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## BELGIAN ARMY SHOWS MARVELOUS FIGHTING SPIRIT

### FIERCE ATTACKS RESULT IN NO DEFINITE DECISION

**This is Clearly Evident From Reports Issued at Various War Headquarters—Both French and British Pay Tribute to Valor of Belgians—Particularly Hard Fighting in Region of Lille, But Town is Still Held by Germans—Action Taken For Relief of the Hundreds of Thousands of Belgians Threatened With Starvation in Their Own Country.**

### THE GERMANS ARE BELIEVED TO BE FIGHTING UNDER DISADVANTAGES

(By Associated Press.) Both French and British pay tribute to the valor of the Belgians, who with the Allies, are holding back the German advance along the North sea coast. Important fighting has been in progress from the coast as far south as La Bassée, a distance of about 50 miles, but this line is divided into several fronts on which separate engagements are being fought. It is this line the Germans are endeavoring to break in their attempt to reach Dunkirk and other French seaports.

Three British monitors—the Severn, Humber and Mersey—are shelling the Germans in the vicinity of Ostend, where it is said terrible execution has been done.

There has been particularly hard fighting in the Lille region, where the British are in action. The important French town of Lille still is held by the Germans and encounters in this neighborhood have been of a hard character.

At last real action has been taken for the relief of the Belgians, upon whom has fallen the great burden of suffering from the war. An American commission headed by Herbert C. Hoover, of California, and composed of American residents in London and Brussels, as the result of an agreement reached between Belgium, Great Britain and Germany, will take under its charge the care of hundreds of thousands of Belgians threatened with starvation in their own country.

Already a large consignment of food has been purchased and will be shipped to Belgium within a few days. Optimistic reports from the Russian viewpoint come from Petrograd, where it is officially announced that the German troops have been driven from the roads leading to Warsaw and are in full retreat, leaving their wounded on the field of battle.

Similarly the Russians report that the advances of the Austrians in Galicia have been stayed.

Sasebo, the Japanese naval port, reports that the Japanese have destroyed the military equipment and seized large quantities of gold and ammunition of war on the German islands in the South seas, recently occupied.

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LONDON, Oct. 21.—Fierce attacks and counter attacks delivered almost continuously for a week or more by the Allies and the Germans have

### Allies Recapture Roulers After Heavy Bombardment

**German Bombed Many Buildings and Scores of Inhabitants Must Have Lost Their Lives in Cellars Where They Sought Refuge.**

(By Associated Press.) AMSTERDAM, Oct. 21. (By way of London, 7:05 p. m.)—The Telegraph learns from Brussels that the Allies were successful after a bombardment of Roulers, in west Flanders, that lasted throughout Tuesday night. It is reported that the Allies occupy the town.

The Telegraph correspondent says 40,000 Germans last week occupied Roulers and later moved on to reinforce the army near Neuport and Dixmude, leaving only about 150 men to hold Roulers. On Sunday 150 French dragons, from Ypres, routed this guard and took possession. Several

### Thousands Homeless and Facing Famine

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, Oct. 21.—Details of the storm which interfered with early Japanese operations against Kiao Chow were given in mail advices reaching the state department today from the American vice consul at Choofoo, China. The vice consul not only confirmed the large loss of life, but said thousands were made homeless and left to face famine.

A series of heavy rain and windstorms immediately preceded the typhoon which occurred September 8. "The most serious aspect of the matter," says the report, "is the enormous loss of crops all throughout the peninsula. The Chinese estimate from that 60 to 80 per cent of the crops are a total loss."

### With Broken Leg Saves Lives of Wife and Neighbor's Child

(By Associated Press.) CHARLOTTE, N. C., Oct. 21.—With a leg broken yesterday, H. J. Holliman of Marshville, N. C., says a special from that place, today rolled from his bed and somehow managed to get to a well in the yard and save the lives of his wife and a neighbor's child, after Mrs. Holliman had jumped into eight feet of water. Tom Baskin, aged six, in playing around Holliman's unfinished well, fell in. Mrs. Holliman, leaping in, scooped the boy to the surface and by leaping from the bottom managed to get enough air to hold out until her husband came.

