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German Troops Begin Evacuation of Brussels

Civilian Population Are Not Being Driven Out

Guns From British Ships Trained on Retreating Huns in Belgium; French Cavalry Reported at Outskirts of Ghent; Thiel is Won

Amsterdam, Oct. 19.—(By the Associated Press)—The evacuation of Brussels by the Germans has already been begun, according to M. Heinrich, an Activist Belgian deputy.

With the Allied Forces in Flanders, Oct. 18, 10 p.m.—(By the Associated Press)—French cavalry were reported tonight to have reached the outskirts of Ghent. There is no official confirmation.

The reports indicate a continuation of the rapid Allied advance in the Belgian coast sector. The British are meeting with little opposition in the Lille salient and to the northward.

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Cases In The City Now Number 400

More Likely Added Before Night

REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE

Twenty Districts Heard From, Out of 140, and Show More Than 1,500 Cases. The Health Act Chairman, Daniel Speaks of Matter of Special Hospital

An even four hundred cases of influenza have been reported to the Board of Health up to lunch hour today, and it is understood there are yet numerous cases to be entered upon the record before three o'clock.

The number of Germans killed in this area is, of course, undetermined, but from the amount of explosive projectiles, large and small, dropped on them, their losses must be tremendous.

The German army is paying a high price for its attempts to retain its hold on the city of Brussels.

Count Von Waldersede of the 49th regiment, who was killed in action, and whose regiment was going to be attacked and whose men were going to be attacked and whose men were going to be attacked.

DEATH OF SISTER OF CHARITY. The death of Sister of Charity, North End, died this morning after a brief illness of influenza followed by pneumonia.

DEATH OF PHILIP MCGOWAN. The death of Philip McGowan of Boston, formerly of this city, occurred recently.

HE GAVE HIS LIFE. Pte. James Forbes, of the 4th St. Paul Street Battalion, died in action on Oct. 17, 1918.

WEATHER REPORT. Issued by Authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Stuart, director of meteorological service.

COMPOSER OF FAMOUS HYMN DEAD, AGED 85. New York, Oct. 18.—Charles Croast Converse, lawyer, inventor, author and composer of "What A Friend We Have In Jesus," and other famous hymns, died yesterday at his home in Englewood, N. J., according to word received here last night.

AND THEY WOULD DENY CRUELTY. In Last Fifteen Days in Lille Germans Sent 15,000 People Into Captivity.

With the British Forces in France, Oct. 18.—(Havas Agency)—During the last fifteen days of their occupation of Lille the Germans took away into captivity 15,000 of the inhabitants of the city.

Wilson Reply To Dual Monarchy

Must Satisfy The Aspirations of People THEY TO BE THE JUDGES

Resignation of Baron Burian Reported—Report Says Germany Will Deny Cruel Charges—Hope to Continue Negotiations

Washington, Oct. 19.—President Wilson has rejected the Austro-Hungarian government's offer to conclude an armistice and negotiate peace on principles enunciated by him and has given notice that mere autonomy for Austria's subject nationalities is no longer acceptable; that they must have liberty.

Washington, Oct. 19.—President Wilson has answered the peace note of Austria-Hungary with a declaration that the Austro-Hungarian government must satisfy the national aspirations of its own people and that they, the people, shall be the judges of their rights and destinies.

The reply was made by Secretary Lansing yesterday through the Swedish minister in Washington. It calls attention to the tenth condition of peace enunciated by President Wilson on Jan. 8, which says the people of Austria-Hungary should be accorded the freest opportunity of autonomous development.

The note calls attention to the recognition by the United States of the Czechoslovak national council as a de facto belligerent government and states that the United States has also recognized the justice of the nationalistic aspirations of the Jugos-Slavs for freedom.

Has Burian Quit? Basel, Oct. 18.—Baron Burian, the Austrian premier, has resigned, according to Vienna newspapers.

THE GERMAN REPLY. Copenhagen, Oct. 19.—Germany's reply to President Wilson, it is said by the Politiken will deny the president's accusation of German cruelties and declare the submarine warfare cannot be stopped so long as there is no agreement as to an armistice. The reply, the newspaper declares, will not reject the president's demands, but will make further negotiations possible.

