

## HOW OSTEND HARBOR WAS FINALLY BLOCKED

Graphic and Official Story of Operations, Issued by the Admiralty.

MINUTEST PLANS LAID

Vindictive Went to Her End Thru Smoke Screen Raised by Motor Boats.

London, May 14 .- The admiralty has issued the following graphic story of

the Ostend operation: "Dunkirk, May 11.—The Sirius lies in the surf some two thousand yards east of the entrance to Ostend harbook, and when in the early hours of block, and when in the early hours of yesterday morning the Vindictive groped her way thru the smoke-screen and headed for the entrance it was as the the old fighting ship awoke and booked on. looked on.

"A coastal motor boat had visited her and hung a flare in her stack and rusty rigging and that eye of unsteady fire, paling in the blaze of star shells or reddening thru the drift of smoke, watched the whole great enterprise from the moment when it hung in doubt as to its ultimate triumphant success.

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"The planning and execution of that "The planning and execution of that success had been intrusted by Vice-Admiral Sir Robert Keyes to Commo-dore Hubert Lynes, who directed the previous attempt to block the harbor with the Sirius and Brilliant. Upon that occasion a combination of un-foreseen and unforeseeable conditions had fought against him

A Knotty Problem. "Upon this, the main problem was to secure the effect of a surprise attack upon an enemy who was clearly, from his ascertained dispositions, ex-pecting him. The Sirius and Brilliant had been baffled by the displacement of the Stroombank buoy, which marks the channel to the harbor entrance. But since then aerial recennaissance had established that the Germans had removed the buoy altogether, and that there were now no guiding marks of any kind. They had also cut gaps in

the piers as a precaution against a landing and, further, when towards midnight on Thursday the ships moved from their anchorage, it was known that some nine German destroyers destroyers was a precaution against a solemn gait of hers, found the flag-ship's light buoy and bore up for where a coastal motor boat command-ed by Lieut. William R. Slayter, was out, and were at large upon the The Solution

"The solution of the problem is best indicated by the chronicle of events. It was a night that promised well for the enterprise-nearly windless-and what little breeze stirred came from a point or so west of north. The sky was lead blue, faintly star-dotted, with boats, whose work was done close in

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ussed thence into the hands of the small craft whose mission was to guide her, light her and hide her in the clouds of a smoke screen.

No Preliminary Bombardment, There was no preliminary bombard-nent of the harbor and batteries, as before the previous attempt? That was to be the first element in the sur-prise. A time table had been laid down for every stage of the opera-tion, and staff work beforehand even included precise orders for laying the subsciences with plans calculated smoke barrage, with plans calculated for every direction of the wind.

"Monitors anchored in firing posi-tions far seaward awaited the signal. The great sea batteries of the royal marine artillery in Flanders, among the largest guns that were ever placed on land mountings, stood by likewise to neutralize the big German artil-lery along the coast and the along

lery along the coast, and the airmen who were to collaborate with an aer-ial bombardment of the town, waited somewhere in the darkness overhead. Destroyers patrolled seaward of the small craft. "The Vindictive, always at

waiting by a calcium flare upon the old position of the Stroombank buoy. Call to the Guns.

"Four minutes before she arrived there, and fifteen minutes only before she was due at the harbor mouth, the signal for the guns to open was given. Two motor boats under command of Lieutenant L. Poland dashed in toor so west of north. The say interceptant is roland dashed in to-ad blue, faintly star-dotted, with on, and a still sea for small craft, launches and coastal motor autor as a machine gun on the end of the western pier, and that vanished in a roar and leap of flames-which called.

