

GERMANS ADVANCE; RUSSIANS RETREAT

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In Poland and the Carpathians Battles Continue, but Details are Lacking—Austrians Report Repulse of Muscovites in the Carpathian Mountains—Invaders Have Attacked the Allies in Argonne Section Along the Vosges, and Nieuport and the District Along the Yser Have Been Heavily Bombaraded.

A strong German movement has begun in East Prussia where very large German forces have been concentrated, contemporaneously, the Russians are retreating from the Mazurian lake district to their own frontier. The Russian general staff admits this in its official statements and possibly these new offensive operations are those to which a Berlin despatch recently referred as impending and as promising decisive results and perhaps a big victory.

SERBIAN ARMY STILL HAS STRENGTH OF 220,000, AND IS WELL SUPPLIED WITH WAR MATERIALS AND FOOD.

Sofia, Feb. 11.—The Serbian army still has a strength of 220,000 men, well supplied with war materials and food. One of the diplomats at Nish, during the course of an interview said: "The Serb in the operations, after the failure of the Austrian offensive in December, has given the Serbian government an opportunity to put its forces in good shape. I will not say that the army is as good today as it was in August, but it is certainly a great improvement. The Serbians are well supplied with food, clothing, and other necessities. The Austrian offensive against the Serbians is looking to America for supplies."

NIEUPORT BOMBARDED BY THE GERMANS But They Did Not Succeed in Doing Any Material Damage.

Paris, Feb. 11, 10.40 p. m.—The following official communication was issued by the war office tonight: "The enemy has strongly bombarded Nieuport and the banks of the Yser, but has not succeeded in doing any material damage. Our artillery has responded effectively."

BATTLE FOLLOWS BATTLE ON THE EASTERN FRONT. Russia is Coping With Germany, Austria and Turkey.

London, Feb. 11, 9.30 p. m.—Battle is following battle on the eastern front, where Russia is meeting the onslaught of the forces of Germany, Austria and Turkey. The Russians have held their own against the attack of the enemy's army, which attempted last week to break through to Warsaw and apparently have checked the Austro-German offensive in the Carpathians. They are now called upon to defend the positions which they have won in East Prussia and in the Carpathians.

GERMANS CONCENTRATING IN EAST PRUSSIA Where They Have Started an Offensive Movement.

Petrograd, Feb. 11.—The following statement from the general staff of the Russian commander-in-chief was made public tonight: "It has been definitely established that the Germans are concentrating very great forces in East Prussia. These forces have started an offensive movement in the direction of Wilkowo (north of Augustow) and Lyck. The presence of units composed of new recruits from central Germany is being reported by the press."

WAR TAX PROCLAIMED IN CANADIAN PARLIAMENT Covers Nearly Every Phase of Commerce and Industry.

Ottawa, Ont., Feb. 11.—A drastic war tax on many commodities was proclaimed in the Canadian parliament this afternoon by Finance Minister W. T. White. Bank circulation, the business of loan and fire insurance companies is taxed. A stamp tax is applied to business and banking transactions, to newspaper advertising, to the telegraph and cable messages and patent medicines. There is a customs tariff increase covering the general and special dutiable, and the free list of imports is virtually wiped out. In some cases the tax is applied from the beginning of this year; in others it is applied from today and in some cases it will be applied in the near future. The special war tax in the form of increased customs charges is applied from today. It is seven and a half per cent on the general and intermediate tariff rates and five per cent increase on British preferential rates. In the case of goods now on the free list there will be hereafter a customs charge of seven and a half per cent on goods from the United States and elsewhere, with the exception of Great Britain and colonies, and the preferential list where the charge will be five per cent.

"Our troops keeping the enemy in check are retreating from the Mazurian lake toward our frontier."

"On the right bank of the Vistula some small encounters have taken place in the direction of Myszkow towards Ostroleka and in the region of Serepki on the Skirva river. There have been no cannonades."

ELECTION FRAUDS CASES IN KENTUCKY Postponed Because of the Murder of a Brother of One of the Counsel.

Pikeville, Ky., Feb. 11.—After hearing 21 cases of election fraud in Kentucky today, Circuit Court Judge Robertson today adjourned court until Monday, Feb. 15, at which time the trial of Butler by John Hall, a negro, Butler is the brother of former Judge John P. Butler, who is contest for some of the 110 men whose cases are being heard. Hall shot Butler because the latter had hitched his horse to Hall's fence. He then escaped to the hills, where he was pursued and captured by a posse. Feeling ran so high against the negro that a lynching was narrowly averted. In the cases tried there were four convictions, the men being fined from \$20 to \$100 and disgraced. The convicted were dismissed on demurrers to their indictments, one man was dismissed because the indictment was meant for another, and in the other case the jury failed to return a verdict.

