

CRISIS ON SOMME PASSED, GERMAN LEADERS BELIEVE

Allies Will Never Break Teuton Lines, Warriors Assert

"MURDER, NOT WAR"

By CARL W. ACKERMAN PRINCE RUPRECHT'S HEADQUARTERS ON THE WESTERN FRONT (via Berlin and Sayville), Nov. 14.

Germany believes the Somme crisis has passed. The belief is based on the unshakable and unanimous opinion of the men who have borne the hammering blows that the Entente Allies can never break through these lines of steel and cement above and below ground.

Furthermore, it is pointed out that success in pushing the German lines out of France and Belgium would make the occupied sections of these countries a shambles—a "No Man's Land," made such by French, British and Belgian guns.

This confident belief that the Allied offensive is wearing itself out is held in the face of statements by British prisoners that the month of November will be one of surprises. The result of the great Allied offensive was decided in July, German officers here declared, when the combined French and British artillery and the English tanks failed to break the German lines in their daring initial dash.

Here is the opinion of a captain at General von Garnier's headquarters, an intelligence officer who interviews all prisoners, reads all documents found on battlefields, whose business also is the study of strategy and who spent a number of years in England and France:

"The Allied offensive was decided last June, despite the fact that it has been kept up four months longer. They cannot progress further because battles today are decided by artillery, not infantry. Mass attacks cannot gain what they did at the beginning.

"We have almost as much artillery now as the French, and when we shortly shall have as much ammunition they can make no more progress. At some places the French have fifty guns on a 150-yard line; on an eight-mile line they have 1000 cannon.

"But one must remember that this country is worth ten times more to the French or British than to us, for it is the Frenchman's home.

"The French realize this more than the English. The French destroy only what military necessity requires. The English destroy everything with their artillery.

"Here on the Somme is France's greatest tragedy, for if the Allies expect to recapture the entire occupied territory in this fashion they will make France and Belgium territory a No Man's Land.

"The immediate objective of the Franco-British offensive was to reach Bapaume and Peronne through a break in our lines. They figured this would cause our withdrawal to other positions. No matter how deep their wedge goes we will not withdraw—and we still have Bapaume and Peronne."

The impression here is that Hindenburg will force such a price from the Allies that they cannot pay it.

The battle of the Somme is being fought by young men. Fully eighty per cent of the English and French prisoners are between nineteen and thirty. Most of the Germans are the same age.

Another matter of deep interest is the part pigeons are playing in this great series of battles. They have proved invaluable, especially when artillery destroys telephonic communications with hidden German guns. There are eighty of them in one happy lot on the Somme. They are helping out in the eyes of the defenders. When line communications are cut they are sent back to artillery stations with bulletins telling where infantry is approaching, when cavalry is seen and where tanks are lumbering toward the lines. Within a few minutes artillery hell is loosed.

It is a wonder there are enough men left to fight after one night of battle in which artillery fire is ceaseless and gas attacks seemingly enveloping. Watching a battle one night from a height eight miles away the gas used by attacking British forces was so strong we could still get the fumes.

While watching I met a young man who lived most of his life in Newark, N. J., who had been released from active fighting to act as interpreter for prisoners.

"This isn't war," he said; "it's murder."

Will Hear New Haven Plea Soon WASHINGTON, Nov. 14.—Further hearing of the New Haven Railroad's application for re-assignment to retain ownership and continue operation of its Long Island Sound steamers, despite the prohibition in the Panama Canal act, has been set for December 14 in Washington by the Interstate Commerce Commission.

Poorhouse Farm Yields Profit SHILLINGTON, Pa., Nov. 14.—H. M. Grill, steward of the county almshouse and farm, turned over to the county treasurer \$1422, the proceeds of the wheat crop on the county's farm this year.

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GIVES WIFE THE CREDIT

Robert Miller, Atlantic City's new chief of police, succeeds Malcolm B. Woodruff, who took the wrong side of the bitterest political battle in the resort's history. When he was sworn in on Saturday Chief Miller declared that he owed his success as a policeman entirely to his sound sense in taking the advice of his wife whenever he was in doubt about anything. He rose rapidly from a street patrolman to detective and then to the head of the force at \$2500 a year. The appointment is for a life tenure, subject only to good behavior.

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artillery in the early evening was active. French reconnoitering advances against our lines about Hardaumont were repulsed.

