

TEUTONS SEEK TO DRIVE FOES FROM STOKHOD

Terrific Battle in Progress on West Banks of River

GERMANS REINFORCED

Russians Expect to Effectively Separate German From Austrian Armies and Prevent Co-operation

PETROGRAD, Aug. 2.

Terrific fighting is in progress between German and Russian forces on the west bank of the Stokhod River today.

Reports thus far received by the War Office state that the German counter-attacks have been fruitless.

The belief at the War Office is that the next few days are likely to see the Austrian and German forces so effectively separated that it will be impossible for them to co-operate further.

ISOLATION OF TEUTON ARMIES NOW VIRTUALLY EFFECTED, LONDON EXPERTS BELIEVE

LONDON, Aug. 2.

The second anniversary of Germany's declaration of war on Russia finds the relative positions of the belligerents very different from those of the first anniversary.

The operations on the eastern front now surpass those in the west in dramatic interest. The military critics express great admiration for the Russian tactics.

The view here is that if the Germans have thus accepted severance from the Austrians, the most decisive result of the whole of Russian General Brusiloff's strategy will have been obtained.

A correspondent with the Russian forces has reported that the roads toward Kovel are black with the retreating enemy.

General Count von Bothmer's army is also reported to be almost enveloped by the Russians in Galicia.

PETROGRAD, Aug. 2.—An official communication issued last night says:

In the region of the villages of Stolyva and Smolary the German infantry made a rush attack on our troops occupying the western bank of the Stokhod River.

Another official statement issued in the afternoon said that Russian troops at the bend of the Stokhod River, in the region of the village of Velikokochary, had forced the Austro-Germans back and fought their way through to a point west of this line.

As the result of a Russian attack on the region of Tchekhuvidenka, three miles southeast of Monasteryska, in Galicia, the Russian troops crossed the marshy river

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CITED FOR BRAVERY

L. Brooke Edwards, of Philadelphia, driver in the American Ambulance Corps, has been cited for bravery and awarded the Croix de Guerre (war cross) for his exploit in bringing a damaged ambulance out under fire at Verdun.

PHILADELPHIAN WINS FRENCH HERO'S CROSS

Leonard Brooke Edwards Honored for Driving Ambulance in Rain of Shells

Leonard Brooke Edwards, of this city, has been cited for bravery in an order of the day promulgated before the fighting millions of France by the French Government.

Mr. Edwards, who lives at 2117 Locust street, is a son of the late Richard S. Edwards and Lucy D. Edwards. He was born in Philadelphia 21 years ago.

In a letter received today the thrilling tale of young Edwards' daring and courage under a death-dealing fire is dramatically told.

The letter is dated Paris, July 15, and was written while the writer, also in the ambulance corps, was enjoying his "regular six-day permission" from the front.

"Brooke Edwards, of Philadelphia, who is in our section, No. 1 of the Ambulance Corps, was cited for bravery at Verdun today. A German shell smashed a hole as big as your head through the top of his car and another went into the tool box not a foot from where he sat.

Mr. Edwards is an excellent tennis player and played to within one of the finals in second doubles at the Interclub tennis tournament at Merion last year.

He was educated at the Episcopal Academy in Philadelphia and in Switzerland. He went to France as one of the young Philadelphians who answered the appeal made in December last for drivers by John H. McPadden, Jr., of this city.

REPORT OF ATTACK ON BORDER UNTRUE

Captain William Kelly, Jr., Says No Assault Made by Mexicans at Finlay, Tex.

EL PASO, Tex., Aug. 2.—Captain William Kelly, Jr., commanding the cavalry troops, rushed from Fort Bliss to Finlay, Tex., and reported to General Bell today there was no truth in the report that 150 Mexican bandits invaded the United States near there.

The report of the bandits' presence was received by General Bell from militia officers at Fort Hancock.

According to an early dispatch received here, the Mexicans crossed the border in the vicinity of Fort Hancock and repulsed a small detachment of Massachusetts infantry serving as a border patrol.

