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Russians, By Surprise Attack, Carry Height in Carpathians

INDIAN TROOPS DRIVE 15,000 TURKS FROM STRONG POSITION

DUTCH CALL FOR REPRISALS FOR SINKING VESSEL
Ministerial Conferences Held Upon Torpedoing of Steamer at Anchor.

SUBMARINE GUILTY
Belief Held That Attempt Was Made to Sink Ship With Belgians.

THE HAGUE, April 16.—(Via London, 10.25 p.m.)—Further ministerial conferences were held today to consider the sinking of the Dutch steamer "Katwijk," from Baltimore to Rotterdam, with a cargo of grain consigned to the Netherlands Government, in the North Sea Wednesday night. The sinking of the steamer without warning has aroused the most widespread public irritation, and has called forth stinging protests from all the newspapers, and from over those inclined toward the German side.

TRIED TO GET BELGIANS.
The papers say there appears no doubt that a German submarine was guilty, and the question is asked generally whether the captain of the submarine was acting against specific instructions to avoid sinking neutral ships, or whether the orders recently were changed by Germany. One report given for the submarine's action in the widespread report that 500 Belgians were to cross from England on Wednesday night, en route to join the forces fighting in Belgium under King Albert. Some of the papers assume that this report was communicated to the submarine which usually is lurking in the vicinity of North Hinder Lightship, and that the commander of the underwater boat torpedoed those inclined toward the German side.

SULTAN OF TURKEY DESIRES TO RESIGN
Rather Not Reign Than See Country Go to Ruin—Is Greatly Dejected.

TRANSFER OF CAPITAL
Hair to Throne Criticizes Policy of War Party—Complications Feared.

PARIS, April 16.—The Dedeaghat, correspondent of the Temps writes the following despatch regarding the Turkish Imperial Council, held in Constantinople.
The imperial council, over which the sultan presided, was held at Constantinople. The possibility of the transfer of the capital was discussed.
Known Prince Yusuf Izzeddin severely criticized the policy of Enver Pasha and the Young Turks and their aims shortly before the war. The sultan was greatly dejected. He said he would rather not have reigned than see the country go to ruin.
Ready to Quit.
The sultan declared that he had decided to abdicate in case a transfer of the capital became necessary, in preference now to be relieved of the throne and would be happy if Prince Izzeddin could succeed him.
Members of the dynasty express the opinion that the present situation is favorable for a change, as the sultan's policy was hounded by Enver Pasha and the grave interior compli-

British Under Deadly Fire Carried Turkish Position
Fifteen Thousand Men Routed By Fierce Bayonet Charge, in Which Indian Troops Suffered Severely—Turks Used Machine Guns.

LONDON, April 16.—(8.30 p.m.)—The British India troops have inflicted another defeat on the Turks in the vicinity of Shaiba, Mesopotamia, altho at a considerable loss to themselves, their casualties being about 700. This announcement was made by the India office in an official report issued tonight.
The report says that after clearing the Turks out of their positions north and west of Shaiba last Tuesday, the British on Wednesday continued their offensive in the direction of Zobeir, four miles south of Shaiba fort. The Turks were driven out of the advanced position, and the British attack was then directed against their main line near the Birjisiyah wood.
At Bayonet Point.
"Here," says the report, "the enemy, whose strength is estimated at at least 15,000 men, including six regular battalions, with six guns, had occupied a series of well-concealed trenches, from which they were able to direct a heavy rifle and machine gun fire on our advancing troops.
Nevertheless, our attack drove the enemy out of his trenches at the point of the bayonet, and the whole line of his position was finally captured, the not without heavy loss to our side."
The casualties are believed to amount to about 700 men of all ranks. On the other hand, the Turks were so severely handled that they retired to Nakhlah, 19 miles northwest of Zobeir.

GERMAN OFFICER MURDERED YOUTH
Shot Down Son of British Teacher on Railway Train.

