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BULGARIA ENTERS THE WAR ARENA

Attack the Serbians and Overwhelm the Guards

Bulgarians Occupy All Heights on the Left Bank of the Varder

Capture From Serbian Frontier Two Pieces of Cannon

Paris, April 5.—Hostilities between Serbian troops and Bulgarian irregulars have broken out along the border.

The official statement issued at Nish, Serbia, as forwarded to the Havas Agency, says that the Bulgarians overwhelmed the Serbian guards and occupied the Serbian territory. The statement follows:—

"Last night, Bulgarian irregulars, wearing military uniforms, attacked large numbers of our outposts at Valando. Our frontier guards, overwhelmed by superior numbers, were forced to give ground, and retreated in the direction of the railway station at Strumitsa. At 5 a.m. the Bulgarians occupied all the heights on the left bank of Varder. The losses on both sides were serious. Wounded soldiers state that Bulgarian bands fought under the direction of Bulgarian officers, and the number of troops engaged was slightly more than a regiment.

The neighboring frontier posts were immediately sent as reinforcements."

An official despatch from Strumitsa, Serbia, forwarded to the Havas Agency, confirms the statement that Bulgarian bands crossed the Serbian border. They are said to have captured from the Serbian frontier guards two cannon with which they

bombarded the railway station at Strumitsa.

Railway and telegraph communications were cut after heavy fighting, and this message says further that the Bulgarians were repulsed and fled closely pursued by Serbian troops.

London, April 4.—The Serbian Legation in London received to-day the following official despatch from Nish: "Bulgarian irregulars were driven back from Strumitsa. The fight was short. When reinforcements arrived, our advanced posts cleared Strumitsa station of the invaders, who fled in the direction of Bulgaria.

Our troops, pursuing the enemy, found thirty of their dead, and it is presumed others were carried away. We lost fifty killed."

The Central News says that fighting along the Serbo-Bulgarian frontier resulted in few casualties. The raiders fled into Bulgarian territory after being put to rout.

An official telegram from Nish to the Serbian Legation here, says that Bulgarian invaders captured ten Serbian guns. They are said to be fighting under regular officers, and it is expected in reality they are regular Bulgarian troops. Serbian reinforcements are arriving on the scene of battle, and fighting continues.

The Serbian Legation was informed that there have been considerable losses on both sides.

GERMAN SPY IN RUSSIAN ARMY

COLONEL MIASSOVEDOFF TRIED BY COURT MARTIAL, FOUND GUILTY AND HANGED.

Petrograd, April 4.—It is officially announced that Colonel Miassovedoff, who was attached as an interpreter to the staff of the Sixth Army, proved to be a German spy, and was tried by court-martial and hanged.

It is also announced that several persons not connected with the Army were arrested at the same time, as his accomplices, and are awaiting trial.

Russian Successes In Carpathians

SUCCESS OF FRENCH FLYING SQUADRON—SUCCESSFUL ATTACK ON AVIATION SHEDS IN WOEYRE.

London, April 3.—The Russian Government reports the Russian offensive on the Neimen and in the Carpathians continued with success.

The French Government reports a successful attack by a flying squadron on the aviation sheds in Woevre.

Vienna Makes Official Official Separate Peace Negotiations

Amsterdam, April 4.—It is officially denied at Vienna that Austria has opened negotiations with Russia for separate peace.

Turkish Fleet Near Odessa, Russian City on Black Sea

Cruiser Medjidieh Strikes Drifting Mine—Crew Rescued by Turkish Warships

London, April 5.—Reuter's Amsterdam correspondent says a Berlin despatch received here states that Turkish headquarters reports that the Turkish fleet yesterday was near Odessa, and that the cruiser Medjidieh, while pursuing enemy mine sweepers, in the vicinity of the fortress of Ochakov, struck a drifting mine and sank.

The crew were saved by Turkish warships.

2 German Cruisers Sunk in Baltic

AUSTRIAN AMMUNITION SHIP EXPLODED IN THE DANUBE BY SERBIAN GUNFIRE.

