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### BRITISH

London, Aug. 12.—General Hamilton reports severe fighting continues in Gallipoli Peninsula. The area captured in the Anzac zone is nearly trebled, chiefly through the gallantry and dash of the Australian and New Zealand Corps. No further progress has been made in the Northern section.

The small armed patrol vessel Ram-say was sunk by the German armed fleet auxiliary, Meteor, in the North Sea on August 8th. Four officers and thirty-nine men were saved. The Meteor subsequently sighted a British cruiser squadron, and the Captain to avoid capture abandoned and blew up the ship.

The French Government report very violent German attacks in Ar-gonne penetrating the French position at one point. The enemy were driven out by a counter-attack retaining only part of the first line of trenches.

The Russian Government report the Germans repulsed in Riga district. Near Kovno three German battalions were almost completely annihilated during a counter-attack. The German offensive continues on the Nar-ew.

The Italian Government report an Austrian submarine torpedoed and sunk with all hands by an Italian submarine.—BONAR LAW.

### ST. PIERRE BULLETIN

Paris, via St. Pierre.—In Artois there has been cannonading and petards, with fighting around Souchez. In Ar-gonne last night the enemy de-livered two attacks against our trenches in the region of Marie Therese and Fontain aux Charmes, and was completely repulsed.

In LePretre Wood there was a rather sharp struggle from trench to trench with grenades and big bombs. In the Vosges at the Ligne the Ger-mans attempted an attack which was repulsed after a grenade fight.

Nothing new to report on the re-mainder of the front.

## Austrian Poles Demand Independent Polish Kingdom

This Suggestion a Berlin Paper Strongly Objects

"THIS QUESTION MUST BE SETTLED"

Not in Cracow or Lemberg, but Leaves it Supposed That Berlin is Meant

London, Aug. 12.—The correspond-ent of Reuter's News Agency at Am-sterdam sends the following:—

"The announcement from Vienna that the Austrian Polish Club, compris-ing Polish deputies to the Austrian Reichsrath and Galician Diet, have issued a manifesto demanding the re-estab-lishment of the Kingdom of Pol-and, as an independent state under the suzerainty of the Hapsburg mon-archy, has drawn a protest from the Vossische Zeitung in Berlin, which de-clares:—

"It is not in Cracow or in Lemberg that question will be solved regard-ing the fruits of a war, in which the Ger-man people of the empire have ex-hibited a force unexampled in his-tory."

## Official Statement Respecting Loss Cruiser "India"

London, Aug. 12.—An official com-munication this evening announces that the British auxiliary cruiser In-dia, while engaged on patrol duty was torpedoed and sunk by a German sub-marine. The announcement adds that 22 officers and 119 men of the India were saved.

A despatch from Berlin last Tues-day coming by wireless through Say-vik, N.Y., announced that the India had been torpedoed off the Norwegian coast and that 80 members of the crew had been saved by the Swedish steamer Goesteland.

## German Descent On Western Front Now Looked For

Significant Order Has Been Issued to Flanders Army

### THE EAST FINISHED

Says the Order, "And we are About to Begin in the West"

London, Aug. 12.—A significant or-der of the day, predicting the resump-tion by the Germans of a vigorous of-fensive on the west, has been issued to the Teutonic armies in Flanders, according to the Amsterdam Tele-graph.

An extract from this order tele-graphed by the Amsterdam correspon-dent of the Stock Exchange Tele-graph Company is as follows:— "Our work now is practically fin-ished in the East. We are about be-ginning in the West. Peace is cer-tain in October."

## British Factories Organized Under Munitions Act

London, Aug. 13.—Lloyd George, Minister of Munitions, announces that 345 establishments have been de-clared 'controlled establishments' under Munitions War Act. As a result of this control the profits of employers will be limited and any excess over such limit becomes payable to the Na-tional Exchequer. "By this provi-sion," says Lloyd George, "parliament assures that sacrifices made by work-men are made for the nation as a whole and not for the advantage of individuals. On the other hand, dur-ing the period of the war, any rules or shop customs which may have the effect of limiting the output of mun-itions are suspended in controlled es-tablishments."

