

FALL WEATHER AIDS GERMAN SEA ACTIVITY

Short Days and Thick Weather on North Sea Improve Teuton Chances to Operate Submarines.

TRANSFER VESSELS

Unofficial Report Claims Kaiser's Troops Approach Dunkirk, Fortified Seaport of France.

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LONDON, Oct. 19.—Hopes that had been raised high by the announcement of the British press bureau that the Germans in France had been driven back thirty miles were dashed today in an unofficial report that the Kaiser's troops were approaching Dunkirk, the great fortified seaport of France across the channel from England.

This report came in a Rotterdam dispatch from a correspondent of The Daily Mail, who said:

"A message just received from a German source reports that the Germans have crossed the Belgian border onto the coast of France and are now only a few miles from Dunkirk."

Press Bureau Silent.

It was stated at the press bureau that no official confirmation of this report could be given, but its transmission and publication were permitted.

News of the arrival of Admiral von Tirpitz, head of the navy, is taken here as confirmation of the theory that Germany intends to make an attack on England as soon as practicable. There are rumors that German submarines have been transported by rail to Belgium and that these will be put into the waters of the channel as soon as the Germans are in undisputed possession of the coast. A news agency dispatch from Berlin says:

"The shortening days and the thickening weather on the North Sea are steadily improving conditions for the operation of submarines and torpedo-boats. Marine experts expect that henceforth there will be intense activity throughout the North Sea."

Shell Lightship.

The Belgian lightship off Zeebrugge, the port of Bruges, has been shelled by a German battery from the shore, and the crew has been forced to flee. This also is confirmatory of the belief that the German intend to be active at the southern end of the North Sea.

WAGON WRECKED ON MAIN STREET

A large farm wagon loaded with oats, collapsed at Eighth and Main streets this morning. The front axle snapped and one front wheel came away, leaving the wagon in a diagonal position, blocking the traffic on the north side of the street. The wrecked wagon cleared the car tracks by about a foot.

SMITH LOW BIDDER

After being unable to ascertain for what reason the Indiana Bridge company failed to secure complete plans for the construction of the Smith bridge, southeast of Richmond, the county commissioners gave the contract to Isaac Smith at \$2,000, and decided not to re-advertise for bids. The Indiana Bridge company bid only on the superstructure of the seventy-five foot span.

The temperature of the air in which they live effects the color of butter-flier.

Luncheon Under Fire



This picture shows one of the most remarkable of all the wonders of the German military equipment and preparedness. These German officers are having luncheon served on a tray in china cups and glasses, in the height of battle. This shelter is set amid the trenches, where shells are falling thickest. Guns and ammunition are no more important in modern, long drawn out war than is the soldier's food. The German kitchens keep right on the job, no matter what happens.

"Allie's" Dope

KARL ALLISON

WOLVERINES TAKE HEART.

A ray of hope entered into the gloomy Wolverine football camp today, when it became known that there was a small chance of Hughtitt playing in the Harvard game. Saturday reports were to the effect that the star quarter-back would never again play because of his dislocated left elbow.

WAR ON FEDERALISTS.

Garry Herrman stated today without reserve that no negotiations looking toward peace with the Federal league are under way. The report came from Chicago that Herrmann, acting as spokesman for the powers of organized baseball, has submitted a definite offer of peace to the Federalists. The offer was said to have been made in New York last week to Charles Weeghman of the Chicago Federalists.

WANTS JACKSON BOUT.

Tom Jones, manager of Jess Willard, will leave Chicago today for New York, and on Thursday will sail for London in the hope of clinching a twenty-round or finish championship battle between Larned and Jack Johnson.

BILLIARDISTS LEAVE.

Willie Hoppe and Melbourne Inman left Chicago Sunday for Montreal, where on Wednesday, they will start play in the third series of the international billiard match.

When a survey was made of the wilds of Bolivia, all longitude was figured by the aid of time signals sent by wireless from a station 120 miles from the base of the operations.

LONDON MOBS SMASH SHOPS OF GERMANS

[BY LEASED WIRE.]

LONDON, Oct. 19.—After fighting for more than ten hours, a heavy force of police were able early today to subdue a mob of 5,000 people who had attacked a number of German stores in Depot Road. More than a score of prisoners were taken. Both women and men, were taken. The prisoners were arranged before noon, and all but one woman were remanded in custody for future examination.

The rioting in south London broke out early last night, but was checked. After midnight it was renewed with more violence than ever. The police fought valiantly to protect the property owned by citizens of a hostile nation, but they found the rioters in an extremely dangerous frame of mind. Many were hurt in the clashes and had to be taken to hospitals for treatment.

The immediate cause of the outbreak was the arrival of 300 Belgians in the neighborhood. Dockworkers precipitated the trouble and soon High Street, the center of the zone of disorder, was a mass of straggling humanity.

A handful of troops assisted the police in clearing the streets after the riots had been quelled. These were the first war riots in London.

