

## TAUBES RAID FRENCH CHANNEL TOWNS; DROP BOMBS UPON NANCY

Kaiser's Aviators Kill Child, but Cause No Military Damage, Says Official Paris Report—One Aeroplane Captured.

German aviators exploded mine in Argonne—French Attack and Occupy Crater Formed by Explosion—Fighting Continues in "Labyrinth"—Artillery Duel in Vosges.

PARIS, July 31.—German aviators bombarded the channel towns of Gravelines and Saint Pol-sur-Mer early today. At Saint Pol-sur-Mer no damage was done by the German bombs, according to the official communiqué issued by the French War Office this afternoon, but at Gravelines a child was killed.

Another air raid on Nancy was also announced, but details of damage were not disclosed. One of the attacking German Taubes was brought down by the fire of anti-aircraft guns, but the aviator, who forced a landing between the French and German lines, escaped.

The communiqué reports no important infantry engagements as having occurred during the night.

The text of the communiqué follows: "Some German aviators, this morning, bombarded Saint Pol-sur-Mer, where no damage is reported and Gravelines, where a child was killed. In Artois, around Souchez and the 'Labyrinth,' there was intermittent rifle and artillery firing during the night without any infantry engagements.

"In the Argonne at the junction of the highway from Bervon to Bagetelle and that from Lavon to Binarville the explosion of a German mine was followed by a very sharp conflict, in the course of which we succeeded in occupying the excavation caused by the explosion. "Some bombs were thrown by the enemy's aviators on Nancy. The property damage was insignificant. One of the German machines, struck by our artillery, was forced to return to earth between the French and German lines. The aviator remained close to our trenches. "The Schlucht (taught in the Vosges) was bombarded."

## AMERICAN KILLED WHEN LINER IS SUBMARINED

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The submarine commander acted within his rights, under international law. "The time of the attack was not mentioned, but it was believed to have been late Friday night or early today. Front sent two messages.

His first one, undated, said: "Steamer Iberian, submarine did not shall Iberian, but later, disarmed signals. Gave time to take to boats. Wiley died of shock and superficial wounds. No other Americans injured."

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How many of the Iberian's crew were lost or injured, in addition to the Americans, was not stated.

Officials assumed from Front's message that such other American survivors as there might be had landed at Queens-town, and, together with the returning hermen who made the outward trip on her, she had 74 to 80 horses on board to care for her cargo of horses when she sailed for Liverpool on her last trip. About half of these men were Americans and were given return passage.

The Iberian has run between Boston and Liverpool for years. She was in command of Captain Thomas B. Jago.

The Iberian left Boston on July 17 for her return trip to England. Her holds were filled to capacity and on her decks were 600 horses for the English army.

The lookout on the last run over to this side sighted a submarine in time to give warning to Captain Jago and let him save his vessel.

The nature of the Iberian cargo is not known at the Boston office, but it is known that there were 70 tons shows that she was very lightly loaded.

RUSSIANS MAY FAIL IN PLAN TO KEEP SECOND LINE INTACT

German Strategist Points Out Dangers at Brest-Litovsk.

BERLIN, July 31.—The German press believes it will be difficult, if not impossible, for the Russian armies to take up a new unimpaired line based on Brest-Litovsk.

Major Morant, the military expert of the Berliner Tageblatt, says that while the head of the Russian army is being battered into insensibility, the neck is already in the noose. He attaches great importance to the advance by the army of General von Buelow toward Dwinsk, from which it is only 70 miles distant.

Against this attack, he says, Russia has very little to oppose, for the left wing of von Buelow's army is keeping the Riedean troops at Riga tied fast, adding: "While we are rapidly approaching the moment when the railway junction 80 miles northeast of Warsaw falls into our hands, this junction controls the railway to Petrograd. The Russians have only one way of retirement from their central positions between the Bug River and the Vistula, namely, the railway route from Warsaw by way of Brest-Litovsk-Minsk to Moscow, but von Mackensen's army is only three days' march from Brest-Litovsk. They must, therefore, add, 'to no lack of dramatic events.'"

