Austrian Defeat In East Weakens Western Line

Allies May Take the Offensive—-Italians Win Important Victory on Heights Commanding Trieste—British Repulse

London, July 11, 10,20 p. m.—The check which the Russians have imposed on Archduke Joseph Ferdinand's army in Southern Poland and the additional strain which this has placed on the German general, Von Mackensen's army to the right, has postponed, it is believed in military circles here, the threatened German offensive in the west, and there is now a possibility that the Allies will be the first to take the offensive.

In support of this it is pointed out that the attacks by the German Crown Prince's army in the Woevre, which the German press announced was the commencement of a general move forward, have ceased, and what fighting is going on along the western front consists of artillery engagements and a few isolated attacks and counter-attacks by infantry, which makes little or no difference in the positions of the opposing forces.

The British, according to the French report, have repulsed a German attack. The German reports, however, refer to this as a British attack, and Berlin says it was repulsed with considerable loss. In fact the French and Berlin reports are generally contradictory in respect to what fighting has taken place, but from the trend of them it is evident that neither side has attempted anything of a decisive nature, and it is believed it may be weeks yet before they do.

So far as the Germans are concerned military observers assert that they are bound to carry out their offensive against the Russians until there is some decisive engagement such as the capture of the Lublin-Cholm railway, which it is asserted would have been in their hands before now if the Austrians advancing toward the former city had not the second the city itself, thus avoiding a bombardment of the town, which is largely inhabited by their compatriots.

Arras and Rheims Shelled.

Paris, July 11—The following official communication was issued by the war office tonight:

"The day has been relatively calm on the whole front. There were artillery actions in the region of the Aisne and Champagne. At Vaux Ferry, in the forest of Apremont, an attempt by the enemy to attack was easily repulsed.

"An intermittent cannonade has been directed against the Remiers wood, to the northwest of Flirey, and Le Pretre forest, and a more violent cannonade against our positions at Fontenelle, Metariers and to the west of Ammertzy-viller.

British Repulse Attack. Reports from neutral sources are to the effect that to make good their efforts against the Russians, the Germans this afternoon gave out the following

for the western front to the eastern front. To a certain extent this seems confirmed by the statement in the Russian official report that reinforcements have reached Archduke Joseph Ferdinand, and that General Von Mackensen also commenced an offensive, which, however, broke down under the Russian fire.

While the military critics are still undecided whether the Russians will make their stand on their present lines or fall back to the Bug river, thus abandoning the fortresses of Ivangorod and Warsaw, it is agreed that the counter-attack which they have developed has post-poned, for a time at least, the necessity for any further retirement.

There is no confirmation of the reported Italian victory on the Corso Plateau, but despatches from Rome say that the Italian troops are making good progress in their work of capturing the mountains around Trieste, which they hope to take before commencing the ad-

King's Inspiring Message To The British Navy

London, July 11, 5.35 p. m.—The belief that the British navy will win fresh laurels "whenever the day of battle comes" is expressed by King George in a message to Admiral Jellicoe, after a visit to the grand fleet.

"I have had the pleasure of seeing the greater portion of the officers and men of the fleet," said His Majesty. "I realize the patient and determined spirit with which you have faced long months of waiting and hoping. I know how strong is the comradeship that links all ranks together. Such a happy state of things convinces me that whenever the day of battle comes my navy will add fresh triumphs to its old and glorious traditions."

Field Marshal Sir John French, in a review of the operations of the British expeditionary forces in April and May, the story of which has been told in the accounts by the British official "eyewitness" and by special correspondents, makes caustic reference to

the use by the Germans of asphyxiating gas. "I much regret," says Field Marshal French, "that during the period under report the fighting has been characterized on the enemy's side by cynical and barbarous disregard of the well known asaegs of civilized war, and by flagrant disregard of The Hague

The story of a remarkable exploit of 100 Indian prisoners of war who escaped from Constantinople and reached Afghanistan after a four months' march, is briefly told in a letter received here from Kabul, the capital of Afghanistan. The men, who are Pathans, formed a part of the Indian army fighting in Flanders. They were captured by the Germans and sent to Constantinople in the hope, the letter says, that, being Mohammedans, they might be induced to

Geneva, July 11, via Faris, 6 p. m.—The Austrians and Italians seem to be consolidating their positions and entrenching, according to the Laibach, Austria, correspondent of the Geneva Tribune. He states that another war council was held recently at Laibach. Shells from Italian guns near Malborgeth fell on the Austrian headquarters there, says the correspondent, mortally wounding a gen-

eral, killing a colonel and a captain and injuring other officers. It is reported that since the war began 1,800 Slavs and 5,300 Irredentist Italians have deserted to the Italian forces, according to the correspondent, and that since June 100 civilians, including some

women, have been shot as spies by the Austrians.

A despatch from Innsbruck to the Tribune, relative to the fighting in the eastern theatre, says that both the Russians and the Teutons are entrenching. The Austrian forces which were meant for the Italian campaign have been sent back to the Lublin front, it is stated. The Russians are said to have obtained an important victory at Jaroslau. The Russians now have powerful artillery, while the Cossacks are doing excellent work.

Valuable Positions Won By Desperate Fighting

On the Heights of Notre Dame De Lorette, near Arras, France, July 10, Ma Paris, July 11—After battling 120 days for the hill country between Bethune and Arras, the French forces are in possession of all the eminences tooking out upon the plains of Flanders. Lille, Douai and Cambrai all are visi-

has been won, except Souchez, and last night another quarter mile of trenches In the Souchez web was torn away. The attack was made under parachute rocket lights, the French burning bluish white and the Germans greenish white, covering the scene of the desperate conflict with a ghastly glow.

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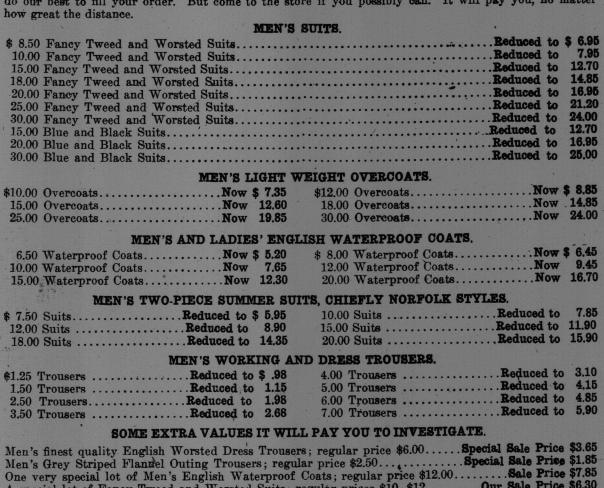
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