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Britain and France Are to Guarantee Russian War Debts

Tokio, Aug. 27.—The decision of the government to utilize all available means for increasing the production of war munitions for the Allies, particularly Russia, has aroused the greatest enthusiasm. Army officers of high rank are arranging the details with manufacturers preparatory to enlarging arsenals and factories. It is understood that France and England have guaranteed payment for these supplies.

TROOPS OF CZAR ARE FIGHTING FOR THEIR EXISTENCE

Austro-German Advance is Well Into Russia.

Special Wire to the Courier. Berlin, Aug. 27.—Via London.—The Russian fortress of Olita on the Niemen river, 30 miles south of Kovno, has been evacuated. Official announcement to this effect was made here to-day. In all the wide sweep of Russian territory south of the Baltic provinces which has been covered during the great Austro-German offensive movement the fortress of Grodno is now the only strongly defended position remaining in the hands of the Russians. Olita was on the principal Russian line of defense, midway between Kovno, already in the hands of the Germans, and Grodno. It is about 50 miles southwest of the important railroad centre of Vilna, which is on the direct trunk line to Petrograd. Olita is the ninth important Russian fortress to fall before the invaders in the last three weeks.

London, Aug. 27.—The Austro-German invaders have not only pressed their opponents into old Russia, beyond the Political borders of ancient Poland, but have penetrated well beyond the district of Russia proper inhabited by the Poles. This enormous advance has now reached a stage in which the troops of Emperor Nicholas are fighting for existence on the soil of White Russia, which for the first time during this war is feeling the effects of invasion. The main object of the German attack around Brest-Litovsk for a number of days has been the railroad running eastward from the fortress toward Moscow. This line, with a branch running in a southeasterly direction, provided the means for Russian evacuation of the fortress. The Austro-German advance against this railroad has been so slow that it is believed here the evacuation was accomplished successfully before the fortress surrendered. Serbia's reply to the note of the Quadruple Entente, which has not been made public although reported to have been delivered, evidently is awaited by the other Balkan states before they take further action. Doubts are now being cast on the accuracy of the report, which was accepted yesterday, that a Turco-Bulgarian agreement had been signed. With 25,000 miners out in South Wales, England again faces the possibility of a coal crisis. Although the admiralty thus far has not issued a report of the recent bombardment of Zeebrugge, on the Belgian coast, additional details of the damage inflicted continue to reach London. The latest despatch states that the harbor defenses were damaged seriously and several submarines were destroyed. Transference of considerable bodies of German troops from the Eastern to the Western front is reported in press despatches.

A YOUNG HOPEFUL. By Special Wire to the Courier. New York, Aug. 27.—Waite Hoyt, a 15-year-old high school boy of Brooklyn, who has just been signed by John J. McGraw, manager of the New York club of the National League, is said to be the youngest ball player ever placed under any form of contract by a big league club. Hoyt, who was pitcher of the Erasmus High school team last year, weighs 165 lbs. After seeing him pitch in a high school game, Mr. McGraw drew up an agreement with Hoyt's father whereby the Giants are to have the services of the boy when he is old enough to play with them. It may be two or three years before he takes part in a league game.

GETS TRANSFER. Portland, Oregon, Aug. 27.—Thos. Erskine, British consul for Oregon, Washington, Idaho, and Alaska, received notice to-day that he would be transferred to New Orleans, January 1, to take charge of British interests in Louisiana, Florida, Mississippi and Alabama.

WELSH MINERS AGAIN LEAVE THE PITS

By Special Wire to the Courier. LONDON, Aug. 27, 1:03 p.m.—Reports from the South Wales coal fields this afternoon state that 25,000 miners already have joined the new strike.

THE RECURRENCE OF LABOR TROUBLES IS DUE TO GROWING DISSATISFACTION WITH THE AWARD OF WALTER RUNCIMAN, PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF TRADE, WHO ACTED AS ARBITRATOR IN THE RECENT STRIKE. THE SITUATION WAS STRAINED FURTHER WHEN THE COLLIERIES LEARNED THAT MR. RUNCIMAN HAD DECLINED TO SEE A DEPUTATION REPRESENTING THEM. THE MINERS CHARGE MR. RUNCIMAN WITH GOING BEHIND THE ARRANGEMENT MADE BY DAVID LLOYD-GEORGE, AND DEMAND THAT MR. LLOYD-GEORGE MAKE GOOD HIS PROMISES TO THEM. MINE OWNERS SEND URGENT REQUEST.

LONDON, Aug. 27.—The Mine Owners' Federation sent an urgent request to the strikers to-day to return to work at once. The executive council of the miners' organization adopted a resolution to-day condemning the new strike as unauthorized, and urged the men to remain at work pending further negotiations.

