

GERMANY FAILS TO DISAVOW SINKING OF ARABIC IN NEW NOTE

SITUATION IS NOT CRITICAL, SAY OFFICIALS

Assure United States Citizens Will not be Endangered in Future.

WITHHOLD FULL SATISFACTION

Lansing to Take Matter Up With Von Bernstorff Late This Week—Inform Him of Points America Wants Cleared Up.

Washington, Oct. 4.—Although Germany's new note on the Arabic case is not entirely satisfactory to the United States, the situation is not considered critical at this time.

The view held by President Wilson and state department officials on the note handed to Secretary Lansing in New York Saturday by Count von Bernstorff, German ambassador, is that it is not specific enough on points insisted on by Wilson.

These are the disavowal of the sinking and assurance that the act will not be repeated and proper reparation.

A careful reading of the note delivered by the German ambassador has convinced the administration officials that negotiations on the question are possible and that there still is reason to hope Germany will, in the end, accede to the wishes of the United States.

The note will not be answered formally immediately, but Lansing, at a conference later this week with the German ambassador, will inform him of the points the United States wants cleared up.

It is understood that the note gives satisfactory assurances that Americans traveling on unarmed liners will not be endangered by submarine attack in the future, but satisfactory disavowal of the sinking of the Arabic is not given.

NINE MINERS ARE RESCUED ALIVE

Lansford, Pa., Oct. 4.—The nine miners entombed in the Leigh colliery and navigation colliery at Coaldale last Monday were rescued alive last night.

SEVERE QUAKE IS REGISTERED

Buffalo, N. Y., Oct. 4.—The seismograph at Canisus college here yesterday registered the most severe earthquake since the instrument was installed seven years ago.

New York, Oct. 4.—The seismograph at Fordham university here recorded earthquakes, apparently 2,000 miles distant at 9 o'clock Saturday night and again at 2 o'clock yesterday morning.

LINER ASHORE ON CAPE PRICH

London, Oct. 4.—The Nelson liner, Highland Warrior, 7,485 tons, bound from London for Buenos Aires, is ashore on Cape Prich, near Corunna, Spain, according to a dispatch received by Lloyds from the Land's End wireless station.

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Nothing else is as good.

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They are imitated—but imitation always lacks the merit of the value standard—the ring of pure gold.

Fight shy of the store-keeper whose taste runs to imitations.

When you see a staple article advertised in this newspaper ask for it by name and insist on getting what you ask for.

THE WEATHER

North Dakota: Generally fair, tonight and Tuesday. Cooler tonight in east and south portions, with frost.

UNIVERSITY READING

7:30 a. m. to 8:30 a. m. minimum 33; maximum 55; north-west wind, 20 miles; barometer 30.09.

MINNEAPOLIS SETTLES FATE OF THE SALOON

Option Election Today May Make Mill City Dry—400 Saloons are Affected.

Minneapolis, Oct. 4.—Dry leaders are struggling in the downtown precincts today to stem the tide of alleged illegal voting and other violations of the election law.

W. A. Koon, challenger for the drys in the Gateway Park precinct, reported that his challenges had been ignored and that 20 men had rushed past him to cast votes in the first three hours, without answering the questions the law gives the challenger the right to ask.

Dr. W. E. Paul, dry leader in the Sixth ward, reported that the wets were hauling voters to the polls by the wholesale in that part of town, contrary to the corrupt practices act.

"This weather won't hurt us a bit," said George H. Selover, chairman of the drys organization committee. "It is good for the country districts, because the farmers cannot work to advantage and they will be sure to get around and vote."

Called attention to the fact that even the weather man had gone wet, and said early reports were favorable.

Minneapolis, Oct. 4.—Whether Minneapolis, with more than 325,000 inhabitants, shall retain its 400 licensed saloons will be decided at the polls today after one of the most spectacular campaigns in the history of the northwest. The election will be held in Hennepin county (Minneapolis) under the county option law passed by the last legislature without a single vote to spare, but since its enactment more than two-score of the 86 counties in the state have voted "dry."

Only seven counties have voted in favor of licensed saloons.

Practically all of the saloons within Hennepin county limits are in Minneapolis.

The campaign, which began only a few weeks ago with the filing of a petition with county authorities demanding an election, has brought forth all conceivable means of placing arguments for and against prohibition before the public.

With an apparent liberal working fund at hand, the Business Men's Educational league, which hopes to retain the saloons, has carried on a consistent campaign from its headquarters in which a large staff of clerks has been employed. It was reported that one week's payroll passed the \$20,000 mark.

