

French and British Forces Combine in Big Offensive Movement Beyond Ypres

NEW DRIVE IS FORECAST BY ACTIVITIES ON WEST FRONT

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trawlers, and transports, paid a high price for occupation of Moon, Dago, and Oesel Island and seizure of mainland ground at Werder, east of Moon Island. It lost an unusual number of ships and failed, despite its preponderance in guns and number of vessels, to inflict any where nearly proportionate losses on the small Russian squadron.
London expects the Germans immediately to start their troops, landed at Werder, for a drive against Hapsal, twenty miles north, the first stage of a movement for capture of Reval, on the Gulf of Finland. That city, a naval base, is now being evacuated and stripped of everything of military value by the Russians.

Bits of news, which have leaked through a strict censorship during the past few days, continue to lend color to the reports of internal disturbances in Austria. A delayed report telling of the killing of 4,000 and the wounding of 10,000 in the great Austrian arsenal at Stiefeld on June 18 is considered significant.

These fatalities are charged to a series of explosions in the arsenal. Workers, who escaped with their lives, were forced by armed guards to return to their tasks.
Recent reports of mutiny among the land and naval forces of the central powers and riots and strikes in the munition plants would indicate that the explosion in the Austrian arsenal were of incendiary origin. The real facts may reveal conditions even worse than the Austrian reports now indicate.

FIFTY-ONE GERMAN PLANES BROUGHT DOWN BY ALLIED AVIATORS

LONDON, Oct. 23.—Fifty-one German aeroplanes, thirty-nine of them German, have been brought down, sent down out of control or otherwise destroyed since the Allied air offensive opened, according to reports from the British, French and German war offices today. Berlin claims that twelve Anglo-French aeroplanes and a captive balloon were downed, but the British airman accounted for thirty-two German planes and French airmen for seven since Saturday.

TWO DREADNAUGHTS LOST BY GERMANS; SLAV FLEET ESCAPES

PETROGRAD, Oct. 23.—Two German dreadnaughts, one cruiser, twelve torpedo boats, a transport and numerous mine sweepers were put out of action or lost in the engagement, which gave Germany control of Oesel, Moon and Dago islands with the adjacent bit of coast at Werder, according to a review of Russian naval operations made public today. The German naval squadron suffered from mines, torpedoes and the fire of Russian naval guns and shore batteries.
The marine department warmly praised the Russian fleet for its successful operations and the bravery of its crews against a German fleet which outnumbered it heavily.
The statement covered the entire activity of the Russian fleet from the time of the start of the German fleet in the Gulf of Riga to the escape through Moon Island sound of the Russian fleet.

They Say It's Not So Bad To Be Wounded

Any morning in the Bois de Boulogne, the principal park of Paris, one may encounter groups of crippled soldiers taking their exercise. And each group is pretty sure to encounter on its way such a good fairy as this.



LABOR AD LEADS TO RIOT THREAT; HOAX IS TO BLAME

When 125 workmen appeared at the Typographical Union Hall this morning and announced they were looking for a labor employment agent, it was first thought that they were from Baltimore and had been among those who answered an advertisement and were left stranded in the city. It developed later, however, that the Welsh Employment Agency of New York had ordered the men here to take work as skilled mechanics.
J. A. Walsh, manager of the agency appeared later and issued transfer cards to the men, practically all of whom carry union cards in locals in New York and other cities. Those in need will be assisted by local unions.

"T'WAS EVER THUS.
"Statesmen," said Plutarch, "are not only liable to give an account of what they say or do in public, but there is a busy inquiry made into their very meals, beds, marriage, and every other sportive or serious action." And Plutarch lived nearly 1,900 years ago!

U. S. IS WARNED OF BRITAIN'S GREAT NEED OF SHELLS

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The United States cast aside all plans and send as many men as possible overseas he represents a notion of allied strategy that make our visitors feel that the entry of the United States into the war may be an embarrassment instead of a help.
President's Words Justified.
Everything that has happened in the last six months tends to justify President Wilson's assertions that the entente belligerents need food and ships before they need men.
In deference to France tens of thousands of American troops are now in France, and they have helped immensely though they have not yet begun fighting. The critical moment has arrived, however, when it must be decided whether America shall give her entire attention to the building of an American army abroad and necessarily abandon some of the work she has been doing for the British or keep the English armies well supplied and gradually transport American troops overseas during a period of two years.
The time is coming when a show-down between the United States and the allies will be absolutely necessary.
The priority of food, munitions, ships, and men must be determined not only for the United States but will be diverted for British and French troops and the new American armies.
Cutting In Not Serious.
America has not yet made the mistake of seriously cutting in on the British munition supply, but if the eagerness of the military authorities here to make a record in transporting troops to Europe and to get to the battle line before the American forces can readily be assimilated is not quietly checked, the tendency to panic and haste will disorganize the entire line of the entente in the next six months.
The problem has been from the start to impose America's war program quickly on the supply organization of France and Italy and France had previously developed in the United States without embarrassing either. The British have more than enough tonnage for their own needs just as America can make more than enough munitions for her own armies, present and future.
But England unselfishly diverted millions of tons of shipping to France and Italy and the United States must do the same about munitions and food. The more troops the United States sends to France in the next six months, the more shipping needed to keep them fed and the more munitions America is tempted to pile up for the comparatively distant occasions when all these troops are ready for the front.
Careful Co-ordination Urged.
Careful co-ordination of the needs of the various belligerents is being urged on every side just now, especially because America's large armies are being mobilized and they naturally will chafe at long delays in getting to France.
Definite policies for priority of munitions and food are the prime consideration of the hour.
Conferences between the American war industries board and the British and French war missions ought to develop an understanding soon, though in many quarters the decisions are held to be of such importance as to need discussion by the allied council in Paris, at which, it has been announced, the United States will be represented.

