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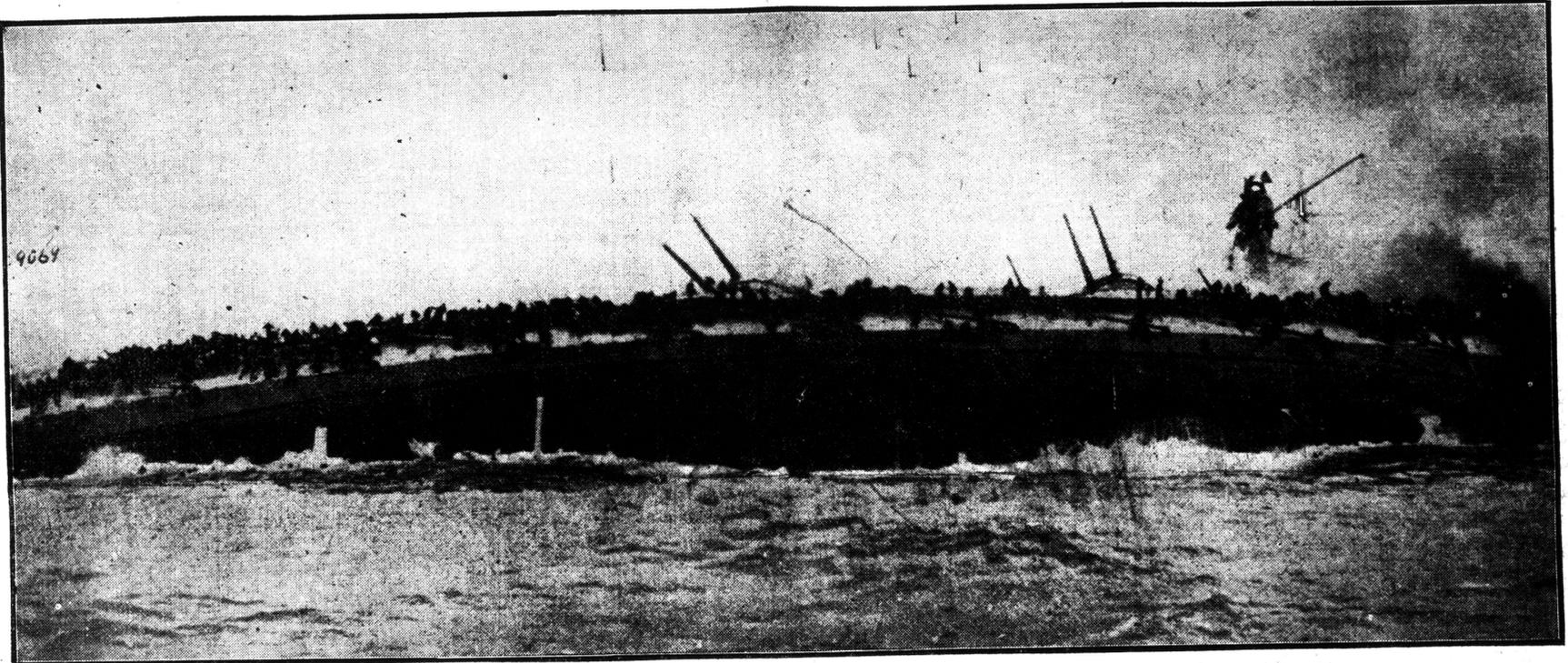
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## RUSSIANS WIN BRILLIANT VICTORY

### Germans Put to Disorderly Flight North of Warsaw

**Steamer Dacia Seized By a French Cruiser** || **Inner Dardanelles Forts Are Silenced** || **Austrians Defeated In Eastern Galicia**

*The Blucher's Death Agony---The Most Dramatic and Wonderful Picture of the North Sea Battle.*



This most remarkable photograph was made during the last moments of the doomed German cruiser Blucher, just a few moments before she capsized and sank, following the first battle between Dreadnoughts. With her machinery and armament shot into masses of twisted iron and steel, great fires raging forward, amidships and aft, the officers of the Blucher may be seen, a dark mass astern, standing arm in arm, ready for the end, while hundreds of the crew, either intentionally or unavoidably, slipped down the sides to the more merciful sea.

