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BRITISH ADVANCE — CANADIANS CARRY VIMY RIDGE.

LONDON, April 9.

An advance of from two to three miles have been made by British troops on a front extending from Henin-sur-Cojeul, southeast of Arras, to Givenchy-en-Gobelle, a distance of about 12 miles. The official report from the Army Headquarters in France makes this announcement tonight, and adds the advance continues. The famous Vimy Ridge was carried by the Canadian troops.

Some 5,800 prisoners have been captured in the new drive against the German lines, by one of the British armies alone, Reuter's correspondent reports. The fighting is increasing in intensity as the battle progresses. British casualties thus far are reported comparatively slight.

GERMAN POSITIONS TAKEN.

With the British Armies in France, April 9.—The British to-day delivered a strong blow against the Germans from the region southwest of Cambrai to a point south of Lens. They swept over the German positions from south of Arras northward to the famous Vimy Ridge, fighting for the possession of which cost the French one hundred thousand casualties earlier in the war. Once before the British gained the crest of this ridge, but under tremendous concentration of German guns were compelled to give it up. All winter long the Canadians have held a footing on the ridge with the German lines looking down on them. All the fighting to-day was against dominating positions on high ground, some of which have been held by the Germans for two years, and were lavishly hemmed with wide belts of some of the toughest and longest pronged barbed wire which has been seen in this war.

The bombardment of the ridges before the attack was delivered before dawn proved to be one of the greatest spectacles of the war. The firing at times exceeded that which marked some of the sturdiest battles of the Somme. At night the sky was illuminated for hours by a continuous flash of guns. The attack was carried out in several phases. The first lines had scarcely been entered when numbers of German prisoners began to come back. To-day the attack hit the north hinge of the recent German retreat from Arras to the Aisne. The Germans evidently expected a renewal of the offensive in the valley of the Somme, for in making retreat in that sector they announced they had completely disarranged the British offensive plans. To-day's blow was Britain's answer.

It is estimated at the British Headquarters that approximately five thousand Germans were captured by the British in the last twelve hours in the region northeast of Arras. The British penetrated far into the German lines and inflicted heavy casualties on the Teutons. It is reported the British are in possession of Vimy Ridge.

The German defensive barrage or curtain of fire was slow in starting, notwithstanding frantic signals for help sent up with rockets all along the line. All the British guns have been hammering the Germans night and day for a week past. Most of their trenches were fairly pulverized. No definite report of prisoners taken is yet available. All those captured were mostly Bavarians, Wurtemburgers and Hamburgers. After a beautiful warm Easter Sunday the weather changed last night and to-day's attack was carried out in pelting rain driven before a gale in which was the sting of January cold.

Along the greater part of the front the advance of the infantry was strenuously opposed. Near Arras the Germans offered a determined resistance. A large pocket of Germans was reported to be still holding out at mid-day, although entirely surrounded. The famous redoubt named "The Harp," only a little less formidable than the noted Labyrinth, was captured with virtually the whole battalion defending it. Several tanks were seen climbing Telegraph Hill which commands the "Harp," and probably had much to do with the surrender of this position. Along the railway running through the valley of the Scarpe the British made good progress, while up on the Lens branch of the line they captured Maison Blanche Wood.

BERLIN ADMISSION.

LONDON, April 9.

The official communication issued by the War Office at Berlin says that heavy fighting took place throughout the day on both sides of Arras, the enemy having forced his way into parts of our positions. Reports add there was strong artillery firing on the Aisne and Champagne fronts. Canadian troops have carried the famous Vimy Ridge.

OFFICIAL.

LONDON, April 9.

The British official to-night reads: The operations continue to be carried out successfully. In accordance with plans our troops have everywhere stormed the enemy defences from Denin-sur-Cojeul to the southern outskirts of Givenchy-en-Gobelle to a depth from two to three miles, and our advance continues. The enemy's forward defences on this front, including Vimy Ridge, which was carried by Canadian troops, were captured early in the morning. These defences comprise the network of trenches and fortified localities of Neuville Vitasee, Telegraph Hill, Tilloy-les-Mofflaines, Observation Ridge, St. Laurent, Blangy-les-Tilleus and La Folie farm. Subsequently our troops moved forward and captured the enemy's rearward defences, including in addition to other powerful trench systems the fortified localities of Feuchy, Chapelle-de-Feuchy, Hyderbad Redoubt, Athies and Thelus. Up to 2 p.m., 5,816 prisoners, including 119 officers, were taken. In the direction of Cambrai further progress has been made. In the neighborhood of Havrincourt Wood we have captured the village of Demicourt. In the direction of St. Quentin we captured the villages of Pontru and Le Verquier. The aerial activity of the past few days continued with great energy. Several successful bombing raids were carried out by us. Our machines are co-operating with our artillery with excellent results. Two machines were destroyed and 15 others were driven down and probably crashed. Two German kite balloons were brought down in flames. Ten of our airplanes are missing.

