

ENTENTE ARMY DEFEATED ON STRUMA RIVER

Break Before Bulgarian Attack and Flee Leaving 400 Dead on Field.

SERBIANS TAKE THE AGGRESSIVE

Recapture Hill Near Ostrovo, Taken by Bulgars in Initial Drive — Entente Center Subjected to Violent Attacks But Bulgarian Forces Have Been Re- pulsed—Allies Have Attempted No Forward Movement.

The Serbians are on the aggressive on the mountain ridge on the western end of the Balkan front, where they have stormed and captured a hill near Ostrovo lake, according to Paris dispatches. The Bulgarians took this position in their initial drive.

The Bulgarian war office announces an overwhelming defeat for the allied forces along the river Struma.

The entente center has been subjected to attacks, but the French statement announces that these have been repulsed. No forward movement has been reported by the allies in this region, which includes the Vardar valley, but the entente artillery is active, particularly in the Lake Dozra region.

Berlin dispatches indicate that Roumania's attitude is considered by the central powers as decidedly uncertain.

Activity on the Somme front, in northern France, seems to have slackened considerably, although the artillery is still being vigorously employed.

Constantinople reports that the Russians suffered heavily in Armenia, losing 3,000 men in their Ognot sector alone.

Petrograd announces the capture of Turkish regiments in the fighting on this front.

The drive of the Bulgarian army against the allied right flank on the Macedonian front apparently developed into a sharper clash with the entente forces and greater loss to the Turkish regiments, as indicated before, judging from the reports received from Sofia today. A severe defeat was administered to General Sarraff's troops along the Struma river on Aug. 21, the statement says.

The Bulgarians now have entrenched themselves on the eastern bank of the Struma and along the highway to Ostrovo, says the French report today. These positions lie in the way of the allied advance along the most direct route in Bulgaria.

Field Marshal von Hindenburg has taken the offensive northeast of Kovel. Petrograd reports the repulse of this attack.

In south Turkish Armenia the Russians are pushing their new offensive and report defeat of the fourth Turkish division in an engagement in the Mosul region, during which two thousand prisoners were surrounded and taken.

Berlin, Aug. 24.—Defeat of the entente forces along the Struma river, on the Macedonian front, was announced by the Bulgarian war office in a statement issued yesterday at Sofia.

The statement says the entente forces took flight, leaving the ground covered with dead and that up to the time the statement was issued the bodies of more than 400 had been counted. Large quantities of ammunition and supplies were captured by the Bulgarians.

The Bulgarian attack is proceeding against the Serbian positions near Lake Ostrovo, on the Macedonian front. The war office report today says the Bulgarians defeated Serbian counter attacks.

Dispute Russian Advance.

Sharp fighting continues in the Carpathian region, where Austrian and German troops are disputing Russian attempts to advance thru the passes to Hungary. In the Vienna headquarters report of Aug. 23, the German success north of Capul, where Russian positions were taken and 200 prisoners captured, is announced.

Further attacks by the Russians in the Jablonitz pass region, near Zable, were repulsed.

No Vigorous Offensive Attempted.

London, Aug. 24.—Neither the Bulgarians nor the entente forces on the Macedonian front attempted vigorous offensive actions yesterday. An official statement today says that artillery fighting continues.

On the Somme front in the neighborhood of Guillemont the Germans last night launched a strong attack in an effort to regain lost ground. The official statement issued here today says the attack was repulsed after a severe struggle in which the Germans sustained severe losses.

German Grenade Attacks Fail.

Paris, Aug. 24.—After an intense bombardment of the Soyecourt woods, the Germans attacked with grenades the French positions south of the Somme last night, but without avail, says today's war office statement. Positions between Fleury and Thiaumont, which had been taken by the French, were violently shelled.

German Steamship Captured.

Berlin, via Bayville, Aug. 24.—The capture of the German steamship Des-

tero, with a cargo of iron ore, was made by a Russian submarine flying the Swedish flag, says the Overseas News Agency. Dispatches from Stockholm say the Destero was seized in Swedish territorial waters, having on board a Swedish pilot who has now returned to Haparanda. The vessel was taken into Raumo, Finland.

