

GERMANS HAMMERING AWAY BUT RUSSIANS CLAIM DAY

GERMAN EFFORT TO ACHIEVE VICTORY BEFORE RUSSIAN MOBILIZATION MAKES THEIR NUMBERS OVERWHELMING

London, Dec. 11.—Of the five Austro-German columns which for some days appeared to be making steady progress in their invasion of Poland, three have suffered checks, according to tonight's official report from Russian headquarters.

With the Main Guard. The attacks of the main German column, which had its front on the line between Lodz and Lowicz and which came down diagonally from Thorn, were delivered with great force, but according to the Russian account, were repulsed, with heavy losses to the invaders.

Left of Cracow. The other column, which has suffered is that composed of German and Austrian troops, which has been trying to outflank the Russian left south of Cracow. In this case, it was the Russians who assumed the offensive and they claim that after a tenacious resistance, they defeated the Germans, taking several guns and 2,000 prisoners.

Of the German column advancing from Czenstochowa, there is no news except the Russian statement that "on other parts of the front there have been no substantial changes."

A check or repulse of any one of the columns, however, in the opinion of military critics, must affect the whole German plan, which was a formidable converging movement that had for its objectives the capture of Warsaw and the relief of Cracow. For this purpose, large reinforcements were sent from the west and operations were pushed with great resolution against a determined opposition. It probably will take some days to determine, however, whether the checks have upset this plan.

The Germans attach the utmost importance, it is said, to securing a decisive result in the east before the Russians are able to make their numbers, which military men believe must already be superior, so overwhelming that the better means of transportation possessed by the Germans will be discounted.

Servia's Victory. The Servian victory over the Austrians appears fully confirmed by the occupation of Ushizza and Valjevo. The Servians have regained most of their territory toward the Bosnian frontier and they have also defeated the Austrians advancing from the north.

Up to December 8, Servia had captured about 35,000 prisoners, 115 guns of all kinds and great quantities of war material. The Servians claim that the victory was due to brilliant leadership and the morale of their troops, the majority of whom were veterans fighting in their third war. These qualities, they say, overcame the greater numbers, which the Austrians had on their side.

In Western Theater. In the west, both the French and Germans claim they have made progress in the Aronne region and in Flanders. It is evident the Germans, with a view to stopping the advance the allies are making in Flanders, attempted an offensive in the vicinity of Ypres and succeeded in taking one trench from the French. The latest French official communication says this trench was recaptured. Elsewhere

along the front, there have been artillery duels, with occasional infantry attacks, by first one side and then the other.

Vice Admiral Sturder reports to the admiralty that the British suffered a remarkably small loss in the naval engagement off the Falkland Island. Only seven men were killed and four wounded, according to the report. This indicates, officials believe, that the Germans were completely outwanged and that possibly not more than one shot reached the British ships.

Japan Co-operates. Winston Spencer Churchill, first lord of the admiralty, replying to a cablegram of congratulations from Japan, regarding the naval victory, shows that Japanese and Australian ships are co-operating in the Pacific and declares that the defeat of Admiral von Spee completes the expulsion of the Germans from the east.

COLLEGE PRESIDENT IS SHOT BY STUDENT

Bethany, W. Va., Dec. 11.—Rev. Thomas E. Crumbley, 50, president of Bethany college, was shot and seriously wounded by Howard Woods on the college campus late today.

Woods was arrested. The shooting is said to have followed a dispute over work done by Woods.

MOVE UP THE CLOCK AND GAIN ONE HOUR

Chicago, Dec. 11.—A plan to move the hands of the clock up one hour, in order to gain one more hour of daylight, particularly in the summer, will be extended to the entire country, if the Chicago Association of Commerce recommendation today is taken up by

PAN-AMERICA WILL PRESENT THAT PROTEST

Washington, Dec. 11.—Regardless of the effect of the British naval victory in the south Atlantic, plans of the South American diplomats for a more effective assertion of the rights of neutrals in the present war are to be pursued by the special commission of pan-American diplomats recently appointed.

The first meeting of the commission probably will be held next Monday.

GERMAN GIRL USES AMERICAN PASSPORT

Paris, Dec. 11.—A court martial today sentenced Louise Zach, a German woman, to serve six months in prison for using an American passport, obtained by a fraudulent declaration. She was a governess in the employ of an American family. She got a passport at Geneva by representing herself as the wife of an American named Appel and on the strength of this came to Paris.