The league has held meetings in school houses all over the city. In all public halls, imported speakers from other states, has made automobile speaking tours of the city, has sent literature broadcast explaining why prohibition should be rejected, and has become paralyzed if saloons are voted out from that region, both sides endeavoring to secure vantage points. Success here, as in other parts of the state, is apparently varying, although the allies are holding virtually all the ground they gained in last week's thrust.

Other Thrusts Planned.

That other similar thrusts will take place before long is the settled conviction of military writers, who see in the repeated bombardments of the German positions on the Belgian coast by British ships and big French guns, and air raids over the German lines, evidence of another storm brewing.

Naturally it will take some days to prepare as the guns which now play such a large part in the campaign have to be brought up and this is no easy matter after the heavy rains, particularly in the low countries of Flanders and Artois.

The air raid in Champagne Saturday by sixty-five French aeroplanes is the biggest enterprise of the kind ever undertaken in the world.

The German report, have lost the airship Alsace, which was mentioned a few days ago in the official communication as being valuable work.

Eastern Front Unchanged.

Although fighting continues, there is little or no change in the situation along the eastern front. The Russians, while being forced back at one or two points, are themselves pressing the Germans at other points, particularly to the east of Vilna, where Field Marshal von Hindenburg's drive toward Minsk has been checked.

There is no further word of the reported Austro-German attack on Serbia or of the operations in Gallipoli. The Austrians in the Caucasus following the lead of the British in Mesopotamia, are taking a more active offensive against the Turks.

CUSTOM FIGURES ARE MOUNTING

Winnipeg, Man., Oct. 4.—Custom collections at the port of Winnipeg for the month of September were announced today at \$499,075.89, as compared with \$466,595.35 for September a year ago.

This increase indicates that war-time conditions are very satisfactory, the increase being about the normal gain as shown by figures for the past few years.

Customs officials believe the collections for the month of October will greatly exceed those for the same period last year, as the business conditions are generally improved this fall.

GENERAL ELECTRIC MEN GO ON STRIKE

About Half of Employees Walk Out—Eight Hour Day is Wanted.

Schenectady, N. Y., Oct. 4.—Five thousand of approximately 10,000 union employees of the General Electric company plant went on strike today for an eight hour working day. There was no violence. The other organized workers are considering striking.

Two British Monitors Hit by German Planes

Berlin, Oct. 4.—It is officially announced that two British monitors have been damaged before Lapanne by German naval airships.

HUNGARIAN WAR LOAN Will Bear Six Percent

Berlin, Oct. 4.—The forthcoming Hungarian war loan, according to Overseas News Agency, will bear six per cent interest and will be issued at 95-100. It will be redeemable in 1920.

RUSSIAN ULTIMATUM TO BULGARIA FORCES BALKAN STATE TO SHOW ITS HAND; MUST BREAK WITH KAISER, SAYS PETROGRAD

NEW CRUISERS FOR U. S. NAVY GIVEN APPROVAL

Success of Type in European War Responsible For Action.

Washington, Oct. 4.—President Wilson, Secretary Daniels and Chairman Fagett of the house naval committee, decided at a conference at the White House that the naval program for the coming session of congress shall include the addition of battle cruisers to the American fleet. The navy now has none.

The conference on naval estimates lasted more than an hour. Afterward, Secretary Daniels said the program had not been completed and he is not ready to make any announcement as to what increases he would recommend to congress.

Daniels said, however, that the report made to him by the naval constructor, McBride, who returned from England last week after investigating naval lessons of the war, had convinced him that fast warships of a powerful type are absolutely essential to a well balanced navy, toward which his recommendations will trend.

He refused to say how many submarines he would like to provide, but indicated his opinion that the submarines will be recognized by important additions.

Daniels is expected to have his estimate ready October 15.

REPORTS ON LOAN INDICATE SUCCESS

No Subscriptions to Underwriting to be Taken After Tomorrow.

New York, Oct. 4.—An announcement indicating the success of the Anglo-French loan was made by J. P. Morgan & Co. to effect that no subscriptions to the underwriting will be received after 10 o'clock tomorrow.

WAUGH A PRIVATE IN HOME GUARD

Winnipeg, Man., Oct. 4.—Mayor R. D. Waugh, in the service of the King of England, enlisting as a member of the newly created military division, the home guard.

Service in this branch permits the recruits to spend their time in their usual pursuits, giving over a part of their time, however, to drills.

Many prominent Winnipeg citizens are enlisting in the home guards, with the result that civic leaders, leading financiers, etc., are now at the front of the military ladder in the form of privates.

It is expected 800 to 1,000 Winnipeggers will enlist in the company.

