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TELETONIC ARMIES AT A STANDSTILL

Either the Driving Power is Exhausted or It Has Been Decided Not to Penetrate Russia

MADE NO ATTEMPT TO CROSS THE DVINA

Russians Have Taken the Offensive in the Vicinity of Vilna—

Muscovites Offering Fresh Resistance at Rovno and Dubno—Reports State That the Germans and Austrians Are Moving Troops to Other Fronts—In France the Heavy Artillery of the Allies is Bombarding the German Lines.

London, Sept. 5, 9.50 p. m.—Either the driving power of the Austro-German offensive against Russia is nearly exhausted or the German generals have decided that their armies are contented with the Russian empire's dominions as far as is considered safe and are preparing to dig themselves in for the winter. This is the opinion expressed by military writers here.

Certainly very little progress is now being made, and at many points the Germans and Austrians are contenting themselves with repulsing the counter-attacks of the Russians. From the Gulf of Riga to Grodno, Field Marshal Von Hindenburg's armies are at a standstill, having apparently made no attempt to cross the Dvina after carrying the bridgeheads at Lennwada and Friedland.

To the north, southwest and south of Vilna, the fall of which has been predicted for some days, the Germans are faced by very strong Russian forces who by their offensive make it dangerous for the Germans to push their way westward, north or south of them.

German Objective Not Known.

The Germans, on the other hand, are massed between Kodno and Kbrin on the Brest-Pinsk railway, but their immediate object is not obvious unless they are looking for a good defensive position on which to hold the Russians throughout the winter.

Further south the Russians are offering fresh resistance as they are firmly established in a fortified area of which Rovno and Dubno are centers, while in Galicia they still hold the line of the Sereth river.

With the rainy season a few weeks off, the opposing armies, especially in the marshy region of the center, cannot hope to carry on the operations much longer, and some reports state that the Germans and Austrians are already moving troops to the Serbian, Rumanian and Western fronts.

Heavy Artillery Active in France.

In the western zone the heavy artillery of the allies is still bombarding the German lines, doing all the damage possible and trying to break the morale of the German troops. The allies have no indication of a general offensive.

Paris reports that the Turks have delivered an unsuccessful attack against the British positions near the Anzac region, but beyond that no news has been received of the operations in the near east.

There has been a renewal of the reports from Athens of dissensions between the Turks and Germans at Constantinople and of depression among the Turks as the result of heavy losses in Gallipoli. No evidence of this, however, is to be found among the Turkish troops, who are reported to be fighting with all their old stubbornness.

Arthur J. Balfour, first lord of the British admiralty, in a letter to the press, gives recognition to the belief that the German promises to America not to sink any more passenger ships without warning were brought about by the realization that the submarine warfare against merchantmen had proved a failure. He again intimates that many German submarines have been sunk, and adds that British mercantile tonnage is now greater than before the war, despite the damage done by the submarines.

ANNIVERSARY OF THE BATTLE OF THE MARNE.

Soldiers' Graves on the Battlefield Visited by Crowds of Parisians.

Paris, Sept. 5, 5 p. m.—Soldiers' graves on the battlefield at Meux and its environs were visited today by crowds of Parisians observing quietly and simply the anniversary of the battle of the Marne. Although the demonstration was unofficial in character, many members of patriotic and civic societies placed flags and wreaths on the graves.

Most of those who visited the scene of last year's conflict were clothed in sombre hues and many of them were in deep mourning. Many officers and soldiers home on their four days' leave of absence paid homage to the memory of their fallen comrades. They explained to relatives and friends the exact positions of French and German troops, the location of batteries and the roles they played personally in the action which checked the German advance on Paris.

A solemn high mass was celebrated in the morning in the Meux cathedral by Monsignors Marbeau and Chene-long while a patriotic congregation of citizens gathered in the afternoon dressed in native costume and bearing the historic banner of Metz and Strasbourg.

