

## BERLIN REPORTS THAT GERMAN CITY HAS BEEN CUT OFF

### JAROSLAU IS CAPTURED

Russian Advance Through Galicia Marked by Another Success Which Will Assist Greatly in the Siege of Przemyel—Serians Are Also Victorious Over the Austrians.

BERLIN, Sept. 23.—(Via Rome.)—All telegraphic and telephonic communication with Breslau suddenly ceased yesterday.

It is feared that the Russian centre may have pushed forward and be attacking the city.

Breslau is one of the links of the chain in the Oder line of fortifications. After Berlin, it is the second largest city in Prussia, with a population of 500,000, and is the capital of Silesia. It occupies an important strategic position in Oder, and is a city of great historical interest, with magnificent buildings. It has been prepared for a possible raid by the Russians, and the last reports available from there stated that there was a very strong German force between it and the eastern frontier, also that artillery sent from it to the support of German in Russian Poland had been captured.

For some days, however, Petrograd has hinted at unexpected developments, in which the Russian centre army of 800,000 men would figure. This immense army was reported to be marching through Russian Poland, but no hint has been given as to its object or its destination.

Breslau is one hundred and ninety miles southeast of Berlin, and about sixty miles from the frontier of Russian Poland.

Jaroslaw Occupied. LONDON, Sept. 23.—The Russians have followed up their successes in Galicia, where a third great battle is about to begin, if it has not already begun, by capturing the important fortress of Jaroslaw, on the River San, just north of Przemyel, which they are surrounding. The Russian flag now flies over the town. Jaroslaw is an important railway centre and commands the position to the San river, and its possession will greatly assist the Russians in their operations against Przemyel, where a strong Austro-German force is prepared to offer stubborn resistance, in the hope at least of detaining the Russian armies which are needed to take the offensive against Germany.

The Serbians report another victory over the Austrians, who thus far have suffered severely on all sides. This engagement occurred near Krupani on the Drina, where the Austrians attempted to invade Serbia, but were driven back. This attack accounts for the Serbian offensive movements.

The Serbians and Montenegrins are within ten miles of Sarajevo, and the Austrians have made one sortie from the town, according to a Rome despatch, but quickly turned back in the face of the opposing forces.

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## AMERICAN SOCIALISTS' TRIBUTE TO GREAT BRITAIN

An American Socialist, Mr. Charles Edward Russell, has addressed the following letter to Mr. H. M. Hyndman, the Chairman of the Socialist Party in Great Britain. The letter was written at the Hague and dated August 23rd:

Dear Comrade Hyndman:—I was delighted to have your most kind fraternal letter, and to see that your clear perception of things was not astray about the present situation. I should have known it. Some of the comrades seem to be strangely muddled. The cause of Socialism, as well as the cause of political democracy, good faith, national honor, morality, and everything else that decent men care for is at stake in this horrible conflict. If the principle should once be established that big nations should have no obligations to respect their solemn guarantees to small nations, there would come such a flood of reaction and of the supremacy of mere brute strength as would overwhelm us for years. Socialism is true, right and moral, it can have no tolerance of international brigandage such as Germany practised on Belgium. If nations may violate faith shall individuals be any better?

I am not fond of the Government of Great Britain, but I confess that I

Pasha, the former Albanian Minister of War, as a result of an agreement with the Serbian Government, will lead an Albanian army into Herzegovina by way of Cattaro.

Petrograd despatches state that the Russian army in Austria has enveloped Jaroslaw and Przemyel and is now pushing on to attack Cracow. These three fortresses are the only important points in the invaded province still held by the Austrians. A five-hour truce, the first of the war, was granted to the Russians at Przemyel, to permit burial of the Austrian dead.

When the Russians reach Cracow it is expected that a terrific battle will ensue. The fortifications of the city are thoroughly modern and everything is in readiness for a desperate resistance. Austrian reserves and the German landwehr in large numbers have come up to support the retreating armies. Non-combatants in large numbers are leaving the city and the Russian attempt to carry the city will be resisted to the last. More than 1,000,000 troops are on the defenders' lines.

### B. C. CORPS ACCEPTED.

Col. MacDonald, of Vancouver, Organizing Company of Riders.

OTTAWA, Sept. 23.—Col. James MacDonald, a Vancouver contractor, has been authorized by the Minister of Militia to organize a mounted corps of some 500 men, who will go to the front. They will all be expert riders and crack shots and will be recruited chiefly from the interior of British Columbia. A large number of men, hearing that such a body was suggested, have already applied to be taken and have offered to furnish their own horses. The equipment will be paid for by Col. MacDonald and associates in British Columbia.

There will be a number of machine guns taken also, these having been donated by prominent citizens of Vancouver.

Recruiting will begin as soon as the first contingent sails from Quebec and Col. MacDonald has been at Valcartier and Ottawa in connection with the matter.

### French-Canadians To Recruit.

MONTREAL, Sept. 23.—A delegation of prominent French-Canadians will shortly visit Ottawa for the purpose of securing the sanction of the Prime Minister for the incorporation of a regiment recruited in Quebec for foreign service in the next contingent sent from Canada. An organization has already been formed to raise the regiment.

