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KARLSRUHE IS RIPPED BY BRITISH FIRE BUT ESCAPES

German Cruiser Gives Battle to the Glasgow off Brazil Coast. Says Report, and is Badly Damaged—Admiralty Has No News of Reported Fight.

Colliers Captured by Admiral Sturdee's Fleet and Reports Indicate Wrecking of Converted Cruisers Prinz Eitel Friedrich and Kronprinz Wilhelm—Berlin Admits Losses Off Falkland Islands.

LONDON, Dec. 12.—The German cruiser Karlsruhe has been in battle with the British warship Glasgow off the coast of Brazil and has been damaged, but managed to escape, says a dispatch received here today from Rio Janeiro.

It is stated by the Admiralty that no official report of such a battle has been received, but the news also comes in a message from Buenos Aires, which says that "part of the Karlsruhe's stern was shot away by the Glasgow's six-inch guns."

Attaches of the Admiralty expressed full confidence today that the Karlsruhe, as well as the converted cruisers Prinz Eitel Friedrich and Kronprinz Wilhelm, would soon "be accounted for."

OFFICIAL BULLETINS

FRENCH.—The enemy has been compelled to evacuate the western bank of the Yser Canal to the north of the house of the ferryman. We are occupying that bank.

RUSSIAN.—In the direction of Miava the Germans on December 10 kept up a strong offensive throughout the day and night, but we succeeded in repulsing them.

TURKISH GUNBOAT SUNK; BATTLE ON IN DARDANELLES—Allies' Fleet Reported in Action at Entrance to Straits—Turks Bombed Batum.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 12.—A Turkish gunboat was sunk when it struck a submarine mine at the entrance of the Dardanelles today. It is believed that the mine was placed there by a British ship.

WHOSE BOY IS THIS?



"I was with mama, but I don't know where she is now," is the only explanation this 4-year-old youngster, with blue eyes and curly hair, can give of himself. He has been at the rooms of the Children's Aid Society at 415 South 15th street, since last Tuesday, having been found wandering around the corner of Ninth and Market streets in absorption over the Christmas toys in the windows.

VOTE ON SUFFRAGE AND PROHIBITION CERTAIN IN HOUSE

Rules Committee Provides for General Debate on Both Important Issues Before Christmas Recess.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—The House of Representatives must vote on national prohibition and woman suffrage. These questions will come up December 23.

BERLIN, Dec. 12.—The Kaiser's personal physician today informed this correspondent that the royal patient was greatly improved and would be able to return to the front within a week or ten days.

WHO'S SAMMY? HE'S WANTED BY POLICE SANTA CLAUSES

Mysterious Boy Calls Up Detective Bureau for Gifts.

Fifty detectives whose faces were covered with black masks stood in the Detective Bureau today looking at undesirable citizens who were being introduced by Lieutenant Theodore F. Wood.

As soon as we take Puebla we will push on southward against the forces of Carranza to Vera Cruz," said Zapata.

ZAPATA LEAVES CAPITAL IN MARCH ON PUEBLA

Plans to Carry Campaign Against Carranza at Vera Cruz.

HUERTA DENIES DEAL

Carranza "Four Flusher," Zapata "Highwayman," Villa "Jail Bird."

GIRL SHOOTS HER CHUM

Fearing Loss of Affection, She Then Kills Herself.

COMMUTERS' FARES DECISION IS FINISHED BY COMMISSIONERS

Announcement of Ruling on Proposed Increases in Railroads' Rates Is Expected Today.

The Pennsylvania Public Service Commission completed its decision on the proposed passenger increase planned by the Pennsylvania, Reading and the Baltimore and Ohio Railroads shortly after 1 o'clock this afternoon after a four-hour executive session at the Bellevue-Stratford.

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Ashland, Ky., Dec. 12.—A plot among a gang of tramps to assassinate a number of prominent citizens and to kidnap the mayor has been discovered following the killing of a railroad employe and the shooting of three others. Many arrests have been made.

THREE WOMEN BURNED BY EXPLOSION OF PAINT

Brush Ignited by Gas Dipped Into Can With Serious Results.