At a similar commemorative ceremony held here yesterday, the city of Paris receiving the blessing of Cardinal Amette standing in the peristyle of the Church of Sacre Couer.

BRITISH FINANCIAL COMMISSION ON ITS WAY

Representative of Both Governmental and Financial Interests.

London, Sept. 5, 6 p. m.—The British financial commission to take up the problem of exchange in the United States, has been appointed and already

Cabled Paragraphs

Norwegian Bark Sunk. London, Sept. 5, 6.30 p. m.—The Norwegian barge Glimt has been sunk but its crew of 14 was landed safely.

The Glimt was a vessel of 884 tons gross and was built in 1875. It was owned at Arendal, Norway. It was reported as having arrived at Manchester, England, July 6th.

Seized Vessel Flying Greek Flag. Athens, Sept. 4, Via Paris, Sept. 5, 10.45 a. m.—Montenegrins posted at the wireless station on the summit of Mount Lovcen near Cetina, have reported that they witnessed the seizure by two Austrian destroyers of a vessel flying the Greek flag and with visible boundaries. The Greek government is investigating.

GATHERING EVIDENCE IN MOHR MURDER CASE

Mrs. Mohr Makes Application to Be Appointed Administratrix.

Providence, R. I., Sept. 5.—The police of Barrington today announced that they had found a man who may help clear up some of the circumstances surrounding the mysterious shooting on the Nayatt road last Tuesday night when Dr. C. Frank Mohr, a wealthy physician, was killed and his secretary, Miss Emily G. Burger, was seriously wounded.

Two of the men, the police say, were fishing in Echo lake on Tuesday night not far from the scene of the shooting. They told the police that they heard shots and walked up the road to investigate. There they came upon two men standing by a motorcycle on one side of the road, apparently listening for something. The motorcycle lamp was out but the fishermen expressed the opinion, according to the police, that they were negroes.

The third man, the police say, has told them a week before the shooting, he had seen a negro looking over the ground where Dr. Mohr's automobile was stalled when he was shot.

The police declined to give the names of their informants, but stated that they would be taken tomorrow to the Bristol county jail in Warren. There they will confront George F. Heals, C. Victor Brown and Henry Spellman, the three negroes who are charged with murder in connection with Dr. Mohr's case.

No one except those having official business was allowed today to see the three prisoners who repudiated before a court yesterday their alleged confession that they had been hired by Mrs. Elizabeth F. Mohr, the doctor's widow, to kill him for \$5,000.

Mrs. Mohr, who was arrested as an accessory in the murder of her husband and who is at liberty on \$10,000 bail, spent today quietly with her two children at the boarding house where she has lived since her separation from Dr. Mohr some time ago. It was learned tonight that she has petitioned the municipal court to be appointed administratrix of her husband's estate, which is valued at \$100,000. A hearing on the petition will be held Tuesday.

It is understood that Charles M. Mohr, a son of the physician by a former marriage, will oppose the petition.

SAW EVIDENCE OF BRITISH NAVAL ACTIVITY

Correspondent Visited the Grand Fleet and Great Naval Bases.

London, Sept. 4, 3.15 p. m. (Delayed in transmission).—For the first time the veil of secrecy over the British naval operations has been lifted. During the past week a correspondent visited the grand fleet and the great naval bases. At one base he saw dry-docks, capable of docking the largest dreadnoughts, which had been built since the war began. Marked on the corresponding marking points where German submarines had been sighted and on which the results of the attacks were classified as "captured," "sunk" and "sunk."

When bubbles are observed arising for a long time at the same spot in the water it is taken for granted that a submarine's career has been ended.

When an officer was asked "How do you get them?" his answer was: "Sometimes by ramming, sometimes by gunfire, sometimes by explosions and in other ways."

All the officers aboard the battleships and armored cruisers are enthusiasts of those engaged in submarine hunts, which are regarded as great sport. The professional opinion was expressed that the reason the Germans are declared to be ready to forego submarine attacks on liners is the want of submarines and the personnel to carry on their campaign.

