

THE GERMAN DESTROYERS SUNK BY RUSSIANS

RUSSIAN GOVT. TO REMOVE PEPOGRAD TO MOSCOW; NEEL, GREAT ETC. FORT TO BE CLEARED OF CIVILIANS

Russ Republican Cabinet Will Be Transferred to Old Capital to Escape Anarchistic Element and Possibility of Petrograd's Capture.

Petrograd, Oct. 19.—The Government has definitely determined to move to Moscow in the very near future.

EVACUATE REVAL.
Petrograd, Oct. 19.—The newspapers publish an official announcement that the evacuation of the fortified port of Reval, on the Baltic at the entrance to the Gulf of Finland, has begun. The inhabitants of the city are being sent to the interior of Russia.

Announcement that the Government will move to Moscow was made today by M. Kishkin, minister of public welfare.

After the capture of Riga by the Germans, preparations for removal of the Government to Moscow were begun. The future of the Germans to develop their offensive after taking Riga, as well as the approach of winter weather, making open campaigning impracticable, relieved the fears for the safety of Petrograd for the near future. Last week announcement was made that the preparation for transferring the seat of Government had been stopped, as there was no prospect that such action would be necessary, at least from some time.

SITUATION CHANGED.
The new offensive operations by the Germans, resulting in the capture of Oesel and Moon Islands and the threat of an invasion of Estonia, again changed the situation, however, and may have been responsible for the decision to remove the Government to Moscow, the ancient capital. The turbulent political conditions in Petrograd, and the presence there of large numbers of extremists and agitators may also have influenced the decision.

Reval, a town of about 65,000, two hundred miles southwest of Petrograd, is a naval station, and with Heligoland and Hango, on the northern coast of the Gulf of Finland, guards the entrance to the gulf. The landing of German forces on the Estonian coast would menace this town from the rear.

WAS EXPECTED.
Washington, D. C., Oct. 19.—Russian officials here had no dispatches today on the removal of the Russian Government to Moscow, but said that the plan of moving the seat of Government had been conceived some time ago, undoubtedly had been hastened by the German advance in the Riga territory. Ever since the removal of the capital was first discussed, Russian officials here have received information that the Government would move to Moscow, the ancient capital, which is the centre of opposition. The German advance, Russian officials here say, undoubtedly has strengthened the extreme radicals in the Council of Soldiers and Workmen's Delegates.

**DAILY MAIL BLAMES
BRITISH FLEET FOR THE
GERMANS' BALTIC WIN**
Wants Admiralty To Make An Explanation of "Humiliating Display."

London, Oct. 19.—The Daily Mail condemns what it calls the failure of the British fleet to prevent the German fleet from becoming masters of the Baltic. It demands that the "admiralty make an explanation of this humiliating display."

After recalling the successes of the British submarine fleet in the Baltic in the summer and autumn of 1915, the newspaper says: "The Germans have accomplished all that they were prevented from achieving in 1915, and they have done so without a single blow being struck at them by any arm of the British navy—a navy far stronger than it was two years ago, and recently reinforced by the addition of the American fleet."

CARGO AFIRE.
St. Thomas, Virgin Islands, Oct. 19.—The 3,700-ton Danish steamship, *Virginia*, from a port of the United States for Montevideo, put in here today with her cargo afire.

THE WEATHER
TOMORROW—FAIR AND COOL.
Toronto, Oct. 19—8 a.m.
Forecasts:
Today—Strong winds and moderate gales from westward; showers.
Saturday—Strong westerly winds, mostly fair and much cooler.
Temperatures:
The following were the highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today:
Stations. High. Low.
Victoria. 48. 46. Cloudy
Vancouver. 48. 46. Fair
Calgary. 42. 38. Fair
Winnipeg. 42. 38. Fair
Port Arthur. 38. 34. Cloudy
Perry Sound. 60. 44. Rain
Port Stanley. 62. 46. Rain
Buffalo. 74. 62. Rain
Toronto. 61. 42. Rain
Kingston. 62. 46. Rain
Ottawa. 54. 48. Cloudy
Montreal. 56. 42. Cloudy
Quebec. 56. 42. Cloudy

Weather Notes.
Since yesterday the centre of disturbance has moved from Northern Wisconsin to the Upper Ottawa Valley. Rain has been general in Ontario and light snowfalls have occurred in parts of the Western Provinces. East of the Great Lakes the weather is mild and to the westward it is cold.

