

GERMAN AIR RAIL ON LONDON FAILED

Official Report Shows Damage Done and Loss of Life Was Very Small Considering Great Preparations Made by Germany to Deliver Staggering Blow From Air—Many Marvellous Escapes Reported.

London, Oct. 17.—The following account of the Zeppelin raid on Wednesday night was prepared by a writer appointed by the Home Office:

"On the evening of October 13 another aerial attack was directed against London, which differed in no material respect from those made on previous occasions. The enemy's vessel or vessels flew high.

"The darkening of the metropolitan area, together with the height at which the aircraft travelled, certainly prevented the enemy from discovering the exact position of places of importance.

"As on the last occasion, the official report issued in Berlin proves the raiders to have been grossly in error in most cases as to where they were dropping their bombs, and if they had relayed some definite objective, owing to the height at which they flew, they entirely failed to attain that objective.

Casualties Confined To Civilians

"Except for one chance shot, the damage was exclusively on property not connected with the conduct of the war. Of the 127 persons killed or injured none, save one or two soldiers who were in the streets at the time, were combatants.

"As for the moral effect for which presumably the enemy was seeking that was all to his advantage. The raid occurred at an hour when practically no one, except children, was in the streets, and the shops in the principal shopping areas were closed. The masses of the population were about the ordinary evening pleasure, or at business."

"A very much larger number of people, therefore, were aware of the enemy's presence, but the population of London, though hundreds of thousands heard the sound of bursting bombs and the guns, remained cool and free from panic. There were, if possible, even less signs of excitement than on the previous occasions. The official warnings to take shelter were better observed, and when the aircraft passed and the guns ceased firing, most of the people who had been watching the bombardment went quietly to bed, and were undisturbed by the second raid, which took place about midnight in another part of the London area."

Entire Absence of Panic

"In the theatres, from which the sounds of the firing and explosions could plainly be heard, there was a commendable absence of panic. Altogether the imperturbability of the people of London would appear to offer a striking contrast to the behaviour of the population on the occasion of releases of aircraft attacks recently said to have been held in certain German towns."

"When the results of the raid were examined next morning five distinct areas could be distinguished in which damage was done. The first of these is an area in which there is little or no residential property, some large buildings devoted to various kinds of business, had comparatively wide streets. In this area bombs were dropped containing high explosives, which in four cases fell upon the streets, and in the fifth upon the back premises of one large building through the roof.

"One of the bombs, which apparently was of large size, penetrated the street into the subways containing gas and water mains, and in exploding, melted the gas pipes, setting alight a fire which, though slight in extent, lasted for several hours. The explosion of this bomb damaged the buildings around about considerably and destroyed almost all the glass in the neighborhood. It was responsible for a number of casualties, which will be the subject of an inquest. Those killed were either sitting in the front rooms of the buildings or were working or walking in the streets."

Damage Was Not Heavy.

"The second area contains a large block of residential flats, some of which are occupied as offices. Like many other blocks of flats in London this one has a stretch of garden behind the buildings, and one of the enemy's high explosive bombs fell in this garden close to the flats themselves. One or two rooms on the ground floor were totally wrecked and on the first floor considerable damage was done. Another bomb fell on the top of one of the buildings, demolishing the top story. In this area there was no casualties."

"The third area contains two damaged business premises. The first of these is a large modern building constructed of reinforced concrete, and with steel and concrete roof and floor. Two bombs were dropped on this building, one of them actually on the roof, and one on the pavement immediately behind the doorway. The bomb on the pavement appears to have exploded sideways. At any rate the damage done, which consisted chiefly of broken glass and plaster, occurred mainly in the houses on the other side of the street. The bomb which dropped on the roof of the building itself did little damage."

Bomb Dropped on Hotel Roof.

"In the same area a bomb was dropped on the roof of a small hotel, the morning by Sgt. Scott and was taken to police headquarters for protection. In this case the strength

ALLIED TROOPS ATTACKING THE BULGARIAN STRONGHOLD; SERBS FIGHTING VALIANTLY

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The Bulgarians, the despatch continues, are attacking, with large forces, along the line between Zajcar and Kotschane, in the vicinity of Timok and Breganitz. They have succeeded in passing Rakov, Sava and Stoikovo Brdo.

