

amusements.

WILLIAMS IN GREAT PICTURE.

There will be charming pictures at the theatre all this week and could not fail to attend. There is a swell programme of pictures to all. The picture "The Strange Case of the Dog" will be continued. All folk are now interested in the new story. Kathlyn Williams is the actress who will be appearing in the picture "The Strange Case of the Dog". This picture is a brilliant act. Selig Co. Wheeler Oakman, and Charles Cleary are in it. On Wednesday Francis and Beverly Bayne will appear in "The Strange Case of the Dog".

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Messages.

10.15 A.M.

THE SANDEFJORD UNINJURED.

SYDNEY, To-Day.

The Norwegian steamer Sandefjord, Capt. Olsen, with a cargo of 10,000 tons of iron ore from Wabana, N.F., for the Dominion Iron & Steel Co., which went ashore in thick weather at the Sydney mines on Saturday night, was floated undamaged at 8.30 last evening and is now at Sydney.

FRENCH GO AHEAD.

PARIS, To-Day.

The French have made further progress southeast of Maurepas on the Somme sector, according to an official announcement issued by the War Office to-night. A violent artillery duel is proceeding in the Barleux Chalons sector. On the Verdun sector a German attack south of Avocourt Wood was repulsed.

STILL PURSUING THE TURKS.

LONDON, To-Day.

The British forces in Egypt are still driving back the Turks who were defeated in the recent battle east of the Suez Canal. The following announcement issued by the War Office in pursuit of the Turks' rear guard yesterday evening, have driven back the Turks to a position east of Birselmanca. Although no materials or stores were found at Birselmanca, there were large heaps of ashes in the vicinity of the abandoned Turkish position.

RUSSIANS TAKE MARIANPOL.

PETROGRAD, To-Day.

Russian forces in Galicia have captured the town of Marianopol, 7 miles southeast of Halicz and further north of the town of Podgajec, according to a Russian official communication issued this evening.

LONDON REVIEW.

LONDON, To-Day.

Hard fighting in the Somme region in France, in Galicia and in the Italian theatre, with further gains for the Entente Allies in all three regions, marked the operations on Saturday night. On Sunday, northwest of Pozieres, north of the Somme, the British made an advance of from 300 to 400 yards over a front of nearly a mile against the Germans, and also captured trenches on the plateau northwest of Bozentin le Petit, while the French southeast of Maurepas gained a further foothold on the slopes of Hill 109 between Thiepval and the

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Somme on Saturday night. According

to Berlin the assaults by the Entente Allies were stopped with heavy casualties to the attackers. The fighting near Hem and Maurepas continued through the entire night into Sunday, men repeatedly coming to grips in hand to hand encounters. Maurianopol in Galicia, 7 miles southeast of Halicz, the town of Podgajec and several villages along the Upper Sereth River have fallen into the hands of the Russians. All along this front, even in the Carpathian region, Petrograd reports the Russians are continuing their advance against the Austro-Germans. On the Bystritsa sector, near Monastirzyska, however, Berlin says the Russians have been thrown back in several places by counter attacks of the Teutonic Allies. Duke Aosta is keeping up his strong offensive against the Austrians on the Isonzo, and has driven them from fortified positions in the Monafalcione and Gopis sectors and made prisoners more than 2,000 additional men. Constantinople reports the Turks east of the Suez Canal turned to attacks against the British and compelled them to retreat with heavy losses. The London War Office, however, disputes this statement, asserting that British cavalry are still in pursuit of the Turkish rear guard, which on Sunday evening had been driven back to a position east of Birselmanca. After a long

period of inactivity the British along the Persian front and in Turkish Armenia is claimed by Constantinople.

PRESIDENT WILSON TO ARBITRATE.

NEW YORK, To-Day.

A general strike on virtually all the railroads of the nation, paralyzing commerce and throwing approximately two million men out of employment, can only be averted through the good offices of President Wilson. As a result of two days' developments in the dispute over the men's demands for an 8 hour day and time and a half for overtime, the controversy was laid before the President at his invitation after the workers had flatly refused any form of arbitration. They had refused mediation yesterday. Soon after accepting the President's summons, extended through the Federal Board, for mediation and conciliation, the men announced that the leaders of four railroad's brotherhoods would leave for Washington at midnight, accompanied by 30 of the 600 delegates assembled here. An hour later railroad managers, 15 in number, it was said, would leave for the capital at the same time. Both parties will reach Washington to-morrow in time for an early conference with President Wilson.

Says Bulgaria May Desert Tentons.

May Shift Allegiance and Declare Affiliation for Entente.

PROVIDENCE, R.I., Aug. 10.—The Providence Journal prints a cablegram from its London correspondent from which the following is an extract. The following statement is the essential part of a declaration made to me by an official of the British War Office.

