

A DEFI TO UNITED STATES--"Let America do or not do what she likes. We neither care for her bluff nor for her deeds."--From the semi-official Berlin newspaper, The Tageszeitung.

GERMAN SEMI-OFFICIAL PRESS NOW SCORNFUL

Admitting That U. S. Note to Berlin Was in Earnest, it Does Not Frighten Germany or Cause Her to Withdraw One Particle.

Amsterdam, May 29--London Daily Telegraph despatch--On the probable content of the German reply to the American note respecting the submarine war, there appears in the Tageszeitung, the organ of Count Reventlow and the semi-official German newspaper, an amazingly significant article, which breathes insult and defiance to America in every line and states practically that the submarine war will be continued, regardless of any consideration.

The American call to German "peace" is the headline over the article, from which the following are quotations: "Admitting that the threatening note directed at Berlin was meant in earnest, the view is forced upon us that the German Empire, if it does not submit to the demands and draw back before the threats, must look upon war with America as a fact."

Trade between Germany and America has shrunk to microscopic dimensions. What they receive from us is more valuable and necessary to them than what we receive from them. Complete cutting off of the negotiations would leave us calm. America would only be able to damage us by confiscating the trading ships left in her harbors and much other German property.

Further dangerous deeds of war against Germany are not to be feared because they would not be possible. Also we do not forget that there are certain interior difficulties in America.

GERMAN REPLY TO U. S. NOTE WILL BE DELIVERED TO-DAY

Berlin, May 29--It is understood that Germany's reply to the American note concerning Germany's submarine warfare, which will be delivered to the American ambassador today, will be furnished to the German press on Sunday for publication.

The Foreign Office and the Admiralty are still without news concerning the reported torpedoing of the American steamship Nebraska. The American note regarding the destruction of the Lusitania was received by the German ambassador in London on Sunday.

London, May 29--A wireless despatch received from Berlin gives what reports to be a telegram sent by

LEADING FIGURES AND CRACK CAVALRY OF ITALY



King Victor Emmanuel and General Cadorna, Chief of the General Staff, are two of Italy's most noted men who hold the secret of the Italian situation in their keeping.

Lieut. Ashton Cockshutt Led an Attack On the German Lines

A Montreal officer now at the front, during the course of a letter under date of April 26th, says:

"I told you we had an hour's rest on the morning of this date. There were no rations for us, as our stores were some distance to the rear. We lay down in a field and I started on a cruise. An English General--Gen. Hall--heard of our long fast and immediately turned out his entire stock to us. We had parties told off to draw rations and these were passed around. No sooner had the rations been issued than Major Betty came along with an order that we were to move up towards the front line. We had no time to get water. The men were formed up and away we went. We divided the men up in platoons and advanced up on that hillside. Major Betty and Capt. Arthur led at some distance in front. I had the machine gun in the centre under Major Good. On my right Lieut. Critchley with one platoon, on my left, Lieut. Glandfield with another, two hundred yards behind came Lieut. Knowles on the right and Lieut. Cockshutt with a platoon each. In the rear and directly between was another platoon under Lieut. Morgan and Capt. Stewart. Some of these were new men just joined that morning. An attack was expected, which was the reason for our being ordered out. I shall never forget how these men who had been without food or water since the twenty-second, and had no sleep all that time, responded to the call. They knew that they were needed, otherwise they would not have been called upon after what they had gone through. It was not for us to ask the reasons for our advance over that open field. We had to go by rushes in extended order. We had a little over a mile and the enemy could get at us from front and both flanks. It was a grand sight to look back at my boys advancing bravely up that hill. Just before we reached the foot of the slope they got after us with shrapnel. Then as we advanced up we came under the machine guns from our left and steady rifle fire from the front. On we went by 50-yard rushes.

LIEUT. COCKSHUTT



Mentioned for Dashing Lead.

so many lived through it is a miracle. There we lay in the formation ready to meet the threatened attack all through the long day without water. If you put your hand up you would be rewarded by a hail of lead. The 8th were on our right, the 7th and 5th close in rear. We were so tucked out that I know we could not have charged, but I know also that had we been charged not an inch would we have given way. We had fought so long and seen so much blood and death and misery that we were callous to it all. We were sure an attack was to be delivered and the excitement kept us up. "Just after we reached our position I was half way over when a pill burst near and I got the cursed gas. I choked and writhed in a ditch, alone, for an hour or so, and finally vomited. Then I made my way to H.Q. to report. I was knocked out for about four hours. I have seen poisoned dogs writhe in agony and I imagine I felt the same. I don't want to get another 'stinker'. I made my way back to the boys and we spent the night where we were, always expect-

ing and prepared to meet the rush of Germans. Our ration party sent out got lost and did not come back. We had what rations we had received in the morning and we filled our bottles out of a pond around which lay dead men and horses. But the water was as sweet as I had tasted for a time."

