



## TWO GREATEST BATTLES OF EUROPEAN CONFLICT NOW REPORTED TO BE RAGING

### Engagement Between Nieuport and Dixmude Said to Be the Most Violent and Most Important of the Entire War With Zeppelins Giving the Germans Considerable Support—From Sambor, Along the River San to Przemysl and Jaroslau, One of the Most Bitter Battles of the Present War Is Being Fought, the Fighting Having Now Lasted Eight Days

London, Oct. 24, 10 A. M.—A private Berlin dispatch, according to the correspondent of the "Central News" at Copenhagen, states that the battle raging between Nieuport and Dixmude is the most violent and the most important engagement of the entire war. He adds that Zeppelins are said to have given the Germans considerable support.

London, Oct. 24, 4.05 A. M.—Telegraphing from Vladimir, in the Russian government of Volhynia, under date of Wednesday, the correspondent of the "Times" says:

"A battle, which for numbers engaged and the bitterness of the fighting is probably one of the greatest of the present war, is now raging on the line from Sambor, along the river San, to Przemysl and Jaroslau and then to the southward. I traveled over a distance of about 65 miles in the rear of and parallel to the Russian position on which, at all points, cannonading was terrific and uninterrupted, the battle having lasted for eight days.

"It is difficult to get details, but it appears that the Austrians started the attack at Sambor, but were thrown back by the vigorous Russian counter-attacks. Then a concentration of the Austrian corps attempted an advance against Lemberg with the object of bisecting the Russian line. This attack was defeated with heavy Austrian losses and the capture of 5,000 Austrian prisoners.

"Towards Jaroslau the Germans are co-operating with the Austrians who took Jaroslau earlier in the fighting but the Russians are now said to have recaptured the town."

Two months ago to-day the British army began its retreat from Mons. To-day the battered forces of Sir John French are fifty miles to the northwest of Mons. In the intervening period the impetuous German advance penetrated almost to the gates of Paris, only to be hurled back again in the crucial battle of the Marne, and now the hostile forces are deadlocked on a line which extends from Switzerland to the North Sea.

To-day's reports throw little new light on the course of the battle. Upon the fighting on the plains of Flanders, in the opinion alike of German, French and British observers, depends in large measure the outcome of the whole campaign and perhaps the future of German operations in France. The official French statement states with what intensity the opposing forces are contesting the issue. It is admitted that the Germans have advanced to the north of Dixmude and in the neighborhood of La Bassee, but as a counter stroke, it is said, the French have pushed forward of Nieuport, in the region of Langewarck and between Armentieres and Lille. These, in the language of the French War Office, are "inevitable fluctuations of a contest waged so fiercely." The War Office contents itself with the general statement that the line of combat as a whole has been maintained.

Over the remainder of the long battle front the deadlock continues. Slight progress is claimed by the French at various points in the Woevre district, but the general positions of the opposing forces is changed in no important particular.

Regarding the situation in the east there is as heretofore a conflict of arms. The French War Office asserts that the Germans are falling back to the south of Warsaw as well as to the west of Ivangorod. Advices from Russia and Austrian sources agree that one of the bitterest battles of the war is in progress along the River San.

An official Austrian statement reports the repulse of the Russians, who had been permitted to cross the river and were then attacked. Dispatches from Petrograd, however, state that the Austrian assault was repulsed by vigorous counter-attacks of the Russians.

Into the monotonous routine of official statements and to the technical details of the fighting was injected a picturesque touch by the report at Tokio of Vice Admiral Kato, verifying the German claim to another audacious feat of the seas. The vice admiral admitted that it apparently was a German torpedo boat destroyer and not a mine that sank the Japanese cruiser "Takachiho" on October 17, and paid a tribute to the bravery of the Japanese who lost their lives.

## GERMANS MAKE PROGRESS AT DIXMUDE; THE FRENCH ADVANCE NEAR NIEUPORT

Paris, Oct. 24, 2.50 P. M.—The official communication given out at the war office this afternoon says the Germans have made progress to the north of Dixmude and in the vicinity of La Bassee, but that the French made material advances to the east of Nieuport, in the region of Langewarck, and between Armentieres and Lille. The text of the communication is as follows:

"The battle continues on our left wing. The enemy has made progress to the north of Dixmude and in the vicinity of La Bassee. We have made very perceptible advances to the east of Nieuport, in the region of Langewarck, and in the region between Armentieres and Lille. It is a question of inevitable fluctuations in the line of combat which however, maintains itself as a whole.