### Appeal for Protection of Catholic Clergy

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, Oct. 21.—An appeal to the American government to protect the Catholic clergy and church in Mexico, and demand reparation for past outrages was filed with the state department today by a committee of the American Federation of Catholic Societies.

Numerous instances of alleged atrocities by revolutionary leaders were set forth in a statement prepared by a committee appointed at the Baltimore conference of the federation.

### Advise Germans To Leave Capital

(By Associated Press.) LONDON, Oct. 21. (6:45 p. m.)—The Exchange Telegraph company has given out a dispatch from Amsterdam which says that an arrival in that city from Brussels is authority for the statement that the German military commander in the Belgian capital has placarded the city advising all German civilians to leave within 48 hours. This news has not been confirmed.

### ALLIED FORCES HOLDING GROUND

**French War Office Reports Violent Battle on the Left Wing.**

(By Associated Press.) PARIS, Oct. 21. (11 p. m.)—The official statement issued by the French war office tonight reports a violent battle on the left wing with the Allied forces holding their ground everywhere. The text follows: "Our left wing from the North sea as far as La Bassée, on the several fronts from Neuport to Dixmude, from Ypres to Menin and from Waroux to La Bassée, a violent battle has been fought during the whole day. "According to the latest advices the Allied forces were holding their ground everywhere. "There is nothing to report regarding the center of the right wing of Russia. The German army watch had advanced on Warsaw, was forced yesterday to beat a precipitate retreat, the enemy abandoning the positions which he had established for himself. The Russians are in pursuit and have captured a number of prisoners."

### SENATE PASSES THE BOND ISSUE

**ALL EFFORTS TO CHANGE MEASURE WERE REJECTED**

### \$35,000,000 IN BONDS

**Hope for Eliminating Cotton in 1915 Dashed on Rocks by House.**

Special to The Intelligencer.

COLUMBIA, Oct. 21.—Hope for eliminating cotton in South Carolina in 1915 was dashed on the rocks this afternoon by the house. Advocates of the bond issue gained hope by the action of the senate on the measure which would carry \$35,000,000 to aid the distressed cotton farmers of the State.

Rejecting amendment after amendment and disregarding a desperate eleventh-hour fight, the senate this afternoon passed the joint resolution to submit to the people the question of voting \$35,000,000 five year five per cent cotton bonds for the purpose of the cotton buying up the cotton crop. The vote was overwhelming 25 to 4, in addition to a pair being announced. Those voting for the bond issue were Ackerman, Appelt, Beaubard, Christensen, Dennis, Earle, Ginn, Goewin, Gross, Hardin, Hough, Johnson, Johnston, Ketchin, Laney, Lawson, McEwen, Nicholson, Patterson, Richardson, Sharpe, Stuckey, Sullivan, Verner, Young, total 25. Those who voted against the bill were: Clifton, Carlsle, Buck and Sinker. Senator Williams announced that he was joined with Senator Clifton who was absent. That he would have voted against the bill with Senator Clifton voting for it. The measure now goes to the house. All efforts to change the measure were rejected by heavy majorities. An amendment by Senator Christensen to eliminate the buying feature, and retain only the loaning feature, was rejected 8 to 24. Under the bill the State will either buy the cotton outright from the producer on a basis of ten cents per pound, or the producer can give his note to the State together with warehouse receipt and obtain a loan of 9 cents per pound. In either case the producer must put up 10 per cent for interest and cost charges.

Under the bill benefits are to be for the producer of cotton, or for the land owner on which the cotton is grown, and holders of cotton for benefit of producers or land owners. An amendment was adopted at the suggestion of Senator Nicholson extending the benefits of the bond issue to those corporations, or persons who purchased cotton outright, or took it in on accounts at 10 cents per pound prior to October 20, provided that such cotton was grown in this State and that such persons or corporations are citizens of this State.

Senator Carlsle sought to put in an amendment permitting the sinking fund commission to loan as much as twenty per cent of the issue, if practicable, on real estate mortgages, but this was snuffed under. The measure was handled a trimly by Senator Lile, and just after 3 o'clock President Smith ordered the roll call, which resulted in the bill being passed 25 to 4 and ordered sent to the house.

