

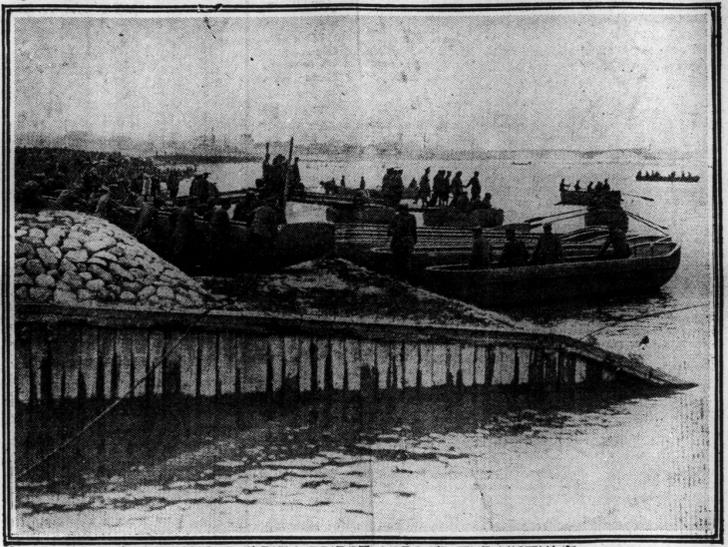
PREMIER BORDEN TALKS ABOUT BATTLEFIELDS OF OUR CIVILIZATION

Canada's Part Will be No Mean and Unworthy One - Higher Civilization Ahead For Mankind - Stirring Reference to Soldiers of First Contingent.

Ottawa, Sept. 17.—"I am convinced that the British Government and authorities are fully conscious of the effort that must be made, and I believe the necessary efforts are now being made. With the resources of this Empire and of the allies, can you have any doubt that in the end the cause of right will triumph?"

The submarine warfare upon which the Germans counted so much has been met by resourcefulness which I believe is much greater than has yet been made public. Not only in connection with the submarines, but in clearing the ocean of all dangers that threaten our commerce, I do not think that too much can be said of the work of the navy. Believe me when I tell you that the task which has been performed by the British and allied navies in keeping the seas clear is of infinitely greater weight in the scale of victory than all that has been accomplished by our enemies on land.

GERMANS ERECTING BRIDGE DESTROYED BY RUSSIANS



GERMANS BUILDING BRIDGE ACROSS THE VISTULA - This view was taken in Warsaw. The German soldiers in the foreground are attempting to bridge the Vistula with a temporary structure, to take the place of the three big bridges across the river which the Russians destroyed in their retreat.

FIRST DIRECT TIDINGS OF STEFANSSON ARE RECEIVED AT OTTAWA

Intrepid Explorer Given Up For Lost by Many - One Year and a Half Since Last Heard of - Natives Hunting Seal Observed White Man Adrift On Ice.

OTTAWA, Ont., Sept. 17.—The first definite tidings to the outside world that Commander Stefansson of the ill-fated Arctic expedition is safe, reached the naval department here this morning from Nome, Alaska, in the form of a message from Stefansson himself despatched from Baillie Island on August 31. Baillie Island is east of the mouth of the Mackenzie River toward Banks Island and lies in latitude 70 north, longitude 127 west. The information in the despatch while meagre is sufficient to show that hopes for the missing explorer were well founded.

Baillie Island, Aug. 31st.—Via Nome, Alaska, Sept. 16.—"An unavoidable delay threatened, running cost of chartering Polar Bear high, I purchased here and engaged deer on terms similar to Karluk. Engaged Hoff, engineer of schooner Ruby to take place of Blue of Alaska. Engaged five extra helpers for southern parts who have ample outfit for one year and Polar Bear for two years. Plan continue northern explorations to hundred and forty-five west and eight two farther north if northerly course is secured. (Signed) V. Stefansson.

NEW YORK SUN SCORES BRITISH PRIZE COURT FOR SEIZING CARGOES

Topic is Not Widely Discussed, However, by the Press.

New York, Sept. 17.—Commenting editorially on the decision of the British prize court affecting the cargoes of four American ships, the New York Sun this morning says: "As the testimony and even the complete decision of the court are not available, it is impossible to speak intelligently on the merits of the decision, but of one factor involved in the case there cannot be two opinions. Perishable goods were detained unnecessarily, to the inevitable loss of our consignments. On account of this the shippers have a legitimate complaint, which cannot be overlooked when our government prides itself on expected communication, reciting our grievances to the British government."

GERMANS REALIZE TURKEY DOOMED, CHRONICLE WIRE

Correspondent of the Daily Chronicle Sends Despatch on the Situation.

London, Sept. 17.—The correspondent of the Daily Chronicle at Athens, telegraphs: "Interesting information has reached me from thoroughly reliable sources which regard the position facing Germany in the matter of furnishing fresh help for the hard pressed Turks. A Turkish mission has lately been in Berlin in order to point out to the military authorities there the advantages of the Ottoman empire which makes resistance after the end of September an extremely difficult matter in the absence of the effective assistance of Germany."

