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## Commandeering Greek Fleet was a Depressing Sight for Greek Officers

ALLIES TOOK ALL PRECAUTION IN CASE OF RESISTANCE—RUSSIAN BATTLESHIPS TRAINED THEIR GUNS ON CRUISER AVEROFF AND BATTLESHIPS KILKIS AND LEMOS—THE DAY WAS SAD ONE FOR GREEK TARS WHO SAW THEIR SHIPS PASS TO A FOREIGN POWER—KING CONSTANTINE RELEASES EVERY MAN WHO WISHED TO REMAIN ON HIS SHIP AND JOIN THE ALLIES—NONE OF THEM REMAINED.

LONDON, Oct. 12.—To-day was a sad day for the Greek tars who are so recently acquainted with politics to understand why they must abandon their ships to a foreign power, says Reuter's Athens correspondent. It was an equally depressing sight for Greek naval officers to watch for three hours this afternoon their ships being towed away by Allied tugs. The Allies took every precaution in case of resistance being offered. Russian battleships trained their guns on the cruiser Averoff and the battleships Kilkis and Lemos, while French torpedo boats ready for action, cruised to and fro. The ceremony in the early morning of ordering the crews to pack their personal belongings and quit their ships of which they were so proud had been a touching incident. The King sent a message releasing every man who wished to remain with his ship and join the Allies. It is said nobody remained on the ships.

The officers were the last to leave their vessels, taking with them their flags and the King's portrait, which adorned every ward room. Admiral Ipitris removed his flag to the Lemos and shut himself up in his cabin while his feet was being towed to a new anchorage. The aide de camp of Admiral Ipitris, pointing to the Allied warships, remarked, as he watched the scene, "What harm could we have done to them?"

## ALLIES TO HELP ROUMANIANS ALL THEY CAN

DILLON COMPLAINED THAT PREMIER'S SPEECH GAVE NO ASSURANCE THAT ALLIES WOULD HELP ROUMANIA IN HER HOUR OF TRIAL—EVERYTHING POSSIBLE WILL BE DONE HE IS TOLD BY LLOYD GEORGE.

LONDON, Oct. 12.—Replying to Sir Edward Carson, who again raised the question of manpower and Ireland's contribution, the War Minister, Lloyd George, said, Exemptions had been so far, too numerous. If he gave the figures he would startle the House. They ran into millions. The Minister believed the Government had power to deal with those exemptions, but if not, they would consult the House on the needful measures.

John Dillon complained that Premier Asquith in his speech yesterday gave no assurance that the utmost resources would be employed to help Roumania in the hour of her trial, to save her from the fate of Belgium and Serbia. He expressed the belief that the war will be decided in the Balkans, and asked for a plain assurance from the War Secretary that every nerve would be strained to assist Roumania.

Lloyd George in reply said, obviously he could not enter into the details, but could assure Dillon that the Allies are doing their utmost to support the brave Roumanian armies against vicious attacks. "We have not the least doubt," said the Minister, "that Germany is concentrating her strength in order to rush Roumania, not materially in her own interest, but in the spirit of vengeance because these brave people dared to challenge her power."

### CELEBRATES HIS FEAST DAY

This being the feast day of the Patron Saint of His Grace Archbishop Roche, the flags are flying from the towers of the Cathedral. In honour of the event the pupils of the various Catholic schools were given a holiday.

## Unionist Member Asks Silly Question

LONDON, Oct. 12.—Ronald McNeill, Unionist, questioned Foreign Secretary Grey in the Commons regarding correspondence between the United States and Germany, on the question of violations of international law. He asked whether the Government of the States in its correspondence with the German Government and in its protests against violations of international law, confined itself to consideration of American interests, or whether the most powerful neutral nation made any attempt to protect neutral rights in general, or has protested against violations committed against other neutral nations. Lord Robert Cecil, Parliamentary Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs and Minister of War Trade, replying on behalf of Viscount Grey, said: "Our knowledge of correspondence between the States and Germany is derived from the documents it publishes. It is for the Government of the States to define its position in the matter."

## Venzelos is Head of New Government

LONDON, Oct. 12.—The Exchange Telegraph Co.'s Athens correspondent quotes former Premier Venizelos as declaring in a speech at Saloniki, that he has placed himself at the head of a movement which was bound to succeed. "The Islands all adhered to the movement and were prepared to accept mobilization, which will be declared shortly," said Venizelos. "The Constitution must be revised, even if we have to march without Athens and Greece. We intend to march against Ferdinand and his treacherous troops."