Despite the fact that German dirigibles hovered overhead, dropping bombs, the British cruiser Arethusa stood by to rescue such of the crew as might be found floating in the water after the Arethusa had fired the torpedo which settled the Blucher's fate. Having converted the great cruiser into a floating mass of junk, her decks an inferno, the British battle cruiser left her to the "mosquito" fleet and continued the pursuit of the other German battle cruisers, which had been caught in the North Sea, evidently bent upon another raid upon the English coast. The photograph of the dying Blucher was made by an officer from the deck of the Arethusa a few seconds after that vessel had discharged the fatal torpedo.

With hundreds of her crew dead and wounded, while hundreds more calmly faced death, the Blucher, after floating for a brief time on her side, keeled over forward. When the photograph was made the Blucher was afloat in a score of places. Her magazines had been exploded, her guns dismantled, her masts shortened and her machinery crippled. The Blucher's two funnels evidently had been shot away, for they cannot be seen in the photograph. The tripod foremast is seen to the right and just below, and to the left of it a six-inch gun is seen outlined against the sky. Aft the second turret, with its pair of 8.2-inch guns, is seen another 6-inch gun. Her armor belt runs as a black line for the entire length of the side. Evidently the booms which carried the torpedo netting had not been hit, although one forward had its fastenings shot away and is hanging. The others are in their usual places.

of the water, turning deliberately over. For a space of perhaps ten minutes, she floated keel up, while several of her crew ran along the bottom of the vessel, and then disappeared from sight.

In the photograph some of the crew may be seen walking along the slippery bottom. One man climbed down to the bilge-head, from which a cataract poured, while others were sliding into the sea. One man jumped. Others may be seen swimming, dark spots bobbing about in the water. Many of these were stripped of their clothes, or had their garments burned or shot away. Many of them wore swimming jackets.

Dense white smoke is seen pouring from the hull amidships and heavy black smoke belching forth from

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## GERMANS ROUTED BY RUSSIANS FLEE IN DISORDER FOR SOLDAU

**Brilliant Victory Won By Czar in North Central Poland on Przasnysz Front, Above Warsaw, and Cossacks Are in Effective Pursuit of Enemy.**

By Frederick Renner.  
Special Cable to The Toronto World.  
PETROGRAD, Feb. 28.—Against the central German column in north Poland the Russians have delivered a sensational attack. The Germans held the line stretching 30 miles from Przasnysz to the only system of railways west of the front, central Poland. They were to support motor traffic from Lodz and Mlawa, and also westward to Plock, and southward to Warsaw. Near Plock the Germans assembled a vast quantity of motor vehicles for a swift raid upon the Narva, with the object of reaching the railway northwest of Warsaw, but the Russians, equipped with a number of swift armored cars with field guns.

Capt. Gordon, the pioneer of this arm, dashed within thirty paces of a German field battery and shot down the gunners, but he himself was killed and his adjutant, Prince Vatchnadse, was wounded.

**Break German Line.**  
The Russian infantry repeatedly broke the German line, about half of which seemed to be composed of raw recruits and conscripts. They began to sack Przasnysz, the afternoon of the capture. Some German military advisers were commanding.

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## Forcing of Dardanelles Is Continued Unchecked

**French Official Statement is That Progress of Four Miles From Entrance Has Been Made and Batteries Successfully Bombarded.**

PARIS, Feb. 28.—The ministry of marine has issued the following statement regarding the operations in the Dardanelles:  
"The Anglo-French fleet continued methodically during Feb. 28 the operation of forcing the Dardanelles. The mine-dragging was effected without incident up to four miles from the entrance. Three battleships advanced in the strait as far as the limit of the dragging operations, and successfully bombarded the batteries, while a detachment which was landed and finished the demolition of the four forts which had been cannonaded and reduced the day before."

