

BRITISH AND FRENCH WARSHIPS ATTEMPT TO FORCE DARDANELLES; AIRCRAFT TAKE PART

Eight Battleships and Armored Cruisers in Attack which Continued for Two Days—Claimed Forts Have Been Badly Damaged.

London, Feb. 21.—The first sea attack by the British and French Mediterranean fleets, assisted by aeroplanes and seaplanes, on the Dardanelles forts, which commenced Friday and continued yesterday, has met with considerable success, according to the British official account and unofficial reports received at Athens from the island of Tenedos, at the entrance to the Straits.

The Turkish official report, however, stated that no damage had been done to the forts, and that the casualties of the defenders consisted of one killed and one wounded, but that three of the warships were damaged by shots from the forts.

The British report said that the forts on the European side of the Straits were silenced Friday, and that only one of the forts on the Asiatic side was still firing Friday evening, while none of the warships had been damaged. The Greeks' accounts aid that the Asiatic forts were silenced, but no official report of this bombardment has been issued by the Admiralty, as yet.

The bombardment must have been one of the most serious ever undertaken, in the opinion of naval experts, for no less than eight battleships and armored cruisers took part, these warships have a total of thirty 12-inch and six 10-inch guns which outranged the guns of the forts. Early Friday morning this fleet from the Falkland Islands, where, with other ships she took part in the battle in which Admiral Count Von Spee's German squadron was destroyed, opened a long-range bombardment on the forts at Cape Helles and at Kum Kaleli, at the entrance to the Straits. When these forts had been damaged, the battleship force closed in and engaged the forts with their six, seven and nine-inch guns, which, it is believed must have poured an enormous raid of shells on the Turkish positions.

Besides desiring to bring Turkey to her knees, the Allies, in their attempt to force the Dardanelles, aim at an early release of the large stock of wheat which is locked up in Russian warehouses and which the Allies wish to get out, both to relieve the markets and to provide Russia with necessary credit to pay for war material bought abroad.

Another Airship Raid Over England Has Been Reported

London, Feb. 22.—A Braintree dispatch to the Press Association says that at about 8.30 o'clock last night a hostile aeroplane dropped missiles, supposed to be incendiary bombs, on the fields close to Braintree, but they did no damage. At 8.40 o'clock another aeroplane passed over Colchester, which lies about fifty miles northeast of London. It dropped a bomb which

buried itself in a garden where it exploded, doing damage to the rear of a house and smashing the windows of other houses. No one was hurt. The aeroplane, said to be a German, also dropped bombs at Marks Tei, six miles west of Colchester, but no serious damage resulted. The machine was last reported as making off to sea.

OFFICIAL WAR REPORTS

FRANCE

SUNDAY.

Paris, Feb. 21, 3.40 p. m.—The war office announced, in a statement given out this afternoon, that part of the trenches near Ypres which the Germans captured recently had been retaken, and that German attacks elsewhere had been repulsed.

The statement follows: "In Belgium there were some infantry actions. In the sector of Ypres we took a portion of some trenches which the enemy had occupied temporarily. It is said that the Germans left several hundred men on the field. Our losses were slight. "In Champagne our gains were maintained. Two counterattacks by the enemy towards night yesterday failed. "In the Vosges we repulsed three attacks, one on the northern bank of La Foch, and two on the southern bank. The fighting continues."

SATURDAY.

The following official communication was issued by the war office last night: "In Belgium along the whole front, as far as including Rheims, there have been cannonades and fusillades. "Our action continues in the Champagne district under good conditions. We have repulsed several counterattacks, and made fresh progress north of Perthes by occupying the wood which the enemy had strategically organized. "In Argonne there have been a few engagements of little importance. At Les Eparges, southeast of Verdun, after having repulsed the sixth counter-attack by the enemy, we delivered a fresh attack, enlarging and completing the progress realized yesterday. We took three machine guns, two trench mortars and 200 prisoners, including several officers. "In the positions which we carried at Xon, we found the bodies of soldiers belonging to five different regiments."

