

FRENCH ANNIHILATE GERMANS CHARGING YSER CANAL POSTS

Kaiser's Troops, Under Cover of Fog, Attack Allies' Positions—Gain First Trenches Then Are Virtually Wiped Out.

Under cover of the heavy fog, which is hampering operations in Flanders and France, the Germans delivered a surprise attack on the Allies' position on the east bank of the Yser Canal and reached the first line of French trenches. Then the French opened a murderous fire and virtually annihilated the attackers. Aside from this engagement the French War Office reports that there was a lull in operations along the entire front.

GERMAN ATTACK IN FOG. MEET SEVERE REPULSE

Kaiser's Troops Assault Allies' Position on East Bank of Yser. PARIS, May 18. A bloody battle in the mists overhanging Flanders resulted in the repulse of a strong German detachment with severe losses.

SLAVS REPORTED BACK IN BUKOWINA CAPITAL

Czernowitz Recaptured, Petrograd Says, and 20,000 Austrians Taken. LONDON, May 18. Official and private dispatches indicate that the Russian successes in Bukovina are complete compensation for recent reverses in western Galicia.

THE WEATHER

Official Forecast WASHINGTON, May 18. For eastern Pennsylvania: Partly cloudy tonight, frost in north portion; Thursday unsettled, with probably showers of moderate rain.

U. S. Weather Bureau Bulletin

Table with columns for location, low, high, wind, and weather. Includes entries for Boston, New York, Philadelphia, etc.

ROWDYISM IN THE HOUSE AT HIGHWATER MARK

Nothing Like It Ever Before Witnessed in State's Legislative History. HARRISBURG, May 18.—"Horseplay" exceeding any similar demonstrations of the kind in the legislative history of Pennsylvania has marked the proceedings of the House during the last few days.

IF THE BABY IS SICK, CALL "ELECTRICAL 91"

Mothers Can Get Expert Advice Free of Charge. If the baby is sick, call "Electrical 91" and get expert advice as to the quickest and surest way to make it well.

GERMANS PREPARE INNER LINE OF DEFENSIVE WORK

Ready to Fall Back if Allies' Offensive Continues to Gain. ROTTERDAM, May 18. Information reaching here from eyewitnesses behind the German lines describes a new defensive line which the Germans intend to occupy if the vigorous offensive of the Allies continues.

ALLIES TO USE DEADLY GAS, KITCHENER TELLS COMRADES

Reprisals in War Necessary, British Army Head Declares. LONDON, May 18. That the Allies will employ deadly gases in battle, in retaliation for the German use of gas, was made plain by Lord Kitchener in his speech in the House of Commons yesterday.

GERMANS REPORT REPULSE OF BRITISH ATTACKS

French Checked at Souchez and Ailly, Says Berlin. BERLIN, May 18. The repulse of British attacks yesterday to the south of Neuve Chapelle is reported by the German War Office.

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TROOPS OF THE ALLIES LAND AT DARDANELLES

Reinforcements Reach Kum-Kale—Fleet Resumes Bombardment of Turkish Forts. ATHENS, May 18. Reinforcements for the Anglo-French Allies have been landed at Kum-Kale, at the entrance of the Dardanelles, says a dispatch from Mitylene.

CONSTANTINOPLE, May 18

Heavy reinforcements have been landed on Gallipoli Peninsula to aid the British troops. The War Office was informed today that 12 transports had arrived in the Gulf of Saros and that the troops landed on Tuesday.

CZAR IN CHARGE AT FRONT; MAY SHIFT COMMANDERS

Nicholas Dissatisfied With Developments in Galicia and Carpathians. PETROGRAD, May 18. Emperor Nicholas has gone to the front. His departure was followed by reports that important changes are to be made in the personnel of the Russian commanders.

BOWERS DENIES ROOSEVELT LIBELED WM. BARNES

Colonel's Attorney Says Attack Was Simply "Political Manifest." SYRACUSE, N. Y., May 18.—That Colonel Theodore Roosevelt's alleged libel of William Barnes was nothing but a political manifesto and was worth \$50,000 but did not bring in good money for pecuniary damages, but was only a game to bring down Colonel Roosevelt before the people of the United States, were the main contentions today of John M. Bowers, who summed up for the Colonel.

Club Steward Found Dead

George Mann, 42 years old, steward at the Dirigo Club, 1029 10th street, was found dead in his room on the second floor of the club today. Physicians at the Homeopathic Hospital, where he was taken, pronounced death due to heart disease.

POLICE COURT CHRONICLES

Two burdens at once are hard to manage at any time. This was made plain today to Charles Russell, a Germantown negro, who is known thereabouts as "Uncle Charlie." One of his burdens was a wheelbarrow consisting of old rags, bottles and iron, and the other was himself.

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PRINCIPAL EVENTS IN LIFE OF KING CONSTANTINE

Born August 2, 1868, at Athens. Educated by German tutors. Married Princess Sophie of Prussia, sister of Emperor Wilhelm II, in October, 1889.

LISBON AGAIN CALM UNDER NEW CABINET

Condition of President of Portuguese Cabinet, Wounded by Senator, Improving. LISBON, May 18. The condition of Joao Chagas, President of the new Portuguese cabinet, who was shot and wounded Monday by Senator Freitas, continues to improve, and his recovery is now confidently expected.

GRAND COLLEGE ALUMNI TO DINE

The annual dinner of the Grand College Alumni will be held tonight in Scottish Rite Building, Broad and Race streets. The speakers will include former Ministers of Education, Dr. Charles Herriek, president of the college; Franklin S. Edmonds, William L. Pascoe, of the class of '76, and E. J. Cattell, city statistician.

Wife Beater Held Without Bail

Accusations that he had beaten his wife and knocked her downstairs in a neighborly house to which she had fled were made against Charles Barrett, of 142 Cabot street, who was held without bail by Magistrate Morris, at the 19th and Oxford streets police station, today to await the outcome of the injuries to Mrs. Barrett, who was taken to St. Joseph's Hospital. Barrett was accused because his wife threatened to have him arrested for non-support, he testified.

TODAY'S MARRIAGE LICENSES

James P. 2025 Lombard st., and Josephine E. 1225 10th st., 10:30 a. m.; James H. Tucker, 708 S. 15th st., and Daisy M. 1225 10th st., 10:30 a. m.; Julius C. Urban, 416 N. 6th st., and Pauline M. 2225 10th st., 10:30 a. m.; M. G. 101 S. Conestoga st., and Annabelle M. 101 S. Conestoga st., 10:30 a. m.; Joseph L. 101 S. Conestoga st., and Dora H. 101 S. Conestoga st., 10:30 a. m.; Joseph L. 101 S. Conestoga st., and Dora H. 101 S. Conestoga st., 10:30 a. m.

REVOLT AT POLA

The Italian National reports a revolt at the Austrian arsenal at Pola, on the Adriatic. It is asserted that 10,000 Italians employed there came into conflict with the troops and that 50 persons were killed and a hundred wounded.

GREAT LAKES 13-DAY TOUR

Niagara Falls steamer trip Buffalo to Duluth and back, with stops at Cleveland, Detroit, Mackinac Island, and a day and a half at Duluth. \$87.20 from Philadelphia. Anchor Line Steamers Pennsylvania R. R.

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