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Russ. Troops Reach Tigris Join British

Welcome News Comes to Hand That Russians by Swift Movement Have Crossed the River and Joined Forces With General Goring After a Bold and Adventurous Ride

LONDON, May 21.—An official communication issued to-night, concerning the situation along the Tigris, follows:

General Lake reports that on the 19th enemy vacated Betharissen an advanced position on the right bank of the Tigris. General Goring followed up the enemy, attacked, and carried the Djallam Redoubt. The enemy are still holding the Sammayat position, on the left bank of the river, in force. Russian cavalry have joined General Goring after a bold and adventurous ride.

This is the first news of operations on the Tigris since the fall of Kut-el-Amara, and was sent to-day by General Lake, Commander of the British forces in Mesopotamia. Although it shows that the Turks are still holding the Sammayat positions on the left bank of the Tigris, which made it impossible for the British to carry out the relief of General Townshend, it brings the welcome and astonishing intelligence that a body of Russian cavalry has succeeded in joining General Goring's forces on the south bank of the Tigris. How this important junction was effected is still unknown, and the story is awaited with intense interest. The supposition is that this detachment came from the Russian army which is threatening Khanakin, and it still remains a puzzle where and how the Russians succeeded in crossing the river. Their sudden appearance has raised the question whether the Russians have already cut the Baghdad Railway at Mosul. In any case the unexpected appearance of this body of cavalry is as great a surprise, as was the first landing of Russian troops in Mesopotamia. It is another instance of the swift, stealthy movement of the Russian forces in Asia Minor.

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Saturday Night's Air Raid on Kent

LONDON, May 21.—A hostile air-raid was carried out on the east coast of Kent last night by three seaplanes. The raiders made the English coast a few minutes past two o'clock this morning. One seaplane then turned north and dropped a dozen explosive bombs over the Isle of Thanet. Some windows were broken. Otherwise there were no casualties and no other damage. Two other seaplanes turned south and dropped twenty-five explosive bombs over south-eastern Kent. In one town a few bombs took effect. One soldier was killed, one woman and one seaman injured and one public house was wrecked and several houses were damaged. The remaining bombs caused no casualties or damage. The raiders all made off as soon as their bombs were discharged. One of the raiding seaplanes was brought down by a naval patrol off the Belgian coast this morning.

Suggests Von Igel Be Tried in Germany

WASHINGTON, May 20.—In pursuance of its policy to eliminate all possible cause of friction with the United States, the German Government proposes a solution to the Von Igel case. It is for the proceedings against Von Igel to be dropped and his papers returned on the understanding that he be recalled and punished in Germany if the evidence shows that he was guilty of an offence. The seized papers contain much valuable information affecting high personages who were involved in intrigues directed against Germany's enemy.

Belgian Aviators Active

PARIS, May 21.—The Germans another big attack on 16 Mort Homme, but are repulsed by the French with heavy losses. Belgian aviators have bombarded a German aviation park in reprisal for the raid on their cantonment.

Total Munition Plants Now Number 3,577

LONDON, May 20.—David Lloyd-George last night announced that one hundred and thirty-one munition factories have been added to the establishments under the Government. The total is now 3,577.

Greek Collier Sunk

TOULON, May 21.—A Greek collier was sunk on Thursday by an Austrian submarine. Twenty-seven members of the crew were picked up by a French torpedo boat and brought to this port.

Turk Forces Number 860,000

LONDON, May 22.—The Daily Mail's Athens correspondent computes the total Turkish forces at 860,000.

All Depends On Redmond and Carson

Says Editor Garvin of The Observer—Says Every Effort Should be First Made For Inclusion of Ulster—Looks For One Irish Parliament and One Irish Nation

LONDON, May 22.—Discussing the Irish question, editor Garvin of the "Observer" says: "The only real method of Irish settlement is to revive the Buckingham Palace conference, which broke down before the war chiefly on the narrow question in 'Tyone.' We assume this will be the Premier's main proposal of the desirable settlement, which will be molded between the Irishmen themselves, and we hope that if Buckingham Palace conference be resumed its basis will be somewhat enlarged, so as to embrace men like Sir Horace Plunkett, who was not included before; but above all more depends upon Sir Edward Carson and John Redmond than ever depended upon Irishmen before. Cannot Redmond and his friends concede the exclusion of Ulster, unless the order and get an immediate settlement? Cannot Carson and his friends agree to join the sessions by meeting alternately in Dublin and Belfast for the management of the Common Irish affairs? Let every effort be made first for inclusion. If this does not work let all Ulster be excluded for a time on such terms that there will be in a few years one Irish Parliament and one Irish Nation."

