

ALLIES LOSE DIXMUDE AS TEUTON DASH TO SEA GAINS

Germans Occupy Belgian Town After Weeks of Fighting, But Lose Ground on North Wing.

Kaiser's Progress Toward Coast Admitted by French War Office—Battle Grows Fiercer Around Ypres.

Heavy Cannonading Lays Three Towns in Ruins—British Stand Firm Against Incessant Attacks.

The capture by the Germans of Dixmude, the Belgian town near the North Sea coast, around which desperate fighting has centered for weeks, is admitted in the official communique issued this afternoon by the Paris War Office.

The occupation of this town shows that the Kaiser has made progress in his drive to the sea, although this advantage is partly offset by the re-occupation by the Allies of Lombartzyde, a few miles north of Nieuport.

The fighting in the neighborhood of Ypres is constantly growing fiercer, indicating that the Germans are also endeavoring to break through the lines at this point. London dispatches say that Ypres is still occupied by the Allies, although other reports declare that this town, as well as Lille and Armentieres, has been laid in ruins by the terrific bombardment from the German artillery.

Berlin reports "good advances" in the region of the Argonne forest, but the reports from the Allies' side maintain that the Kaiser's forces are being held in check all along this front.

Russians have moved into east Prussia in two directions. They have already advanced beyond Lyck to the Masurian Lakes, with the design of flanking the German army of Von Morgen, which has been repulsed in the Suwalki province, and preventing a junction with the Kaiser's forces further west.

Another large force has raided the country beyond Soldau, with the great fortress of Soldau as objective. This movement in the west will block the passage of reinforcements to Von Morgen.

Cracow is near investment. The Czar's armies are converging from east Prussia and Galicia toward the chief Austrian stronghold, Mickow, Rzeszow, Dlynow and Lisko already have been retaken, giving the Russians command of the main lines of transportation. Petrograd reports that the Kaiser is rushing reinforcement to Posen and Thorn in order to stem the Russian advance through Silesia.

The Berlin official report declares that the Russians have made little advance, that they have evacuated Bukovina and that they have suffered a severe check at Konin, on the River Warthe, 33 miles from the Silesian border. This report discounts the Russian claims of an advance into the provinces of Silesia and Posen.

Austrians report holding the Russians along the River San and of expelling the foe from Bukovina. Constantinople announces the capture of Sheikzar fort, in Egypt, by British forces.

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A STRAP OR A SEAT?

Specific instances of greatly increased property valuations, as a result of the elevated real estate market in Philadelphia, will be given in tomorrow's Evening Ledger. Illustrations of progress due to the high-speed line in that section also will be shown. The facts given will show that:

60th AND MARKET STREETS

was transformed from a village to a metropolis in less than 10 years by rapid transit, which, under the Taylor plan, is destined to bring still greater benefits to all parts of the city.

RUSSIAN WEDGE DRIVES BETWEEN ARMIES OF FOE

German Right in Suwalki District Cut Off as Czar's Forces Push Across Border. Cracow Threatened.

PETROGRAD, Nov. 11. Another great raid by Russians in East Prussia is in full swing. The dashing Cossacks of General Rennenkampf are repeating the drive of devastation that early in the war cut the German lines of communication. This time the Cossacks have invaded East Prussia at the Southwest of the Mazurian Lake region instead of at the north. They have already passed Lyck, according to official reports.

The Russian cavalry already has reached East Prussia at another point, the outskirts of Soldau, which opens the way to the strong forts of Graudenz. Three railroads in that region have been torn up and more than a dozen railroad bridges destroyed. Continuation of this raid into the district north of Soldau will cut off the German army that invaded the Suwalki district and was driven back upon the Mazurian Lakes.

At the same time the Russian army in western Poland is continuing its campaign for the capture of the militarily important fortress of Cracow, the gateway to Silesia from the south. The Austro-German forces driven from Czestochowa have advanced upon the upper Vistula, and hard fighting is going on there. An official statement issued today says that the resistance to the Russian attacks cannot be long continued at this point, however. They have crossed the Wisloka and retaken Rzeszow and Dlynow.

Capture of the town of Mickow brings the Russian advance closer to Cracow than was the case several weeks ago. Cossacks again are at the outskirts of the city, from which the inhabitants are reported fleeing.

The Army Messenger declares today that the victory won by the Russians in Western Poland was one of the most glorious in the history of the Empire.

More than 100,000 German and Austrian soldiers were killed, wounded or taken prisoners," it says. "The enemy sacrificed regiments after the attempt to cross the Vistula and capture Warsaw. The complete triumph of the Russian force is established by the fact that they took as prisoners three German generals, General Eduard von Liebenow, captured at Lodz after being wounded. He was at one time the head of the German General Staff.

