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LATEST WAR NEWS.

Messages Received
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OFFICIAL.

LONDON, Sept. 3.
 The Governor, Newfoundland:
 The French Government report four Turkish transports sunk in the Dardanelles by a British submarine. The Russian Government report some success in rear-guard actions, but Luck and Grodno evacuated.

ATTITUDE UNCHANGED.

NEW YORK, Sept. 3.
 A London cable to the Tribune says: Much discussion has occurred recently whether the phrase "Freedom of the Seas" in Sir Edward Grey's letter to the newspapers, had any bearing on the possibilities of early peace negotiations. To-day it was authoritatively stated to the Tribune correspondent that the phrase had no such meaning. The attitude of Great Britain towards peace is still unchanged since the pronouncement of Asquith and Grey last fall.

WAR PROFITS.

LONDON, Sept. 3.
 Despite the war, the Furness-Withy Manchester Liners had a record year in consequence of the high freight rates. The profits amount to over a million dollars, almost double the profits for last year. Dividend and loan payments amount to 15 per cent. against only 6 per cent. last year.

RUMORS OF PEACE HAVE NO FOUNDATION.

LONDON, Sept. 3.
 High official circles have leaped authoritatively that the recent rumors of peace have no foundation in any steps taken by the British Government, or in any statement issued here, on authoritative sources.

STERLING EXCHANGE.

NEW YORK, Sept. 3.
 All the indications to-day tended to confirm the report current on Wall Street that Britain has borrowed from fifty to a hundred millions tem-

porarily in this market to correct exchange rate of sterling until such time as her commission shall reach New York to consummate negotiations, looking toward the flotation of a much larger credit loan here. This loan, if made, is regarded as but a shift, to clarify the surcharged atmosphere of the foreign exchange markets. Spurred by an unseen stimulant, the rates rallied in a spectacular manner to-day, sterling soaring 10 cents or more at the opening of the market. They fell back later, but on the day's transactions the substantial gain of three and one half cents was recorded. Sterling closed at \$4.68.

LONDON BUDGET.

LONDON, Sept. 3.
 The Germans in their official report to-day, claim to have carried by assault the fortified bridge at the head of the Lennewa Dvina River, between Friedrichstadt and Riga. This is considered for the Russians the most critical point of their whole front, for should the Germans succeed in crossing the Dvina, the Russians would be compelled to evacuate Riga and their position between the Dvina and Vilna, and even south-west of the latter city, would be jeopardized. The Germans do not yet claim to have crossed the river, which is being defended by a reinforced army under the command of General Ruzsky, who has proved himself to be one of the greatest strategists of the war, who brought the previous German advance to a stop on the Bzura River in front of Warsaw. It is believed by military critics that the Russians will make a stubborn defence on the Dvina. The opinion is expressed that should they fall here, the German fleet would gain command of the Gulf of Riga by landing troops at Pernau, which would considerably shorten the protracted march to Petrograd, which is understood to be the objective of the German higher command.

In view of the importance of the battle raging along the lower Dvina, fighting elsewhere loses some of its interest, for wherever they are the Russians must keep their eyes on this corner of the map.

Grodno, which the Russians evacuated, proved an empty shell to the Germans, as they captured only four hundred prisoners after street fighting. Northwest of Vilna the Russians are on the offensive, while the Germans say that the Russian counter-attacks have been a complete failure. It is said in Petrograd that this counter-offensive seriously threatens the German left flank and communications with the army of Lieut-General Von Eichhorn.

The Russian centre is still retreating through a marshy district. Every day they are taking toll of their pursuers, the Russians offering resistance to the Austro-German offensive in Galicia, and southeast of Lutsk they hold a front of more than fifty miles intersected by hills, woods and rivers, which afford splendid cover for a defensive army.

There is still some doubt as to what the Austro-German intentions are in the southeast, military critics being divided in opinion, whether it will be to advance to Kiev, or whether an attempt will be made to project a wedge between the Russian armies and Romania, which would make it a serious matter for the Rumanians to refuse longer the German demands for free passage of munitions over the Rumanian railways for the Turks, who are reported to be very short of shells necessary to prevent the Allies from conquering the Gallipoli Peninsula.

Concerning operations in the Dardanelles, no news has been received since Wednesday from General Hamilton.

The continued success of the Austro-Germans in the east, leads many writers to the conclusion that the sustained bombardment of the German line in the west means an early move by the Allies. Critics point to this, the thorough redistribution of the British and French armies, and the shelling of Zebrugge some days ago, as heralding something at least preliminary to a general offensive.

TERRIFIC FIGHTING IN GALLI-POLI.

LONDON, Sept. 3.
 The following description of four days of the greatest battle yet fought on the Gallipoli Peninsula has been received from Lt. Aghmed Bartlett, the correspondent with the British forces at the Dardanelles, dated Aug. 19th: During the night of August 9th the New Zealanders were relieved by two other regiments. At dawn on the 10th the Turks, who were strongly reinforced, made a most desperate assault on our lines from Hill

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ARTILLERY ACTIVITY.

PARIS, Sept. 3.
 The French War Office gave out the following this afternoon: "In the course of last night our artillery displayed the same activities as had been the case recently, without any notable incident."

TRACKING THE TRAITORS.

PARIS, Sept. 3.
 As learned to-day the decision of the French Government to hold up the American mail for two days before forwarding it, was due to the discovery that Germany was communicating with persons in the United States through intermediaries in France.

FRENCH AIR SQUADRON.