Gilt paint exploded and set fire to the clothing of Miss Bertha Klopfer when she dipped a burning paint brush into the can of paint while redecorating the chandelier in the kitchen of her home at 2855 North 7th street early today.

SOCIAL CIRCLES ASTONISHED BY ELOPEMENT OF COUSINS

Miss Alice Isabel Norris and Henry Pepper Norris Wed Yesterday.

Social circles here were astonished today to hear of the elopement of Miss Isabel Norris and Henry Pepper Norris, who went to New York city yesterday and were married in the St. Bartholomew's Church at 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

BEEBER FOR BRUMBAUGH'S CABINET, LATEST REPORT

Political Circles Hear Ex-Judge Will Be Attorney General.

Ex-Judge Dinnick Beeber will be Attorney General under Governor-elect Martin G. Brumbaugh, according to a report in political circles today.

ATTACK BY SUBMARINES ON SCOTLAND REPORTED

Two Vessels Rumored Sunk in Firth of Forth Raid.

LONDON, Dec. 12.—Another submarine attack, similar to that declared to have been attempted against Dover, is reported today in a dispatch to the Daily Mail.

800 GIRLS IN NEAR PANIC

Boys Turn in False Alarm of Fire at Taubel Mills.

A false alarm turned in by two boys who, the police say, wished to test the automatic fire alarm on the second floor of the William F. Taubel mills, at Adams and Coral streets, caused a near panic among the 800 girl employes a few minutes before noon today.

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NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—"There is no truth in any report that the Hamburg-American Line will sell its vessels to American buyers to a syndicate of American business men," said J. T. Mayer, who represents the Hamburg-American line.

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ALLIES HURL FOE ACROSS YSER CANAL IN FLANDERS

Great Battle Ends in Victory for French and English Forces—Armentieres and La Bassée Also Reported Taken.

Terrific Artillery Duels Now in Progress Along Entire Battle Front—English and Germans in Fierce Hand-to-Hand Fighting.

It was officially announced in Paris that the Germans have evacuated their positions on the left bank of the Yser Canal, in Flanders, and that the Allies' forces have occupied the abandoned points.

The Allies won this victory after terrific attacks and counter attacks on both sides.

Fierce attacks were made by the Germans to check the movement of the British and French forces on the Roulers road from Ypres. In this battle the Grenadier Guards with the Cold Stream Guards, famous fighters of the English, came to fierce hand-to-hand fighting.

It is the opinion of the French War Office that the terrific attacks of the Germans on the Allies' trenches east of Ypres was an attempt to conceal a retiring movement in the rear.

Incessant artillery duels are in progress along the Aisne, the Meuse, the Somme and in the Vosges.

Armentieres and La Bassée were reported taken by the Allies.

On both Galician and Polish battle fronts the Czar's arms are reported triumphant. At Cracow, where a desperate battle developed between the Russian invaders and an Austro-German offensive for the relief of the beleaguered city, the relieving forces were routed into what is described as "hasty and disordered flight."

At Warsaw General Mackenzie's army was repulsed within 15 miles of the objective, while the downward drive, under General Franco, from East Prussia, was halted in its advance by stubborn Russian resistance.

Five battles are raging along the Polish front from East Prussia to Cracow. Petrograd reports repulse of von Hindenburg's force at all these battle points.

German official statements indicate that the Russians are concentrated east of Lodz, and that the move on Warsaw from that direction has many obstacles to surmount before the objective is reached.

The German cruiser Karlsruhe is reported to have given battle to the British cruiser Glasgow off the coast of Brazil. The Karlsruhe, was badly crippled, but managed to get away. The Dresden is as yet unaccounted for, but believed to have been destroyed.

THE WEATHER



FAIR

Well, old Sol couldn't stand it any longer, could he? He just had to come out and see what was going on. There is a sneaking suspicion about that he refused to stand for that shabby treatment he received yesterday afternoon. No need of much comment on those Stygian black p. m. hours. Weather phenomena, to say the least, are rather general in their application.

FORECAST

For Philadelphia and vicinity—Fair tonight; Sunday cloudy and unsettled; not much change in temperature; moderate west winds.

Table with weather observations for Philadelphia at 8 A.M. including wind speed, direction, and temperature.