This fragment of Swedish neutrality, the agency says, "has produced excitement in Sweden and embittered the feeling of the people."

Austrians Find Hidden Treasure.

Geneva, Aug. 24.—The Austrians, according to recent dispatches, have found the famous treasure of the Detchani monastery, near Cetinje, Montenegro, which the monks had buried upon the approach of the invaders. The accumulations were those of seven centuries, consisting of jewels and old coins of every generation since the thirteenth century, golden vessels and richly embroidered vestments. The value of the whole accumulation is estimated at several million pounds.

It is said, adds the dispatch, that a peasant betrayed to the Austrians the catacombs where the treasure was secreted.

Russian Torpedo Boat Damaged.

Berlin, Aug. 24.—A Russian torpedo boat of the largest and most modern type was badly damaged by an explosion off the Courland coast, Aug. 23, according to information received by the Overseas News Agency and given out today.

Turks Repulse Russians.

Constantinople, Aug. 24.—The repulse of a Russian attack on the Turkish positions along the eastern front, with a loss of 3,400 Russian troops, is reported in the Turkish official statement today. The announcement says: "On the Caucasian front on our right wing separate attacks on the Turkish advance positions were repulsed by counter attacks with considerable loss. In the Ognot sector alone the Russians lost 3,000 men and in front of the Turkish positions we counted 400 killed."

Air Raid on England.

London, Aug. 24.—The east coast of England was visited last night by a hostile airship which dropped bombs in the fields but did no damage. The official statement concerning the raid says: "A hostile airship crossed the east coast about midnight, dropping a number of incendiary and high explosive bombs were dropped in open fields. No damage or casualties were reported."

Heavy Firing Heard in North Sea.

Amsterdam, via London, Aug. 24.—Admiral von Tirpitz, in his statement from the Dutch island of Heligoland, in the North sea, says continued and heavy gun fire from the north has been audible all morning.

Mails on Two Steamers Seized.

Berlin, Aug. 24.—The Dutch steamers Ryndam and Prince Hendrik were forced to leave their mails in England, according to reports given out today from Amsterdam by the Overseas News Agency.

Greeks Still Resisting.

Athens, Aug. 24.—Greek troops are still resisting the Bulgarians at Seres, in northeastern Greece, notwithstanding the orders of the general staff that they retire. The Greeks are being reinforced rapidly by volunteers.

VON TIRPITZ WARLIKE.

Former German Naval Chief Demands War With United States.

Washington, Aug. 24.—Grand Admiral von Tirpitz, in his policy of unrestricted submarine warfare upon merchant craft, has issued a manifesto demanding war with the United States.

Information to this effect has been received by the state department and has caused considerable concern to the officials. Von Tirpitz insists in his statement that Germany is handicapped in the prosecution of her life-and-death struggle by the limitations imposed upon submarine operations by the German government, at the instance of the United States.

He argues that this country, in any case, is hostile to Germany and that the time has come to consider its wishes. He believes should the United States enter the war on the side of the allies it would do no harm to the German cause than it already has done.

Published in Berlin.

The text of the Von Tirpitz memorandum was published by the Berlin newspapers. The foreign correspondents were not permitted to transmit it to their papers. As a consequence only the neutral diplomats have been able to forward it by cipher messages and in their official mail pouches.

It is not believed by the authorities that the Kaiser will permit himself and his government to be influenced into the adoption of a hostile policy toward the United States. Nevertheless, it is considered highly significant that Von Tirpitz' manifesto and that at the same time the German authorities gave to the press the fact that the American government had made confidential inquiries in regard to a submarine attack on the American steamer Owego.

WEST INDIES SALE
MAY GO TO PEOPLE

Danish Landthing Adopts Resolution Postponing Sale to United States Until After War—Otherwise to Be Decided By Election.

