CRITICAL PERIOD DEVELOPING NOW

IN THE CAUCASUS, THINK SOME

Much Perturbed Over Change.

By Special Wire to the Courier. London, Sept. 9-Great concern is expressed by the morning papers over changes in the Russian higher commands. It is considered natural, however, that at a time of such national gravity the Czar should assume supreme command as he is both the spiritual and secular head of the empire in a way not easily understood

in Western Europe. As the Times' editorial says, if the Emperor takes the field in person, it is to overcome at the same time toes of Russia at home and embattled toes, who are striking at his sovereignty. "None can know better what vast issues are involved than the monarch, who, in the early years of his reign, favored clemency for Poland and sought to promote human welfare through The Hague conference and who, since the war began, by a heroic stroke, freed his people from the evils of alcohol, and who rejoices in the title of "little father" of his people. Such a monarch may well instil new confidence into his troops and steel their hearts afresh for victory.'

DISSIPATES PEACE IDEA. It is universally agreed that the Emperor's action dissipates any idea that Russia will listen to proposals for a separate peace, but what puzzles the British press is how to explain the removal of Grand Duke Nicholas to another sphere. The Chronicle tears Berlin will rejoice at his removal which, therefore, bears a sinister aspect. At the same time the Chronicle like all other papers, has only the highest praise for the manner in which the Grand Duke conducted the great retirement forced upon him by shortage of munitions.

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the removal of the Grand Duke implies any change in the conduct of the making, the Rusisan can now carry on an orderly and quiet retreat, ly and was soon able to walk slowly was taken as a prize to Hamburg. fighting where they please and as long as it pleases them, until the wet sea-

son imposes a halt on their enemies. The correspondent declares he fails trian troops was kept quiescent in Galicia during two critical months instead of being transferred to the Vilstead of bein na front for the profit of the decis- at the Germans. strategy and threw away an oppor-tunity which may never recur. The get over there.' Petrograd correspondent of The Times thinks the appointment of Gen. English by birth. He stated that it Polivanoff minister of war, as prem- was good to see the old country ier, will be announced soon, and points out that the imperial order co-back to dear old Canada. He lives in incides with the beginning of a solemn fast ordained by the holy synod which adds solemnity to an histori-

NEW VIGOROUS OFFENSIVE Other papers suggest that the appointment of the Grand Duke as commander-in-chief in the Caucasus im-

The Post's Petrograd correspondent declares it is no secret that many Teutonic instigation to remove the Grand Duke from command by violence and explains that masterly as the attempts have been made through Russian retirement has been, a retreat does not appeal to the public mind, Hence, he says, it may be supposed that the Emperor's' action was to unite the entire nation in carrying on the war. Moreover, he declares, Russia has exceedingly important in ground and the Grand Duke is going to the Caucasus at the moment when is felt a great crisis is approach-

STARTED FOR CAUCASUS London, Sept. 9.-A Reuter despatch from Petrograd says that the Grand Duke Nicholas and his headquarters' staff started for the Caucasus last evening. Emperor Nicholas went to the railroad station to say farewell to the new viceroy.

Hun Veracity. By Special Wire to the Courier.

from Berlin, asserts that 20 Russian classes are in other European counofficers, 4,400 men and seven matries, and perhaps they have not the cently in Turkish waters. chine guns were captured when Austro-Hungarian troops captured Rus- have been brought up with the idea of

The Austrian official statement received last night from Vienna, while chronicling the capture of positions at Szupaka made no reference to the capture of Russian troops at

Public Feeling is Washington Thinks She Struck a Mine, Though Huns' Reply is Waited were killed and 86 others last night's Zeppelin raid.

By Special Wire to the Courier

to-day by administration officials who and decided. declined to comment on versions of its text contained in Berlin press despatches. The note, delivered by the Allan Liner Hesperian continued to-Berlin Foreign Office to Ambassador day. Ambassador Gerard had been Gerard on Tuesday was understood instructed to report any information to ascribe the liner's destruction by available in Berlin and efforts were a submarine to self-defence, expressing directed to clearing up reports that regret over the loss of American lives an American named Wolff—a memand to propose to refer to The Hague questions of reparation and compen-

pressed by Ambassador Von Berns- ship was torpedoed, but belief still the previous night 13 persons were torff that full satisfaction would be prevails in naval circles in Wash- killed and 43 wounded. given in connection with the Arabic's ington that she encountered a mine.

-He Was Twice

Wounded.

people there.

Powder Mill Blown Up.