## German Operations Against Russians Has Slacked Off

Geneva, Aug. 12.—A despatch to the Geneva Tribune from Innsbruck, capital of the Austrian Tyrol, says that German operations have been suspended on the Kovno-Suwalki-Grodno front because of lack of rein-forcements, no new troops having ar-rived since August 4th.

The Russian offensive at Kovno is of the greatest importance, as the German first line troops suffered ter-rible losses on Aug. 8th and 9th. In this section as well as in the region between the Lomza and Bug it is re-marked that many regiments are much below the average strength.

## British Sink Turk Gun Boat In Dardanelles

London, Aug. 12.—The Turkish gun-boat Derk-i-Satvet and an empty transport, have been torpedoed in the Dardanelles by a British submarine. This was officially announced tonight. The Derk-i-Satvet was built at the Krupp works in 1907. She was 232 feet long, 27 feet beam, 8 feet deep, displacement 763 tons, and fitted with two four-inch guns, six 6 pounders, two four-pounders and three torpedo tubes. Her complement was 105 men, and speed twenty-two knots.

## Aeroplane Falls Capt. Knox Killed

Port Said, Aug. 12.—Quartermaster Captain Knox of the first aero squad-ron, U.S.A., was killed, and Lieut. Sutton, his aide probably fatally in-jured today when their aeroplane fell five hundred feet.

## Germans Capture Lukow and Zambrow

Berlin, via London, Aug. 12.—Austro German forces are pursuing the Rus-sians retreating from the Warsaw sa-lient, and have occupied Lukow. Zambrow also has been captured.

# GREECE AND SERBIA INTERFERING ELEMENTS IN THE BALKAN HIDE MARKET

## Turkey Also a Stumbling Block--Diplomats Working Overtime to Bring About Balkan League and Drag Those Neutral Into War's Awful Vortex--Victory of Austro-Germans in Poland and the Baltic Provinces Makes Bulgaria Shy of Tempting Fate

## Like Moths They Flit Around the Alluring Flame Too Shy to Enter And Too Weak to Fly the Danger--Russians Continue to Retire And German Attack Gaining Momentum--Military Experts Think Germans Are Aiming at Russia's Capital--Not Much Doing on The Western Front

London, Aug. 13.—The situation in Poland and Baltic Provinces is chang-ing but little from day to day. At-tention is turned to the near East where the diplomats of the Quadruple En-tente Powers are endeavoring to re-trieve the Balkan League and bring all the Balkan States out of their shade and to the armies of the Allies, which are battling against the Turks in Gal-lipoli Peninsula and the Caucasus. Diplomats of all the belligerents for the moment are concentrating atten-tion on Sofia, for Bulgaria holds the key to the situation. It is said she is being offered a concession for her to join one side or the other, or remain neutral. Both German and Entente Ministers are declared to be finding their endeavors hindered by their friends. Greece and Serbia are un-willing to concede to Bulgaria parts of Macedonia, which is her price for joining the Allies, while Turkey is opposing the concession which Aus-tria and Germany desire her to make to insure the continued neutrality of the Sofia government. Bulgaria, too, it is asserted is weighing the victory of the Austro-Germans gained in Poland

against the renewed efforts of the Al-lies in the Dardanelles. The reported signal victory which the Russians are said to have won over the Turks in the Caucasus, which military experts here believe, will keep Turkey quiet on that frontier for some time. There is no news from the armies on the Gallipoli Peninsula to-night, but the British Admiralty re-ports operations of a British sub-marine in the Sea of Marmora, which is interfering with Turkish communica-tions by sea. This underwater boat, which recently sank the Turkish battleship Kheyr-ed-din-Barbaros, has also sent to the bottom the Tur-kish torpedo boat Berk-i-Satvet and an empty transport. Nothing is said in the Admiralty communication of the former German cruisers Breslau and Goeben now owned by the Turks, both of which are unofficially reported to have been sunk. The Russians continue their retire-ment in Poland, but while they are retarding the German advance, which is now regaining its momentum, by re-peated counter attacks and stubborn resistance wherever conditions are favorable. There is still considerable distance between the German arm-

ies S.E. and N.W. of Warsaw, so that seemingly the Russians will be able to make good their retreat, only, however, to be called upon to oppose the German attempt to outflank them at Kovno and further North. The strength of the German offensive in the latter region has led to the by some military observers here that the Germans are now aiming at Pet-roggrad. It is pointed out, however, there is a great stretch of marshy country between the present battle-fields and the capital, which it is as-serted would make the adventure a dangerous one. Besides, Germans would first have to capture Villna, Dvinsk and Riga, all of which the Russians are defending with strong forces, which at times are able to take the offensive. Germans claim to have captured a group of French fortifications in Ar-gonne forest, France, whereas the French say all German attacks were repulsed. Otherwise there have been no events of importance on the Western battle front. The public here are prepared to hear something of greater importance than the sinking of the British cruiser India, which was an-nounced by the Admiralty to-night.