Copenhagen, via London, Aug. 24.—Landthing sat in committee this afternoon and adopted a resolution that if not postponed until after the war the question shall be settled by general election. The resolution was adopted 32 to 7. Three members refrained from voting and thirteen were absent. This resolution will be submitted formally to the Landthing tomorrow at an open meeting.

King Christian received the leaders of the various parties today and thanked them for their efforts to form a coalition cabinet, although he said he regretted they had been unable to do so.

Declares Some Munitions Manufacturers Have Gone Bankrupt.

Washington, Aug. 24.—Senator Penrose, continuing his attack on the emergency revenue bill in the senate, today declared that instead of growing rich many munitions manufacturers have gone bankrupt. Assailing the proposed tax on manufacturers of munitions the senator said:

"The tax I suppose is levied on the enormous profits that are being made. I think it no exaggeration to say that a large majority of the manufacturers have not fared well; many

SETTLEMENT OF RAIL ROW NEAR

Indications at Washington That Peace Will Be Brought About.

OUTLOOK HOPEFUL AFTER CONFERENCE

President Wilson Confident He Has Forced Railroad Presidents and Man- agers to Yield to His Plan—Both Managers and Brotherhoods Feared to Break Off Negotiations Because of Public Sentiment.

Washington, Aug. 24.—After continued conferences today between the president and the select committee of railroad executives the situation surrounding the threatened permanent board of arbitration narrowed down to the following:

The presidents, at least the select committee of eight, are willing to take the eight-hour day insisted on by President Wilson and the trainmen.

In this they ask that they be assured as fully as possible that all proper support be given and proper means be used to assure them a freight rate increase from the interstate commerce commission.

They ask also that congress create a permanent board of arbitration like the Canadian commission to handle labor difficulties.

A commission of the kind would be empowered to look into labor troubles when they come up and no strike could be called or vote taken pending its investigation, a full report of which would be made public at its conclusion.

At the end of the investigation arbitration would be suggested but if not accepted opportunity would be given the men to take a strike vote. The balloting would be conducted by the federal board of mediation, the representatives of the men, who regarded them favorably. Judge Chambers then reported to President Wilson, and the select committee of railroad executives was summoned to the White House.

President Wilson is understood to feel some sympathy for the counter demands of the railroad managers and not adverse to having the men accept a permanent board of arbitration, but a vote of the 640 labor representatives here must be taken before they can receive the necessary endorsement.

Washington, Aug. 24.—After conferences with representatives of the employees and employers, Commissioner Chambers, of the federal mediation board, discussed the strike situation with President Wilson and made arrangements for a group of the railroad presidents to see Mr. Wilson immediately. There were reports that a settlement was in sight.

After the conference it was said the outlook was "more hopeful, if anything."

The president sent for the executives to accompany them to the negotiations being made by him in the negotiations.

Wilson Sees Victory.

President Wilson believes that he has won his fight to prevent a national railroad strike.

He received after dinner the railroad committee comprising Messrs. Holden, Lovett and Willard, and discussed the details which must be arranged before the settlement of the controversy can be announced. During the day he called congressional leaders to the White House to pave the way for the legislation necessary to put into effect the solution being perfected.

For the purpose of affecting the attitude of the president the railroad officials and the railroad employees are engaged in maneuvers which may have results different from what they expect.

Many Criticize Wilson.

Neither side wants a strike, but the railroad officials are giving out statements attacking and criticizing Mr. Wilson—former Secretary of War Dickinson, a democrat, who is ready for the Rock Island, is especially active in this respect—and the representatives of the brotherhoods are dwelling upon the revolt of a minority who want to leave Washington without further parleying and declare a strike.

As a matter of fact, neither the railroad officials nor the brotherhood representatives dare to assume the grave responsibility of terminating the negotiations which President Wilson is conducting. The majority of the brotherhood men are properly satisfied with the compromise submitted by Mr. Wilson to the roads.

The railroad officials are endeavoring to get what they can as compensation for the eight-hour day standard, which the president has described as a basic condition of negotiation.

TEUTONS READY FOR ROUMANIA

Ready to Carry War to New Territory If Occasion Demands.

