

It Is Said The Allies May Soon Drive Ahead

GERMANS STILL TRY TO BATTER A GAP

In the French Lines in Western Argonne But Machine Guns Repulsed All Their Attacks.

When They Attempted to Swarm Over the Parapets They Met a Galling Fire--The Grand Duke Nicholas Tells Why Vienna Was Evacuated.

(Special to the Whig) Paris, Aug. 13.—(Official) Undismayed by severe losses, the German Crown Prince's army has resumed its attempt to batter a gap in the French lines in western Argonne.

The Germans continued their attacks throughout yesterday, making their way close to the French trenches through old communication works, then attempting to swarm over the parapets.

Why Russians Evacuated Vienna. (Special to the Whig) Geneva, via Berlin, Aug. 13.—French papers received here to-day report that Grand Duke Nicholas, commanding the Russian armies, has reported to the Allies that the finds it necessary to evacuate Vienna because of the rapid progress of the Germans through Courland and Kovono region.

The front will no longer be censored. General Limen Von Sanders, former commander in chief, of the Turkish forces at the Dardanelles, who has just been replaced by the Grand Duke of Mecklenburg, is reported to have gone insane and is now confined in Constantinople.

War Tidings. Letters from French soldiers at

The steamer Adriatic, with an immense cargo of munitions, arrived at England from United States safely on Thursday.

English Coast Again Raided By Zeppelins

(Special to the Whig) London, Aug. 13.—English east-coast was again raided by German air craft last night. Six persons were killed and twenty-three injured, the Admiralty announced this afternoon.

The Germans continued a systematic battering of French positions near Verdun on Thursday and lost 12,000 men in killed and prisoners.

One report says that one Zeppelin was damaged. Following the usual custom, the Admiralty withheld the news of the exact locality raided.

The Communiqué reported the repulse of other assaults by the use of bombs and grenades last night.

Germans Told Peace to Come In October

(Special to the Whig) London, Aug. 13.—A significant order of the day, predicting a resumption by the Germans of a vigorous offensive in the west, has been issued to the Teutonic armies in Flanders, according to the Amsterdam Telegram. An extract from this order, telegraphed by the Amsterdam correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph Company, follows:

Members of the New York State Conservation Commission arrived in Toronto to confer with Sir Adam Beck.

NEW YORK HEARD RUMOR. That the British Had Forced the Dardanelles.

Italian consuls have left Turkish territory and Italian interests have been confined to United States officials.

(Special to the Whig) New York City, Aug. 13.—Wall street stocks were mildly affected to-day by rumors that the British had forced the Dardanelles, but there was positively no confirmation to the rumors.

The one hundred aviators whom the Imperial authorities asked for from Canada have now all passed their examination of the Naval Service Department and are in training at Toronto, some having already gone to England.

Police Magistrate Jells, Hamilton, stated he would not punish any farmer on a charge of working harvest on Sunday.

Polish Towns Captured. Berlin, Aug. 13.—The War Office announces that the Polish city of Seidlice, fifty-five miles south-east of Warsaw, has been captured by the Germans.

Prof. Lanos' Brother Dead; Mother Blind

Prof. J. M. Lanos, of the Royal Military College, who is at present at Halifax, has received word from his family home in France that his brother has no doubt been killed at the front, and also that his mother has gone blind through grief and shock.



MUNITION FACTORIES OF TO-DAY.

Picture shows the inside of an English munition factory where women have replaced men in the making of shells. The women are very eager to do what they can, and no difficulty is found in getting a sufficient number of carry on the work, though some little difference in the quality of the work is perceptible.

VESSELS ON THE ROCKS.

And Both of Them Likely To Be Total Losses.

(Special to the Whig) Lisbon, Aug. 13.—The Portuguese cruiser Republica foundered on the rocks of Ericolra, twenty-two miles north-west of here, to-day, and is a total loss.

ENEMY GRASPS

An Empty Husk in Capture of Warsaw.

STORY OF OCCUPATION

AS TOLD BY HIGHLY PLACED GERMAN OFFICER.

Life in Midst Of Death—People Sip Coffee In Cafes While Fighting Goes On One Hundred Yards Away In Another Part Of City.

Rotterdam, Aug. 13.—The first descriptions from the German side of the entry into Warsaw betray the truth that in taking the Polish capital the Germans grasped only an empty husk.

Antiquated Defence Works. Felled trees placed across the road as obstacles have been removed by our men.

"In the suburbs there seems no end to the long streams of refugees coming out by the same roads over which the German troops are marching into the town.

"Everywhere one turns he sees bright faces and black-eyed beauties. The rain does not keep the beauties of Warsaw indoors.

"Suddenly we come to a plain country. Felled trees placed across the road as obstacles have been removed by our men.

"The means of communication have been carried away; telephone and telegraph apparatus of all kinds are gone.

