

# EYE-WITNESS TELLS STORY OF SEA FIGHT

### German Description of Battle in Which Bluecher Sunk is Given in Great Detail.

#### INSIST BRITISH LOST SHIP

(Correspondence of the Associated Press.)  
 BERLIN, Feb. 5.—The German newspapers have commenced the publication of a series of "eye witness" articles on naval affairs, written by Otto von Gottberg, a well-known author. Of the battle of January 24, in which the German cruiser Bluecher was sunk, Von Gottberg, writing from interviews with participants, mostly officers, says the German squadron was made up of the first-class cruisers Bluecher, Seydlitz, Derfflinger and Moltke, the smaller cruisers Kolberg, Stralsund, Graudenz and Rostock, of which the last two were not engaged in the actual fighting, and of torpedo craft.

The Kolberg was the first to sight the enemy, a small British cruiser, accompanied by destroyers. The remainder of the British fleet was still below the horizon. The Kolberg immediately opened fire. After several minutes the British ship opened with one of its forward guns and then began an artillery duel between the two small cruisers. The Kolberg noted that several of its shells made good hits. The Kolberg received two British shells, one from a 12-centimeter (4-inch) gun and the other from a 10-centimeter (4-inch gun). Neither shot did much material damage, but three men were killed and two wounded.

**British Fleet Sighted.**  
 The Kolberg steamed ahead and was planning to close with the enemy. However, its sister cruiser, the Stralsund, steaming further to the right and a long distance ahead of the squadron, had sighted the main body of the British fleet coming up and signaled to the admiral on board the Seydlitz, "Eight large hostiles sighted on the starboard bow." This signal started the great German cruisers around and closed the umbrella screen of destroyers. The fleet now headed southeast. The British ships again had dropped out of sight and did not appear until some time later, when the pilot of the Moltke called attention to five big ships on the starboard quarter, that is, to the westward on the opposite side from those seen before.

**Shell Surprises Them.**  
 The commander of the Bluecher, writes Von Gottberg, "were still studying the gray shadows on the gray waves when a big shell struck the water 500 yards away, throwing up a high pillar of water. The enemy had unmasked himself. Either five hitherto unreported big ships had been lurking undiscovered behind our ships or else five of the eight previously sighted had made a wide circle completely around our squadron."  
 The German ships immediately answered the fire of the enemy. In order to bring more guns into action, first the enemy, then the German squadron took the familiar echelon formation, like a flight of steps and steamed along twenty-two kilometers (thirteen miles an hour) each ship trying by constant turning to bring as many guns as possible to bear. The British concentrated their fire on our rear-most ship, the Bluecher, and shortly landed a severe hit over the engine room. This forced the Bluecher to drop back slowly even before it hoisted its signal after a second shot reached the engine room, "all engines useless."

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## GERMANS PRACTICE WITH BAYONETS AT POTSDAM

News dispatches tell of trenches being taken at the point of the bayonet and in hand-to-hand fighting. The kaiser is putting his recruits through all the bayonet drills in the manual and the photograph shows some of them drilling at Potsdam barracks.



## CARRANZA FIRST CHIEF OF MEXICO

Virtually Sets Up Vera Cruz as Capital and Orders All Communications Sent Him.

**Possible Effect Upon U. S.**  
 WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—General Venustiano Carranza, as the first chief of the constitutionalist army, notified the world today that all communications to his government from outside sources must pass through him. If directed to any general, he said, they must be referred to him anyhow. Carranza's decree reached Washington through Rafael Zubaran Capmany, his minister of the interior, who telegraphed it to Eliseo Arredondo, Carranza's local representative.

The order, apparently, will make it impossible for diplomatic representatives of foreign governments to deal with the Carranza government except by going to Vera Cruz, which they have been unwilling to do last such action be construed as formal recognition. Already most of the diplomats at Mexico City have asked their governments for permission to leave when the situation becomes intolerable, and some of them have been advised to use their own discretion.

## Great Floods Sweep Near the Vatican

ROME, Feb. 15.—Floods throughout Italy are assuming alarming proportions, and continuous rains. The river Tiber is over fifty feet out of its normal banks and has flooded the lower parts of the town, especially the quarters around the Vatican.

The military authorities have taken up rescue work and the task of providing food for the people out from supplies. Rome has been divided into four districts and soldiers in all are going about taking food to marooned persons, ladders and ropes and other things to be used in rescue work and timbers for holding up the walls of houses.