Cabled Paragraphs

Emperor William Goes to Eastern War Front.

Berlin, via Amsterdam to London, Feb. 11.—Emperor William has announced that Emperor William has as yet left for the eastern war front.

WAR BETWEEN CANADA AND U. S. IMPOSSIBLE.

Statement by Former President Taft in Address on Monroe Doctrine.

Toronto, Feb. 11.—The largest gathering in the history of the Canadian club heard William Howard Taft's address on the Monroe Doctrine today. Introducing him, Leslie Wilson, president of the club, acknowledged the debt of Canada to the Monroe Doctrine, which he said, had simplified his country on no other than one occasion.

War between Canada and the United States is impossible, Taft declared, referring to the one hundred years of peace. He alluded to the fact that the Geneva convention awarding \$10,000,000 to the United States. "You don't like it, England didn't like it, but you like 'good sports,' declared Mr. Taft. "And we have had difficulty in distributing it ever since."

Similarly the United States did not like to pay the \$5,000,000 she was obliged to pay by fisheries arbitration. But she paid it.

As to the policy of the United States toward the countries of Europe now at war, Mr. Taft said:

"You know President Wilson's policy. I'm loyal to the president and behind him in all his policy."

He sympathized with Canada in the struggle for peace, which he said he would endeavor to bring about, and then turned to the discussion of his subject proper, the Monroe Doctrine.

FORMER BOER GENERAL CHARGED WITH CONSPIRACY.

To Violate American Neutrality by Promoting Military Operations in Mexico.

Los Angeles, Calif., Feb. 11.—General of the Boer army against the British in the South African war and was chief minister of the Boer government when the Mexican revolution began in 1912, was released under bond today to appear on February 18 for examination on the charge of conspiracy.

EDUCATIONAL CONDITIONS IN MASSACHUSETTS Do Not Warrant Establishment of a University Correspondence Course.

Boston, Feb. 11.—Educational conditions in this state do not warrant the establishment of a university correspondence course in the opinion of President Lawrence A. Lowell of Harvard, who headed the legislative committee on education today. Dr. Lowell opposed the plan of Governor Walsh, which was introduced yesterday, for the establishment of a state correspondence university. It was pointed out that the commission on education in Massachusetts is not to be established until the next session of the legislature.

TO PROTEST SEIZURE OF WILHELMINA'S CARGO Owners Given Assurance of Government Protection.

New York, Feb. 11.—Norman Lindheim, of counsel for the owners of the Wilhelmina cargo, today received assurances from the state department that, in the event that the cargo is seized, the government will protect the cargo. The state department is of the opinion that the seizure of the cargo is a violation of international law and that the state department will take all necessary steps to protect the cargo.

BURGLARS TAKE AWAY PRIZE WATCHDOG With \$7,000 Worth of Jewelry at Brookline, Mass.

Brookline, Mass., Feb. 11.—Burglars today stole a prize watchdog and \$7,000 worth of jewelry from the home of Dana De Cordova today. The dog was named 'Pat' and was a prize dog. The jewelry included diamonds and pearls.

TO RENDER ALL AID POSSIBLE TO THE SPANISH MINISTER Secretary Bryan Instructs Consul Canada at Vera Cruz.

Washington, Feb. 11.—Secretary Bryan cabled to Consul Canada at Vera Cruz tonight to render all aid possible to the Spanish minister in Mexico. The consul is to be of special assistance to the minister in his determination to press the ship purchase bill, even to the point of calling an extra session of congress if the measure was blocked until March 4.

6,289 New Cases of Insanity in New York Last Year.

New York, Feb. 11.—Homer Polk, secretary of the state charities aid association, declared in a statement today that 6,289 new cases of insanity were committed to New York state institutions last year, bringing the total to 33,518.

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Condensed Telegrams

The Pennsylvania Rubber Co. of Pittsburgh resumed operations.

Horn, the bridge dynamiter continues to receive a vast amount of mail.

William Ross of New York choked to death by hurriedly eating a piece of beefsteak.

The Graine State Dairyman's Association held its annual meeting at Manchester, N. H.