GUARD OF A WATERMELON PATCH FOUND DEAD

With a Charge of Shot in His Heart—Partner Missing.

New Haven, Conn., Sept. 5.—One armed guard of a watermelon patch in East Haven, Rocco Graccio, aged 22, was found dead today with a charge of shot in his heart and the police are searching for the other guard, Luigi Lorenzi, aged 45. Two shotguns were found near the body, which lay among the melons.

The melon patch, which is said to have been owned jointly by two men, is located off Thompson avenue. Both men, armed with double barreled shotguns, left for the patch last night to be on the guard against thieves. When they did not return this morning a search was instituted which resulted in the finding of the body.

Coroner Mix started an investigation. An autopsy will be performed tomorrow.

The dead man was single; Lorenzi has a family.

AUTOS SPEEDED AWAY AFTER KILLING MAN.

State Police Are Aiding Police of Manchester.

Manchester, Conn., Sept. 5.—Alexander Smith, 50 years old, a foreman of a tobacco farm, was killed early this morning when he was struck by a large touring car on the state highway near Wapping. The automobile speeded away and all efforts on the part of the police to learn the owner have so far been fruitless.

Smith and a companion had left a trolley car at Oakland Station about midnight and were walking to their home when the accident occurred. Smith was thrown about forty feet and death was almost instantaneous. The state police are assisting the local authorities.

Flight Lieutenant Morrow of Pittsburgh Stunned

Brownsville, Texas, Sept. 5.—One of the United States army aeroplanes fell about fifty feet just at sunset tonight at the aviation field. Flight lieutenant Joseph Morrow, of Pittsburgh, was stunned and badly bruised. Private Adam Khuenkryk, who was making a flight with him, also was badly bruised. The machine was completely wrecked.

Auto Struck by An Electric Car

FIVE PERSONS INSTANTLY KILLED NEAR ROCHESTER

AT GRADE CROSSING

At Glens Falls, N. Y., a D. & H. Train Struck an Automobile Killing Five of the Six Occupants—One Injured.

Rochester, N. Y., Sept. 5.—Five persons were instantly killed today when their automobile was struck by an electric car traveling at high speed on the Erie railroad crossing about ten miles south of Rochester.

The dead—Stephen S. Emerson, 73, of Rochester; Louis Lawson, 50, Florence Trues-

Soldiers Kill Two Mexican Bandits

RETURNED FIRE ACROSS THE RIO GRANDE

TROOP MOVEMENTS

To Put 4,000 Regulars in the Lower Rio Grande Valley to Help Maintain Peace—One American Wounded.

Brownsville, Tex., Sept. 5.—Two Mexican bandits were shot today by American soldiers who returned the bandits' fire across the Rio Grande at Cavazos crossing. The gravity of the situation was somewhat relieved by the active co-operation of Carranza military authorities who removed Carranza troops from the riverbank at

Condensed Telegrams

There is a shortage of automobile tires in Sweden.

More than 100 cars of new wheat were received at Duluth.

Pennsylvania Railroad officials placed a ban on war talk by their employees.

A tropical storm passed over the south of Cuba. No damage was reported.

The Armour Grain Co. of Chicago, estimated the corn crop at 2,000,000 bushels.

All cases of cholera in Germany are reported to be under the Imperial authorities.

An order prohibiting the export of surplus issued by the Government of Denmark.

The Power City Bank of Niagara Falls increased its capital from \$100,000 to \$300,000.

Kaiser Wilhelm conferred the order of the Black Eagle upon Field Marshal von Mackensen.

An important part of the Turkish forces has been surrounded on the Gallipoli peninsula.

The Spanish government denied the report that it had decided to mobilize 800,000 troops in October.

An epidemic of typhoid fever has broken out at Rosebank, S. I. Twelve cases have been reported.

Game wardens arrested 10 Italians at Coney Island. They were charged with using nets for fishing.