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Berlin Dispatch Indicates Germany Has Concluded Roumania Has De- cided to Take Sides With Entente Allies — German Government Con- cludes Arrangements For Floating of Fifth War Loan.

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Information from Vienna indicates that the Austro-Hungarian government, bearing in mind the result of negotiations concerning Italy's claims before that nation entered the war, has been at no time disposed to offer Roumanian similar concessions, for fear that this would again be mistaken for a sign of weakness.

At this moment there is not discernible the slightest effort to persuade Roumania taking any course other than that she may have determined on.

Germany to Float New Loan.

London, Aug. 24.—Arrangements have been completed for the flotation of the fifth German war loan. An Exchange Telegraph dispatch from The Hague says the loan will be for 1,000,000,000 marks, the interest rate will be 5 per cent, as in the case of the previous loans. Subscriptions will be received up to Oct. 5. The issue price, the dispatch says, will be 98.

Count von Ruedern has taken measures to popularize the loan, which is described as the last "war bond" former issues of war bonds may be turned in as subscriptions.

The fourth German war loan was issued in March. It was sold at 98 1/2 as against 99 for the third loan. An issue price of 98 for the new bond would indicate that Germany is in common with other belligerents is being compelled to pay a higher price for its funds as the war goes on.

Considering French Protest.

Madrid, Aug. 24.—The recent note of the French government, neutralizing protesting the treatment of French inhabitants of Lille, Roubaix and Turcoing, by the Germans, will be made the subject of serious study by Premier Romanosoff, so as to permit him to act according to strict neutrality. The Spanish government will continue to other neutral nations regarding their attitude before giving France an answer.

IOWA GUARDSMEN ARE COMMENDED

Congratulated by General Parker For Conduct During Day and Night of Gulf Hurricane—Two Captains Or- dered Home For Recruiting Duty.

Brownsville, Tex., Aug. 24.—So pleased was General Parker with the conduct of the Iowa and other guardsmen of this regiment during the recent hurricane that he has issued a general order, in which he says:

"The district commander desires to congratulate the command on the fine spirit shown by the officers and men during the hurricane which raged on Aug. 18. The hardships incurred during the day and during the night were borne with cheerfulness, with no complaining, thus demonstrating a soldierly and martial spirit."

The order was read to each of the Iowa organizations.

Capt. R. B. Pike, of Company H, of Sioux City, and Capt. McKee J. Heffer, of Company D, Mason City, have been ordered to report to Des Moines next week for recruiting details. Both are from the Second Iowa regiment.

FARMERS FILE PROTEST.

Object to Discontinuance of Peddler Car Service.

Washington, Aug. 24.—Complaint against the action of western and northwestern lines in discontinuing peddler car service by which perishable commodities were sold from freight cars to consumers, was made to the interstate commerce commission today by the Nebraska farmers' union. It is charged that in discontinuing the practice the railroads have given preference to wholesale grocers and commission firms to the disadvantage of the grower and consumer.

Car peddling has prevailed in Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, Minnesota, Wisconsin, North and South Dakota, Illinois, Nebraska and other states.

BLIND BEGGAR DROWNS.

Chicago Mendicant Believed to Have
Been Murdered.

Chicago, Aug. 24.—"Blind Jimmy," who the police say, begged from \$8 to \$10 a day from Chicagoans, was thrown into Lake Michigan and drowned, according to a report which is under investigation today.

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SUGAR KING NEAR DEATH.

T. W. Havemeyer Adrift at Sea For Thirty Hours in Open Boat.

Los Angeles, Cal., Aug. 24.—Adrift at sea in an open boat, without food and water for thirty hours, battling to keep the boat from being blown further away from land, T. W. Havemeyer, millionaire sugar king of New York, was rescued in San Clemente channel and taken to Avalon, Catalina islands, almost exhausted.

Thru the night Havemeyer, who was first bilsted by the hot sun in the open boat and then chilled by the night wind, was in a precarious situation.

