

**DIET VOTES
\$375,000,000
FOR WAR**

Prussian Legislators Grant Huge Sums to Finance German War Operations

**SPIN THE SAME,
OLD, OLD YARNS**

About Bad, Nasty Neighbors Forcing Dear, Innocent Germany to Declare War

Berlin, Oct. 23.—The Prussian diet has passed a war bill including one granting a credit of 1,500,000,000 marks (\$375,000,000).

Clement Del Brueck, Vice Chancellor, submitted the war bills. Herr Del Brueck said Germany had been forced into war by the hatred and envy of her neighbors. He regretted, he said, that the Imperial Chancellor who had accompanied the Emperor William in the field, was unable to be present.

"I am the bearer of the sincerest greetings of the Emperor to you," continued Herr Del Brueck. "He is following with the liveliest interest your work which will heal the wounds created by the war. He wishes you swift progress in your deliberations." All three stages of the war bills were passed unanimously.

Count Von Schwerin Lowitz, President of the Chamber, in his address said: "The times are bad but we should feel proud that we are permitted to live and see them. There will be scarcely one house in our country that does not mourn for somebody; innumerable other sacrifices we will have to make, but we shall show our enemies what unconquerable power the conscientiousness of fighting for a good and just cause can bestow upon a united people."

He declared the Emperor and the people of Germany were unbending in their purpose to continue the war, regardless of sacrifice, until a lasting peace was secured.

**2 GERMAN CORPS
ARE DECIMATED**

Washington, Oct. 23.—A cable from the French Foreign Office, made public by the French Embassy here, says that the Germans before Warsaw have abandoned their defensive position, and are in retreat, pursued by Russian, who have captured many prisoners and munitions.

**FINAL STAGE
OF SIEGE BEGUN**

Tokio, Oct. 22.—The bombardment of Tsing-Tao by a heavy artillery corps of the Navy opened to-day, according to a statement issued by the Admiralty this afternoon.

This is beginning the final stage of the siege of the German fortress. Heavy guns from the Japanese battleships have been landed, and it is expected that with these, the reduction of the fortress will be hastened.

**BELGIAN ARMY
ACTS GALLANTLY**

(Colonial Office Despatch.) London, Oct. 22.—The following is from the Press Bureau: Throughout the twentieth, the enemy made vigorous counter attacks against the Allies' front, but were beaten back, suffering considerable losses.

The Belgian army in particular distinguished itself by a spirited and brave defence of its position.

WEATHER REPORT

Toronto (noon)—Fresh N. W. winds; fair and cooler. Saturday fair.

**GENERAL KILLED
BY NAVAL FIRE**

London, Oct. 23.—A News Agency despatch received here states that British naval guns fired from vessels in the Channel, killed the German General Von Tripp and his staff at Middlekerke, south of Ostend on the coast.

**BRITAIN PROUD
OF INDIA ARMY**

Believe They Will Teach Some Much Needed Lessons to the Germans

London, Oct. 23.—The Press Bureau made public yesterday for the first time, the speech of Lord Crewe, Secretary of State for India, delivered last Tuesday to the officers recently appointed to the Government service of India.

"Indian forces," said the Secretary, "will very soon be taking their places on the firing line, beside their British comrades. The enemy make it a matter of reproach that we are employing Asiatic troops in Europe.

"To that I am prepared to reply in the words of the famous sentence over the gateway of the University of Aberdeen: 'They say, what they say, let them say.' But I will add this:

"It is not in our eyes matter of reproach, but matter for pride that our Indian fellow subjects feel themselves identified with ourselves in the present quarrel, and I fully expect the enemy may before the war ends learn several not unneeded lessons from the Indian troops; lessons in chivalry and humanity and respect for persons and the homes of the poor and humble."

**GERMAN RETREAT
FROM WARSAW RAPID**

So a Petrograd Report Says—Russians Make Captures on Vistula

Petrograd, Oct. 23.—The rapid retreat of the Germans from Warsaw continues. The bombardment by the enemy's heavy artillery has caused so essential damage to the fortifications of Evangord or the bridges.

In Galicia desperate engagements are still being fought. During the advance in the region between Przemyel and the Vistula, we captured over 30 officers, 2,000 soldiers and many rapid fire guns.