## Russian Wings Assure the Centre Safe Retirement

Danger Zone is Now Admit-ted to be Far North

## WHILE RIGA STANDS

No Disaster Can Befall the Russian Armies

London, Aug. 13.—Reviewing the situation in Russia the military cor-respondent of the Times pays enthu-siastic tribute to the mastery retreat of the Russian armies. He says the stand made by the wings protecting the army falling back from Warsaw was magnificent and undoubtedly was entirely successful, as the War-saw army now is assured ample time to fall back to a prepared position.

The decisive front now, according to the correspondent, is admittedly in the far north, where no real success is possible for the Germans until the fall of Riga and Kovno enables them to seriously threaten the retreat of the Russians' central and northern groups of armies to the north-west. Even Kovno is only a stepping stone for the Germans.

He says the real question is as to the strength of Field Marshal von Hindenburg, whose presence indicates he is at the head of a formidable group of armies, and in charge of the decisive operations of the Eastern campaign. If Von Hindenburg can be successfully opposed, there will be no catastrophe for the Russian armies.

## Allies Cancel All Wheat Orders In United States

This Grain Was to be Deliv-ered in September

## CANADIAN ORDERS ALSO CANCELLED

This Move Greatly Puzzled Wheat Dealers--Has Europe Found New Source of Grain Supply

Chicago, Aug. 13.—The cancella-tion yesterday by representatives of the Allies of contracts aggregating nearly two million bushels of wheat bought for September shipment to Europe was puzzling to the grain trade. Early to-day, not only were cancellations re-ported by Chicago concerns, but some seaboard exporters claimed to have closed out open contracts and Cana-dian exporters also reported some can-cancellations. James Patton, former Board of Trade operator, discussing the can-cancellations, said if peace were in sight Europe would still need wheat, and she would have credit to get it. The cancellation of orders, therefore, would seem to indicate either one of two things, either Europe has found a source of new supply, which means Russia, or Europe finds that she cannot pay.

The average husband is a silent partner.

## Destruction Rained From Sea and Air On Turkish Town

Aeroplane Drops Bombs on Zagagik While Destroyer HURLS DESTRUCTION

## Turks Construct Strong De-fense Works and Mount Heavy Guns

Paris, Aug. 12.—A despatch from Havas news agency from Athens says it has been learned from Mytilene, that a British aeroplane bombarded Zagagik, near Smyrna yesterday, de-stroying the barracks, telephone of-fices, and eight houses. A destroyer, which followed the aeroplane also bombarded the city, in which there were said to be a large number of victims. The Governor of Smyrna, fearing attack, sent 8,000 men to reinforce the coast defense troops. The Turks are constructing new works about Smyrna, and large cal-ibre cannon have been placed along the Smyrna-Skala-Vouria road.

## Italian Consuls Leaving Turkey

Paris, Aug. 12.—A despatch from Geneva says that the Neues Wiener Journal, a newspaper in the Austrian capital, announces that the Italian Consuls have left Turkish territory. Italian interests have been confined to American officials.

## United States Wants German Seed Berlin Not Willing

To Make Shipment in Ac-cordance With British Agreement

### MUST BE SHIPPED FROM GERMAN PORT

Says Teuton Government and They Want Commodities in Exchange

Washington, Aug. 12.—Informal ne-gotiations were begun to-day by for-ign trade advisers of the State De-partment to ascertain whether Ger-many would agree to terms to which Britain consented to permit exporta-tion to the United States of fifty thousand bags of German beet seed. Germany stipulated some time ago that any such shipment must go through a German port, and that ex-change to equal value, in wheat forage and meats must be given. Britain requires shipment to be made through a neutral port, and that no exchange of these commodities be involved.

