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TEUTONS IN PURSUIT AIM TO ISOLATE SLAV ARMIES; REAR GUARD STAND HEROIC

Russians Dash for Great Base at Brest-Litovsk; Invaders Seek to Cut Lines and Capture Main Bodies of Czar's Troops—Greatest Military Race in World's War History.

The Germanic allies, victorious along the Vistula line, are pressing hard upon the Russian army in its retirement from the Warsaw front. The Slav withdrawal and Teuton pursuit to Brest-Litovsk, the Czar's grand headquarters over the Poland frontier, is developing into the greatest military race in history. Marshals Hindenburg in the north and Mackensen in the south are straining every energy to consummate their real objective, cutting of the Muscovite line, and Grand Duke Nicholas is countering by tremendous efforts to prevent isolation of great columns, and thus to keep intact the defense front for protection of Russia proper.

The Kaiser has hurled heavy reinforcements from the western front to complete his triumph in the east. The Russian War Office, which is authority for this statement implying a weakening of the German front in Flanders, declares, "This fact creates favorable conditions for active operations on the part of our Allies in the west."

TEUTONS RUSHING SLAV ARMY IN THRILLING MILITARY RACE

BERLIN, Aug. 2.

With more than 300,000 prisoners in their possession as a result of the fighting of the last month, the Austro-German forces in Poland are driving through the Russian front a wedge that threatens to cripple, if not destroy, the Czar's main armies.

There is now going on in Poland one of the most thrilling military races ever witnessed. The Russians are trying to reach Brest-Litovsk, 120 miles east-southeast of Warsaw, with their forces intact except for the rear guard troops, whose sacrifice is necessary in order to save the main bodies.

The Austro-German forces are fighting to force their way northeastward to the Vieprz river front. The Germans have taken Cholm, 68 miles from Brest-Litovsk. Their cavalry is reported to be plunging northward on the left bank of the Bug river. If the Germans arrive before Brest-Litovsk in advance of the retreating Russians the Czar's armies will be in a dangerous predicament.

Berlin military critics assert that even if the Russians succeed in withdrawing their main forces to the sheltering fortifications of Brest-Litovsk they will be unable to hold the Bug river front because of the great flanking movement now being made by General von Buelow in the Baltic provinces. The capture or evacuation of Kovno will necessitate the abandonment of Brest-Litovsk and Grodno or result in the surrounding of the entire Russian army in a district absolutely untenable with the lines of communication cut.

The most optimistic German observers predict the almost complete annihilation of the Russian armies, the capture of the Russian capital and peace proposals from the Russian Government within the next six months. Others, more conservative, believe that Russia's fighting strength will be destroyed for many months and that before the Czar can again become a dangerous factor in the war the German legions in the West will be able to win a victory there that will make their ultimate triumph certain.

SLAV REAR GUARD ON NAREW COVERS MAIN ARMY'S RETREAT

PETROGRAD, Aug. 2.

The Russians falling back from Warsaw are fighting one of the most magnificent rear-guard actions the world war has seen. Small forces standing along the Narew and west of the Polish capital are determinedly holding up the Germans, while the main body of Slavs continues the retirement eastward.

So effective is the Russian defense just outside the gates of the city that military men declared today that Warsaw could never have been won by direct assault. The great Austro-German siege guns and the massed forces of the enemy could not have battered their way into the capital they held, and the capture of Warsaw was only made possible by the progress of the Austro-Germans along the Lublin-Cholm line.

The taking of Warsaw will only slightly relieve the Germans' feeling of disappointment over their failure to entrap the Grand Duke's armies, according to advices to the War Office.

When it became evident that the Russians were about to escape the trap, General von Hindenburg sent out a hurry call for reinforcements from the western battle front. These forces arrived and have been seen in operation in Poland, according to an official statement from the War Office, which contained this significant clause:

"This fact creates favorable conditions for active operations on the part of our allies in the west."