"From the destroyer which served "From the destroyer which served the commodore for a flagship, the re-mainder of the force were visible only as silhousettes of blackness-the de-stroyers looming like cruisers in the derkness, the motor boats like de-the coastal motor boats the infine sum and sank with the airplanes had seen and under-their first bombs came the first shells, whooping up from the monitors at Bury, sea. The surprise part of the attack was sprung. The surprise, in spite of that the Germans' watchfulness, seems to have been complete. Up till the mo-ment when the torpedces of the motor boats exploded there had not been a shot from the land—only occasional



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by a shell which killed all the occu-pants, including Sub-Lieut. Angus H. "After her pants, including Sub-Laeut, Angus H. MacLachan, who was in command of it, the upper and lower bridges and the chart room, swept by bullets, Commander Godsall ordered the offi-cers to go with him to the conning tower. They observed thru the ob-servation slift in the steel wall of the conning tower that the eastern pier was breached some two-hundred yards from the seaward end, as tho at the a ship had been in collision with At times they saw the front of the town silhouetted again and again in the light of the guns that blazed at them. The night was a patch work

of fire and darkness. Sheil Struck Conning Tower. "Immediately after passing the breach in the pier, Commander Godsal left the conning tower and on deck, the better to watch the on deck, the better to watch the ship's movements. He chose a posi-tion and called in thru the slit of the the conning tower his order to star-board the helm. The Vindictive re-sponded and laid her battered nose to the eastern pier and prepared to swing her 320 feet of length across

the channel. "It was at that moment that a shell from the shore batteries struck the conning tower. Lieutenant Sir John Alleyne and Lieutenant V. A. C. Crutchley were still within. Com-mander Godsal was close to the tower outside. Lieut. Alleyne was stunned by the shock. Lieut. Crutchley shouted thru the slit to the commander. and, receiving no answer, rang for port engine full speed astern, to help the swinging ship. By this time she was lying at an angle of about 40 degrees to the pier, and seemed to be hard fast; so it was impossible to bring her farther around.

"After working the engines some inutes to no effect, Lieut. Crutchley minutes to no effect, Lieut. Crutchley gave the order to clear the engine room and abandon ship, according to the program previously laid down. En-gineer Lieut. Commander William A. Bury, who was the last to leave the Bury, who was the last to leave the engine room, blew the main charges by a switch installed aft. Lieut. Crutchley blew the auxiliary charges in the forward six-inch maga-ine from the conning tower.

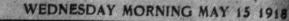
Her Work Was Done. "Those on board felt the old

shrug, as the explosive tore the bot-tom plates and bulkheads from her. She sank about six feet and lay upon the bottom of the channel. Her work was done.

"It is to be presumed that Commander Godsal was killed by the shell which struck the conning tower. Lieutenant Crutchley, search before he left her, failed to find his body or that of Sub-Lieut. MacLa-chan in the wilderness of splintered wood and shattered steel. In the pre vious attempt to block the port Commander Godsal commanded the Bril

liant, and together with all the offi-cers of that ship and of the Sirius had volunteered at once for the further operation. "Engineer Lieutenant Commander (

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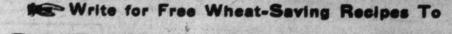
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furry of gunfire announced that German airplanes were about. They were actually on the way to visit Calais, and over the invisible coast of Flanders the summer lightning of restless artillery rose and fell monoand over the invisible coast of

"There's the Vindictive!"

"There's the Vindictive!" The muf-fied seamen and marines standing by the torpedo tubes and guns turned at that name to gaze at the great black ship seen mistily thru the screening from the destroyers' funnels, plodding silently to her goal and end. high-sided profile, her tall funnels with Zeebrugge scars, always with the background of the pier at Dover against which she lay to be fitted her last task. Now was added to her the environment of night and sea and the greatness of the tragedy of her mission.

She receded into the night astern. as a destroyer raced on to lay a light buoy that was to be her guide, and those on board saw her no more. She

## The Dread of **An Operation**

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an Operation.

St. Jean, Que., May 14 .- Possibly you are a sufferer from piles, and have been disheartened and discouraged because your physician has told you that nothing short of an opera-

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routine star shells. The Pocket Warships.