Fresh Troops Now Rushed To Bagdad

Four Thousand German Troops Expected There by June—Austrians Have Already 12,000 There—Turks Weakening Defence Constantinople in Order Send all Possible Reinforcements to Asia Minor

LONDON, May 22.—Four thousand German troops are expected in Bagdad in June, says the "Times" Bucharest correspondent. Twelve thousand Austrians are already there. The Turks are weakening their defence of Constantinople, and sending all possible reinforcements to Asia Minor and concentrating a large force at Marash, three days' march north-east of Alexandrette, on the Mediterranean, northern Syria, where they fear and attempted landing by the Entente Allies.

Baron Wimborne Now in London

LONDON, May 22.—Baron Wimborne, Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, arrived in London to-day to testify before the commission which is investigating the Irish revolt. Baron Wimborne is still technically Lord-Lieutenant, his resignation not having been accepted. The Right Hon. James Owens Wylie, Judge of the Supreme Court of Ireland, has been sworn in as Lord Chief Justice for the Government of Ireland during the absence of the Lord-Lieutenant.

9 Are Killed and 38 Injured in Kemp

DENISON, Texas, May 22.—Nine persons were killed and thirty-eight injured in Kemp City, Oklahoma, eight miles east of Denison, which was wiped off the map by a tornado, which last night swept a path three-fourths of a mile wide, and five miles long. In the Kemp City section only three small dwellings remain standing.

Italian Brigantine Sunk

LONDON, May 20.—A Lloyd's despatch says, the Italian brigantine "Saint Andrea" two hundred and twenty-five tons has been sunk.

TERRIFIC FIGHTING REPORTED

PARIS, May 22.—French grenadiers have occupied several blockhouses in Avocourt Wood, on the Verdun front, in the course of severe fighting. Last night the struggle west of Deadman's Hill was terrific.

The War Office statement of this afternoon says the attacks of the German were infantry repulsed. The blockhouses in Avocourt Wood were abandoned by the Germans. East of the Meuse, infantry fighting occurred at Haudremont quarries, captured yesterday by the French. The Germans attacked these positions, but the statement asserts they were repulsed with heavy losses.

Dillon Appeals For Support of Irish-America

In a Message Sent to Judge McGorty at Chicago he Says Irish Insurrection Has Inflicted Serious Injury to Irish Cause—Appeals to Irishmen Throughout the World

LONDON, May 22.—John Dillon, member of Commons, who recently bitterly denounced the Government's methods in dealing with the Irish revolt, sent the following message to Judge McGorty, Irish Fellowship Club at Chicago: "Irish insurrection inflicted serious injury to Irish cause, all hope securing Home Rule in near future depends more than ever on united Irish race throughout the world, especially the support of Irish-Americans."

OFFICIAL BRITISH

LONDON, May 20.—Three German aeroplanes made a raid on the English west coast last night. The British aerial announcement this afternoon states that one of the aircraft was brought down off the Belgian coast. The seaplanes dropped 37 bombs killing one soldier, and wounding two civilians.

LONDON, May 22.—A British official statement on the Western campaign reads:

"Yesterday (Saturday) our aeroplanes had several successful encounters. An aviator, on fire, fell into some trees near Abimfor Wood in the enemy's lines, one of its occupants being seen to fall out. Another hostile machine fell in flames near Centalmoise, also in the enemy's lines, after an encounter with one of our scouts, while a third crashed to earth in our lines near Maricourt. One of our aeroplanes fell in the enemy's lines. Much successful artillery work was accomplished. Early this morning a hostile machine landed undamaged in our lines. The pilot and observer were made prisoners."

ST. PIERRE BULLETIN.