To the south the Bulgarians have forced the Serbians in the region of Kniavevac.

In the region of Kriva and Palanka, situated on the Kumanovo-Kustendil road, the Bulgarians made an attack with several regiments and succeeded in reaching Tchoupino Brdo, whence they can menace the cities of Kumanovo and Vranje, and the Nish-Saloniki railroad. At Kotschane, on the Breganitz river, the Serbians are successfully resisting an attack by two Bulgarian divisions.

The situation is becoming serious, especially in the region of Kumanovo, as it appears that the Bulgarians plan to seize the railroad on this side and separate the Serbian army from the allied troops coming up from Saloniki, and then turn towards the north, through the Morava Valley, in order to reach Nish.

The prompt arrival of the Allies at Kumanovo and Vranje is necessary, and the government and army as well as all Serbians, are awaiting the mthw growing impotence.

RUSSIANS STILL HAMMERING GERMAN LINES IN THE EAST

Fierce Fighting in Vicinity of Railway South of Riga—Part of German Forces Captured—Enemy's Line Pierced and Czar's Troops Gain Ground.

Petrograd, Oct. 17, via London, Oct. 18.—The following official communication from general headquarters was issued tonight:

"South of Riga, after artillery preparation, the enemy attacked and captured the Garroosen railway station. Our counter-attacks following immediately, and we re-captured and re-occupied the station.

"In the region of Gross-Pauk the Germans made several attacks and pressed our troops back in the region of the Janab river. Fighting occurred around the Neugut station, southeast of Riga.

"Our aeroplanes yesterday threw dozens of bombs on trains and the railway works behind the enemy's lines.

"In the region of Jacobstadt there has been artillery and rifle fire. In front of Drinsk the enemy continues his stubborn attacks. We repulsed four attacks in the course of the day in the Schloßberg region, west of the Baltic. Hostile attacks near the village of Pochilka were also repulsed.

"At 10 o'clock yesterday morning the enemy developed an intense fire and attacked in the Chibokovo district, north of Lake Svencen.

"The movement of our troops was directed against the flank and rear of the Germans, who were cut off, and we captured part of their forces. All attacks were repulsed by our fire. The commanders of the various units ordered that the field of battle before their entrenchments was covered with German bodies.

"The fighting on the front between Lakes Denmen and Drevskoye continued. The Germans are sustaining obstinately in the region of Kroukisski and Gater. At the village of Ousti on the west shore of Lake Boginskoi, the enemy's lines were pierced and our troops crossed the River Dravskoye.

"Near the village of Kouklovitch, on the River Stri, above Cartorysk, our troops yesterday captured enemy trenches. His counter-attacks were repulsed. Yesterday also we seized an enemy position in the Carpatian district west of Derango.

"In the Caucasus, near the village of Norchinsk, south of Olti, our troops made a successful reconnaissance. The Turks, having received reinforcements, assumed the offensive, and at 2 o'clock in the morning of the 15th stormed Norchinsk but were repulsed with great losses, and retired on their previous positions."

HOW THE BRITISH TOOK THE HONENZOLLERN REDOUBT

British Headquarters in France, Oct. 15, via London, Oct. 16.—Among the Huns, the fighting has been almost continuous since the taking of Loos, a correspondent had an unprecedented view of the British attack which took the Honen Zollern redoubt.

From a vantage point in the flat country was witnessed a stupendous panorama of artillery operation and slugs of infantry rushing through smoke and shells. So rapid was the attack that the enemy's machine guns were blown out, causing the upper bedroom floors to collapse. In one of the upper bedrooms a mother and daughter were sleeping. They were thrown out onto the street through the place where the ground floor window should have been, both escaping with their lives.

"In the next house a little boy, lying in his cot, was buried under the debris of the wrecked roof of the house, and in order to release him the whole roof had to be lifted up, so securely was it pinned down.