Washington, Sept. 9-Germany's thought the submarine commander's England and the London district. note explaining the sinking of the explanation appeared unconvincing it White Star Liner Arabic, with the not be passed until the official text loss of American lives was awaited of the note had been received here

Investigation of the sinking of the ber of the crew—had gone down with the ship. Officials are preserving an open mind over the Hesperian case. Assurances previously had been ex- All reports from London assert the raids to 122 killed and 349 injured. On

FORTY-ONE OF NORWAY'S SHIPS

Has Interesting Story to Tell Since Beginning of War, Mostly by Torpedoes, Some by Mines.

By Special Wire to the Courier.

Pte. George Knowles arrived in the The Times' military expert also applauds the Grand Duke's strategy in city this morning from the front. He ships flying the Norwegian flag have having reunited his northern and central armies and successfully passed the moment of greatest danger. The correspondent says he cannot believe the removal of the Grand Duke imthe American minister at Christiania, on previous occasions. After he had received these wounds mines, 24 were sunk by torpedoes, Thirteen ships were destroyed by some serious mistake which the Grand Duke has shown no signs of heroital Hand, and placed in a Southsea one was crushed by a German was native land, and placed in a Southsea one was crushed by a German warhospital. Here he recuperated quick- ship, the report stated. Another ship

around. His injured hip still hurts a The extensive losses have impelled little, but it is not entirely disabled. the Norwegian war risk insurance And so, after thirteen months of bureau to increase premiums and hard service in the trenches, he again adopt additional restrictions. The to understand why a mass of Aus-

"It is awful over there sometimes," ive operation there. He considers that in this the Germans showed poor that it is until the considers that in this the Germans showed poor the stated; "you fellows here can't stated, and suggested that shortage of tirely due to torpedoes, the report worth at Niagara immediately. imagine how terrible it is until you explosives had resulted in more restricted use of expensive and unsatis-Pte. Knowles is a Canadian, but factory mines.

Resting Easily.

back to dear old Canada. He lives in By Special Wire to the Courter. West Brantford, and was given a Ottawa, Sept. 9 .- Sir Wilfrid Laurrousing welcome by his friends and ier underwent an operation at Water mond. He has lived in the city all his Street Hospital to-day, an abscess and Street Hospital to-day, an abscess and life and is very popular and well a tooth in the lower jaw being re-known here. As a cadet he rapidly noon that he was resting easily.

Peoria, Ill., Sept. 9.—A powder John Guettinger's will left his gun He has been a faithfu mill at Edward's Station, near here, and uniform to the German Club at official or seven years. plies a new and vigorous offensive is reported to have been blown up to- Cleveland "for parades and funer-

LONDONERS GET FIRST GLIMPSE OF REAL WAR

Meagre Details of Zeppelin Raid, in Which Twenty Persons Were Killed.

London, Sept. 9 .- Twenty persons were killed and 86 others injured in These figures were given out here

officially to-day. The German airship destruction. While some officials flew over the eastern counties of The official statement gives the fol-

men, 2 children. Injured-slightly-38 men, men and 11 children. were injured. All the other victims night.

CASUALTIES SO FAR The attack of last night brings up the total of casualties from Zeppelin

FIRST GLIMPSE OF WAR London, Sept. 9 .-- The raid of Zeppelins last night is described by the Pall Mall Gazette as "Londoners' first glimpse of the war at close quar-

The Evening Standard speaks of the oolness shown everywhere but warns the public against the noticeably wides spread and dangerous disposition to regard the affair as a specie of spec-

It suggests that in addition to the Zeppelin, which, within limits, is "a terrible instrument of war," there is also danger from anti-air craft guns. Theefore, the public, it says, would be well advised to take aerial visitors

nore seriously than it did last night NEARER HEART OF CITY Last night's official statement concerning the airship raid, stated that counties and the London district English newspapers are prohibited from publishing unofficial details on-

Are Called For From Niagara

Colonel Harry Genet wired to ing that he needed both Corporal the Gexten district and breaking down of the liner and the sacrifice of plying with the same weight of metal glad saymond and Pte. Percy Farns-Recent losses had been almost en- Glad Kaymond and Pte. Percy Farns- forts around Monte Croce di Padola,

given them.

EX.-CAPTAIN OF CADETS. Corporal Gladstone Raymond was born in the city just 23 years ago and moved. It was announced this after- rose to the rank of Captain and it was this experience which gave him his Corporal's stripes in the Duffs. He has been a faithful government

AN OLD SOLDIER. Pte. Percy Farnsworth is also very well known in the city. He has lived here for about six and a half years, and has efficiently held the position of choirmaster at St. Jude's for six years. He is also a government official having been a custom officer for

TELLS PEOPLE THE TRUTH old soldier and has served under the King's colors for many years. While in England he served in the 1st Derbyshire Volunteers, Sherwood Foresters for a period of seven years. He has also worn a 38th Dufferin Rifles

REPULSE HEAV

newed German Effort to Smash Line.

some prisoners.