WRESTLER ZYBSZKO FAILS IN ARMY PHYSICAL TEST

CAMP DEVENS, AYER, Mass., Oct. 22.—Waldok Zybszko, the well-known wrestler, has been rejected because of physical disability.
Zybszko, who is an Austrian reservist and twenty-four years old, is suffering from a bad ear.
He has two brothers in the Austrian army and claimed exemption on those grounds.

Vital Records of the District

- Deaths.**
Lee A. Craven, 31, and Lillian G. Harper, 35, both of Washington, D. C. The Rev. Eugene J. Moran, D. C. The Rev. Harry D. Mitchell.
Lee Deaton, 44, and Margaret W. Deaton, 40, both of Washington, D. C. The Rev. Harry D. Mitchell.
Maurice S. May, 28, and Dorothy H. Stephenson, 24, both of Washington, D. C. The Rev. P. C. O'Ryan.
Ralph H. Barry, 28, of Raleigh, N. C., and Hanna E. Barry, 24, of Spanish Fork, Utah. The Rev. James L. Gordon.
Rev. W. A. Jones, 28, of Smith Pacey, 18. The Rev. R. F. Richardson.
E. Carter, 21, and Martha Griffin, 19. The Rev. W. A. Jones.
J. E. Barnes, 24, and Winifred Carter, 22. The Rev. W. A. Jones.
G. P. Payne, 20, and Lillie M. Morrison, 20. The Rev. J. H. Burke.
The Rev. Samuel H. Greene.
Florence M. Mason, 20. The Rev. M. W. Clair.
W. Crump, 20, and Lucile King, 19. The Rev. J. Howard.
F. S. Martin, 17, and Frances E. Johnson, 17. The Rev. W. A. Jones.
F. J. Anart, 15, and Beulah Stewart, 22. The Rev. J. E. Willis.
- Deaths.**
Phoebe A. Ketch, 82 yrs., 400 Harrison st. n.w. Mary J. Downing, 74 yrs., 1011 Monroe st. n.w. Emma Robey, 74 yrs., 2nd and H sts. n.w. Louis D. Mattaw, 72 yrs., 12 F st. n.w. John McMurrison, 70 yrs., Emergency Hos. James W. Chaney, 68 yrs., Casualty Hos. Melton Stott, 41 yrs., Geo. Wash. Univ. Hos. Margaret M. Leman, 31 yrs., 203 1/2 st. n.w. Donald J. Lyle, 28 yrs., Walter Reed Gen. Hos. Joseph Dangelo, 26 yrs., 408 1/2 st. n.w. Henry Harshbarger, 23 yrs., Casualty Hos. Russell E. Talavolt, 20 mos., 1234 L. st. n.e. Elsie M. Gray, 19 yrs., 1234 L. st. n.e. Eugene Brown, 1 yrs., North Deanwood, D. C. Harrison Taylor, 1 yr., Freedmen's Hos. Infant of Aloysius and Dater Jenkins, 4 1/2 hour, Fort st., and Pierce pl., Garfield, D. C.
- DEATHS**
GRAY—On Sunday evening, October 21, 1917, at 5:55 o'clock, at the residence of her granddaughter, Mrs. J. C. Angus, Todd, 547 B street northwest, Mrs. AMANDA GRAY, widow of the late William Gray, of age 82 years. Mrs. Gray was the sister of Mrs. Martha D. Beckley, the only surviving member of the Booth family. She is also survived by four grandchildren, Mrs. Ethel T. Jones, Mrs. J. C. Jones, Mrs. E. Jones, and Alfred Peters.
Funeral will be held from Roberts Chapel, Alexandria, Va., Wednesday, 7 p. m. Funeral train will start from 963 B street at 11:45 p. m. Members and friends of the family are invited to attend.
GUTHRIE—On Sunday, October 21, 1917, at 12:06 a. m. THOMAS J. GUTHRIE, beloved husband of Alice L. Guthrie, died. Funeral from the chapel of W. R. Spear Company, 128 H street northwest, Tuesday, October 23, 1917, at 10 a. m.
MURPHY—On Monday morning, AGNES MURPHY (nee Duncan), beloved wife of the late William T. Murphy, Remains can be visited at Costello's undertaking parlors, H street northeast.
Funeral Tuesday morning, from St. Aloysius Church, where high requiem mass will be said at 9 o'clock.
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