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GERMANS CLAIM VICTORY OVER THE BRITISH FLEET OFF THE COAST OF CHILI

Say They Sank the Cruiser Monmouth and Set the Good Hope on Fire

NO DAMAGE DONE TO THE GERMANS

Ships Uninjured and Not a Man Killed, if Their Story Be Correct

Valparaiso, Chili, Nov. 3.—It is reported here that the German cruisers Scharnhorst, Gneisenau, Leipzig, Dresden and Nürnberg, attacked a British fleet off Coronel, Chili, today.

Admiral's Statement.

Valparaiso, Nov. 4.—Admiral Graf von Spee, commander of the German fleet in Pacific waters, arrived here this morning and made the following report concerning a naval engagement with British warships at sea off Coronel Sunday evening.

British Cannonade. "An engagement ensued immediately and all the ships opened a brisk cannonade with all their artillery."

SUBMARINE D 5 SUNK BY MINE

Thrown Overboard From a German Cruiser Which She Was Chasing

London, Nov. 4.—The British submarine D 5 was sunk in the North Sea early yesterday morning by a mine, which was thrown out of a German cruiser retreating before British cruisers.

Two officers and two men of the submarine were saved.

This information is contained in the Admiralty report issued here last night.

The report says the British squadron fired on the German gunboat Halcyon, which was patrolling, wounding one man.

"Various naval movements were made," the report continues, "as a result of which the Germans retreated rapidly, and although shadowed by the light cruisers, they could not be brought into a sea action."

The submarine D 5, which was built in 1911, was 150 feet long, with a speed of 15 knots, and about 10 knots submerged.

FRENCH CLAIM GAIN TO EAST

Paris, Nov. 4.—The following official communication was issued last night: "The only advice received this evening concerns the region northeast of Vailly, where we have counter-attacked and re-taken a farm at Metz region."

At Four de Paris, Saint Hubert and in the Argonne, German attacks have been repulsed, and we have gained some ground.

Dr. Lloyd Lectures

Dr. Lloyd will deliver a lecture at the Seamen's institute next week in aid of the Patriotic Fund.

damaged, but darkness prevented our obtaining knowledge of the extent of it.

"Our ships Scharnhorst and Nürnberg were not damaged.

"The Gneisenau had six men wounded, the rest of our ships also undamaged."

With All Hands.

Santiago, Chili, Nov. 4.—All hands are reported to have perished on the British cruiser Monmouth when she took her plunge beneath the sea, after thirty minutes fighting with the Germans off Coronel.

According to advices received here the battle was a terrific one while it lasted and as darkness gathered, the Good Hope seemed to be on fire, following a terrible burst of flame from her which seemed to indicate an explosion had occurred on board.

In Bad Shape.

The Glasgow is reported to have arrived in very bad condition in Coronel Bay.

The Otranto escaped to Puerto Monte.

The German ships arrived at Valparaiso today to take on board coal and provisions. They will leave tomorrow morning having suffered no mishap. Only a very few men of the German crews were wounded.

The battle has caused a tremendous sensation.

British Fleet.

The British cruisers Good Hope, Monmouth and Glasgow were under command of Rear Admiral Sir Christopher Cradock and had been searching the coast of South America for several weeks with the object of engaging the German cruisers, which have been destroying British merchant vessels.

NOTE.—The official reports from Berlin and London tonight do not mention the alleged naval battle as here reported.

GHURKAS BLEW UP AMMUNITION PARK

And Forced German Coast Batteries to Withdraw Toward the Rear

London, Nov. 1.—The correspondent of the Daily Mail in Paris describes how the Gurkhas (native India troops) blew up a German ammunition park, thus causing some of the German coast batteries to move to the rear.

"All efforts of the Allies' artillery against these batteries had been unavailing and the Germans were causing severe losses, when the air scouts located the ammunition stores, seven miles behind the German lines."

"At night the Gurkhas detachment embarked on gunboats which proceeded to the mouth of the Yser, and after a long silent march, the Gurkhas reached the German stores, guarded by six sentries. Six silent figures moved toward them, each carrying a long knife. Then the sound like the croaking of a frog, was heard, and the six sentries disappeared."

"Shortly afterward, the General Staff of the Allies saw a great flash of light on the horizon and heard a great explosion, followed by countless others, as the shells and shrapnel in their cases exploded in all directions. The Gurkhas returned safely to the gunboats."

CZAR'S MEN AGAIN IN EAST PRUSSIA

And Are Trespassing on the Big Game Preserves of the Kaiser

London, Nov. 3.—The Star today publishes a despatch from its Petrograd correspondent, dated Nov. 3, in which he says the Russians are now securely established inside the East Prussian frontier.

