

CRUSHING OF AUSTRIANS BY RUSSIANS IN GALICIA IS NOW ADMITTED; FORTY LIVES LOST WHEN TRAIN GOES THROUGH BRIDGE ON FRISCO

HEAVY BLOW FOR AUSTRIA IS ADMITTED

Russians Overwhelm Enemy With Their Numbers in Galicia Fighting.

FIGURES STAGGERING

Petrograd Estimates Losses at 300,000 Killed, Wounded and Prisoners.

BERLIN, SEPT. 15. (WIRELESS VIA SAVILLE, L. I.)—IT WAS OFFICIALLY ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT GENERAL VOHN HINDENBURG TELEGRAPHED EMPEROR WILLIAM THAT THE RUSSIAN ARMY OF GALICIA, COMPOSED OF FOUR ARMY CORPS, TWO RESERVE DIVISIONS AND FIVE DIVISIONS OF CAVALRY, HAD BEEN COMPLETELY DEFEATED BY GERMANS. THE RUSSIAN CASUALTIES WERE HEAVY. THE NUMBER OF RUSSIAN PRISONERS IS INCREASING. THERE HAVE BEEN SPOILS OF WAR IN ENORMOUS QUANTITIES. THE RUSSIAN ARMY OF GRODNO HAS BEEN DEFEATED AT LYCK. IT WAS COMPRISED OF THE 2ND ARMY CORPS, A REMNANT OF THE 6TH CORPS, AND PART OF THE 3RD SIBERIAN CORPS.

Petrograd, Sept. 15.—(Evening).—An official announcement says: "Russian troops are progressing along the lower stretches of the San river without meeting resistance from the defeated enemy, who continues in retreat."

London, Sept. 15.—A reasonable estimate, a Times Petrograd dispatch says, places Austrian losses in Galicia at 300,000 killed, wounded and prisoners, nearly one-third of their forces. They lost 1,900 guns, more than two-thirds of their available artillery.

Copenhagen, Sept. 15.—The Berlin Lokal Anzeiger says the Austro-German armies were defeated in Galicia because the Russians numerically exceeded the Germans and Austrians by 250,000 men. The Austrian losses were enormous.

London, Sept. 15.—A Post Petrograd dispatch says: "The Germans have concentrated enormous forces in east Prussia, causing corresponding retirement on the part of the Russians. The Austrian army, which is retreating on the powerful fortress of Przemysl, includes one whole German army corps and part of another. The forces are lost to Germany for the duration of the war, for they will be locked up in Przemysl, which the Russians must take by a prolonged siege."

Vienna, Sept. 15 (via Paris).—Russians are increasingly victorious in the occupation of eastern Galicia and the situation on the Servian frontier is exercising a depressing influence in official circles and among the intelligent classes. It is certain there are 20,000 wounded in Vienna today, probably many more thousands in Budapest. Amidst all his terrible anxieties, Emperor Francis Joseph is reported in excellent health and constantly giving audiences to ministers of the dual monarchy.

Austrians Hemmed In.

London, Sept. 15.—An Exchange Telegraph company dispatch from Petrograd says after the capture of Opole and Tomboino, Russian forces hemmed the enemy into an angle formed by a junction of the River Vistula and the River San.

German Ships in Action.

London, Sept. 15.—In a Rome dispatch dated Sept. 14, a correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph company says it was officially reported there from Berlin that the German Baltic squadron, which is composed of 29 units, had 15 vessels in action.

SERVANS REPORT BORDER VICTORY

Nish, Sept. 11 (delayed).—A great battle was fought Sept. 8 and 9 on the whole northwestern frontier of Servia. The Austrians were repulsed with an estimated loss of 10,000 dead and wounded. The victory was considered decisive.

THE WEATHER
Forecast Till 7 P. M. Tomorrow, for Rock Island, Davenport, Moline and Vicinity.
Unsettled weather tonight and Wednesday, probably showers, warmer to night, fresh southerly winds.
Temperature at 7 a. m. 62. Highest yesterday 82, lowest last night 61.
Velocity of wind at 7 a. m. 1 mile per hour.
Precipitation up to 7 a. m. .25 inch.
Relative humidity at 7 p. m. 88, at 7 a. m. 100.
Stage of water 3.6, a rise of .1 in last 24 hours.
J. M. SHERIER, Local Forecaster.

ASTRONOMICAL EVENTS.
Evening stars: Mercury, Venus, Mars, Jupiter. Morning star: Saturn. The bright star Deneb, at the head of the Cross in Cygnus, has been ranked by old astronomers as being of first magnitude.

HOPES OF PEACE GROW STRONGER

Influential German-Americans Working to Bring About End of War.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 15.—Although no reply had been received from the German government to the inquiry of the United States concerning the attitude of the former toward peace in Europe, administration officials are hopeful that from the informal effort something tangible might soon develop.

