

# TEUTONS FORCED BACK IN BELGIUM; 'RUSS TO CONTINUE WAR'—KERENSKY

## LANSING ASSAILS PAPER WHICH SAID 'RUSSIA QUILTS WAR'

Nothing in Dispatches or Associated Press Interview to Substantiate Statement That Slavs Are About To Get Out of Conflict; Big Cash Loan Is Made.

### BULLETIN.

Washington, Nov. 2.—The government's apparent faith in Russia was reiterated today in the authorization for a loan of \$31,700,000 out of credits previously arranged for, which was to be placed to the credit of the Russian government at the federal reserve bank of New York during the day.

### LANSING SCORES POST.

Secretary Lansing today authorized the statement that neither on the basis of official advices to the government, nor on the basis of Premier Kerensky's statement, could it be said that Russia was about to quit the war. The government, he said, deplored constructions to the contrary. Secretary Lansing, deploring any interpretation of Kerensky's statement to the effect that Russia was out of the war, assailed the Washington Post, which printed over a brief and preliminary account of Kerensky's statement the headline, "Russia Quits War." He authorized this statement:

"There has been absolutely nothing in the dispatches received by the Department of State from Russia, nor in information derived from any other

## ROADS OF STATE TAKE OVER COAL, GARFIELD IS TOLD

Kennedy Wires to Fuel Administrator When He Learns of the Confiscation.

John L. Kennedy, state coal administrator, advised Dr. Harry Garfield at Washington of the appropriation by the Rock Island railroad of the coal supply at Fairbury, Neb., reported this morning through The Bee correspondent, together with similar cases elsewhere in this state.

The seizure of the coal at Fairbury created a coal famine which threatened the operation of the water and electric light plants.

"Dr. Garfield advised us when we were in Washington that appropriation of coal in transit by the railroads was not to be permitted hereafter. The railroads are to look after their own supply and may apply to the government for relief," said Mr. Kennedy. "The government will supply the railroads with fuel."

"The Union Pacific also has appropriated coal to its own use at Schuyler, Neb."

These cases will be taken up with the federal coal administration and steps taken to prevent or obviate the necessity of their recurrence in Nebraska.

Ordered to Supply Cars. Washington, Nov. 2.—To remedy the shortage of commercial coal in the west and northwest the priority committee of the war industries board today ordered seven western railroads serving coal mines in Utah and Wyoming to supply daily to these mines "all or so many of the empty box and single deck stock cars moving west or northwest over their lines as may be required to transport coal ready for shipment west or northwest, according to the direction in which such cars are being moved."

The order specifies that commercial coal destined to the west and northwest shall have preference and priority in shipment after the transportation of railroad fuel supply, live stock and perishable freight, government shipments and commodities to and from smelting plants sufficient to keep them in operation.

The railroads affected by the order are the following: Denver & Rio Grande; Los Angeles & Salt Lake; Utah Railway company, the Union Pacific, Oregon Short Line, the Southern Pacific, and the Western Pacific.

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## NOEL KILLED IN FEUD SAYS LONGNECKER

Villisca Photographer Believed Murdered; Mystery Shrouds Shooting; Coroner's Jury to Sit On Case.

Detective L. W. Longnecker is inclined to believe that J. W. Noel, Villisca photographer, who was found dead at Albia, Ia., Thursday with a bullet hole in his forehead, was murdered. He had no definite theory to offer, but bases his opinion on the tense feeling which has been engendered in Montgomery county.

"I worked on the case many weeks and was one of the first to start an investigation of the ax murders. I have followed the case closely from the first and know every angle of it. It is my belief that Noel was murdered," stated Longnecker.

"My only surprise is that there has not been a killing before this. I would not be surprised to hear of other shootings before this affair is cleared up," he said.

### Overheard Conversation.

"Noel," he continued, "testified at the Jones-Wilkerson slander suit a year ago that he overheard a conversation in Jones' machine shop in Villisca. There was supposed to have been a crack in the boards through which he claimed to have heard a conversation between Senator F. F. Jones and his son, Albert. Noel claimed the information he overheard indicated that Jones and his son were afraid of Ed Landers. At the recent Kelly trial, you will recall, Landers testified that on the evening of the murder he observed Albert Jones enter the Moore home at about 8:15 o'clock. His testimony was impeached by the prosecution. Noel and Landers were boon companions."

### Noel Star Witness.

Noel was star witness in the Jones slander suit against Detective J. N. Wilkerson, and one of the strongest supporters of Wilkerson in his fight in Montgomery county, Iowa, to bring about the acquittal of Rev. Lyn G. J. Kelly for the Villisca ax murders.

