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CAPT. CONNORS OF THE 'GASPE' DROWNED OFF PORT YESTERDAY

Ship Had Only Sailed an Hour En Route to Bahia, When Sad Event Occurred—Was Knocked Overboard By Down Haul

The return of Baird's barq. Gaspe to port yesterday afternoon, an hour after she sailed for Bahia, with a cargo of fish with the report that the Captain Michael Connors, had been drowned, caused universal sorrow...

German Papers Warn Own People to be Ready To Hear of Reverses

London, Oct. 2.—A Rotterdam dispatch to The Daily Telegraph says the Germans in Rotterdam are aghast at the tone of the German newspapers which arrived today, Thursday.

Only one meaning can be attached to what they contain and that is they are preparing the German people for defeat and the ruin of their hopes.

Official messages ask that judgment be suspended, if news should arrive that the German troops have been compelled to abandon certain positions.

A week ago such statements would have meant the suppression of newspapers printing them.

At the battle front the Generals in command of the Allies are full of praise for the corps of dispatch riders who, since the beginning of the great battle of the Aisne, have kept up communication between the various corps along the line now spreading from the Somme to the Moselle and along the frontier of Alsace Lorraine.

This corps is composed mostly of volunteers from the British Universities, many of them very wealthy youths, who, night and day, have made dashes throughout a country infested with German cavalry, carrying messages which have kept brigades and army corps in close touch and enabled the commanders to send reinforcements to points where they were most needed.

On many occasions these dispatch riders mounted on motor cycles through sheer audacity and speed have scattered reconnoitering parties of German cavalry, sometimes facing enormous odds in their dangerous work.

The recent terrible hand-to-hand conflict on the western and eastern wings arose from the attempts of the German and Allied Generals to execute flanking movements in great force at the same time in open country.

The lines of the armies have been growing even longer in the last ten days in a mutual endeavor to overlap each other.

These wings have been heavily reinforced but the Allies have been able to bring great power to bear and not only have prevented the Germans from breaking through, but have gained ground steadily and now have the advantage.

German prisoners who have been taken in large numbers on the western end of the line show that the reinforcements which have arrived recently consist largely of old men who are nearing middle age.

BRITISH CRUISER CUMBERLAND BUSY OFF THE AFRICAN COAST

Captures Big Hamburg-American Liner and Eight German Merchant Steamers—British Loss in Shipping For September Totals 29,500 Tons

London, Oct. 2.—The Admiralty announces that the British cruiser Cumberland has captured, off the Cameroon River in West Africa, the Hamburg-American liner Arnfrieda and the following merchant steamers: Max Brock, Kinapa, Amsinck, Paul Woermann, Emma Woermann, Aline Woermann, Manus Woermann, Jeanette Woermann, all in good order.

RUSSIAN ARMY ATTACKS CRACOW

And Joins Battle With the German and Austrian Force

Vienna, Oct. 1.—The battle of Cracow began today when the advancing Russian army arrived at the outlying forts and were attacked by combined German and Austrian armies.

BATTLE RAGES ON LEFT WING

Violent Action Results in Success For the Allies

Paris, Oct. 1.—The official announcement issued tonight says: "This evening there is nothing of particular importance to describe except in the region of Roye on the French left wing, where a violent action has successfully turned in our favor, and in the Argonne where we have made progress at several new points. The general situation is satisfactory."

TURKEY KEEPS ENTIRELY COOL

London, Oct. 1.—The Foreign Office issued, a statement tonight stating that the report published in London today saying that the situation between Turkey and Great Britain and the Allies was critical, was not authorized, and did not represent the views of the Government.

RUSSIA AND U.S. SIGN A TREATY

To Submit Disputes to Arbitration

Washington, Oct. 2.—Secretary Bryan, for the United States, and Ambassador Bakhmeteff, for Russia, today signed a treaty binding the two nations to submit all disputes that cannot be settled diplomatically to an international Commission of five members for investigation during a period of at least one year during which hostilities may not be commenced.

MINE CAVES IN FIFTY KILLED

Webb City, Missouri, Oct. 2.—The American mine here caved in tonight. Fifty men were buried beneath the debris and it is believed that all were killed.