CANADIAN SOLDIERS STAYED TILL LAST

Winnipeg, Man., Oct. 4.—Canadian soldiers, who were among the contingent of wounded soldiers aboard the Hesperian when that liner went to the bottom, are again the subject of the military leader in the form of privates.

Private T. L. Cavanaugh of the Princess Patricia's, who has just returned, says the Canadian soldiers, despite their wounds, were the last to leave the ship, and many of the men died of shock and children in the life boats.

Cavanaugh was wounded in the battle at Hill No. 60, a rifle bullet shattering the bone of his right arm just above the elbow, passing into his body and lodging near the kidneys. For a long time, his life was despaired of. His father is a prominent local resident.

MEXICANS AND CAVALRY BATTLE

Brownsville, Tex., Oct. 4.—The United States cavalry patrol and a half dozen Mexicans had a running fight yesterday near La Feria, about thirty miles up the Rio Grande from here.

The Mexicans tried to ambush the Americans but failed. There were no known casualties on either side.

NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN MALINOFF AND MINISTERS

London, Oct. 4.—A dispatch from Sofia to the Reuter Telegram company says that M. Malinoff, leader of the Bulgarian democrats, has been designated by all the opposition parties to treat with the ministers of the entente powers. The democratic leader, to whom full liberty of action is given, already has begun pourparlers, according to the dispatch.

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BAY STATE BATTLE INTERESTS NATION



Gov. David Walsh (top) and Samuel W. McCall.

The whole country is watching with deep interest the fight for the governorship now being waged in Massachusetts.

David Walsh, democrat, and Samuel W. McCall, republican, last year's candidates, are again pitted against each other. Walsh won last year.

SEEK TO CLOSE WINNIPEG BARS

Social Service League Makes Demand on the Norris Government.

Winnipeg, Man., Oct. 4.—The fight to suspend all liquor licenses in Winnipeg for the balance of the fall and winter, with war as the excuse for such step, will reach its climax either today or tomorrow, when officers of the Manitoba Social Service council will present their petition to officers of the Manitoba government.

The removal of liquor is being sought on several pleas, one of these being the fact that between 6,000 and 10,000 Canadian soldiers will be billeted in Winnipeg during the entire winter season, and that the temptation to drink should be removed from them.

A test of public opinion will come late this week when a mass meeting of citizens will be held. At that time, thorough discussion of the situation is anticipated, and the Social Service league is hopeful of securing endorsement for its movement.

The petition, prepared for presentation to the Norris cabinet, proposes the abolishment of the bars in the interests of economy and temperance, and declares the wartime needs such that they should be removed from them.

Should the league succeed in this movement, it probably would mean the closing of bars in Winnipeg for all time as the province will, next March, vote on the question of general prohibition. Success for that election would then close all saloons immediately.

For the purpose of conducting their campaign, Manitoba drys have started raising a fund of \$50,000. They anticipate this will be sufficient to promote the work. The campaign will be made effective, especially on Winnipeg, by a series of mass meetings that will extend throughout the winter period.

Work in the rural provinces will be delayed till after Christmas.

LIGNITE TESTS TO BE CONDUCTED

Winnipeg, Man., Oct. 4.—Tests to determine the value of lignite deposits in western Manitoba will be conducted at Souris, Man., where the government intends establishing an experimental station, similar to that operated at Hebron, N. D., by the state of North Dakota.

Manitoba has extensive lignite deposits, and successful commercialization of the products will mean big things for the district. The production of gas from lignite is to be the principal object sought in the government plan.

Another work that will be conducted by the government will be that of classifying peat of which there is a great deal in the province, big peat fields being located north of Winnipeg.

The Manitoba public utilities commission will conduct the work.

ALLIES WILL NOT WAIT BULGARIA'S CONVENIENCE; TROOPS WILL STRIKE IMMEDIATELY IF ANSWER IS NEGATIVE

London, Oct. 4.—Bulgaria must make her choice for an open alliance with the central powers and Turkey, or for neutrality. When her decision will be made known publicly rests with the censors, but it is regarded as unlikely that there will be a delay in satisfying the widespread anxiety to know the best or the worst.

There is a marked division of opinion in London as to which side King Ferdinand and Premier Radoslavoff will choose. Notwithstanding the signs of hostility toward Serbia on the part of Bulgaria, the opinion is expressed by some well informed diplomats that Bulgaria will not fight and that even though the government should elect to do so, the Bulgarian people would resist such policy.

