

TEUTONIC ALLIES ABOUT TO TAKE BACK PRZEMYSL

Germans and Austrians Soon to Invest Great Fortress.

Once Held by Austrians Is Hemmed by Returning Hosts.

LONDON ADMITS EAST CRISIS

Fall of Fort Means Loss to Slav's of Lemberg Road.

War Offices Report No Change on Western Front.

London, May 28.—The fortress of Przemyel, captured this time by Russians instead of Austrians, is once more threatened with investment. Just as the Russians, after surrounding Przemyel and starting out its Austrian garrison, forced the surrender of the fortress on March 22 last, so Austro-German troops, who have driven a wedge through Central Galicia, are now attempting a double flanking movement, and with growing intensity of attack are seeking to encircle Przemyel from the north and the southeast.

According to Vienna reports, progress is being made in both directions, and if the advance is not checked, Przemyel will either be isolated from the rest of the Russian army, or the Russian troops which fell back to the San, will be forced into further retreat.

This situation in Galicia is unquestionably of great strategic importance at the present time and even the British press concedes that the position of Przemyel is serious.

It is described as the key to the whole Russian position in Galicia, and its fall will mean that the railroad running east to Lemberg, the main artery of the Russian supplies in this region, will fall into Austrian hands. Reports that this railroad line already has been severed are still without confirmation today.

Fighting along the Austro-Italian frontier still is in the development stage.

There is virtually no change on the western battle front, and the British and French admit that the Turks are so strongly entrenched on the Gallipoli peninsula that only siege warfare can be waged there.

Berlin Admits Setback.

Berlin, May 28.—A reverse at the hands of the Russians in the fighting along the river San, in central Galicia, is announced in a dispatch statement from the war office. It is said the Germans in the region of Sienleawa on the left bank of the river, were forced back and lost six cannons. The German positions, according to this announcement, were not defended by strong forces.

BIG RACE IS POSTPONED

Indianapolis Speedway Announces Postponement of Its Annual 500 Mile Event.

Indianapolis, Ind., May 28.—On account of the weather the five hundred mile automobile race which was to have been held at the Indianapolis motor track tomorrow was postponed until Monday.

LAND ON RHODES ISLE

Italian Troops in Force on Turk Land in Aegean Sea.

Amsterdam, May 28.—The Lokal Anzeiger states that Italian troops in considerable force have landed on the Turkish island of Rhodes in the Aegean sea.

TURKS TAKE TRENCHES

English in Counter Attacks, but They Are Repulsed.

Constantinople, May 28.—A Turkish night attack resulted in the capture of two English positions near Kurnus, Mesopotamia, it was officially announced today.

The English are counter attacking, but the Turks have repulsed several charges.

STOCK EMBARGO IS OFF

Governor of Texas Signs Proclamation Lifting Quarantine.

Austin, May 28.—Governor Ferguson today signed the proclamation which lifts the quarantine heretofore in effect against the shipment into Texas of cattle affected with foot and mouth disease.

Weather Forecast for Kansas.

Fair and cooler tonight; Saturday fair and warmer.

BREAKS DOWN PREJUDICES.

London, May 28.—War has led to a noticeable increase in social comradeship among English women and has broken down the former prejudice against what are popularly and contemptuously known as "hen parties." Numerous clubs have sprung up, such as the Lady Workers' club for lonely women earning moderate salaries. This club keeps open from 4 to 9 p. m. on work days and from 2 to 9 p. m. on Saturdays and Sundays. Its objects are purely the cultivation of friendship, without bridge or any other kind of propaganda.

TEMPORIZING NOTE DUE FROM BERLIN TOMORROW

London, May 28.—The Evening News publishes a dispatch from The Hague giving reports from Berlin that Germany's reply to the American note will be presented tomorrow.

"It will be of a temporizing character," the dispatch continues "and will ask the United States either to affirm or to deny that the Lusitania carried ammunition destined for the allies."

ITALIANS IN GRADO

Attack Triest-Nabresina Road, Apparently Cutting Line.

Russian Forces Occupy Urumiah, Northwest Persia.