A deputation representing the council is on its way to London in an attempt to overcome Mr. Runciman's objection to re-opening the matter.

Despatches from Cardiff at the time the strike was settled last month said that the terms accepted by the miners as a result of Mr. Lloyd-George's trip to Wales provided for a substantial increase in wages and other concessions to the strikers, which were considered by them as tantamount to an admission of their claims on nearly all the outstanding points. Mr. Lloyd-George won the men over not only by promising concessions, but by emphasizing the fact that uninterrupted operation of the coal mines was highly essential to the conduct of the war.

Mr. Runciman's award contained wage concessions, but rejected a number of demands relating to working conditions, hours of labor and arbitration arrangements.

"SNAPPY OLD HORSE" AGE SEVENTEEN SOLD CHEAP, JUST SEVENTY FIVE DOLLARS: IS DESCRIBED AS HAVING A SLOPING SHAPE IN COURT

By Special Wire to the Courier. Halifax, N. S., Aug. 27.—A. B. Crosby, defeated Conservative candidate for one of the local seats in the Federal election of 1911, recommended Dr. Gough for the position of official remount veterinary for this district, he told the Davidson war supply commission this morning. Dr. Gough, who is at present in the Western states, examined most of the horses, the purchase and examination of which were probed by the commission yesterday. Mr. Crosby said he had always considered Gough a reliable veterinarian. He recommended him as an official veterinary for the Dominion and the British Government, though he could not be sure whether it was to the minister of militia or Sir Robert Borden.

F. L. Sangster, representing Mr. Harry Harris, once traded this horse for \$35 and a cow. He thought him about fourteen. E. C. Mackenzie took the horse's age up to fifteen and claimed he was a rough homely old horse. He was all right. Everybody took notice of the beast at the sale, because, while being run up and down, it nearly ran over everybody. CAPTAIN SUSPENDED By Special Wire to the Courier. Nantes, Aug. 27.—The marine court has ordered that Capt. Jousseau of the steamship Champagne, which was wrecked recently while entering the harbor of St. Nazaire, be suspended from his command for a week. The court thus holds that although a captain is bound to hand over control of his ship to pilots when entering port he nevertheless remains responsible.

Albert Johnson said the Archibald animal was not a bad old horse, but had a sloping shape. Harry Harris once traded this horse for \$35 and a cow. He thought him about fourteen. E. C. Mackenzie took the horse's age up to fifteen and claimed he was a rough homely old horse. He was all right. Everybody took notice of the beast at the sale, because, while being run up and down, it nearly ran over everybody. CAPTAIN SUSPENDED By Special Wire to the Courier. Nantes, Aug. 27.—The marine court has ordered that Capt. Jousseau of the steamship Champagne, which was wrecked recently while entering the harbor of St. Nazaire, be suspended from his command for a week. The court thus holds that although a captain is bound to hand over control of his ship to pilots when entering port he nevertheless remains responsible.

SOME GERMANS ARE ARRESTED LEAVING FRANCE

By Special Wire to the Courier. Barcelona, Aug. 27, via Paris.—Seven Germans were arrested last night on board the steamer Regina Helena, at the request of the French consul as they were about to sail for Italy. It is alleged that the prisoners had false passports and intended to try to reach Germany through Italy. One of the men arrested was a former member of the crew of the famous German cruiser Emden who escaped from the British and reached Lisbon. The police had some difficulty in protecting the Germans from other passengers on the steamer, mostly Italian reservists returning from America.

Wm. Fremam, Noblesville, Ind., never smoke nor drank intoxicants, and is dead at 97 years.

COMMANDER FINCH OF THE ARABIC



Lieutenant Will Finch, of the Royal Naval Reserves, commander of the Arabic, all his officers and all the passengers were on the decks when the ill fated ship was struck by a torpedo from a German submarine and sent to the bottom eleven minutes later. Captain Finch realized a moment after the impact of the torpedo that the Arabic was doomed and immediately issued orders to man the lifeboats.

VERY SATISFACTORY. Montreal, Aug. 27.—Sir William VanHorne is steadily improving. The following bulletin was issued by his physicians at the Royal Victoria hospital at ten o'clock this morning: "Sir William VanHorne's condition is very satisfactory."

NATIONAL SERVICE IS DISCUSSED

British Committee of the Cabinet is Holding Enquiry on Conscription.

By Special Wire to the Courier. London, Aug. 27.—The Daily Chronicle says a committee of the Cabinet consisting of Lord Curzon, Winston Churchill, Austin Chamberlain, and Arthur Henderson, is holding an enquiry as to the advisability and feasibility of conscription. Lord Kitchener has given evidence before the committee, as have other ministers, members and officials, and it is hoped that the committee will finish its labors before the meeting of Parliament in the middle of September.

SAFE IN ENGLAND.

