ALLIES DRIVE BACK ENEMY AND BLOCK RUSH

tacking Belfort with their big siege

Rumors have been in the air during the last 38 hours that the Germans have last 36 hours that the Germans have been preparing to deliver a master stroke, but the nature of this contemplated move was not indicated. The greatest optimism pervades the ranks of the French and British, and it is felt here that any German operations along the main line must henceforth be chiefly

of a defensive nature.

Fighting is reported west of Ostend.
A war correspondent in Flushing, Holland, has sent out the following account:

"The passage of the German forces

returning from the front. An eyewilness reported that he had seen a number of dead and wounded Germans,

was presumed that they were those of a British cruiser firing upon Germans on

fluced."
If, as this correspondent believes,

British warships have bombarded the Germans on the Belgian coast, the opera-

ALLIES' ARMIES BLOCKADE GERMANS' ROAD TO DUNKIRK

France by hard fighting is admitted today. That, it is stated, is the real meanmiles. The British, by a series of heavy engagements in which the fighting was

The Germans, following the arrival of their fresh reserves a week ago, pushed their line steadily westward from Lillie to St. Omer. Because of the weight of numbers it was necessary for the British to fall back. When St. Omer was reached, however, they were reinforced by two French armiss and are reinforced by two French armiss and armiss are reinforced by two French armiss and armiss are reinforced by two French armiss and armiss are reinforced by two French armis are reinforce ed, however, they were reinforced by two French armies and another driving move-ment was begun which only ended after Armentieres, 20 miles to the eastward, had been occupied in force.

The Allies are now back to their original line, extending almost due north and south from the vicinity of Ostend south through Armentieres to Arras. This will compel the Germans, who are operating from Ostend and moving against Dun-kirk, to make all of their movements direct frontal assaults against a line that is reported to be well entrenched in preparation for just such an anticipated

There is much satisfaction expressed in military circles today over the success forth there wil be intense activity that has been attained by the British throughout the entire North Sen. that has been attained by the British forces in this movement. While no official information is obtainable, it is reported here that the Indian forces saw their first service in this maneuver and that they covered themselves with glery in their initial performance.

characterizes the general situation in

France and Belgium as unchanged.

Troops are being reassigned to new posi-

tions, it is stated, but, naturally, details

of these movements are withheld. While

there has been continuous fighting on the

right wing, and especially at points south

from Ostend, it is announced that at no

Beeing in other parts of Carpathia Fighting is reported in progress on the banks of the San River to the north of

"Austrian troops occupied the fortified heights of Starasol, east of Chirow. Our attack against Stary and Sambor gained extension North of Strwias River Aus-

trian forces occupied the range heights up to the northeast front of Przemysl. Fight-

ing is also taking place on the banks of ing is also taking pince on the banks of the San River, north of Przemysi. "Delegates of the American-Polish Com-mittee arrived at Cracow from the United States and announced to the chalrman of the Supreme National Committee their

intention to join the organization. Herr Gluchowski, editor of the Kurjer Cov-zenny, of Cleveland, has been appointed

deputy of the Supreme National Com-

took Tarmoja in Carpathians after four days' fighting and are now pursuing Rus-mans towards Wyskow. In other places

in the Carpathians several successful en-gagements took place with retreating

GERMAN MINE-LAYING CRAFT

Prize Reported Disguised as Hospital

Ship in North Sea.

A Central News dispatch from Har

wich says that its correspondent there

has learned on good authority that the

British cruiser Undaunted, accompanied

by two torpedoboat destroyers, captured

a German mine layer in the North Sea.

disguised as a hospital ship. The Un-

daunted is bringing has proje into Har-

LONDON, Oct. 19.

THE UNDAUNTED CAPTURES

Russian columns.

the care of the wounded. The wireless message follows:

LOCAL CONSUL REPORTS

"Gung were heard at sea on Sunday. I "The Bruges garrison has been re-

tions of this mighty engagement will have extended to both sea and land.
High praise is being given to the French

westward from Ostend ceased on Sunday army operating in Lorraine. T afternoon. Fighting has begun between them and the Allies. Three wagonloads range of the outworks of Meta.

That the British forces again have At every point where the British have maintained with great vigor, although straightened out the line of battle in been engaged they have succeeded in every assault has been repulsed with gaining ground and they are co-operating beavy losses to the assailants at all times with their French supports. ing of last night's announcement that French first line troops.

