

ITALY'S NAVY AND ANTI-AIRCRAFT GUNS DEFENDING COAST; TURKISH CRACK CORPS WIPE OUT IN ATTACK ON COLONIALS

London, May 25--(2.44 a.m.)--A despatch to the Daily Chronicle from Bucharest, says: "The Roumanian government is negotiating with the Allies. King Ferdinand has reviewed the army. Great enthusiasm prevails."

ACTIVE WAR ON ITALIAN FRONT; BULGARIA INVOLVED IN QUARREL WITH TURKEY

London, May 24, 10.15 p.m.—Little or no time has been allowed to elapse between the declaration of war and actual fighting between Italy and Austria. Early this morning Austrian aeroplanes, destroyers and torpedo boats descended on the Italian coast of the Adriatic, and bombarded towns, including Venice; while in the Tyrol and on the eastern frontier, Italian and Austrian advance guards are already in touch and have fired the first shots.

LAST WORD ON CABINET SAYS CHURCHILL STAYS

Stormy Petrel to Remain at Some Other Post Than Admiralty, But Lord Fisher Also Refuses to Work With Balfour as Civil Head—The Dardanelles Operations.

Roumania On Brink of War; Joining Allies

London, May 25, 2.55 a.m.—"The general belief that Roumania is on the brink of war for the fulfillment of her national ideals has been strengthened by Italy's declaration of war against Austria-Hungary," says the Times correspondent at Bucharest.

CAPTURE OF THE NAVAL SIGNIFICANT

French Take Position Which Germans Were Ordered to Hold Until Last Man Killed

THREE THOUSAND CORPSES COUNTED ON SUMMIT

Triumphant Completion of French Offensive at Loreto; One of Most Important Tactical Victories of War—Gallant Night Attack Won Fort in Last German Line.

AUSTRIAN NAVAL ATTACKS REPULSED

Italian Torpedo Boats, Detailed for Purpose, Guard Coast From Raids by Smaller Enemy Craft

HEAVY LOSSES ON BOTH SIDES IN STRAITS

Allies Report Splendid Victory by Colonial Troops at Dardanelles UNOFFICIAL REPORT OF LOSS OF BATTLESHIP

ITALY SIGNS AGREEMENT WITH ALLIES NOT TO CONCLUDE SEPARATE PEACE—FEELING IN GERMANY THAT ITALY'S ENTRANCE WILL ONLY DELAY TEUTONIC VICTORY—680,000 TRAINED TROOPS READY FOR NEW BATTLE FRONT—QUEEN HELENA TO ENTER RED CROSS SERVICE.

London, May 24, 8 p.m.—Italy has given her adhesion to the agreement already signed by the Allied powers not to conclude a separate peace. The signature of a formal document to this effect is imminent.

FIENDISH WORK OF KAISER'S ALLY

London, May 24, 11.20 p.m.—A despatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company from Odessa says it is reported that the Italian consul at Constantinople has been killed.

EARLY AUSTRIAN NAVAL ATTACKS REPULSED

Paris, May 24, 2.30 p.m.—The following official statement has been received from Rome:

"It was foreseen that on the declaration of war offensive actions would occur against our Adriatic coast, with the purpose of obtaining a moral effect rather than attaining a military purpose. But we were able to prepare for these and render their duration short."

VIENNA STORY OF OPERATIONS

Vienna, May 24, via London, May 25 1 a.m.—The war office has issued the following official statement regarding the operations against Italy:

FRENCH FORCED TO FRENCH FORCES

"Thousands of dead testified to the desperate nature of the contest. The battle of Loreto was a great battle and ended in complete victory. In the part of the front fighting has been going on unintermittently since October 1914."

POURING TO FRONTIER

Luigno, Switzerland, via Paris, May 24, 11.15 p.m.—Austro-German troops continue to pour towards the frontier from Innsbruck and Merano. The Swiss railroads are greatly overcrowded with Italian refugees, and reports reach here that the Italians resident in Austria and Germany are being badly treated."

GERMANY PROVIDING TROOPS

The Hague, May 24, via London, 8.40 p.m.—From information reaching here, it is understood that the Germans and Austrians have concentrated approximately 680,000 men on the Italian frontier. They have occupied strategic positions in order to meet an attack or to attempt to strike the first heavy blow in an endeavor to dishearten the new combatants at the beginning of the campaign."

GERMAN PIRATES Aimed Torpedo at Rescue Ship

Newcastle, Eng., May 24, 9.10 p.m.—The Norwegian steamer *Minerva*, which was sunk by a German submarine Saturday night, the crew of the steamer was landed here this evening by the steamer *Irish*, the captain of which reports that she had rescued the crew of the *Minerva* the submarine sent a torpedo at the *Irish*, narrowly missing her.

Asquith Upholds Sir E. Speyer As Loyal Subject

London, May 24, 7.35 p.m.—Premier Asquith has written to Sir Edgar Speyer a letter in which he characterizes as "baseless and malignant" the imputations made upon your loyalty to the British crown."

SAW CANADIAN CRUCIFIED BY THE GERMANS

Stratford, Ont., Officer Writes That He Witnessed the Sighting in Belgium.

Stratford, Ont., May 20—in a letter from the front received here today, Lieut. J. B. Morrison, of the Canadian Army Service Corps, states that he himself saw a Canadian soldier who had been crucified by Germans in Belgium.

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FROM ALL OVER THE MARITIME PROVINCES

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brother, Miss Cameron and Mr. A. Cameron, of M. Wood & Sons, Inspector Cameron has been in Halifax on business and is returning to Toronto. Congratulations are being extended to Professor and Mrs. Crowell, of Mount Allison, on the birth of a son, Mrs. Crowell is at her home in Salem, N.S.

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Invitations had been sent to all the members and their wives and a few outside friends. About two hundred were present...

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