The New England Westinghouse Co. at Springfield Mass., granted an eight-hour day to 1,800 machinists.

According to the monthly statement of the Treasury Department the country's present circulation is \$2,525,432,657.

A German economical league for South and Central America has been formed, with Dr. Dernburg as president.

Carlton E. Sandford, president of the People's Bank at Notdam, N. Y., died last night at that place. He was 64 years old.

Miss Alice Wilson of Baltimore, niece of President Wilson, is expected to make her debut at the White House next winter.

One hundred and sixty-one foreign built vehicles were registered in the Rhode Island registry between August 18, 1914, and August 28, last.

George Greago, a farmer of Hicksville, L. I., was shot and seriously wounded by a man whom he refused a bushel of potatoes.

A number of police lieutenants and sergeants from New York City will go to Plattsburg next week for a course of military training.

Governor Whitman requested the Constitutional Convention not to increase his salary from \$10,000 to \$20,000 during his term of office.

Colonel Robert B. Woodward, Civil War veteran and vice-president of the Brooklyn Institute of Arts and Sciences, died at Cooperstown, N. Y.

Army men at Fort Leavenworth, Kan., claim a record in transmitting a field wireless message 44 miles, using the army's newest apparatus.

The Constitutional Convention at Albany appointed Elihu Root to name a committee of seven men to have charge of the revision of the new constitution.

Governor Whitman ordered out Company 6 of the National Guard at New York City to take charge of the strike situation at the St. Regis Paper Mills.

The exchange of French and German prisoners of war, incapacitated for further fighting by their wounds, will be resumed the latter half of this month through Switzerland.

Chinese merchants in San Francisco and the Orient have subscribed \$5,000,000 to operate a steamship line between China and San Francisco in competition with Japanese lines.

Governor Brewer of Mississippi committed to life imprisonment the death sentence of J. A. Taber, a Confederate veteran, sentenced to die on Sept. 6 for the murder of his daughter-in-law.

Eight elevators fell in the Bowling Green Building when part of the hydraulic machinery broke. The marauding hoists tumbled into a flotsam of steel and concrete, but no one was seriously injured.

SUPPLY SHIP CRASHED INTO SUBMARINES.

Cut F-2 to the Water Line in Honolulu Harbor.

Honolulu, Sept. 5.—The United States steamer Supply, while docking here today crashing into a flotilla of submarines of the F type, cutting F-2 to the water line and putting the after end of the underwater boat out of commission. The impact jammed the submarines together slightly, denting the hull of the F-1.

Injuries Resulted in Death.

Winsted, Conn., Sept. 5.—Chester Cargill, aged 22, died tonight in the county hospital here as the result of injuries received today in a motorcycle collision with Joseph Dube on the Torrington road. The two were riding toward Winsted when Dube's machine skidded and struck Cargill's machine. Cargill was thrown from his machine and broken neck. Dube was thrown to the ground, but his injuries are not serious. Cargill was the proprietor of a garage and a promoter of motorcycle races.

One Boat Capsized.

London, Sept. 10, 10.15 p. m.—Major J. S. Barres, who was returning to Canada with twelve officers and thirty-eight men to recuperate from wounds, said concerning the torpedoing of the Hesperian, "Perfect order prevailed. One boat capsized through the falls getting jammed and some one cutting the ropes later suffered a fractured skull and broken neck. Dube was thrown to the ground, but his injuries are not serious. Cargill was the proprietor of a garage and a promoter of motorcycle races."

Torpedo Failed to Sink Allan Liner

HESPERIAN STRUCK OFF THE SOUTH COAST OF IRELAND

NO LIVES WERE LOST

Carried 350 Passengers—Captain and Crew Returned to Ship When It Came Apparent that the Vessel Would Remain Afloat.