WILL FIGHT FOR "TEACHER-MOTHERS"



Mrs. James Lees Laidlaw, one of the women most active in the newly formed League for Civil Service Reform, which will enter a vigorous protest with the board of education of the city of New York against the ousting of teachers who have become mothers while in the service. The league will move for an amendment to the by-laws providing that teacher-mothers shall not be dismissed and, failing in this, they propose to carry the fight to the legislature.

DENIES ASSAULT

Cecil Rhodes, colored, today entered a plea of not guilty to a charge of assault and battery on Ianio Thomas, colored, an extra member of the police department. It is said by Rhodes that Thomas dared him to give him a "slapping" and he met the dare.

GET DIVORCES

Treva Z. Evans was today granted a divorce from Walter Evans in circuit court. The plaintiff charged cruel and inhuman treatment. Mrs. Evans was given the custody of a three-year-old child.

Ethel Patterson, colored, was granted a divorce from her husband William H. Patterson on grounds of infidelity.

WRITER IS DEAD

[BY LEASED WIRE.]
LONDON, Oct. 19.—Monsignor Robert Hugh Benson, former private chaplain to Pope Pius X, and one of the ablest writers of the Roman Catholic church, died today at Salford, aged 43. He was a son of the late Archbishop Benson.

KICKS WRONG DOOR.

Harry Grimes ended a long debauch Sunday by trying to kick in the door of a house occupied by a woman friend of his and was arrested. He drew a fine of \$25 and costs.

HENDRICKS BIDS LOW.

W. F. Hendricks today agreed to accept the contract for the construction of a transformer house at the city plant for the estimated cost, \$723, and the board ordered the contract given to him. He was the lowest of three bidders, all of whom submitted bids over the estimate.

Japan's efforts to encourage the cultivation of cotton in Formosa have so far ended in failure.

U. S. MARINES LAND AT PORT AU PRINCE TO UPHOLD ORDERS

[BY LEASED WIRE.]

WASHINGTON, Oct. 19.—Confirmation of the landing of a force of 100 marines from the gunboat Tacoma at Port Au Prince, Haiti, was contained in a wireless to the navy department today.

The Tacoma was summoned from Cape Hayti last night from Port Au Prince by a wireless message stating that rebels had attacked the city and that American marines were needed to preserve order.

The Tacoma hurried to the Haitian capital. The marines were landed early today.

TWO REFUGEE TRAINS CRASH NEAR HAVRE

[BY LEASED WIRE.]

HAVRE, France, Oct. 19.—Two trains carrying refugees south from the zone of fighting along the coast, collided in a heavy fog near Boulogne early today. The first report of the disaster received here stated that thirty-two women and children had been killed and more than eighty injured.

START DRAMA STUDY

Organization of the local branch of the Drama League of America will be perfected tonight at 8 o'clock in the high school auditorium. The chief purpose of the new society is to secure the production of a higher class of play in Richmond theatres. Mrs. A. Starr Best of Chicago, will speak on the general work of the league.

Checks were received recently by old law firms in Morristown, N. J., and their successors paying 10 per cent. dividend in a bankruptcy case forty years ago. Some of the lawyers have been puzzled about who should receive the dividend.

Palladium Want Ads Pay

ADMIRALTY COURT TO SETTLE SEIZING OF TANK STEAMER

[BY LEASED WIRE.]

HALIFAX, N. S., Oct. 19.—The Standard Oil tank steamer Brindilla lay at anchor here today, with the American flag flying from her mast while Captain Petersen, her commander, awaited the session of the admiralty court that was to decide her disposition following her capture by a British cruiser off New York.

Three members of the crew were taken ashore early today, and lodged in the military prison. They are believed to be Germans. The officers and other members of the crew are all naturalized Americans.

When the war broke out, the Brindilla was the Washington and was under German register. A few weeks ago her register was changed to American. It is expected that the arrest of this ship will be used by the British government as a test case to establish its position in relation to the transfer of German ships to the American flag.

Captain Petersen refused to navigate the tanker to Halifax because he was refused permission to communicate with his employers at New York. The last part of her journey here was made under two by the Carthia because a members of the steamer's crew had tried to scuttle her.

TWO RIGS COLLIDE; OCCUPANTS SAFE

A collision of two buggies on North West Fifth street Saturday night, wrecked both vehicles. Thomas Drake, a farm hand who works for Oliver M. Pollard on the Union Pike collided with a surrey in which was a man, said to be named Owens, from Williamsburg, with his wife and two children. The front wheels were broken from both rigs, and Drake's buggy was overturned throwing him into a pool of mud and water. The Owens' horse ran away dragging the wrecked surrey for some distance, but all the occupants escaped injury.

