

AUSTRIANS MAKING DESPERATE FIGHT

WITH GERMAN SUPPORT, HOPE TO TURN BACK RUSSIANS AND THEN TACKLE ITALY.

Russians Attempting to Form a New Line Behind the River San.—Allies Resume Attack on the Western Front in France.

While Italy is confidently believed to be making her final preparations to enter the war on the side of the allies, Austria, who would be the direct object of her attack, is with her German ally attempting to inflict such a defeat on Russia that she will be able to divert troops if necessary to meet her new foe in the south.

Dispatches from Rome continue to be somewhat contradictory, but the majority agree that the Italian government has definitely decided on the side of war, that the German and Austrian ambassadors are preparing to leave Rome and that the consuls general of those two countries either have already left their posts or will soon do so.

On the other hand, a message coming through Paris says that Austria has submitted new proposals which she hopes will induce Italy to remain neutral.

Meanwhile the Austrian armies, in conjunction with those of Germany, continue massed attacks against the Russians, who are attempting to form a new line behind the river San, both north and south of Przemysl and west of the Vistula river in southern Poland. These attacks, according to the Austrian and German reports, have met with their greatest success north of Przemysl, where the German allies have succeeded in crossing the river and occupied Sienawa on the eastern bank. They also claim to have captured some positions southeast of the former Austrian fortress, while their heavy guns are keeping up a bombardment from the west.

In southern Poland their progress is not so marked, the Russians having had no strong forces concentrated at Lvograd, which they were able to bring into the field and check the advance.

The sudden break in the weather in France, which had been bright and dry, stopped the fighting on Monday, but it has since been resumed at several points. Between Arras and the coast and in the West it appears as though the attacks which the allies were delivering have ended and that the allied troops are constructing the ground gained and awaiting counterattacks. They are not likely to be idle long, however, as the action must be continued for the purpose of relieving the pressure on the Russians.

Steady progress by the allied troops on the Gallipoli peninsula is reported, although they apparently have not yet captured the Turkish positions which bar their way to the narrow of the Dardanelles. An official dispatch reports the landing of fresh troops on the Asiatic side of the straits—a move designed, doubtless, to prevent the Turks from sending more reinforcements from the east to the western side.

MOURNING ENDED IN TOKIO.

Brilliant Court Wedding Inaugurates Season of National Gaiety.

Tokio.—A brilliant court wedding took place here Monday when Princess Yasa, the youngest sister of the emperor, was united in marriage to Prince Naruhiko Higashi-Kuni, attached to the second army division of the empire.

This was the first great court event since the close of the mourning period for the late Empress Haruoka.

Portuguese Premier Shot.

Lisbon.—Joao Chagas, the new president of the cabinet, was shot four times with a pistol while on board the train for Oporto Monday. His assailant was Senator Freitas, who was immediately shot dead by the gendarmes. It is feared Senator Chagas may lose the sight of his right eye. It was at first reported he was killed.

General Hubbard Dead.

New York.—General Thomas Hubbard, a prominent attorney, and a director in many railroads and financial institutions, and a veteran of the civil war, died here at the age of 74.

Twenty-Six Vessels Sunk.

London.—The Russian naval attaché here announces that on May 15 the Russian Black sea fleet destroyed four steamers, coal laden, two tugs and twenty sailing ships.