"On the rest of the front several German attacks by day and by night have been repulsed. At various places we have made slight progress. In the Woevre district our advance has continued in the direction of the Forest of Mortmaro, to the south of Thiancourt and in the forest of Lepretre, north of Pont-a-Mousson.

"In Russia the Germans are retreating to the south of Warsaw as well as to the west of Ivangorod and Nova Alexandria. Desperate fighting continues in Galicia and the Sandomir front. At Przemysl the Russians have taken 2,000 Austrian prisoners."

## JAP CRUISER'S CREW SING NATIONAL ANTHEM AS THEY PERISH WHEN BOAT SINKS

Tokio, Oct. 24, 4.15 P. M.—It is officially announced that the Navy Department now believes that the Japanese cruiser "Takachiho" which was sunk in Kiao-Chow harbor on October 17 was torpedoed by the German torpedo boat destroyer S 90. Previous official announcements had it that the cruiser had been sunk by a mine but German and Chinese reports credited the S 90 with the feat.

Unofficial accounts say that the S 90, masked by heavy seas, dashed out of the bay and launched her deadly torpedo. She then ran the blockade and was pursued by the enemy's destroyers. Forseeing what her fate would be her commander drove her on the shore and fired the magazines. The captain and the crew of sixty made their way to Shanghai and were taken in charge and interned by Chinese soldiers.

Vice Admiral Sadakichi Kato, commander of the second Japanese squadron before Tsing-Tau, reported that the wreckage of the Takachiho, the fact that the explosion was visible for a distance of 20 miles, and the stories of the survivors convince him that the Japanese cruiser was torpedoed by the German destroyer. Immediately after the torpedo attack the magazines of the Takachiho blew up.

According to survivors, many members of the crew of the Japanese vessel were blown overboard. These men united in singing the chorus of the national Japanese anthem and thus perished. "This is evidence how bravely these men died and how they voiced their love of country in the supreme moment," says Vice Admiral Kato, who also reports that the commander of the Takachiho died at his post on the bridge.

## CONGRESS ADJOURNS TO-DAY

Leaders of Both Sides Agree to Adjourn Session at 4 O'clock This Afternoon

Washington, Oct. 24.—The filibuster which has been holding Congress in session collapsed to-day and leaders of both sides agreed to adjourn at 4 o'clock this afternoon.

At the conference which agreed on the adjournment, Southern members fighting for legislation to relieve cotton growers pledged themselves not to block the plan with points of no quorum or other technicalities. The plan was accepted by Senate leaders where the filibuster also had commenced and adjournment again seemed assured.

Senator Smith, of Georgia, who has been the head and front of the filibuster in the Senate, said he would not block the adjournment if the majority of the Southern Senators were decided to abandon the filibuster. That appeared to be the situation.

QUEEN VICTORIA'S SIXTH CHILD  
Fourth Son Added to King Alfonso's Household in Madrid  
Madrid, Oct. 24, Via Paris, 11 A. M.—A son was born this morning to Queen Victoria, of Spain.

The Queen of Spain is a granddaughter of the late Queen Victoria of England. The son born to-day is her sixth child, the others being three sons and two daughters.

## MRS. CARMAN TO KNOW FATE SOON

### Counsel for Woman Accused of Slaying Mrs. Bailey Rests Case Shortly Before Noon

## SHE HOPEFUL OF BEING ACQUITTED

### Witness Testified To-day He Saw Man Running Across the Carman Lawn About the Time of the Murder and Leap Over the Fence

Mincola, Oct. 24.—The defense of Mrs. Florence Conklin Carman, on trial for the murder of Mrs. Louise Bailey on June 30, last, rested shortly before noon to-day. Counsel prepared to sum up and indications were that the case would go to the jury late this afternoon.

