

HEAVY FORCED

INHABITANTS OF OSTEND FLEEING FROM CITY BY THOUSANDS—SPEND ALL NIGHT ON PIERS TO SECURE PLACES ON BOATS FOR ENGLAND—PATHETIC SCENES AS EXILES FROM ANTWERP, CARRYING FEW HOUSEHOLD EFFECTS IN BUNDLES, JOIN PEOPLE OF OSTEND IN RUSH TO SAFETY ON BRITAIN'S SHORES.

Ostend, Oct. 14 (via London, Oct. 15)—Ostend's fate hangs in the balance. The government has left King Albert and the main military headquarters left Tuesday and 60,000 panic-stricken people await the action of the Germans who are known to have a large force within twenty miles of the city.

The inhabitants are fleeing as fast as ships can be provided to carry them to England; hospitals were emptied today, and the docks were lined with injured soldiers. Hundreds were carried on litters, while those less severely wounded hobbled on crutches and canes, supported by Red Cross nurses, doctors, nuns and priests.

The wounded were given preference on the transports provided for the beleaguered city, while 25,000 struggling people were massed upon the docks and terminals in an effort to find a place on the refugee ships.

A German Taube flew over the harbor and struck terror to those below, many of whom had made their way here from Antwerp, in the fear that the aeroplanes might attempt to drop bombs on the docks and the great glass sheds which cover the joint terminals of the railways and steamers.

Hundreds spend night on piers. Awaiting chance to escape. The Belgian soldiers guarding the docks opened fire on the aeroplanes, and continued the fusillade for ten minutes. This created still greater consternation among the thousands of women and children, many of whom had sat for three days on the cement floor of the great terminal sheds, their nerves at the breaking point, escape is cut off from all sides by land, and thousands were still gathered miserably in the docks when the last transport left late this afternoon.

No steamers leave Ostend at night, because of the danger from mines. Still the crowds remained on the piers, where they will pass another anxious night awaiting the dawn and more ships.

Even the refugees who managed to find deck space on the crowded transports were not all relieved of their terrible strain under which thousands have been laboring, for the watchful Taube flew over the steamers, carefully observing their movements, as they sailed out of the harbor.

The aeroplanes did not drop bombs, however, as one of them had on previous days, when both civil and military hospitals were so narrowly missed by exploding shells that the Belgians charged that the Germans were aiming at the hospitals.

Last night was a horrible nightmare to the residents of Ostend, and the thousands of refugees fleeing before the German invasion. Wounded soldiers were brought here by the score from Ghent. It is reported that they were engaged Monday near Ghent in a serious battle with the Germans.

The allies are said to have had a small force against a large German force, and were obliged to withdraw toward the west. Consequently there is virtually no obstacle to the German advance on Ostend.

Firing in the direction of Ghent was heard plainly in Ostend on Monday and Tuesday. The terrified refugees who were at the siege of Antwerp blanched as they listened to the bombardment, and increased the fear among the residents of Ostend by describing the horrors of that fall of the fortress.

OFFICIAL REPORTS TELL OF GERMAN REVERSES

VIENNA CLAIMS SUCCESS NEAR PRZEMSL

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Of the recent fighting elsewhere, the French communication simply says that the operations are proceeding inferiorly on the left wing, as far as the Oise; that the allies' progress in the Berry-Au-Bac region is confined, and that on the right wing there is nothing new.

For the first time, however, the French General Staff takes notice of, and denies some claims put forth by the Germans. It is denied that two French cavalry divisions have been destroyed, and it is asserted, on the other hand, that the aviators with the French cavalry inflicted heavy losses on the German cavalry. It is also denied that the Germans have not come into touch with the fortress of Verdun, and that attempts to do so have failed, while in their effort to traverse the Meuse at St. Mihiel they were outflanked.

The former German cruisers Goeben and Breslau, which sought refuge in Turkish waters, when driven to the Mediterranean by the British fleet, are reported to have been sold to Turkey, they are still officered and manned by Germans, and have been cruising off the Rumanian coast, where the Russian Black Sea fleet has been for some days, and should the Russian warships sight the Goeben and Breslau an engagement would be possible.