London, April 5.—A despatch from Malmo, Sweden, asserts that two German coasting steamers, during the last few days, have struck floating mines and sunk in the Baltic Sea.

Official communication issued here says the Austrian ammunition ship Belgrade sank in the Danube, opposite Ritopek, March 30.

An explosion was caused aboard, says the Belgrade correspondent, by Serbian gunfire. Of the crew of forty, only two were saved.

ITALY READY TO JOIN THE ALLIES

GIUSEPPE BEOVIONE, EDITOR OF THE LUBIN STAMPE SAYS, ITALY WILL BE IN THE FIGHT IN APRIL.

Paris, April 4.—Giuseppe Beovione, editor of the Turin Stampa, and also a member of the Italian Deputies, told the Associated Press yesterday that he had a deep conviction that Italy would begin war against Germany and Austria before the end of April. Signor Beovione said Italy's military preparations were now completed.

The Italian Government, he declared, was not waiting for a decisive battle in favor of the Allies, but desired to become engaged in the war before such a battle as Italy would then be in a position to realize her aspirations, in accord with the Allies.

FRENCH FISHING VESSEL SUNK

Pecamp, France, April 4.—The FRENCH FISHING VESSEL *FRANCOIS*, of Pecamp, was sunk yesterday afternoon by a German submarine, off Etretat, south-west of Pecamp. The crew of fishermen was rescued in the ship's boat or by the boats of nearby fishers.

The Paquerette had just sailed for the Newfoundland fishing banks with a crew of 32 men.

Liner Goes Down Off Cape Hatteras

PRINZ MAURITZ, ROYAL DUTCH WEST INDIES LINE, SUPPOSED LOST WITH ALL HANDS.

New York, April 5.—Fears that the steamer, Prinz Mauritz, Royal Dutch West Indies Company line had gone down, possibly with all on board, were expressed last night in a wireless message received from the steamer Algonquin, which yesterday went to the aid of the Prinz Mauritz, reported in distress off Cape Hatteras.

Russians Explain Retreat From Memel

Petrograd, April 4.—An official communication concerning the recent Russian retreat from Memel district, in East Prussia, was issued last night. It says: "In Memel our casualties were only 149 men, including killed, wounded and missing."

British Officers A Match For Germans

Paris, Mar. 20.—That the young British officers who have been trained since the outbreak of war and are now at the front are a match for the Germans in courage and resource, is being proved abundantly daily. A typical example is that of a subaltern of the Territorials who a few months ago was a Cambridge undergraduate, and has been in France only two weeks.

At his particular part of the line the German trenches lay 200 yards beyond the crest of a hill, and the young fellow received orders to take it. Not till the seventh attack did he succeed in driving the Germans out, and then only after losing 75 per cent of his men.

Showing a cunning beyond his years, he did not occupy the captured trenches, but contented himself with taking a position a hundred yards behind them. He was ready for three minutes later the trenches were blown up by a mine.

The officer had about a score of men with him, and arranged that seven attacks were made on their position by nightfall, when they were relieved. The officer came through the whole affair without a scratch.

Japan's Action Re China Reviewed By English Paper

London, March 23rd.—The Manchester Guardian today reviews the recent political developments between Japan and China and publishes what is described as a complete list of Japan's demands concerning which it says editorially that the general effect thereof would be seriously to impair the independence of China and place entire provinces under the tutelage of Japan.

A comparison is then made between these Japanese demands as sent out by newspaper correspondents at Peking and as published by Japan.

"It will immediately be apparent from this comparison," the paper continues, "that not only have many of the most important demands been omitted from the list as supplied to the powers interested, but others had been so modified as to disguise their character. Thus Japan did not indicate that while she insisted China should agree not to alienate any portion of her coast line or any islands off her coast to a third power, she retained the right to demand herself the lease or cession of such territory. Neither did Japan let it be known that she demanded exclusive mining rights in Yangtsé basin and that she be allowed to construct railways which would seriously affect British interests in that region."