Emperor William's thirty miles of barbed wire fence around his big game preserve at Romisten, the correspondent says, is now in the possession of his enemies.

APOLOGY "TOO LATE"

Russia Tells Turkish Minister Who is Anxious to Avoid Hostilities

London, Nov. 3.—Russia has replied to Turkey's apology for the raids of her navy in the Black Sea with the fatal words "Too Late" and in London it is hardly thought likely that diplomatic pressure will prevent the war party among Young Turks from dragging their country into the European embroglio.

The efforts of the past twelve hours show that the Grand Vizier of Turkey has made every effort to conciliate the Entente Powers but the influence of his partisans in the Turkish Cabinet is not believed to be great enough to force the Porte to meet the demands for reparation formulated in the Franco-British notes.

So far as Russia is concerned a state of war with Turkey actually exists and the reply of the Minister to the explanation of the Grand Vizier does not hold out, in the opinion of London, any hope for a peaceful outcome to the dispute.

Resign as Protest

London, Nov. 4.—A despatch from Constantinople asserts that the Ministers of Public Works, Marine and Commerce have resigned.

Their resignations are undoubtedly due to the discussions which have arisen regarding the Black Sea raid of the Turkish fleet which precipitated Turkey's entrance into the European war.

ENEMY APPEARS TO FALL BACK

Making a Precipitate Retreat From the Banks of the Yser

Paris, Nov. 3.—The French official announcement given out this afternoon says the Germans would appear to have completely abandoned the left bank of the Yser below Dixmude, and that the troops of the Allies have re-occupied points on the river without difficulty.

Abandoned Wounded.

Havre, Nov. 3.—An official communication given out by the Belgian General Staff, and dated Nov. 2, says: "The enemy has fallen back towards the east, abandoning his dead and wounded. Our troops are holding positions occupied yesterday."

"Our advanced force which moved towards the Yser are finding everywhere signs of precipitate retreat."

LOST 30,000 MEN IN RECENT FIGHTS

And Ten Thousand of These Were Killed, According to German Officer

Havre, Nov. 4.—A German officer confesses that the enemy lost thirty thousand men, of whom ten thousand were killed, in the recent fighting. Our troops have delivered attacks between Dixmude and Neerdschoote.

Between Bixchoote and Zonnebeks the situation is unchanged.

After violent fighting between the Zonnebeks, the Allies maintained their position, except in the environs of Messines.

NOT HOSTILE TO RUSSIANS

Says Turkish Ambassador at Petrograd—Black Sea Events "Accidents"

Petrograd, via London, Nov. 4.—The Turkish Ambassador to Russia, before he left the capital today on his return to Constantinople, made the following statement:

"I tried with all the force at my command to convince the Russian Minister of Foreign Affairs that Turkey was not actuated by hostile feelings against Russia, and that if unfortunate events had taken place we were not at fault. I am firmly convinced that the war will be of extremely short duration, and that Turkey will assume the position maintained before German influence became paramount at Constantinople."

Franco-British Fleet Bombards The Dardanelles

London, Nov. 4.—The Secretary of the Admiralty announces that the combined British and French squadrons bombarded the Dardanelles forts at long range this morning.

The forts replied but no ships were hit, only one shot falling alongside them.

The statement adds that the damage to the forts cannot be estimated, but a great explosion accompanied by dense volumes of smoke occurred at Helles Fort.

TURKS HOLD UP ALLIES SUBJECTS

Want Assurances of Good Treatment for Fellow-Countrymen Abroad

Washington, Nov. 3.—The Turkish Minister of War has ordered detained a special train bearing British and French subjects from Turkey, which United States Ambassador Morgenthau, had arranged on Sunday to leave Constantinople.

The Minister of War declared that until Turkish subjects in Egypt, as in England, and France, were given assurances of protection and permitted to leave the country, all British and French subjects would be held in Turkey.

TURKEY FALSE TO MOSLEM CAUSE

No Longer Trustee of Islam Says Aga Khan to People of India

London, Nov. 3.—His Highness Aga Khan, who is known as the spiritual head of the Mohammedans in India, East Africa and Central Asia, has sent a cablegram from London addressed to Moslems in India and other British Dominions, in which he expresses his deep sorrow that Turkey has joined hands with Germany in war.

Aga Khan says: "This is not the free will of the Sultan, but the will of German officers and other non-Moslems, who have forced him to do their bidding."

He declares further that Turkey has now lost her position as the trustee of Islam. She has drawn her sword in an unholy cause, and the duty of Moslems today is to remain loyal and faithful to their temporal and secular allegiance.

CONFIRMS NEWS OF BOMBARDMENT

London, Nov. 3.—Confirmation of the report that the Turkish cruisers bombarded the Russian port of Novorossisk on the East coast of the Black Sea on Oct. 30 and of the burning and scuttling of the British steamer Frederick was received today by the British Foreign Office.