General August von Mackensen, who led the 17th German Army Corps, was taken prisoner at Bieradz. He and his staff were surrounded in a sudden flight attack and forced to yield. The third general officer taken is General Mathiassee.

While the defeat of the Germans in Western Poland is declared in all quarters to have been a great triumph, for Russia, some dissatisfaction is expressed because the General Staff failed to adopt measures that would have resulted in the complete destruction of the invading army.

They point out that if the German armies had been permitted to cross the Vistula before the Russians took the offensive their retreat would have been impossible. The General Staff, in reply, assert that the Russian military would have been defeated if the Vistula had been crossed, and the Czar's troops had not their points of support at Warsaw and Ivanograd.

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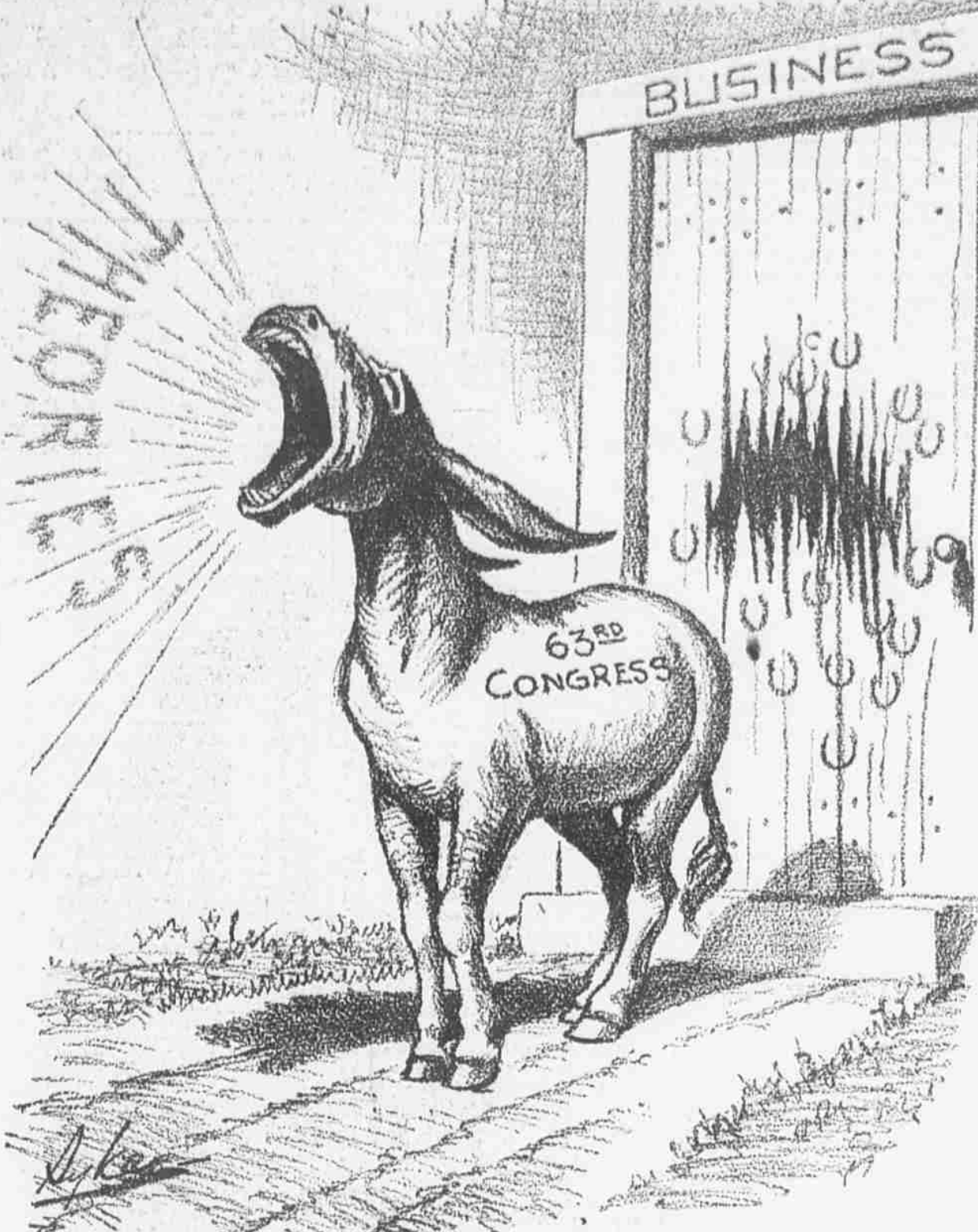
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OUR SHINING EXAMPLE OF THE "FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE"

BLANKETS FOR WAR MADE WITH SHODDY, WEAVERS DECLARE

Striking Employes of Woolen Mill Manufacturing War Goods Make Charge Firm Fails to Deny.