BRITAIN NOW PROTESTS
U.S. Embassy Medium Through Which Demand for Justice is Sent

LONDON, April 16.—(8.15 p.m.)—Great Britain, acting through the American ambassador at Berlin, it is announced, has made "the strongest possible protest" against the action of Captain Nicolay of the German army in shooting and killing in a train from Berlin on Aug. 3 the son of Henry Hadley, a British teacher of languages.
At the request of Great Britain, the American embassy enquired into the matter, it is stated, and received a statement from the German authorities to the effect that Hadley had pretended to be the conductor of the train, that he did not understand or speak German, and did not know where he was traveling. He acted in a conspicuous and impolite manner, it is said, and made ironical remarks regarding passing officers.
Trial Discontinued.
Captain Nicolay was called by the conductor, and the officer forbade Hadley to leave the train. Hadley then, the officer is said to have reported, assumed an aggressive attitude, and thinking he was about to be attacked, Captain Nicolay fired at him "in order to be first." Court-martial proceedings were instituted, but were discontinued after an investigation of the case.
Great Britain protests that whatever provocation Captain Nicolay may have fancied he received, he committed an act that can only be described as murder, and that justice has not been done, inasmuch as proceedings against the officer have been quashed.

BULGARIA TO JOIN ENTENTE POWERS?
LONDON, April 17, 3.14 a.m.—Premier Radolavoff of Bulgaria has acknowledged the possibility of Bulgaria's impending participation in the war in support of the triple entente powers," says The Daily Mail's Sofia correspondent. "This attitude was brought about by Germany's refusal to deliver munitions of war which Bulgaria has paid for or to make the April loan advance as agreed upon."

"Dineen Quality" Hat Special for Today's Selling.
An advertisement in another part of this paper gives full particulars of the "Dineen Quality" hat. It will prove profitable and extremely interesting to hundreds of men and young men in Toronto who are accustomed to pay \$2.50 for their hats. The value is unusually good and you should certainly see them. Saturday is always busy in Dineen's Hat Section, and this will be a regular banner day. Spring overcoats are shown in a profusion of new styles and colors. They are as smart as anything in town, and the price is considerably less. Store open till 10 tonight.

FRESH SUCCESS BY MUSCOVITES IN CARPATHIANS
Austrian Force Surprised and Practically Wiped Out Near Zuella.

GERMANS DEFEATED
Confirmation Received of Rout of Bavarians in Fierce Battle.

PETROGRAD, April 16.—Continuing their process of dislodging the Austrians from a 75 to 100-mile section of the Carpathian mountains, Russian troops noiselessly approached the barbed wire entanglements of the Austrians between Telespoch and Zuella Villages, broke thru, and in a brief engagement with the bayonet, captured two heli-ports and a great number of prisoners. The enemy delivered a counter-attack with the 11st Reserve Regiment, and the fighting at this point has not ended.
Spring Thaw Begins.
On other sectors of the Carpathian front the Russians stood on the defensive the spring thaw having put the roads in bad shape. The rivers have swollen and in some places have overflowed their banks.
The Germans and Austrians still persist in making local attempts to create dints in the Russian lines. Towards Rostok attempts are reported of attacks against the heights occupied by the Russians near the Village of Crosspach. Here the Russians held their ground well.
Fighting is desultory on other portions of the Russian front.

NOTHING IMPROPER IN LAND DEALINGS
Hon. Frank Oliver Issues Statement Defending Himself Against Scandals.

NOT THEN MINISTER
Mineral Rights of Property Confirmed by Hon. Dr. Roche.

By a Staff Reporter.
OTTAWA, April 16.—Hon. Frank Oliver issued a reply to the charges made against him in the house of commons by Hon. Dr. Roche on Thursday. The charges were that he had retained coal royalties which should have been paid into the treasury, and that Indian lands bought by a man named Falerne were jockeyed into his own possession. Mr. Oliver states that it was not until he ceased to be minister that he discovered that Falerne had sold the mineral rights of land which he had acquired in 1910. He then got the rights, and Hon. Dr. Roche granted him an extension of time for the settlement of the royalties.
Of the Indian lands bought by Falerne in 1906 and sold to J. J. Anderson, son-in-law of Oliver in 1910, and sold by Anderson to Mr. Oliver in 1914, the ex-minister of the interior says he can see nothing improper in the transaction. Falerne was to pay \$25,000 for the lands, but after making the first payment of \$6000 could not pay any more. For four years the government pressed for payment, then Falerne sold to Anderson, who allowed him the \$6000 he had paid. Anderson paid the balance to the government. Mr. Oliver says he bought the land from Anderson three years after he ceased to be a minister, and he declares that in neither of these transactions did he do anything improper, there was no intention of defraud, and the government lost nothing.