2 HUNDRED SHIPS MINED VICTIMS German Torpedoboats Sunk in Moon Sound by Russians.

Petrograd, Oct. 19.—Two German torpedoboats were sunk in the mine fields in Moon Sound yesterday, the war office announces.

**Kaiser Is Gathering
More Material For
New Peace Feeler**
Thus Is Described War Lord's Wanderings About Europe.

Zurich, Switzerland, Oct. 19.—The Zurich, Emperor William and Foreign Secretary von Kuehlmann should be regarded in a certain sense as a preliminary step toward peace, says the *Neueste Nachrichten* of Munich. The emperor's conversations at Sofia and Constantinople certainly mean the examination of every possibility in the direction, although it would be a mistake to conclude that the decision might embody concessions in the nature of a program of annexations by the enemy. The peace by conciliation, which we desire, has nothing in common with that of Lloyd George and Asquith.

**HEAD OF THE MINERS
SAYS THE MEN REALIZE
STRIKE IS HOPELESS;
EXPECTS SETTLEMENT**
Seventy Thousand Men Now Out May Be Back By Monday.

Chicago, Oct. 19.—Hope for the early settlement of the unauthorized strike of nearly 70,000 coal miners in Illinois was held out today by Frank F. Farrington, head of the Illinois Federation of Miners, who said the men are beginning to realize the futility of trying to force H. A. Garfield, national fuel administrator, to grant increased prices of coal at the mines.

ANOTHER STRIKE.
Hazelton, B. C., Oct. 19.—Striking miners here received no satisfaction on adjustment of grievances, 2,000 anthracite miners at Hazelton, the Yukon Coal Company at Adenoid, Green Mountain and Honeybrook, struck today. The chief complaint is in reference to payment for the removal of the mine. The company has offered 2,500 tons a day. According to the men, the company was giving warning several days ago to service in case of failure to adjust matters.

**GERMANS ARE PLAYING
AN AMBIGUOUS GAME
WITH PEACE FEELERS**
Copenhagen, Oct. 19.—The key to the policy of the German Government, in refusing to make any definite statement of peace terms, is furnished by Herr Hoch, a Socialist member of the Reichstag. German newspapers report that the deputy told yesterday how Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg before his resignation as imperial chancellor declared to the Socialist members of the Reichstag that as chancellor he could not commit himself, but must pull out of the peace negotiations whatever could be obtained for Germany.

**ROMANOFFS GET FOOD
THROUGH USE OF CARDS
LIKE ORDINARY FOLK**
Petrograd, Oct. 19.—The family of Nicholas Romanoff, former emperor of Russia, now receives its food supplies by the use of cards. The authorities in the Tobolsk district are issuing food cards and the Romanoffs must obtain their food the same as other citizens.

KILLED BY A BULL
Former Erie Township, Man. Meets Tragic Death West.

Saskatoon, Sask., Oct. 19.—While trying to drive a stray bull from his stock yard yesterday, F. R. Thompson, a well-to-do farmer and live stock man of Kenaston, Sask., was attacked by the enraged animal. He died from his injuries yesterday. The body was taken east for interment to Erie Township, Ont., from where Mr. Thompson came about eight years ago.

**MEDICAL TESTINGS
PREVIOUS TO CLAIM
ALWAYS OPTIONAL**
Military Service Council Explains Situation That Was Misunderstood.