Sunday, the anniversary of the outbreak of the war between Russia and Germany and the date on which the Kaiser planned a triumphal entry into Warsaw, saw the Russians throwing German detachments back across the Narew and successfully withstanding all enemy assaults in the bend of the Vistula, extending west to southeast of the city. Though it is admitted here that sufficient time has not elapsed to permit the withdrawal of the main body of Russian troops before Warsaw to the lines to the east, an air of confidence today replaced the feelings of doubt over the fate of these armies yesterday.

The newspapers today printed prominently the closing words of Minister of War Polivanoff's speech to the Duma, in

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FRANCE AGAIN AFFIRMS U. S. RIGHT TO POLICE WESTERN HEMISPHERE

Recognition of Monroe Doctrine Shown by Sister Republic in Asking Permission to Protect Its Haiti Legation.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 2.—France has reaffirmed her acceptance of the Monroe Doctrine. This was the interpretation officially placed today on her action in landing a guard of marines for the French legation at Port-au-Prince only after asking and receiving permission to do so from the United States Government.

The result may be far reaching. Diplomats today pointed out that the action of the French Republic means that the supreme police power of the United States in this hemisphere has once more been indorsed by France. And in doing so she has taken a position of strategic strength, not only to secure proper redress for the outrages against her national honor by the Haitians, but also to demand that the United States see that French interests are protected in all forthcoming developments in Mexico. The latter may prove a serious problem to the Wilson administration when the time comes for it to enforce its new views and policies south of the Rio Grande.

Although Rear Admiral Caperton has reported that so far conditions in Haiti are quiet, the Navy Department is ready to rush further reinforcements to him if needed. The marines and bluejackets now on the way from Philadelphia will be available, as will the battleship Connecticut, not later than Thursday. In the meanwhile the forces of Rear Admiral Caperton have been instructed to maintain their ground and to protect all foreign interests at any cost. As soon as he gets his additional men Rear Ad-

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THE WEATHER

FORECAST

For Philadelphia and vicinity—Cloudy and unsettled weather today and tonight. Probable showers. Hot, but with a probable lower maximum than yesterday.

HEAT KILLS TWELVE, ONE MAN ENDS LIFE; SLIGHT RELIEF FELT

Thermometer Falls One Degree in Afternoon, but Oppressive Weather and Humidity Bring More Loss of Life.

TEMPERATURE'S RISE ON ANOTHER HOT DAY

	Today.	Yesterday.
6 a. m.	74	75
7 a. m.	76	80
8 a. m.	78	82
9 a. m.	81	84
10 a. m.	83	88
11 a. m.	85	91
12 m.	87	93
1 p. m.	88	94
2 p. m.	87	96
3 p. m.	87	94

HUMIDITY

8 a. m.	83 per cent.
2 p. m.	76 per cent.

Record: 91 degrees, in 1871.

Thirteen deaths, the result of prostrations, among them one suicide caused by temporary insanity from heat, was the toll today of the oppressive conditions that mark the continuation of the record-breaking heat which yesterday killed six persons.

While the temperature today was low as compared with yesterday, an excessive humidity made suffering and discomfort quite as widespread. The temperature at noon was 87, or 6 degrees lower than the same time yesterday. The humidity, however, was 83 per cent., or 13 per cent. higher than yesterday.

Crazed by the heat, from which he had been complaining for the last few days, Austin Williams, 42 years old, of 2005 North 13th street, committed suicide today by shooting himself four times below the heart.

Williams, according to his brother-in-law, Asher L. Hess, with whom he resides at the 13th street address, has been com-

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The Kensingtonian Says:

Wilson Hollowell, who is better known as Billie Simpson, went to Anglesea last week after promising all his friends a mess of fish upon his return, but he came home with a light basket and a heavy heart, and his friends are now jeasing on bearings promises.

AN IMPROMPTU BATH IS ALWAYS ON TAP AT CORNER HYDRANT

The hot spell casts no damper on the spirits of the resourceful street urchin, who has more ways than one of cooling himself off on a midsummer afternoon.

BRITAIN TAKES SHARP ISSUE WITH U. S. IN REPLIES

Rejects Embargo Contentions as Untenable and Justifies Seizures Made.