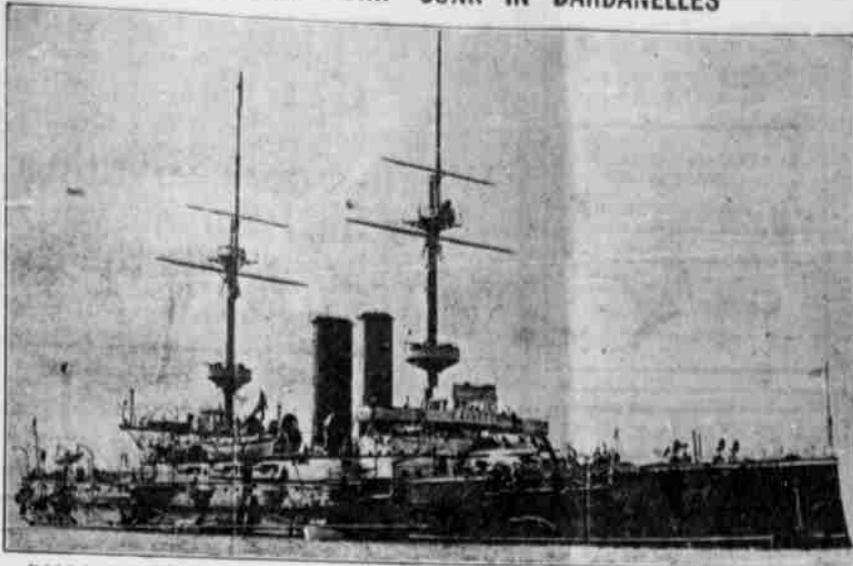
Man Kills Wife and Self.

Green River, Wyo.—W. T. Helm, a prominent sheepman of Green River, shot and killed his wife and then committed suicide. Mystery surrounds the reason for the murder and suicide.

Kaiser Confers Decorations.

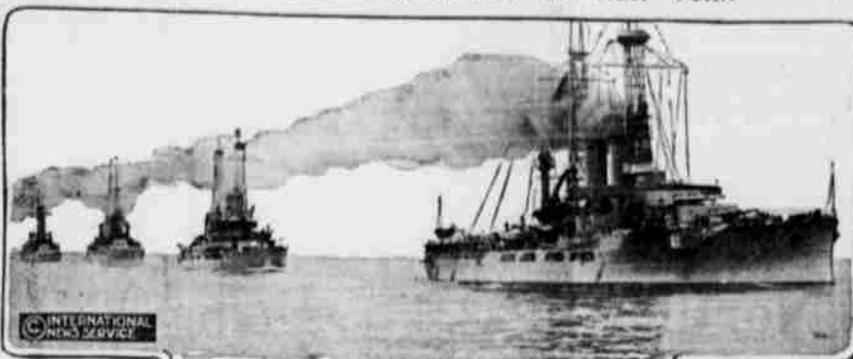
Berlin.—Emperor William has conferred the decoration of the Order Pour le Merite on Archduke Frederick of Austria and Field Marshal Baron Conrad von Hotzendorf, chief of the Austrian general staff.

BRITISH BATTLESHIP SUNK IN DARDANELLES



British battleship Goliath which was torpedoed and sunk in the Dardanelles, several hundred lives being lost.

ATLANTIC FLEET BATTLESHIPS AT NEW YORK



Some of the battleships of the Atlantic fleet photographed as they entered New York harbor for the annual review by the president.

SCHOOLSHIP STARTS ON LONG CRUISE



New York state nautical school ship St. Thomas as she started for the island of St. Thomas on the first lap of her 15,000-mile voyage.

ILLINOIS WOMAN MAYOR



Mrs. A. D. Canfield, mayor of Warren, Ill., is the first woman to be elected to that position in any Illinois city. She is a widow, seventy-four years old and conducts a millinery shop. She has promised to put an end to pool rooms, gambling and the liquor traffic in Warren.

Are There Private Armies?

It is illegal to have an army of your own, but the law winks at private armies in one or two cases.

The duke of Atholl had—for they have now gone to the great war—a private army of 200 men, and has often provided guards of honor for King George from their ranks. In fact, Queen Victoria once reviewed this private army. The duke of Atholl's private army is for its size the finest body of soldiers in the world, all over six feet in height, sturdy Scotsmen picked from the fittest of the fit.

The duke of Fife also kept a private army which numbered a hundred men, who were armed with huge pikes exactly as the soldiers were armed centuries ago.

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ELECTION SCENE IN TOKYO



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