The testimony of unimportant witnesses and the arguments of District Attorney Louis J. Smith and counsel for the defense to-day was all that remained to be heard by the jury this morning. It was expected that the jury would be given the case late this afternoon and the opinion prevailed that a verdict would be returned before nightfall.

After testifying on cross-examination and after listening to the testimony of her little daughter, Elizabeth; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Conklin; her sister, Mrs. Ida Powell; her niece, Mrs. Helen Powell Corby, and her husband, Dr. Edwin Carman, the accused woman returned to her cell last night pledging that the jury would return a verdict of acquittal. She sent her parents, her daughter and husband home happy with her assurance that within a few hours she would be free and would spend Sunday with them.

Negro's Testimony Favors Defense  
Mrs. Carman's confidence in the outcome may be attributed to the mass of evidence, mostly from members of her immediate family, to disprove the story told by Celia Coleman, the negro maid in the Carman home, that implicated her mistress with the murder. The defense also offered a witness, a negro man, who testified that after the shot was fired he saw a man run across the Carman lawn, jump a fence and disappear.

Mrs. Carman's face was wreathed in smiles when she entered the court room. She bowed to several friends, kissed her daughter Elizabeth, greeted her husband with a nod and a smile and taking the seat at the counsel table.

## 'BRUMBAUGH NOT DRUNK'—STOUGH

### Evangelist Says He Never Made Such a Statement About the Candidate

## REFERRED TO MEN IN PARTY

### 'Billy' Sunday Sends Telegram Saying He Is Not Endorsing Any Candidate and Has Never Done So in His Religious Campaigns

The Rev. Dr. Henry W. Stough, the evangelist, who will conduct the religious revival to begin in this city on November 1, and who was quoted in a Clearfield county newspaper as having said that Dr. Martin L. Brumbaugh, the Republican candidate for Governor, was drunk and had to be led to his room after a meeting in Dubois, came out flat-footed to-day and said that he made no charge of the kind relating to Dr. Brumbaugh and never said he was drunk, as quoted. This denial of the story came from Dr. Stough in response to a telegram sent him by Mr. E. J. Stackpole, of the "Telegraph," asking him concerning the truth of the quotation attributed to Dr. Stough. In full the Stough reply is as follows:

"Certain members of the Brumbaugh party were drunk when they were in Dubois.  
"My information is that one of the candidates in the party was 'housey drunk' while another candidate was only 'plastered.'  
"At the Acorn Club in the presence of about fifty people, Joe Bensinger, former State treasurer of Hotel Men's Association, a saloon keeper and hotel man went up to Dr. Brumbaugh, put his hand on the doctor's shoulder and said: 'I have orders to put you to bed at 10 o'clock. While you are in the

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## \$20,000 LOSS IN NEWVILLE BLAZE

### Ten Buildings Destroyed by Flames Discovered Early This Morning

## ONE RESCUER IS BADLY BURNED

### Carlisle Sends Auto Engine Which Makes Long Run and Gets Into Action Thirty Minutes After Summons

(Special to the Star-Independent.)  
Newville, Oct. 24.—Eight stables, a warehouse and a plumbing establishment were destroyed by a fire which broke out in one of the stables at 5.30 o'clock this morning. The total losses are estimated at \$20,000. The flames for a time threatened destruction to the residential section of Newville.

Steward McDonald, who was aiding in rescuing horses from the stables, was severely burned about the face and hands. It is believed, however, he will recover. The blaze had assumed such proportions within an hour after it was discovered that the chief of the fire department sent a call to Carlisle for assistance.

A motor combination chemical and hose wagon with several men made a record run here from Carlisle and had a stream on the burning buildings thirty minutes after receiving the call for help.

Flames Near Dynamite  
The fire was confined to the stables and warehouses on Church avenue, immediately back of the residential section, although the firemen and spectators were in a state of excitement when they learned that a warehouse, immediately back of the Graham & Laughlin hardware store, which had caught fire several times contained a large quantity of dynamite.

The fire is believed to have started in

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## FINDS ARCH UNDER FRONT ST.