Turkish Navy Supplied With Fuel By Bulgaria
Reichsbank Furnishes Bulgarian Government With Funds—American Ambassador is Received By Czar.

BY FREDERICK RENNET
Special Cable to The Toronto World
PETROGRAD, April 16.—Examination of the damaged Turkish cruiser Medjidieh has established the fact that anthracite fuel has been supplied recently by Bulgaria. Russia will probably prohibit exports into Bulgaria.
The German Bank has just furnished \$800,000 to the Bulgarian Government.
In accordance with instructions from Washington, the American ambassador requested an audience with the czar. He was received at Tsarsko Selo yesterday.

FOUR STEAMERS SUNK BY BLACK SEA FLEET
PETROGRAD, April 16.—The following Russian naval success on the Black Sea is reported tonight:
"Yesterday in the Black Sea our destroyers sank off the Anatolia coast four steamers, two of which were laden with coal, and two sailing vessels, and also exchanged fire with the Sunguldaik (Asia Minor) batteries."

FRENCH AVIATORS BLOW UP GERMAN POWDER MAGAZINE
Shell Factory Also Bombarded—Metz Electric Light and Power Plant Partially Wrecked, and Three Airmen Driven to Death.

PARIS, April 16.—Successful operations were conducted by French aviators today, in which they bombed a German shell factory, blew up a German powder magazine, hit the central electrical station which supplies Metz, and forts with light and power, and gave chase to three German aviators, who were forced to land. The official report follows:
"Our aviators were very active. Ten bombs were thrown on the work-manufacture of shells. Ten bombs were dropped on the powder magazine at Rothwell. Six struck the mark, and a huge red flame shot up, surrounded by dark smoke. The aeroplanes were struck by shell splinters, but returned safe and sound."
Chased Three Aviators.
"Forty bombs, most of which struck their mark, were dropped on the central electric station at Malieres Les Metz, about ten miles north of Metz. This station supplies the town and fort of Metz with power and light. Much smoke rose from the central building. On their return, our aviators encountered three German aviators, they gave chase, forcing them to land. Our squadron suffered no mishaps, altho subjected to a violent cannonade from the Metz forts."

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THAW IS ORDERED BACK TO ASYLUM
NEW YORK, April 16.—Harry Kendall Thaw was today ordered back to the state hospital for the criminally insane at Matteawan by the appellate division of the New York Supreme Court. Five days elapse before the order becomes effective.
Plans are now being formulated to take the case to the state court of appeals.

ZEPPELIN RAIDS ON BRITAIN DID LITTLE DAMAGE
Bombs Dropped at Many Points in Kent County and Anglia.

AVOIDED LARGE CITIES
Towns Attacked Probably Mistaken for Naval Base Sheerness.

BOMBS KILL TEN AT AMIENS
AMIENS, France, April 16.—(11.30 p.m.)—Several bombs have been dropped by a German Taube aeroplane in the vicinity of the cathedral here. Ten persons were killed or wounded. The material damage done was slight.

DARING EXPLOIT OF FAMOUS BIRDMAN
French Aviator, Garros, Brings Down German Aeroplane Near Dunkirk.

BISHOP APPEALS FOR AMMUNITION
Nation Must Concentrate Mind on Problem to Save Life.

FOLLOW FRENCH LEAD
Treat as Traitor Employer or Employee Who Hinders Work.

London Not Alarmed
Special Cable to The Toronto World.
LONDON, April 16.—London waited expectantly tonight for an air raid, but at midnight nothing had occurred. Last night one Zeppelin, possibly from the larger towns, where they might have been discovered by searchlights and come under fire from the land. There is an inclination here to consider the raid only in the nature of reconnaissance, for except in case of aeroplanes' bases, points of military importance were avoided, altho in each case aircraft passed within a short distance of such places. In view of this belief extra precautions are being taken while the fine weather lasts.
The allies already are making preparations for all German attacks over the fighting zone, and it is considered here to be likely that the raids over England will receive their reply before very long.

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DARDANELLES AND BLACK SEA FORTS ARE AGAIN SHELLED
LONDON, April 17.—(2.30 a.m.)—The Amsterdam correspondent of Reuters' Telegram Company, writing under date of Friday, says:
"Turkish headquarters reports that a cruiser yesterday bombarded the Dardanelles fortifications from the entrance.
"A Russian fleet bombarded Eregli and Sunguldaik (in Asia Minor, on the Black Sea)."

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