That many influential German-Americans are working to bring about some exchange of peace terms has been admitted in official quarters. President Wilson and Secretary Bryan are keeping in close touch with all these efforts. The feeling prevails among administration officials that as the casualty lists grow and the enormity of the struggle is brought home to the masses in each country the movement for peace will correspondingly gain momentum.

It is the midst of the conflict the United States today will sign treaties of peace with Great Britain, France, Spain and China, countries whose combined population is more than two-thirds of the earth. The pacts, similar to 19 already ratified by the senate, are regarded by President Wilson and Secretary Bryan as practically a guarantee against war, as they provide that all disputes be submitted to a permanent commission for investigation during a period of a year before any action is free to engage in hostilities.

Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, Jules Jusserand and Juan Riano, the British, French and Spanish ambassadors respectively, and Kai Fu Shah, the Chinese minister, have received instructions from their governments to sign the treaties today.

Announcement was made that President Wilson would tomorrow receive the Belgian commission, sent to the United States to lodge formal protest against alleged German atrocities.

SUB SINKING THE PATHFINDER LOST

German Destroyer Appears in Midst of British Fleet and Is Riddled.

London, Sept. 15.—The Scotsman states the German submarine which sank the British cruiser Pathfinder has itself been sunk. Wednesday last part of the British fleet on the lookout for German submarines became aware of the near presence of one. The British vessels divided when a submarine appeared with only the periscopes showing. The British cruisers waited for the reappearance of the submarine which occurred in dramatic fashion. By some miscalculation the submarine suddenly appeared in the midst of the English vessels. From seven British cruisers guns crashed out. In ten seconds seven shots entered the frail shell of the submarine.

25,239 IS THE TOTAL LOSS ANNOUNCED BY GERMANY

Berlin, Sept. 15. (via Copenhagen).—The most extended list of German casualties yet published has been made public. It comprises 784 killed, 2,190 wounded, and 818 missing. The total of all published losses is data follows: Killed, 4,184 wounded, 15,985, and missing, 5,970.

VON KLUCK IN TRAP IS HELD AS PRISONER

German General and Force of 25,000 Men Reported in Surrender.

HEAVY BATTLES ARE ON

Berlin Says French Who Attempt to Break Through Lines Are Defeated.

LONDON, SEPT. 15.—TELEGRAPHING FROM DIEPPE UNDER DATE OF MONDAY, A CENTRAL NEWS CORRESPONDENT SAYS: "A REPORT HAS REACHED DIEPPE THAT THE EXTREME LEFT OF THE ALLIES, AFTER MAKING AN ENCIRCLING MOVEMENT BY WAY OF ROYE AND HAM AND JOINING A FORCE FROM THE BOULOGNE DISTRICT, HAS COMPELLED GENERAL VON KLUCK TO SURRENDER WITH, ACCORDING TO ONE REPORT, 14,000 MEN, AND ACCORDING TO ANOTHER, 25,000 AND A QUANTITY OF GUNS AND MATERIAL."

Berlin, Sept. 15 (via Copenhagen and London).—An official announcement says: "In the western theatre of war, the right wing of our army has been engaged in heavy but indecisive battles. The French, who endeavored to break through our lines, were defeated. At other points where there has been fighting no decisive results have been reached."

London, Sept. 15.—A Rome dispatch says the members of the Roumanian ministry have tendered their resignations.

Paris, Sept. 15.—An official statement says: "The western and central armies of the German forces continued their resistance today north of the River Aisne and north of Rheims and Chalons, while the eastern army is retreating."

Crown Prince Driven Further Back.

London, Sept. 15.—An official announcement says: "The enemy is still occupying a strong position to the north of the Aisne and fighting is going on all along the whole line. The crown prince's army, driven further back is now on line of Varennes, Cornevoye and Orne. Six hundred prisoners and 12 guns were captured yesterday by the British right. Rain made the roads heavy, increasing difficulty of the German retreat."

Berlin, Sept. 15 (via Copenhagen and London).—It is officially announced that on morning of Sept. 13 the small cruiser Hela was sunk by a torpedo from a hostile submarine. Almost the whole crew was saved.

MILLER WILL LEAVE MOST OF \$550,000 TO HIS WIDOW

Chicago, Ill., Sept. 15.—The will of Darius Miller, late president of the Burlington road, disposing of his \$550,000 estate, was admitted yesterday to probate. All but \$50,000 represents personality. Mr. Miller died on Aug. 23.