"A large house a few yards away suffered very badly. A bomb fell right on the centre of it killing instantly two children and severely injuring a third child and the father and mother.

"At another point, where a bomb fell in the street, a young man was saying good night to a woman at the front door of the house. He was killed immediately by a fragment of the bomb, and the woman was severely injured. At this point an old man, who was walking on the pavement, had his arm blown off and died in the hospital shortly afterward."

GERMAN TROOPERS CAPTURED

London, Oct. 17.—Eight German trawlers were brought into Grimsby on October 2 and thirteen were brought in on October 9. They were engaged in fishing, and not mine laying. The thirteen trawlers had cargoes of fish, which they sold at Grimsby. The crews were interned.

Out All Night.

An old man unknown to the police was found wandering about on Carmanthorpe street at two o'clock this morning by Sgt. Scott and was taken to police headquarters for protection.

PROVINCIAL CONFERENCE IN CAPITAL

Future of Disabled Soldiers to be Considered by Provincial Premiers Gathered in Ottawa.

Ottawa, Oct. 17.—A provincial conference to decide what is to be done regarding the question of disabled soldiers will be held in the Privy Council Chamber tomorrow. Sir Robert Borden and the members of the Military Hospitals Commission will also be present.

The provincial representatives will be: Premier Clarke, New Brunswick; Premier Scott, Saskatchewan; Premier Norris, Manitoba; Provincial Secretary Decarie, Quebec; Hon. E. H. Armstrong and Prof. Sexton of the Technical Education Department, Nova Scotia; and two ministers from Ontario.

A draft plan will be submitted to Hon. J. A. Loughheed, his suggestion is that a commission will be appointed from each province to co-operate with the central federal commission.

The provincial commissions should include a member of the government, a manufacturer, a labor representative and an expert agriculturist. Then there should also be local committees throughout the provinces.

Actual land settlement and not land grants is suggested with provincial credits on a capitalization of pensions basis is suggested.

Another suggestion is the filling of federal, provincial and municipal positions as they become vacant with disabled soldiers wherever this is possible.

NOVA SCOTIA'S NEW GOVERNOR

Ottawa, Oct. 17.—Hon David MacKean, of Halifax, was appointed at a cabinet meeting today Lieut-Governor of Nova Scotia in succession to Lieut-Governor Macgregor whose term of office has expired.

Mr. MacKean has been a member of the Senate since 1896. For nine years prior to that he was a member of the Commons. He is 76 years of age and has been thrice married.

MARITIME MEN IN CASUALTY LISTS

Ottawa, Ont., Oct. 17.—The names of two more Canadian soldiers, victims of the Zeppelin raids on England of Wednesday, Oct. 13 last, are contained in the casualty list issued Sunday. They were in the 5th Artillery Brigade, in which all the casualties resulting from Zeppelin bombs have occurred. The list includes the following Maritime Province men:

Fourteenth Battalion, Wounded—Fred J. Ward, Loggieville, N. B.

Twenty-Sixth Battalion, Wounded—Wm. F. Kildon, Spryfield, Halifax Co., N. S.; Charles Thomas Wieginton, 47 Grafton street, Halifax, N. S.

Wounded—Sergeant Roland Smith, 232 Princess street, St. John, N. B. (slightly); Geo. E. Miles, 34 Charles street, Fairville, N. B.; Wm. Hazen Carson, St. George, N. B. (seriously.)

ITALIANS DRIVE AUSTRIANS AND STORM FORT PREGISINA

During Night Italian Forces Advanced Close to Austrian Positions and Foe was Routed After Sharp Engagement.

Rome, via Paris, Oct. 17.—The Italians have stormed Pregisina, an important advanced position of the Riva defenses in Trentino, according to an official communication issued today.

The communication is from the general headquarters of the Italian army, and is dated October 17. It says:

"By a bold and well conducted operation our troops took by storm the strong position of Pregisina, an important advanced point of the Riva group of fortifications in the rugged mountainous zone, to the west of Lake Garda.