Rumors that the Germans are on which include the best of the active few miles from Dunkirk, however, have been given considerable credence.

Boehn's army from attacking Dunkirk Mail, who said:

Tirpits, head of the German navy at Antwerp, 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 Ger man submarines have been transported by rail to Belgium and that these will put into the waters of the channel as oon as the Germans are in undisputed essession of the coast. A news agency

dispatch from Berlin says:

The shortening days and the thickening weather in the North Sea are
steadily improving conditions for the
operation of submarines and torpedoboats. Marine experts expect that hence-

The Germans have fallen far back upon NEW MOVEMENT ANNOUNCED IN BERLIN STATEMENT

The official War Office statement today of the troops moving southward. The official statement says: In the western arena fighting goes on despite heavy rains. There are indica-tions of snow at several points, but our troops are well equipped for the cold weather that threatens. The conflict is less severe now, however, than it has "in general, the situation remains al-

from Ostend, it is announced that at no point have there been decisive raults. cisive result thus far, but conditions reconstruction and the state of the state o AUSTRIAN SUCCESS GENERAL, U. S. PUZZLED REGARDING

Russians Repulsed at Przemysl and State Department Reticent Until De-

Russians, and has met with success in at Halifax.

recent engagements. The reports received here from the foreign office in No details of the seigure accompanied check. Fighting has been fierce in the between Hazebrouck and Lille, the message, and in the absence of such vicinity of Lyck.

The Russians have value essayed to that the Germans will be out that the Germans will be out. Vienna state that the Austrians have retaken Taromja in the Carpathians after information. Acting Secretary of State four days' fighting, and that they are pursuing the retreating Russiar's toward Wyskow. The Czar's forces are reported tion further than to say that there is of the roads and the heavy rains are apparently in the situation considerable acting as natural checks aminst pay

which has not been divulged, He was the more surprised over the The American Red Cross detachment is expected to arrive in Vienna today or omorrow, where they will take charge if a special hospital with 150 beds for the care of the wounded.

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> HALIFAX, N. S., Oct. 15 - The Standard Oil tank steamer Brindilla lay at anchor here today with the American flas flying from her mast, while Captain Pettergen, her commander, awaited the session of the Admiralty Court that was to decide her disposition following capture by a British cruiser off New York. Three members of the crew were take ashore early today and lodged in the military prison. They are believed to be Germans. The officers and other mem-bers of the crew are all naturalized

"The American Red Cross detachment When the war broke out the Brindilla will arrive tomorrow to take charge of a special hospital with 150 heds and modern appliances, American physicians was the Washington and was index Ger-man register. A few weeks as her regis-ter was changed to American. It is expected that the arrest of this ship will be used by the British Government as a and nurses are guests of Austrian Red Councilor of the Foreign Office, Baron test case to establish its position in Franckenstein, and Mrs. von Scholler are attached as delegates of the Austrian Sotion to the transfer of German ships to the American flog. Captain Pettersen refused to navigate ciety. The second American detachment travels from here to Hungary. "Our forces on march towards Prasm-

the tanker to Halifak because he was refused permission to communicate with his employers in New York. The in part of her fourney here was made in der tow by the Caronia, because a men her of the steamer's crew had tried to

"Our forces on march towards Prasm-yal defeated parts of the Russian in-vesting army and were supported by the garrison, which made a sortic No more Russians are left around the for-tress except on the eastern side. Dur-ing retreat of Russians several bridges AUSTRIAN SUBMARINE SUNK BY FRENCH IN ADRIATIC

ing retreat of Russians several bridges broke down near Sosnica, and many Russians were drowned in San River. The fight east of Chirow continued. A division of Cossacks was driven towards Drohobyes by our cavalry. Austrian forces attacked fortified positions of Russians south of Przemysi. Our troops reseal Parmola in Carpathians after force. Cruiser Wrecks Foe's Craft and Hom-

bards Cattaro. CETTINIE, Oct 19.

It is officially announced by the Monta negrin War Office that the French cruiser Waldeck-Rousseau has sunk an Austrian submarine off the Dalmatian coust and is now bombarding Cattaro.