The engine of their thirty-foot craft broke down. When the launch failed to put into port friends of the millionaire became alarmed and spread the alarm. After several fast launches had searched for the missing boat and returned, believing Havemeyer and the boatman had been drowned, a launch with the disabled boat in tow came into Avalon.

WILL TRADE ZIMMERMAN.

Manager Tinker Determined to Dis- pose of Cub Third Sacker.

Chicago, Aug. 24.—Heinz Zimmerman, the hard hitting third baseman of the Chicago Nationals, will be traded to some National League club, Manager Tinker announced today, as a result of his 450 fine and ten days suspension yesterday. Tinker was quoted as stating he would resign if Zimmerman was not removed from the club. Manager McGraw of the Giants attempted to arrange a trade for Zimmerman yesterday but the deal failed when he refused to consider the transfer of Arthur Fletcher, the New York shortstop.

DOCTOR SHOT BY PATIENT.

W. B. Pomeroy Charged by James
Poulos With Assault.

Rock Island, Ill., Aug. 24.—Dr. W. B. Pomeroy, of Davenport, Iowa, was shot and it is believed, fatally wounded here yesterday afternoon by James Poulos, a former patient. Poulos after his arrest said that Pomeroy had attacked him following a dispute over a diagnosis and broken two of his ribs several weeks ago.

Six-Foot "Middy" Enlists.

Des Moines, Aug. 24.—The tallest man ever enlisted in the United States navy at Des Moines is John D. Nagel, of Washington, Ill., who towers into the air seventy-two and one-half inches. Nagel signed today and will be sent to the navy station near Chicago. Nagel is 18 years old.

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NEWS OF THE DAY

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MANY IMMUNE FROM PLAGUE

Majority of Children Not Susceptible to Infantile Paralysis.

FEW CASES RUN THRU FAMILIES

Statistics of Recent Epidemic Show Only 3.33 Per Cent of Cases Were Among Children Whose Brothers or Sisters Had Disease — Epidemic Shows Slight Decrease and Health Officials Are Hopeful Worst is Over.

New York, Aug. 24.—Health department officials were encouraged by today's reports on the infantile paralysis epidemic, which showed a substantial decrease in deaths and new cases. During the past twenty-four hours thirty-four children died and 104 were stricken. This compares favorably with yesterday's figures of forty-two deaths and 121 new cases.

The daily average of new cases thus far this week has been 111, as against 130 last week, and the death average unchanged at thirty-two. The number discharged as "recovered" now number 187.

More than half a million dollars has already been spent here in fighting the epidemic and caring for patients, health department officials estimated today.

Majority Are Immune.

Despite a belief that infantile paralysis seldom attacks more than one member of a family, figures prepared by the United States public health service shows that in 227 families here more than one child has had the disease. In more than 200 of these families only two children were afflicted. In twenty families three children have suffered attacks. In one family there were five cases.

Nevertheless the health officers assert that the average indicates that the great majority of children are not susceptible to the disease. In the first 7,000 cases only 3.33 per cent of the children were sisters or brothers of those who had the disease.

Most department stores are now refusing to permit the return of children's clothing or toys after having been delivered. The stores had been assured of returns of any kind from buildings in which cases of paralysis have occurred. The department of health, however, has made no ruling on this matter.

IMPROVE MAIL SERVICE.

Government to Hurry Delivery Letters to Soldiers on Border.

San Antonio, Tex., Aug. 24.—In order that the soldiers on the border may get the fastest possible service on their mail, the postoffice department has sent an efficiency expert to San Antonio.

"The postoffice department realizes what an enormous volume of mail has been thrown on the postoffices of the border towns," said the expert. "There is a little postoffice at Lano Grande, Texas, now handling 14,000 pieces of mail a day while before the soldiers came the daily run was four pieces."

Attempt to Rob Chief.

Des Moines, Aug. 24.—Two highway men attempted to hold up Chief of Police Edward Jackson last night. One of the men was shot by the police in the struggle but both got away. Today Greasley Prince, 24, colored, is in jail in connection with the attack.