DETAILED FIGURES UPON INCOME TAXES

Washington, Dec. 11.—The first complete compilation of returns under the new income tax law was made public today in the annual report of the commissioner of internal revenue. It showed returns for the collection year of 1913 by 357,598 individuals paying taxes amounting to \$27,253,835, as follows: One million dollars and over, 44; \$500,000 to \$1,000,000, 91; \$100,000 to \$500,000, 44; \$300,000 to \$100,000, 84; \$250,000 to \$300,000, 94; \$200,000 to \$250,000, 145; \$150,000 to \$200,000, 31; \$100,000 to \$150,000, 785; \$75,000 to \$100,000, 998; \$50,000 to \$75,000, 2,818; \$40,000 to \$50,000, 2,427; \$30,000 to \$40,000, 4,553; \$25,000 to \$30,000, 4,164; \$20,000 to \$25,000, 6,817; \$15,000 to \$20,000, 11,877; \$10,000 to \$15,000, 26,818; \$5,000 to \$10,000, 101,778; \$3,320 to \$5,000, 114,484; \$2,500 to \$3,320, 79,428.

Returns were made by 278,835 married persons, 55,212 single men and 28,551 single women. The normal tax of 1 per cent on all taxable incomes produced \$12,728,038.



WILL YOU?

"GOD KNOWS WHAT WILL BECOME OF US"

London, Dec. 11.—"If somebody does not come to our aid, God knows what will become of us," two leading residents of Blankenburge, West Flanders, wrote in a pathetic appeal they presented today to the representative at Rotterdam of the American commission for relief in Belgium.

These men were deputized to seek help on behalf of Heyst, Wenduyne and several other communities as well as Blankenburge, in all of which, they say, "the situation is so grave that if in the near future food does not arrive, we will be plunged in blackest famine."

BATTLE OF LUDLOW IS DESCRIBED TO COMMISSION

Denver, Dec. 11.—The story of the battle of Ludlow was related before the federal commission on industrial relations today.

H. C. Farber, agent at the Colorado & Southern railway's Ludlow station, declared that the battle started immediately after two signal bombs were exploded on Water Tank hill by the militia.

Lieut. K. E. Linderfelt said the bombs were exploded as a signal for help after his detachment was attacked by strikers.

J. J. Hendrick, district attorney for the Third judicial district, which includes Huerfano and Las Animas counties, the center of the strike zone, said the county commissioners selected the names to go into the jury box. When these were exhausted, the sheriff selected a special venire. Practically all jurors were non-English speaking and the witness did not remember an instance in which the predecessor to the present district judge, in three years, allowed a damage case to go to the jury.

FLOUR FOR BELGIANS

Denver, Dec. 11.—A million pounds of flour, milled from Colorado-grown wheat and the gift of the people of the state to war sufferers of Belgium, was shipped from Denver late today, for New York from where it will be sent at once to Europe.

BANQUET BROKEN UP BY A GERMAN DITTY

Niagara Falls, Ont., Dec. 11.—The singing of a German song at a dinner here last night broke up the gathering and resulted in the detention overnight by the military authorities of V. O. Ryckman, general manager of the Dominion Chain company. Frank Pfeiffer, also an official of the company, was temporarily held. Today, the commanding officer released both men and apologized for their detention. The dinner was for employees of the company and was attended by officials

TOYS WORTH \$1,000 STOLEN BY BOYS IN CHICAGO

Chicago, Dec. 11.—A store detective, who saw a 4-year-old boy drop a toy horse and tin wagon from under his coat as he toddled out of a South Chicago department store today, followed the child to an abandoned barn, captured two boys, one 13 and one 14 years old, and recovered more than \$1,000 worth of goods stolen from South Chicago retailers.

POLISH CAMPAIGN BY NO MEANS OVER

Berlin, Dec. 11, (via wireless to Sayville, L. I.)—The latest reports from the fighting zone around Lodz, according to information given out by the German official press bureau today, show that the resistance of the Russians in that region is by no means broken. The new Russian positions are only 12 or 13 miles to the eastward of Lodz, which demonstrates, it is said, that much yet remains to be done before the Russians can be considered completely defeated.

"In these circumstances," the German statement says, "the battles in the vicinity of Lowicz to the north-east of Lodz, have gained added significance. If the Germans succeeded in breaking through here, the positions of the Russians will be untenable."

CLEARING HOUSE SCOPE IS FIXED

Washington, Dec. 11.—How far the 12 federal reserve banks shall go for the present in exercising the functions of clearing house associations was discussed today by the governors of the banks and the federal reserve board. It was decided that for the present, the reserve banks shall only clear checks of member banks in their particular districts.

VILLA IS MOVING TROOPS TOWARD NORTH FOR BATTLE

ONE OF HIS GARRISONS HAS BEEN DESTROYED. NACO CONTINUES TO BE TARGET FOR STRAY BALLS FROM OVER THE LINE

El Paso, Tex., Dec. 11.—Fighting between the Villa and Carranza forces has been in progress south of Parral, Chihuahua state, according to reports received here. Persons arriving here today said that the Carranza troops under General Luis Herrera had captured the town of Ballazoa, exterminating the entire Villa garrison of about 500 men.