The official statement follows: "Two Austrian automorines left the Bocche di Cattaro today and attached the French flest which was proceeding from Antivari to the Daimatian coast. The French cruiser Waldeck-Rousseau sank one of the submarines and then the fleet afterward bombarded the forta at

"An Austrian aeropiane from Castel-The mine layer, the dispatch says, was nuovo dropped several bombs upon French warships convoying transports, but the "opphs did no harm."

POLES JUBILANT AS GERMANS SHIFT MOVE ON WARSAW

igorous Russian Defense Sweeps Kaiser's Forces Southward With Heavy Losses to Invaders at Fords of Vistula.

PETROGRAD, Oct. 19. The opening of the third week of the arent battle between the Russians and the Austro-German forces along the Vistula and San Rivers found the opposing forces locked in a death grapple. The attacks on the Russians' defensive positions, it is stated at the War Office, are

The main German attack is being directed against the Russian army south of Warsaw, chiefly in the vicinity of Ivangorod and Josefow. For five days in succession the Germans and their allies have striven to cross the Visiula between these two towns.

German prisoners and wounded are recorted arriving in great numbers at Warsaw. There is great rejoleing among the Poles in the belief that that capital is now safe from the German invaders, who are harassed on the front by aggressive Enssian movements and impeded in the It is agreed here that the rapidly con-

ived and executed attack from the Cra-w-Czenstochow line upon Worsaw was primarily political and not a strategic

whom an alde to the Government at Ber-lin had made plain that unless Russia could be put on the defensive somewhere within the Cracow zone. Austria, would finally eliminated from the war before inter. This argument prevailed, and our columns were speedily sent to secure crossing of the Vistula as near as possible below Warraw. They were heavily reated in the attempt on Ivangorod, here a strong permanent bridge crosses. from the fire of the Russlan field

their previously prepared defensive, whither their generals have had to hurry their rear reserves, including a large por-tion of the garrison of Thorn. It was of expected that these reserves would e wanted until the German program of essive cavalry and artillery raids had chieved the capture of Warsaw. It is believed at the War Office that

the attack on Warsaw will not be resumed until the conflict about Ivangored is decided. Though the German advance guards at one time arrived within live miles of Warsaw, they were unable to bring up their artillery because of heavy rains. The railway from Lowicz to War saw was destroyed by the Russians be ore the Germans reached that region and it will have to be rebuilt before the Germans can bring up their heavy guns

GERMAN OFFENSIVE FIERCE ON EAST PRUSSIA BORDER

SEIZURE OF BRINDILLA Battle Near Warsaw Assuming Deusive Stage, Berlin Also Asserts,

BERLIN, Oct. 13.

Driven From Carpathian Passes,
Wireless messages received today by
Consul General George von Grivinic, at the local Austro-Hungarian Consulate, state that the Austrian army is conducting an aggressive campaign against the Russians, and has met with success in recent engagements. The reports re
No details of the seizure accompanied of the seizure accompanied recent Until Details Arrive,

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very speedy movements in Russian Poand hat it is stated that steady slow progress is being made. Fighting is in progress just east of Warsaw. It is stated here that the conflict mong

the Vistula is fast assuming the form of a decisive battle, despite the hard-ships under which the Germans are effeeting their advance. Their guns are sinking in the morasses, over which it necessary for them to proceed and at various points of roads have to be sewed through the forests. It is stated, however, that the morale of the troops is excellent, despite the suffering they have undergone.

DESTROYER OF THE HAWKE IS LOST, GERMANS FEAR

No Word Received From Submarine That Sank British Ship.

which sunk the British cruiser Hawke and herself been lost. So far as can be has been received at the Admiralty since her exploit.

WAR OPERATIONS OF DAY FIND CRISIS ON IN FRANCE

Germans Must Take Dunkirk or Suffer Loss of Much French Territory, Says Expert-Allies Straighten Lines From Arras to Ostend Region.

In the eastern theatre of war the Rus-

sians have abandoned 132 miles of ter-ritory and taken up a position at War-saw. Apparently the Russians are will-

ing for the Germans to assume the risks of inefficient railway facilities and im-

practicable marshes of the Polish plains.