PARIS, Sept. 3.
 The French Ministry of Marine gave to-day a note outlining the operations of the naval aeroplane squadron since the opening of hostilities: "The Marine Aviation Service has made continual progress, showing marked development from day to day; the note says: It has operated not only in France, but in Egypt, where it assisted in the defence of the Suez Canal; on the Syrian coast, where it aided in blockade operations; and in the Adriatic, taking an active part in the actions in the Gulf of Trieste. In the North of France our aeroplanes kept watch over the shores and seas. Their objective was the destruction of the enemy's submarines, the bombardment of the enemy's commissary bases at Brugge, Zebrugge and Ostend; and the apprehension or destruction of Zeppelins."

Last week, notwithstanding the heavy artillery fire and glare of rockets, our aviators dropped during the night more than 300 bombs on the German naval bases along the Belgian coast, besides taking effective part in the bombardment of Monthul forest on August 25. All the machines returned, although several were damaged severely.

In Egypt, Syria and Venice our hydroplanes have shown real activity. Engagements occurred recently with Austrian hydroplanes which were put to flight. One of them was pursued as far as Pola by a French machine.

ANOTHER FORTRESS EVACUATED.

LONDON, Sept. 3.
 The evacuation of Grodno is under way. Petrograd admits officially that the Russian forces are being withdrawn from the right bank of the Niemen. The loss by the Russians of the three last of their strong fortresses had been expected, and the report that its evacuation was imminent caused no surprise here. It has been evident for some time that Grand Duke Nicholas had no intention of

allowing a number of men sufficient to maintain a long defence to be penned up in any fortress which could be invested. Along the Galician border General Usov continues to retire, but not without inflicting heavy losses on the Austro-German forces which have been shaken several times by vigorous counter-attacks. In the centre and extreme north the Germans are making little progress. The Russians claim another local success near Vilna.

BULGARIA IN DIFFICULTIES.

GENEVA, Sept. 3.
 Information reaching here from Bucharest, represents the situation in Bulgaria as becoming more unsatisfactory owing to the indecision of the Government which is attempting to conserve the country's neutrality and at the same time satisfy its national ambitions. The majority of the Bulgarian statesmen favor a rapprochement with the quadruple entente, Serbia and Greece, in view of the state of public feeling. News from Nish is that Serbia is willing to make territorial concessions, and the Bulgarian Government finds it embarrassing to continue its policy of neutrality. Relations between Bucharest and Sofia are strained.

EASTERN FORCES TO SEPARATE.

LONDON, Sept. 3.
 The German-Austro armies on the eastern front are about to part company, according to the despatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company from Amsterdam. This quotes a message from Vienna, announcing that Field Marshal Archduke Frederick, Commander-in-Chief of the Austrian armies to-day had official farewell to Marshal Von Mackenzien, the German Commander at Brest-Litovsk. Henceforth the armies of the two commanders will cease co-operating with each other, the message says. It is believed that the Austrian armies, which have been operating in Poland will shortly be relieved and sent in the direction of Serbia.

AN AMBIGUOUS DOCUMENT.

LONDON, Sept. 3.
 The Times naval correspondent, in an analysis of Von Bernstorff's note, arrives at the conclusion that it is an ambiguous document, the real value of which can only be measured when it is put into action. He says the note concludes with a proviso which begs the whole question, for, he adds, manifestly the submarine can sight a merchantman before the latter sights the submarine, and if the ship fails to stop quickly enough for the German commander he has the power of acting on the excuse that she attempted to escape.

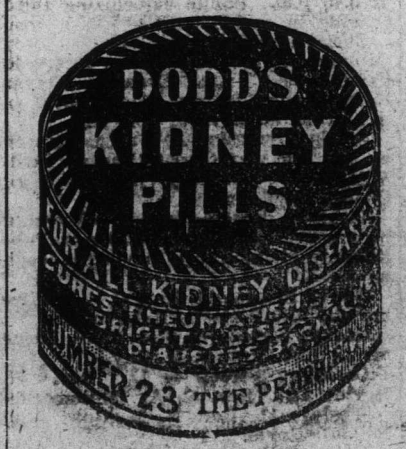
BRITISH STEAMER SUNK.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 3.
 The British steamer William T. Lewis, owned by Hand, Ralph Co., of San Francisco, was sunk to-day off Queenstown by a submarine, according to a message received here by the Marine Department of the Chamber of Commerce. She sailed from Everett, Washington, on March 29th for Sheerness, England, with a cargo of lumber. Capt. Manning with the crew of thirty, abandoned the ship. The vessel is believed to have sunk. The entire crew were picked up by the Danish motor ship Australia.

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BRITISH THEATRE.
 Great enthusiasm was prevalent at the above house last evening at the conclusion of the great exhibition of voice culture as portrayed by Madame Timmons. Both of her songs were magnificently rendered. Her accompaniments being played, firstly by Mrs. Cleary whose pathetic and most magnetic artistry was most apparent, her beautiful technique showing great aptitude and wonderful ability. Mr. Allen succeeded her at the next performance, his artistic methods being much admired. The photographs are beyond reproach, in fact as an all-round up to date "show" the present bill at the British can not be beaten.

On Monday Mr. Arthur Priestman Cameron will sing a new song, at the request of his friend, Mr. Mark Sheridan (one of England's foremost singing comedians) entitled—"Belgium put the kibosh on the Kaiser."

OUR SOLDIER LADS IN EGYPT.

On Monday the film of the various regiments together with our own soldier lads will be shown at Rossley's East End Theatre. Patrons will have a chance of comparing their own sons and brothers with other regiments, and "Ours" can stand the comparison, for they are seen swinging along in great style, all clear and very plain. There will be a matinee to-day when Punch and Judy and Don the most wonderful performing dog in the world, doing Charlie Chaplin tricks. Mr. Jack Rossley has gone to New York after several things, each to give pleasure to patrons. The famous Ian MacKenzie and his Company are coming. There will be some splendid performances soon.

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