SITUATION IN THE DOBRUDJA UNCHANGED, SAYS REPORT OF RUSSIAN WAR OFFICE

PETROGRAD, Nov. 14.—For the first time since General Sakharoff's Russo-Rumanian began their smothering blows against Mackensen's extreme left wing, which rested at Cernavoda, on the Danube, in the Dobrudja region, the War Office today reported the situation "unchanged."

Rumanian forces defending the district about Rotherburn Pass have been forced back under persistent enemy attacks in the Alt River region, the War Office announced.

Teuton attacks in the Jul Valley resulted in capture of the village of Bumbeshiti, the statement said.

RUSSIANS ABOUT TO RESUME DRIVE ON LEMBERG; ARTILLERY ACTIVE ON THE NARAYUVKA

LONDON, Nov. 14.—The struggle for the heights of Narayuvka, southeast of Lemberg, is about to be resumed. Russian artillery and German trench mortars, bombs and mines are vying with each other across the half-devastated trenches to prepare for infantry assaults.

In the Carpathians the Teutons again took the offensive, but were thrown back by a Russian charge with the bayonet which inflicted great losses. A Russian general was killed by an explosive bullet, Petrograd says. The Russian statement follows:

Western (Russian) Front.—Yesterday in the region of Garbarov-Gukalov Major General Remezov, the gallant commander of a brigade, was killed by an explosive bullet while inspecting our positions.

On the river Narayuvka, in the re-

GERMANY STILL HAS 6,500,000 MEN, SAYS BRITISH WRITER

Allies Must Strain Every Nerve to Prepare for Next Year's Struggle

LONDON, Nov. 14.—The military correspondent of the Times, writing on manpower, says:

"Germany's wise economy of her young contingents, her constant re-examination of the medically unfit, her refusal of the claims of conscientious objectors, and her success in restoring to the colors a high proportion of wounded men, while using her prisoners in factories and on the farms, have enabled her to maintain in the field a full strength for a longer period than any one thought possible.

"By a well-organized system of substitution, Germany has been able to build up 200 field divisions and cannot now have less than 6,500,000 men in her field armies, lines of communication and reserves.

"The Allies are faced with the necessity of straining every nerve to place in the field next year every man, gun and shell that they can produce.

"Russia still has ample reserves and will produce large armies each year that the war lasts. Italy monthly increases and improves both the quantity and quality of her armies, while France has been most successful in drawing more men from civil employment and now excels in the art of accomplishing great things in the field with relatively slight losses.

"In a parliamentary paper on Irish manpower it is estimated that there are 161,000 men in Ireland now available for military service."

RUMANIANS REPULSE UZUL VALLEY ASSAULTS; CAPTURE 83 PRISONERS

BUCHAREST, Nov. 14.—Attacks which had been made without interruption in the Uzul Valley on the River Casin, since October 19, were finally repulsed with sanguinary losses to the enemy, the Rumanian War Office reported.

In the counter-attack that followed only eighty-three prisoners were taken alive. Three machine guns and other booty were taken. The statement of the War Office says:

"On the Moldavia front in the Uzul and Trotus valleys our artillery silenced enemy guns.

"From the Putna Valley to Prevetus there have been artillery and some minor engagements. In the Prahova Valley there has been intense artillery fighting."

RUSSIAN TROOPS FLUNG BACK TO TRANSYLVANIAN FRONTIER, BERLIN REPORT ANNOUNCES

BERLIN, via Sayville wireless, Nov. 14.—Russian troops that invaded Transylvania in co-operation with the Rumanians, and advanced as far as the Gyurgy mountains, have been flung back to the frontier by General von Falkenhayn's Austro-German forces.

This success for Teutonic arms was announced by the War Office today.

South of Rotherburn Pass several hundred men of prisoners have been captured by the Austro-Germans, bringing the total in the recent fighting in that sector up to six officers and 650 men.

Confesses Murder After Conversion GRAND JUNCTION, Col., Nov. 14.—Following his conversion at a Salvation Army meeting here last night, Andrew J. Daniels, twenty-three years old, declared that he was a member of a gang of criminals who murdered Policeman Thomas Russell, of New York city, five years ago. Daniels says that during his career of crime he stabbed five men, including his own brother.

EUROPE'S ARCH CROOKS DRIVEN TO U. S. BY WAR

Accomplished Criminals, Who Prey on High Society, Find Fertile Fields Here

WASHINGTON, Nov. 14.—Scores of crooks, swindlers and confidence men, some of them internationally notorious, have come to the United States as the only rich country open to them since the outbreak of the European war, according to the United States Secret Service and the Bureau of Investigation of the Department of Justice.

