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Austrians Flying Before Victorious Sons of the Czar -- Everything Abandoned in Their Precipitate Flight

Twenty Thousand Prisoners Left in the Hands of the Russians

London, May 18.—A despatch from Petrograd says the Russian official statement describes the Austrian debacle in Bukovina as of such vast importance as to render nugatory the ephemeral success in West Galicia.

abandoned 20,000 prisoners and important, powerfully organized positions on a front of 140 versts, for the defence of which they made tremendous sacrifices in money and lives.

Zeppelin Raider Badly Damaged

London, May 17.—The Admiralty statement says that the Zeppelin that attacked Ramsgate this morning was chased off by the East Church and Westgate machine as far as West Hinder Lightship.

Heavy Losses Among Canadians

Ottawa, May 17.—The Canadian honor list now reaches the enormous total of 4,751, and the end, after casualties from the battle of Langemark, is not yet in sight.

Trouble Among Coal Miners

London, May 17.—Some thousands of miners in the Black Country went on strike to-day in consequence of a dispute over the question of a war bonus.

BRITISH MAKE A MILE ADVANCE

London, May 17.—Sir John French has broken his silence, in regard to the movements of the British Army north-west of LaBassée, with the announcement of an advance of nearly a mile into the German line.

break of the German line, which it maintained, must mean a retreat for a considerable section of the invader's forces.

BRITISH FORCES ASSUME OFFENSIVE

London, May 17.—Field Marshal Sir John French, in a message to-night, informed the British people that their troops again had assumed the offensive after a fortnight spent in hurling back German attacks, and had swept across and captured all German trenches south of Richebourg Lavoue after a two-mile front.

This movement, which resulted in the capture of numerous prisoners, many of whom surrendered in bodies, is still under way, and gives indication of being as important in the matter of territory won, as was the recent French advance elsewhere along the western battlefield.

LATEST CHARGES AGAINST THE ENEMY

London, May 17.—Several letters from Canadian officers and men have been received by R. P. Houston, M.P., corroborating the charges that the Germans crucified Canadians.

Lieutenant of the Fifteenth Battalion, which he showed to the Montreal Gazette correspondent, confirming these charges; also another letter, which asserted that a Canadian invader was crucified on a barn door, with bayonets through his hands, feet and throat.

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\$150 A SECOND

London, May 18.—D. Acland, Financial Secretary to the Treasury, speaking at a meeting here to-day, estimated the cost of the war to England at \$150 a second. This means an expenditure of \$12,960,000 a day.

Germany's Note To Washington

Conciliatory but Firm in Tone -- Holds England Responsible for Loss of Life on Lusitania

Paris, May 18.—The German reply to the American Note on the sinking of the Lusitania will be sent on Thursday, according to Le Matin's Amsterdam correspondent, who says he is informed it will justify the attack on the steamer on the ground that the submarine commander has affirmed in his report that only one torpedo was fired, which convinces him that the second explosion was due to the fact that the ship carried munitions of war.

Ship Carried Explosives, and Should Not Have Carried Passengers

Berlin, May 18.—Germany's answer to Wilson's Note will not be one of defiance, but will be replete with suggestions aiming at a friendly settlement of the issues at stake and will be couched in the most courteous and conciliatory phrases.

Second.—The German Government will not yield one inch with regard to its present policy of submarine warfare against Great Britain.

Showing Signs Of Improvement

Lisbon, May 18.—Improvement is shown in the condition of Jose Chagas, new President of the Cabinet, who was shot. Examination showed that the bullet entered the forehead and came out near the right parietal bone.

French Continue To Make Progress

Paris, May 17.—An official communication issued by the War Office to-night announces the capture by British troops of several additional German trenches north of LeBassée together with 1,000 prisoners.

GERMANS FORCED TO WITHDRAW

Berlin, May 17.—The German army headquarters to-day gave out a report of progress in the war theatre. In the Western war theatre, north of Ypres and west of the Canal near Steenstraete and Het Sas, the Germans gave up their advanced positions, and to avoid losses from the strong artillery fire of the enemy, they drew back their smaller forces from the main positions to the eastern bank of the Canal.

South of Neuve Chapelle the British still hold parts of the front trench taken on May 16th. Fighting continues north of Arras. Near Ablain and Neuville, French attacks yesterday were repulsed with heavy losses for the enemy.

FRENCH REPORTS FURTHER SUCCESSES

London, May 17.—Field-Marshal Sir John French, Commander-in-Chief of the British Expeditionary Forces in France, to-day sent a report under date May 17 to the War Department here as follows:—

Germany surrendered voluntarily to our troops, who continue to fight with great gallantry and determination. One of those bodies, while trying to surrender, was caught by German artillery fire, and practically annihilated. The exact number of prisoners has not yet been ascertained, but 550 have been cleared from the lines of communication. On the remainder of the front there have been no incidents to report.

PORTUGUESE SHOOTS THE NEW PRESIDENT

Paris, May 17.—Telegraphing from Lisbon at 3 o'clock this afternoon, the correspondent of the Havas Agency says:—

Trouble has broken out afresh. Senator Freitas, who shot and wounded Joas Chagas, the head of the new Ministry, was shot dead by Gen. Garmes.

Streets Cars of London Hung Up By Strikers

London, May 17.—With the exception of an occasional car, London to-day was without a street car service. Virtually all drivers and conductors of the London County Municipal railway street car system are now out on strike, having taken a pledge not to return to work until a germanian increase of pay, and not merely a war bonus, is granted.

Allan Liner In Collision on Mersey

Liverpool, May 17.—The Allan steamer Gramplan, which sailed from Liverpool for Montreal on Friday last, with about three-quarters of the passenger capacity occupied, was slightly damaged while going down the Mersey, by being collision with the steamer Kingsway and afterwards tacking out of the steamer Mokenels. The Gramplan put back to dock.

Mr. John Davis of the West End arrived by to-day's local.

Dr. O'Connell came to the city by the Trepassey train to-day.

"Thou the Noblest Crown Doth Wear"

Rome, May 17.—King Victor Emmanuel, without an escort, visited to-day the barracks and military hospital. He was cheered enthusiastically by the people.

French Continue To Drive Germans

Paris, May 17.—The British troops continue their drive of the German lines near LaBassée. They have captured another series of trenches and have taken 450 prisoners.









