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Austrian Sailors Mutiny And Clash With German Crews

Russian Fleet is Bottled up in Moon Sound; Outclassed by Hun Craft and Lose One Battleship

Washington, Oct. 18—Official diplomatic despatches, received here today, report mutinies in the Austrian navy and clashes between Austrian sailors and crews of the German submarine fleet at Pola, in which officers on both sides have been killed and which resulted in a decision to change the base of the German flotilla. Despite the attempts of the Austrian admiralty to suppress the news, it reached here today, coming by way of Berna. The Austrian crews are said to have revolted under ill-treatment of officers and bad food, while the clash with the German submarine crews was caused by the overbearing conduct of the latter.

Berlin, via London, Oct. 18—The German forces have captured Moon Island, according to the official statement tonight.

Petrograd, Oct. 18—An official communication issued this evening points out the centre of gravity in the naval struggle is maintenance of communication between the Gulfs of Riga and Finland, and says the Russian torpedo boats are continuing their endeavors to prevent the enemy from penetrating Moon Sound.

Apparently contingents of the Russian fleet—in all about twenty warships of various classes—are bottled in Moon Sound, with a cordon of German war-craft barring their egress northward back into the Gulf of Finland, or to the south in the Gulf of Riga.

There, but outclassed by reason of superior gun range and heavier tonnage, the Russians gave battle to the Germans and attempted to force back the enemy armada off Oesel Island. Standing far outside the shell zone of the Russians, however, the guns of the German dreadnoughts sank the battleship Slava—a relic of the days before the

Russo-Japanese war—and so badly damaged other units that the Russian flotilla was forced to seek refuge in Moon Sound—lying between Moon Island and the Esthonia coast.

Immediately seeing their advantage the Germans, according to the latest German official communication began intensive operations against Moon Island, hammering its eastern shore batteries until they were silenced and also attacking the Russian guns on the mainland, putting them out of action. Moon Island was captured and the Russians took refuge inside Moon Island Sound.

Thereupon the Germans threw warships to the eastern part of Kassar Bay, lying to the north of Moon Island, exit from the northern entrance to Moon Sound, apparently closing the passage to the south of the Gulf of Riga. Already the Germans have attempted to attack from the northern channel into Moon Sound, but the Russian guns have held them back successfully.

Among the German warships attacking the old line vessels of the Russian fleet, were at least two dreadnoughts of the Grosser Kurfuert type—vessels displacing 25,000 tons as against 18,516 tons for the Slava. A majority of the crew of the Slava was saved by Russian torpedo boats when the vessel took its final plunge.

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APPROVES USE OF OLEO. Ottawa, Oct. 18—The resolution favoring the importation into and manufacture of oleo margarine by Canada as a war measure was unanimously adopted by the milk committee appointed by the food controller this afternoon.

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PREPARING GREAT AIR SQUADRONS

Germany Working At Top Speed to Provide Machines Admit Present Inferiority

Anticipate New Troubles With Advent of American Airmen and the Offensive by Allies in Spring; Hence the Efforts

London, Oct. 18—(Via Reuter's Ottawa Agency.)—The following facts, which have come to the knowledge of the French staff, illustrate the vital importance of air supremacy for the allies:

"Germany is straining every nerve in anticipation of America's new air squadrons and the allies' spring air offensive. The number of German battle planes is being doubled during the winter and the motor building factories throughout Germany are enlarging their plants and increasing their labor. Two important new factories have been created. Between February and August large orders have been placed in Switzerland. Quantities of three-seaters, with two sixty horse-power engines and bombing machines are being built, capable of carrying 1,600 weight of bombs and climbing 1,200 feet in thirty-five minutes.

"New models of every type are being furiously produced. They include a new all-metal machine for co-operation with the infantry.

"A big German machine which recently landed in Holland was fitted with electric installation for the purpose of warming the aviator.

Simultaneously the Germans are greatly augmenting the personnel of their air service and are encouraging transfers to this branch. "A captured order issued by General Eudendorff states the allies are employing airplanes economically, with a view to great battles of the future. 'We should be wrong,' the order says, 'to overwork and wear out our air formations, which are inferior in number.' "The infantry must be told it is impossible to prevent the enemy flying over our lines. The airmen must be used sparingly, and at calm times. Germany must have as many machines as possible for great emergencies."