"Society crooks," who for many years played their trade in European capitals and at Monte Carlo, the Riviera, Eilat, Ostend, Baden-Baden and other celebrated continental watering places, have been driven to this country by the hard fortunes of war. Among them are several beautiful women, famed for their ability to live by their wits.

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SESSANTA INNOCENTI DONNE E RAGAZZI SON VITTIME DEI TEUTONI

Gli Aeroplani Austriaci Hanno Distrutto a Padova un Edificio Dove Si Erano Rifugiati i Non Combattenti

VITTORIE DEGLI ALLEATI

ROMA, 14 Novembre. Il Ministero della Guerra annuncia che durante il raid di aeroplani austriaci sulla città di Padova, di cui parlava ieri un comunicato austriaco, sessanta donne e ragazzi rimasero uccisi. Il raid avvenne sabato scorso. Ecco il testo del rapporto del generale Cadorna:

Fronti del Trentino e della Carnia.—L'artiglieria è stata assai attiva. Nella valle del Terganolo continuano ad osservarsi rapidi movimenti di forze nemiche, che però sono ostacolate dall'azione della nostra artiglieria.

Nel pomeriggio di sabato una squadriglia di aeroplani nemici lascio cadere bombe sulla città di Padova. Le bombe distrussero un edificio nel quale si erano rifugiati numerose donne e ragazzi, in piu' gran parte dei quali rimasero uccisi dalle bombe o sepolti sotto le macerie. Il numero delle vittime, tutte borghesi, ammonta finora a sessanta.

Un altro comunicato austriaco, trasmesso qui da Zurigo, dice che aeroplani austriaci bombardarono stabilimenti industriali a Pontelagoscuro e gli edifici della ferrovia a Ravenna con splendidi risultati, e che tutte le macchine rimasero senza danni alle loro basi.

Le truppe inglesi operanti in Francia hanno guadagnato una importante vittoria

contro le forze tedesche su di una fronte di cinque miglia a nord ed a sud dell'Ancre. Gli inglesi ebbero un violento attacco di sorpresa, quando i tedeschi non se lo aspettavano. La battaglia impegnata su questa fronte non e' ancora terminata, ma gli inglesi hanno guadagnato un considerevole tratto di terreno ed hanno fatto piu' di tremila prigionieri. Questi hanno dichiarato che essi rimasero sorditi dall'intensita' della preparazione dell'artiglieria britannica, poco prima che la fanteria fosse lanciata all'attacco. Questo e' stato operato in condizioni atmosferiche favorevoli.

Un'altra vittoria l'hanno guadagnata i serbi ed i francesi sulla fronte della Macedonia. I serbi avevano iniziato la loro avanzata nella giornata di ieri l'altro nella zona a sud-est di Monastir, e aiutati dai francesi, hanno guadagnato la piu' brillante vittoria che abbia finora ottenuto l'armata del generale Sarrail. I bulgari sono stati cacciati dal villaggio di Iven, a dieci miglia addentro al confine della Serbia, e non si fermarono se non quando i serbi li avevano spinti due miglia piu' a nord.

In questa battaglia i bulgari hanno perduto molti cannoni da campagna, ventuno cannoni d'artiglieria ed una grande quantita' di munizioni di ogni specie. Non si conosce ancora il numero dei prigionieri e si sa

solamente che il campo di battaglia e' coperto di cadaveri.

Nella Gallizia sembra che stia per ricominciare la battaglia, per il processo di Lemberg. Le forze del generale Brusilov si preparano ad iniziare la nuova offensiva, e la artiglieria sono gia' in azione violenta, sopra alle alture della Narayuvka. Nel Carpatto gli austro-tedeschi che avevano tentato di riprendere l'offensiva sono stati ricacciati indietro.

Nella Rumania la situazione migliora ogni giorno piu'. Le truppe russo-rumene a sud di Cernavoda, tentando di aggirare le forze di von Mackensen, e questi ha dovuto battere in ritirata, affrettatamente per evitare il nuovo grave pericolo che lo minacciava assai da vicino.

Elkton Marriage Licenses

ELKTON, Md., Nov. 14.—Couples procuring marriage licenses here today were Edward C. Reed and Lillian I. Stobbs, James A. Rouke and Elsie M. Metcalf, George C. Farrmann and Ethel Snyder, William E. Wall and Rose E. Shulzberger, Harry A. Metzger and Laura M. Huttsagle, all of Philadelphia; Barney Cohen and Marie Mieser, Trenton, N. J.; John A. Rodding and Mary R. Alderson, Cecilton, Md.

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