Rome, May 28.—The first great battle of the Austro-Italian war is not many hours away. An official statement from Rome announced the occupation of the Austrian town of Grado and states that a squadron of Italian aeroplanes successfully attacked the Triest-Nabresina railroad, probably cutting the line. Additional territory along the Tyrol frontier has been occupied. Occupation of Urumiah, Northwest Persia, by Russian forces, is announced by the Caucasian army staff. Capture of the city was effected after battles near Dilman and Bachkala.

London, May 28.—Italian troops are pushing steadily into Austria, along the line running north of the Gulf of Triest.

An unofficial dispatch reports the capture by the Italians of fourteen villages along the Carinthian frontier. The Italians also hold three mountain passes.

Apparently the Austrians have as yet offered no serious resistance, although further west there has been severe fighting. An official statement from Rome announced the occupation of the Austrian town of Grado and states that a squadron of Italian aeroplanes successfully attacked the Triest-Nabresina railroad, probably cutting the line. Additional territory along the Tyrol frontier has been occupied.

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MRS. ALDRICH VERY ILL

Probating of Will Reveals She Does Not Know of Husband's Death.

New York, May 28.—With the announcement that the will of Nelson W. Aldrich, R. I., it became known today that his widow, Mrs. Abby P. Aldrich, is so seriously ill at her home here that she has not been told of her husband's death.

Mrs. Aldrich collapsed when her husband was stricken several weeks ago and her condition has not perceptibly improved.

From an authoritative source it was learned today that the maximum value of Senator Aldrich's estate would not exceed \$5,000,000 instead of the \$30,000,000 estimate, made previously.

The entire estate is left to members of the family.

WILSON IS INDISPOSED

Cabinet Meeting Called Off; President Has No Callers.

Washington, May 28.—President Wilson called off the Friday cabinet meeting today because there was nothing of pressing importance ready for consideration and because he was slightly indisposed.

GAME OFF AGAIN.

Rain Keeps Savages From Getting Revenge on Drummers.

St. Joseph, Mo., May 28.—For the third consecutive day the game between the Topeka Savages and the Drummers had to be postponed on account of rain. Only one game of the series was played here.

BASEBALL TODAY.

WESTERN LEAGUE.

Omaha at Lincoln—game postponed; wet grounds.

Denver at St. Joseph—Game postponed; rain.

Topeka at St. Joseph—Game postponed; rain.

Wichita at Des Moines—Game postponed; rain.

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

At Boston—First Game—
Score: R H E
Philadelphia..... 2 3 2
Boston..... 5 9 3
Batteries: Alexander and Killifer; Tyler and Traggesser, Whaling.

AMERICAN LEAGUE.

Cleveland at Chicago—game postponed; wet grounds.

FEDERAL LEAGUE.
Newark at Chicago—game postponed; rain.
Baltimore at Kansas City—Game postponed; wet grounds.
AMERICAN ASSOCIATION.
Minneapolis at St. Paul—game postponed; rain.

NO GREAT FLOOD WILL BE NO FLOOD GREAT SKY FLEET

Menace of High Waters in Kansas Is Passing.

All Streams Are Reported Confined to Their Banks.

ARKANSAS SITUATION ALARMS

Levee Out at Van Buren; Dikes Weak at Dardanelle.

Wind and Rain Take Heavy Toll of Life and Property.

Kansas City, May 28.—Heavy and continuous rains throughout the central states of the middle west today culminated in threatening conditions for low-lying lands along the Arkansas and Missouri rivers.

While the crest of the Missouri river flood is expected to reach this city tomorrow, little fear is entertained that much damage will result. Conditions along the Arkansas river, however, are more serious. The Fourche river has overflowed its banks near Van Buren, Ark., and the levee has given way.

It is feared the dikes at Dardanelle, Ark., and Fort Gibson, Okla., will not last long.

Severe electrical and windstorms have caused heavy property damage and loss of life.

A tornado at Tallhina, Okla., May 26, caused the death of one man, and a child, Catherine Clemens, is expected to die.

W. W. Wood, oil field worker, was killed at Mannford, Okla.

Mrs. John Kirkland was drowned in a cloudburst at Thomsville, Okla.

William Coss and Mrs. John Kinca were killed Thursday when lightning struck the Coss home, near Adair, Okla.

James Brown probably was fatally injured at Mannford, Okla.

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CAPPER TRIES AGAIN.