## Russians Repulse German Invaders With Heavy Loss

Petrograd, Aug. 13.—Desperate Ger-man attacks have been repulsed with very heavy losses on the roads be-tween Cholm and Vladova by the Russians, according to an official statement issued to-night from the headquarters of the general staff. At-tempts to overwhelm the Russian ad-vance guards in Riga district have also been repulsed as have attacks at several other points of the battle line.

## French Aviators Make a Raid On German Towns

London, Aug. 12.—A despatch re-ceived here today from Berlin says French aviators dropped bombs on Sevebrucken, Tsank and Inghou, killing eight persons, and wounding several. The property damage was small.

## Serbia Obdurate Will Not Concede Any Territory

London, Aug. 12.—The Balkan sit-uation is featured by the morning papers. Serbia's unwillingness to cede territory claimed by Bulgaria, which will be necessary to insure the ac-tive co-operation by Bulgaria on the side of the Allies, has had a discour-aging effect.

## School Children Have Been Released To Assist Harvesters

London, Aug. 12.—To assist harvest work, the Education Committee of the County of Kent has released nearly 1500 school children. Kent has been called the "Garden of England," and is devoted largely to orchards, berry farms, and hop fields.

## Big Market For United States Grain Offers in Italy

Rome, Aug. 12.—Latest official re-ports regarding the harvest show that Italy needs 12,000,000 qtls. more grain for her consumption until next year. A quintal is 220 pounds. Most of this grain it is understood, will be purchased in America.

## Meaningless Rumour

London, Aug. 12.—Circulation was given this afternoon to the rumor that the Government had received news of military successes, closely affecting Russia. This rumour was based on the activity, at rising prices, of Rus-sian securities on the Stock Exchange.

## Austrians Active Near Monfalcone

Milan, Aug. 13.—Austrian artillery has attempted to shell Monfalcone, but without result. The Italian artil-tery has been exceedingly active and successful all along the Corinthian Alps. It has shelled the Austrians out of their trenches and enabled the Italian infantry to occupy fresh posi-tions. An Austrian attack on the positions of Monte Madetta, and an at-tempt to place barbed wire defences there, signally failed. A violent at-tack on Italian positions north of Gorizia, near Plava, has been twice repeated, supported by heavy artil-tery, and these were repulsed with heavy losses to the assailants. Severe fighting has also taken place in the valley of Sexton and the source of the Ribiancho. Italian artillery has begun success-fully to shell the fortifications in the region of Cadore.

## Rumours German Invasion of Serbia Stir the Balkans

London, Aug. 13.—Balkan capitals are showing the liveliest interest in the reports that the Germans are preparing to launch a campaign against Serbia, according to despat-ches from Bucharest, Sofia and Athens. Several correspondents declare the proposed German offensive against Serbia would be a blessing in disguise, because it probably would bring about the union of the Balkan States.

## Villa Willing to Sign Truce and Talk Peace

Washington, Aug. 12.—General Villa has informed the U. S. Government that he is willing to sign a truce of three months or more, duration with his opponents, during which time a peace conference shall be held.

## Bureau to Control Swiss Importations

Geneva, Aug. 12.—The Journal says that negotiations between the Swiss authorities and representatives of the entente allies for the creation of a Bureau to control imports into this country, are nearing a conclusion.

## Alpine Troops Officially Praised For Brave Work

Rome, Aug. 13.—The effectiveness of the Italian Alpine troops impelling two Austrian attempts to cross the frontier, through passes of the Alps, at an altitude of ten thousand feet, is praised by the Italian War Office in an official statement.

## Wife Murderer Pays the Penalty

London, Aug. 13.—George Joseph Smith, wife murderer, was hanged to-day at Maidston.

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## Mrs. John Housekeeper, Everywhere, Nfld.

Dear Madam, Does the laundry soap you are now using give satisfaction? Even, so would you not like to try something that you may like even better. White Russian Soap has just been put on the market. It is pronounced by those who have used it to be just what they have always wanted. It is equally good for bath or laundry. When next shopping, we would sug-gest that you ask your grocer for a cake. Yours faithfully, CLEVELAND TRADING Co., Agents.

## P.S.—Hope you had a nice cup of Arbuckle's Breakfast Coffee this morning. Your friends in the States all use it.

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