## Anti-Submarine Gurad From Cape Sable to Florida Reefs

LONDON, Oct. 12.—The naval correspondent of the Daily Express in a long article dealing with the U boat activity off the American coast says: "One effect Germany did not expect to produce in America, I am convinced, will be an immediate strengthening of the scope of the new volunteer motor boat patrol for the Atlantic seaboard. The scheme aims at providing ten thousand small craft as an anti-submarine guard from Cape Sable to the Florida reefs."

## In Macedonia

LONDON, Oct. 12.—Reporting military operations in Greek Macedonia, a British official issued to-day says: "On the Struma front a mounted brigade is clearing up the outskirts of the country to Seres. It found the town strongly held by the enemy. On the Doiran front further raids on enemy trenches were carried out on Tuesday night. Two advanced posts were driven in, and some Bulgarian and German prisoners were taken."

## Is Safe In Port

BOSTON, Oct. 12.—The British steamer Kingstonian, reported among those torpedoed by the German submarine off Nantucket, last Sunday, is safe in port, according to word received to-day by John M. Thomas, of this city, local manager of the Leyland Line, which owns the ship. He said that information showed that the Kingstonian was thousands of miles from Nantucket last Sunday.

## Asked For Germany's Peace Terms

LONDON, Oct. 13.—David Mason (Liberal), asked Premier Asquith in the Commons to-day to furnish the House with particulars of the terms of peace which Germany was prepared to offer, which, he stated, were intolerable.

Asquith, in reply, said he referred to the terms announced in the German Imperial Chancellor's public speech,



Drawn by Owen Aves. 'Help! Help! I thought he was a corpse!'

## NOW THINK NAMES GOT MIXED UP

"Kingstonian" Reported Sunk Sunday off Nantucket is Safe in Port—Report of Loss Was Result of Confusing Her Name With the "Christian Knudsen" is Opinion of Marine Men at Boston

BOSTON, Oct. 13.—As the Kingstonian is in the service of the British Admiralty, Mr. J. M. Thomas, local manager of the Leyland Line, was not permitted to indicate the port at which she had arrived. This information serves to confirm the opinion held by marine men here that the report of the Kingstonian's loss arose from the confusion of her name with that of the Norwegian tanker Christian Knudsen, sunk by the U boat.

The first British steamer to leave Boston since the appearance of the U boat sailed to-day. She was the Corunna, a coal freighter, bound for Louisburg, C. B.

## BRITISH MAKE FURTHER GAINS

LONDON, Oct. 13.—A British official statement last night says: "This afternoon we delivered an attack on the low heights which intervene between our front and the Baume-Peronne road. We have already secured successes and captured a number of prisoners during the course of the fighting, which still continues."

"Though weather is unfavorable for aircraft there has been bombing activity during the past two days by our aeroplanes against the enemy's lines of communication, aerodromes, and infantry on march. One of our machines has not returned."

## Boston Wins World's Series

BOSTON, Oct. 13.—Boston won the world's baseball championship by winning the fifth game in the series yesterday by a score of 4 to 1 over the Brooklyn Nationals.

## Roumanians Repulse Von Falkenhayn's Army

BUCHAREST, Oct. 12.—The Roumanians yesterday repulsed attacks by Gen. Von Falkenhayn's army in Transylvania.

## Norge Steamer Sunk

LONDON, Oct. 12.—A despatch from Christiania announces the sinking of the Norwegian steamer Birk, 715 tons. The crew were saved.

ADVERTISE IN THE MAIL AND ADVOCATE

## TEN CARS ARE BADLY DAMAGED BY STRIKERS

Police Thinking Strike Had Spent its Forces are Taken Unawares—Mob at Given Signal Rush Cars on Madison, Lexington, Lenning Avenues—Mob Dispersed—No One Seriously Hurt—Three Arrests Made

NEW YORK, Oct. 13.—A mob of several hundreds, at a given signal, shortly before midnight, bombarded with stones and other missiles, a number of surface cars on Madison, Lexington and Lennox Avenues, and the 110th Street cross-town lines. It was the first outbreak of violence in many days in connection with the strike of unionized employees of the Transit Company. On several of the cars attacked were women and children, who threw themselves on the floor to escape injury.

The police, who relaxed their vigilance more than a week ago, when it was believed the strike had spent its force, apparently were taken by surprise, as before reserves arrived 10 cars were badly damaged. The mob was dispersed without any one having been seriously hurt. Three arrests were made.

## ULTIMATUM OF ALLIES WAS NO SURPRISE

LONDON, Oct. 13.—According to the Times' Athens correspondent a conspiracy exists in Greece to officer the Greek fleet with anti-Entente sympathizers and to concentrate in Thessaly, in the rear of the Allied army, troops, guns, stores and material from Athens and elsewhere. The correspondent adds that precautions taken by the Allies, through an ultimatum, to counteract these schemes caused no surprise in Athens.