BARONESS' SON LOSES HIS LIFE

London, Oct. 2.—Capt. the Hon. William Amherst of the Royal Grenadier Guards and son and heir of the Baroness Amherst of Hackney, has been killed in action.

VICTORY IN THE AIR IN PARIS

People of French Capital Absolutely Confident of Ultimate Success of the Allies

NOT DAUNTED BY BIG LOSSES

Feeling That These Sacrifices Have Placed German Forces in Desperate Position

London, Oct. 2.—Despite the fact that thousands of Frenchmen are laying down their lives and thousands of wounded arriving daily from the front Parisians, says the Paris correspondent of The Daily Telegraph, are regaining some of their customary buoyancy of spirit.

INDIAN TROOPS LAND IN FRANCE

Got Ashore Last Friday, Presumably at Marseilles

ROUMANIA IS THREATENED

Must Fight Germany as Well As Austria

Berlin, Oct. 1.—The German Ambassador at Bucharest held a lengthy conference with the Rumanian cabinet today. It is understood he very frankly warned the Rumanian Government that any declaration of war or hostile acts against Austria would of necessity involve Germany.

ADVERTISE IN THE MAIL AND ADVOCATE

HEARST SUCCEEDS WHITNEY

As Premier of the Province of Ontario—Asked to Form a Government

YOUNGEST MEMBER OF THE CABINET

Will Continue to Act as Minister of Lands and Mines—Some Cabinet Changes

Toronto, Oct. 2.—It was officially announced tonight that Hon. W. H. Hearst, Minister of Lands, Forests and Mines in the Whitney Government, and the youngest member of the Cabinet, was tonight summoned to Government House and asked by the Lieut. Governor to form a new Government.

This disposes of the much-veiled question as to who would succeed the late Sir James Whitney.

Mr. Hearst will continue to hold the portfolio of Lands, Mines and Forests and the only change in the personnel of the Government is the appointment of Finlay G. MacDonald, member for West Elgin, to the portfolio of Public Works, resigned by the Hon. Dr. Reume.

Hon. J. P. Lucas, Provincial Treasurer, succeeds Hon. J. S. Hendrie, now Lieut. Governor on the Hydro-Electric Commission.

Resigned From Cabinet Sir Adam Beck is no longer a member of the Government without a portfolio, his dropping out being at his own request on the reorganization of the Government.

His wish for a long time has been to devote his whole attention to the Hydro-Electric development with which his name is so prominently associated.

The new Premier has represented Sault Ste. Marie since 1908 and entered the Cabinet in 1911 in succession to Hon. Frank Cochrane, who at the last Dominion election, entered the Borden Government.

CONDITIONAL CONTRABAND IS DEFINED

Washington, Oct. 1.—United States Ambassador Page, at London, today, cabled the State Department that the British Government intends to treat as conditional contraband of war the following: copper, lead (pig, sheet or pipe), glycerine, hermatite, iron ore, rubber hides, and skins, raw or rough tanned, not dressed leather.

60,000 WOUNDED NOW AT COLOGNE

All Are From the German Forces—City Has Spy Fever

London, Oct. 1.—The Copenhagen correspondent of the London News, wires that 60,000 German wounded have arrived at Cologne, and the great Exposition Building there has been transformed into a hospital, where the wounded are being cared for.

Most of the wounded are victims of artillery duels that have been in progress for the last 17 days along the Aisne. In many instances they had legs blown off by exploding shells.

Cologne is in a panic fearing raids by British aeroplanes. The city is also suffering from spy fever, and as many as 21 suspects have been shot in one day.

BELGIAN SORTES ARE SUCCESSFUL

Trick Germans at Antwerp And Capture Much Artillery

Antwerp, Oct. 1.—The Belgian troops in a series of successful sorties from the southern forts late today, captured a number of artillery and killed and wounded a large number of German.

The Germans have been shelling the forts which, after a time, in accordance with pre-arranged agreement, apparently ceased firing.

The Germans rushed forward to the assault, but the fire from the forts caused them to retreat hurriedly.