CASEMENT CALMLY AWAITS SCAFFOLD; FORWARD U.S. PLEA

Rumors Circulate That Irish Chief Will Be Reprieved

ASQUITH GETS PETITION

Senate Resolution Asks Clemency for Irish Political Prisoners

LONDON, Aug. 2.—Roger Casement, the Irishman who relinquished his rank as a knight, condemned to die Thursday on the scaffold for high treason, is calmly awaiting what the next 24 hours will bring forth.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 2.—President Wilson today instructed Acting Secretary of State Polk to forward to the British Foreign Office immediately the resolution adopted by the Senate last Saturday.

Resolved, That the Senate expresses the hope that the British Government may exercise clemency in the treatment of Irish political prisoners; and that the President be requested to transmit this resolution to that Government.

Dispatches from London this morning announce that Roger Casement will be hanged tomorrow, but Michael Francis Doyle still feels that his client's life will be saved.

Mr. Doyle, who represented Casement at his last trial, said:

"I don't know, but I am still hoping for a reprieve. I won't believe that the hanging is actually to take place until the very last minute. I have never believed that England will let him die, and they must have some good reason for holding off the announcement of his reprieve until almost what the public thought was to be the end.

Boys Blamed for Fire Near Steel Plant

PLAYGROUNDS WATCHED TO PREVENT PARALYSIS

City and State Order Railroad-Car Fumigation as Measure Against Epidemic—Cases Decline

Infantile Paralysis Cases Reported in 24 Hours

New cases in Philadelphia . . . 4 Deaths in Philadelphia . . . None New cases in Camden . . . 1 New cases in New York . . . 166 Deaths in New York . . . 41 Deaths in Pennsylvania . . . 1 New cases in Pennsylvania . . . 6 New cases in New Jersey . . . 91 Total cases in New York . . . 4288 Total deaths in New York . . . 937

Inspection of Philadelphia playgrounds at the order of Ernest L. Tustin, president of the Board of Recreation, and Dr. William Krusen; fumigation of other trains besides the Pennsylvania coming in from New York, at the request of Dr. Samuel G. Dixon, State Commissioner of Health.

There has been but one new case in Philadelphia since late yesterday afternoon. It is that of Francis Radtke, 4 years old, of 4392 North 6th street, 43d Ward. This is in the Hunting Park district, where a number of cases have developed within the last few days.

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MERCHANT U-BOAT, "UNSPOKEN," HALTS IN DASH TO OCEAN

Deutschland Last Heard From at 9 O'clock in Trip Homeward

GERMANS SEEKING NEWS

Three-Mile Zone Defined, Relative to U-Boat Voyage

NORFOLK, Va., Aug. 2. THE three-mile limit, within which the submarine Deutschland is supposed to be safe from attack as she passes out of the Virginia Capes, is an imaginary line determined as follows:

NORFOLK, Va., Aug. 2.—At noon today Norfolk and Newport News were almost blind from the strain of looking across the tumbling waters outside Hampton Roads in the hope of getting a glimpse of the super-submarine Deutschland coming in—or going by—on her way out to sea.

Shortly after 12 o'clock the German representatives here began an effort to get into touch with the Timmins. At that time the exact whereabouts of the Deutschland was a mystery.

WARSHIPS ON PATROL

An incoming tramp at noon reported that the allied patrol was not in sight off the Capes. It is believed here that they have perfected some system of signaling whereby they will be apprised of the approach of the submarine and that they do not intend taking any chances of being ordered out to sea by the American neutrality patrol until after their much-wanted prey actually is within sighting distance of the Capes.

There were a number of persons who hold to the theory that the Deutschland might simply loath until nightfall and then attempt a dash through the eastern end of the ship channel, going as close as possible to Fisherman's Island, near Cape Charles, and then heading due north toward Smith's

Director Twining Foresees Delays, However, in Drafts and Labor Problems

PLENTY OF FUNDS FOR RAPID TRANSIT PLANS

Mayor Smith and Transit Director Twining today said that the recent transit loan of \$57,100,000 will provide all the money which can possibly be spent on the city's high-speed elevated and subway system during the present administration.

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QUICK NEWS

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MOTHER SAVES FIVE CHILDREN FROM FIRE

PITTSBURGH, Aug. 2.—Her escape to the stairway cut off by a fire in her home at Braddock, Mrs. Lena Boland dropped her five children, one by one, from a second story to a mattress, which she had thrown to the street below and then jumped herself.