Charges that the John and James Dobson mills are using shoddy in army blankets being made for the warring powers of Europe were made today by 200 striking employes of the firm at a mass meeting in Hibernian Hall, Boyer and Woodlawn streets, Germantown.

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JAIL ENTRY SUCCEEDS Camden Man Breaks In, But by Wrong Route.

An attempt to break into a Camden Jail by John Carney, of 211 Benson street, proved more successful today than he expected. Recorder Stackhouse gave him four months, but in another jail.

\$1,000,000 GLASS PLANT FIRE LAD TO INCENDIARISM

Flames Sweep Big Warehouse of American Window Company in Jeanette, 50,000 Cases Burn.

JEANNETTE, Pa., Nov. 11.—Fire, thought to have been incendiary in origin, destroyed the warehouse of the American Window Glass Company here today, causing loss estimated at more than \$1,000,000. The factory of the company nearby was not damaged.

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EMDEN'S GALLANT CAPTAIN NOW PRISONER OF WAR

Stuck to Post to Last—Prussian Prince Also Captured. LONDON, Nov. 11. Captain von Muller, of the German cruiser Emden, destroyed by the Australian warship Sydney, is now a prisoner of war. He was rescued from his burning vessel, unharmed. Prince Franz Joseph, of Hohenzollern, serving as a lieutenant, was also taken prisoner. He was uninjured. This announcement was made by the Admiralty today. It was stated that unofficial reports of the losses aboard the Emden were 200 men killed and 30 wounded. All taken prisoners were accorded the full honors of war.

MAYOR RIDDLE AIDS RELIEF

Shore Executive Offers Co-operation With Philadelphia. Mayor Riddle, of Atlantic City, today offered to co-operate with the Philadelphia Emergency Relief Committee at 1428 Walnut street in soliciting money, clothes and food for those who are starving in the war zone. The offer was brought to headquarters by Mrs. E. C. F. Lewis, a wealthy refugee from Paris, who has been spending some time at Atlantic City recuperating from an illness which followed her experiences in leaving France. Mrs. Lewis announced a subcommittee had been formed with Mayor Riddle as its treasurer. Every school child in Atlantic City will be asked to contribute one cent, and public proclamation will be issued each Friday, Saturday and Sunday asking contributions. The headquarters of the Atlantic City subcommittee will be in the Casino. Almost coincident with the pledge of help from this source came a request from the citizens of Media that they be allowed to form a subcommittee there. Mrs. J. H. Dinton, of 112 West State street, Media, came to the Philadelphia headquarters today to present the offer of co-operation from the citizens of Media. Along the Main Line almost 100 societies have pledged themselves to meet at the Merion Cricket Club every Tuesday morning and make clothes for the sufferers. Each will supply the materials she uses and each will do her own sewing. In charge of this work is a committee of the following women: Mrs. King Walwright, Bryn Mawr, chairman; Mrs. Charlotte Yarnall, Haverford; Mrs. Stacy Large, Ardmore; Mrs. Greenville Montgomery, Ardmore, and Mrs. Joseph Page.

CONTRACTOR AND HIS WIFE VICTIMS OF DUAL TRAGEDY

Man Believed to Have Killed Woman and Himself. ST. LOUIS, Nov. 11.—George H. Neeley, a wealthy contractor and manager at Cushing, Okla., for the Petroleum Iron Works of Sharon, Pa., and his wife, Estelle, were found shot to death in their room at a hotel here today. There were nine bullets in Mrs. Neeley's body, while her husband had one bullet in the right temple. Neeley's right hand still grasped an automatic pistol, indicating that he had killed his wife and then committed suicide. Letters found in the couple's effects indicated that they had quarreled, and Mrs. Neeley intended to get a divorce so she could marry another man. The police theory is that Neeley effected a reconciliation with his wife and then, finding letters from another man, decided to kill himself.

SCORES WOMAN'S ACQUITTAL

"Incomprehensible," Says Court in Shop-lifting Case. The acquittal of Marie Little, said to be known by other names, who was charged with stealing goods valued at \$50 from the counters of Market street department stores, was scored today by Judge Searles in Quarter Sessions Court. "It is incomprehensible how you arrived at a verdict not guilty in this case," declared the judge to the juror. "There seemed to be an abundance of evidence upon which to have based a verdict of guilty."

GAS COMPANY FAILS

South Jersey Concern Ordered Sold by Court. M. D. Middleton, Moorestown, N. J., was appointed receiver for the Standard Gas Company of South Jersey, today by Vice Chancellor Leaning in Camden. The company has assets of \$20,000 and liabilities \$2,000. Its plant is at Sea Isle City. The receiver was instructed to sell the company within a month if possible. The company sold gas at the rate of \$1.25 a thousand feet. All other Jersey gas companies charge from \$1.40 to \$1.50 a thousand feet.