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DEUTSCHLAND SAFE AT HOME

German Merchant Submar- ine Arrives at Bremen Slightly Damaged.

CAPTAIN KOENIG FETED AS HERO

Commander Summoned to Visit Em- peror Wilhelm and Tell of His Trip —Vessel Encounters Rough Seas But Behaves Well—Compelled to Sail 100 Miles Out Coming to Surface— Matters of Movements of Wilhelm.

London, Aug. 24.—The Deutschland turned home slightly damaged, according to an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from The Hague. The members of the crew were unwilling it add, to give details of the return voyage. The arrival of the submarine surprised her owners, as she was not expected to dock within a week.

Return of the German submarine Deutschland from the United States is corroborated in dispatches from Bremen. The Deutschland is said to have traveled 4,000 miles on her homeward voyage. At the beginning the sea was tempestuous, but later it became more calm. The Deutschland proved to be able to navigate the stormy seas excellently. Her engines worked faultlessly. No icebergs were passed on the journey. The American government, it says the dispatch, acted in a correct manner as a neutral vigorously enforcing respect of its own frontier by the employment of its own men of war. After a British cruiser entered Chesapeake at night more effective measures were taken to enforce neutrality. No less than eight British warships were on the alert to catch the Deutschland. A distance of 100 miles was traveled under water without difficulty.

Takes Same Route.

The departure for America a week ago of the German submarine Deutschland was reported in a dispatch from Bremen to The Hague. It was said the owners of the Deutschland and the Bremen received word seven days ago concerning the progress of the Deutschland.

The Deutschland took the same route on both her voyages, the dispatch says. Capt. Paul Koenig is being feted as a national hero and has been summoned to Emperor Wilhelm's headquarters to report on his voyage.

The Deutschland, a German super-submarine, which would be able to defy the British blockade, was announced that she would be followed shortly by the Bremen, a sister ship. The Deutschland left Baltimore on her return journey on Aug. 1 with a cargo of rubber and metal.

GERMAN SHIP LEAVES BOSTON.

Refugee Willhead on Mysterious Trip —May Be Seeking Bremen.

Boston, Aug. 27.—The North German Lloyd liner Willhead, which has been in refuge here since the outbreak of the war, slipped out of the harbor early today, presumably for New London, Conn., for which port she obtained clearance papers last night. Officials of the line assured the change was made to reduce docking charges and denied there was any connection with the Willhead's movements and the expected departure of the German submarine Bremen.

The Willhead went out under the flag of the German merchant marine, the first time it had been carried out of Boston harbor since the war began. Her crew, a full complement, in command of Captain Harting, had been augmented by additions from the several other ships of the line here.

The vessel departed in the early hours as cheers rang out from the decks of other refugee vessels.

Captain Harting, the pilot, who took the steamer out of the harbor, said she was bound for New London and would make the passage thru the Cape Cod canal. Those aboard, he said, acted as if they were on a routine trip, and professed to know no special service to be rendered at her destination. The Willhead, a cargo steamer of 4,761 tons, was the smallest of the refugee ships at this port.

To Keep Within Limit.

The Willhead is making the voyage under charter to the Eastern Forwarding Company, American agents of the German company which is operating the merchant submarines, according to C. H. Kuhlwein, local agent of the North German Lloyd line. Virtually the entire voyage would be within the three-mile limit, he said.

Amsterdam, Aug. 24.—According to a dispatch from Berlin, Emperor William has sent the following telegram to the owners of the submarine Deutschland: "With sincere pleasure I have just received news of the safe return of the submarine liner Deutschland. I heartily congratulate the owners and builders of the vessel and the brave seamen under Koenig's command."

The emperor will bestow decorations on the members of the Deutschland's personnel.

Koenig Grateful to U. S.

Berlin, Aug. 24.—The Vossische Zeitung published an interview with Capt. Paul Koenig, of the Deutschland, who expresses appreciation of the attitude of the United States government in taking every measure to prevent violation of neutrality in the departure of the Deutschland.

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