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The reports from Paris, Bucharest and Athens of the concentration of the Entente troops on the Serbian frontier is correct, the promptitude with which Russia has taken up the German challenge is explained. According to these reports, Field Marshal von Mackensen has quit the eastern front and now is near the Serbian border at the head of 250,000 troops and Austrian troops, with 2,000 cannon. It is represented that he is ready to repeat against Serbia his plan movements which cleared the Russians out of Galicia. In addition to this force Bulgarians numbering 350,000 have been massed along the eastern border of Serbia.

If the action by the entente powers should become necessary when Bulgaria makes final disclosure of her intentions, this action would be undertaken by troops which are now in readiness to take the field simultaneously with the forces of Greece. The opinion is expressed here that prompt movement such as would be undertaken against Serbia was conceived, Russia has brought the German advance almost to a standstill, and claims now to hold the initiative along most of the front.

British military writers affect to see in this situation great danger to Germany and Austria. They argue, that plans must have been laid weeks ago, when it was supposed that the German armies likely would force a decision in the east, before the unexpected mobilization of Greece and formidable offensive of the allies on the west.

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Greece Disposes of All Doubt as to Her Intention; Will Side With Entente Allies

Athens, Greece, Oct. 4.—All doubt as to entrance of Greece in the war on the side of the entente allies has been disposed of. The official organ of the government says that the landing of French troops at Salonika is for the purpose of assisting Greece.

Concentration of Bulgarian Armies Begun on Serbian Frontier; Use 350,000 Men

Paris, Oct. 4.—Concentration of Bulgarian armies has begun, according to a dispatch from Athens, under yesterday's date, to the Herald News agency.

The correspondent asserted he had authoritative information to this effect. The total of men of the Bulgarian army engaged in this movement is estimated at 350,000.

French Troops North of Arras Continue Gains, With Aeroplane Activity Still Undiminished

Paris, Oct. 4.—French troops have continued to make progress to the north of Arras, according to the announcement issued by the French war office this afternoon.

There has been almost continuous fighting between the trenches, accompanied by artillery exchanges, in the vicinity of Nouvron and Quennewater.

There also has been artillery fighting in the Champagne district. A squadron of French aeroplanes has thrown down some 40 shells of heavy calibre on the railroad station at Metz.

In the forest of Givency at Hill No. 119, the French have occupied crossroads at five important points.

Russian Minister Leaves Sofia Today if Bulgars Fail to Announce Central Empires

Petrograd, Oct. 4.—Unless Bulgaria has conceded fully to the demands of Russia concerning the breaking off of relations with the central powers by 2 o'clock this afternoon, the Russian minister at Sofia and his staff will leave today.

However, as Russia draws a distinction between the Bulgarian government and the Bulgarian people, no repressive measures will be adopted against Bulgarian subjects in Russia.

Even Madrioff, the Bulgarian minister to Russia, will not be expelled. He will be permitted to remain undisturbed, although no official relations will be maintained with him as a representative of King Ferdinand.

The foreign office explains the fact that Russia alone sent an ultimatum to Bulgaria is due to voluntary recognition on the part here that allies of this nation's preponderance in the Balkans, and of her moral claim upon the gratitude of the Balkan peoples.

Whether England, France and Italy will withdraw their representatives at Sofia if Russia takes this action, has not been decided.

Russia felt compelled to make this movement in view of the failure of all efforts to bring pressure through other means on King Ferdinand.

It is the view of the Russian government that the recall of its minister would convince the Bulgarian people that King Ferdinand's policy is dangerous.

Say Gas Attack is Reason for Victory

Chicago packing interests would protest the seizure.

Four German Attempts Are Repulsed by French

Paris, Oct. 4.—The repulse of four German attempts to retake lost trenches between Souchez and the woods of Givency and of a similar attack to the north of Messin are reported in the official statement given out by the war office yesterday afternoon.

That the German bombardment of the rear of the French lines in the valley of the Stuppes with phosphorizing shells and that the French artillery on its part reduced a number of the enemy's batteries to silence. Elsewhere the night was calm. The text of the communication follows:

Between Souchez and the woods of Givency, the enemy attempted in four hand grenade assaults to retake some portions of the trenches which he had lost. He was everywhere repulsed.

In the Champagne, a German counter attack against the positions which we captured on October 1, to the north of Messin was likewise thrown back.

The enemy bombarded the rear of our front, particularly in the valley of the Stuppes continuously with phosphorizing shells. Our artillery took opposing batteries to task and reduced a number of them to silence.

On the remainder of the front the night was calm.

Turkish Artillery Fires on Cruiser

Constantinople, Oct. 4.—An official statement issued at the Turkish war office says:

"Our artillery hit an enemy cruiser which was unaccountably bombarded on the coast of the Black Sea."

Announcement has been made that

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