Chester W. Witters, vice-president of the Central Vermont Railway, died of pneumonia, aged 79.

Fire destroyed the cotton plant of the Texas Compress Co. at Ballinger, Tex., at a loss of \$100,000.

Allen M. Barrett, of Troy, N. Y., a railway man, arrested on a charge of robbing the mails.

Direct steamship service between New York and Montevideo and Buenos Ayres, will be started March 19.

The Bessemer and Lake Erie ordered 5,000 tons of steel rails from the United States Steel Corporation mills.

A bill forbidding employment for wages of children under 14, was passed by the Alabama House. It goes to the Senate.

The Southern Pacific Railroad resumed operation of trains between Cananea, Mexico and the United States border.

State Senator Ogden L. Mills introduced a bill providing for the creation of a Department of Markets in New York City.

The Salvation Army turned over to the Red Cross for distribution in Serbia five tons of bandages and first aid supplies.

The directors of the Calumet and Hecla Mining Company declared a dividend of \$5 a share, payable in March.

The steamship Great Northern docked at San Diego, Cal., after a leisurely voyage from Philadelphia through the Panama Canal.

According to the Department of Commerce more than a billion pounds of goods were imported into the United States last year.

Twenty-one miners employed in the mine of the Pacific Coast Coal Mines at South Wellington, were drowned by a rush of water.

Republican Leader Harold J. Hinman of the Assembly is working on a bill to reorganize the state department of the Southern Railway.

Thomas Tinker who it is charged shot and killed Constable Richard Hart was taken from the county jail at Mayfield, Ky., and lynched.

C. H. Raine of Memphis, who pleaded guilty to misuse of the mails, was sentenced to three years in the Atlanta Federal prison.

Polonia County has been attacked by the stock plague. A herd of thirty-five, most of them pure bred, was killed by Federal and State inspectors.

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AMERICAN WARNINGS ARE EXPLICIT

Germany Advised That United States Will Hold the Imperial Government to a Strict Accountability

FOR DESTRUCTION OF AMERICAN VESSELS

And Loss of American Lives—Great Britain is Informed of the Responsibility She Must Now Assume in Case of the Continued Misuse of the American Flag—High Officials Deemed it Best to Speak in Unmistakable Terms Now Rather Than Await the Alarming Effect Upon the American Public Which Might Emerge From the Sinking of an American Vessel With Scores of American Citizens

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The secretary of state has instructed Ambassador Gerard at Berlin to present to the German government a note to the following effect:

"The government of the United States having had its attention directed to the proclamation of the German admiralty on the 4th of February, that the waters surrounding Great Britain and Ireland including the whole of the English channel, are to be considered as comprising the seat of war, that all enemy merchant vessels found in those waters after the 15th instant will be destroyed, although it may not always be possible to save crews and cargoes, it is again possible to expose themselves to danger within this zone of war, because, in view of the misuse of neutral flags and the fact that neutral vessels are always to be exempt neutral vessels from attacks intended to strike enemy ships, it is deemed advisable to speak in unmistakable terms now, rather than

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In the House of Commons, Ottawa the minister of Justice, announced that the number of Germans and Austrians who had been interned in Canada since the outbreak of the war was 3,324.

The lower house of the Montana legislature passed the bill providing for state-wide prohibition by legislative enactment, after killing the Senate measure providing for prohibition by an amendment to the constitution.

The legislative executive and judicial appropriation bill for salaries and expenses of the Federal departments carrying \$39,573,083, was reported to the Senate. The total carried by the bill is \$1,190,214 below official estimates.

Eight sawed-off shotguns, fifteen sticks of dynamite, a box of fulminating caps and two revolvers were discovered in the home of three Italian men arrested in connection with an investigation of threatening letters received by wealthy Italians of Chicago.

The Magistrate in the Bow Street court, London, ordered the extradition of Benjamin Hill Smith of Rochester, N. Y., who is wanted by the New York police, charged with having with him \$30,000 of bonds belonging to the estate of the late Harriet F. Newcomb.

Major Fisher Resigns as Judge Advocate. Hartford Conn., Feb. 11.—The resignation of Major Samuel H. Fisher of the Connecticut National Guard was announced today by Adjutant General George M. Cole. The resignation has been accepted. He is honorably discharged from military service. Lieutenant J. Moseley of the Eighth Connecticut Cavalry corps, has been nominated to succeed Fisher.

TRANSMITTING GREAT BRITAIN'S FINAL REPLY

Concerning Interference with American Cargoes.

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