They built to either hand of the Vinmoke from the destroyers' tunnels, they built to either hand of the Vin-dictive's course the likeness of a dense botographs had made familiar that sea mist, driving landward with the wind. Star shells paled and with the wind. Star shells paled and were lost as they sank in it; searchlights seemed to break.off short upon its front. It blinded observers in great batteries, which suddenly, upon the warning of the explosions guns, roared into action.

"There was a while of tremendous uproar. The coast about Ostend is ponderously equipped with batteries each with a name known and identified, as Von Tirpitz, Von Hindenburg, Deutschland, Cecilia, and the rest. They register from six-inches to monsters of fifteen-inch naval pieces in land turrets, and the royaj marine

artillery fights a war-long duel with Lieut. Gordon Ross, and one hand ry fights a war-long duel with These now opened fire into the and over it at the monitors and es. And the monitors replied. In while the airplanes were bombmoke and over it at the monitors and marines. Meanwhile the airplanes were bomb-

ng guns were searching the skies for floated down, lighting the smoke banks with spreading green fires, and those strings of luminous green balls, which the airmen call 'flaming onions,' soared up, to lose themselves in the clouds.

Sea Fog Came On. "Thru all this stridency and blaze of conflict, the old Vindictive, still unhurrying, was walking the lighted water towards the entrance. It was then that those on the destroyers became aware that what seemed to be

merely smoke was wet and cold: that the rigging was beginning to drip, and that there were no longer any stars. sea fog had come on "The destroyers had to turn on their lights and use their sirens to keep in touch with each other. The air attack was suspended, and the Vindictive. with some distance yet to go, found herself in gross darkness. There were ohysicians have stat\_d to be incurable motor boats on either side of her, escorting her to her entrance. These

were supplied with what are called Dover flares, enormous lights capable of illuminating square miles of sea. At once every pistol was fired as a signal to light these, but the fog and smoke together were too dense for even the flares.

"The Vindictive then put her helm over and started to cruise to find the entrance. Twice she must have washentrance. Twice she must have wash-ed across and at the third turn, upon reaching the position at which she first lost her way, there came a rift in the mist, and she saw the entrance and the piers on either side, and an opening dead ahead

Vindictive Was In. "The inevitable motor boat U. P. No. gives me great pleasure to recom-mend Dr. Chase's Ointment to all who suffer from piles as a treatment of the growing fire and planted a flare on the water between the piers. The Vin-dictive steamed over it and on. She

was hit every few seconds after she

been in the Vindictive in the attack on Zeebrugge mole. He had urged upon the vice-admiral his claim to remain with her, with four engineroom artificers, in view of his and their special-knowledge of her engines Taken Off By Motor Launch.

"Most of the casualties were in-The Pocket Warships. "The motor launches were doing their work magnificently. These pocket warships, manned by officers and men of the royal naval volunteer reserve, brugge raid. Petty Officer Reed found Lieut Allevne in the conning tower Lieut. Alleyne in the conning tower still unconscious, and carried him aft under a storm of fire from machine guns. Lieutenant Alleyne was badly hit before he could be got over the the beams of side, and fell into the water. Here he Ostend harbor is completely blocked. a motor launch under Lieut. Bourke succeeded in rescuing him and two d other wounded men.

"The remainder of the crew were taken off by a motor launch under Licut Geoffrey H. Drunfmond under a fierce fire. When finally and a fierce fire. When finally sne reached the Warwick the launch was practically in 2 sinking condition: her

bows were shot to pieces. Lieut. Drummond himself was severely wounded. His second in command,

she was sunk. According to Program. "All was according to program. Re-call rockets for the smaller craft were fired from the flagship at 2.30 a.m. Great red rockets whizzed up, to lose themselves in the fog. They could not have been visible half a mite away, but the work was done, and one by one the launches and motor boats commenced to appear from the fog and stopped their engines alongside. The destroyers exchanged news with them. There were wounded men to be transferred and dead men to be retransferred and dead men to be transferred and dead men to be re-ported. But no one had seen a single enemy craft. Nine German destroyers which were out, free to fight, had chosen the discreter part. "It is not claimed by the officers who carried out the operations that

been fully accomplished. The posi-tion of the Vindictive is with stem on to the eastern pler, and not her stern. as shown in certain published illustrations.