The retreat to Warsaw may prove a cun-

BY COLONEL REPINGTON

We do not always notice any par-

ticular principle followed by Germany in

the use of her second-line troops. Her

dire need compelled her to throw in

troops as they came, regardless of

General von Hindenburg in his first at

Tannenberg seems to have held his front

with landsturm and used his first-line

troops on the wing for decisive strokes

The extraordinary line of battle which

stretches across France is something new

in history. No one knows quite what

dominates a new situation and refuses

any longer to be dominated. He who

can use first and second grade troops

IN FOG NEAR BOULOGNE

HAVRE, France, Oct. 19.

Thirty-two Women Reported Killed

in Wreck.

Twa trains carrying refugees south from

the zone of fighting along the coast col-

lided in a heavy fog near Boulogne early

today. The first report of the disaster

REFUGEE TRAINS CRASH

up to 45 years old.

against the Russians.

quality.

LONDON, Oct. 19.

BY W. T. MASON

NEW YORK, Oct. 19.-Intimations from both Berlin and Paris that the Franco-Beigian fighting is approaching a crisis reflect the extremely tense situation prevailing in the northern battle area. The lines of the rival forces are so extended that a serious set-back along the Belgian border would require a readjustment all along the western front to the centre.

In the event of a French defeat, the const ports would become endangered and a wide German sweeping movement threatening the rear of the Allies' western battle front would become possible.

To counteract this, the Ailles would have to give ground for a considerable distance along their northwestern posttions, in order to swing toward the English Channel. This would be the most efficacious way of checking the southern sweep of the Germans.

The fortified positions at Dunkirk, if captured by the Germans, would provide an admirable channel base for a new southern advance. So long as Dunkirk remains in possession of the Allies a German attempt to move southward on a wide front would be precatious unless the Maubeuge precedent were followed and Dunkirk were invested. That sufficient troops can be spared for this is improbable.

German offensive strategy along the Belgian boundary, therefore, must walt upon the occupation of Dunkirk. If it falls, it will register an important German success. The possibility of its cap-ture, after the capitulation of the far stronger entrenched camp at Antwerp, is probably the immediate cause of Berlin's belief that the French operations are ap-

proaching a crisis. A far larger force of the Allies is be-tween Dunkirk and the Germans than was erman commanders at Czenstochow, to used for the defense of Antwerp. This fact explains the confidence prevailing in Paris. The Germans, too, have been checked since their occupation of Ostend, which suggests a more rapid arrival of French reinforcements than the Germans have been able to bring up. It is apparent that General von Boehn has not risked weakening his main defensive line south of Belgium by reinforcing his troops that had been sent toward Dunkirk.

This expedition has been compelled to tire beyond Armentieres, where the Allies are now resting. The allied front northern France and Belgium apparently has become perpendicular with its entire western line. This means the Allies have straightened the bend they to the best advantage may gain much.

I believe that the British operations at Antwerp were practicable. They did not fall through any fault of ours. It was a natural disappointment. compelled to make when their advance forces reached Arras. The Ger-man pressure, which turned the Allies toward the Channel, with Arras as a pivot, seems to have been lessened. The Allies are now-trying to bend their line in the other direction toward the German com-numications. If this strategy succeeds, the Germans must relinquish much of the French territory they now occupy.

BY A MILITARY ANALYST

PARIS, Oct. 19. A crisis is near in northwestern France, and this week probably will see the great

The Allies have made strong progress. The German army has not yet been defeated, but in the western theatre of war, it least, it is in peril.

The Allies' success has not been in iso- received here stated that 32 women and lated districts. It has been scored all children had been killed and more than along the left flank. The public will un- 80 injured. derstand that when the horn of the crescent moves. The encircling force which | LONDON, Oct. 19 .- According to the is responsible for the movement has a Mail's Boulogne correspondent, 39 were deep and enduring effect on the rest of killed and 100 injured in the wreck near

One need not assume in consequence that the Germans will be out of France very formidable enemy, but one may cer-tainly assume that the superior general-ship of the Allies and far better quality of our mon have at last maneuvered the Germans into a position from which the enemy will have enormous difficulty in enemy will have enormous difficulty in extricating himself, and if he is unable

to do so it may possibly result in his ruin. All this need not lead us to be unduly cheerful about any speedy end to the war. One hears little stories concerning preparations, done in a thorough German way, covering every contingency for the reception of the Allies when they are at the gates of Germany, but the next at the gates of Germany, but the next phase of the war is opening with aur-prises as nasty as their now famous is-inch howitzers. There is being got ready for us a great variety of devilish ma-chines that will disappoint a Berlin ex-cursionist considerably, but the French are set on going all the same.