TWO KILLED, FOUR HURT WHEN AUTO HITS TRAIN

Fatal Mishap Occurs on Dangerous Grade Crossing Near Mosser.

MEADFIELD, Pa., July 31.—Two men are dead and four other persons were dangerously hurt when a Lehigh Valley Railroad freight train hit an automobile near Mosser, 11 miles north of this city, last night. The dead.

William Myers, 31, of Harrisburg, Pa., and John W. Weston, 31, Reading, Pa., died in the party.

The injured, Mrs. William Myers, wife of the dead man, suffering from a fractured skull, and a young woman, 19, who was thrown from the car, are in a serious condition.

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## TRANSIT'S BIGGEST FOE NOW ELIMINATED—RYAN

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The transit company until late last night. He further said that he and Mr. Dillam will confer on their legal procedure early next week.

In discussing and effect that the action of the Transit Company might have on Dillam's suit, Mr. Vais said:

"Mr. Dillam began his suit without either the aid or knowledge of the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company, and he will doubtless continue his litigation independent of the Transit Company. The attitude of the Transit Company is that it has no bearing on our case."

TO PUSH SUIT

"This withdrawal of opposition is, of course, a development that we knew nothing about. We shall, of course, do nothing until some action is taken by the Public Service Commission. If the certificate of public convenience is issued our next step will probably be to ask Judge Sulzberger to continue the injunction to prevent the city from proceeding with the work. If he denies us the injunction we may appeal to the higher courts. On the other hand, if the injunction is continued, the city will undoubtedly appeal to the higher courts."

TAYLOR GRATIFIED

Director Taylor, of the Department of City Transit, who is at Atlantic City, reiterated today his gratification at the withdrawal of the opposition of the transit company to his comprehensive high-speed transit plan.

He declined to make any comment further than to say that the transit company has taken an important step toward co-operating with the citizens of Philadelphia. He is expected to issue a formal statement early next week.

T. E. Mitten, president of the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company, and Ellis Ames Ballard, counsel for the company, were both out of the city today. It was stated at the offices of the Rapid Transit Company that at this time there is no further comment to come from the company other than the one forwarded to the Public Service Commission.

LETTER ANNOUNCES CHANGE

The decision of the Transit Company to agree to the city plan for subway and elevated construction was revealed in a letter received by the State Public Service Commission at Harrisburg today.

In this letter, which the executive department, through Secretary Lansing, exercising government functions, is sending to the city, is a friendly nation ultimatum.

A judicial investigation of Lansing's powers is asked.

It is demanded that "the executive department of the city, by its use of the term, 'the Government,'"

"The Federal statute makes it a criminal offense punishable by fine and imprisonment to obstruct the execution of any law by any official to issue a manifest to any boat carrying explosives or gunpowder. Dudley Field Malone has issued such manifest."

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The City Solicitor, proceeding on the belief that he would have to fight the matter out before the commission, had forwarded to Acting Chairman Pennybaker a 40-page legal brief containing the arguments offered by Mr. Ballard against the granting of the certificate. Several hours later he was informed of the action of the transit company.

THE COMPANY'S STATEMENT

The company's complete statement to the Public Service Commission follows: "The Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company, while asserting its rights under the contract of July 1, 1897, to a 90-day period within which to accept or reject the city's offer of a high-speed line for which the city now asks a certificate or certificates of public convenience, and further asserting its right to operate the streetcar system, is in no way bound by the contract to take any action under the power of eminent domain duly exercised."