The Governor Is Having Bad Luck With His Speaking Dates.

Governor Capper will try to make another commencement speech. Tonight he will try to get to the town of Scandia, Republic county, where he will talk to the sweet girl graduates if the weather permits.

A few days ago, the governor made a trip to Alma, left his car in the mud and took to a graduating class of one. Twice a commencement date at Cawker City has been postponed and other dates are hanging in the balance until there is a change in weather conditions.

It is the governor's plan to go to Scandia this afternoon. S. M. Brewster, attorney general will talk tonight to the Kansas City, Kan., graduates.

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Stage of the Kaw River Is Stationary at 17.2.

The Rainfall Is Dwindling All Over the State.

WETTEST MAY SINCE 1896

Santa Fe Train Service Is Badly Demoralized

As the Result of Small Floods and Washouts.

At 3:30 o'clock this afternoon the Kaw river at Topeka stood at 18.6 feet or more before night, since 7 o'clock this morning, "Sunny" Flora, local government observer, stated that it may go to 18.1 feet, a rise of nine inches. The crest should be reached by dark or at most, before morning, when the river should begin to fall back to normal. The sky is clearing and the government looks for no more rain. Without a doubt the "flood scare" now is only a myth.

Late this afternoon it was reported that the Soldier creek dikes had broken one mile west of Topeka.

BOHEMIAN TROOPS TAKE FRANZ JOSEPH'S PORTRAIT WITH THEM AS THEY MARCH TO BATTLE ON ITALIAN FRONTIER



Fresh Bohemian troops are here seen marching to the station to entrain for the Italian frontier. They are carrying a portrait of the Austrian emperor to show their devotion to their ruler.

Philadelphia, Pittsburg, Cleveland, Chicago, Detroit, St. Paul, Minneapolis, St. Louis, Richmond, Savannah, New Orleans, Austin, Denver, Kansas City, Louisville, Omaha, Salt Lake City, Los Angeles, San Francisco and Portland, Ore.

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The wind has been blowing all day at the rate of 12 miles an hour from the west the past month.

Following are the hourly temperature readings for the day:
7 o'clock..... 58 11 o'clock..... 51
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From Over State.

The heaviest rain reported over the state in the 24 hours up to 7 o'clock today was reported at Topeka, Kan., with 1.58 inches.

Higher Oil Rates Off.

Washington, May 28.—Proposed increases in freight rates on railroad rates on petroleum from producing points in Kansas to Joliet, Ill., were suspended today by the interstate commerce commission.

GREAT SKY FLEET

U. S. Reserve Corps of Volunteer Airmen Formed.

Federation Launched for Service in Time of War.

CRAFT BASES IN MANY CITIES

To Establish 1,500 Landing Stations Through Country.

August Belmont and Mortimer Delano Head Forces.

New York, May 28.—Formation of a national reserve corps of volunteer aviators for war service is the purpose of the Aero-Military Service Federation of America, organization of which was announced here today.

August Belmont has been elected president general and Mortimer Delano of this city deputy president general.

Plan Many Bases.

Mr. Delano said it was proposed to establish district bases in New York, Richmond, Chicago, St. Louis and San Francisco. Aero squadron centers are to be located in Boston, New Haven, Albany, New York, Buffalo, Phil-

adelphia, Pittsburg, Cleveland, Chicago, Detroit, St. Paul, Minneapolis, St. Louis, Richmond, Savannah, New Orleans, Austin, Denver, Kansas City, Louisville, Omaha, Salt Lake City, Los Angeles, San Francisco and Portland, Ore.

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SEA CASUALTIES OF THE LAST TWENTY-FOUR HOURS

The liner La Champagne with 900 passengers ashore off the French coast.

British battleship Cadeby torpedoed off Cornwall coast.

Danish steamer Ely mined and sunk in Aland sea.

British steamer Majestic torpedoed and sunk at Dardanelles.

British steamer Princess Irene blown to pieces in the Thames. Between 300 and 400 killed.

Twenty British merchant boats sunk by British submarine in Sea of Marmora.

British liner Argylshire attacked by submarine and damaged.

American steamer Nebraska arrived at Liverpool crippled by torpedo or mine explosion.