PARIS, May 20 (midnight).—North-west of Roye our artillery bombarded an enemy's munition depot, where several fires broke out. North of Soissons two strong German reconnoitering parties were dispersed by our fire. In Champagne a raid enabled us to penetrate in the German lines north-west of Ville sur Tournelle and to clear a German trench, of which all the occupants were killed or taken prisoners. On the left bank of the Meuse, after a very fierce bombardment, the Germans during the afternoon, launched an attack on a large scale against our Deadman's Hill positions. In sectors east of Deadman's Hill the Germans succeeded in penetrating in our first lines, but a sharp counter-attack of our troops dislodged them with serious losses. In the sector west and on the slopes of Deadman's Hill, the Germans, after a series of fruitless and deadly assaults, under our certain and infantry fire, succeeded towards the end of the day in occupying some elements of our advance trench. Enemy contin-

O'Connor Says Joint Council Is Impossible

Thinks Ulster Must be Won by Equitable Concessions—Has no Hope for Suggested Creation of a Joint Executive Council Representing the Two Great Irish Parties

LONDON, May 22.—T. P. O'Connor in an article in "Reynolds Weekly" says the suggested creation of a joint executive council representing the two great Irish parties is impossible, and would aggravate, not alleviate, the passions of the decisions and be disastrous. "I think," he says, "Ulster must be won by equitable concessions." O'Connor adds he has received discouraging accounts as to the state feeling in Ireland. Among the wholesale arrests now going there are many men violently opposed to Sinn Feinism. He says he knows personally the case of a boy of 17, home from school vacation, who was sent to solitary confinement for five days, and given insufficient food, and only freed from his cell ten minutes out of each 24 hours, and had nothing to read. This boy was the son of an ardent supporter of John Redmond.

Austrians to Take Troops from Albania?

Neutral Diplomat Just Back From Albania Says Austrians Have Withdrawn 50,000 Troops During Past Three Weeks—State Statement Conflicts With Recent Despatches From Athens and Paris

PARIS, May 22.—A neutral diplomat who has just returned from Albania is quoted in a despatch to the "Mail" from Athens as saying, that the Austrians have withdrawn fifty thousand troops from Albania in the last three weeks. The abandonment of the Albanian front is said to be due to the impossibility of bringing up supplies. The statement adds that the Austrians are withdrawing their main forces from Albania, apparently conflicts with recent despatches from Athens and Paris, which stated that the Teutons were about to launch an attack in force against Avlona, which is the only town that remains in possession of the Italians.

gents, which pushed on to our second line, were taken under our violent artillery fire, and retired in disorder, leaving numerous corpses on the ground. There was great activity during the day in the region of Avocourt and Hill 304. Intermittent bombardment on the right bank of the Meuse and in the Woivre. A German plane was brought down by one of our auto-cannons in the Verdun district.

Belgian Communiqué. Medium activity was shown of German artillery especially in Dixmude district. As reprisals to the aerial bombardment of our cantonments, aviators dropped bombs on German aviation parks.

GERMAN. BERLIN, May 21.—More than 1,200 French, including 31 officers, 17 machine guns and 8 cannon, have been captured in the new German assault on the Verdun front in the region of Deadman's Hill, the War Office announced to-day.

ITALIAN.

ROME, May 21.—The great offensive of the Austrian forces has so far found such well-placed resistance that all efforts resulted, according to official communications, in heavy losses and dispersion of their troops. Several thousand prisoners, arms, ammunitions and provisions, abandoned by the retreating Austrians, have been captured. Some of the heaviest fighting occurred in the mountain heights far above those in which any previous combats have taken place.

BELGIAN. PARIS, May 20.—The forced retreat of German forces in German East Africa is announced in an official re-

Hun Offensive Along Yser Canal

PARIS, May 20.—German troops took the offensive along the Yser Canal between Steenstraete and Het Sas last night, the War Office announced to-day. An attempt to cross the Canal failed. The Germans also attacked in Champagne. The War Office announcement says that asphyxiating gas was used but that the assault was repulsed.

Dunkirk was bombarded by German aeroplanes. One woman was killed and 37 prisoners were wounded. The town of Bergues, near Dunkirk was also bombarded by German aeroplanes, five persons being killed, and eleven wounded. In retaliation for the attacks, French aeroplanes dropped bombs on the German camps.