London Refuses to Recognize American Right to Reserve American Complaints for Future Settlement — Disappointment to Washington.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 2.

Great Britain takes sharp issue with the American position that she is illegally interfering with the commerce of the United States. She defends the London Order in Council.

Several days ago the State Department received the British answer to American representations on the subject. Then a request was received that this answer be held until a supplement to it could be forwarded.

This supplement arrived today. With it came a separate note concerning the steamship Natchez, which, with a cargo from a neutral European port, was detained by the British on its way to the United States, on the ground that really its cargo was of German origin.

The series, it was announced, will not be made public until Wednesday, but this much was learned concerning it:

Every American contention was rejected as untenable.

The British refuse even to recognize the American right to reserve American complaints for future settlement.

All hopes that there might be a modification of the British Order in Council were summarily upset.

JUSTIFIES SEIZURES.

It was learned on the highest authority that the British Foreign Office justifies every act of its naval commanders in detaining vessels loaded with American products and diverting them into British ports, so that their cargoes could be passed on by the British prize courts, despite the fact that they are consigned to importers in neutral countries. At very

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POPE'S PEACE APPEAL WINS GERMAN PRAISE

Significance Seen in Statement Made by Cologne Newspaper and Officially Published.

BERLIN, Aug. 2.

Significance is attached to the wholehearted approval of Pope Benedict XV's recent peace appeal by the Koelnische Zeitung in its current issue. This influential newspaper declares that the Pope has erected a lasting monument to his memory by his efforts to end the war.

"Pope Benedict is deserving of the greatest gratitude of mankind far beyond the circles of the Roman Catholic Church," says the Koelnische Zeitung, "but in London, Paris, Petrograd and Rome his peace efforts get only a sharp 'No' for an answer. Meanwhile Germany tightens her grasp upon the sword ready to deal heavier blows, and she is accomplishing what religion and humanity have been unable to accomplish—the guarantee of an honorable lasting peace."

The foregoing information was issued through the Overseas News Agency, the official news distributing bureau of the German Government.

Structural Lumber & Timber. Immediate deliveries. Hansen, Poplar St. Wharves.—Adv.

WOMEN DEMAND ONE OF SEX FOR CITY SCHOOL HEAD

Suffragists and Women's Clubs Organize to Win Superintendency From Man.

Miss Katharine E. Puncheon, Head of Girls' High School, and Dr. Lucy L. W. Wilson, of Normal School, Mentioned to Succeed Doctor Jacobs.

REASONS WHY WOMAN SHOULD BE SCHOOL HEAD

She has more enthusiasm for work than a man.

She possesses a greater mastery of detail.

She has a keener sympathy with and a finer insight into the problems of childhood.

Where she has had the opportunity, she has displayed executive ability equal to that of a man.

About 90 per cent. of the workers in the city's educational system are women.

A woman superintendent of schools for Philadelphia!

To this end, women's clubs and suffrage organizations representing the crystallized opinion of thousands of women of the city, began preparations today. Active campaigning to cause the selection of a woman as the successor of the late Dr. William C. Jacobs, will continue throughout the summer, and before the Board of Education meets in September to name a superintendent of schools the women will have placed their case before the board.

The early activity of the women is regarded in many quarters as prophetic, in view of the strenuous campaign which resulted in the virtually unanimous election of Miss Katherine E. Puncheon as head of the Philadelphia High School for Girls in December, 1913, and the subsequent raising of her salary to equal that of her male predecessor.

Miss Puncheon and Dr. Lucy L. W. Wilson, of the Girls' Normal School, are the two women most prominently mentioned as candidates for the position made vacant by Doctor Jacobs' death.

Miss Lucy Lewis, acting chairman of

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TIRE THIEF ARRESTED ON BROAD STREET AFTER FIGHT

Detective Sees Two Men Strip Auto; One Escapes.