BY AN ARMY EXPERT

PARIS, Oct. 18. Germans are fighting desperately to

BERLIN. Oct. II. Fear was expressed keep their lines of retreat open. Their here today that the German submarine battles in France now are for that purpose, the only advance by the invaders carned, no report from the submarine | being along the coast toward Dunkirk. fested at the lack of decisive news from

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RATHER THAN YIELD GERMANS WRECKED FOUR DESTROYERS

the front, Parisians have come to the Men Probably 193 in Adrealization that the battles have been transformed into veritable sieges with their comparatively slow operations. Even after the battle from Dunkirk to Belfort is decided army officers are looking forward to still another siege. dition to 31 Prisoners Taken by British. It will be in the extreme north that im-

BERLIN, Oct. 19. Preferring wreck and death to capture y the British, the commanders of the Serman torpedo destroyers S-115, S-117, S-118 and S-119 drove their vessels upon the coast of the North Sea on Saturday when cornered by the English cruiser Undaunted, according to a statement issued at the Admiralty today. The four destroyers were completely wrecked.

The crews of the vessels numbered 221 It is evident that Germany has 3,000,000 men and nearly all of them are believed men in the field. The mass of armies to have been lost.

now consist chiefly of second and third (The British Admiralty announced on grade troops. As we have plenty of Saturday that the Undaunted had sunk such troops, we must see whether we four German destroyers, and that 31 should not use them earlier than we had members of their crews had been taken intended. There is a difference between prisoners. This announcement and the our second-class troops and those of Ger-Berlin statement would indicate that 193 many. All the German reservists have Germans lost their lives.)

received more or less military training. The landwehr may be 39½ years old It is stated that the action of the Gerand members of the landsturm from 41 man commanders in dashing their boats upon the rocks was complying with orders that under no circumstances should Our second raters, the special reserve territorials, will not be all highly trained, they permit the enemy to take their but they will have a great pull over bonts. Germany from a standpoint of ages.

The four lost destroyers were built in The four lost destroyers were out in 1892-1903 in naval yards on the Baltic Sea. They were all of the same class, being 210 feet long and having a displacement of 413 tons, a beam of 23 feet, a draught of 7.8 feet and a speed of 28 knots.

Each destroyer carried a complement of 56 men and an armament consisting of three 4-pounders and two machine guns.

VON MOLTKE'S SON DEAD German Field Marshal's Relative

Was Wounded in France.

PARIS, Oct. 18.—The death of the son of Field Marshal Count von Moltke, head of the German General Staff, in the Military Hospital at Fecamp is announced by the Matin. He was wounded during the early fighting in France. to make or to think of it. The advantage may rest with the commander who first

ITALY WILL HOLD TO NEUTRAL POLICY OF DEAD MINISTER

Admiralty Reports Loss of New Foreign Secretary Declares for Maintenance of Triple Alliance, But Will Be Ready for Action.

> Italy's policy of neutrality, maintained absolutely since the beginning of the war, will not be changed as the result of the death of Foreign Minister San Glullans and the appointment of Signor Salandra as Secretary of the Foreign Office. In assuming his office, Signor Salandra said:

> "The supreme tendencies of our international policy will be the same tomorrow as yesterday. There must be unshakable firmness of mind, serene perception of the country's real interests and matured reflection-not excluding from the case the need for rapidity of action." Italy's relation both to France and Aus-

tria is explained by a prominent states man, as follows: "Italy stands on a rock basis con-

stituted by its right, its reputation before the world and its vital interests. It is known that neutrality was proclaimed because no clause in the Triple Alliance treaty required Italy to assist Germany and Austria in the present war. This neutrality will not be abandoned for advantageous promises coming from either side, since it would be dishonorable to sell our participation in the conflict as did the armed bands of the Middle Ages. Besides, the country would not stand aggression against France, which now has its Italian frontier entirely unprotected, nor against Austria without serious rea son, as that would be treason.

"This does not mean that Italy is no arming or will not eventually join in the war if circumstances arise endangering some of its most vital interests. That was the policy pursued by Marquis di San Giuliano, and the same policy will be followed by his successor."

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