Kyle's Passengers

The S. S. Kyle arrived at Port aux Basques at 6.20 p.m. yesterday, with the following passengers:—G. Stacey, E. Baggs, G. Neal, J. C. Colbourne, B. Glendening, A. T. MacKay, Hon. R. K. Bishop, F. W. House, Mrs. C. F. Taylor, Mrs. A. Morgan, Mrs. L. D. Hall.

The express is due to-morrow morning about 4 o'clock.

CHINA AND JAPAN CONCLUDE NEGOTIATIONS

Port Arthur Lease Gets Extension --- Germany Debarred All Rights to Acquire Colonies in China

Paris, April 5.—A despatch to the Temps from Petrograd says, Chinese-Japanese negotiations, according to reliable information, have been concluded.

The Chinese Government agrees to extend the Port Arthur lease for 99 years.

It recognises also that Japan has all right in Shantung, previously belonging to Germany, and conditions are laid down that Germany shall never have the right to acquire colonies or spheres of influence in China.

GOEBEN AGAIN MEETS TROUBLE

London, April 5.—A Saloniki despatch says refugees from Constantinople confirm the report that the cruiser Goeben, formerly of the German navy, but now a Turkish warship, was badly damaged by striking a mine in the Bosphorus.

She returned to her dock with a seventeen foot hole, which the German workmen have not been able to repair properly on account of lack of steel plates.

They filled the hole with 250 tons concrete, but this cracked on the first trial. Refugees deny the story that the Goeben's guns have been dismantled.

Bulgarians Descend On Greek Town

Greece Rushes Troops to Frontier Alleged Atrocities Committed in Serbian Towns

London, April 4.—A despatch from Salonika says the Bulgarian irregulars who were driven back from the Serbian border, descended upon the Greek town of Poiran, about thirty-five miles North of Salonika, and Greece is rushing reinforcements thither, and to other frontier points preparing for any event.

Another band of Bulgarian irregulars were driven which led to the Greek frontier, were dispersed with the aid of machine guns.

They left a number of dead and wounded on the field.

It is alleged that in the Serbian villages through which they passed the Bulgarians committed atrocities. The Serbian frontier guards have now been armed with field and machine guns.

Are We Downhearted? No!

The trench is but a sorry home; We've nowhere else to go; Though shrapnel scream and burst o'erhead,

There's danger in the heavens above And on the earth below; There's danger on the ocean wave; Are we downhearted? No!

We've now been fighting night and day Our stubborn Prussian foe. We mean to chase him o'er the Rhine;

Although the "War Lord" leads the Huns, We've French and Jellicoe; We've right and might upon our side; Are we downhearted? No!

The Teuton power is bound to fall Like ancient Jericho; The hand of God is on our side; Are we downhearted? No!

For they who rashly draw the sword Must reap just as they sow; The brutal Huns must bite the dust; Are we downhearted? No!

Poor Belgium bleeds at every pore— A land of want and woe— But bye-and-bye she'll live again; Are we downhearted? No!

Yesterday's express brought along a number of the Assembly members to be present at the opening of the House on Wednesday next. Each comes with a determined cast of countenance, and it looks as if there is going to be something doing.

Germans Hate The British Artillery

During the night a curious device of the enemy was discovered by a British patrol. The men came upon a dummy figure stuck in the ground in front of the German trenches. Upon being moved the figure exploded, and one of the British soldiers was injured.

Describing the shelling of Aubers by the British howitzers, the eye-witness says a certain tower which was a prominent feature of the landscape, was suddenly projected into the air. It dissolved in mid-air and came down in a cloud of dust.

Prisoners who have been all thru the war, declare that never have they experienced such a bombardment as that which preceded the assault upon Neuve Chapelle. One wounded Prussian officer declared indignantly "You do not fight, you murder. My regiment never had a chance from the first. Nothing could live under such a fire." The resentment of prisoners against the British artillery has been frequently expressed.

