

FLOODS ALONG YSER CANAL DESTROY GERMAN REGIMENT

PARIS, Nov. 16.—Destruction of an entire regiment of German troops in Belgium is announced in an official statement issued here this afternoon. A German regiment numbered 500 men.

The statement also announced that more floods have been caused along the Yser Canal. This is attributed to the cutting of dykes. Because of the spread of the waters the chief fighting is now confined to an artillery contest.

The official communique follows: "Along the Yser Canal from Nieupoort as far as the approaches of Dixmude there was yesterday nothing but a simple campaign. Inundations have happened all along the territory south of Dixmude, and the terrain is actually submerged for five kilometers (three miles) to the north of Bixchoote.

"The forces of the enemy which tried to cross the canal between the region of Dixmude and the region of Bixchoote time after time were repulsed beyond the bridges. One entire German regiment was destroyed at the south of Bixchoote.

"To the southeast of Ypres two other attacks by the Germans were repulsed. We have taken the offensive and, in our turn, have recaptured some points of support which had been taken by the enemy.

"For the last few days, between the Yser and Dixmude, there have been only some minor operations by small units, and we have made slight progress in our works of approach.

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FATE OF AUDACIOUS IN DOUBT; MAY SAVE BIG DREADNOUGHT

Cablegram Indicates British Warship Reported Sunk by German Mine is Undergoing Repairs.

"Best information regarding." These three words came in a cablegram from London today in reply to an inquiry as to the extent of the disaster to the British super-dreadnaught Audacious, reported sunk by a German mine or torpedo on the northwestern coast of Ireland. The inquiry was carefully worded to pass the British censors, and the reply apparently places doubt upon the reports that the Audacious had sunk in deep water.

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GERMAN CASUALTY LIST NOW PAST HALF MILLION

Many Officers Among British Reported Lost.

COPENHAGEN, Nov. 16.—The 75th list of Prussian casualties contains 10,500 names. The last actions referred to in it were those fought in Northern France between October 2 and 14.

The German lists published up to this time have contained 535,000 names, but these figures do not include the losses sustained during the retreat in Poland or those which followed last month's hard fighting in France.

LONDON, Nov. 16.—The Official Press Bureau last night made public three casualty lists of officers received from headquarters under dates of November 4, 6 and 7. These lists give 38 officers killed, 108 wounded and 47 missing. The names of some of the more prominent contained in the lists have already been published.

Among those killed whose names have not previously been made public are Lieut. Col. C. A. C. King, of the Yorkshire Regiment; Capt. the Hon. Douglas Arthur Kinnaird, Master of Kinnaird, of the Scots Guards, eldest son of Lord Kinnaird, former Lord High Commissioner to the Church of Scotland, and the Major the Hon. Hugh Darnley, of the Second Life Guards, second son of Viscount Downe.

In the list of the wounded appear the names of Capt. the Hon. Richard George Morgan-Grenville, Master of Kinloss, of the First Rifle Brigade, who is the son and heir of Baroness Kinloss; Lieut. the Hon. William Fraser, of the Gordon Highlanders, son of Lord Saltoun; Lieut. Col. A. G. H. Smith, of the Scots Fusiliers, and Brig. Gen. H. G. Ruggles-Brise.

AMSTERDAM, Nov. 16.—The reports that dissonance has arisen between the German and Austrian commanders in the eastern theatre of war is denied officially in a statement given out by the official Correspondents Bureau in Vienna.

The rumor originally emanated from Petrograd, where it was said to explain the fact that the Austrian forces under General Dankl are retreating to the south toward the Carpathians instead of going toward Craiova.

AMSTERDAM, Nov. 16.—The newspaper Ujsag, in Budapest, has announced that the Austrians stormed and captured Obrenovac, in Servia, on November 12, taking 600 prisoners and a number of guns and quantities of ammunition.

It is announced that the Austrians captured 2000 prisoners, 3 siege guns and 12 machine guns in their victory over the Servians at Krupanj on November 9.

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RUSSIANS BEATEN BY TURKISH ARMY, OFFICIALS ADMIT

Petrograd Announces Failure of Armenian Invasion, Reporting Sultan's Troops Heavily Reinforced.

PETROGRAD, Nov. 16.—The Russian troops that invaded Turkish Armenia have been compelled to retire. This is admitted in an official dispatch from the Governor General of Transcaucasia. In his message, sent from Tiflis, he states that the Turkish troops have been heavily reinforced.

The official dispatch follows: "After a series of engagements in the region of Koprikoi our advance guards came into contact with the principal forces of the enemy. As a result of heavy reinforcements, received by the Turks from Chyanakala, Erzerum and Trebizond, our advance guards are retreating, still fighting as they withdraw to the positions designated by their commander.

"The attempts made by the Turks to regain Khanesouk pass after we captured it have been repulsed. The main Russian forces have not been seriously engaged yet."