### Diggers Uncover 20-Foot Stone Structure Which Once Marked the Course of a Creek

A force of men engaged in laying the new water main in Front street, this morning uncovered the bed of an old creek beneath that thoroughfare between the McCormick and Olmsted residences, just north of Walnut street. A stone archway that reached to within two feet of the level of the asphalt pavement was encountered in the work and the new water main will have to be laid through it.

The arch over the old creek bed is estimated to be twenty feet in width at the bottom and is twelve feet deep. It was covered up, according to old residents, about forty years ago. For a while water ran through under the street, but in late years the outlet had become clogged up and the creek bed was almost forgotten until it was found again this morning.

The course of the waterway was south through River street and made a turn at Locust toward the river, going under the Olmsted house which occupies the site of the old St. Lawrence German Catholic church. The creek is supposed to have been one of the outlets for Wetzel swamp, which is now Wildwood lake.

## YEGGMEN BLOW OPEN SAFE

### Postoffice at Grantham Robbed of \$50 in Cash and \$150 in Stamps Last Night

Early this morning yeggmen blew open the safe in the postoffice at Grantham, which is located on the Philadelphia and Reading railroad on the border line of York and Cumberland counties, and secured \$50 in cash and \$150 worth of stamps.

The postoffice is in the store of P. M. Wingert and the safe is located in a little room in the rear of the store. The burglars covered the safe with blankets and it is supposed that they waited until a train was passing before they set off the charge. A resident of Grantham heard a sharp report about 3.30 o'clock, but paid no attention to it.

The State police, who are hunting for the burglars, have no trace of them, except that it is supposed that they boarded a train and came to this city.

## CITY WILL SAVE \$6,000 ON PAVING

### Lower Prices Offered in Bids Opened To-day Are Attributed to Competition

## 17 PROPOSALS ARE SUBMITTED

### Central Construction Company of Harrisburg Is Low in Most Cases—Contracts to Be Awarded So Work Can Start Soon

Between \$5,000 and \$6,000, contractors say, will be saved by the City of Harrisburg through the fact that three different contracting firms,—two from Harrisburg and the other from Cleveland, O.—competed for the contracts to pave, with asphalt, seventeen different street sections. The proposals were opened at noon to-day by William H. Lynch, Commissioner of Highways. The Central Construction & Supply Company, of Harrisburg, was low bidder for most of the work. The Cleveland Trinidad Paving Company, of Cleveland, O., was low on the paving for several small contracts,—short alleys,—but that concern's bid on the curbing exceeded that of the Central by ten cents on the foot so that in totaling the figures for curbing and paving the Central is low on these jobs also.

The Cleveland Company set out in its proposal that it would not undertake to do paving work in this city unless the contracts called for 16,000 or more square yards. The Stucker Brothers Construction Company, of Harrisburg, also submitted bids.

Six sets of specifications for the seventeen paving jobs were lifted at the Highway Department by street paving contractors and it was thought that the

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## PRIZE COW PERISHES WHEN FIRE RUINS EXPRESS CAR

### Flames Break Out When Pennsylvania Train Is Running Through Cove and Coach and Its Contents are Rapidly Destroyed

A high bred cow, worth several thousand dollars, and many cases of merchandise worth more than a thousand dollars, were destroyed in a fire which consumed an Adams Express Company car on train No. 48, at Cove, twelve miles west of here, on the Middle division of the Pennsylvania railroad late yesterday afternoon. The train was bound for this city. The total loss may reach \$10,000.

Express messengers on the train discovered the fire burning fiercely about 3 o'clock and the train was stopped at Cove. The car was cut out of the train at a water tank where a stream of water was played on it. The car, cow and merchandise were a total loss, although the contents of two metal cases, which are the property of the express company, was saved. The train continued on its way without the burning car. The trucks were brought to this city this morning and placed on a siding near the express company's office and just beneath the Mulberry street bridge

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## HARRISBURG GIRLS RETURN

### Miss Buehler and Party Marooned in Berlin Will Arrive To-morrow

Word was received here early this morning by Miss Rachel Pollock, 232 North Second street, that her niece, Miss Martha Buehler, and Miss Mary Robinson, Miss Margaretta Fleming and Miss Susanna Fleming, all of this city, will arrive in New York from Europe to-morrow, on the steamship Rotterdam.