Ottawa, Oct. 19.—The military service council issued the following statement today:
The impression seems to prevail in some quarters that the procedure adopted in connection with the enforcement of the military service act involves a compulsory for a member of Class 1 to be medically examined before claiming exemption. This idea is entirely erroneous. Facilities for medical examination were arranged in advance of the war, and the medical boards have been sought indicates that the public have appreciated the advantages of this arrangement. Medical examination, however, prior to reporting for service or claiming exemption, is and has always been optional.

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NO VICTORS ANNEXATIONS, INDEMNITIES, S STOCKHOLM CONFERENCE PROGRAM

Stockholm, Oct. 19.—The organization committee of the Stockholm conference has now published its manifesto regarding peace questions. Its starting point is that the war must end without either conqueror or conqueror, whenever the end may come. The committee adopts the idea of peace without annexations and indemnities. Other points in the manifesto include complete restoration of Belgium with autonomy to Flanders and Wallonia.

**RED CROSS FUND
TOTAL GROWS AS
CHECKS COME IN**
\$47,000 Raised in Campaign and It Is Being Added to Constantly.

\$50,000 OBJECTIVE SURE
"We Will Get It," Confident Statement Issued by Chairman of Committee.

THE RESULTS.
No. 1, Board of Trade team (A. W. White, captain) \$4,726.47
No. 2, Board of Trade team (W. W. Turnbull, captain) 3,397.00
No. 3, Rotary Club team (W. R. Venable, captain) 3,444.00
No. 4, Rotary Club team (F. G. Jewell, captain) 3,504.00
No. 5, Rotary Club team (J. C. McDermott, captain) 3,402.00
No. 6, Canadian Club team (J. H. Brown, captain) 3,188.00
No. 7, Advertising Club team (E. S. Crawford, captain) 3,021.00
No. 8, Bowled, captain) 2,948.00
No. 9, Bowled, captain) 3,162.00
No. 10, Bowled, captain) 3,148.00
No. 11, London Curling Club team (Bruce Wallace, captain) 4,026.00
No. 12, Thistle Club (P. B. Edwards, captain) 3,373.00
No. 13, Educational Club (C. B. Edwards, captain) 3,182.00
The Ladies' team (J. C. Edwards, captain) 3,313.20
Total \$47,596.57

**OLD LONDON COLLECTS
OVER THREE MILLIONS**
Gigantic Sum Raised in One Day, Apart From Street Collections.

London, Oct. 19.—More than \$2,700,000, irrespective of street collections, was contributed yesterday to the British Red Cross fund, the central committee announced.

**THE OLD PRISON FARM
IS NOW DOING ITS BIT
AS CONVALESCENT HOME**
Guelph, Ont., Oct. 19.—The old provincial prison farm at Guelph is no more. Everything that made the place look like a jail or a place of detention has been removed. Today fifty returned soldiers, the first of the invalids, are to be treated here, arrived and took up quarters in the Guelph Convalescent Home.

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BRITISH COMMONS TO THANK ARMY

London, Oct. 19.—Via Reuters' Ottawa Agency.—In the House of Commons, Mr. Croft asked an opportunity of recording its gratitude to the army of the Empire for their heroism in the successive victories of the Allies since July, 1916.

**EX-GREEK KING
IN GRAVE STATE;
HAS OPERATION**
Constantine Near Death at Swiss Home, Is Paris Report.

Paris, Oct. 19.—The French last night attacked the German lines on the Aisne front after a heavy bombardment. The war office reports that the German positions were penetrated and that 100 prisoners were taken.

**MANY BOMBS DROPPED
ON ENEMY AIRDOOME**
London, Oct. 19.—"Many bombs were dropped yesterday, with satisfactory results, on the Varnhemere airdrome (Flanders), by naval aircraft," says an official announcement given out here today.