Paris, Feb. 21 (via London)—The following official communication was issued by the War Office tonight: "There has been intermittent cannonading from the sea to the Aisne, with a very effective fire by our artillery. "In the Champagne region, a counter attack by the enemy, which was brilliantly repulsed, was followed by a vigorous pursuit, which made us masters of the whole of the German position to the north and east of the wood captured by us yesterday. "On the rest of the front two other counter attacks were repulsed and we made fresh progress, particularly to the north of Les Meuniers. We captured two machine guns and 100 prisoners. "The enemy delivered his seventh counter attack at Les Eparges, with a view to recovering the positions gained by us during the last two days. It failed as completely as its predecessors."

RUSSIA

Petrograd, Feb. 21.—The following official communication from the headquarters of the command-

THE YOUNGEST AND OLDEST VOLUNTEER IN THE RUSSIAN ARMY.



CONSTANTIN MALAFEEFF
Constantin Malafeeff is the youngest volunteer in the Russian army. He is only fifteen years old. He has been made a Knight of the Military Order of St. George and was promoted to sergeant on the battlefield and given the command of a section in Poland. Ivan Trufanoff, aged sixty-two, is Russia's oldest volunteer. He is a Cossack and has already taken part in three wars. The medals he wears on his breast are evidences of the services he has already rendered to his country. He is a typical Great Russian.

PAPERS IN GERMANY HAVE STORY THAT BR. TRANSPORT CARRYING TROOPS SUNK

Berlin, Feb. 21 (by wireless to Sayville)—The report of the sinking of a British transport with troops, and the accompanying steamer, reached Berlin too late for comment by the morning papers. All of the papers, however, feature the report in first page headlines, together with reports of the sinking of other vessels by submarines or mines.

If, as is indicated by the foregoing, a British transport has been sunk, the news probably has been withheld in London. Although accounts of the sinking of various other steamers by German submarines, or by mines, have been passed promptly by British censors, there was no intimation in the London despatches of the destruction of a transport.

SUBMARINE BLOCKADE BY AUSTRIA

Geneva, via Paris, Feb. 21.—Austria will follow Germany's lead in its treatment of neutral shipping in the Adriatic, although possessing few submarines, says a despatch from Innsbruck. It is reported here that Emperor William of Germany and Emperor Francis Joseph of Austria-Hungary, with their staffs, soon will hold a conference at some town near the frontier between the two countries. The rulers have not met since the war began.

WILL BUILD AEROPLANES IN CANADA

Ottawa, Feb. 21.—The Curtiss Aeroplanes and Motors, Limited, has been incorporated by Dominion letters and has headquarters in Toronto. The company is authorized to manufacture all kinds of aeroplanes, hydroplanes, flying boats, airships, dirigible and other balloons and aircraft, flying machines and devices for aerial navigation. The company is also empowered to establish schools for the instruction of pilots and to issue qualification certificates.

NOT LIKELY TO HAVE MUCH SAY IN THE MATTER

Amsterdam, Feb. 21, via London, Feb. 22.—The North German Gazette in an officially insired article, promises the German people that they shall have ample opportunity for a full discussion and consideration of peace terms before peace is finally decided. "However," says the newspaper, "the time is not yet ripe for such a discussion. The war now has only one aim—a victory, so that no one in the future can disturb our peace. A discussion of peace terms is possible without introducing party differences. When the proper time comes our leaders will, without delay, announce their peace plans. Then the subject will be open for Germany's free people to consider."

AUSTRIANS DROP BOMBS INTO CETEINJE?

Paris, Feb. 21.—It was semi-officially announced in Paris today that an Austrian aeroplane flew over Cetinje, the capital of Montenegro, on Feb. 18 and dropped nine bombs. Two women were killed and four children were wounded by the explosion, according to the statement.

FOR A BAD COLD

The surest way to stop a cold is to loosen the liver and cleanse the bowels, and the nicest cathartic to do this is a 16-cent box of Cascara. Take one or two Cascaras tonight and your cold may be gone by morning.