Some More Lost. London, Oct. 18—The British admiralty last night issued the following statement: "During yesterday's patrols were carried out by the Royal Naval Air Service, several enemy formations were encountered. One enemy seaplane was downed and seen to crash. Two other enemy machines probably were destroyed."

EVANS FORTUNE AGAIN. St. John Heirs to Large Estate in United States—Mrs. Evans Dead

Mrs. Marion Antoinette Evans, widow of Robert Dawson Evans of Boston, is dead and has left an immense estate to be divided among the heirs of herself and husband. There are some heirs in this city.

Robert Dawson Evans was born at West Beach, Simonds, St. John County. His father was captain of a little schooner plying between New Brunswick and United States ports. He was drowned in Boston harbor. His widow and family moved to Boston, and Robert D., then a small boy, entered a rubber store as a messenger. Showing industry and ability he advanced until he engaged in the rubber business and finally in mining, and at his death left ten or eleven million dollars. He left all his money to his wife. After her death what was left would go to his and her relatives. Mrs. Evans has spent millions since her husband died eight years ago, but no doubt there are some millions left.

Thomas J. Evans, janitor of the Bank of Nova Scotia, is a son of a brother of Robert Dawson Evans' father, and therefore an heir. Wm. Evans, caretaker at Ball's Lake Fishing Club; Walter Evans, at West Beach, and Richard Evans, Lower Cove, St. John, are the same relation. Mrs. James Sproule, St. John, and Mrs. John Wallace, Chicago, are sisters of the men named. Walter Evans, of Lorneville, son of Robert Evans, is a son of another brother of R. D. Evans' father.

It is not known whether or not Mrs. Evans has left any relatives. She had no children. She had relatives in the North End, St. John, some years ago, but they are dead.

Wherever tea is liked to-day, you will find the first favorite is always LIPTON'S. LIPTON'S TEA. Thomas Lipton TEA COFFEE AND COCOA PLANTER CEYLON.

WINS COMMISSION. That Ottilie E. White, of this city, who went overseas as a member of the first Canadian division, has won his commission and is now a lieutenant in the Canadian Army Service Corps in France, was the information received in the city yesterday. Lieutenant White was among the first of the St. John boys to don the uniform. He joined as a private and soon his ability as a soldier was recognized and he was promoted to be corporal and from that he has gone step by step until he has finally won his commission. "The officer commanding desires to congratulate S. M. White on his selection for a commission in the Canadian Army Service Corps and at the same time to express his regret at losing his services. "Sergeant-Major White has been a valued N. C. O. with this unit from the time of its organization three years ago at Valcartier, Quebec, and will take with him to his new duties the good wishes of all officers, N. C. O.'s and men of the unit."

BISHOP RICHARDSON WILL INVESTIGATE. Bishop Richardson has been selected by the house of bishops of the Church of England in Canada to go overseas and, on behalf of the church, make inspection of the Canadian troops in England and in France and submit a report regarding their condition and environments. It was a big surprise when his lordship at a synod committee meeting yesterday afternoon, announced to the clergy of the diocese that he had acceded to the request of the house of bishops to go overseas for inspection purposes. None of them knew of the request before. It is an honor paid to Bishop Richardson. His lordship expects to go overseas some time within three weeks. He has not definitely decided when the departure will be made. Speaking of the matter yesterday, one of the clergy stated that so much had been heard from different quarters about the state of the troops overseas and

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Mutt and Jeff—Jeff May be Short on Vocabulary But He's Long on Measurements. By "Bud" Fisher

JEFF THERE'S A VERY INTERESTING ARTICLE HERE ABOUT THE PRESIDENTS OF THE UNITED STATES FROM WASHINGTON DOWN TO WILSON! WHAT DOES IT SAY, MUTT? WELL WASHINGTON WAS CALLED 'THE FATHER OF HIS COUNTRY' BECAUSE HE WAS OUR FIRST PRESIDENT. JACKSON WAS CALLED 'OLD HICKORY' BECAUSE OUR MARTYRED PRESIDENT. WHAT DOES IT SAY ABOUT TEDDY? IT SAYS TEDDY WAS A VERY BELLICIOUS PRESIDENT. BELLICIOUS? YOU MEAN TAFT, DON'T YOU? WHY, TAFT'S GOT A WAIST LIKE A SQUASH!