GERMAN OFFICIAL.

BERLIN, April 9.

Seventeen Entente airplanes were brought down yesterday on the western front, the war office announces. The statement says the battle of Arras begun this morning after several hours of strong gun fire, and continues. Between Lens and Neuville St. Vaast artillery fighting increased yesterday to great violence. In the region between the roads from Albert to Cambrai and Peronne a minor engagement developed, taking the course intended by the Germans.

AUSTRIA SEVERS RELATIONS.

WASHINGTON, April 9.

Austria-Hungary, ranging herself unreservedly with Germany, has severed diplomatic relations with the United States, a situation which generally is expected here to lead to war. Baron E. Rich Szwidink, the Austrian charge asked the State department to-day for passports for himself and staff, and the Austrian Consular force in this country. Simultaneously the American minister Stovat reported from Berne that Austria had announced a break of relations to the American Embassy at Vienna yesterday. Immediately the Treasury Department ordered the seizure of all Austrian merchant ships in American harbors. The Austrian crews were taken off and sent to immigration stations and American guards put on board. The measure was explained as purely one of precaution but it is realized it may be interpreted by Austria as an act of war. Whether Bulgaria and Turkey are preparing to follow suit is still unknown.

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AMERICAN STEAMER TORPEDOED

WASHINGTON, April 9.

The American steamer Seaward was reported torpedoed and sunk without warning in the Mediterranean by a German submarine, says a despatch from Consul Gaulin, at Marseilles. All the crew of 39, of whom 30 were Americans, were saved.

HINDENBURG COMPLETE PLANS.

COPENHAGEN, April 9.

There are various indications from Germany that Field Marshal Von Hindenburg is now completing his new strategic dispositions and that extensive movements of troops for spring operations which were somewhat delayed by long continued cold weather are now nearing an end. Passenger traffic on the railroads which during the troop movements was conducted only under extreme restrictions is now being resumed on a more normal basis. Various express trains and sleeper services which for the time being were abandoned have now been re-introduced. The current articles of German military critics are based on the assumption that the first developments from the troop movements will come from the western front.

CHILI REMAINS NEUTRAL.

SANTIAGO, Chili, April 9.

Chili will maintain an attitude of neutrality in the war so long as she is not made the object of a direct attack, according to an assurance given by a government official.

GERMAN TORPEDO BOAT SUNK.

AMSTERDAM, April 9.

The German torpedo boat G-88 was torpedoed and sunk by an enemy submarine off the Flemish coast, April 7, according to an official from Berlin. Most of her crew were saved. Another torpedo boat was severely damaged.

BRAZIL AND GERMANY.

RIO JANEIRO, April 9.

An ordinary rupture of relations between Brazil and Germany is expected by to-morrow morning at the latest. The break depends upon the forality of the reception of the official report from Paris on the sinking of the Brazilian steamer Parana by a German submarine.

REFUSED TO RECEIVE GERMAN MINISTER.

RIO JANEIRO, April 9.

Dr. Lauro Muller, Foreign Minister refused to receive the German minister to-day. Dr. Muller gave urgent orders that a steamer at Rio Janeiro be made ready at once for a mission abroad. Muller conferred with the war minister and chief of staff, and he also urgently requested a report from the Brazilian legation in Paris.

Washington.—In Latin American diplomatic quarters here it was said late to-day that Dr. Muller's refusal to receive the German minister to Brazil undoubtedly meant the Government has definitely decided to sever diplomatic relations with Germany. Dr. Muller's orders that a steamer be prepared at once for a mission abroad was interpreted as meaning the Brazilian Government had determined to arrange for the immediate departure of the German officials. It is considered doubtful that 46 German ships in Brazilian ports would be seized at this time, unless it should appear the vessels might attempt to escape or were in danger of being damaged or destroyed by their crews.

NEUTRAL SPAIN.

MADRID, April 9.

The official journal to-day published a decree declaring the neutrality of Spain in the war between the United States and Germany.

THE CANADIAN PARLIAMENT.

OTTAWA, April 9.

Sir Robert Borden and his colleagues overseas will not have returned to Canada in time for the reopening of Parliament on the 19th, and it is now suggested unofficially that further adjournment should be agreed upon. No definite action has been taken, however. It is not probable the Premier will be back before the middle of May.

HEAVY PENALTY TO BE INFLICTED.

WASHINGTON, April 9.

The Administration bill, imposing a penalty of thirty years' imprisonment on any person who destroys war material in the United States in time of war, was passed by the Senate to-day in five minutes, without debate.

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