JAIL MATRON APPOINTED

Camden's New Sheriff Names Mrs. Lillian Vincent, of Collingswood. The first official act of Joseph C. Haines upon assuming the office of Sheriff of Camden County today was to appoint a matron of the county jail. He named Mrs. Lillian Vincent, of Collingswood, to the position. Mrs. Vincent had the indorsement of many of the women's clubs of Camden County.

SANTA MUST PAY POSTAGE

No Free Mail to Children's Patron at Christmas. WASHINGTON, Nov. 11.—Santa Claus will have to pay full postage on all the letters that he gets this winter. Any little boy or girl who puts his wishes on paper and mails them to Santa Claus, but forgets to put a stamp on the envelope, will find them in the Government waste basket unless Santa Claus pays the postage on them. This is the decision announced today by Postmaster General Burleson.

STATE CALLED ON TO RELIEVE BELGIANS' WOE

Appeal on Behalf of Starving Thousands Sent Throughout Pennsylvania by Relief Board—Thelma Sails Tomorrow.

Table titled 'WHAT PHILADELPHIANS ARE SENDING TO BELGIUM' listing various goods and their costs.

A Statewide appeal for aid for the starving Belgians to be shipped aboard the "Thanksgiving Day Ship" was inaugurated today by the committee in charge of the Belgian relief fund. Hanover was the first Pennsylvania city to respond to the Statewide appeal. Advertisements inserted in country newspapers and read by farmers brought \$22. The advertisements were published by a Hanover store. Similar advertisements will be published in other cities.

Count von Bernstorff, German Ambassador to the United States, announced in Washington today there would be no interference with the plans for the relief of the stricken Belgians by the German military authorities now in charge of Brussels. Count von Bernstorff conferred at length with Secretary of State Bryan and discussed the different plans in this country for the relief of the starving Belgians. The Ambassador disclaimed any knowledge of the reported German military edict of yesterday to the effect that all Belgians must resume their former occupations or starve.

A collection for the relief fund was taken among the employes of the Welbach Company, at Gloucester City, N. J., and \$125 was contributed. Single contributions ranged from 50 cents to \$10. Members of the city Fire Department sent \$28.50. The contributions up to 1 o'clock this afternoon were estimated at more than \$100,000. One hundred and fourteen thousand dollars' worth of food is now aboard the Norwegian steamship Thelma. About \$45,728 is left for the second ship which the committee decided to charter. Should contributions continue to pour in from charitable Philadelphians, whatever surplus remains after fitting out the second ship, a third mercy vessel to be known as the "Christmas Ship," will probably be chartered.

PLANNING SECOND MISSION. Details regarding the departure of the second ship are being discussed today at a conference in the office of John Wanamaker. The Thelma will not sail today. Her skipper and crew are ready to weigh anchor, but the little army of stevedores has not finished filling her holds. Her bow pointed toward the Delaware Breakwater, the steamship Thelma, with Captain Hendrickson, is waiting for the word to sail. She will probably depart tomorrow. That the State-wide appeal for aid to prevent thousands of women and children from starving has become popular was proven today when the first mail was delivered at the relief station. Letters came from persons living in many parts of Pennsylvania. Young, middle-aged, elderly, millionaires and poor stated they were ready to help.

ANOTHER RALLY TO CAUSE. Again a charitable delegation of Philadelphians appeared at the relief station when the doors were thrown open. The first check for \$100 came from Mrs. Alfred Fitter Moore, of 1921 Walnut street. While the cashier was registering the check from Mrs. Moore, a hunchback walked in. He made his way to one of the clerks and placed \$5 on the table. He wouldn't give his name. Then came \$10 which H. F. W. had saved up. The money was all in dimes. Ada Richardson, a little girl, left 50 cents. She said that she saved it herself. "Arm-in-arm an old couple walked into the relief headquarters just before noon. The man wore an old skin coat which was many years old. His wife wore a thin jacket. They stood in a corner for a few minutes, then the husband stepped forward and said: "We want to help those starving persons, but do not believe in canned goods. I personally have a hatred for canned food. I request that the \$1 be spent on flour or chocolate. You know the Belgians are very fond of chocolate."

Dressed in mourning, a woman who said she was a native of Belgium appeared at the headquarters. She lost all her relatives and property during the bombardment of Brussels by the German army. She declared. The visitor expressed her thanks to the members of the committee and the corps of workers at the relief station for what they were doing. H. C. Wither notified the relief bureau this morning that he will send 100 barrels of cocoa. The price of a barrel of cocoa, \$2.50, was received from three local sources.

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THE WEATHER Philadelphia and vicinity Fair to-night and Thursday, warmer tonight and cool Thursday. For details, see last page.