To the South of Przemyel, Russian operations are developing also with success.

**DESTROYER TAKEN
BY ALLIED SHIPS**

London, Oct. 23.—A despatch from Peking reports that the Allied warships have captured a German destroyer which escaped from Kiao Chow Bay.

**Duke of Roxburgh
Wounded in Battle**

London, Oct. 23.—The Pall Mall Gazette says the Duke of Roxburgh, who was a captain in the Scots Guards was wounded while on service in France.

**BELGIAN ARMY
MAKES PROGRESS**

London, Oct. 23.—A despatch from Havre says that the Belgians have regained the right bank of the Yser River on Wednesday and are prepared to move forward.

**FAMOUS ABBEY
NOW INSURED**

London, Oct. 23.—Westminster Abbey, has been insured for \$750,000 against damage from aircraft attacks.

Sail With Fish

S. S. Rudref Hansen sails today for Alicante, taking about 20,000 qtls. fish. S. S. Adventure leaves for Italy at noon to-morrow taking 25,000 qtls.

**Capture of 70,000
Germans Is Reported**

London, Oct. 23.—An Amsterdam despatch quotes a telegram from the Burgomaster of Wenduyne, Belgium, as follows: "Victory is with the Allies. Seventy thousand men have been taken prisoners between Chalons and Longwy and three guns and thirty-one flags have been captured."

**German Army in West
'Rolled Up Like a Ribbon'**

London, Oct. 23.—The German General Staff has left Ghent and there are strong rumors of a severe German defeat, says the Rotterdam correspondent of The Daily Mail. Messages from different points on the northwest frontier agree that the German coast army is being rolled up like a ribbon. The German cavalry have been unable to manoeuvre in the tangled dyke country and the German big guns are stuck in the bogs.

**FLEET DID GOOD SERVICE
HELPING TO REPEL GERMANS**

London, Oct. 23.—The Secretary of the Admiralty has issued the following statement on the operations of the British warships in co-operation with the Allied army on the Belgian coast:

"On October 18th a request for naval assistance was made to the Admiralty by the Allied commanders and in consequence a naval flotilla consisting of a large number of powerful long-range guns came into action at daybreak on the 19th, on the Belgian coast, supporting the left of the Belgian army and firing against the right of the German attack which they were by their position able to enfilade.

"The Germans replied by shells from their heavy guns, but, owing to the superior range of the British marine artillery practically no damage was done.

"A heavy bombardment on the German flank has been maintained without intermission since the morning of the 19th and is being continued today.

"Yesterday a considerable explosion, probably of an ammunition wagon, followed upon a naval shot.

"The naval losses have, so far, been very small considering the damage to the Germans and the importance of the assistance rendered to the Belgian left flank.

"All reports received by the Admiralty show the courage and determination with which the Belgian army, animated by the King in person, is defending the last few miles of Belgian soil.

"The naval operations are under the command of Rear Admiral Hon. Horace L. A. Hood."

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**ALLIES CUT
GERMAN LINE**

London, Oct. 22.—A despatch from Amsterdam says that heavy firing has been heard between Bruges and Ghent.

It is reported that the German line of communication has been cut.

**"KARLSRUHE"
STILL ACTIVE**

Captures and Sinks Thirteen British Merchantmen in the Atlantic

London, Oct. 23.—A despatch from Tenerife in the Canary Islands to the Daily Mail reports that the German cruiser Karlsruhe has sunk thirteen British merchantmen in the Atlantic.

News of the Karlsruhe's exploit, according to the correspondent, was brought to that port by the German Steamer Crefeld, which arrived there with the crews of the British steamers Strathroy, Maple Branch, Highland Hope, Indrani Floiguesca, Quafn, Nicolo, Maria de Larrinaga, Cervantes, Cornish City, Pruth, Condor and Lynrowan, all of which were sunk by the Karlsruhe.

The Crefeld was accompanied into port by the German steamers Patagonia, Rio Legro, and Asuncion.

The ships sunk were in the South American trade and their total tonnage is about 60,000.

**AVIATOR'S
HEROISM**

Performed Last Duty As He Lay Dying in the Hospital

(Official St. Pierre Bulletin.)