AERIAL OPERATIONS. London, May 14 .- An official statement

on aerial operations tonight says: "Flying was possible only for a few hours Monday during the early part of the day. and 500 bombs were dropped on various methodically, and anti-aircraft were searching the skies for Star shells spouted up and were transferred a demolition charge

**REBELLION IN U.S.** Arrest of Three Russians in New York Reveals Conspiracy.

New York. May 14.—The arrest of three alleged Russian anarchists. charged with being involved in a nation-wide conspiracy to "overthrow" the American Government by the dis-tribution of anarchistic propaganda, was announced here tonight by Lieut. George Busby, head of the bomb and neutrality squad of the police depart-

ment. The prisoners, who gave their names as Alexander Derkach, Leon Bobkin and Ivan Novikoff, have been under observation for three according to Lieut. Busby. Their arrest followed an attempt to ship by rest followed an attempt to ship by express several soap and orange boxes containing the alleged propaganda to anarchistic societies in various cities. According to Lieut, Busby, Derkach and Novikoff have been affiliated with Lenine and Trotzky, the Bolshevik leaders. It also is alleged that there was found in Novikoff's possession a list of persons who had contributed to the defence of the L W. W. mem-bers now on trial in Chicago and that Novikoff had admitted that he had taken up a large subscription to

had taken up a large subscription to aid in their defence.

aid in their defence. FAST RECRUITING IN MONTREAL Montreal, May 14. — Three hundred and two recruits were taken on the strength of the two depot battalions here yesterday, the biggest day in that line yet. Recruits are arriving so fast they cannot all be supplied with uni-forms at present and a large number are drilling in mufti. London, May 14.—Andrew Bonar Law, chancellor of the exchequer, made an important announcement in the house of commons Monday, The Times says, when, in reply to a ques-tion by Sir Edward Carson, he said the British Government intended to adopt a policy similar to that of the French Government in denouncing all commercial conventions containing a general clause regarding "most favor-ed nations."

BOLSHEVIKI CONCLUDE ANOTHER ARMISTICE Moscow, May 14.—An armistice has been concluded between the Ukrain-ians and Germans and Russians on the Kursk front, and the Russian le-sation is making an effort to arrange an armistice on the remaining fronts. Replying to a protest by M. Tchit-cherin, the Bolshevik foreign minister, the Kursk front, and the Russian legation is making an effort to arrange an armistice on the remaining fronts. Replying to a protest by M. Tchit-cherin, the Bolshevik foreign minister, against the capture of Sebastopol and the Black Sea fleet as a violation of the Brast-Litovsk treaty. General the Brest-Litovsk treaty, General Count von Mirbach, the German ambassador, said the taking of Sebasto-pol and the fleet was purely a milipol and the neet was purely a mili-tary operation made necessary by at-tacks of the Russian warships upon Nikolalev and Kherson. He added that Germany had no intention to retain the territory captured and would permit the Crimea the right of selfdetermination.

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"There were more lively artitlery duels in the Tonale region, in the Lagarina valley, on Monte Asalone and north of Montello.

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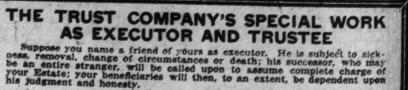
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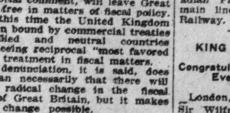
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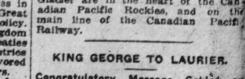
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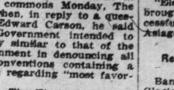
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