London, Sept. 5, 11 p. m.—The Allan Line steamer Hesperian, with three hundred and fifty passengers and a crew of 300 aboard, bound from Liverpool for Montreal, was attacked without warning by a German submarine off the Irish coast last evening. Although the torpedo found its mark, the vessel remained afloat and, according to statements issued by the company tonight, every soul aboard was saved.

No submarine was seen and probably it was too dark to observe the wake of a torpedo, but all the passengers and members of the crew who arrived at Queenstown in the rescue steamers today agree that the attack was made by a German undersea boat, basing their opinion on the force of the shock and the great volume of water thrown into the air. This dropped back on the deck, drowning passengers, who were taking an after-dinner promenade, feeling quite safe, in the belief that they had passed the submarine danger zone.

Force of Explosion Tremendous

The force of the explosion was tremendous and of the passengers landed at Queenstown many of them were badly clad, about twenty were injured. There were no Americans aboard, so far as the American consul could learn tonight, but the Hesperian had the crew were American citizens and they were both saved.

About thirty Canadian soldiers, who were wounded in the attack, were going home to recuperate. Most of the other passengers were Canadians returning from a visit to England or England people on their way to Canada to settle.

Captain Remained on Bridge

The torpedo struck the Hesperian in the forward engine room, and the ship immediately began to settle by the head. Captain Main ordered the passengers and crew into the lifeboats, but with his officers remained on the bridge, although at that time he must have felt sure that his ship would go down.

Discipline Was Perfect

The discipline was perfect, but one of the boats, the falls of which became jammed, capsized and those in her were thrown into the water. In the darkness confusion nearly prevailed, but all were picked up and with other passengers and the crew were transferred to the rescue steamers which arrived in answer to the Hesperian's assistance. The Hesperian was about 150 miles to the westward when struck.

OFFICIAL WASHINGTON EXPRESSED SURPRISE

Comment Withheld Both at the White House and State Department.

Washington, Sept. 5.—Official Washington received news of the torpedoing of the steamer Hesperian by a German submarine with unexplained surprise though there was none of the grave anxiety that followed the sinking of the Hesperian. The comment was withheld at both the White House and the state department pending detailed reports on the attack. It was learned that high officials regarded the incident as a most remarkable occurrence, but that they had no assurance given by the German submarine commander had without warning launched his torpedo at a peaceful passenger vessel.

President Wilson and Secretary Lansing heard of the incident first through the news columns of the newspapers. Later cabled reports from Ambassador Page at London and Consul Frost at Queenstown announced the loss of about eight lives, none of them Americans. Several Americans were said to have been among the survivors of the attack. The reports as made public by the state department made no mention of whether the vessel was warned or attempted to escape, but it is known that other advices indicated that the Hesperian was not warned. It is believed there had been no warning it would not announce it as a fact.

Some significance was attached to Consul Frost's report that the Hesperian carried mounted and visible guns aboard—a 4.7 inch rifle. This international law permits merchantmen to have guns for defensive purposes, particularly when they are of small calibre and mounted aft it was pointed out that if the Allan liner struck at all suspiciously, the presence of the submarine commander's explanation of the torpedoing.

CABLEGRAM DECLARED THAT EIGHT LIVES WERE LOST

Ship Carried a 4.7 Inch Gun Visible on Stern.

Washington, Sept. 5.—A cablegram from American Consul Frost at Queenstown, announcing the torpedoing of the Allan line steamer Hesperian with a loss of probably eight or ten lives, said the liner carried mounted and visible guns on her stern at 4.7 inch calibre. The consul's message, dated 1 p. m. today, follows:

The Allan liner Hesperian torpedoed by German submarine 70 miles south-west of Fastnet at 8.30 o'clock Saturday evening. One or two Americans on board, none lost. Loss of life about eight. Vessel has not sunk. Admiralty boats landed passengers and troops at 8.30 this morning. Have returned to bring Hesperian in here (Queenstown). Due about 9 o'clock tomorrow morning. There were about 45 Canadian troops aboard, unorganized and mainly unarmed. Also one 4.7 inch gun mounted and visible on stern. Vessel bound for Montreal.

