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(Special to the Whig.)
Paris, Aug. 27.—French aviators renewed their raiding operations last night and early to-day, attacking German railway stations and factories. The air attacks were made principally in the Woevre region and along the railways used by the enemy to carry supplies to the armies of the Crown Prince and those fighting before Metz.
Among the more important points under attack were the railway stations at St. Baussant, Essey, and Divovry, and the big gas plant at Dornach.
At Muelheim, the railway station, electric light plant and their buildings were bombarded.
German trenches were captured at Landersbach, in Alsace, and trench positions on the crest of Sondernach. The new gains consolidate the French positions in this region and make them more difficult of attack by the enemy.
In the Argonne, the Germans launched an offensive last night before Auberville, but their advance was speedily halted.
In the regions of Arras and Roye and between the Oise and the Aisne, violent cannonading continued throughout last night.

FRANCE WILL NOT HEAR OF ANY PEACE DISCUSSION

(Special to the Whig.)
Paris, Aug. 27.—That France is not willing to talk peace was indicated by Premier Viviani in a stirring speech in the Chamber of Deputies yesterday.
"Put the question of peace before the country and it would be blown to nothing," the premier asserted.
"In the higher interest of the country by which we are judged, we must justify the union of government and parliament," said the premier. "The home services of the War Department have accomplished their task. In other quarters errors have been made, but parliament has lent cordial co-operation and the errors have been repaired."
"Let us banish pessimism and depressing anxiety. France, by the grace of all her children's efforts, her public servants, prompted by necessary criticism, is equal to the task of fulfilling her destiny."
"Not until heroic Belgium has been freed, not until we have re-taken Alsace and Lorraine, could there be mischievous division among us."
"We must destroy the legend that the republic of France, having borne for forty-five years a horrible wound, did not make provision for military defence."
"France has created an army fulfilling the most modern conceptions. She has instilled the love of justice, the love of right and upon the day the war began the children of France united in support of this high ideal, without which there would have been only armies of mercenaries."
At this the deputies cheered the premier wildly. When the demonstration died down the premier continued:
"Yes, the German press has said that France was divided. Yes, there are divergencies of opinion. These are the essence of free government. But it would be a fatal division if there were in this country a fraction of the people who even thought of a premature peace."
Premier Viviani concluded his remarks by saying:
"I ask you to adopt the conciliatory attitude necessary that we may go on to victory."
The entire Chamber applauded the premier. It was voted that his address be posted on the billboards throughout France.
After Premier Viviani had concluded the Chamber voted the credits asked by the Government by 539 to 1.

PEACE NEGOTIATIONS SAID TO BE UNDER WAY

(Special to the Whig.)
London, Aug. 27.—Unquestionably it can be said that the first informal peace negotiations are now, in fact, under way. Instead of being conducted through intermediaries, they are taking the form of public statements delivered by responsible Ministers of England and Germany. Each nation is cautiously sounding the other, and after the first extravagances have been brushed aside, a common basis for consenting to an armistice may reveal itself as suddenly as the warclouds gathered last summer.

ALLIES' GREAT AIR RAIDS MAY PRESAGE BIG DRIVE

London, Aug. 27.—For some time the aeroplane factories of France and Britain have been working at exceedingly high pressure, turning out machines for army service. Almost every ship arriving from America also brings aeroplanes to be used at the front by the Allies. The result of this great increase in the number of available aeroplanes is seen in the frequent air raids upon a large scale now launched from the French and British lines. German munition factories, important railway junctions, military camps, bivouacs and railway stations over a wide area of country are now subjected to terrific bombardments from above, the effect of which can not fail to shake the morale of the Germans, as well as inflict material damage upon the places visited. The record of the past two days shows aerial offensive movements on a scale never before attempted. It is not improbable that the attention paid to railway tracks, junctions and stations is indicative that important troop movements will take place very soon all



On the left is Premier Radoslavoff of Bulgaria, next King Ferdinand of Romania, and on the right King Ferdinand of Bulgaria. The two Ferdinands are distantly related. The King of Rumania is a Hohenzollern, Catholic branch, and is perhaps a tenth cousin of the Kaiser. The King of Bulgaria is a Saxe-Coburg, a second or third cousin of George V.