While in view of the evidence presented at the hearing before this commission, showing that more than twice as many citizens will be served by the high-speed line operated by the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company than if operated by an independent company, and of the statement by the Director of City Transit that in his opinion it is preferable to have them operated by the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company, and believing that the proper time to act for the operation of these lines will be offered by the city of Philadelphia to the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company which can be accepted and which will fully and fairly protect it from a competition which is asked to set up against itself, and in order that public improvements duly authorized by City Councils may proceed without delay, hereby withdraws any protest and objection which it may have entered in respect to the granting of the certificate or certificates of public convenience prayed for by the city of Philadelphia.

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Cashier Disappears When Accounts Are Being Audited.

BOSTON, July 31.—Announcement was made today that George S. Inman, local cashier of the United Fruit Company, has left town. Report has it that his accounts are short \$150,000. No warrant has been issued for his arrest and no suit has been begun to recover on his bond, which is for \$10,000.

The office of the company it is admitted that Mr. Inman is no longer an employee and that an expert is at work on his books.

\$15,000,000 OF WAR ORDERS ANTICIPATED BY CHESTER

Deals for Rifles and Shells Soon May Be Closed.

CHESTER, Pa., July 31.—Additional war orders aggregating \$15,000,000 or \$16,000,000 will be brought to Chester in the near future, it was said today by men interested in these projects that prospects are bright for an early closing of both deals. Employment will be given to thousands of men by two factories, one of which will be the branch plant of the Chester Ordnance Works, and the other a new one for the manufacture of shells.

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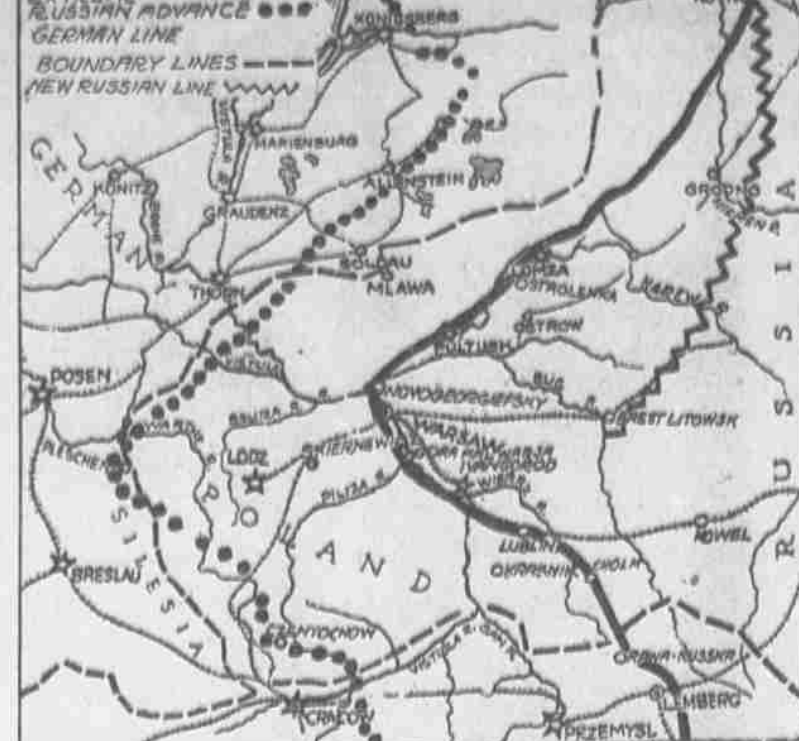
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## WARSAW GRIPPED IN GERMAN VISE



The map shows the furthest advances of the Russians into East Prussia last August and into Galicia last April, as compared with the precarious positions they now hold in the face of the German sweep into Poland. The success of the German advance in crossing the Vistula and the Vistula ended all hope the Poles had of saving Warsaw. Today's advances bring the invaders across the Chelm-Lublin Railway in the south, to the very western gates of the Polish capital, and beyond the Bug in the north. The Russians now plan to take up positions outside of Polish territory behind the line marked by the fortresses of Grodno, Kovno and Brest-Litovsk, Slav guard headquarters and base.

