Raoul Ducouedic de Kergouler. The latter was a grandson of General De Monthelon and a great-grandson of "Brave" Ducouedic, a celebrated Briton sailor who commanded La Surveillance in 1799 in the famous fight with the British ship Quebec. General Roques had just been promoted on the field to be a general of division when he was killed.

K N PRINZ WILHELM SAID TO BE SUNK

UNCONFIRMED REPORT TO THIS EFFECT REACHES NEW YORK—MAY NOT BE TRUE.

NEW YORK, Sept. 17.—The North German Lloyd Liner Kron Prinz Wilhelm has been sunk at sea by the British cruiser Lancaster, now off the Ambrose channel lightship, according to information brought ashore today by Pilot Nichols of the pilot boat Pioneer, who boarded the Lancaster yesterday. The pilot says the Lancaster's officers told him they had sunk the Kron Prinz.

Where and when the Kron Prinz Wilhelm was sunk was not stated.

The Kron Prinz Wilhelm sailed from New York August 3, heavily laden with coal. It was believed she put out to supply German cruisers. Two weeks later officers of the British cruiser Bristol said at Halifax that they had surprised the German cruiser Karlsruhe at sea while she was taking coal from the Kron Prinz and that both German vessels fled.

The Kron Prinz has not been reported as arriving at any port.

The story of her being sunk was brought to quarantine by Pilot McCarthy, aboard the Norwegian freight steamer Hermod, which reached this port today from Iceland. McCarthy and Nichols are stationed aboard the Pilot Boat Privateer in the Ambrose channel. According to McCarthy the Lancaster signalled yesterday afternoon for a pilot. Nichols went aboard the Lancaster's officers wanted the latest newspapers.

Nichols remained aboard a few minutes, chatting with the officers and they told him, he afterwards related to McCarthy, that the Lancaster had sunk the Kron Prinz. Fearing that they might believe him too inquisitive, Nichols did not ask when or where.

McCarthy reported that the British cruisers Suffolk and Essex were with the Lancaster about one mile off the Ambrose channel, and that all three warships apparently were watching very closely every outbound vessel.

VERY ENCOURAGING. Are The Tobacco Sales In This City.

More than fifteen thousand pounds of tobacco was sold at the Dill warehouse at yesterday morning sales, with a little increase in the price of all grades.

Mr. Baines stated yesterday that the average price of the day's sales including all grades was higher than any price since the market opened, and the prospects are that it will go higher. He also stated that a large quantity of the weed would be disposed of today.

SEE THE MOVIES FIRST, THEN BROADWAY JONES.

In order that their patrons who desire to see Broadway Jones at the Masonic theatre may also see the first episode of "The Million Dollar Mystery," the management of the Athens have arranged to start the pictures promptly at 7:30 o'clock and they will have been shown in time to allow anyone to go to the Masonic.

THE TABERNACLE BEREANS TO SAIL TONIGHT.

Owing to the unsettled condition of the weather, the proposed sail which was to have been given by the Bereans class of the Tabernacle church last Tuesday evening called off.

The class announces the sail for this evening. The steamer leaving the Norfolk Southern freight depot at 8 o'clock.

RAIN TODAY.

The weather forecast for New Bern and vicinity today is rain. Fresh East