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WILSON NOTE TO GERMANY A STRAIGHT ULTIMATUM

Germans Attempt Advance on Verdun From St. Mihiel Salient Region RUSSIANS WIN FRESH SUCCESS IN MOUNTAINS WEST OF ERZERUM

RUSSIANS DEAL ANOTHER BLOW TO TURK ARMY

Carry by Night Assault Strongly Fortified Chain of Hills.

MOSLEM LOSS HEAVY

Some Elements Recently Brought Up From Gallipoli Annihilated.

Special Cable to The Toronto World.

LONDON, April 19.—Continuing their offensive along the upper Tchoruk River basin, west of Erzerum, the Russians carried in a night assault a strongly organized chain of high hills in the region of Aushkala, Petrograd announced tonight.

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J. R. STRATTON'S DOCTOR PLACED UNDER ARREST

Patient's Death Followed Peculiar Treatment by Professor Feige.

HOT SPRINGS, Ark., April 19.—J. R. Stratton of Peterboro, Ont., for many years a member of the Dominion Parliament, died here today after 36 days of fasting. Prof. K. Feige, under whose treatment Stratton is said to have been prohibited from receiving any nourishment by water, was arrested and held in \$1000 bail for alleged manslaughter.

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FLAGS TO FLY THREE DAYS IN HEROES' HONOR

House Unanimously Adopts Resolution to Observe St. Julien's Anniversary.

LEADERS PAY TRIBUTE

Premier Refers to Canadians as Holding Positions of Honor at Front.

Special Cable to The Toronto World.

OTTAWA, April 19.—By an unanimous vote the house of commons today resolved to commemorate appropriately the first anniversary of the battle of St. Julien. In honor of the gallant Canadians, living and dead, who in that struggle made the name of Canada illustrious throughout the world, the flag of the empire for which they fought and died will float full mast upon every public building in the Dominion on April 22, 23 and 24.

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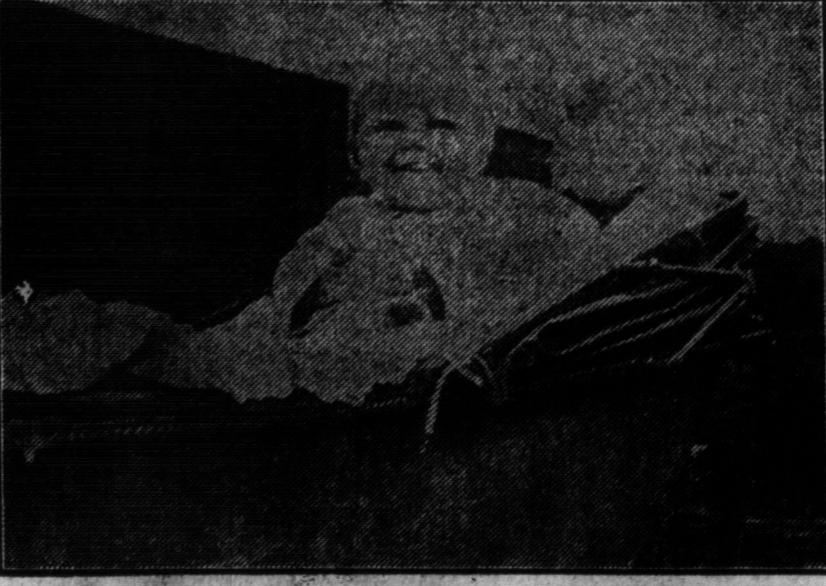
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ATTACK ON MERCHANT SHIP SIGNAL FOR BREAK BY U. S. WITH GERMANY

SOMEBODY'S BABY



Whose baby is this? The photograph was sent to The World by Mrs. J. A. Moore, 807 Clinton street, Toronto. The picture was sent to Mrs. Moore by her husband, Pte. J. A. Moore, 19th Battalion, 2nd C.E.F., who found it in his dugout 'somewhere in France.' Written on the back of the snapshot was an explanation by Pte. Moore that he had found it—the picture, not the baby—in his dugout.