BRITISH CRUISER SHELLS THE TURKS

And Drives Them From the Fortified Town of Akabah in Arabia

London, Nov. 3.—The fortified town of Akabah in Arabia, on an arm of the Red Sea, has been shelled and occupied by the British cruiser Minerva.

The Admiralty announced this occurrence as follows: Upon arriving at Akabah, the cruiser Minerva found the place occupied by soldiers and armed natives. One of the soldiers had the appearance of a German officer and the Minerva then shelled the port and troops. The town was evacuated and landing parties from the Minerva proceeded to the barracks, post office and stores. There was some loss to the enemy but no British casualties.

Lots of Herring

Word was received from the West Coast yesterday that herring are plentiful at North Arm, Bay of Islands and also at Bonne Bay.

FIGHT BEST IN MASSES

Need the Comfort of Company in Advancing on the Enemy

London, Nov. 1.—Light is thrown on the question why the Germans use a close formation when it brings such disastrous results, as is described in frequent despatches from the front, by a conversation with Lord Roberts once had with the Kaiser when Lord Roberts went to Germany to witness manoeuvres.

Lord Roberts during these manoeuvres noticed the German close formations and remarked to the Kaiser that he supposed that this formation would not be used in an actual battle. The Kaiser replied that it would. Then Lord Roberts expressed some surprise, having noticed the danger of such tactics.

The Kaiser said the formation must be used, else the soldiers would go forward, that being their temperament. They must have some one within reach, evidently just for psychological comfort, before advancing on the enemy.

BRITISH DROP BOMBS ON BRUGES

London, Nov. 4.—A despatch from Rotterdam, dated Tuesday night, says: "This morning British aeroplanes dropped bombs on the State Railway Works at Bruges and in the afternoon another British warplane dropped bombs on Bruges."

GREAT EFFORTS OF ENEMY FAIL

To Shake the Allied Line Which is Holding Well in All Parts

London, Nov. 3 (Press Bureau).—The French Government report that a violent German offensive continued on Sunday, specially between Dixmude and Lys, but the Allies made slight progress.

A great effort by the Germans against the suburbs of Arras failed. In the centre and on the right the enemy attacks also failed.

Yesterday the attacks were less violent between the North Sea and the Oise.

In the region of the Aisne the enemy's violent offensive completely failed.

ABANDONED YSER BANKS

Germans Fall Back and Allies Occupy Their Abandoned Positions

Paris, Nov. 3 (Official).—To our left wing the enemy seems to have completely abandoned the left banks of the Yser, beyond Dixmude, and reconnoitering effected by the Allied troops, has led to the occupation in flooded districts of passages of the Yser without great difficulty.

South of Dixmude and towards Gheuffert our advance is notable.

In the region north of La Lys, even against heavy attacks of numerous German troops, our front has been maintained or reestablished.

New attacks of the enemy against Arras and the suburbs at Lehon completely failed.

Elsewhere we have progressed slightly. Heavy cannonading between Rheims and the Meuse is signalled. We have also progressed north of Pontamousson.

At our right wing there were several actions, not very important, but they turned out favorably to our arms along the Sèille.

IGNOMINIOUS END OF CRUISER

Tokio, Nov. 4.—In a statement issued here the Navy Department says it is believed the Germans at Tsing Tau have sunk the Austrian cruiser Kaiserin Elizabeth which took refuge in that harbor soon after Japan declared war on Germany. It is also thought the Germans have destroyed the floating docks.

BRITISH FOUGHT TO END AGAINST TERRIBLE ODDS

Monmouth Battled Until her Hull Was Riddled Like a Sieve—Good Hope Stayed in Fight While She Had a Single Gun Left

New York, Nov. 4.—A special to The New York Herald from Valparaiso, Chili, gives the following particulars of the naval battle off the coast of Chili:

"That the British cruisers gave valiant battle is indicated by the loss they suffered. The Monmouth continued in the battle until her hull was riddled and she could hold no more water than a sieve.

Stood by Guns.

Those who had not been killed on board the Monmouth by the terrific fire of which she was subjected stood at their guns and fired shell after shell until the cruiser toppled over in the water and lay for a moment with her keel being lapped by the seas and then plunged to the bottom.

A few on board the Monmouth could have been saved, according to reports reaching here, but every man that was there went down that point is very certain. They fought until there was nothing to stand on.

With the Monmouth gone the Germans began to close in.

Mauled the Good Hope.

The sixteen big guns of the two Teutonic battlecruisers fired incessantly upon the Good Hope which mounted only two big guns. The Rear Admiral's flag ship fought so vigorously that if water had dropped upon the guns it would have boiled.