The house today decided that it did not want the cotton crop totally eliminated in 1915. This decision was arrived at after over three hours of the most ferid oratory the house has heard this session. Despite the cry "No cotton" bill was killed by a vote of 64 to 36. The measure contained a proviso that it should not become effective unless adopted by the other cotton States. The question of total elimination of the cotton crop in 1915, has been strongly urged since the beginning of the present session by representatives of the South Carolina branch of the Southern Cotton Congress.

The appropriation bill, to meet the expenses of the special session of the general assembly, and certain departments of State government, was passed by the house and sent to the senate without debate this morning. The State treasurer is empowered to borrow \$100,000 on the credit of the State to meet the appropriations, if so much be necessary.

### State Granted Rehearing.

NEW ORLEANS, Oct. 21.—The supreme court of Louisiana today granted the State a rehearing in the case of W. C. Walters who escaped a sentence of life imprisonment for kidnaping when the statute under which he was convicted was held unconstitutional. Walters was found guilty of kidnaping Robert Dunbar, five years old, of Opelousas, La., in 1912.

## BELTON'S GREATEST EVENT IS NOW ONLY HISTORY

### Austria and Hungary Face Meat Shortage

(By Associated Press.) VENICE, VIA PARIS, Oct. 22. (1:50 a. m.)—Austria and Hungary face a serious meat shortage, according to information received here. The situation is aggravated further by the necessity of providing for troops in the field.

The fact that higher prices have failed to attract larger supplies to the markets is taken to indicate that the total stock of cattle within the dual monarchy is inadequate. There is no immediate likelihood of an increase in imports.

### Wants Youths Trained For Military Service

BORDEAUX, Oct. 21. (11:45 a. m.)—The French government, through the minister of public instruction has directed Baron Pierre de Coubertin, president of the French Olympic games committee, to organize the physical and military training of the young men of France, and especially of those youths who would come normally into the army in 1916. These young men are now 18 years old and they number between 275,000 and 300,000.

### Estimates Losses At 750,000 Men

(By Associated Press.) BERLIN, Oct. 21. (By wireless.)—The military expert of the Krenz Zeitung estimates the losses of the French, the British, the Russians and Belgians, in killed, wounded and prisoners at least three quarters of a million men.

### Steamer Cormorant Sunk in North Sea

(By Associated Press.) LONDON, Oct. 21.—A despatch to Lloyd's from Harwich says the steamer Cormorant of Cork sunk in the North sea. It is supposed she struck a mine. Her crew probably was saved by a torpedo boat which was seen to leave her.

The Cormorant was a steamer of 1595 tons. She was built in 1900 at New Castle and was owned by the Cork Steamship company.

### Being Constantly Hit by Shells

(By Associated Press.) LONDON, Oct. 21.—8 p. m.—A Cettine despatch to the Exchange Telegraph company says the nine forts about Cattaro, Dalmatia, are being constantly hit by shells from the French guns on Mount Lovcen and are gradually being destroyed. Only one fort attempted to reply. The Anglo-French fleet continues a successful bombardment of the outer fortifications.

### Call Out Students of Universities

(By Associated Press.) PETROGRAD, VIA LONDON, Oct. 22. (2:12 a. m.)—Under instructions from Emperor Nicholas the war office today called out students of universities and high schools, who ordinarily are exempt from military service. The order calling out the students, who usually are revolutionary, is considered here as evidence of Russia's present solidarity.

### Issue \$15,000,000 Six Months Treasury Notes

(By Associated Press.) LONDON, Oct. 21. (3:50 p. m.)—An issue of 15,000,000 pound six months treasury notes was made today. The price was 95 pounds 1 shilling 8 pence. Bidders received an average of about 90 per cent of the amount of their applications. This is the fifth similar issue of treasury bills.

**Thousands of Enthusiastic Spectators Gather Yesterday in Our Sister City and Help Make the Fifth Annual Belton Fair a Crowning Event. Agricultural Display Demonstrates That Anderson County Products Are Second to None in the Palmetto State—Live Stock Exhibit One of the Most Interesting Features of the Meeting.**

### EXHIBITS WINNING FIRST PRIZES WILL BE SHOWN AT STATE FAIR

(From Thursday's Daily.) The fifth annual Belton fair held at Belton yesterday, is now a matter of history. It is good history at that, and a page will be read and ponder for many a day and from which many good lessons may be learned. Not the least of the things taught yesterday by this large and enthusiastic gathering of people from all over the Piedmont, is that Anderson county products are second to none anywhere in the Palmetto State. The variety of things grown in this county is large, the quality is good, and the people who grow them know how to grow them and when grown to display them to advantage.