Looks Like a Win For Government

London, Aug. 27.—Cable despatches reporting the statement yesterday of Count Von Bernstorff, German Ambassador at Washington, to Secretary Lansing, that the German submarine commanders had been ordered to attack no more merchantmen without warnings, are displayed prominently to-day in London newspapers.
The Westminster Gazette says: "If Count Von Bernstorff is speaking with full authority, the American Government can claim to have won a very notable victory."

MUST STAY IN GERMANY

Disabled Men Might Instruct Recruits If Released.
Rotterdam, Aug. 27.—I learn no British prisoner holding non-commissioned rank is now allowed to leave Germany however grievous his wounds if there is the slightest chance of his being able to do any sort of work. The pretext given is that he may possibly be employed in England for clerical duties of training new men.
Sergeant Beard of the Royal Fusiliers, who has a shattered right arm and is absolutely incapacitated for further military service, left Germany with yesterday's party. While on the way to Holland a German officer who was passing noticed the Sergeant's stripes on his sleeve and the Sergeant was immediately taken off the train and sent back, the reason given being that if he returned to England he might instruct recruits. Corporal Cowan was treated in the same way. This new rule is stated to be the reason for holding back the greater number of the last party of wounded who were released in Holland, but never arrived.

KNavery AND BIG GUNS CANNOT WIN THE WAR

Queen Amelie, of Portugal, Sends Inspiring Message to Women of France.
Paris, Aug. 27.—Queen Amelie of Portugal, who is now nursing wounded soldiers in a London hospital, sends the following message to the women of France:
"We have no right to weep. It is our honor to suffer alike pending the day when national victory will avenge all our sufferings. Our duty is to hide our woe and see in our distress only the heroic every death in this war. To doubt victory for a single instant to contemplate the crushing of our nation, would be cowardice and blasphemy. It is not possible that France will not emerge victorious. It is not possible that right, sustained by courage, will not triumph over knavery, even though it is backed by big guns. It is an honor to French women that, by our quiet grief, we have paved the way to victory. Later, when normal life has been resumed, we can take up our load of human woe, and then only may we French women give way to tears."

RUSSIA MAKES CONCESSIONS

Residence Restrictions Abolished Expecting In Petrograd and Moscow.
Petrograd, Aug. 27.—Pending examination of the whole question imperial sanction has been given the decision recently reached by the council of the empire to abolish restrictions upon Jewish residences in Russian cities, except the cities of Petrograd and Moscow.

ENEMY MAKES NEW MOVE AGAINST THE RUSSIANS

London, Aug. 27.—A new attempt to cut off the retreat of the Russians from the Bug river sector is in progress of development by the German army under Gen. von Eichhorn, which captured the Kovno fortress. This force is now making rapid strides toward Vilna, and the obvious intention, after occupying that important junction on the Petrograd-Warsaw railway, is to continue the drive to Minsk, which lies north of east from Brest-Litovsk.
Military observers here do not believe the operation will be a success, but they are watching it with the greatest interest. The Russian rear-guards so far have proved strong enough to prevent any except a slow and very expensive advance by the Austro-German forces, and from the point east of the Nieman now reached by Gen. von Eichhorn to the Minsk region would require at least three weeks of marching and fighting.

To Restrict Martial Law in France

Paris, Aug. 27.—Martial law will be abolished everywhere in France outside of the zone of military action after September 1st. The decision of the Government is interpreted as a sign of confidence in official circles that the interior administration of France will not be disturbed again by military operations.
Police officials, whose prerogatives have been somewhat confused during the period of military rule, show great satisfaction at the removal and at the possibility of pursuing reconstructive measures.

BERLIN WAR REPORTS

Say That Three French Air Raiders Were Destroyed.
Berlin, Aug. 27.—German aviators attacked a French air base at Nancy on Wednesday, and destroyed four French air raiders in the Saar river valley.
While Austrians stormed and captured three forts of Brest-Litovsk on the western front, the German reserves stormed the north-western forts, penetrating the central works at night. The enemy then gave up the forts.
German advance guards reached Bielostok, but were officially announced. The Russians had evacuated the city.

COALITION IN RUSSIA

Daily Conference Being Held By Members Of Duma.
Petrograd, via London, Aug. 27.—Daily conferences are being held by members of the various parties in the Duma and the Council of the Empire with a view to the formation of a coalition Ministry, the possibility of which has been under lively discussion of late in the corridors of the Duma. The names of Michael Vladimirovitch Reznikov, the President of the Duma, and of Nikola A. Khomvakoff, former president of that body, are being mentioned in connection with the Premiership.