Paris, Oct. 23.—According to reports received from all points on the battle front a steady and continued progress of the allied troops is indicated.

The end of the battle is approaching and we have full confidence in an issue which will probably bring us something decisive.

During an aeroplane reconnaissance in the neighborhood of Verdun, M. Raymond, senator, was wounded and fell between the enemy's lines.

Our troops attacking, he was released and transported to hospital, where, gathering all his energy, he managed to give an account of his mission.

Decorated by the General, in the presence of M. Briand, he expired shortly afterward.

Cleaning Up

For some time past the condition of Market House Hill, near the Court House, has been an eyesore to the public.

Yesterday the Council had men removing the grass and stones and the place is now looking respectable.

**ENEMY'S ARMIES
IN EAST RETIRE**

Russians Succeed in Capturing 30 Officers and 2000 Soldiers

Petrograd, Oct. 23.—The battle is continuing in Galicia where the Russians are marching from Przemyel to the Vistula.

Thirty officers, two thousand soldiers and several quick-firing guns were captured. Equal important successes were secured in the region of Cosenicrth southeast of the river Pilnitz.

The retreat of the German troops is continuing in the region of Warsaw and also the retreat of the Austro-German forces from Ivongorad and New Alexandria.

The situation in Eastern Prussia is without change.

by German warships. Her complement consisted of 15 men.

It is reported that the British torpedo boat Dryad is ashore at Kirkwall, in Orkney Islands, off the coast of Scotland.

Her crew is said to have been saved.

**IMPORTANT
RUSSIAN
VICTORY**

Is Reported From Petrograd, and May Prove Turning Point in Eastern Hostilities

**ALL RUSSIAN
PLANS COMPLETE**

For Carrying War Further Into the Enemy's Country—Best Russian Troops At the Front

London, Oct. 23.—Telegraphing from Petrograd The Daily Telegraph's correspondent says, "The latest Russian success cannot be ascribed as a decisive blow but it may easily prove to be the turning point in hostilities.

"It is clear that the German advance towards the Vistula coincided with the virtual completion of the Russian preparations for carrying the war definitely into the enemy's country. By pursuing the retreating Germans the Russians will not merely be following up a local success but will have taken the first step in the execution of pre-arranged plans for the fulfillment of which the necessary degree of preparedness has only recently been attained.

"The participation of Siberian troops in the operations shows that Russia has concentrated at the front her best forces from the most distant portions of the Empire and it may now be expected that operations will take the form of a steady Russian advance all along the line.

Wreckage Picked Up

A portion of a motor boat has been picked up by Mr. Solomon Ball, of Stanhope, N.D.B. The owner may have the same by writing Mr. Ball.

The wrecked boat, which has a 4-horse power Ferro engine in it, with some parts gone, was found 12 miles S.E. of Cape John.

**BOY SCOUTS
AT CURLING**

Meeting to be Called Shortly To Organise Under B. D. Lilly

A meeting of the Boy Scouts Association was held in the new Club House on Wednesday evening last, and much satisfaction was expressed at the new quarters, according to a Western Star Report. A resolution was passed regretting the resignation of Mr. Lockerby, who has left Bay of Islands; and J. Frank McEvoy was elected Secretary in his place.

A meeting of Curling boys will shortly be called to organize under B. D. Lilly, Scoutmaster for Curling.

The President, Dr. Fisher, will give a course of lectures to the Scouts on First Aid; dates to be announced later.

The commissioner has appointed Court Sweet, Scoutmaster at Humbermouth and Corner Brook, vice Lockerby resigned; Bushnell Fisher Asst. Scoutmaster at these points.

Slackened Off

Herring, which have been numerous in Middle and North Arms of Bay of Islands for three weeks or more, have slackened during the past week.

Ed. Baldwin, of Middle Arm, is said to have secured about 300 barrels of herring to date.

Big Cargo

Capt. John Pike's schr. St. Helena, under command of Capt. Scott, sailed from Port aux Basques on Monday, for Gloucester, says The Western Star. She had on board 430,000 pounds salt bulk codfish for the Gorton-Pew Fisheries Co., which she had collected between Bonne Bay and Port aux Basques.

S. S. Digby is due from London to-morrow.