By Special Wire to the Courier. Ottawa, Aug. 27.—It is officially announced that the Hesperian, which sailed from Canada on August 17, has safely arrived in England with the following drafts of reinforcements: Royal Canadian Dragoons, 2 officers and 15 men; horse artillery, 2 officers and 50 men; field artillery 4 officers and 100 men; engineers, 1 officer and 50 men; infantry from Ontario, 24 officers and 1,246 men. Other details, 3 officers and 6 men.

"CATTLE KING'S" GRANDDAUGHTER, BROKER'S BRIDE, IS MISSING



Where is Mrs. Harper Lake, who was Miss Margaret Stiff, of McKinney, Texas, the daughter of Mr. Clint Stiff and the granddaughter of the late Captain E. R. Stiff, known for many years as the "cattle king" of Texas? The foregoing question is one which Mrs. L. L. Elliott, of McKinney, Texas, her aunt, and Mrs. Winifred M. Shipley, of New York city, would like to have answered. While two relatives of Miss Margaret Stiff have established the record of her marriage to Harper Lake, of Lake Brothers, New York, cotton brokers, they have had no message from the girl or her husband.

The girl is only eighteen years old, and it is said her husband is forty-eight years old. And the disparity in their ages, said Mrs. Shipley, would have been the only objection, but no objections were made. According to a close friend of the family the marriage of the beautiful young woman to Mr. Lake has elements of the sensational, if not of the mysterious.

Will Change Policy Drastically If They are Well Meaning

London, Aug. 27.—"It is suggested that the American government will be satisfied if commanders of German submarines always warn passenger vessels and place their passengers in boats before sinking, the vessels," says the Spectator. "We do not believe for a moment that America would consent to this caricature of satisfying international law and humane customs. Imagine placing women and children in small boats, 60 miles from land, in a high winter sea and piercing cold, and saying that their safety was provided for. Now we are sure that if Germany means to prevent America from taking action of some kind, she will have to change her policy drastically."

UNITED STATES WILL BE OFFERED A FULL REPARATION FOR DEED

NOTABLE VICTORY, SAYS GAZETTE, FOR AMERICANS

By Special Wire to the Courier. London, Aug. 27.—Cable despatches reporting the statement yesterday of Count Von Bernstorff, German Ambassador at Washington, to Secretary Lansing that German submarine commanders had been ordered to attack no more merchantmen, without warning are displayed prominently to-day in the London newspapers. The Westminster Gazette says: "If Count Von Bernstorff is speaking with full authority, the American government can claim to have won a very notable victory."

The census of New York shows 386,193 women and girls working outside of their homes.

So Von Bernstorff Assures U. S. if Arabic Was Sunk Without Notice.

By Special Wire to the Courier. Washington, Aug. 27.—Count von Bernstorff, the German ambassador, acting on instructions from Berlin, to-day that "full satisfaction" would be given to the United States in the sinking of the White Star liner Arabia. The ambassador explained that Germany would make more than a mere disavowal, if it is found the Arabia was sunk without warning. The ambassador did not make public the extent of the instructions from Berlin on which he acted, but it was understood they were with the statement of German chancellor in Associated Press despatches from Berlin yesterday expressing the willingness of the German government to make fullest reparation if it is shown finally that the Arabic was torpedoed without warning. So far the German admiralty has received no report from its submarines which were operating in the Arabic's vicinity. Further communications now are expected from Berlin to the German ambassador and to the state department from Ambassador Gerard, which will advance the negotiations to a point where attacks on passenger-carrying ships will be definitely discontinued, at least while the subject is under further discussion. The crisis between the two countries now is regarded as having passed into the realm of diplomacy. Count von Bernstorff called at the state department early and conferred with Secretary Lansing nearly half an hour. It had been suggested that perhaps Germany was ready also to make reparation for the Americans lost on the Lusitania, but that subject did not come up at to-day's conference. The disposition of the German embassy is to take up one step at a time.

EXCESS CASH TO BE TAKEN FROM TOURISTS

By Special Wire to the Courier. Paris, Aug. 27.—Every traveller leaving France hereafter will be required to declare the amount of funds in coin in his possession. If more than fifty francs (\$10) he will be compelled to exchange the excess for paper money, under a decree issued to-day by the Finance Minister, Alexandre Ribot.

This action resulted from an investigation of the scarcity of silver coin, particularly in the frontier regions. It was ascertained that coins in circulation were collected systematically for export. Even coppers and nickels were sought and exchanged at a premium. It has been suggested unofficially that for the purpose of preventing hoarding during the war the government should announce its intention of issuing a new series of coins, after the conclusion of peace, demonetizing those now in circulation.

Cleveland street cars now have windows that can be lowered—a novelty there.

Samuel Davidoff, barber, Philadelphia is under arrest on a charge of having seven wives.