## Turkish Capital is Transferred

LONDON, March 1, 1:25 a.m.—"According to diplomatic information received in Rome," says The Daily News correspondent in the Italian capital "the decision of the Turks to transfer the capital to Broussa, Asia Minor, was in direct opposition to Germany which wished the transfer, if made, to be to Adrianople."  
"The prophet's mantle, together with all the important relics and treasures already have been removed to Broussa, where the sultan's harem also has been sent."

## ALLAN LINE STEAMER SPRANG LEAK ON TRIP

Mongolian Arrives at Halifax With Loose Plates—Proceeded Under Own Steam.  
Canadian Press Despatch.  
HALIFA, Feb. 28.—The Allan liner Mongolian from St. John's, Nfld., for Glasgow, with over 200 passengers on board, arrived here today, leaking in the forepeak. Some of the plates put on at St. John's opened up and the ship sprang a leak. There was no great excitement on board, and the pumps were able to keep the water in check. Altho the Mongolian came into port under her own steam, the U. S. coast guard steamer Seneca stood by her.

## Furs Will Surely Be Higher Priced Next Season.

Now that the closing days of Dineen's big fur sale at 150 Yonge street are announced it would be well to take a definite step towards a purchase if you wish to make what will be one of the most profitable and soundest investments possible. Every indication points to higher prices on next season's furs, and you will find no values to compare with those now offered at Dineen's. No cut prices on furs of this high grade can compare with those offered at this well-known house now. There's positively no time for delay, and your inspection will reveal bargains without parallel.

## ANGLO-FRENCH FLEET SILENCES INNER FORTS OF DARDANELLES

**German Trade Cut Off**  
Neutral Powers Notified That Rigid Embargo Is Now in Effect, and That All Kinds of Shipping Is Barred.

Special Cable to The Toronto World.  
LONDON, Feb. 28.—In the house of commons on Monday formal pronouncement will be made of the allies' intentions concerning German commerce. It will constitute one of the most important pronouncements of international law in history, upstating Germany from accepted principles. Urgent necessity, and Germany's departure from accepted principles will be cited as justifying the unusual and momentous course. There's no question but that the government will have the enthusiastic support of the nation as well as the other allies, and when protests from neutrals come, as they surely will, the allied nations will present a united front, insistent upon having their hands free to deal with the unscrupulous enemy as they think best. There are indications that in announcing their policy they told themselves at liberty completely to stop German commerce. England and France are not only threatening to follow that course, but fully intend doing so.

## Turks Evacuate Sinai Peninsula

LONDON, March 1.—It is officially announced, says The Morning Post's Cairo correspondent, "that the Turks have evacuated the Sinai Peninsula. This confirms the belief here that all danger of a second invasion of Egypt is now removed."

**Batteries on European Side Out of Action—Powder Magazine Blown Up With Deadly Effect—British and French Flags Hoisted Over Captured Forts—Panic in Constantinople Intensified**

Canadian Press Despatch.  
LONDON, Feb. 28 (Midnight).—A despatch to the Exchange Telegraph from Athens says:  
"The allies have disembarked detachments of artillery near the destroyed Dardanelles forts and British and French flags are now flying over them."  
"The fleet continued a bombardment of the inner forts yesterday afternoon. A powder magazine was blown up. There were numerous victims. The fleet had reached as far as the light-house near Fort Kilita Bahr. The forts on the European side have been reduced to silence. Mine sweeping operations continue."  
"There are 50,000 Turks on the European side and 15,000 on the Asiatic side."  
"Early Warships Advanced."  
The allied fleet on Friday fired a huge salvo at the inner forts. The fleet, says a despatch from the Athens correspondent of the Havas Agency of Paris. The message continues:  
"The British fleet discharged its guns at a distance of 18 kilometres."  
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