Hundreds of pedestrians in front of the Bellevue-Stratford witnessed a lively fight today when a detective attempted to arrest two men accused of stealing tires from an automobile parked in front of the hotel. William Parkerson, 22, 1413 Point Breeze avenue, was arrested and held in $500 bail for court by Magistrate Rooney. The other man, thought to be Parkerson's companion, escaped after being chased by a crowd for several blocks.

District Detective McDevitt was passing the hotel when he saw two men unstrap two tires from an automobile belonging to Herbert Painter, an attorney with offices in the Bailey Building. The man, McDevitt said, slung the tires over their shoulders in regulation beach style, and started down Broad street.

When McDevitt accosted them, he alleges, Parkerson struck him in the face. A lively fight followed, and several pedestrians, recognizing the detective, joined in the fray. When one man dropped a tire and ran he was followed by many civilians, but escaped down a side street.

RIOT AT FUNERAL; MOB MAKES RUSH ON BECKER COFFIN

Police Fight 10,000 Cursing Men and Shrieking Women in Front of Church.

Meagre Guard, No Match for Morbid Crowd, Calls Aid. Through 20-Minute Service Fighting in Street Continues. No Eulogy.

NEW YORK, Aug. 2.—Charles Becker was buried today.

Battles between a meagre police guard and nearly 10,000 morbidly curious persons marred the funeral services of the former police lieutenant who died in the electric chair in Sing Sing on Friday. Men and women were clubbed and punched by the police, and the mob in front of the Becker home and the church where the services were conducted fought back.

When the coffin containing Becker's body was brought from the Becker home, 2291 University avenue, a crowd of more than 3000, which had been held in check by 20 policemen, broke past the cordon and charged at the coffin. The police were swept aside, and it was only after nearly seven minutes of battling and with the aid of about ten detectives, that the squad under Captain John Reith was able to clear a passage for the pallbearers, who carried the body three blocks to the Church of St. Nicholas of Tolentine.

The mob followed the funeral procession to the church, where it joined another crowd of about 7000, which had been waiting there. Reinforcements of police were rushed to the scene, but even then the police were unable to beat back the crowd until it had battled with it for nearly 10 minutes.

A low Requiem Mass was said over the body of Becker. The Rev. Father George

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LANE TO CALL A NEW "ROUND TABLE" MEET

Hopes to Get Leaders Together to Discuss Mayoralty at End of Week—Penrose in City.

David H. Lane, chairman of the Republican City Committee, returned from Atlantic City unusually early this morning to get a good start on a hard week's political work. He said he hoped to get the Organization leaders together for a "round table" conference at Atlantic City at the end of the week.

"That is, of course, if I have any assurance that the prominent factors will all attend," he said. "Otherwise it would be no use to call a conference."

Mr. Lane's doubts as to the certainty of a full meeting were ascribed to the "stand-offish" attitude of the Vares. If the Vares attend the conference next Saturday or Sunday, it would be a big surprise to politicians.

"I'd like to see the atmosphere cleared as soon as possible," said Mr. Lane, in regard to the Mayoralty situation. "I'd like to see an agreeable man chosen, agreeable to all the leading elements in the party."

Senator Penrose spent several hours in the city today. He said he had not had time to look into the Mayoralty situation and had to hurry off to New York this afternoon. He said he would return Wednesday and remain here several days, and he indicated that he would give most of his time the latter part of the week to the study of city politics.

QUICK NEWS

PLAYMATES HORRIFIED; CHILD IMPALED ON FENCE

The sight of one of their little playmates impaled on the iron fence surrounding their playground horrified pupils of the James L. Claghorn School, 17th street andn Susquehanna avenue, today. The lad, Frederick Beck, 12 years old, of 2345 North 17th street, is in a serious condition, suffering from loss of blood, at the Woman's Homeopathic Hospital. Doctors took 14 stitches in the wound.

AUSTRIAN AEROPLANE BOMBARDS SCUTARI

ATHENS, Aug. 2.—The Albanian city of Scutari, which was recently occupiedby a Montenegrin army, was gombarded by ann Austrian aeroplane on Friday, with much damage.