LONDON, Nov. 16.—The correspondent at Constantinople of Reuter's Telegram Company, forwarding a dispatch by way of Berlin, says: "Turkish troops have occupied Kotur, in the Persian Province of Azerbaijan, which until now has been in the hands of the Russians. Russian troops were defeated, and fled.

"British troops have landed near Fao, on the coast of the Province of Basra, in the Persian Gulf. While landing, the British were attacked and lost 60 men."

BRITISH ROUT TURKS FROM RED SEA POST. Indian Troops Aid in Capture of Turba Forts.

LONDON, Nov. 16.—The capture and occupation of the Turkish stronghold at the entrance of the Red Sea was announced in a statement by the Admiralty last night. The statement says: "Successful operations against the Turkish garrison at Sheik-Syed, at the entrance of the Red Sea, have been carried out by Indian troops assisted by the cruiser Duke of Edinburgh."

(Sheik-Syed is on the heights east of Bah-El-Mandeb Strait, near the boundary between Turkish territory and the British protectorate of Aden.)

"Three battalions of Indian troops were landed. The Duke of Edinburgh had previously shelled the Turba fort and a short fight the Indians occupied the hills commanding Manhel.

"Two hundred of the Turkish garrison were killed. The rest were made prisoners. Six field guns and a large amount of ammunition were also captured. The field guns were disabled prior to their capture by the bombardment from the cruiser.

"The casualties on the British side were four killed and one officer and 15 men wounded, all members of the landing party."

Lecture on Town Planning. The science of town planning and its origin will be the subject of a lecture to be delivered by William Cunningham, D. D. LL. D., Fellow of the British Architects, at the Drexel Institute tonight at 8 o'clock.

AUSTRIAN WAR LOAN. GENEVA, Nov. 16.—Advices from Vienna state that the new Austrian war loan will take the form of treasury bills bearing interest at the rate of 5 1/2 per cent.

GERMANS CHARGE RUSSIANS WITH PILLAGING MUSEUM

Lemberg Treasures Reported Taken to Petrograd.

NEW YORK, Nov. 16.—The German Press Bureau in New York gave out the following yesterday: "The Kreuzzeitung of Berlin prints the following concerning the National Museum of Lemberg: 'According to reports in Polish newspapers, the Russians have taken from the National Museum at Lemberg 1001 oil paintings, 35,000 copper-plate engravings, 17,000 coins, 4000 medals, 142,000 books, 5000 autographs, 5000 holographs and 1700 documents.

"These, together with Polish relics, have been transported to Petrograd, according to the information received by the Kreuzzeitung."

SERBS RETREAT TO SECOND DEFENSE LINE AT VALJEVO. Austrian Cities Subscribe Heavily to War Loan.

VIENNA, Nov. 16.—Field Marshal Potiorek, commander of the Austrian troops operating in the Serbian first line of defense west of Valjevo has been successfully stormed by his troops and that the Serbians have retreated to their second line.

Subscriptions to the war loan opened today. Before the official opening of the lists, however, \$3,420,000 had already been subscribed. The municipal government of Vienna alone took \$6,250,000.

Virtually all cities in Austria and Hungary have pledged their capital to the loan.

TURKS SINK BRITISH SHIPS, SAYS REPORT. French Warships Bombard Towns Near Smyrna.

ATHENS, Nov. 16.—A dispatch from Mytilene says that advices received from Turkish sources report that several British vessels have been sunk at Sarab, in the Persian Gulf, by Turkish river boats.

French warships bombarded Forcia Nova (Phokia), northwest of Smyrna on Sunday. Both towns were set on fire according to information received at the Turkish legation, whose officials declare neither Devebourous nor Foggia Nova was fortified.

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Aggressive Advance Forces German Retreat North of Mazur Lake—Austrians Pushed Back to Carpathians.

PETROGRAD, Nov. 16.—Official announcement was made today that the Russians had recaptured Soldau, East Prussia, and that the German troops were in full retreat from the East Prussian town of Soldau in the northern end of the Masurian lake region.

This is the third time that Soldau has been taken by the Russians. On the two previous occasions it was retaken by German reinforcements sent from Thorn, but the belief was expressed at the War Office today that the town would now remain in the possession of the Russians because of the strength of the forces that had invaded East Prussia from the Masurian region.

The retreat of the Germans at Angerburg is declared by the war office to have been forced by the rapid advance of the Russian troops southwest of the Masurian Lake region. Despite the bad roads from Masuria the Russians have transported heavy artillery and large bodies of infantry across the East Prussian frontier, and the infantry is moving forward rapidly behind a great screen of cavalry.

The skirmishes that marked the Russian advance into southwest Poland last week have now developed into a general battle, according to the latest news from that section of the front. The Germans between Craiova and Czeretachow have been reinforced heavily, and are offering a stubborn resistance, but it is stated that the Russian advance continues steadily though slowly.

The Austro-German forces east of Craiova and south of the Vitulva are also resisting obstinately the Russian troops that have passed Tarnow. The campaign of the Czar's troops in this region of Galicia may be delayed for a short time until heavy artillery can be brought up, but the opinion was confidently expressed at the War Office today that the fall of Craiova was only a matter of a few days.