Then another fact brought out yesterday by the exhibits made, is that this is not such a bad year for the farmer after all. There were many more exhibits in every class this year than last. In the farm exhibits there were 291 exhibitors, whose entries got in, and many more received too late for entry and classification. The poultry exhibit was almost twice as large as that of a year ago, there being 103 exhibits, and in quality there was the same improvement noted. The live stock exhibit was also very good, and while there were not as many as there should have been, there were twice as many of these as were entered a year ago. Over one-third of the hogs could not be put into the pens, and while the cattle did not cover a thousand hills they did cover one, and every tree and hitching place had its cow. The hogs were fine, and the man who did not covet some of the beautiful milk cows, was not familiar with what a good cow is worth.

One of the most interesting exhibits, or rather, features of the fair, was the show ring for the live stock. Great crowds intently watched every entry in this department, and there were many good ones. The colts and horses were all good, as well as were the mules.

The fifth annual Belton fair was formally opened at 10 o'clock Wednesday morning. The first event on the day's program was the parade, led by the Belton band and the future men and women of the city, the school boys and girls, accompanied by Mayor Ross Mitchell, and Secretary Claude A. Graves. The first grade of the Belton school, in charge of Miss Frances Burns, teacher, were in the lead in the large truck of the

Belton Coca-Cola company. Following these were the pupils of the Belton school, over 500 being in line, under Prof. J. B. Watkins, superintendent. After these came a splendidly equipped farm wagon, laden with the products of the farm of Mr. Jas. G. Harris, tastily arranged. Then came many of the horses, mules and pony outfits having been entered as exhibits. The parade circled the square and was soon dismissed to allow the participants to mingle with the crowd and enjoy the day.

The Farm Exhibits. Much interest was shown in the agricultural exhibits, and these were considered by all present, as being very fine. In variety and number they were above the average at county fairs, and one exhibitor, Mr. D. A. Geer, kindly loaned the fair association for the occasion, the departments for the different classes of exhibits were rolled off and the products of the farms skillfully arranged.

The Poultry Exhibit. It is seldom that one finds so many "classy" fowls as were gathered together in the building set apart for the use of the poultry fanciers. It is a sure sign that the exhibition soon to be held in Anderson will not lack exhibitors of fine poultry. Last year there were only about 50 exhibitors, while this year there were 103.

Live Stock Exhibit. It was noticeable that great crowds of those at the fair yesterday went to the department set aside for the live stock exhibit. The hogs, cows and horses were admired, examined and pronounced good. As a class, the hogs shown were perhaps better than any other live stock. There were several pens of very fine swine, and the judges had a hard task in deciding the winners.

The Woman's Building. Possibly the most attractive building at the fair, and certainly the one that appealed most to the ladies was the woman's building and well it deserved its popularity, for never was there a display of handiwork of more beautiful selection of woman's handwork.

Mrs. G. C. Cuthbert, Mrs. W. C. Bowen, Mrs. R. A. Lewis, Mrs. F. M. Cox and Mrs. W. J. Moorhead, were the committee in charge of this building.

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## Starving Belgians To Be Fed By American Commission

**Estimated That 700,000 Are on Verge of Starvation in Their Own Country—Food Situation in Belgian is Critical.**

(By Associated Press.) LONDON, Oct. 22. (12:35 a. m.)—After diplomatic negotiations lasting several weeks, in which American Ambassador Page acted as intermediary between Belgium, England and Germany, an agreement has been reached by which the starving Belgians will be fed by a commission of Americans in London and Brussels, headed by Herbert C. Hoover, of California, who has acted as chairman of the American relief committee in London. It is estimated that 700,000 Belgians who are still in their own country are on the verge of starvation. Early in the negotiations regarding means to relieve these people, Germany declared her willingness to assist but declined to give guarantees requested by the British until England lifted the embargo on foodstuffs. The situation was becoming desperate when Ambassador Page proposed that