ETHIOPE SUNK

Liverpool, May 29, 1.04 p.m.--The Elder-Dempster Line steamer Ethiope has been torpedoed and sunk. The chief officer and 16 men of the Ethiope have been picked up. The rest of the crew is supposed to be in boats.

BERLIN TAKES HEED

Washington, May 29--An urgent warning to American shipping against traversing the war zone incautiously and to have all neutral markings displayed as conspicuously as possible, including illumination at night, was communicated to the State Department to-day by the German Government through the American embassy at Berlin.

CAPTURED STORO

Geneva, Switzerland, May 29--The Italians, after a severe fight along the frontier north of Lake Idro, have captured the town of Storo and are now bombarding Riva.

On the eastern front, north of the Gulf of Trieste, bayonet fighting is in progress south of Goritz. The Austrians are retreating slowly. Italian forces have arrived before Gradisca, about 16 miles from Trieste. The Italian authorities issued an order last night prohibiting Austrians and Germans from leaving the country.

Telephone connection was established between Toronto and San Francisco, a distance of over 3,000 miles.

MAJOR-GEN. STUART WORTLEY WRITES HOME OF LATEST GERMAN GAS "THIS LAST DAMNABLE EFFORT" IS WHAT HE CALLS IT.

Major-Gen. Stuart Wortley writes home of latest German gas "This last damnable effort" is what he calls it.

New York, May 29--A letter from Major-General Edward Stuart-Wortley, commander of a British army medical corps in France, is made public here by his brother, Ralph Stuart-Wortley of New York, giving this distinguished officer's tribute to the behaviour of a Canadian division in France, and describing the horrors which resulted from the use of asphyxiating gases by the Germans.

The effect of these gases upon the men who inhaled them, he says, has been to turn all the tissues of the lungs into a liquid, and during the two days that it takes for the men to die, the victims are "the most hopeless, helpless, sickening sight imaginable."

The letter follows: "You will, of course, have read of the fighting that has been going on round Ypres just lately, and of the magnificent behaviour of the Canadian division. In their attack on the Ypres salient, the Germans made use of asphyxiating gases. This gas is disseminated both in shells and bombs and also from cylinders, which are buried in the trenches with their nozzles pushed through the parapets. The tops of the cylinders are then turned on, and the gas, which is as far as we know, chlorine, is pumped out. The gas, which is heavier than air, and which is blown by the wind across our lines, sinks into our trenches and kills or incapacitates any men who happen to be in them. The effect of the gas can also be felt as far back as five or six miles and produces headache and a smarting of the eyes.

ITALY SEIZES TURKISH ISLAND ON THE COAST OF ASIA MINOR

London, May 29--The Turks and their German officers probably will have another invasion to meet before long. Unofficial reports reaching here to-day are to the effect that the Italians have landed on the Island of Rhodes, off the coast of Asia Minor, while a cruiser has been bombarding Budrum, which is on the Gulf of Kos, on the mainland of Asiatic Turkey, not far from Rhodes. This is believed to be the first step in an attempt to land on the Asia Minor coast. The Island of Rhodes is situated off the coast of Asia Minor, about 150 miles south of Smyrna.

TOOK SIX SOLDIERS

The Turkish official story of developments in the Dardanelles, as given in a Constantinople despatch, tells of the capture of six soldiers and seven rifles at one place, and the seizure of five sailing vessels with provisions near Gorizza. This statement continues: "On the coast of Baba Tepe an enemy tug, which attempted to tow in four armored ships, was prevented from approaching the shore. Our soldiers waded far out into the water and under the enemy's fire took prisoners. Enemy cruisers, which yesterday vainly attempted to disembark troops at Budrum, to-day fired 1,600 shells upon the town, damaging some houses, destroying a church and a mosque."

VIRTUAL STATE OF SIEGE

Milan, via Paris, May 28--Milan to-night is in a virtual state of siege. The entire garrison is being kept in readiness and troops are posted in various points of the town to prevent excesses against the Germans and Austrians. It is believed that no further trouble will occur. The population of Milan, irrespective of classes or parties, condemns the outbreak against the Austro-Germans and their property during the past few days. Further arrests of the disturbers of the peace were made to-day.

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