SAYS ACTION WAS ILLEGAL

Commission Finds Shooting of Nationalists was Breach of the Laws

London, Oct. 2.—The Royal Commission appointed to inquire into the events of July 26th last when four people were killed and many wounded in Dublin during the fight with police and soldiers following the landing of guns by Nationalist Volunteers at Howth, today reported that the employment of police and military was not in accordance with the law.

The report further says that the assistant commissioner of police, Harrell, was responsible for the calling out of the military and for the orders issued to the police.

British Ship Sunk

London, Oct. 1.—The German cruiser Leipzig sunk the British steamer Banksfield off Peru. The crew were saved.

WEATHER REPORT

Toronto (noon)—Moderate to fresh north-west winds, fair today and Saturday, with a little higher temperature.

SITUATION PROMISING

Germans Held in Check and the Odds All Favor the Allies

London, Oct. 1.—Although expectations were rife in both Paris and London yesterday of decisive news from the French battle front, they are not yet fulfilled.

The German army, which crossed the Meuse between Verdun and Toul, seems to have made no progress and the uneasiness which was at one time felt has disappeared in the belief that the Allies have strongly worked up the hole made at St. Michiel.

In the West progress is reported as the extension of the flank movement, though the sensational reports from Paris that the German right had been broken and that Von Kluck was thinking of surrendering, evidently outran the facts.

SAILOR DIED AS A BRITON

Noble Message From Pathfinder Victim

The remains of John R. Charlton, aged 19, one of the wireless telegraph operators on board the Pathfinder, were interred at Bridlington with naval honors.

The Rev. Conrad Balmer, at the funeral service, said that after the ship went down Charlton had swam for over an hour with a mate.

The two young men agreed shortly before Corleton sank, that the survivor should take a message to the other.

GERMAN ATTACKS REPULSED

Russians Decisively Defeat Their Attempts to Force Passage of the Niemen

GERMAN CENTER WAS PIERCED

And the Germans Had Twenty-Five Thousand Men Killed in Battle

London, Oct. 2.—In the Sawalk district from the left flank of the Germans, the Russians forced two determined attempts to force the passage of the Niemen River between Olita on the North and Druskeniki on the South.

Military critics point out that with the capture of Angustowa and Hoptzyewo, the Russians have broken the German centre.

The German line extended from Ossowetz to Sino and the Russians with great bravery have expelled the Germans from their entrenchment on the lakes which are divided by only two to five miles of dry land.

According to the newspapers the German losses at Druskeniki amounted to 20,000.

British Crew Landed

Callao, Peru, Oct. 1.—The Kosmos steamer Marie arrived here today with the crew of the British steamer Banksfields sunk by the German cruiser Leipzig, off Eten, Peru.

The crew of the Banksfields have appealed to the British Consul here in the hope of obtaining their liberty. The men said their ship carried a cargo of sugar valued at five hundred thousand dollars.

KAISER GOOD ON SPEECHES

The Berliner Lokalanzeiger contains the following statement, under date Sept. 3, from headquarters:

For the first time since the battles began in the West, His Majesty came on Sedan Day, to the front. His meeting with the Crown Prince took place at Sorbey.

Thence the Kaiser left to visit the Royal Grenadier Regiment No. 7, whose commander is Prince Oscar. There the Supreme War Lord delivered a speech to the regiment, which ended in hurrahs and the singing of the National Anthem.

GERMAN CHARGE WAS FRUITLESS

Cavalry Checked by Fire of the British, Halted and Soon Broke and Flew

The following from a non-com. of the "Pompadors" (the 2nd Battalion Essex Regiment) describes a German cavalry charge:

"We rallied in groups, and gave them the contents of our magazines, which threw them into confusion. They brought their naked sabres to the engage, and we could distinctly hear the words of command made in that very piercing high tone of voice which the Germans affect. All our brigade was engaged at the same time, but the enemy had a terrible death-roll before their fruitless charge was completed. There was a thick line of dead and wounded, while numbers were unhorsed, whom we mostly took prisoners."

"If they showed fight a swing of the rifle brought them to the ground. Two officers whom we took prisoners were killed, and we had to show them our bloodstained bayonets before they submitted to arrest. It was the most severe encounter we had been in. We retired. If we had remained they would have wiped us out with shrapnel."