Movements of Steamships.

Liverpool, Sept. 5.—Arrived, steamer Tuscania, New York.

LABOR DAY

The gods of Man, who rule his fate, Are Labor, Love and Learning. That they establish his estate Is known to the discerning. Though Learning knows a brief conceit And Love still makes the world go round, 'Tis Labor that provides the means On which the others thrive. He gives to Learning hands and feet; For Love a cozy home he's found— 'Tis he who keeps these kings and queens Alive.

They tell him that they're in his debt And Labor toils—but listens. His seal of honor is the sweat That on his forehead glisters They catalogue his works, but lack The time to tell all here and now: Joy's wheels, forged from Pain's pickled rods; Love's tires, that vanquish miles. Then Labor straightens up his back— With modesty he wipes his brow— Looks squarely at his fellow gods And smiles.

—Grif Alexander in the Pittsburgh Dispatch.

dale, 24 and Nellie Hayner, 46, all of Spencerport and Mrs. Edith Keith, of Washington, D. C.

Major Hay, chief of staff for Major General F. Funston, arrived today from San Antonio and was followed by several troop trains, the beginning of a troop movement which will put 4,000 regulars in the lower Rio Grande valley to help maintain peace.

One Carranza officer and one civilian known in Matamoros, Mexico, as a Carranza supporter, was killed in yesterday's fighting at Cavazos crossing, about 50 miles west of here, between Mexicans and American soldiers and Texas rangers. Proof of the deaths of these two men was brought here today from Matamoros.

Dozen Mexicans Seen to Fall.

Captain Frank R. McCoy, Third United States cavalry, in command of the troops at the crossing fight, reported also that there probably were other casualties among the Mexicans yesterday. It is said at least a dozen Mexicans were seen to fall during the fight. The total American casualties yesterday and in today's shooting were one man slightly wounded and one horse injured.

Jesse H. Johnson, American consul at Matamoros, came here today on behalf of General E. P. Nafarrette, commanding Carranza troops there, to secure permission for his men to recover the body of Carranza soldier lying on the riverbank near Reynosa, which is almost opposite Hidalgo, the nearest town to the fighting yesterday. This soldier, a Cavalryman, was shot by Carranza troops and his body was found by Johnson.

The family had spent the day with relatives at Lake George and were returning home when the accident happened.

Their view of the railroad crossing where the tragedy occurred was obstructed by trees.

SKULL CRUSHED AND BODY BADLY BRUISED

Strike Breaker's Body Found on Railroad Tracks in Bridgeport.

Bridgeport, Conn., Sept. 5.—The body of a man, aged 35, of Taunton, Mass., believed by the police to have been one of the strike breakers brought to this city to work at the freight house of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad company, was found on the railroad tracks near the foot of Whiting street, early today. Mahoney's skull had been crushed and his body badly bruised.

Medical Examiner S. M. Garlick was notified and gave permission for the removal of the body to the local morgue.

The authorities are making an investigation to determine whether Mahoney met death accidentally or otherwise.

Polish Athletes in Meriden.

Meriden, Conn., Sept. 5.—The Polish Falcon Athletic association of the state is holding its annual convention in this city today and tomorrow. Nearly 500 are in attendance from other cities. A team of seven Meriden gymnasts won the state contest and a silver loving cup today. Mahoney's skull had been crushed and his body badly bruised.

Swam Forty Miles.

New York, Sept. 5.—Robert Dowling, 18 years of age, accomplished a difficult and unusual feat today in swimming around Manhattan Island a distance of forty miles, in 18 hours and 45 minutes.

Fatal Dive in Shallow Water.

New Milford, Conn., Sept. 5.—While diving in the Housatonic river near here today, William H. Thompson, aged 30, a hatter of Danbury, struck his head in shallow water, was stunned and drowned. Fellow swimmers recovered the body an hour later. Thompson came here to visit friends over Labor day.