WOMAN KILLED BY GAS FROM STOVE

While doing the family washing, Mary Hastings, of Ambler, was overcome by gas from a range today. Doctor Shelly was summoned, but the woman was dead.

WORKERS IN 150 GARMENT SHOPS GO ON STRIKE

NEW YORK, Aug. 2.—Employes of 150 independent garment making shops went on strike today because of dissatisfaction over the rejection of the findings of Mayor Mitchel's council of arbitration by the independents. Meanwhile, 60,000 garment workers are completing three days of balloting on the question of striking. The vote is reported to favor a walkout.

SOUTH HATFIELD POSTMASTER HELD FOR EMBEZZLEMENT

John G. H. Huntsberger, postmaster at South Hatfield, Pa., was held in $3000 bail for the Grand Jury today for alleged embezzlement of $2000. The hearing took place before United States Commissioner Edmunds.

DESTROYER ERICSSON TURNED OVER TO UNITED STATES

The new torpedoboat destroyer Ericsson was turned over to the Government late this afternoon. It was taken from the New York Shipbuilding Company, Camden, the builder, to the Philadelphia Navy Yard with a company crew on board. Later it will be sent to the naval station at Newport, R. I. The Ericsson is one of the fastest of the new models, having developed a speed of 29 knots on its trial trip.

FRENCH AGAIN ACCUSE GERMANS OF BARBARITIES

PARIS, Aug. 2.—The official commission on violation of the laws of war today submitted a report holding German troops guilty of barbarities against French soldiers, members of the French Medical Corps and noncombatants. "On numerous occasions," it says, "the Germans used military and civilian prisoners as a shield from the fire of French troops." The report accuses the Germans of using bullets made to inflict severe wounds and also of employing "saw-toothed" bayonets.

ITALIANS HOLD 17,000 AUSTRIAN PRISONERS

ROME, Aug. 2.—Austrian prisoners now confined in fortresses and concentration camps total 17,000, of whom 380 are officers, the War Office announced today.

BIG WAGE INCREASE BY AUTOCAR COMPANY

Employes of the Autocar Company, of Ardmore, started on a new era of prosperity today, for a 10 per cent. increase in wages and a daily cut in working hours of 45 minutes went into effect.

The new order affects about 500 men. Since the outbreak of the European war the firm has done much more business and many employes were added to the payroll. The Autocar Company shares the prosperity wave which has struck the du Pont Company, the Westinghouse Company and others.

GERMANS RUSH BIG GUNS TO ATTACK WARSAW FORTS

AMSTERDAM, Aug. 2.—Two 16½-inch guns have been sent to the eastern battlefront to be used in the bombardment of the Warsaw forts if the Russians continue their stubborn resistance, according to Berlin advices today.

CANADIAN PACIFIC TELLS MEN TO ENLIST OR QUIT JOBS

OTTAWA, Aug. 2.—"Your King and country need you; we don't." This note in the weekly pay envelopes of several of its employes is the way the Canadian Pacific Railway has taken of notifying unmarried men in its service that they must enlist or quit their jobs. Several of these notes were distributed this week, and it is understood that many more are coming.

ARMENIANS AGAIN APPEAL TO AMERICA FOR AID

TIFLIS, Transcaucasia, Aug. 2.—The newspapers print a second telegram which the Katolikos, head of the Armenian Church, has sent to President Wilson, appealing to the American nation to protest against "Armenian massacres and the violent removal of Armenians from Constantinople and Cilicia (Asia Minor) to Konieh and Mesopotamia, where they are doomed to perish."

RUMANIA TO AWAIT RESUMPTION OF RUSSIAN OFFENSIVE

BUCHAREST, Aug. 2.—In well-informed circles it is declared that the entry into the war of Rumania on the side of the Entente Powers is dependent on the renewal of the Russian offensive in Bukowina and the arrival of munitions already ordered by this country from the Allies. The action of the Government in regard to intervention will not, it is asserted, be delayed by any consideration as to the present situations in Galicia and Poland.