Gen. Botha, the premier of the Union of South Africa, has sent a force to deal with Col. Maritz and the rebels under his command. According to an official telegram from the South African government the rebellion is not so serious as was feared. It is said that the men under Maritz do not exceed five hundred, including Germans, and that, as the Dutch farmers are flocking to Gen. Botha's standard, Maritz is not likely to receive any large acquisitions.

Ostend, Oct. 14.—Soldiers returning to Ostend from the action about Ghent say that the allies are becoming skilled in winging aeroplanes. A German aviator who was observing the allies' movements near Ghent, reported that he saw the ground a shapeless mass by skillful firing from the field guns.

Typhus in German Army.
London, Oct. 15, 3 a. m.—"Typhus has broken out in the German lines, particularly to the north of Solsona," says a despatch from Paris to the Exchange Telegraph Company. The French are taking the utmost precautions to prevent the disease spreading to their ranks. The troops have been vaccinated twice already.

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ANNUAL MEETING OF MARITIME BOARD OF TRADE CALLED OFF

CHARLOTTETOWN, OCT. 14

At the quarterly meeting of the Charlottetown Maritime Board, Mr. R. T. Higgs, president of the Maritime Board, announced that, after a canvass of all the boards it was decided, in view of conditions caused by the war and the possibility of delegates being unable to attend at a busy season, that the annual meeting fixed for this year at Summerside, be cancelled.

BORN.
McKENNA—On October 4th, to the wife of Joseph McKenna—a son.

MARRIED.
WITHERS-HOPKINS—At the residence of Mrs. H. B. Conkey, East Boston, on October 12, by the Rev. Mr. Hoagland, Nelson A. Withers to Miss R. daughter of Mrs. Joseph H. Hopkins.

DIED.
KELLY—In this city, on 13th inst. John A., son of Elizabeth and the late John Kelly, leaving his mother, one sister and one brother to mourn. (Boston and New York papers please copy.)

DIED.
O'NEILL—In this city, on the 14th inst. Mary, beloved wife of Charles O'Neill, in the 56th year of her age, leaving her husband, one child, father, mother, one brother and four sisters to mourn.

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PUNTER—Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from his late residence, 52 City Road. Friends invited to attend.

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GERMANS HAVE ARMY NEARLY MILLION AND

IN THAT SECTION, BUT CLEARLY APPARENTLY IN LITTLE danger.

Petrograd, Oct. 14—Petrograd night west of Warsaw was reported in official advices today, the German army, it was said, heavily reinforced, making unsuccessful attempts to break through the Russian lines. Russian positions are described as advantageous and there is no prospect of the assault gaining any headway. The Russian army has the advantage of a strong base at Warsaw, the city is defended by a circular and a line of fifteen forts. There has been word here tending to indicate that Germans have come within striking distance of this fortress.

Washington, Oct. 14—Russian German troops are fighting already the country around Warsaw, the Russian foreign office cabled today. Stockholm, Oct. 14—Russia is still clinging the grip of her censorship. C. N. P., Oct. 14—The Russian situation is described as giving good account of themselves. Reports reaching here that German forces have penetrated as far as Warsaw are denied.

London, Oct. 14—A despatch to Times from Petrograd says: "On a conservative estimate German forces known to be on eastern frontier number about a million and a half effective men, outnumbering the Austrian troops, of whom there are about 270,000 on the line."

Dunkirk, France, Oct. 14—The German advance continues. Bicycle cavalry skirmishes have been announced in the Channel region. The massing of the allies' forces indicates the near approach of a general battle. The lines between the allies and Germans have already tentatively felt each other, but as yet crucial engagements have been averted.

The casualties will be terrible, this depending on the course of the campaign. The British army is monotonously flat and almost without cover. The censorship prohibits transmission of even the approximate figures of the dead.

HAVELOCK DONATIONS TO BELGIUM RELIEF
Havelock, Oct. 14—The following donations to the Belgian fund have been made:

Men's Clothing—15 Overcoats, 4 suits, 1 pair pants, 15 v. drawers, 3 pair mittens, 3 pair shirts, 7 pair drawers, 5 sweaters, 2 pair boots.
Children's Clothing—14 dresses, 6 pair stockings, 7 pair 31 sweaters, 15 waist, 5 suits, 3 drawers, 8 underwear, 3 corsets, 28 coats, 1 nightdress, 4 underwear, 2 pair corsets.
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