RAILROADS AND MEN TO CONFER AGAIN

WASHINGTON, Aug. 2.—The executive board of the "big four" brotherhoods which are threatening a nation-wide strike of railroad employes and the General Conference Committee of the roads have agreed to a resumption of conferences to begin in New York August 5.

SARATOGA RACING RESULTS

First race, 2-year-olds, selling, with \$500 added, 5 1-2 furlongs—Passing Fancy, 108, Garner, 1 to 3, out, won; Idolita, 105, Buxton, 7 to 1, 7 to 5, 1 to 2, second; Flare, 103, Campbell, 40 to 1, 10 to 1, to 1, third. Time, 1:09.

ARMY OFFICERS' EXEMPTION BILL PUZZLES CONGRESS

WASHINGTON, Aug. 2.—The army appropriation bill conferees were deadlocked today over a proposal from the House side to exempt retired army officers from obligations under the articles of war.

WALTON SIGNS CITY BOND CERTIFICATES

City Controller Walton today signed the engraved certificates of the \$5,000,000 issue of 4 per cent city bonds sold June 30. The bonds are in denominations of \$100 and its multiples, one-half of the issue being in registered bonds and the other in coupons.

MANN DEFEATS PLAN TO AID FLOOD VICTIMS

WASHINGTON, Aug. 2.—Republican Leader Mann this afternoon knocked out a proposed \$540,000 flood relief appropriation for the two Carolinas, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Tennessee and Mississippi.

APPRAISERS NAMED FOR APPAM, WAR PRIZE

NORFOLK, Va., Aug. 2.—On motion of counsel for the South African Steamship Company, British owners of the steamship Appam, Judge Waddill, in the United States District Court, today named a commission to appraise the value of the vessel preliminary to hearing a motion to turn the vessel back to her former owners.

SLAVS CHARGE GERMANS WITH SHELLING HOSPITAL SHIP

PETROGRAD, Aug. 2.—Charge that an enemy aeroplane had bombarded a transport carrying wounded soldiers and then flew over a divisional hospital, dropping bombs on helpless men there, was made today in the War Office statement.

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TENDERLOIN COP DENIES CHARGE OF ACCEPTING GRAFT

Resents Accusation Made Before Grand Jury by "Chink" Schwartz

MAYOR FOR FULL PROBE

Favors Its Continuance Until the Whole Situation Is Cleared

Emphatic denial was made this afternoon by Special Policeman Michael Kearsa that he ever collected money from gamblers or disorderly houses in the Tenderloin, as charged by Samuel Schwartz last Friday before the Grand Jury.

Kearsa declared that his record was spotless, and in testifying before the jury defied any one to come forward with specific facts to the contrary. He said Schwartz, who is also known as "Chink," was "a damnable liar."

MAYOR WANTS STRONGER PROBE

The vice investigation should be continued until the exact truth is learned, in the opinion of Mayor Smith, who said that he favored the plan of sticking on the job until the whole situation was cleared.

The Mayor made it plain that any half-way measure would have little or no effect and expressed the belief that the whole matter should be sifted to the bottom.

Charles O. Mershon, foreman of the Grand Jury, who has been suffering from the heat, did not report for duty and his place was filled by Joseph Manning.

DAVIS' RECORD AS LIEUTENANT

A record of the Liquor License Act of 1906, when Judges Sulzberger and von Moschalsker were presiding, was uncovered today by D. Clarence Gibboney, president of the Law and Order Society, to show an incident in Assistant Director Davis' career that caused a severe rebuke at the hands of Judge Sulzberger.

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BALDWIN CONFIRM BIG MUNITIONS ORDER FOR ALLIES

The report that the Baldwin Locomotive Company had closed another munitions order for the Allies amounting to approximately 400,000 shells, at an aggregate cost of about \$15,000,000, has been confirmed by officials of the company.

There are many who are now convinced

THE WEATHER FORECAST For Philadelphia and vicinity—Fair tonight and probably Thursday; warmer Thursday; light, variable winds, becoming southerly.

LENGTH OF DAY. Sun rises—5:42 a.m. Moon sets—6:42 p.m. Sun sets—7:13 p.m. Moon rises—2:22 a.m.

DELAWARE RIVER TIDE CHANGES. CHESTER TIDE. High water—5:40 a.m. Low water—11:20 a.m. TREASURY AT EACH HOUR.

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