There is now collected in and about the District of Salonika a splendidly equipped army of 60,000 British, French and Serbian troops. Fully 50 per cent. of these troops are seasoned veterans. There have been many alleged explanations of the reason why this large and powerful fighting force has not taken part in the combined drive that has been in progress along the various fronts continuously for the past month. The reason is that Great Britain and France want to make no move that will bring them into a clash with Bulgarian troops at this time. It is very probable indeed, that within the next few weeks Bulgaria will again shift her allegiance and declare her affiliation with Russia or withdraw from the Teutonic alliance. This vitally important fact, coupled with the exact knowledge now held by the British Government that Rumania is heart and soul with the Allies and will come in at the moment when they give the word, are the two outstanding developments of to-day which are causing more concern to all the fighting powers than the present military moves.

The elimination of Sazanof from the Russian Ministry has taken away the last barrier to Rumanian's decision to join the Allies. It is understood on

authority which I am not able to quote, but which is indisputable, that the entire territory of Bessarabia from Leova, at the Rumanian border east to the mouth of the Dniester, on the Black Sea and along fifty miles of the Black Sea coast-line, back to the mouth of the Danube, on the Rumanian border, is to be ceded by Russia to Rumania and that Rumania will at once place 450,000 troops fully equipped at the service of the Allies for operations either against Bulgaria or in connection with Bulgaria if the latter comes in.

Melting Down Hun Strength.

(T. L. Garvin in the London "Observer.")

The German strength is being melted down in the Picardy furnace. We have every reason to think that these losses are heavier than ours, as one pulverizing bombardment follows another. Again, the Germans are bound to go on counter-attacking on a larger and larger scale, or give up the game. But this comes well in the Allies' plan. In this way the enemy's main calculation has been destroyed. At the beginning of the year and for nearly six months afterward the Germans believed that the conditions of trench warfare would give them an overwhelming advantage in the final phase. It would be a fight for what Herr Von Bethmann-Hollweg called "the war map at the standards." The Allies would have the surplus of numbers, but not enough to overcome the Teutonic advantage in equipment and position. On all sides the Allies would dash their surplus to ruin in vain attacks against the German entanglements, machine guns, and barbed wire. The Entente Powers could get back no continental territory without conceding peace to Germany on favorable terms.

German Plan Destroyed.

Now, the whole plan for trench warfare on these terms has been absolutely destroyed. We have not yet got to open fighting about the war map, like its equivalent as regards the problem of man power. West and East the Central Empires have to throw their troops into bloody counter-attacks without being able to stay the increases of the pressure that will squeeze them to death. Thus it must always be remembered that the Allies' general offensive is concentrated not to gain the ground in the first instance, but to exhaust the enemy's reserves. While these are being thinned the wider the lines to the enemy's lines to hold the better. The subsequent collapse will be the more complete, and the Allies will then gain ground with a vengeance. This is elementary doctrine, but it is constantly forgotten.

Golf Balls.

History tells us that at first golf balls were nothing but round or nearly round pebbles about the size of the sphere used at present. These were supplanted by the hard cut wooden balls and then by the feather balls. Then came the gutta percha ball, of which an interesting story is told.

It is said a caddie in Scotland picked up a discarded football shoe with a gutta percha sole and tore off the sole. This he soaked in water until it was soft and then molded it with his hands to the size of a golf ball. Thence it was only a step to the molded and hammered gutta percha ball, which endured until as late as 1898, when the rubber cored ball was first brought out in the United States. The rubber cored ball, the foundation of the ball of the present, was not taken into England until three or four years later, and it is interesting to note that in 1905 Alcock Hurd, who was the only player in the field using the ball, won the British open championship with it.—New York Sun.

LYNGFJORD OFF DOCK.—The s.s. Lyngfjord came off dock at 9 a.m. to-day, after undergoing extensive repairs to her hull and engines. Hundreds of her plates were newly riveted while several were so damaged that they had to be replaced. Owing to the peculiar formation of her bottom which rested almost flat on the chocks, it was difficult for the machinists to perform their work, so great was her weight that the chocks have been severely strained, causing them to expand several inches. The Lyngfjord has been painted outside and in and is now practically as good as ever. The floor of the dock will be repaired after which the s.s. Alhos will undergo extensive repairs. The three-masted schooner Ida M. Lynch went on dock this morning and is resting near the gate where repairs to the dock floor are not needed.

GONE TO GRAND FALLS.—The Tern Newfoundland team left by last evening's express for Grand Falls. They will play a series of games with the boys of the inland paper town.

Fluted bands round the bottom of the skirt are a new trimming. A blouse of white tulle is trimmed with embroidered white muslin.

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