On the Verdun front there were no important developments. French positions at Avocourt and at Deadman's Hill were bombarded very violently.

Putting Back the Clock

LONDON, May 21.—Britain lost an hour this morning between 2 and 3 o'clock, through inauguration of the Daylight Saving Experiment. Two o'clock on Sunday morning was chosen as the time for the change on the representation of the Railway Companies, as fewer trains were then running. At that hour the clocks in the stations, signal boxes and telegraph offices throughout the country were changed by the men in charge. The change is welcomed generally, though there were some minor inconveniences in London yesterday, when the alterations of thousands of public clocks began and continued throughout the night. The only opposition to the change comes from farmers in Northamptonshire, who at a meeting yesterday, recommended that the new system be ignored as far as possible in working farms, but not to the extent of defying the railroad time tables.

Tried to Escape

STOCKHOLM, May 20.—The steamer Trave, the fourth vessel sunk in the new submarine campaign against German shipping, attempted to escape when she caught sight of the British submarine. The captain headed her under full speed for Swedish territorial waters, but stopped promptly when the boat was struck by a well directed shot from the submarine.

The crew, including two women, were given ample time to leave the ship before it sank.

Fornado Sweeps Through Oklahoma

MUSKOGEE, Okla., May 21.—Kemp, Oklahoma, has been wiped out by a tornado, according to railroad advices received here to-night. Between 15 and 20 persons are reported killed and everyone in the town injured.

The Kaiser Off To Russian Front

LONDON, May 21.—The Kaiser returns to Berlin to settle the ministerial crisis, and then goes to Russian front.

Port issued by the Belgian war department at Havre. The report also claims the taking of a highly organized German defensive position and the capture of a 77 millimetre gun.

Big Austrian Offensive Now Nearing End

250,000 Austrian Troops Are Engaged in Front—Have Only Crossed Italian Frontier at One Point—Italian War Office Confident Offensive is Now Coming to a Halt

NEW YORK, May 21.—A Rome despatch received here late to-day says, that the Austrian Crown Prince has arrived at Trent, and is directing the campaign against Vicenza, on the northern Italian front. Field Marshal Conrad von Holtzendorf, Chief of the Austrian General Staff, has joined the array of generals. It is reported here that General Cadorna, the Italian Chief Commander, will move his headquarters to the Trentino front. Though last night's statement from the Italian War Office admits further retreats, there is every confidence here that the Austrian offensive is about to come to a halt. Despite the heavy sacrifices of men and ammunition, the Austrians, thus far, have crossed the Italian frontier at but one point, in Astico Valley. At no place do their lines approach nearer than twenty-two miles. The important strategic position of Vicenza is reported to be the goal of the present offensive. Between 200,000 and 250,000 Austrian troops are engaged on the front leading eastward from the Adige Valley. It is admitted that losses on both sides have been heavy, though no figures are available at the present time. The reason for the offensive is believed to be that the Austrians hoped to catch the Italians off guard, while important Italian troop movements were under way. After holding this position since the war began, the Italians were forced to relinquish advanced positions on the first two days of fighting. On the third day counter-attacks recovered part of the lost ground. The Austrians returned their attacks in great force on the following day. Rather than sacrifice men uselessly on exposed positions, the Italian Commander ordered further retreatments to a better protected position. The greatest aerial activity on the Tyrolean front since the beginning of the war accompanied the Alpine battle.

Ariel Attack On Cairo

CAIRO, May 22.—An aerial attack on Cairo was made to-day causing the death of two persons and injury to a number of others. The following official statement was issued:

"Two army aeroplanes dropped 16 bombs on Sunday morning, mostly on Arab quarters. Two civilians were killed and thirteen injured severely, while five soldiers were wounded. The aeroplanes were driven off by anti-aircraft guns."

Protests Against Relaxing of the Blockade Order

LONDON, May 20.—The action of Great Britain in consenting to relax her blockade order and permit the safe passage of fifteen thousand tons of dye stuffs from Germany to the United States is strongly condemned in a lengthy editorial in the Morning Post "because such action gives an advantage to the manufacturers of the Central Powers over our own manufacturers."



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