**PRESIDENT OF PORTUGAL
SAYS THAT HIS COUNTRY IS
WITH ENTENTE TO END**
London, Oct. 19.—Via Reuters' Ottawa Agency.—In an interview with the correspondent, the president of Portugal said:

**AMMONIA TANK BURSTS,
OVERCOMING SCORES IN
A NEW YORK BUILDING**
New York, Oct. 19.—Virtually every occupant of a forty-story apartment-house, many residents adjoining dwellings, and several firemen, were overcome by ammonia gas when a tank burst in the basement of the building. One man is missing, and the condition of several of those overcome is reported to be critical.

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EASTERN ONTARIO LIBERALS RALLY ROUND SIR WILFRID IN CONFERENCE AT CAPITAL

Strong Resolution of Confidence in the Old Chieftain Passed By Many Liberal Candidates and Prominent Party Men From Eastern Section of Province.

Ottawa, Oct. 19.—An expression of confidence in the leadership of Sir Wilfrid Laurier was the feature of the morning session of Eastern Ontario Liberal candidates and other prominent Liberals who gathered here this morning to consider the situation. The resolution, which was moved by H. B. McGivern, Liberal candidate for Ottawa, and seconded by A. C. Hardy, Liberal candidate for Leeds, was as follows:

"That this meeting of Liberal candidates and representatives of Liberal associations of Eastern Ontario place on record its admiration for the life and work of the greatest of all Canadians, Sir Wilfrid Laurier, and desire to express the hope that he will long continue as leader of the great Liberal party."

Ottawa, Oct. 19.—Liberals invited to attend the gathering commenced to arrive at Sir Wilfrid Laurier's office in the Museum Building about 10 o'clock. Owing to the number in attendance it was decided to hold the conference in the railway committee room, to which the delegates adjourned. Their deliberations were private, it being stated that official announcements as to decisions arrived at would be made later in the day.

**MORE ROOM NEEDED
FOR SURPLUS GERMAN
ZIMMERMAN'S WAIL**
Wants Allies To Permit Development in Central Africa. NOT WORLD CONQUERORS

Former Foreign Secretary Is Trying To Pull Wool Over World's Eyes.

The Hague, Oct. 19.—Emil Zimmermann, in the *Vrijheidspost*, has an editorial on "German colonial politics in an English-American look." He writes, "Central Africa is one of the most important factors in the European situation."

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HAMILTON FATHERS TRYING TO INFLUENCE DOCTORS TO REJECT SONS AT EXAMINATION

Hamilton, Oct. 19.—Despite the fact that it is an offence punishable with five years imprisonment, the fathers of some Hamilton boys who come under the draft have tried to influence doctors at the armories to reject their offspring. A warning was issued today, and prosecution will follow any further efforts in this direction. The total of men so far examined was 1,551, of whom 1,551 are classified for overseas service. Yesterday 27 out of 197 examined went to Class A, while 44 were listed in Class E. Registration, it is very poor, less than 500 appearing in papers, of whom nine-tenths seek exemption.

**LIBERTY LOAN DRIVE
CONTINUES ITS GAINS**
Washington, Oct. 19.—The Liberty loan campaign continued its gains today, as the treasury officials announced that many estimates placed the total as follows:

Total so far subscribed are above \$1,750,000,000 and "within striking distance" of the two billion dollar goal for Saturday night. Officials were optimistic that the \$3,000,000,000 minimum mark would be greatly oversteered by the close of the campaign October 27.

\$20,000,000 FOR FRANCE.
Washington, Oct. 19.—The U. S. Government today advanced to France \$20,000,000 additional, bringing total loans to the Allies up to \$2,731,000,000.

**ROWELL AND CARVELL
TO SPEAK AT HAMILTON**
Hamilton, Oct. 19.—It was officially announced that the meeting of the Liberal association of Ontario at the Royal Connaught Hotel, scheduled for Thursday of next week, has been postponed until November 2. Hon. N. W. Rowell and Hon. Frank Carvell of the union cabinet have promised to attend, and Mr. Peden and Mr. Guthrie are also expected. It will be an important meeting under the auspices of the sixty conscriptionist Liberals who met some time ago in Toronto.

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