WEATHER REPORT

Toronto (noon) Moderate to fresh N. to W. winds, fair to-day and on Tuesday with about the same temperature.

Cape Race (noon) Wind E.N.E., hazy; nothing passed.

Roper's (noon) Bar., 29.30; ther. 34.

French Destroy German Trenches

AND CONTINUE TO MAKE PROGRESS AT DOMPIERRE—TWO GERMAN ATTACKS REPULSED.

Paris, via St. Pierre, April 3.—Nothing of importance to report southwest of Peronne. Near Dompiere we have destroyed with mines a certain number of German trenches.

In yesterday's attack on the aviation camp of Handsaonne, French and Belgian aviators threw about 30 bombs.

East of Luneville, where the German communique falsely declared we had suffered heavily on the first of April, the truth is that on the fighting ground our killed have been for this engagement turned to our advantage.

It happened in Parroy region, at a considerable distance from Luneville, which is completely outside the zone of scouting troops.

On April 4 (official)—Saturday at Dompiere to the southwest of Peronne we continued to make satisfactory progress with our mining operations.

Near Lassigny the Germans attacked and attempted to debouch; they were stopped short by our fire, as they were sallying forth from their trenches.

In Upper Alsace in the region of Burthambel, we repulsed two German attacks.

STRUCK A MINE IN THE BALTIC

STEAMER HEUROSTH SINKS WITH TWENTY OF HER CREW.

London, April 4.—A despatch from Stockholm says that the steamer Heurostth struck a mine in the Baltic and sank.

Twenty members of the crew were drowned. She was 1,554 tons.

Austrian Forces Retreat From Beskid

RUSSIAN FORCES RELIEVED FROM THE SIEGE OF PRZEMYSL COMPELLED THE AUSTRIANS TO WITHDRAW.

Vienna, April 4.—The retreat of the Austrian forces in the Beskid regions of the Carpathians, where some of the heaviest fighting has taken place in the struggle for control of the mountain passes, leading into Hungary, was announced to-day at the Army Headquarters, as follows:—

"The presence of large Russian reinforcements from Przemysl compelled the Austrian army to withdraw from the Beskid region."

STEAMER SUNK IN ENGLISH CHANNEL

FOUR MEMBERS OF CREW DROWNED; TWELVE SURVIVORS LANDED AT PENZANCE.

London, April 4.—The steamer City of Bremen, of Dublin, has been sunk by a German submarine off Wolf Rock, in the English Channel, about 15 miles south of Landsend, Cornwall.

Four members of the crew of the steamer were drowned. Twelve survivors have arrived at Penzance.

Available shipping records, do not contain the name of the steamer City of Bremen.

GERMAN CRUISER AT NEWPORT NEWS

PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH IN NO HURRY TO LEAVE—CREW ENJOYING THEMSELVES ON SHORE.

Newport News, April 4.—The German cruiser Prinz Eitel Friedrich was still in port late to-night, with the members of her crew on shore at liberty, and no outward signs of immediate departure.

SHARED BY BOTH SIDES

The workmen who went on strike at Liverpool or on the Clyde, are blamed for want of patriotism, and with some reason. At the same time, they also have a case. They ask why should shipowners and coal owners be allowed to raise prices and libel, while the laboring people must make sacrifices. They suggest that the Government should fix maximum prices for various necessities of life, some of which, such as flour and bread, have become much dearer since the beginning of the war.

On the other hand, the Prime Minister has expressed the hope that Labor members will use their efforts to secure temporary importation of workmen from abroad, and if Eng-

TAKING IT EASY

Newport News, April 4.—This morning the Prinz Eitel Friedrich still was at the pier here. All quiet aboard.

M.H.A.'s Arrive

Messrs. J. S. Stone, John Abbott and R. S. Winsor, M.H.A.'s arrived in town yesterday to attend to their legislative duties which will be resumed on Wednesday.

Fishermen strike they are very naughty. There is need of self-sacrifice on all sides, and not merely among those who toll with their hands and pay taxes and war rates out of proportion to their purse. —From the London Advertiser.