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Greatest Air Battle In the War

Large Squad of Allied Aeroplanes Raid Mulhausen—Many Killed on Both Sides—Combat Witnessed by Thousands of Persons

BASEL, Switzerland, Mar. 20.—When twenty-three Allied aeroplanes raided Mulhausen, in Upper Alsace, the greatest aerial battle in the war took place. Accounts, just reaching here, declare that more than fifty machines were fighting at such close quarters that the Germans' anti-aircraft guns had to cease firing, in order to avoid hitting their own machines. One French airman rammed a German machine, which fell in flames. Five German and three French machines fell, the occupants being killed, even while fighting. As the Allied airmen were fighting they dropped a number of bombs on military positions.

Many thousands of persons witnessed the combat. The Allied air-raid at Mulhausen was reported in yesterday afternoon's French official report.

Hunt for Villa Now Under Way

Carranza Troops Are Advancing From The South—Americans Are Continuing Their March From The North.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 20.—General Carranza has formally protested against American troops occupying Casas Grandes in their pursuit of Villa, and the American Government has replied that the troops have been ordered specifically not to occupy Casas Grandes or any other towns or camps in Mexico.

Scott Govt. May Appeal to Country

Liberal Government in Saskatchewan in a Bad Fix—Some Startling Disclosures Have Come to Light—Premier Scott Appeals to Laurier For Aid

OTTAWA, Mar. 8.—In view of the startling developments, showing wholesale bribery among the Liberal members of the Saskatchewan Government, it is not believed that Sir Wilfrid Laurier will pay any attention to the frantic wire for help sent him by Premier Scott of Saskatchewan, calling for an inquiry into an allegation that Hon. Robert Rogers was the instigator of the present charges. The Liberal leader is too shrewd a politician to allow himself to be used as a catspaw for Hon. Walter Scott.

It is very evident now that Premier Scott's appeal was a frantic last-hour effort to save his own Administration from the force of the charges which he knew were pending. It is believed here that when the Highways probe is started even more startling evidence will come to light. The fact that three men, including one member of the Legislature, a bank manager and a Government official, have already disappeared, is pretty good evidence that the situation is serious.

It is believed that the revelations, backed up by the force of public opinion, will compel Premier Scott, as it did Sir Rodmond Roblin in Manitoba, to appeal to the country. When he does, there can be only one result.

The only thing that can save Scott will be the combined efforts of the highly-organized liberal political ma-

An Up-to-Date Movie Stunt

Escaped German Engineer Crosses The Atlantic In Wife's Trunk—Is Caught And Interned At Kirkwall.

LONDON, Mar. 20.—After crossing the Atlantic from New York in his wife's trunk, Captain Koewer, a German engineer, was detected by the British at Kirkwall, and interned.

French Destroyer Sunk By Austrian Submarine

BERLIN, Mar. 20.—An official Austrian statement says a French destroyer of the Fouché type was torpedoed by an Austrian submarine. The destroyer sank in one minute.

Haig Praises Heroic French Soldiers

Sends a Telegram to Joffre Expressing Regret for French Losses—Gives Unstinted Praise to Exploits of Gallant French Soldiers

PARIS, Mar. 21.—Replying to a telegram from General Sir Douglas Haig, British Commander-in-Chief, regretting the French losses in the great battle which is still raging, and expressing the British army's admiration for the heroic exploits of the unconquerable soldiers of France, General Joffre, the French Commander-in-Chief, says:

Germans Have Laid New Mine Fields

COPENHAGEN, Mar. 21.—Swedish authorities have been notified by Germany that a new mine-field has been laid south of the Sound, according to the "Svenska Dagbladet," of Malmo.

Another Howl From Berlin

BERLIN, Mar. 20.—An official account from the Austrian Admiralty of the torpedoing of the Austro-Hungarian hospital ship Elektra, was received here to-day from Vienna. She was torpedoed on March 18th by an enemy submarine, in clear, sunshiny weather. No warning was given. One sailor was drowned and two Red Cross nurses were badly wounded. It is impossible to imagine a more gross violation of international law on the seas.

chines of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta. Whether they can stem the tide of public opinion is doubtful.