The German fire was marvellously accurate. Shell after shell hit the Good Hope. Parts of the superstructures were carried away, her funnels were riddled and her decks crumpled.

Shells penetrated her armour and set fire to her inwards. Flames broke from her in a dozen places, but she continued to fire until every gun was out of commission, it was then that she turned and ran for shore with water pouring into her hull.

Was Settling Down.

She could be seen settling in the water. The Germans report that she sped for the rocky coast. The Germans followed her in until there was danger of going ashore themselves.

The Glasgow was seriously damaged and ran for the port of Coronel, being without the protection of the Good Hope.

The Glasgow was able to get away, as naval men figure it here, as upon reaching the three mile limit, the German cruiser ceased their pursuit of the Glasgow and went back.

Nothing could be seen of the Good Hope. She may have gone and she may have been beached.

Leaving the Dresden and Leipzig as watch dogs off the port of Coronel to watch for the reappearance of the Glasgow, the Guseisau, Scharnhorst and Nürnberg proceeded to this port, dropping anchor in the harbor of Valparaiso.

WAS STRIPPED BY HIS OWN MEN

Peculiar Plight of German Officer on Battlefield

On a recent field of battle the French troops in removing the dead and wounded whom the enemy in his precipitate, though wise, fight had abandoned, came quite unexpectedly upon a man absolutely naked who was shouting furiously at them in German.

He was an officer with fourteen quarters in his coat of arms. His men, in flying, had knocked him about, stripped him of his clothes, and robbed him of the thousands of marks which in little amounts he had concealed above and under his coat of mail. For it is well known that all the German officers are, through fear, enclosed in coats of mail.

The penetrating power of the Allies' artillery is such, however, that it pierces everything.

WEATHER REPORT

Toronto (noon)—Fresh to North West and North Wind, cooler with snow flurries.

CRESSY MARINE TELLS HIS STORY

Of the Sinking of the British Warships by a German Torpedo

THE following account of the sinking of the Cressy was given by Corporal T. Pilcher, Royal Marines, to a correspondent:

"About 6.25 a.m. the majority of us were asleep round our guns when the look-out saw the Aboukir as if she was in a boiler explosion. She was about a mile off.

The Hogue and Cressy (my ship) closed on her. She was very slow in sinking; in all three-quarters of an hour, and we got out our boats to send to her assistance.

The seamen were pulling towards the Aboukir when we saw a splash caused by the torpedo which struck the Hogue just under the quarterdeck. She sank in a quarter of an hour.

While she was sinking fast we saw a torpedo coming for us. It struck us right amidships. As far as I know it entered No. 4 boiler room. We had our watertight doors all closed, and at first it did not seem to make much difference.

Then we were struck again by another torpedo in the bows. Another missed us.

After the second hit us we heeled over, and quickly Captain Johnson ordered every man for himself.

Everything that would float we hurriedly got on deck. The ship heeled heavily to starboard, and gradually went over on her side. I waited till I could walk on her in the water.

I must have swum for about half an hour, and then I came across four or five men hanging on to a table. They were an engineer-lieutenant, a first-class petty officer, Captain Ozanne (Marines), and a Reserve seaman.

The first who fell off was the engineer-lieutenant. Then the Reserve man dropped off, and eventually the petty officer, leaving only Captain Ozanne and myself.

We pushed the table towards the Titan, but she had her bows full! Afterwards a line was thrown from the ship's side, and was hauled up. I could not stand very well, but very soon recovered.

HOW HERO SAVED FRIEND'S LIFE

Brought Him off Field Mid-Hail of Bullets

Leon Fournier, a French chasseur, is one of the many heroes of the war.

Fournier and his friend Isele got separated from their comrades. Isele fell wounded, and Fournier hoisted him on his shoulders, and, braving a hail of bullets, made for the French lines.

Finding his way barred by four Germans the chasseur laid his friend down and used his rifle. He had only two cartridges left, but brought down two of the Germans with them.

The other two Germans rushed towards him with fixed bayonets. Fournier ran to meet them and drove his bayonet through the first German, after closing in a life-and-death struggle with the second. The German wounded him badly in the hand, but Fournier eventually killed his man, and picking up his wounded friend staggered to the French lines with him.

"To kill four Germans was nothing," said Fournier to a colonel who visited him. "The important thing is that I managed to save the life of my friend."

TACKLING BROKE AND HORSE BOLTED

While driving down Kenna's Hill this morning Mr. Druken met with a mishap. Part of the tackling broke and the horse took fright.

The vehicle toppled over and three occupants were thrown in the drain and considerably bruised.

The carriage was badly smashed.

S.S. Florizel is due Sunday.

S.S. Stephano sails tomorrow afternoon.