DEFENDS LYNCHING

Boston, Aug. 27.—Former Governor Cole (Dease) of South Carolina in an address delivered here yesterday before the Governor's conference on "The Duty and Responsibility of Chief Executives in Dealing with Prisoners," declared that the lynching of men in the South for certain crimes is a "connection to civilization." He condemned the "third degree" in dealing with prisoners and expressed the opinion that it was worse in some respects than lynching.

IMPORTANT ISSUES BEFORE CABINET

The Nationalization of the Coal Mines and a Form of Conscription to Force Shirkers Into the Army.

The Miners Are in a State of Unrest And Are Insisting That the Award of President Runciman, of the Government Board of Trade Must Be Altered or There Will Be Trouble.

(Special to the Whig.)
London, Aug. 27.—The nationalization of the coal mines of Wales and some form of conscription to force the "shirkers" into the army, are important questions now under serious consideration by the English cabinet, it was learned to-day. The Ministry is keeping in close touch with the situation at Cardiff, where another general strike of 200,000 miners threatens to close the nation's shell factories.
Reports to the Government indicated a general unrest throughout the coal region, and declared every miner in this district probably will quit work unless the arbitration award made by President Runciman, of the Government Board of Trade, is altered. The Government will not tolerate the closing of the Welsh collieries at the present critical stage of the war. In the event of the two sides being unable to agree, the Government will take over the Welsh mines and operate them for the remainder of the war.

Have Destroyed German Boats.

(Special to the Whig.)
London, Aug. 27.—For the first time since the German submarine campaign was inaugurated, the Admiralty has confirmed reports that a large number of U-boats have been destroyed, news having been previously kept secret for fear that it might be of aid to Germany.

Violated Bulgarian Territory.

(Special to the Whig.)
Amsterdam, Aug. 27.—One hundred tons of fine machinery used in the manufacture of shells have been carried from the Austrian frontier across Serbia and Bulgaria to Turkey in Zeppelins, which travelled by night to escape detection by the Bulgarian patrols, and protests against the violation of Bulgarian territory.

PATRIOTISM OF AN M.P.

Ottawa, Aug. 27.—A signal example of patriotism is shown in the announcement that Clarence Jamieson, Conservative member for Digby, N.S., took the money that he had been saving for the purchase of an automobile and bought a machine-gun for the soldiers. His example in the province of Nova Scotia has resulted in the offer of no less than 100 machine-guns by individuals and corporations, stimulated by the M. P.'s action.
Mr. Jamieson injured his leg rather severely a couple of years ago, and was confined for months to his rooms in Ottawa. For the purpose of travelling through his constituency, an automobile to him would have been a necessity, and not a luxury but he has sacrificed all that for the good of the cause.

EDISON IN DANGER

New York, Aug. 27.—Thomas A. Edison narrowly escaped losing his eyesight yesterday when his face was accidentally sprayed with a solution of potash with which he was experimenting in his laboratory, at Silver Lake, near Newark, N. J.
The haste in which he bathed his face and eyes in water and the fact that first aid was applied to him by a physician who reached him just after the accident, saved him from serious consequences, it was said.
Owing to the fact that the European war has made the importation of carbolic acid from Germany impossible, Mr. Edison has erected two plants at Silver Lake for the manufacture of that chemical.
Recently there has been complaint about the odors of the acid and Mr. Edison has been working constantly to find a means of abating the alleged nuisance. He was engaged in that task yesterday with a veteran assistant, Frederick Ott, when the accident occurred.

DIED.

ELLERBECK—At Glenvale, on August 26th, 1915, Joseph D. Ellerbeck, aged 78 years.
Funeral from his late residence on Saturday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock to Catholic cemetery.
Friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend.
MONTGOMERY—At Kingston, August 27th, 1915, Eliza, wife of Robert Montgomery, at her home, 128 Montreal Street West.
Funeral private—notice later.

IN MEMORIAM.

Whereas, It has pleased the Supreme Architect of the Universe to recall from our midst one of our most worthy and esteemed members, James Lee; Whereas, the long and intimate relations held with him in the faithful discharge of his duties in this Association makes it earnestly besting that we record our appreciation of him.
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