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HEAVY FIGHTING IS REPORTED NORTH WEST OF VERDUN AND ON NORTHERN RUSSIAN FRONT

Germans Again Meet Heavy Losses in the Recent Assault on Verdun Sector—Austrians and Italians Still Battle for Positions.

LONDON, Mar. 21.—Heavy battles have been in progress north-west of Verdun and the northern part of the Russian front, where the Russians are keeping up their strong offensive against the Germans. In all these zones the losses have been large, while changes in the positions have been relatively unimportant. North-west of the Verdun sector, at Avicourt and Malancourt, the Germans, after a terrific bombardment, drove a vicious infantry attack, in which liquid fire was employed, against the French front. A fresh German division, brought up from a remote point, participated in the operation. The French, however, with their curtain of fire, aided by machine guns and infantry, put down the attack, with heavy losses to the assaulting forces, except in the eastern part of Malancourt Wood, some ten miles from Verdun, where the Germans made some slight progress. Berlin reports the reverse, also with heavy losses to the French, who attacked the village of Vaux, north-east of Verdun. Elsewhere around the fortress, there have been only intermittent bombardments, and a continuation of fighting in the air between French and German aviators.

Huns Worst Off In Naval Battle Off Belgian Coast

LONDON, Mar. 21.—An engagement occurred yesterday off the Belgian coast between four British and three German destroyers. Two of the German vessels were hit and four men on the British boats were wounded.

KYLE'S PASSENGERS

The Kyle arrived at Port aux Basques at 6 a.m. to-day, bringing M. J. Doyle, P. J. Costigan, Miss E. Marshall and Jas. Strong.

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Greece Annexes Northern Epirus

Report Causes Much Concern In Rome—Disregarded As A Violation of London Conference

ROME, Mar. 21.—Advises received here from Athens says that a Royal decree has been issued proclaiming the annexation of Northern Epirus, part of Albania, to Greece, and is causing some concern, the annexation being regarded in official circles as a violation in the decision of the London conference concerning 'Albania.'

Another Powerful Hun Attack Repulsed

PARIS, Mar. 21.—Another powerful German attack, this time between Avicourt and Malancourt, west of the Meuse, has resulted in heavy losses for the Germans, according to an official, issued by the French War Office to-night. A fresh division, brought up from a distant point was used in this operation, which was characterized by the employment of jets of liquid flame. At one point, west of Malancourt Wood, the Germans made some slight progress.

OFFICIAL BRITISH

To Governor, Newfoundland: LONDON, Mar. 20.—Around Verdun the enemy has continued attacks, making very little progress and losing heavily. Latest reports are encouraging.

There has been much aerial activity. A French squadron attacked Brulles, Metz, and Mulhausen stations, also the Drieuex and Habsheim aerodromes.

To-day, sixty-five Allied aeroplanes bombed the enemy seaplane station and aerodrome at Zebrugge, doing considerable damage. All returned safely.

Four enemy seaplanes attacked Kenish coast towns yesterday. Nine persons were killed. The British pursued. One enemy seaplane was driven into the sea, and the observer killed. The Staff of Wales has been appointed Prince Captain to the General Commanding the Mediterranean Expeditionary Force, and has arrived in Egypt.

The Russians have occupied Mamakhatu, sixty miles west of Erzerum. Italians reports severe fighting on the Isonzo front.

In Western Egypt, Sollum has been re-occupied, and hostile Senussi scattered. Ninety of the crew of the Tara, captured by the Senussi, have been liberated.

Mrs. Asquith Gets Verdict For £1,000

LONDON, Mar. 21.—The libel suit of Mrs. Herbert Asquith against the "Globe" was settled to-day. The plaintiff consented to judgment for £1,000 and costs.

A Dutch Paper Raps Hun Pirates

Socialist Newspaper "Het Volk" Gets After German Submarine Warfare—Don't Believe German Official Statements—Says Germans Sank "Tubantia"

LONDON, Mar. 21.—Reuter's Amsterdam correspondent sends the following comment from the Socialist newspaper "Het Volk" concerning the sinking of Dutch vessels:

Chinese Again Run Amuck

SHANGHAI, Mar. 21.—Revolutionists to-day fired on the steamship Tachuan, in the Yang-tse-Kiang. She was run on the rocks below Chung King, where the crew abandoned her to the robbers.