The presence of this regiment at the front, it is felt by French-Canadians, would do away once and for all with the suggestions that have been made that the war is not popular in Quebec.

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## THREE SHIPS SUNK

British Cruisers Torpedoed by German Submarines.

### FIFTEEN HUNDRED MEN DIE

German War Craft From Heligoland Make a Raid Into the North Sea and Attack the Aboukir—When

Latter Is Sinking Hogue and Cressy Rush to Rescue Only to Be Destroyed Also.

LONDON, Sept. 23.—The British warships Aboukir, Hogue and Cressy have been sunk in the North Sea by submarines, according to an announcement given out by the official press bureau yesterday afternoon.

The Cressy, Capt. Robt. W. Johnson; the Aboukir, Capt. John A. Drummond, and the Hogue, Capt. Wm. S. Nicholson, were sister ships. They were armed cruisers of a comparatively obsolete type and were built four years ago.

The lists of the casualties among their crews will be published as soon as they are known.

Continuing, the announcement says that a considerable number of the crews of these vessels were saved by H. M. S. Lowestoft and by a division of torpedo boat destroyers. Trawlers and their boats also aided in the work of rescue.

The Aboukir was torpedoed first. The Hogue and the Cressy drove in close to her and were standing by to save her crew when they also were torpedoed.

The warships Aboukir, Hogue and Cressy are cruisers of the same type. Their tonnage, armament, etc., are identical. These vessels had a displacement of 12,000 tons, were 440 feet long and 69.5 feet wide and drew 26 feet of water. Each one had a crew of 755 men, including officers.

These three cruisers had armaments consisting of two 9.2 inch guns, 12 6-inch guns, 12 15-pounders and 5 8-pounders. The Aboukir and the Cressy were built at Govan in 1909 and the Hogue was built at Barrow in the same year. The speed was 21 knots.

The daring raid of German submarines has momentarily diverted attention from the battlefields of the continent.

This was one of the things which the British navy has been led to expect, for the Germans have quite frankly avowed that their plan was to reduce British naval superiority by submarine raiding, the sinking of mines, and they have been training their young officers for sallies of this kind.

Nevertheless, it came as a surprise to English ships when these three were sunk so easily could the German fleet have been able to remain in safety in its mine and fortress protected harbors.

### About 1,500 Men Lost.

HARWICH, Eng., Sept. 23.—(Via London.)—At least 1,500 men were lost from the British cruisers Aboukir, Cressy and Hogue were saved. Thirty uninjured officers, survivors of the three sunken warships, arrived here last night. They had been rescued from the water and were improvised clothing. Eighty survivors were landed at Parkstone Quay, three miles west of Harwich.

It is estimated that each of the cruisers carried about 755 men, or 2,265 in all. The loss of lives would thus appear to be about 1,500.

### Two Submarines Sunk.

YMUDEEN, Holland, Sept. 23.—(Via London.)—Two of the five German submarine boats which attacked and sank the British cruisers Aboukir, Cressy and Hogue were sent to the bottom by the British ships, according to survivors of the cruisers who arrived here yesterday morning.

Survivors Landed. AMSTERDAM, Sept. 23.—(Via London.)—The steamer Flores arrived at Ymuiden last night with 287 survivors from the British cruisers sunk by the German submarines. One dead and a few wounded were also aboard.

### NAUBU IS TAKEN.

Australians Silence Last German Wireless in Pacific.

LONDON, Sept. 23.—The destruction of the wireless telegraph station on the island of Nauru, which removes the last German stationary wireless apparatus in the Pacific Ocean, is reported by the Reuters Telegram Co. yesterday from Sydney, N.S.W.

The British flag now flies over the island, though the German governor and his staff have been allowed to remain.

Scattered fighting has taken place at Rabaul, Neupommern, an island in the Bismarck archipelago. The natives, under German leadership, provoked trouble, but the Australian landing party took to cover cleverly and suffered no losses.

After this skirmish Rabaul practically surrendered.

### Rules of Fair Play Broken.

LONDON, Sept. 23.—Sir John French, in his report, says: "The Germans are a formidable enemy, well trained, long prepared and brave. Their soldiers are carrying on the contest with skill and valor. Nevertheless, they are fighting to win anyway, regardless of all rules of fair play, and there is evidence that they don't hesitate anything in order to gain victory."

### Prisoners Exchange Starts.

GENEVA, Switzerland, Sept. 23.—(Via London.)—The first exchange of prisoners of war, is now in full operation. The letters received, which average 1,500 daily, are being handled by police secretaries, who understand all known tongues.

## ARMED STEAMER TAKEN

German Converted Cruiser Spreewald Captured by H. M. S. Berwick.

LONDON, Sept. 23.—The Hamburg-American Line steamer Spreewald has been captured by the British cruiser Berwick in the North Atlantic Ocean, according to an announcement by the Admiralty last night. It was stated also that two colliers had been captured.