## NFLD. QUARTERLY.

We thank the publisher, Mr. John J. Evans, for a copy of the current number of the Newfoundland Quarterly. The Quarterly this issue is most interesting, and will, we feel sure, meet with a hearty response from citizens. It is well illustrated with cuts of those of the Newfoundland Regiment who have given their lives in the great cause. The reading matter is of a high order, and, on the whole, is one of the best issues yet published of the Quarterly.

## MORE VESSELS FROM LABRADOR

The following schooners have arrived at Britannia Cove, T.B. from Labrador—Edward VII, 1,000 qts; Ines, 800; Thetis, 250; Ethie, 300; Pearl, 400; Plaindealer, 400; and Alice C., 400.

## LATEST KIND OF FRIGHTFULNESS MOST FIENDISH

Discovery is Made in German Legation at Bucharest of Flagons Labeled "Virus Morve" Intended to Propagate a Simultaneous Epidemic Among Men and Horses—Victims of This Would Undergo Terrible Sufferings

LONDON, Oct. 12.—The Daily Express this morning says: "The depth of infamy to which the German nation has descended in its war against civilized mankind is shown by the official announcement from Bucharest of the discovery in the German Legation of flagons labeled 'Virus Morve,' intended to propagate a simultaneous epidemic among men and horses. The fact that the representative of the United States Legation witnessed the discovery is convincing proof of its truth. Virus Morve produces one of the most loathsome diseases known to mankind, generally known as glanders. Said one of the most eminent pathologists in this country to the Daily Express representative yesterday: 'It would be fiendish to spread it among human beings, to whom it is practically always fatal. Death may come rapidly or gradually, and the victims might undergo terrible sufferings.'

## Saw Nothing Of Submarine

BOSTON, Oct. 12.—The White Star liner Canopic, for which some anxiety had been felt, arrived to-day from Mediterranean ports. Her officers reported that they had not seen any U boats. Capt. Metcalf said he had been informed by wireless of the submarine raid off Nantucket, and that he avoided that coast. At night the steamer ran without lights.

## CITY OF MADRAS WAS STOPPED BY U. S. DESTROYER

British Steamer is Overhauled off Ambrose Channel Light and Brought Back to Port—Failed to Answer U. S. War Vessels Signal to Stop—Ship is Released Again After Papers Are Examined

NEW YORK, Oct. 13.—The British steamer "City of Madras" was overhauled off Ambrose Channel Light last night by a U. S. torpedo-boat destroyer, and brought back to Clifton, Staten Island, after it had ignored the war vessels signal to stop.

The "City of Madras" cleared for Singapore, Manila, and Hong Kong, but anchored above quarantine, apparently fearful of submarine attack. As the ship passed quarantine last night on her way out, she was signalled to stop, but ignoring the order the steamer raced down the harbor at full speed, not being overtaken by U. S. destroyer Sterret until she had passed through Ambrose Channel. The Sterret returned up the harbour with its captive.

## The Greek Government

LONDON, Oct. 12.—General Ziembrakatis has been appointed Minister of War in the Greek provisional Government.

## Free.

"Vacation is a great thing." "Don't have to watch the clock then eh?" "Don't even have to watch the calendar."

## Uncle Sam and the Sub.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 12.—The whole submarine situation, both as to the recent raid on the New England coast, and the broader question of the agitation in Germany for resumption of the warfare, shows signs, in official quarters of having been practically cleared up. No new developments are reported and no disturbing information, according to officials, has come to the State Department, to change the decision arrived at by President Wilson and Secretary of State Lansing. While no immediate steps are contemplated for the actual establishment of a naval neutrality patrol along the Atlantic coast as the result of the German submarine raid, the Navy Department has completed a definite plan to put into operation if the campaign continues.

## OFFICIAL

BRITISH  
LONDON, Oct. 12.—An uneventful night along the British line in the Somme region is reported in to-day's official statement. South of the Ancre, it says, there is nothing to report. During the night, five raids were undertaken by us in the Messines, Bos Grenier, and Hayzines areas, in the course of which we took prisoners and inflicted casualties on the enemy.

## FRENCH

PARIS, Oct. 13.—French forces fighting north of the Somme River made progress to-day in the fighting west of Solly Sailles, according to an official statement last night. South of the river there was great activity by artillery on both sides.

The communication reports also the Serbs as fighting in their own territory, S.E. of Monastir, and have repulsed Bulgarian counter-attacks, which obtained a footing in the village of Brod.

