



ALLIES GIVE WAY BEFORE GERMAN ATTACK IN NORTH

French, However, State Gains at Other Points Offset Ground Lost to Kaiser's Armies, Heavily Reinforced by Old and Young Recruits.

Berlin Announces British Fleet Has Begun to Bombard Ostend—Invaders Said to Have Withdrawn From Other Towns Along Belgian Coast.

Ostend is being bombarded by British warships, according to official announcement in Berlin. Terrific fighting continued along the whole battle line from the Belgian border to Albert, in France.

The Germans, however, have abandoned Nieuport and are reported retiring from other points in northwest Belgium. A Dunkirk dispatch says 2000 Germans have been driven across the Dutch border and will be interned until the close of the war.

The Montenegro-Serbian force, advancing through Bosnia to Sarajevo, has defeated a superior force of Austrians. The Austrian opposition to invasion by the Balkan Allies has been overcome at every point, according to an official statement from Cetinje.

OSTEND IS ATTACKED BY BRITISH WARSHIPS

BERLIN, Oct. 23.—It was officially announced today that British warships have bombarded the open town of Ostend on the Belgian coast. The Admiralty has received information that the Danish steamship Holf, bound from New York to Christiania with 2000 tons of corn, has been captured by a British cruiser and taken into a port of Scotland.

ALLIES' ARMY FORCED BACK AT SOME POINTS ON LINE

PARIS, Oct. 23.—The Germans are making desperate efforts to break through the Allied lines in the vicinity of Arras, as well as in the north. This was admitted by the War Office this afternoon, when it also stated that the fighting is of so severe a character that at various points it has been forced to give up territory and at others ground has been gained.



"PROVE IT ISN'T LOADED"

WORKERS' IDLENESS IN 1907 PANIC IS PUT UP TO "STEEL TRUST"

Government Declares Price Boosting Is Done by Subterfuge—Says "Trust" Controls Old Rivals.

U. S. SEEKS TO DISSOLVE LEHIGH VALLEY COAL CO.

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"THE HANDS OF ESAU" In today's issue of the EVENING LEADER appears the ninth article of the series on political conditions in Philadelphia. This installment deals with COMMERCE

Government Charges Railroad Has Monopolized Production of Anthracite WASHINGTON, Oct. 23.—The case of the United States against the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company, the Lehigh Valley Coal Company and the Lehigh Valley Coal Sales Company has been set for argument November 11, before Judge Hough, in the southern district Federal Court of New York.

Speaker Visits White House to "Pay Respects" to President. WASHINGTON, Oct. 23.—To the surprise of White House attaches, Speaker Champ Clark suddenly appeared at the Executive Office today and asked to see President Wilson. He was immediately admitted, although he had made no engagement with the President.

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CRY OF NO QUORUM PUTS CONGRESS IN NEW DEADLOCK FIX

Only 157 Members of House Available to Vote on Legislation Supported by Leaders.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 23.—The adjournment deadlock in the House was accentuated today when Representative Henry, of Texas, made a point of no quorum and a rollcall developed that only 157 members were in the city.

Speaker Clark of the House, who also called on the President, told newspaper men that he was in favor of President Wilson exercising his constitutional right to adjourn Congress.

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VARES WILL CAUSE PENROSE'S ARREST, POLITICIANS HEAR

Report That Senator Has Been Given Until 6 o'Clock Tonight to Disprove Story of Bribery Is Not Denied or Affirmed by Congressman.

W. S. Vare's Arrival in City Taken As Sign He Is About to Take Action in Open Revolt—Penrose Issues Statement Which Is Considered Defiant.

Rumors circulated downtown today that the Vares were planning the arrest of United States Senator Boies Penrose, unless he takes action by 6 o'clock tonight to disprove the North American's charges that he accused Congressman William S. Vare of personally paying \$500 to ex-Mayor John E. Reyburn.

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"IT DECLARES WAR," POLITICIANS SAY OF W. S. VARE'S DEFENSE

South Philadelphia Wards Take It as Signal for Open Revolt.

The news of William S. Vare's denunciation of Boies Penrose struck political circles today with stunning force.

"It is war," said one man close to the political situation, when he heard what Vare had done in Washington. "This will mean the defeat of Penrose. It is the end of even the appearance of harmony between the Penrose and Vare camps in this city."

Reports for the last two days have declared that the end of the Vares combination with Penrose and McNichol was in sight, and that even if the Vares themselves were equal to standing by the man who had knifed them repeatedly during their political history, the great horde of South Philadelphia Vares sympathizers were going to take the chance offered on November 3 to revenge themselves by killing Penrose.

The balance of power rests in South Philadelphia. It is quite apparent that Representative Vare is waiting for Penrose to make the next move. He insists that the Van Valkenburg charges must be met by Penrose with a denial that will satisfy the public.