Later Villa reinforcements numbering 2,500 engaged the Herrera troops which numbered 1,800. Heavy fighting was in progress when the refugees left the region. The Villa agents here today issued a denial that the Carranza troops had captured any of the towns where Carranza victories had been reported.

Villa Moves Army. Mexico City, Dec. 10, via El Paso, Tex., Dec. 11.—Eleven troop trains left for the north today. The special train of General Villa is waiting at Buena Vista to take him to Trapano, the junction point between the capital and Guadalupe.

While secrecy has been maintained regarding the movements of the main force under Villa's command, serious fighting with the Carranza forces is expected to occur first at Saltillo or Monterey. Zapata will command the forces of the south.

Old Story at Naco. Naco, Ariz., Dec. 11.—Two more persons were struck by "stray" Mexican bullets from the siege of Naco, Sonora,

today and tonight. These make the total of killed and wounded on the American side during the last two months, 51.

Meantime the attacking Villa troops under Governor Maytorena are reported to have wounded one soldier today in the besieged town where General Hill is entrenched with his Carranza force.

Artillery Arrives. The bullets from the Mexican side continued while artillery reinforcements from El Paso were going into camp now under command of Brigadier General Tasker H. Bliss, who arrived yesterday.

One of the "stray" bullets pierced a stovepipe in the tent of an officer at the border patrol camp. The reported order issued by Provisional President Gutierrez, instructing Maytorena to cease operations

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SUBMARINES MAKE RAID OF FIRTH OF FORTH

London, Dec. 12.—A dispatch from Edinburgh to the Daily Mail reports that two German submarine attacks were made on the Firth of Forth on Wednesday morning, but that they were repulsed. Two of the enemy's submarines, the dispatch says, were destroyed. The admiralty has no confirmation of this reported submarine attack.

AND THIS HAPPENS IN A CHRISTIAN CITY

San Francisco, Dec. 11.—In the hope that his death would attract public sympathy to his widow and seven children, Benjamin Wadler took poison last night in his home at Daly City, a suburb. He is in a critical condition. Seven months without occupation consumed the savings of the family some time ago and neighbors have furnished food necessary to sustain life. Mrs. Wadler and the youngest child, a baby of eight months, are ill from lack of nourishment.

As the climax to his misfortunes, Wadler was served with notice yesterday that his home had been sold on a foreclosure of mortgage and that he must evacuate within 24 hours.

Wadler told the physician who gave him medical aid that he believed the publicity caused by his act would draw

the attention of the public to the hopeless condition of his family. "I couldn't get work," he said, "and thought I might help them this way."

BRADY NOT PRESENT AT \$50,000 TRIAL

Chicago, Dec. 11.—State Auditor James Brady did not appear in court today when the \$50,000 breach of promise suit brought by his Michigan wife, Mary Kahns Brady, was called, and the court entered a decree for the plaintiff.

The suit was started on June 4 and accused Brady of violating his promise in failing to remarry her in Illinois on the expiration of a year from her divorce.

The disclosures of Mrs. Brady, which followed the filing of the suit, were believed to have had a part in the closing of the Lorimer banks later.

LOUISIANA MOB LYNCHES NEGROES

Shreveport, La., Dec. 11.—Handcuffed together, Charles Washington and Breward Henderson, negroes, charged with killing and robbing Cyrus Hotchkiss, white, near Mooringsport, La., last night, were taken from officers and lynched near here today.

CAUCUS TODAY

Washington, Dec. 11.—Democratic senators were called today by Senator Kern to caucus tomorrow afternoon on the legislative program, to so frame a program that there may be no necessity for an extra session of congress after March 4 next.

FRENCH CABINET MEETS IN PARIS

Paris, Dec. 11.—A cabinet council was held at the palace of the Elysee today, the first to meet here since September 2, when the government left for Bordeaux. There was the utmost cheerfulness at today's session, a singular contrast to the intense anxiety shown at the last meeting in Paris.

PEACE ADVOCATES TO GO RIGHT AHEAD

Washington, Dec. 11.—All nations, including the warring powers of Europe, will be invited to participate in the bi-ennial peace congress of the American Peace society. The directors of the society, meeting here today, determined after considerable discus-

sion, to proceed with its plans for the congress, and to extend the invitation to send delegates to the countries of the world, without regard to the war. The board denounced agitation in favor of strengthening the military and naval establishments of the United States.

CARLOAD OF GOLD IS WORTH MILLION

Denver, Colo., Dec. 11.—One carload of gold ore, 30,000 pounds, on which the assay would place a value of approximately \$1,000,000, is being loaded at Cripple Creek for shipment to Denver. This is believed the most valuable car of ore ever transported in this country.