GERMAN SUBMARINE REPORTED LOST ON TRIAL TRIP

LONDON, Aug. 2.—A Reuter dispatch from Copenhagen says that fishermen who have returned from Lubeck are authority for the statement that a new German submarine, while on a trial trip between Kiel and Fehmarn, was totally wrecked some days ago, 12 of the crew being drowned.

OFFENSIVA ITALIANA ANCHE NEL TRENTINO

Tutta la Prima Linea Austriaca sul Carso E' nelle Mani degli Italiani.

Dispacci giunti da Roma oggi dicono che sul fronte del Trentino e del Tirolo sono impegnati e si sono svolti violenti combattimenti, che fanno ritenere che gli italiani hanno iniziato una vigorosa offensiva anche su quel fronte oltre che sull'Isonzo. Gli italiani hanno guadagnato nel Trentino alcune nuove posizioni tenute dal nemico.

Sul fronte dell'Isonzo, sul Carso, gli italiani sono ora padroni di tutta la prima linea di difesa degli austriaci che sono stati ricacciati verso la loro seconda linea. Un telegramma da Ginevra dice anzi che la seconda linea austriaca e' gia stata sfondata dagli italiani sull'altopiano del Carso, mentre altre notizie da Roma dicono che gli austriaci si preparano ad abbandonare Trieste e ne hanno portato gia' via il macchinario dello Stabilimento Tecnico.

Una buona notizia da' oggi il Ministero della Guerra italiano. Esso annuncia infatti che il numero dei prigionieri internati nelle fortezze d'Italia o nei campi di concentramento ammonta a 17,000, compresi 380 ufficiali. Questo alto numero di prigionieri austriachi che si trovano nelle mani degli italiani da' un'idea della grandiosita' della lotta che si combatte lungo la frontiera italiana e della resistenza che incontrano le truppe del generale Cadorna.

La fortezza di Gorizia non e' ancora caduta. A Roma si spiega il ritardo col fatto che il generale Cadorna non vuole sacrificare inutilmente migliaia dei suoi soldati con assaltare perche' egli tiene in conto la vita umana, ma anche perche' vuole ottenere il massimo risultato possibile con il minimo sforzo.

(Leggete in la pagina le ultime e piu' dettagliate notizie sulla guerra in Italia.)

HURT ON SCENIC RAILWAY

Safety Device, However, Saves Passengers From Serious Injuries.

One man is at the Abington Hospital and several others are suffering today at their homes from slight injuries sustained when two cars on the mountain scenic railway, at Willow Grove Park, were stopped by the automatic safety device. The man in the hospital is Henry Rowling, 23 years old, an employe of the park.

Rowling was thrown out of the car in which he was riding and other passengers were cut and bruised by being thrown against the seats ahead. Officials at the park today said that the railway is protected by an automatic device for keeping the cars a certain distance apart. This brought the two cars suddenly to a halt.

LOST AND FOUND

WHAT DID YOU LOSE?

WHAT DID YOU FIND?

All lost articles advertised in the Ledger will be listed in a permanent file at Ledger Central, where the finder can locate the owner at any time. If you have found an article that has not been advertised as lost the Ledger will also record your name and address and assist in finding the rightful owner, who will be placed in touch with you. This has all other service at Ledger Central 15 cents.

POCKETBOOK, $65 and papers, Money found, but Sunday's summary. July 31, 7 o'clock, in Broad st. station. These return property and papers. Never mind the money. Frank Moyle, High Bridge Hotel, Wissahickon Drive, Fairmount Park.

GOLD BAR PIN WITH SMALL DIAMOND lost Saturday evening, from 48th and Race to 60th and Chestnut sts. Reward if returned to 48th Race st.

BLACK AND RED SAS Tuesday, [illegible] chain, [illegible] and about $2. Return to Chestnut st. and [illegible] Reward.

LADY'S BAG, lost in [illegible] Reward if returned to 1317 Walnut st.

GOLD BRACELET WATCH, Lost [illegible] Finder [illegible] Reward. [illegible]

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