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To Starve Huns by Refusing Coal to Outgoing Vessels

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Gen. Haig's Powerful Drive on the Flanders Front Routs Enemy with Fearful Loss of Life.

REPEATS SOMME STRATEGY

Thousands of Prisoners Taken When Allies Storm on, Cutting Way Mile Deep. Dominate Vast Plains. Artillery Duels on French Front.

London, Oct. 4.—Over the top of five miles of the rugged ridge northeast of Ypres, Sir Douglas Haig's infantry legions surged early today in the final drive of this year's battle of Flanders. To a depth of a mile, and more at points, they stormed on, and made themselves masters of many and manifold works of defense representing all the skill and cunning that twentieth century science could build in the three years that this ground had been held by the Teutons.

BRITISH HOLD GROUND.

The end of a day's bitter battle saw the British indisputable, though still disputed, possessors of all but a small portion of the ground they lost to the Germans in the first two battles of Ypres, October and November, 1914, and April and May, 1915.

Take Many Prisoners.

That long, low ridge stretching from Messines, south of Ypres, northeastward as far as Paschendale, is now entirely cleared of Teutons. With its possession the British dominate the vast plains of Flanders, particularly between the Menin and Roulers roads. A German retreat on a wide front, either in the remaining four weeks of fighting weather this year or with the inception of the next spring campaign is looked for as the inevitable result of today's new British drive.

U. S. HAS CUT U-BOAT TOLL

Inventions and British Experience Lessen Submarine Menace.

British experience and American inventive genius have combined to reduce by 60 per cent the effectiveness of German submarines. At least two devices brought into the war by the United States navy—inventions of American scientists since the beginning of the war—have played a commanding part in attaining this result.

TREASON PROBE NOW PROBABLE

Senate Committee Favors La Follette Inquiry. Decide Today.

It is very probable that the Committee on Privileges and Elections will conduct an inquiry into the charges of disloyalty brought against Senator Robert M. La Follette. A decision will be made this morning.

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Unexploded Bomb Kills U. S. Soldier

American Field Headquarters in France, Oct. 4.—Despite express and repeated warnings an American private today picked up an unexploded bomb, intending to keep it as a souvenir. He mounted his horse and rode away. Suddenly the bomb exploded, killing the private. The horse was knocked down by the shock but was not even scratched.

MONSTER RALLY TO BOOST LOAN

Gathering Monday Will Be Addressed by Secretary Baker.

Secretary of War Baker is to be the principal speaker at the big mass meeting to be held at B. F. Keith's Theater at 12:15 Monday which is planned to give an impetus to the liberty loan campaign in the District. The committee announced last night.

U. S. WILL PREVENT SUPPLIES REACHING BORDER NEUTRALS

This Will Be Accomplished Through Control of Coal for Ships in Which Trade Order Germany Is Cut off From Aid

REFUSE VESSELS COAL YESTERDAY

The Exports Administrative Board yesterday issued an order refusing coal to all vessels bound for the border neutrals whether they are American vessels or not and whether or not their cargoes originate in the United States.

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MILITARY INSURANCE BILL PASSES SENATE

Amendment Increases Pensions of Widows of Former Wars.

By unanimous vote of seventy-one to none, the bill to insure the lives of American soldiers and sailors was passed last night by the Senate.

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New York, Oct. 4.—Mrs. Henry O. Havemeyer, suffrage worker, today denied the truth of a statement, composed of the Second Liberty Loan because of her suffrage activities.

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Three Interstate Commerce Commissioners were named last night by the Senate in executive session.

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American Schooner Attacked by U-Boat

London, Oct. 4.—The American schooner Annis F. Conlon was attacked by gunfire by a German submarine Wednesday morning off the Scilly Islands.

ISSUES PLEDGE TO HATE HUNS

American Defense Society Circulating Matter Against Germans.

Where I Stand Regarding Germany. In view of the repulsive and abhorrent character that this war has revealed in the people of Germany, as manifested in the ruthless conquest of smaller nations, "dirty" fighting, and the robbery, rape, and murder of helpless noncombatants, I hereby declare my personal and my family's relations with the people of Germany.

BOLO PASHA BRIBED

NO CITIZENS OF U. S.

Officials Deny Publishers Got "Slush Fund."

NEW I. W. W. PLOT IS NIPPED IN BUD

Plan Was to Overthrow U. S. Government with Aid of Russians.

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PACIFIC OCEAN HUNTING GROUND OF TWO RAIDERS

One French Vessel Also Victim of Teuton Ships Preying on Allied Commerce, Navy Department Declares.

TRAMP SEADLER STRANDED

Old "Terror of Merchantmen" Came to Grief and Was Abandoned by Crew on Second of August

Two German raiders are at large in the waters of the Southern Pacific.

SEADLER STRANDED

These two startling facts became known last night through an official announcement from the Navy Department describing the final fate of the Seadler, old terror of merchantmen.

MANILA A VICTIM.

The Navy Department's statement, issued through the committee on public information, follows:

WHEREABOUTS UNKNOWN.

This brief statement, epitomizing a wild raider's fate after a career shaming any of Stevenson's or Morgan's pirates, summarized information now available for the public.

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