One-half of the estate is given outright to Mrs. Sue C. Miller of 1550 North State street, the widow, who is named executrix without bond, and the other half is to be held in trust by her. From the income of the trust property, \$100 monthly is to be paid to Mrs. Elizabeth H. Miller of Sellingsgrove, Pa., mother of the decedent. The remainder of the income goes to the widow.

MRS. WILSON'S LAST WISH MADE LAW BY CONGRESS

Washington, Sept. 15.—Mrs. Woodrow Wilson's dying wish that congress abolish the alley slums in the national capital was fulfilled yesterday. The house passed the senate bill which prohibits the use of dwelling houses in Washington alleys after four years from the date of the legislation. The bill now goes to the president for his signature.

A few hours before Mrs. Wilson died she told the president she could "go away" happier if she knew the alley slums would be wiped out. Word was sent to the capitol, and the house district committee promptly reported a bill carrying a large appropriation to clear the slums.

What German Air Bomb Throwers Did to Paris



This photograph shows damage done in Paris by bombs dropped from German aeroplanes. The casualties were not so numerous as in Antwerp.

AMBROSE BIERCE, AUTHOR, MISSING

State and War Departments Order Search for Vanished Journalist.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 15.—Search is being made by the state and war departments for Ambrose Bierce, the author and journalist, who has been missing in Mexico for more than eight months.

Mr. Bierce, who is 72, has made his home in Washington in recent years. Last fall he went to Mexico to gather material for literary work. His friends there last heard from him from Chihuahua in December, 1913, at about the time a battle between the federal and constitutionalists was impending in that vicinity. It was supposed here that he had made his way out of Mexico to California where he formerly resided.

On Sept. 10 Herbert A. Meyer, private secretary to Secretary of the Interior Franklin K. Lane, forwarded to the state department an inquiry concerning the whereabouts of Mr. Bierce by a California friend. The state department telegraphed John R. Silliman, an American consular officer in Mexico, to institute a search for the missing author.

Secretary of War Garrison also called instructions to General Funston and other American army officers in Mexico to assist in the search. Nothing has been heard so far of the progress of the inquiry.

It appears that a woman who was secretary to Mr. Bierce for many years became alarmed several months ago by the continued absence of the author and went to Mexico in search of him. She is understood to be on her way back to Washington.

CARRANZA TAKES OVER RAILROADS

Constitutionalist Is Substituted for Nation in Naming of the System.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 15.—Consul Silliman today reported from Mexico City that the constitutionalists have taken possession of the National railways of Mexico and renamed them the Constitutionalist Railways of Mexico. Practically all common stock is held by the Mexican government. The mileage is 6,996.

DAVIES QUILTS PARTY

Madison, Wis., Sept. 15.—Joseph E. Davies has announced his resignation as a member of the democratic national committee.

GERMAN COLONEL KILLED IN ACTION

Berlin, Sept. 15.—The Cologne Volks Zeitung says Colonel Von Reuter of Zabern fame fell in France while leading the 12th grenadier regiment. His father fell in 1870 as commander of the same regiment.

COACHES FALL IN GULLY; 40 KILLED

Texas Limited on the St. Louis & San Francisco Goes Through a Bridge.

Springfield, Mo., Sept. 15.—Twenty persons are reported to have been killed and many injured when the St. Louis & San Francisco railroad's "Texas Limited" crashed through a bridge near Lebanon, Mo., early today. Wires between here and the scene of the wreck were prostrated by a severe storm.

St. Louis, Mo., Sept. 15.—Thirty-five or forty are estimated dead in the Frisco wreck near Lebanon, Mo. Two tracks and the embankment beneath gave way.

The engineer said the train was running slowly when a cloudburst occurred. A wall of water swept across the track and the embankment beneath gave way.

POLICEMAN RICH AFTER DREAMING

Longed for Auto and a Fine Home in Vain Until Wife Inherits \$150,000.

Chicago, Ill., Sept. 15.—If you were a policeman,

And supported a wife and two children,

And dreamed of automobiles and fine houses,

And never could afford buying either, and

Then somebody handed you a telegram saying that your wife, with whom you were upon good terms, had inherited \$150,000.

How would you feel?

Policeman A. C. Christensen, doing clerical work in the office of Superintendent of Police Gleason, received just such a telegram yesterday.

Christensen looked blankly at the message. Then he sighed. The sigh was followed by a grin, then a laugh. And the policeman jumped out of his chair and shouted "Hurrah!"

Other policemen thought him insane. They crowded around. This is what they read:

"Colonel W. F. Figg, 77 years old, of Red Oak, Iowa, is dead. He left Mrs. Dollie Christensen, your wife, a fortune of \$150,000. Wire instructions or come at once."

All that Christensen ever knew about automobiles was that the numbers were hard to read and the lights glared in his eyes.