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ITALIAN FISHING BOATS ATTACKED BY AUSTRIAN TORPEDO BOATS

Were Anchored Near Antevari When Fired on by Austrian Warships—Crew Claim Airships Dropped Bombs on their Vessels.

Rome, Italy, via Rome, Feb. 21.—The fishing boat Gesu arrived today from Antivari, Montenegro, and the members of her crew said that the Gesu and the fishing boat Saturno, when flying Italian flags, had been fired upon by two Austrian torpedo boats. This report has caused great popular excitement in Rome. Members of the crew of the Gesu said that the vessel was anchored near Antivari, with the Saturno, when the

Austrian torpedo boats appeared. The captains of the fishing vessels ordered their crews to land, and at the same time hoisted Italian flags. The Austrians, according to this report, fired on the crews and then on the vessels, while Austrian aeroplanes dropped bombs. No one on either vessel was injured, but the Saturno was damaged so badly that she was unable to sail for home.

Mobilization in Italy Is Almost Completed

Million of the First Line Soldiers Now Under the Colors—Fight in Italian Capital Between Neutrality Party and Those Favoring War.

Rome, Feb. 21 (via Paris)—The proceedings in the Italian Chamber of Deputies Saturday were comparatively peaceful, owing probably to the general belief among the deputies that the government has done everything in its power to prepare for eventualities. The first line soldiers now under the colors total about one million and thus mobilization has virtually been accomplished. Should it be necessary, Italy can speedily call to arms the territorial troops for the local garrisons.

Fight Between War Party and Neutrality Advocates.
A general fight, in which many persons were wounded, occurred today at a meeting called by the parties favorable to intervene, neutral in the war and those desiring the government to intervene, at which it was intended that speakers should give the respective views of the parties. The police were finally compelled to charge the crowd and disperse it.

PREMIER OF QUEBEC TO RESIGN?

Rumored He Will Try for Success in Sphere of Federal Politics.

Ottawa, Ont., Feb. 21.—There is a strong rumor, voiced by La Patrie of Montreal that Sir Lomer Gouin, the Liberal Premier of Quebec, is about to resign in order to enter Federal politics and that he will be succeeded in the premiership by Hon. L. A. Taschereau, Minister of Public Works in the Gouin cabinet. It is well known here that the Liberals are going to make a tremendous effort to recapture the Quebec constituencies they lost in 1911. They realize that there is no hope for them elsewhere and that if they are to make any headway at all it must be in Quebec. The government, however, has no fear of Quebec. Sir Wilfrid Laurier has lost his grip, so also has Bourassa, while Sir Robert Borden and his government are stronger in the French-Canadian province than they were in 1911. Chateaugay and other bye elections have demonstrated that.

BR. STEAMER TORPEDOED IN IRISH SEA

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"We launched our lifeboats and managed to pull clear, before the Cambank sank. We had no time to save anything, and most of us were scantily clad and much exhausted when a boat took us in charge and towed us into Amwhol harbor."

A steamer, which has arrived here, reports that she had been warned by the Cambank that there was a submarine in the vicinity. She at once put on full steam, and being a speedy vessel reached port safely.

The submarine came into view, according to the stories told by the men of the Cambank, while the crew of the steamer were preparing the boats for an emergency. Then the torpedo was observed. The ship was standing still at the time, and the torpedo struck it squarely amidships, close to the stovehole. In less than fifteen minutes the bow of the vessel seemed to fall away, and then the ship broke in two and sank. Those of the crew who were able to make the boats drifted for three hours before they were picked up.

After discharging the torpedo which sank the Cambank the submarine quickly submerged herself. The crew of the Cambank say the submarine unsuccessfully chased other boats in the vicinity where the Cambank was destroyed.

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The statement follows: "Near Nieupert an enemy ship, probably a mine-searching vessel, touched a mine and sank. Destroyers of the enemy disappeared while being shelled. "On the high road between Chateaugay and Ypres, we took one of the enemy's trenches and a few prisoners. "In Champagne comparative quiet reigned yesterday, after the heavy

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