CONFLICTING NEWS FROM BALKANS FEATURES SERVICE

Relations Between Greece and Bulgaria Improve, Says Berlin Wire.

Athens, Sept. 16.—Via London Sept. 17.—There are indications that the relations between Greece and Bulgaria are improving. In the most influential circles the conviction is said now to have been reached that neutrality must be the only policy for Greece. The utterances of Premier Radoslovich of Bulgaria, expressing the hope for more cordial relations with Greece, have made a deep impression as has also the declaration that the future of the Balkans depends upon an understanding between these two nations. The pro-Russian newspaper Mir has been suppressed. PUBLISH AN APPEAL Paris, Sept. 17.—A despatch to the Balkan Agency from Bucharest says that the leaders of all opposition parties in Bulgaria have held a meeting at which it was decided to publish an appeal to the country explaining the international political situation as affecting that nation. The appeal will be made on the ground that under present circumstances the attitude taken by the government is perilous. The Bulgarian Government's decision to make terms with Turkey has met with considerable opposition. Advertisers from Bucharest recently represented a majority of Bulgarian statesmen as favoring a rapprochement with the quadruple entente, Serbia and Greece.

MR. COCKSHUTT HITS PACIFICISM HARD AT SYNOD

Discussion on National Anthem Leads to Stirring Scenes in Hall.

Toronto, Sept. 16.—"O Lord, our God, arise, Scatter our enemies, And make them fall; Confound their politics; Frustrate their knavish tricks; On Thee our hopes we fix. "God save us all." Is the above stanza of the National Anthem akin to the German chant of hate? This question caused a whirlwind debate at the General Synod of the Church of England, which opened its second sitting at Trinity College yesterday morning. The discussion arose by the reading of a memorial from the Diocese of Huron asking the Synod to restore to the National Anthem in the hymn book the stanza beginning "O Lord, our God, arise." The memorial was finally rejected by a vote of 89 to 72. Dean Lloyd, in closing the debate, said they would be going back 250 years by adopting this verse. "We stand to-day in the 20th century. We regard the German war as a war for power, a war started by a caste who have enslaved German opinion. We have met German professors who long ago admitted to me that their country had been over-policed and militarized. We are not dealing with words, but with a spirit, and the spirit of this verse is not the spirit of the Cross—"Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do." We have no right to place ourselves side by side with Germany in any action of this Synod. (Cries of "No, no, no!" came from every side.)

KRUPP SPY IN ARMY AND NAVY CLUB NEW YORK

Posed as British Officer and Met Chief Military Officers of the U. S.

New York, Sept. 17.—The Army and Navy Club of this city, whose membership includes some of the most prominent military men of the United States, began an exhaustive investigation last night to determine whether Capt. Newenham A. Gray, who has lived at the club as a British army officer for the last eight months, is in fact a German spy. The club's action was precipitated by charges made by British agents in Washington. The British say that Capt. Gray's boast of being an officer in the British Indian service is disproved by an inspection of the army rolls. Instead of being an Englishman he is a Krupp expert, they assert, who is now obtaining confidential information concerning the manufacture here of arms and ammunition for the allies. WHAT IS HIS OBJECT? The inquiry instituted by the Army and Navy Club is not so much to learn if Capt. Gray is revealing to Germany the war secrets of the allies but to ascertain whether he may have used the friendship of the club to discover intimate facts concerning United States army and navy. If he is a German agent there is not much British and Italian business, which Germany does not know. An investigator, whose report is in possession of the British consulate of this city and the United States secret service, told of the charges concerning Capt. Gray yesterday, as follows: "By means of a year ago British agents discovered in New York Capt. Newenham A. Gray, who asserted he had been a British officer in India. He sought the acquaintance of American army officers and through the kindness of a member of the Army and Navy Club he obtained a room there and has since made the clubhouse his home. MET U. S. OFFICIALS. "By means of the club's hospitality he has been able to meet many high officials in the United States army and navy. He has been their guest on many occasions, for example, he attended the recent tests of howitzers at Fort Totten. "The British, however, did not become especially interested in Capt. Gray until it was discovered he had become an ordnance expert for various American concerns, who were negotiating with England for war supplies. "It then became known that he was drawing plans and specifications for rifles, hand grenades and large artillery pieces and in this way coming into close and intimate contact with the British, French and Italian agents in this country. "The British Government, therefore, decided to act. The war office in London was instructed to search the rolls of the British army in India to determine when and where Capt. Gray was in service. The reply came back that the rolls contained no such name nor was there any other record of such a man. "Shortly after this Capt. Gray took office in Room 801, No. 11 Broadway on this same floor, or only a few doors away from the offices of Capt. Boy-Ed, the naval attaché of the German embassy, who, Richard P. Steger, the confessed spy, said was the head of the German Secret Service in the United States.