JAP IS ENGAGING GERMANY ON LAND

Number of Sharp Skirmishes Between Patrols Occur Near Chimo, China.

Chimo, China, Sept. 13.—(Delayed).—The first engagement between German and Japanese forces on land occurred this morning. There were a number of sharp skirmishes between patrols of the contesting forces near Chimo.

Pekin, Sept. 15.—A report from Tink-Tau of German origin says a vanguard of Japanese cavalry is at Kiaochow city, five miles outside the Kiaochow boundary.

BELGIANS CLAIM MORE ATROCITIES

Second Report of Commission Named to Investigate Is Made Public.

London, Sept. 15.—The second report of the Belgian commission appointed to inquire into alleged German atrocities was made public today. The report reviews incidents heretofore generally reported, but adds documents in evidence on which its conclusions rest, to be published in due course. The commission finds the German troops entering Louvain requisitioned cash and lodgings, took possession of food in all banks, burst open houses, pillaged and committed other excesses. The report relates two alleged instances in which women were outraged by German soldiers, and asserts there have been instances where women and children were stabbed with bayonets and their legs cut off. In one case a workman was covered with kerosene and thrown into a burning house.

The first and last were more or less weak issues, however. In the case of the former it may be said that its effect was dulled by the influence that war in Europe was having on business here, while the matter of state finances was not strongly pressed because of the failure of the democrats to effectively criticize the business management of state affairs by the present republican administration.

But while these two issues were relegated to the background to some extent, the other two were pushed to the front with relentless vigor, with that of state prohibition taking the more prominent position.

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Republicans to Fight War Tax.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 15.—Senate republicans at a conference today determined to fight any war revenue measure in any form.

Meat prices have continually advanced in Germany during the last few years and it is estimated that from 1907 to 1912 the number of horned cattle in Prussia alone was reduced by 160,000.

HARD TASK TO GET JURY FOR NEW PETRAS TRIAL

Geneva, Ill., Sept. 15.—As the second trial of Anthony Petras, charged with the murder of Theresa Hollander at Aurora last winter, began yesterday it was evident the task of getting a jury would be a hard one.

Judge Duane J. Carnes realized there is scarcely a person in this district who has not discussed the clubbing to death of the young girl in the graveyard. He asked those of the 112 jurors summoned who had formed opinion which could not be changed to signify by standing. Immediately 102 of the 112 got to their feet. The 102 were then excused, and subpoenas for 190 more from farming districts were made out. This venire was in court today.

Attorney D. H. Gunsul, chief counsel for Petras, offered to take a change of venue to Cook county if the state would release his client on bail, but the offer was refused by the prosecution.

WILSON WINS APPROVAL OF STATE MAINE

Curtis, Democrat, Elected Governor Over Haines, Office Incumbent.

HIS PLURALITY IS 3,587

Progressives Suffer a Large Shrinkage in Votes—Fight Made on Administration.

PORTLAND, ME., SEPT. 15.—IN YESTERDAY'S ELECTION, OAKLEY CURTIS, DEMOCRAT, DEFEATED GOVERNOR WILLIAM HAINES, REPUBLICAN, SEEKING REELECTION BY A PLURALITY OF 3,587. ALL FOUR CONGRESSMEN, THREE REPUBLICANS AND ONE DEMOCRAT, WERE REELECTED.

Comparative returns available from 484 cities and towns show an increase in the republican vote since the presidential election of 31,541, a progressive loss of 30,461 and democratic gain of 10,798.

The most unexpected feature of the returns in hand is the tremendous slump of the progressive party's vote. Halbert P. Gardner, progressive candidate for governor, has barely one-third of the vote that was given to Roosevelt two years ago in the presidential election.

The republican vote is more than twice as great as that received by Taft.

The democratic vote given to Mayor Oakley C. Curtis for governor is larger than Wilson's in 1912.

Fought out on national issues mainly, principally on the tariff law, the election is taken by men of all parties as giving an inkling of what the country has in store in succeeding elections in other states, for it is a proverb that "as Maine goes, so goes the country."

A full state ticket and Maine's four congressmen were elected in the day's balloting. Democrats, republicans, progressives and socialists had full state and congressional tickets in the field. The prohibitionists had out a state ticket and candidates for congress in two districts.

Have Warm Campaign.

Comparison of these results with the ratio of gain of the republican candidate in preceding returns indicates Haines' victory.

Throughout the campaign speakers of national prominence, including United States senators, congressmen, governors, ex-governors and one ex-president, stumped the state in the interest of their respective parties. The issues were the new tariff law, the Wilson administration, prohibition and state finances.

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EXECUTE RUSSIAN GENERAL AS A SPY

Rotterdam, Sept. 15.—A dispatch from Sofia says Russian General Kaulbars has been executed at Odessa for espionage.