RUSS AT URUMIAH

Muscovites Occupy Persian City Beleaguered Months.

Presbyterians Welcome Tidings of Relief to Christians.

Petrograd, May 28.—Urumiah, Persia, has been occupied by the Russians, after an engagement with the Turkish forces in the direction of Dilman near Bachkala, according to a statement issued by the general staff of the army of the Caucasus.

Christians Long Harassed.

New York, May 28.—Officials of the Presbyterian board of foreign missions welcomed the news today that the way to Urumiah had at last been opened. The city has been beleaguered since January 2 last, according to their reports and during that time no foreigners had been able to reach it. For more than three months persistent and continued efforts have been made on behalf of the board to send succor to the Christians at Urumiah.

MEXICANS TO DIE

U. S. Court Denies Writs to Five in Murder Cases.

Bryan and Hunt Spurned by Arizona House.

Tucson, Ariz., May 28.—Immediate execution of the five Mexican murderers was denied by the U. S. court today.

Judge Sawtelle, in the federal district court here, refused to intervene, after reserving for two hours his decision on arguments made by attorneys for the condemned men for writs of habeas corpus.

If the convicted murderers are to be saved from the scaffold it is now up to the state pardon board meeting in Florence.

The Arizona house of representatives today refused to memorialize the board of pardons in behalf of the Mexicans.

Secretary Bryan and Governor Hunt today refused to apply for General Villa, had asked that the board be memorialized looking toward a reprieve or commutation of sentence.

MEXICAN BRIEF SOON

Wilson Promises Statement on Situation in Few Days.

Washington, May 28.—It became known late today the president will issue a statement concerning the Mexican question within the next few days, according to an announcement made today at the White House.

Despite the refusal of White House officials to discuss the president's contemplated statement, it was understood it will be in the nature of a notice that conditions in Mexico are fast becoming intolerable. While it will not give notice that the United States intends to intervene immediately, it is expected to serve as a warning to the Mexican leaders that conditions must improve.

SUIT AGAINST THE M. P.

Violation of the Hours of Service Law Is Charged.

Alleging violations of the act limiting the hours of service of railroad employees on the part of the defendant, suit for \$1,500 was today filed in the United States district court by Fred Robertson, United States district attorney, against the Missouri Pacific Railway company.

The cause of action are named in the petition. The first charges that the railroad permitted a telegraph operator at Admire, Kan., to remain on duty more than three hours in a 24 hour period. The second and third causes of action charge violations in Topeka on September 16 and 17, 1914, when it is claimed on the date of September 16, V. L. Owens, telegraph operator, was allowed to remain on duty for more than thirteen hours in the 24 hour period.

When it is claimed on the date of September 17, Fred Robertson asks \$500 on each alleged violation.

The action is brought on suggestion of the United States attorney general and by request of and upon information furnished by the Interstate Commerce commission.

SHIP ENGINEER THINKS HE SAW TORPEDO WAKE

He Tells of Fatal Streak, but Saw No Submarine.

Hole 20 Feet Square on Forecastle of Nebraskan.

EFFECT OF SHOCK IS TERRIFIC

Captain Green Tells of Sorry Plight After Explosion.

Boatswain and Quartermasters Suffer Serious Injuries.

Liverpool, May 28.—While none of the crew of the American steamer Nebraskan, disabled Tuesday by an explosion off the coast of Ireland, saw a submarine, the chief engineer believes he saw the wake of a torpedo on the starboard side, according to Captain Green of the steamer. The captain stated there is a hole about twenty feet square in the forecastle below the water line.

Ship Settles by Heaving.

"We were in the boats about an hour," he said. "The ship seemed to be settling by the head and we decided to stay close by until help, which we had summoned by wireless, arrived. While one of us saw a submarine, the chief engineer believes he saw the wake of a torpedo on the starboard side. The effect of the shock of the torpedo striking the ship was to stop her suddenly. There was a perceptible interval between the shock and the explosion.

"We started to return to Liverpool about 10:30 o'clock the same night, traveling eight knots an hour. The vessel was twelve feet lower down by the head than normal, owing to the water in the hold."

Damage to Upper Structure.

The damage to the vessel's upper structure is so severe it is evident the shock must have been terrific. Great derricks were torn up and flung across the deck.