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EARLY MESSAGES

WAR SUMMARY.

In the past year of the war a period of extraordinary activity by aerial squadrons of the contending armies in France have been considered as an indication that events were rapidly shaping themselves for an offensive on one side or the other. At the present moment the most notable feature of the war situation is the remarkable work of the airmen in many sectors where a German attack is looked for. This activity has not been restricted to the actual battle area, but far back of each front there have been daring raids. The Rhine cities are being frequently bombed, while Paris has again been in danger of a German attack from the air. American aviators have won a prominent part in this fighting. In the Lunerville and Toul sectors they have given a magnificent account of themselves, while further back and even in the defence of London they have demonstrated their fighting capacity. The German plans for a resumption of the offensive in France have been seriously hampered by the sudden blows of the Allies here and there along the front. The Germans have been forced back at many points, and new lines which may be more easily defended have been established by the Allies. The Americans on their own sectors have given the enemy no rest. The artillery has battered the German lines night and day, while the infantrymen have raid-

ed the German outpost positions and have proved themselves capable of outflanking and outwitting the enemy. Pershing's men have won many hot fights with the enemy, and have captured prisoners. A night gas attack was launched on the enemy near Toul, three waves of shells drenching a wooded position of the enemy with poisonous fumes. The French, too, have been at work in various sectors, particularly in the Somme region. They have gained ground here and there at points, where positions of tactical value were wrested from the Germans. Further north the British front has been fairly quiet with tremendous bursts of artillery fire coming at intervals. Reports from headquarters of the French army say there has been a redistribution of German troops along the whole front. A German attack is expected soon, probably in the Somme region near Albert or the Avre River, where German cannon has been thundering for some days, but so far the German General Staff has not shown its hand. It is known that there are great masses of troops within striking distance of the front, and it is believed when the enemy is ready to strike there will be only brief artillery fire as a prelude to actual assault by his infantry. The last report from the French War Office mentions heavy artillery fire in the Somme region, and at Piemont near Noyon, where there was fierce fighting early in April.

BRITISH OFFICIAL.

LONDON, May 22. In the sector southwest of Arras, German trenches were entered at two points last night by British raiding parties, says to-day's official statement. Prisoners and a machine gun were taken. Other raiding parties brought back a few prisoners from the enemy's positions in the neighborhood of Locon and in the sector between the forest of Nieppe and Meteren.

AUSTRIAN POSITIONS DESTROYED.

ROME, May 22. Italian troops in the mountains west of the Brenta have broken enemy attacks, especially on the southern slopes of Sasso Rosso. On Mont Spina, west of the Piave, says the official statement from the War Office yesterday, Austrian positions were destroyed and 53 prisoners captured.

SAILINGS OF DUTCH SHIPS PROHIBITED.

LONDON, May 22. The prohibition of the sailings of all Dutch ships from Dutch ports, the Rotterdam correspondent of the Daily Telegraph says he learns is connected with a new move by the German

Government to compel Holland to sign on Berlin's terms the long-pending economic agreement which Holland has declined to do, owing to the enormous conditions imposed by Germany. The German Government accordingly has refused a safe conduct to Dutch shipping through the safe zone and seized the steamship Magrez, which Holland chartered to fetch a cargo of wood from Sweden. The seizure was a direct challenge to Holland, and it is added the prohibition of further sailings is the sequel.

A FURTHER CONSIGNMENT.

DUBLIN, May 22. A further consignment of Sinn Fein prisoners left Dublin to-day on the way to England. The group was not one of newly-arrested persons, it was stated, but merely a small number who had been before detained at the local barracks. According to the local newspapers, Count Plunkett was the only prominent person in the party. There was no demonstration at the dock, as the police officials had been careful to keep the arrangements of the departure secret from the public. The Associated Press learns that there still remains a considerable list of "suspects" who may be taken into custody at any time. Considerable significance is attached to the calling into conference here of the military chiefs from Belfast and Cork.

BRITISH OFFICIAL.

LONDON, May 22. North of the Ypres-Comines Canal sixteen prisoners were captured by us. A hostile raiding party approached our lines last night north of Albert. It was repulsed. The enemy's artillery showed some activity during the night in the neighborhood of Dernancourt, and considerable activity east of the forest of Nieppe. The sector northwest of Bethune was heavily bombed with gas shells.

HOPING FOR PEACE.

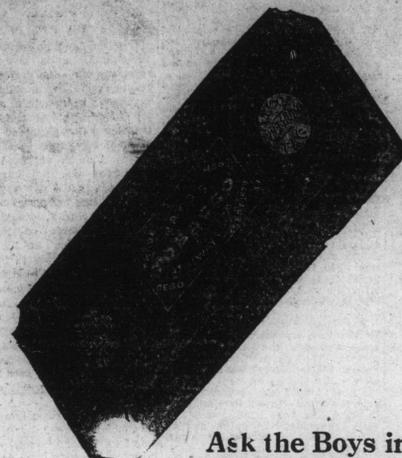
LONDON, May 22. The Breslau newspaper Volkswacht, as quoted in a Copenhagen despatch to the Daily Mail, says Dr. Von Seydler made a visit to Prague and Northern Bohemia, and in addressing striking miners asserted that the effort for general peace which he said Emperor Charles was carrying forward incessantly was not as hopeless as many persons thought. The Premier authorized control by the workmen of good distribution in their own districts and promised that the question of reducing the hours of labor would be taken up by the war ministry and representatives of the workers.