In the province of Su-chuan, the revolutionists have attacked Penghsien and have appeared in the neighborhood of Hwan, Hsien and Pi-Ching-Tu.

Makes Appeal To Pres. Wilson

AMSTERDAM, Mar. 20.—At the end of another indignation protest concerning the sinking of the Dutch liner Tubantia, the Handelblad makes an appeal to President Wilson to take the interests of neutrals under protection of the States. The newspaper also proposes that Germany should replace the Tubantia and Palembang by vessels of the German mercantile marine.

Attempt to Assassinate Bulgar Premier

PARIS, Mar. 20.—A Bucharest despatch to the Fourmjer Agency says that an attack on Premier Radoslavoff of Bulgaria was made by a post office employee of the name of Ivanoff, who fired two shots at the Premier while returning to his home at Sofia, in an open carriage. One of the bullets wounded the coachman in the arm; the other lodged in the carriage. Ivanoff was disarmed by a student.

Huns Now Drop Several Smoke Bombs

PARIS, Mar. 21.—That a German aviator has dropped several smoke bombs on a French battery is reported from the front. This is the first time since the war began that such bombs have been used. Not in themselves dangerous, these bombs give forth an intense smoke, which persists for a long time, and serves as a guide for hostile artillery.

Hun Attacks Result in Failure

PARIS, Mar. 20.—German forces have bombarded Malancourt, and an attack, made by them on French positions at Cote de Poivre, has resulted in failure.

Huns Have Lost Most Shipping

United States Department of Commerce Issued Statement Showing Shipping Lost by Warring Nations—Ninety-Two Neutrals Have Been Torpedoed

WASHINGTON, Mar. 21.—The European war has taken from the seas more than 2,000 merchant vessels, of nearly 4,000,000 tonnage, according to figures published to-day by the Department of Commerce. Germany, with six hundred vessels sunk, captured, or delayed, leads the list of losers. Two hundred and twenty-five of 500 British vessels lost, were sunk by submarines. Britain's Allies lost 167 ships. Austria-Hungary lost 89 Turkey 124.

Raid Lasted Several Hours

AMSTERDAM, Mar. 21.—The Telegraf states that the bombardment of German positions on the Belgian coast yesterday by a squadron of Allied aeroplanes, lasted for several hours. It says a great fire was observed at Zebrugge after the raid was over at that point.

SHIPBUILDING GETS BIG BOOST AT PARRSBORO

There is a Big Demand for Coasters And Large Vessels

PARRSBORO, Mar. 9.—The great war has caused an abnormal advance in ocean freight rates and that in its turn has led to at least a partial revival of the ship-building industry. W. R. Huntley, the veteran master-ship builder with his son Charles A. Huntley, are getting out the frame for tern schooner, to carry about one hundred tons or nearly five hundred tons register. She will be built in one of the Parrsboro yards, and will be owned by Hugh Gillespie & Company, Burpee, L. Tucker, the builders, and others. G. M. Cochrane is building three large vessels at Port Greville. The first a tern schooner, registering over four hundred tons will probably be launched next month. The next which will be a four-masted schooner, registering over five hundred tons is in frame and will be launched as quickly as possible. This one is for Capt. Leonard Tower, whose fine four masted schooner the British coast last summer on the first voyage. The third will be a tern schooner, of between four and five hundred tons register. Her frame is now being moulded, and will be put up as soon as number one is launched. H. Elderkin and Company, who in former years were the chief shipbuilders at Port Greville are building a tern schooner this year which will probably register over four hundred tons. Captain T. R. Bentley is building for himself, at Advocate Harbour, a tern schooner of over four hundred tons register. Probably all these vessels will be followed by others, as there is a great demand for small sized coasters, as well as for larger vessels, and there is still an abundance of ship timber in the woods.

POINTED EVIDENCE

Little Clara's parents often discuss reincarnation, and the small maiden has acquired some of the phraseology.

"Mamma," she said one day, "my kitten must have been a paper of pins in a previous state of existence."

"Why do you think so?" asked her mother.

"Because I can feel some of them in her toes yet," was the logical reply.

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