RUSSIANS ARE NOW IN RETREAT FROM REGION OF PINSK OVER MARSHES

Political Changes However, Occupy Russian Mind to Big Extent.

By Special Wire to the Courier. London, Sept. 17.—Petrograd admits that the Russians are falling back in the direction of Pinsk, capture of which was announced yesterday by the Germans. Occupation by the invaders of this town may be expected to facilitate greatly the progress of Field Marshal Von Mackenhausen's forces through the Pripiet marshes. Owing to the prorogation of the Duma domestic affairs are occupying the attention of the Russians. The effect of this incident on the military situation is feared as is indicated by the proclamation of General Ruzsky, Russian commander in the north, calling upon workmen not to slacken their efforts to keep the army well supplied with munitions. Although no official reports have been received recently from French or British sources, severe fighting seems to be under way again on the Gallipoli front. The Turks, according to their reports have made several successful attacks in the region of Anafarta. Athens and Rome continue to send out reports that the defensive power of the Turks is weakening, but no official news has been received in confirmation. Despatches from Greece express strong belief that Turkey and Bulgaria have definitely reached an agreement, but in the near east it is not believed this will lead to actual participation in the war by Bulgaria on the side of the central powers. Nor is an immediate offensive expected against Serbia. Artillery combats continue on the western front. The German reply to French guns is growing in intensity. VIDZY FALLEN, SAYS BERLIN. Berlin, Sept. 17, via London, 3.25 p.m.—Field Marshal Von Hindenburg's forces, which have flanked Vilna and Dvinsk, cutting the railroad between these cities, have made a further advance to the east. The War Office announced to-day the capture of Vidzy, about 35 miles south of Dvinsk.

SERBIA IS READY RE-ORGANIZED AND GRATEFUL TO ALLIES

Premier Makes a Statement on the Balkan Problem.

By Special Wire to the Courier. Paris, Sept. 17.—"Serbia has done her full duty as an ally," said Premier Pachitch, as quoted by the correspondent at Nish of the Petit Parisien. "First, she has soundly beaten the Austrians in the field. Second, she has made the concessions asked of her by her great allies in order to bring Bulgaria into the Balkan entente. "Whether Bulgaria will come in on the entente is another question. The Balkan states are deeply concerned over the reported concentration of the enemy north of Serbia for the purpose of going to the assistance of the Austrians. As a matter of fact, no army of the enemy has assembled on the Danube. We have continuous and detailed reports from French aviators on this point. "Moreover," the premier added in a tone of deep conviction, "the Serbian army has been reorganized and is well supplied with munitions. It would render most difficult for the enemy a crossing of the mountainous country. He would require at least 450,000 men to make the attempt. Where would the Germans find them now?"

LOOKS INSPIRED

Bucharest, Roumania, Thursday, Sept. 16.—Via London Sept. 17.—"The allies know that in no case may they count on Bulgaria's help on the Gallipoli peninsula," says the semi-official Independence Roumaine in an article dealing with the Turco-Bulgarian agreement. They have lost that part of their diplomatic contest in the Balkans. It remains to be seen how the other part will come out. "King Ferdinand will leave to-morrow for a week's vacation on the Danube. This fact completely disposes of reports concerning the activities of Roumanian troops on the frontier, which in reality are nothing more than the annual manoeuvres. Reorganization Starting. New York, Sept. 17.—The plan for the reorganization of the International Mercantile Marine Company, which has been in the hands of a receiver, has been declared operative by the reorganization plan was announced on August 3 last. The committee in making their announcement, says that the continued large earnings of its properties indicate that the assured cash resources of the new company make it unnecessary for holders of stock and stock trust certificates to subscribe to bonds of the new company at \$2.50 a share. The holders may deposit these securities, it is stated without payment of this subscription, and those who have already paid may obtain a refund on or before October 1. This date is also set as the limit for the deposit of stock, stock trust certificates and bonds under the new arrangement. John Wice, constable, Washington, Pa., was divorced, re-married and stricken with paralysis in one day.

BRITISH TRANSPORT SUNK?

VIENNA, Sept. 17.—(By wireline)—An Austrian submarine, commanded by Lieut. Von Trapp, torpedoed and sank a large British transport a few days ago in the southern Adriatic, according to an announcement made here to-day. SCHOOL SHOES For boys and girls; good solid leather school shoes; be sure and come to Coles Shoe Co., 122 Colborne St.

Twenty Submarines Lost.

By Special Wire to the Courier. London, Sept. 17.—The Germans have lost twenty submarines since the beginning of the war, according to an editorial note in The Motorship and Motorboat, while the British losses have been only seven, including the E-7, the destruction of which was announced to-day. When the war commenced, the paper declares, Germany had eleven seagoing submarines, and 16 of a smaller type, while up to June 1 ten new boats had been added. The assertion is made that the Germans now have only 14 sea-going underwater boats, two of which are in the Mediterranean.

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