AT TARNOPOL AND ROUTED HUNS

Secretary of State Has Taken Up Matter of **Attempted Dynamiting**

that every possible preventive meas-

and to the importance attached there-to by the secretary of state and to commission of such offences in the urge upon you, and through you, up- | future."

on those charged with the duty of New York Sept. 9-A letter written preventing the commission of crime by Governor Whitman to Mayor Mitagainst our criminal laws, the imwith the governor the matter of placin the future, and to use every etfort in the region of the railway station at

One soldier was killed and three ure be taken was made public last you the imperative necessity for such portant advance post actions. The action. The good name of our state fight for the River Lautze continues. After saying that he knew the lo-cal authorities had already taken cognizance of the matter, the governor lance, and we owe it to the national "I desire to call your attention to aid in preserving the neutrality of the situation relative to the offenses our country as between warring na-

New Phase of Operations Now Admits He Saw No Has Been Entered Upon

-Great News Soon.

Rome, Sept. 9.—The stalian army

still in progress. Reports from Austrian sources show general staff regarding the outcome

Trentino with the heart of Austria.

Guns Mounted on the Lusitania.

New York, Sept. 8-Gustav Stahl,

people as an ominous threat for the day when sentence will be imposed. Forestalling the enemy our troops day when war should come. There is reason now to believe that General some interesting disclosures in the born fight on the River Doljonka, the Cadorna has conjured the evil and Stahl matter. Stahl's false affidavit Germans were completely defeated even has devised a means of turning about the Lusitania being armed was Tuesday evening. At the end of the it against the enemy. After several weeks devoted to the Ambassador von Bernstorff as part artillery fire of most extraordinary in-Captain Cutcliffe this morning, stat- work of clearing the Tyrol valleys in of a German excuse for the sinking tensity. Only the impossibility of re-

The United States district aftorney the Italian commander recently has evidence upon which he bases Germans, besides suffering enormous These two volunteers will leave the brought up a number of batteries of the belief that Stahl did not make losses in killed and wounded left pri city on Saturday morning at 10.29 for medium calibre and prepared the the affidavit of his own volition, An soners in our hands more than 20 camp, and a rousing send off will be ground for an important assault. The effort will be made to discover who attack was begun on Monday and is employed him to swear that the

that much apprehension is felt by the perjury was not based on his attidavit sent by the German Ambassaof this attack. It is a blow at the dor to the State Department, Stahl main railroad line connecting the repeated the statement under oath Trentino with the heart of Austria.

The Italian effort is directed to the capure of Toblach and Innischen, both was for this that he was indicted. He of which are important towns on the entered his plea of guilty yesterday railway. Should it be successful the Italian forces expect to have little difDeming, who had conferred at length ficulty practically in isolating the with United States District Attorney Marshall.

Reasons.

New York, Sept. 9.—Commenting

editorially on the new head of the

"Something hieratic, symbolic, byz-

head of the horde, the king, led his

But as the Czar takes his place in

war, the victor of Galicia, the captor

of Przemysl, the consummate cap-

tain who has eluded again and again

Whole Line Now Stands Fast Before Hun Armies.

Petrograd, Sept. 8.-Via London, Sept. 9 .- In an official statement issued to-night at the war office, occurs

chell of this city on August 31, last, calling attention to the fact that Secretary of State Lansing had taken up fenses similar to those complained of in the region of the railway station at ing explosives on British ships sail- to bring to justice those guilty of Gross Ekau (south of Riga) and ing from this port and suggesting such offences in the past. Neuhut were repulsed. In the direc-"I cannot too strongly urge upon tion of Dvinsk there were only unimposition our troops removed a little to the right of the Lautze.

NO CHANGES "There have been no im changes on the routes toward Vilna, The Germans directed a violent artillery fire, accompanied by asphyxiating gases, against our troops occupying the outlets from the lakes in the region of Novo Troki. Near the town of Orany the enemy yesterday made attempts at an offensive.

"From Grodno, subborn German à tacks continue in the region of the railway station at Druskeniki and towards Skidel. In the latter direction. repulsing the enemy, we inflicted on him great losses and took some scores prisoners.

ENEMY ATTACKING

"South of the Niemen the enemy delivered extremely stubborn attacks n the region of Wolkowysk on both sides of the railway leading to Slonim. "On the roads from Lutsk to Rovno there has been no change. In the re-gion of Doubhok and Remenetz we occupied new positions on the Rivers Ikwa and Upper Goryn, SHORT OF SHELLS.

"In Galicia near Tarnopol yesterhas passed a new phase on its offensive operations. Important news affecting the entire Trentino salient is now awaited.