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RUSSIANS IN SEVEN VAST ARMIES CLOSE IN ON GERMAN HOST

Czar Farther Within East Prussia Than Ever Before. Two Columns Move on Craiova.

LONDON, Nov. 16.—The situation in the eastern war zone described by military critics as more favorable to Russia than at any time since the outbreak of hostilities, three and half months ago. Germany and Austria have failed twice in powerful offensive movements and are now entirely contained with the problem of blocking the advance of German territory.

In this they have not been wholly successful, since Russian troops are further within East Prussia than ever before and have even broken through the Warthe line in West Poland and gained a foothold at various points in Posen and Silesia. This appears to be due not so much to the weakness of the German resistance as to the constantly growing power of the Russian attack and to the superior generalship of the Russian commander-in-chief. Russia has been able not merely to repair losses, but to add at least 200,000 trained troops to her first-line armies every month.

Seven Russian armies, estimated as numbering 2,000,000 men, are now attempting to close in on Germany.

The first army holds Stalluponen and the railway line to Gumbinnen and Insterburg and is believed to have occupied probably 25 or 30 miles of German territory. The second army, co-operating with great energy, is advancing in an entirely new line toward the northwest, and has gained a foothold at Soldau, Johanneburg and the region south of Allenstein. There are reports that the 3rd army is attempting an offensive movement from Thorn, where they have concentrated new troops.

In Poland three Russian armies are attacking the frontier of Posen and Silesia, contented for the moment with driving every German detachment from Polish soil. One, apparently operating south and west of Plock, has found stubborn resistance and does not appear to have penetrated into German territory. A fourth Russian army has broken through the German defense at the Warthe and has pushed an advance guard into Posen, holding a position at Pieschen.

A fifth, moving southward, is at the gates of Craiova and, according to official announcements in Petrograd, is attacking the outer defenses of the city. There are unofficial reports that this army's right wing has occupied Casatowka.

CAILLAUX EXILED AS A GERMAN SPY, HINT FROM PARIS

Ex-Premier of France Leaves Country With Wife, Slay-er of Editor, "Officially Permitted."

LONDON, Nov. 16.—Despite "officially permitted" explanations that Joseph Caillaux, ex-Premier of France, has left for Brazil to arrange for purchase of foodstuffs and clothing that formerly were obtained by France in Austria and Germany, the belief was strong here today that more is behind the affair than appears on the surface.

Caillaux is accompanied by his wife, recently acquitted of the murder of Gaston Calmette, editor of Figaro.

Throughout discussions of the departure of Caillaux from France at such a crisis in his country's history are repeatedly heard mention of intimations which came out at the trial of the wife of the ex-Premier. It is remembered that statements of Germany have termed Caillaux as "Germany's best friend in France."

Less than ten days ago the appearance of Caillaux with his wife on the streets of Paris brought forth demonstrations from the populace in which cries of "German spy" were heard. During his wife's trial it was frequently hinted that Caillaux failed to exhibit his customary firmness in combating German demands during the settlement of the Moroccan question.

ONE SHIP REALLY ESCAPES CLUTCHES OF KARLSRUHE. British Steamship Saw German Raider and Yet Lives.

NEW YORK, Nov. 16.—Captain Estill, of the British steamship Royal Scapire, which arrived from Santos, Brazil, told how his ship, with a cargo of coffee in transit for Toronto, escaped capture by the German cruiser Karlsruher near the equator because her destination was New York.

BRITISH AVIATOR KILLS FIFTEEN WITH BOMBS

Report of Raid Over Courtrai—Belgians Retch Flushing.

AMSTERDAM, Nov. 16.—A newspaper in Brussels reports that an English aviator Saturday dropped a bomb on Courtrai, resulting in the death of 15 soldiers and citizens.

All traffic on the River Scheldt is now confined to the hours of daylight, owing to the danger from mines which have been placed in it by the Germans.

A number of passengers arrived at Flushing from Antwerp yesterday, despite the official order issued by the German military authorities prohibiting residents of Belgium to leave.

ATTACK ON BULGARIANS

Greeks Reported in Hostile Raid on Frontier.

AMSTERDAM, Nov. 16.—The correspondent of the Tageblatt at Sofia, capital of Bulgaria, says in a dispatch that Greek sentries on the frontier of Bulgaria last week attacked a party of Bulgarian peasants.

FRENCH AND GERMAN WIRELESS SWAP TAUNTS

"Plunging Into Abyss," Says Eiffel to Nausen Tower.

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SUBMARINES OFF NORWAY

London Believes Germans Have Established Stations on That Coast.

LONDON, Nov. 16.—Reports received here today from Bergen declare that submarines have been sighted off the northwest coast of Norway. An aeroplane is also declared to have been seen south of Bergen.

These reports were taken here to indicate that the Germans have established submarine stations in that vicinity.

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