WILSON IS IN EARNEST BERNSTORFF TELLS KAISER

In Cable He Says Something Must Be Done or Break With U.S. is Certain—Still Hopes to Patch Up Relations.

WASHINGTON, April 19.—Count von Bernstorff, the German ambassador, sent to Berlin tonight a long despatch interpreting the situation in Washington and making certain recommendations. He is understood to have advised his government that he believed the United States meant just what it said in its submarine note and that something would have to be done quickly if friendly relations were to continue.

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Wilson's Note Clearly Declares That Germany Must Limit Submarine Operations to Enemy Warships, or Relations Will Be Severed—Reply Expected Within Four Days—Dramatic Message Stirred Congress to Display Deep Sympathy.

"Unless the imperial government should now immediately declare and effect an abandonment of its present methods of submarine warfare against passenger and freight carrying vessels, the Government of the United States has no choice but to sever diplomatic relations with the German Empire altogether. This action the Government of the United States contemplates with great reluctance, but feels constrained to take in behalf of humanity and the rights of neutral nations."

WASHINGTON, April 19.—President Wilson's long expected final warning to Germany that the United States will break off diplomatic relations unless she abandons her present methods of submarine warfare and immediately declares her intention to do so, was delivered today in note to Berlin, and was announced by the president in an address to a joint session of congress. President Wilson demands nothing less than the abandonment of submarine warfare against merchantmen.

The president's address and the note to Germany are virtually identical. Mr. Wilson declares in unequivocal terms that only by Germany according to the demand can the breaking off of relations altogether be prevented.

Must Reply Speedily. The president considers that the next step depends solely upon Germany and that three or four days constitute a reasonable time for a reply. He is willing to discuss how submarine warfare may be conducted within the limits of international law and humanity after Germany abandons her present methods.

Diplomatic history records but one instance as yet where a breaking of relations between two first-class powers has not eventually brought war—that which now exists between Germany and Italy.

"It now owes it to a just regard for its own rights to say to the imperial government that that time has come. Outrage Against Humanity. It has become painfully evident to that the position which it took at the very outset is inevitable, namely, the use of submarines for the destruction of an enemy's commerce is of necessity because of the very character of the vessels employed, and the very methods of attack which their employment involves, utterly incompatible with the principles of humanity, the long established and incontrovertible rights of neutrals, and the sacred immunities of non-combatants."

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U. S. CLOSE TO WAR IS VIEW IN LONDON GERMANY MUST CONFRONT ISSUE

Chronicle Says German Compliance With Demand is Not Likely.

ELATED OVER SUCCESS Huns Will Probably Choose to Continue in Piratical Career.

LONDON, April 20.—Altho the text of President Wilson's message to congress did not reach London in time for the morning papers to comment fully, all devote considerable space to the American situation. The Daily Chronicle says editorially:

"It is difficult to suppose that the German government, elated by the submarine successes of the past six weeks, will accept President Wilson's terms. Diplomatic relations between Berlin and Washington will be broken off. The resulting situation will not be a state of war, but may easily develop into war."

"This is obvious to both parties. Mr. Wilson has counted the cost. Presumably the Kaiser has also counted it. If Germany decides that the continuance of submarine warfare is worth a diplomatic breach with America, it will probably also decide that it is worth war, too."

"If the Kaiser desires to avoid war with America, he would naturally make his concessions at a stage when they would also avert the breaking of relations."

SOAP SCARCITY ADDED TO WORRIES OF HUNS Supply to Be Doled Out to Bread-Card Holders Only.

BERLIN, April 19.—The imperial council has authorized the federal chancery to make regulations for the sale of soap, soap powder and other saponaceous compounds. According to The Tageblatt it is the intention to limit the supply of soap to 100 grams per capita monthly and of other substances of this class to 500 grams monthly. All shall be sold only upon the presentation of a bread card by the intending purchaser.

The federal council also has authorized the chancery to take measures to assure a supply of print paper and to regulate its consumption.

LEFT MAILED AT PORT. AMSTERDAM, via London, April 20, 1.51 a.m.—The Dutch steamer Hollandia from South American port, has left for Falmouth by order of the British authorities.

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