Miss Buehler, Miss Robinson and the Misses Fleming had been touring the continent for the last year and when war broke out were in France. For some time nothing was heard of them and no letters were received by their friends and relatives here until through their friends and Vance C. McCormick, Secretary Bryan was interested in the matter and finally received word that the party was safe in Berlin, where they would remain until they could obtain passage home.

It is expected that the party will arrive in this city late to-morrow night or Monday morning.

## SCORES OF FOOTBALL GAMES TO-DAY

	PERIODS					Total
	1	2	3	4		
Princeton. . .	■	■	■	■	■	■
Dartmouth. . .	■	■	■	■	■	■
Harvard. . .	■	■	■	■	■	■
Penn State. . .	■	■	■	■	■	■
U. of P. . . . .	0	0	0	7	—	7
Carlisle. . . . .	0	0	0	0	—	0

## BIG CONTESTS ON GRIDIRON TO-DAY

### Princeton and Dartmouth Play Initial Game in Former's New Palmer Stadium

## U. OF P. TACKLES THE REDSKINS

### Cornell and Brown Do Battle On the Polo Grounds in Only Big Football Contest New Yorkers Will See at Home This Season

Philadelphia, Oct. 24.—The Indians by straight line backing by their backs carried the ball to Penn's 5-yard line, where they were held and lost the ball on an attempted placement kick. The remaining play of the period was in Carlisle's territory. Score: Penn, 0; Indians, 0.

In the second period Pennsylvania tried a field goal, but the ball did not carry to the goal post. Carlisle secured the ball and by consistent plugging carried the ball to midfield, where Pennsylvania stopped the Indians and it was Penn's ball on a punt near her own 40-yard line. A fumble gave the ball to the Indians again on Penn's 32-yard line. Resuming her line plunging, Carlisle carried the ball within Penn's 5-yard line, as the Indians were about to carry the ball over the goal. Pratt fumbled and the period was over. Score end second period: Penn, 0; Indians, 0.

New York, Oct. 24.—Though not the most important game in the east to-day, local attention is attracted to the Polo Grounds where Cornell and Brown meet in the only big football contest in New York this season. Both teams had their final drills yesterday. Cornell taking the field after the Providence players had finished and drilled behind closed doors.

## Princeton-Dartmouth Contest

The tacking battle of the day bids fair to be the Princeton-Dartmouth contest. It will be the first game in the new Palmer stadium at Princeton. The Dartmouth eleven this year is considered fully up to the Dartmouth standard and Dartmouth's best has played close games with the Tigers with an occasional victory. More than once the teams have been so well-matched that the score was small and the winner in doubt all the way. This year Princeton, like Yale in opening out and pushing things. The Tigers haven't done anything worthy of special mention yet and the game with Dartmouth should prove the actual worth of the team.

Harvard plays Pennsylvania State, but the team which the crimson will put in the field is far from its best and there is a chance of an unexpected victory. For a hard game Pennsylvania State is still an unknown quantity. It will be a relief to Harvard to come through the battle without having any more men injured.

## U. of P. and the Indians

The University of Pennsylvania after its excellent showing against the navy, is hopeful of getting even for some defeats by Carlisle, the more so because the Indians have been doing poorly. Renewed zest will go with the Army and Navy efforts to-day since it has been definitely settled that they are to meet.

## FATHER OF SIX KILLS HIMSELF

### Former Conductor of Valley Railways Company Takes Poison

(Special to the Star-Independent.)  
Carlisle, Oct. 24.—An empty two-ounce bottle which once contained carbolic acid and which he held in his hand this morning explained the death of James Steele, 38 years old, of East Penn street, a former conductor on the trolley line of the Valley Railways Company, running between here and Harrisburg. His lifeless body was found by his wife a few minutes after he got up at 6 o'clock, preparatory to his going to work.

Financial troubles are said to have prompted the former trolley man to end his life. Steele and his wife conversed with each other before he left the bed room to prepare for work and then Mrs. Steele said, he gave not the slightest intimation that he intended to commit suicide.

Steele's widow and six children survive him, besides his parents, three brothers and three sisters.