## JANE ADDAMS' PEACE PLAN GIVEN PRESIDENT

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session of Congress immediately to take charge of the international situation, armament and preparedness. The resolution protests "against the executive department, through Secretary Lansing, exercising government functions, in sending to the city, is a friendly nation ultimatum."

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## JITNEYS GIVEN UNTIL MONDAY TO FILE BOND

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has made all plans to start business as a taxi company. It was learned as such a company it would escape the provisions of the ordinance now being fought by the jitney drivers.

A committee from the Philadelphia Jitney Association was expected to meet the Auto Service men at the North Broad street headquarters at 9 o'clock this morning, but it was delayed. The bond was to have been filed at noon, but it was not until 11:15 o'clock that the Philadelphia Association men arrived.

A hurried conference was then held. The jitney men realized that it was utterly impossible for them to go through all the necessary legal work preliminary to the filing of the bond before noon, and most of them were badly discouraged until Winner made his announcement.

Boy Seriously Injured

Five-year-old Gustav Schmidt, of 383 North 11th street, is in a serious condition in St. Luke's Hospital today, following an accident which occurred at 7th and Chestnut streets last night, when the child ran in front of a motorcycle driven by Edward P. Woodward, of 383 North 7th street.

The boy is suffering from a fractured skull, broken right arm and numerous contusions. Woodward gave himself up to the police of the Locomotive street and Germantown avenue station for a hearing before Magistrate Pennock.

Fire, which started in a grocery store at the southeast corner of Delaware and Carpenter streets, filled a stairway to the second floor with smoke and forced Max Yudofovitch, his wife and two brothers, to window on the rear of the second floor, from which they jumped to the roof of a shed and escaped. Mice chewing matches caused the fire, police believe. The loss was estimated at \$400.

Unable to explain why he and another man administered a severe beating to Charles H. Cooper, of 2303 Woodstock street, Jack Mills, of 1415 West Thompson street, was held in \$400 bail for further hearing before Magistrate Grells at the 35th and York streets police station this morning. Mills and a man for whom the police are searching went to the home of Mrs. Christina Violani, whose Cooper boards, and severely beat him. Cooper said he did not know why the men should attack him, and Mills admitted that he didn't know why he helped administer the beating.

Gas meter thieves are blamed by the police for a small fire which occurred early today in the house occupied by Carlos Golden, a negro, at 517 Ruby street. Golden, a 40-year-old man, who has a pet cat, carried Mrs. Anna Todd, 31, and his two children to a neighbor's house over the porch roof. The police say that vandals caused the fire by kicking a candle into the room. The fire was extinguished by the men were found by the police. The blaze was easily extinguished by a chemical engine.

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## QUICK NEWS

### CROWN POINT SAILS WITH 100 WAR AUTOS

With more than 100 war automobiles boxed and lashed to her decks the British steamship Crown Point steamed from this port today bound for London. In addition to the automobiles, the steamship carried a large quantity of flour, wheat and lubricating oil.

### RUSSIANS AGAIN RAID TURK COAST; SINK 48 SHIPS

PETROGRAD, July 31.—Another Russian raid on Turkish shipping in the Black Sea was announced officially today. Russian torpedoboats shelled Samsat, near the Bosphorus, 34 miles northeast of Constantinople, and sank a large collier and 47 sailing ships.

### SHERIFF KILLED IN FIGHT WITH RUM GANG

OSCEOLA, Ark., July 31.—Sam B. Maulden, Sheriff of Mississippi County, Ark., was shot and instantly killed and three deputies were seriously wounded today in a pitched battle between the officers and a gang of whisky bootleggers on Island 37, in the Mississippi River near this city. After the first round of fighting, during which 60 shots were fired, the remaining officers retired to cover. Reinforcements have been rushed from Joyner, Ark.

### COLLIER SINKS AFTER COLLISION WITH LINER

PROVIDENCE, R. I., July 31.—The collier Exeter collided with the Colonial liner Concord in the heavy fog early today near Plum Beach, Narragansett Bay, and