Copenhagen, Oct. 19.—The German war cabinet met at 8 o'clock last evening to decide the definite form of the German answer to President Wilson.

Berne, Oct. 18.—The German reply to President Wilson will not be completed and dispatched for several days, according to the latest Berlin advices. It is expected that the Reichstag will be summoned to meet on Tuesday.

The grand admiral of the fleet and the chief of the naval staff have arrived in Berlin for consultation. It is believed that the reply will be neither a full acceptance nor a refusal, but worded so that the door will be left open for further negotiations.

ANOTHER STOCK PANIC IN BERLIN. Paris, Oct. 19.—There was another panic on the Berlin Bourse on Thursday, according to advices from Zurich. Market securities are reported to have dropped 25 per cent and chemical product issues from ten to twenty per cent.

DEATH OF MICHAEL BARRETT. The death of Michael Barrett occurred this morning at his home at The Ferns. Mr. Barrett, who was eighty-seven years of age, is survived by four sons—James of the British army, Cornelius of the British navy, Thomas of Boston and Michael of Montreal; and two daughters, Mrs. Howard Logan of this city and Mrs. Hugh Montague of The Ferns. Two of his grandsons are with the United States navy and three grandsons are with the Canadian forces. The funeral will be held on Monday morning.

HONOR FOR THIS DISTRICT. The training officer of this military district, Major Victor Heron, was quite proud this morning of the distinction that his staff of instructors have received from the Ottawa military officials. They have sent a request to his district that ten instructors be forwarded to Victoria to be attached to the instructional staff of the Siberian contingent. The men are being picked out and will go forward at the first of the week.

SET BACK FOR ALLIES ON THE DVINA RIVER. Bolshetiki Troops, in Superior Numbers, Force Withdrawal of Six Miles.

Archangel, Northern European Russia, Oct. 17.—(By the Associated Press)—Allied forces on the Dvina have been withdrawn a little more than six miles in the face of an attack by greatly superior forces which had been reinforced from Petrograd and apparently commanded by competent officers. The withdrawal was successful under a severe bombardment.

At last reports the Bolshevik reinforcements were reported advancing and the Allied forces were under a hail of shrapnel shells and pom-poms. Occasionally a six-inch shell from a Bolshevik gunboat or a land battery would strike. The positions abandoned by the Allies were held for a week before greatly superior forces. The Allies operating along the Dvina and Vega rivers have been handicapped by a fall of the water which left boats stuck on sand bars and barred progress by gunboats at critical times.

HUN ARTILLERY ENTERS PARIS, BUT DRAWN BY FRENCH HORSE. Paris, Oct. 18.—German artillery and German airplanes entered Paris this morning but they were drawn by French horses or piloted by French aviators.

In the Place de La Concorde these tangible proofs of Marshal Foch's victorious offensives are to be seen. More than fifty cannon with the dust of the Year or the chalk of Champagne still clinging to their wheels are being exhibited to enthusiastic Parisians. Goths, nearly a score of which proudly flew over Paris a month ago are now housed around Cleopatra's Needle.

In one of them subscriptions for the Liberation loan are being accepted and sometimes refused unaccountably owing to the pressure of investors.

THE CANADIANS FIRST IN DOUAL. Fog Helped Enemy in Retreat Movement. CROSSING SENSEE CANAL. Cavalry Seeking Germans Found Them In Full Retreat—Only At One Place Was Resistance Reported Serious.

With the Canadian Forces, Oct. 18.—(By J. P. B. Livesey, Correspondent of the Canadian Press)—The anticipated withdrawal of the Boche from this sector took place yesterday forenoon and by evening we had pushed in several miles in pursuit. The Canadian first brigade claims to be the first troops to enter Douai.

Either by luck or through his excellent meteorological service the enemy was favored with the same conditions of fog that enabled him to make his famous retreat of 1917. Our airmen were unable to do effective work and our infantry in pushing forward had a narrow range of vision. This morning the fog settled down very heavily, obscuring the sun.