A coroner's jury will sit on the case Saturday morning.

### Bearing on Haver Case.

Logan, Ia., Nov. 2.—(Special.)—It is expected here that the mysterious death of J. W. Noel, Villisca photographer who died in the hospital after being shot through the head at Albia, Ia., will have a marked bearing on the trial of H. M. Haver, attorney general of Iowa, which is set for November 6.

Haver is under indictment on the charge of "oppression in office." This move was one of the outstanding developments in the investigation of the Villisca, Ia., ax murders of 1912. It was in connection with the attorney general's alleged action last spring during a grand jury investigation of the ax murders that the indictment was returned at Red Oak, Ia., September 4, 1917.

### Haver Gets New Venue.

Announcement of the indictment came a few hours after the opening of the trial of Rev. Lyn George J. Kelly, who was charged with the ax slaying. The trial ended in a jury disagreement. Haver was in personal charge of the prosecution.

Released on \$1,000 bond, Haver successfully sought a change of venue to Harrison county on the ground that he could not be assured a "just and impartial" trial in Montgomery county of which Red Oak is the seat. The state supreme court recently sustained this change when an attempt was made to have the order quashed.

The indictment of Haver resulted from his examination of Mrs. Alice Willard of Villisca, before the grand jury at Red Oak during the investigation that terminated in the exoneration of a former state senator, F. F. Jones, and his son, Albert.

### U. S. Seizes All Flour Trading With Europeans

New York, Nov. 2.—The milling division of the United States food administration announced here tonight that effective immediately all direct trading by American millers, exporters and blenders of flour with European countries is prohibited. This business will be handled hereafter only by the food administration.

## Gus Renze Bags Muskrat When He Thinks He Has Winged a Mallard

Henry W. Dunn, chief of police, Ak-Sar-Ben headliner, and gunman of renown, avers that a hunting trip without Gus Renze and Oscar Lieben would be like playing "Hamlet" without the melancholy Dane.

Mr. Dunn, Charles Lewis and Lee McGrier went a-hunting three weeks ago and agreed to allow Renze and Lieben to accompany them. Renze is something of a tyro with shooting irons. He enjoys the sport and is an apt pupil under the direction of his elder sportsmen.

According to Mr. Dunn, who just returned, everybody in the party knew when Renze got a shot. There was no question about it, because the Ak-Sar-Ben artificer loudly pro-

claimed the demise of the feathered victims which were winged by his artillery.

"I got him! Gave him both sides of the gun," yelled Renze on one exciting occasion. Dunn sent his retriever out for the quarry and when the dog returned the chief of police laughed until his ribs ached.

## Cadorna Prepares to Recover Ground Lost to Teuton Armies



According to belief in military circles in Washington, General Cadorna is well protected on the line of the River Tagliamento, about 20 to 25 miles west of the Isonzo. The German and Austrian troops captured Cormons and later Udine, the headquarters of the Italian armies before the retreat began.

## KITE BALLOON BREAKS CABLES AT FORT OMAHA

Captive Bag On Trial Escapes Moorings and Goes Sailing Southward Unpiloted and Alone.

A half dozen officers, in automobiles, and a number of speeding soldiers on fast army motorcycles had a thrilling dash across Nebraska and Iowa yesterday in pursuit of the runaway kite balloon which broke away from its moorings at 9 o'clock in the morning.

Tired of being hitched to the earth the balloon slipped its cables, broke the astonished soldiers "Ta-ta" and hiked away to the northeast. Quick as a flash Leo Stevens and Captain Max Fleishman jumped into a car on the field and tore madly after the balloon. Captain Pagelow was the next to follow and a dozen other soldiers manned cars and automobiles in hot chase.

### Follow Three Hours.

For three hours they followed the balloon which was finally "pinched near Silver City, Ia., after a sixty-mile joy-flight.

The balloon started north, but Leo Stevens and Captain Fleishman crossed the river and turned their machine southward, thinking it would sail in an opposite direction when it struck the higher air currents. This is exactly what happened, but the balloon, as if possessing human instinct, toyed and coquetted with its pursuers, dipped and rose, coming near and then rising. It was at an altitude of about 8,000 feet much of the time. Gradually, as it grew hotter, the automatic valve opened and let gas escape.

### Begins to Come Down.

Finally, when it got 10 miles beyond Silver City, Ia., it began to come down near to the foremost automobile in which Leo Stevens and Captain Fleishman were riding. They managed to spring up and catch its ropes, but the combined efforts of these two and the driver could not hold down the balloon. When it touched the ground the immense cables dragged and thus released their weight from the bag.