## GERMAN.

BERLIN, Oct. 12.—Teutonic troops are pursuing the Roumanians on the whole Eastern Transylvanian front, says an official issued to-day by the German army headquarters staff. The second Roumanian army, the announcement adds, has been driven back into frontier positions.

## RUSSIAN.

PETROGRAD, Oct. 13 (official).—In the Dobrudja an enemy air squadron dropped bombs on Constanta, the principal Roumanian Black Sea port, also dropped poisoned sweets and garlic infected with cholera bacilli.

## LOCAL ITEMS

The Portia is expected to leave here for the Westward to-morrow.

The Prospero left Bay Verte at 9.30 a.m. to-day coming South, and is due here Monday next.

The S.S. Sentonia arrived at Muegrave Town Wednesday to load pit props.

The Florizel will not sail before Tuesday next as she takes a large outward freight.

The Edith M. Cavell sailed from Ramea for Oporto yesterday with 4,286 qts codfish.

The C.L.B. and C.C.C. had each battalion drill in the armories last night. There was a large attendance of the lads and in the course of the C.L.B. the band was present and discoursed excellent music.

Though only small lots of herring have been taken at Woods Island and Bonne Bay, active preparations are being made for this important fishery. One vessel has already arrived at Bay of Islands to load, and others are due later.

## Above the Herd.

Miss Park Street (romantically)—Oh, mother, I want to rise to higher things. I want to be above the common mortals, and to occupy myself with things in free spaces of the upper air.

Mother—That suits, exactly lass! You can climb right up the step-ladder and put up the curtains.

## CONCILIATION FOR IRELAND IS NOT FEASIBLE

Is Opinion of Lord Lieut. and Chief Secretary for Ireland, also the Military Authorities of Dublin—Nationalists are Loyal but Claim Ireland Should be Treated on Same Basis as Colonies

LONDON, Oct. 13.—The Lord Lt. of Ireland has informed the Government that concscription in Ireland at present is neither feasible nor prudent, according to the Dublin political correspondent of the Daily News. The Lord Lieutenant's opinion has been concurred on by Henry Edward Duke, Chief Secretary for Ireland and the military authorities of Dublin. Lieut. Wimborne is said to have reported that Irish Nationalists were loyal, but that they claim that Ireland should be treated on the basis of the colonies in the matter of military service.

## Newest British Battleships to mount Eighteen-inch Guns

Mammoth Rifles Will Throw 3,000 Pound Projectiles—U.S. Experts Believe Them too Unwieldy for Sea Fighting—May be Used Against Land Defences

WASHINGTON, Oct. 10th.—Great Britain's new battleships and battle cruisers will have 18-inch guns, according to unofficial information received at the Navy Department. It is understood by officers that these guns are now being made and may be expected to appear on the seas within a few months. The largest gun in the United States Navy is 14-inch, though 16-inch guns are being tested and will be mounted on the dreadnoughts authorized this year.

Some reports say that even 19-inch guns are being made by the British, but officers doubt it. The 18-inch gun, ordnance experts say, will be 40-calibres long, the ratio of bore to length being the same as in the American 16-inch rifles. They will carry shells weighing 3,000 pounds, while the largest used in the United States Navy weighs 2,900.

United States Won't Follow Suit  
It is unlikely that the United States will imitate the British in their new experiment, experts at the Navy Department say. The adoption of the 16-inch guns was against the advice of Admiral Strauss, chief of ordnance, and other officers, who believe the maximum effective range and power has been obtained in the 14-inch weapon. The latter is effective at the greatest range yet attained in actual fighting, and as battleships with 14-inch guns have equal broadside weights with those mounting 16-inch and presumably 18-inch guns, there is no apparent advantage in the larger weapon.

The big weapons are designed primarily, officials believe, for use against land fortifications. The 16-inch guns to be put on the four American battleships for which bids will be opened next month, they declare, have a range sufficient to make them effective as far as an enemy can be seen, even under the most favorable circumstances.

Too Unwieldy at Sea  
For this reason they do not believe employment of larger and more unwieldy types would be practicable against the shifting targets of an open sea engagement, however advantageous they might be against land fortifications. Fourteen-inch or 16-inch guns can be carried in greater number and fired with greater rapidity.

As a means of developing floating forts, however, which could throw great projectiles into land fortifications out of sight over the horizon, the British venture is regarded by ordnance experts as having great possibilities. They estimate that shells weighing nearly 3,000 pounds could be used effectively.

What effect development of such engines of war might have on future building plans of the American navy no official would predict.

The largest guns carried now by any naval vessel, so far as shown by records here, are the 15-inch rifles mounted on some of the latest British, German and Italian battleships.