The danger of the great wedge, which passes through Italy's national line of defence in the north, has not only been a problem for the armed forces of the nation, but has been constantly in the mind's eye of the whole people as an ominous threat for the thirty guns, fourteen of which were Lusitania was an armed ship.

The indictment charging Stahl with gun limbers and other booty.

EMPEROR'S MESSAGE. occupied their former positions on the River Seeth. The Emperor, having received a report of the defeat in flicted upon the enemy, sent an order joy and thankfulness for their success and the heavy losses inflicted on the

Trembowla on the 7th we dislodged the enemy from a series of villages, making prisoners over 40 officers and nearly 2,500 soldiers. together with three guns and a dozen machine guns. FURTHER SUCCESSES "Between the Dniester and the left

"Further south in the region of

trians passed to the offensive in the ourse of the 7th in the region of the Village of Voriatyntze. By flank atthe enemy's offensive and took prisoners 11 officers and over 1,000 Ausarmies from the difficult position be-

fore the Vistula, where they were surrounded by the enemy, is beginning to make itself felt now by partial suc-Proposal to

Have Troops Train Here

have a battalion located in Brantford during the winter.

ber of their friends gathered and creeping through all that mighty all, and the item of accommodation calls for the most consideration. This city has abundantly demon-

strated its value as a centre for rethe pageant the Russian hero of the cruiting, and it is generally felt is suggested. A number of influential men are

The September Cup, presented by Mr. Logan Waterous, will be played off on Saturday afternoon next.

the Austro-German efforts to envelope him, whose masterly skill in survey of the possibilities, and the sending of a delegation to the military authorities. getting together with a view to a

Russia has exceedingly important the lacks on her Asiatic front, which, in the all absorbing menace from the hacks. Britishers Are Not Path Transport etic Or Shirkers Torpedoed! FRENCH AGAIN Prevalent. Ann Arbor, Mich., Sept. 9-Sir Gilbert Parker, the novelist, has written from London to Professor William Hobbs, of the University of Michigan, wireless to Tuckerton).—A

a letter in which he denies that the statement given out by the Englishman was apathetic in chis war.
"I must make a firm protest against the wicked charges made against the working classes of this country," says Sir Gilbert. "Believe me, they are the statement given out by the Overseas News Agency to-day quotes the Weserzeitung of Bremen as saying not more unpatriotic than any other that the British steamship London, Sept. 9—The German version of the latest Austrian war office statement received here by wireless from Parlin accounts that on Pursian of the London, Sept. 9—The German version of the latest Austrian war office commanded and controlled, dragoon-statement received here by wireless ed and conscribed as the working transport, was torpedoed re-

same national ambitions, since they Rev. Rufus T. Cooper, formerly sian positions near the mouth of the fulfilling themselves rather than up- Methodist pastor in Indiana was arbuilding a state; but since the war rested for begging at Mount Vernon, began they have contributed enorm- N.Y.

A wild cat sprang on to the dinner at Szupaka, made no reference to country. If they have not made the table of Mrs. Maria Baker at Lone - Hill Beach, L.I., and scattered the

Argonne the Scene of Re-

By Special Wire to the Courier.

Paris, Sept. 9.—There was very violent fighting last night in the Argonne region, according to announcement made this after-noon by the French war office. The Germans attacked the French lines with great ferocity, but with one exception these lines every-where held fast. The French took

YANKEE PRESS COMMENTS at least three years. Besides this Pte. Farnsworth is an ON CHANGE OF LEADERS Mr. A. H. Stevens of the Ford Motor Co., Walkerville, has returned after and Incompetence trians with machine guns. "The fortunate withdrawal of our ter spending his vacation at the par-Freely Given as

Mr. Howard Kenwick of Saranac

Mich., is visiting Mr. Charlie Laing.
St. Paul's avenue. While here, he will By Special Wire to the Courier. visit Toronto, Niagara Falls and Miss Alice Inresher leaves Friday Russian armies, the Times says: for Pittsburg, Pa., where she will en-

the training school for nurses at antine, clings to the Czar of all the the Allegheny General Hospital. Miss Russians. To multitudes of his people Mildred Thresher, of Wilkinsburg, he is a king of sacred icon, if not a Pa., who has been visiting friends in divinity. As in years that outrun the city for the past three weeks, will memory, the chief of the clan, the return with her sister. A kitchen shower was held last wild followers to battle, so Nicholas ight at the home of Mr. and Mrs. II. puts himself at the front of the

night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tanner, 47 Emily street in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Tanner. A num of patriotism, a half religious fervor twelve and fourteen hundred men in made the presentation and the evening spent in games and music, after red thereby. A fine bit of decoration, which a dainty lunch was served. The a good stroke of business. happy crowd broke up at an early hour after having spent a pleasant

GOLF NOTES