The Spreewald was fitted out as an armed cruiser. The two colliers carried 2,600 tons of coal and 180 tons of provisions for the German cruisers in Atlantic waters. The Berwick is commanded by Capt. L. C. Baker. The total number of German vessels which, according to latest reports, have been captured by British vessels at sea or by British port authorities is 92. Ninety-five German vessels were detained in British ports at the outbreak of the war.

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### SERVIANS AT SARAJEVO.

Victorious Serbians and Montenegrins Take Capital of Bosnia.

LONDON, Sept. 23.—The Rome correspondent of The Star says the Serbian and Montenegrin troops have occupied Sarajevo, which was abandoned by the Austrians after an overwhelming defeat.

Sarajevo is the birthplace of the present war, for there occurred the assassination of the Austrian heir apparent, Archduke Francis Ferdinand, and his wife, which led to war between Austria-Hungary and Serbia.

Monday afternoon's report stated that the Austrian army was completely demoralized and panic-stricken, and "flying before the Serbians and Montenegrins, who were then only fifteen kilometers from the Bosnian capital."

The battle which has been in progress for several days near Krupani, on the Drina river, has, according to an official announcement made yesterday, ended in complete disaster for the Austrians.

The announcement declared that 160,000 Austrian troops were engaged in this encounter, while the Serbian forces included various bodies of men who had been concentrated along the Drina, reinforced by troops hastily recalled from Semlin and Slavonia. The fighting was very sanguinary.

### TROUBLE IS OVERCOME.

Decision To Send All Officers to Front Relieves Ottawa.

OTTAWA, Sept. 23.—It is understood that by January next Canada will send abroad the first contingent of forty thousand men. The 31,000 to be sent from Valcartier will in all probability go to a Canadian depot in England, from which they will be sent to the front when thoroughly efficient. To fill up the gaps in the ranks caused by casualties and sickness recruits will be sent from Canada to this depot from time to time, probably bringing the total sent from Canada to about 41,000 by the first of the new year.

Announcement that the entire force at Valcartier would be sent abroad is hailed with satisfaction by officers and men, and any dissatisfaction that may have been caused by the uncertainty as to who were to be left behind has been removed. It was understood that the force was to be sent to the front when the military review yesterday, "but reports indicate that the resistance of the enemy is weakening. Another effort and French territory will be free of them. It will be hard, however, for us to have many victims."

"Our advance between Rheims and the Argonne seems to show the greater part of the German army in retreat by way of Belgium. West of the Meuse they are already making extensive defensive works on the Sambre."

### PURE FABRICATION.

Bloodthirsty speeches Credited to Grey Untrue Says Statement.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 23.—The British Embassy last night issued this statement: "The German propaganda in the press reports of speeches supposed to have been delivered by British statesmen, such for instance as that attributed to Mr. Burns, which is a pure fabrication."

The statement has been made as to a speech of Sir Edward Grey, in which he is quoted as saying that "There shall be no peace until Germany is humbled to the earth, her territory divided between Russia and France and her commerce definitely delivered to England."

"Sir Edward Grey never delivered such a speech, and the statement is obviously a malicious attempt to mislead public opinion."

### Mean to Destroy Rheims.

LONDON, Sept. 23.—A Paris despatch to The Express says:

"Military experts here believe that the Germans intend to take the city of Rheims. While the city itself is immaterial from a military standpoint, it is the centre of a district of the highest strategic value. The German forces in great strength are close to the city on the north side while the French batteries occupy the heights to the south."

"Second, on the centre, between Rheims and Soissons, the enemy attempted an offensive movement which was repulsed, while between Soissons and the Argonne we have made some progress."

"Third, on our right wing, in Lorraine, the enemy has again passed the frontier, using in this operation a number of small columns. Donated to the south of Blamont, has been reconquered by the army."

"During the days of Sept. 20 and 21 we captured twenty automobiles used in moving provisions, together with all the men attached to them. We also captured on these days numerous prisoners belonging to the 6th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 15th and 16th German army corps, to the Bavarian Landwehr, and to the reserve corps."

### Asstons Can be Cured.

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## VICTORIA.

Tomato picking still raging in this neighborhood.

Miss Vera Brickman returned home on Wednesday after visiting Miss G. White of Sidney for a few days.

Mr. I. Brickman is busy cutting corn.

Mr. C. White is visiting her sister.

Mr. W. Bush.

Mr. G. Skinkle Miss N. Skinkle, Miss L. Blake are visiting at Mr. J. F. Weese's and Mrs. E. Brickman's.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Babcock Mrs. Barreger and Mrs. F. Brickman spent Sunday at Mr. H. Black's.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Farmer spent the week end at Mr. S. R. Fox's.

Mr. and Mrs. Foster Mr. and Mrs. W. Stoneburg Mr. and Mrs. T. Brickman, Mr. and Mrs. W. Bush and Mrs. White, spent Sunday at Mrs. I. Aime-worth's, Wellington.

Mr. Roy and Ross Bush are spending a few days at Mr. W. Bush's.

Mr. S. Brown and Miss A. Adams attended Shannonville fair on Saturday.

Mrs. H. Palmer is improved after a severe attack of quinsy.

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