**Americans Robbed by Yaqui Indians**  
 ON BOARD U. S. S. SAN DIEGO, SAN DIEGO, Cal., Feb. 15.—E. A. Butler and J. E. Colier, American mining men, were stripped of all their clothing by fifteen Yaqui Indians and robbed of a bar of gold worth about \$25,000 and 200 pesos in the mountains of Sonora, Mexico, according to a report today from the United States gunboat Annapolis at Guaymas.

Butler and Colier were traveling in a motor car and left the Yaqui river country Friday.  
 The Indians have issued a decree ordering all Mexicans and foreigners from their land.

## MILLER ON THEOSOPHY AND PSYCHISM IDEA

Burd F. Miller delivered a lecture on "Spirituality and Psychism" at Theosophical hall, Sunday evening, in which he declared that the general idea prevailing that theosophy taught psychism, was wrong. That they had always warned students against attempting to acquire psychic powers by the many methods employed by those who, without scruple, taught psychism, by curious practices and without attempting to protect the ignorant against the evil consequences which invariably follow their acquisition.

## Culls from the Wire

The commission recently named by President Wilson to deal with labor difficulties which might arise between operators and miners in the Colorado coal fields will continue in existence.  
 Officers will leave Los Angeles for New York, probably today, to bring to Los Angeles for trial Matthew A. Schmidt, alleged confederate of the McNamara brothers, who are now serving prison terms for the dynamiting of the Los Angeles Times building October 1, 1914.

## WHEAT EMBARGO IS URGED

New York City Investigators Say Uncertainty Raises Price of Bread.

**REPORT SENT ON TO WILSON**  
 NEW YORK, Feb. 15.—An immediate embargo on the exportation of wheat, as a preventive of further increase in the price of bread, is recommended for consideration by the federal government in the report of Mayor E. F. Mitchell's food committee, submitted by George W. Perkins, the chairman, today. The opinion is expressed in the report that if wheat continues to be exported at the present abnormal rate the price of bread will soar much higher. Mayor Mitchell has forwarded the report to President Wilson.

## Spanish Premier Tells of Caro Case to His Parliament

MADRID, Feb. 15.—Special Cablegram to New York World and Omaha Bee.—Signor Caro, Spanish minister to Mexico, who was expelled by Carranza, states that Carranza alleges as the ground for his act that Caro associated himself with the political events in the country.

## Glad to See Villa

EL PASO, Tex., Feb. 15.—A dispatch from General Villa, received here today, told of the occupation of Guadalajara, the western metropolis of Mexico, by convention troops after a brief fight outside the city with Carranza forces. The entrance of the Villa forces into the city was marked by demonstrations of joy by the people, the dispatch says.

## A Healthy, Happy Wife

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## HAMILTON CAFE TO OPEN AGAIN IN A SHORT TIME

Regarding the report that the Hamilton cafe would be permanently closed and would probably be transformed into store rooms, E. O. Hamilton of Hamilton Brothers, the proprietors, has issued a denial.  
 "The cafe will be opened again in just a few days," he said, "and we have not contemplated making any changes. Of course, the rumor about the stores is not correct, for it would be preposterous to place trade shops underneath apartments."

## CANT FIND DANDRUFF

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## Submarines to Scatter Mines in Danger Zone

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 CHRISTIANIA, Feb. 14.—(Special Cablegram to New York World and Omaha Bee.)—Reports from Germany, printed in the Scandinavian newspapers, indicate that the German naval authorities regard the patrolling of the national coasts on neutral ships to be an insufficient precaution, since the greatest danger threatened is not from torpedoes, but from mines. It is intended to scatter these from German submarines, especially constructed for that purpose, and the plan will be vigorously pursued in all parts of the proclaimed area.

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10 bars Beat 'Em All, Lenox, White Russian or Laundry Queen White Laundry soap	250
5 lbs. best white or yellow cornmeal	17c
10 lbs. pure buckwheat flour	50c
7 lbs. best bulk laundry starch	35c
4 16-oz. cans condensed milk	25c
32-oz. jars pure fruit preserves	25c
6 cans oil sardines	35c
The best domestic macaroni, vermicelli or spaghetti, pkg.	75c
4 lbs. choice Japan rice	25c
1 lb. rolled white breakfast oatmeal	25c
Hershey's breakfast cocoa, lb.	30c
E. C. Corn Flakes, pkg.	5c
Grape Nuts, pkg.	10c
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2-lb. cans fancy sweet sugar corn, at	15c
Large bottle pure strained lard	25c
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Fancy pitted prunes, lb.	12 1/2c
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Per dozen	25c, 45c, 55c
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No. 1 country creamery butter, per lb.	32c
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