"Evening comes and the lights appear. Still the long streams of refugees continue to flow away from Warsaw.

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pletely empty of people. The only noise here is that of zipping bullets and explosions from the other side of the river.

"The fighting is still going on. The Russians are on the other side. They have dug trenches. On this side our men are lying behind street barriers and the corners of houses firing across the river.

"We turn around and we have in front of us the life of a big city. At that corner is a cafe where men and women are sipping coffee as if in peace time.

"A thick black smoke rises from the other side of the river, where the Russians are continuing the work of destruction. The public buildings are all empty; all the furniture is gone—empty walls, empty rooms everywhere.

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JOFFRE WILL START BIG DRIVE FIRST

A Gigantic Offensive In the West May Be Launched by the Allies Within A Month.

French Forces Are Assembling--Germans Are Strengthening Their Defences in West Flanders As They Expect That The British Are About to Make A Move

Paris, Aug. 13.—"Don't worry about them; I'll start before they do." This is reported, and generally believed here, to have been the answer of Gen. Joffre to the questions of Lord Kitchener and the other persons at the recent conference in Calais, when the matter of what would happen when the Germans turned their armies westward after the capture of Warsaw.

complete along the entire western front for more than a week, in view of these observers, is merely the calm before the storm, during which Gen. Joffre has been quietly gathering his forces, resting those that need it, conditioning the whole army as a trainer conditions an athlete, assembling the immense quantities of ammunition required and biding his time for the blow.

This view finds general acceptance in military circles here. Just where and when Gen. Joffre will "start" no one pretends to know, but that he has every intention of "beating the Germans to the punch," to use the prize ring phrase, no one doubts. Most persons in the best position to judge believe that before the end of the month the western front of the Germans will be called on to withstand a French blow beside which the drive at the lines north of Arras was a minor incident. The lull, which has been almost

Expect British Attack. Amsterdam, Aug. 13.—Preparations are being made by the Germans in west Flanders to meet another offensive movement by the British east of Ypres. Since the battle at Hooge, which resulted in extensive gains for the British, the Germans have been pouring heavy reinforcements into the region east of Ypres and north of that along the Yser. Not only infantry, but great numbers of guns have been sent to the German front to strengthen the line.

GERMANS HESITATE TO ANNEX POLAND

Will Wait Till Occupation is Beyond Dispute, Papers Say.

Budapest, Aug. 13.—With regard to the future of Poland the Berlin correspondents have had a semi-official Hungarian news agency telegraph as follows: "I learn on good authority in German official circles that it is not considered either prudent or expedient to raise new difficulties in the form of the dissolution of Russian Poland.

ON WAY TO PETROGRAD. London, Aug. 13.—The Baltic flank of the German armies under Field Marshal Von Hindenburg has virtually attained the banks of the Dvina river, between Riga and Dyuk, with Petrograd less than 300 miles away in a direct line.

"The Germans are entering Poland as liberators, but naturally they resolve to establish more favorable boundaries for themselves at the same time. The enemies of Germany who pretend to be liberators of small and oppressed nations will have to acknowledge the liberty of Poland and other small nations dependent only on the victorious Austro-Hungarian and German army.

These southward the line sweeps west with the Russian fortress of Kovno still holding out, but next week may see a great battle on the road toward the Russian capital.

"The Gothenburger Handels-Zeitung has also published official statements to the effect and professes to know that German officials are resolved to establish the independence of Poland, adding, however, that Germany will only take a definite step in this direction when her military occupation of Poland will be beyond dispute.

The annual meeting of the Westport Electric Light and Milling Company, was held last Friday. The newly elected directors are: J. M. Stoney, W. S. Ripley, J. H. Stoney, R. Blair and C. A. Stoney.

"The correspondent adds that the Russians set fire to the important railway station of Praga before evacuation. In street fights in this suburb between the Russians and Germans fifteen townspeople were accidentally killed and 200 accidentally wounded.

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WARSAW FIRES NIGHTLY

Mysterious Outbreaks in the Polish Capital Arouse Germans

Zurich, Aug. 13.—A correspondent of the Budapest newspaper has telegraphed from Warsaw that mysterious fires and explosions have taken place nightly in various quarters of the Polish capital since the occupation. The military authorities are determined to take stern action against any incendiaries discovered.

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BEET SEED FROM GERMANY

Britain Permits Big Shipment To United States.

Washington, Aug. 13.—Permits for the shipment of 50,000 bags of beet sugar seed from Germany to the United States have been issued by the British Government, after lengthy formal negotiations conducted by the trade advisers of the State Department.

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German Destroyers Driven Back. Paris, Aug. 12.—A flotilla of German destroyers, making a dash from Ostend, tried to attack the French torpedo boats patrolling the coast, but was driven back by the hot fire of the Allies' land batteries, says a despatch from Dunkirk.

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