Thereupon it shot up again, tearing itself from the hands of the men. It now headed north again, being in the lower current and the automobiles turned back. Several times it was caught and broke away. Finally, when a mile from Silver City it came low enough so Leo Stevens could make a flying leap into the basket.

### Takes Big Chance.

He took a chance of being crushed or thrown out—in the excitement of the chase he hadn't brought his parachute. He landed safely, however, and was then able to bring the balloon down by opening the valves. A motor truck was sent for and the now drooping balloon brought home in disgrace. But it was great sport while it lasted, the balloon would probably say. Readers of French classics were reminded of the famous runaway cannon on a ship, described by Victor Hugo, which likewise led its captors a chase. But it caused much damage before caught, so there the simile ends.

### 'Former Bee Man Here.

Karl Lee, formerly member of The Bee editorial staff, now serving Uncle Sam in the marine corps, is in Omaha on a short furlough.

## FINLAND MAKES PORT WITH LOSS OF 8 AMERICANS

United States Transport Recently Torpedoed by U-Boat Reaches French Coast; Immenes Casualty List.

Washington, Nov. 2.—The torpedoing of the homeward bound army transport Finland in the war zone four days ago resulted in the death of two members of the naval armed guard, two army enlisted men and four of the ship's civilian crew. A third seaman is missing.

Vice Admiral Sims' report of the casualties to the Navy department today added no details to the announcement yesterday that the Finland had been torpedoed, but had been able to reach a European port under its own steam.

### The Casualty List as Made Public Late Today Follows:

Members of the naval crew: JAMES W. HENRY, seaman, second class, dead. Next of kin, Rose Henry, Harrison, N. J.

NEWTON R. HEAD, seaman, dead. Next of kin not given. Home address, Cleveland, Ga.

PORTER HILTON, seaman, second class, missing. Mother, Mrs. Lizzie Hilton, Toccoa, Ga.

ARMY: PRIVATE LESTER HICKEY, infantry, drowned. Father, Thomas Hickey, 142 North Racine avenue, Chicago, Ill.

CHIEF ELIAS H. MAXWELL, colored transport workers' battalion, drowned. Brother, Thomas E. Maxwell, Concord, N. C.

Members of Finland's crew: M. CARDOZA, fireman, drowned. No emergency address.

J. HANESLO, barber, drowned. No emergency address.

W. F. PHILLIPS, waiter, drowned. Brother, A. Phillips, Jackson Barracks, New Orleans, La.

JOSE CUEVAS, mess boy, probably died from injuries. Father, M. Cuevas, Havana, Cuba.

Two of the dead and missing men were members of the naval armed guard and two were army men, a private, and a negro transport worker. The others lost were civilian members of the Finland's crew.

### Left in Small Boats

The announcement that five of the men were drowned indicated to officials that the Finland's company left the vessel in small boats until it was made certain that it could remain afloat. The capsizing of one of the boats in launching might account for the drowning of the men.

It is assumed that two of the armed guard were killed by the explosion of the torpedo and that the missing one probably was blown overboard by the explosion as was a seaman on the destroyer Cassin when it was torpedoed recently.

### Transport Reaches Port

A French Atlantic Seaport, Nov. 2.—The American transport Finland is in drydock here. The vessel received such slight damages from the German torpedo which recently struck it that it will not be long before it puts to sea again. The torpedo struck a coal bunker which lessened the effect of the explosion.

## GERMAN RETREAT FROM THE AISNE BERLIN ADMITS

Teutons Evacuate Points on Chemin Des Dames, Made Untenable by Allies After Recent French and British Advances; East Bank of Tagliamento Cleared of Italians.

Berlin, via London, Nov. 2.—The Germans have retreated from points along the Chemin Des Dames in the Aisne sector of the front in France, according to the German official communication issued this evening.

The communication gives no reason for the maneuver, but said it was made during Thursday night systematically and without interference by the French troops.

## U.S. TROOPS ROUT GERMAN SNIPERS AT THEIR GAME

Sammies in Trenches Anxious For Action; Few Cases of Sickness Reported; Men Caked With Mud.

With the American Army in France, Nov. 2.—Some of the American soldiers who have just been relieved after service in the trenches had thrilling stories to tell on returning to the billets. On clear days, especially, German snipers became active. Bullets went singing harmlessly overhead. American infantrymen were told off to attend to any sniper who became active, and more than one of them will snipe Americans no more. "This game of 'sniping the sniper' is highly popular. The only complaint heard today was that there was not enough rifle shooting to satisfy the infantrymen. Several of the soldiers said they went out to fight but did not get enough. There is no scarcity of expert riflemen when a sniper starts in.

### Colonel Is Target.

A colonel had an exciting experience when the Germans nearly got the range of an observation post in which were he and his aide. They lost no time in taking temporary cover.