LOOKING SERIOUS IN AUSTRIA.

LONDON, May 22. The Slovenski Parod outbreaks occurred in Pilsen, Marned and other towns. The vast estates of Prince Furstenburg, a close friend of the German Emperor, have been plundered and the buildings on them burned. Dr. Von Seydler, the Austrian Premier, it is added, has summoned Czech Deputy Stanek to discuss the situation. Deputy Stanek has declined, fearing evidently that the indiscriminate hangings and shootings in Galicia at the beginning are to be repeated in Bohemia.

SUICIDE TO INTERFERE.

LONDON, May 22. "Suicide" is the word that was used by the German naval authorities to describe what it would mean for the Kaiser's navy to attempt to interfere with the transport of Allied troops and munitions across the English Channel. Even German submarines, according to their commanders, writes Capt. Von Kuhlwater in the Berlin Lokal Anzeiger and that attacking transport is especially difficult in the Channel. Discussing U-



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boat warfare possibilities generally, he alludes to a suggestion made to post submarines on food consumption will not be increased. I may even say that we are approaching the end of the era of restriction, and that the restrictions at present in force gradually will be eliminated, but I want men for the harvest if they can be found. I can promise that I will diminish the importation of cereals and release important tonnage.

VIOLENT ARTILLERY FIGHTING.

PARIS, May 22. Artillery fighting of the most violent character occurred last night on the front southeast of Amiens, the war office announces. Heavy artillery fighting took place also on the southern part of the battle front in the neighborhood of Piemont, west of Noyon.

BRIGHT PROSPECTS FOR A GOOD HARVEST.

PARIS, May 22. Prospects for the coming harvest in France are better than any year since 1898, Victor Berat, Food Minister, informed the Associated Press upon his return to-day from a week-end tour in the country. Unless an unforeseen situation arises between now and harvest time, he added, actual restrictions on food consumption will not be increased. I may even say that we are approaching the end of the era of restriction, and that the restrictions at present in force gradually will be eliminated, but I want men for the harvest if they can be found. I can promise that I will diminish the importation of cereals and release important tonnage.

LITTLE ACTIVITY.

LONDON, May 22. The British troops in Mesopotamia, north of Bagdad, display little activity, while British cavalry has advanced north of Teker on the Tigris to Fatha. An official statement on operations in Mesopotamia reads: The Turks have shown no activity since they were driven across the Lesser Zab on May 11. The removal of large quantities of military stores captured in Kirkuk proceeds without interruption. On the Tigris our mounted troops have advanced as far as Fatha. The Turks holding the village offered little resistance and retreated hastily further up the river.

NARROW ESCAPE.

WITH THE BRITISH ARMY IN FRANCE, May 22. (By the Associated Press.)—To lay helpless on his seaplane in the North Sea for seven hours with a broken leg before he was picked up, was the experience of an American aviator attached to the British forces. The aviator, who comes from New York State, was operating a seaplane off the Belgian coast. He was brought down by hostile fire, and his machine fell into the sea. After seven hours he was rescued, and is now recovering in hospital.

MARTIAL LAW IN BOHEMIA.

LONDON, May 22. Martial law has been proclaimed in Bohemia, and in consequence of "popular excesses" many persons have been imprisoned, says a despatch to the Daily Mail from Bern, quoting the Slovenski Parod.

GERMAN AIRPLANES DOWNED.

LONDON, May 22. Twelve German airships were brought down during Monday's fighting by British aviators while gunfire accounted for another, and an additional two were driven out of control according to an official statement issued to-day.

DENOUNCES SINN FEIN.

DUBLIN, May 22. An appeal to all those of Irish blood in the United States to support the Nationalist Party as the one party in Ireland which is fighting for

Irish liberty without betraying the cause of liberty in other lands, was made to-day by John Dillon, the Nationalist leader in an interview with the Associated Press correspondent, Mr. Dillon, in this interview, denounced the policy of the Sinn Fein.

HOLLAND'S NOTE OF PROTEST.

WASHINGTON, May 22. A supplementary note of protest against the British-American seizure of Dutch shipping has been handed to the Secretary of State Lansing by the Dutch legation here. It contends that the seizure of Dutch shipping has been hampered by anti-aircraft guns and fell in flames north of the city. The enemy dropped bombs in various suburban localities some material damage is re-

ported. The signal that all was clear was sounded at one o'clock this morning.

ABORTIVE RAID ON PARIS.

PARIS, May 22. German aviators made an ineffectual attempt last night to raid Paris. Three persons were killed and several wounded in the outskirts of the city but none of the raiders reached Paris itself. A German airplane was hit by anti-aircraft guns and fell in flames north of the city. The enemy dropped bombs in various suburban localities some material damage is re-

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