President Yuan Shih Kai Fears Territorial Aggression of Japs

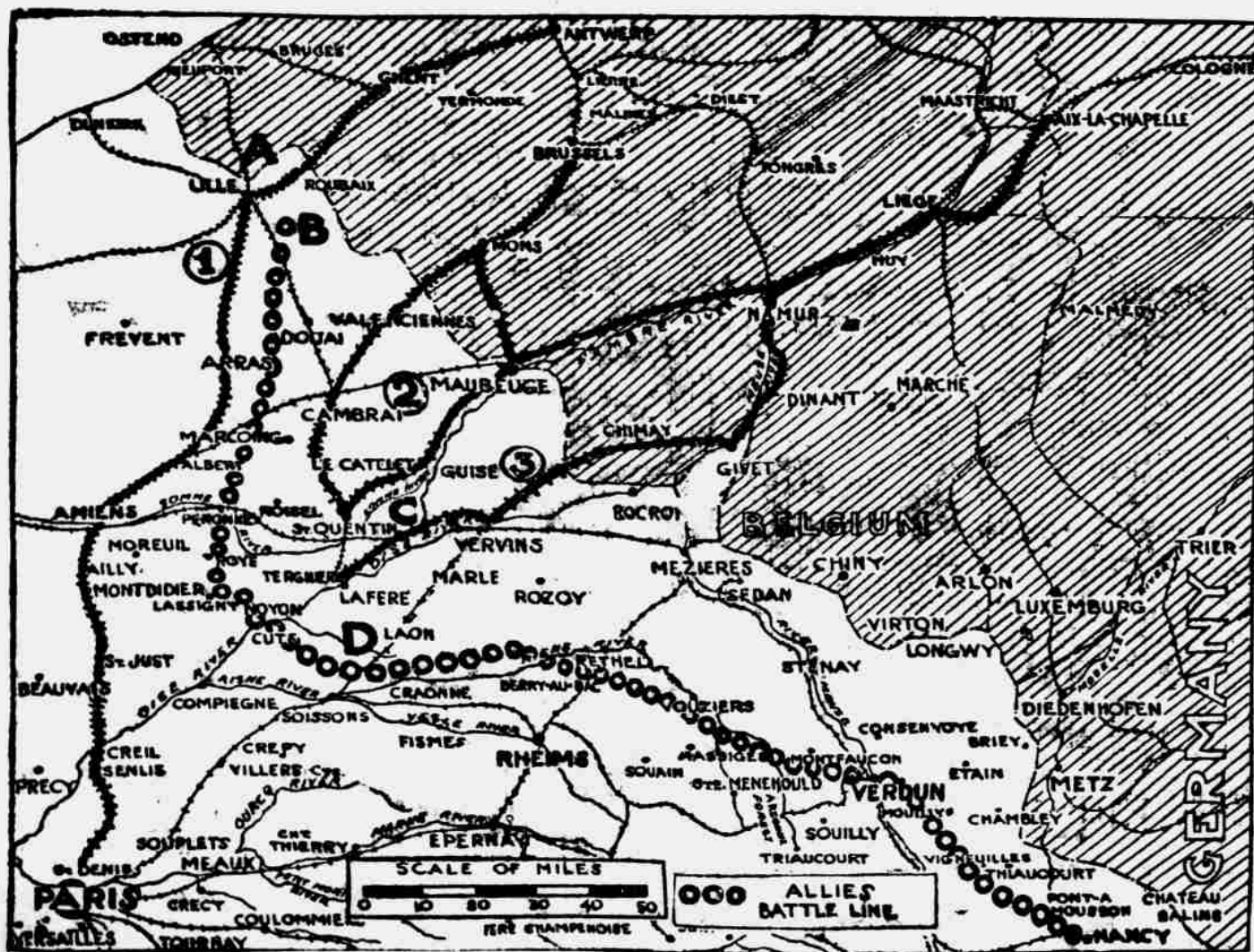


These are trying days for the proud spirit of President Yuan Shih Kai. If he consulted his heart he would fling the Chinese troops at the Japanese on the Shangtung peninsula, but his head tells him this would only bring upon his people the wrath of Russia and Great Britain.

The president is believed to be unconvinced by the assurances of Japan that her aggressions are merely temporary, and prompted by military necessity, and that she will turn Kiao Chow over to the Chinese as soon as the Germans are ousted.

Yuan fears that Japan will take her place with European nations as permanent and rather unwelcome "lessees" of choice Chinese trading points.

Allies Battle Line, and Lines Of Communication of Armies



The main object of the allies is to cut the lines of communication by which the Germans bring up supplies and reinforcements. The purpose of the Germans is to cut the railroad that supplies the Allies' left wing. No. 1—Railroad from Paris through Amiens and Lille, main line of communication for allies, parallel to their battle front. No. 2—Railroad that supplies extreme right of German army. St. Quentin, Maubege and Namur are pivotal points for supplies. There is also the line from Brussels and Valenciennes to St. Quentin. No. 3—Line of communication from Tergnier, Vervins and Laon, Vervins to Givet and Namur. A—Position of cavalry thrown out by Germans to cut railroad between Lille and Ghent. B—German column moving on French line of communication. C—Where French and Germans claim alternate advances and retreats. D—Trenches north of Soissons, where French and British claim to have gained ground.