The artillery on both sides was rather more active during the last days on which the first contingent of Americans was in the trenches. The Germans shelled the back areas and approaches, putting shrapnel and high explosive shells in the direction of the trenches and battery positions. Aside from living up things for a while, nothing was accomplished by the enemy.

The infantry in one section had quite a lively time for two nights. The Germans, thinking a hostile patrol was near them, opened fire with their rifles at the point where the opposing trenches are nearest. The Americans let the Germans fire for a time and then they themselves began to fire.

### Morale of Americans Excellent.

Several German airplanes which flew over the trenches were targets for rifles and machine guns. The morale of the Americans is distinctly pleasing to the French. The troops marched out of the trenches in the dark, their wet and muddy clothes clinging to them. As soon as they were out of hearing of the Germans the men swung along whistling or singing.

### May Be Merely Delay.

Uncertainty exists, however, as to whether the Italian high command has planned a definite stand on the Tagliamento line or if merely a delaying action is intended to afford time for the preparation of a stronger line at the Livorno, 10 to 15 miles further west, or at the Piave, approximately 25 miles from the Tagliamento. The next day or two seems likely to resolve this doubt.

### Corn on Omaha Market Shows a Slight Decline

Omaha's grain market was slow Friday, with prices slightly lower. Corn was down a cent, or so, bids being around \$1.85@2.05. Receipts were 18 carloads.

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## Omaha Paper Uses Same Head Lines Over "Fake"

An Omaha daily newspaper today published a garbled account of Premier Kerensky's statement. The objectionable headlines used by the Washington Post which were complained of by Secretary of State Lansing appeared almost to the letter in the Omaha paper.

The dispatch was "faked" by a correspondent for the Omaha paper in Washington from an exclusive cablegram from Petrograd to the Associated Press.

source whatever, to justify the impression created by the Washington Post today principally by the headline, "Russia Quits War," that Russia is out of the conflict.

A reading of the full interview with Premier Kerensky, of which the paper published only an abbreviated and preliminary account itself, shows that the headline is entirely unwarranted. Our own advices show that the provisional government in Petrograd is attacking with great energy the problems confronting it.

Reports received from Petrograd by mail and telegram show that Premier Kerensky and his government are still animated by a strong determination to organize all Russia's resources in a whole-hearted resistance and carry the war through to a victorious completion. At the same time this government, like those of the allies, is rendering all possible assistance.

### Causes Sensation.

While Premier Kerensky's remarkable statement of Russia's situation created a profound sensation among American officials and all the allied diplomats here, they note with confidence his emphasis that Russia is not out of the conflict, however war-worn it may be.

In entente allied diplomatic circles in Washington Premier Kerensky's statement is not regarded as discouraging; in fact, it was stated that the

## The Weather

Temperatures at Omaha Yesterday.

Hour	Temp.	Deg.
5 a. m.	31	31
8 a. m.	32	32
11 a. m.	32	32
2 p. m.	32	32
5 p. m.	32	32
8 p. m.	32	32
11 p. m.	32	32
Lowest yesterday	30	30
Mean temperature	32	32
Deficiency for the day	0.0	0.0
Total deficiency since March 1	42.2	42.2
Normal precipitation	0.8	0.8
Deficiency for cor. period, 1916-17	6.3	6.3
Total rainfall since March 1	21.24	21.24
Deficiency since March 1	6.13	6.13
Deficiency for cor. period, 1915-16	2.16	2.16
Deficiency for cor. period, 1915-16	2.16	2.16

### Comparative Local Record.

Highest yesterday	53	51	77
Lowest yesterday	30	27	41
Mean temperature	46	52	61
Precipitation	0.0	0.0	0.0
Temperature and precipitation departures from the normal at Omaha since March 1, and compared with the last two years:			
Normal temperature	44		
Excess for the day	2		
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### Reports From Stations at 7 P. M.

Station and State	Temp.	High.	Rain.
Omaha, clear	32	32	0.0
St. Louis, clear	32	32	0.0
Chicago, clear	32	32	0.0
Denver, clear	32	32	0.0
Des Moines, clear	32	32	0.0
Dodge City, clear	32	32	0.0
Lander, clear	32	32	0.0
North Platte, clear	32	32	0.0
Omaha, clear	32	32	0.0
Public, clear	32	32	0.0
Okla. City, clear	32	32	0.0
Salt Lake City, clear	32	32	0.0
Santa Fe, clear	32	32	0.0
Sheridan, clear	32	32	0.0
Sioux City, clear	32	32	0.0
Valentine, clear	32	32	0.0

L. A. WELSH, Meteorologist.