"The action began on the night of the 13th. While on the eastern side of the lake our detachments advanced from the rocks of Monte Altissimo for the purpose of making a demonstration on the western side, the troops

ATTENTION NOW CENTRES ON THE CAMPAIGN IN BALKANS

London, Oct. 17.—Although there is very heavy fighting at some points along the eastern front, as well as in the west, the Austro-German and Bulgarian invasions of Serbia, and the efforts of the British and French generals to bring help to their little ally before it is too late, continue to occupy the chief attention of the peoples of the belligerent countries.

The Serbians are being helped by the weather, which is cold and winter like. The rains have set in and are impeding the movements of troops and guns, which, at the best, must slow over what answer for roads in the Balkan States.

The Germans, however, claim to have taken the heights south of Belgrade, while along the Danube the army of General Von Gallwitz is pushing the Serbians back.

The Bulgarians also lay claim to a rapid advance into Macedonia, although the French are already reported to be in contact with them at Givgeli, while both the French and British continue to land troops at Saloniki.

Neither Russian nor Italian assistance has yet developed, but the Italians have begun a more vigorous offensive along their frontier, and have captured Pregisina, an important advanced point of the fortified Riva group on Lake Garda. This will be of indirect aid to Serbia, preventing, as it does, the movement of any more Austrian troops from that frontier.

The Germans have taken the offensive south of Riga and forced the Russians out of their positions, capturing a large number of prisoners and some guns. On the rest of the eastern front the offensive remains in the hands of the Russians, who are attacking to the south of the Pripiet River.

On the whole, it appears to observers here as if the Germans were satisfied merely to hold their present line, except in the north, where they have

GREECE AND ROUMANIA IN LINE SOON

Athens, Oct. 17, via Paris.—The energetic action of the Entente Allies and the opening of actual hostilities between Bulgaria and Serbia apparently is rapidly modifying the attitude of the Greek anti-war party. There is credible authority for the statement that King Constantine is preparing to go to Saloniki in the near future and that the Greek army will be informed that Greece will abandon her attitude of neutrality as soon as the concentration of troops is completed and army arrangements perfected.

The impression prevails here that Roumania also will shortly ally herself with the Entente powers.

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FIGHTING

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Germans Forced Back Across Heavy Fighting—Russians With Many Prisoners

GERMANS NOW ON DEFENSIVE ALONE

Petrograd, Oct. 16.—With the exception of the Russian battlefield, where the Germans appear to be on the defensive.

Russian military officials say that the German armies have been ordered to attack at this point have been easily under cover of a terrific artillery fire unable to break down the Russian defences reported to have been extremely heavy.

Petrograd, Oct. 16.—The following concerning the progress of hostilities was:

"On the western front, in the district there has been an artillery duel. West of Gerns, after a nocturnal cannonade, on day, but a counter-attack drove them back. That violent artillery action was fought at Mieshof, on the railway southeast of the left bank of the Misa, south by our artillery, and rifle fire. An enemy on the railway station at Romershof, north of the Dvinsk region, was destroyed.

"The Germans in the Dvinsk region on the Iloukard road and south of Lake May, in a desperate fight yesterday between weary troops captured the farm of G machine guns. Good reports have been very heavy losses in the recent fighting of region of Lakes Demmen, Drevskoye and South of the Dvinsk region, and remains stationary. A Zeppelin on Thursday Minsk. Our artillery immediately drove

"Near the village of Novo Zelki, on enemy, after artillery preparation, took ed our troops back a little but shortly after forced to return to their starting point.

"Near Halvorenka, on the Stripa, we continued his desperate attacks. Yesterday a hurricane artillery fire, which lasted attaining extreme tenacity. Thereafter several times but on each occasion was not encounters with the enemy in the where the Germans assumed the offensive.

"In the region east of Lake Tortum, and southeast of Lake Tortum, there has an region, along the southern shore of the defeated Turks. In the past between athik we routed the Turks, annihilating gion, as far as Peshevan, west of Vastard

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