

AUSTRIA ABANDONS OFFENSIVE MOVEMENT WHICH PRECIPITATED WAR; REPORT SAYS THAT COUNTRY SOUNDED RUSSIA AS TO SEPARATE PEACE TERMS

MUSCOVITES MAKE FURTHER SUCCESS IN CARPATHIANS

Important Captures of Guns and Munitions—Teuton Loss 26,000 Men.

PEACE REPORTS ARE HEARD IN PETROGRAD

London Dispatch Declares that English Ships, Sunk in Dardanelles, Were Sent Down by own Fleet After They Were Badly Crippled.

London, April 10.—Austria is reported to have abandoned her campaign against Serbia, bringing to a close the offensive operations which were the immediate cause of the general European conflict.

It also is reported from the same source that decision has been reached at Vienna to sound Russia as to peace terms.

Russia is said to have made important captures of guns and war munitions in the Carpathians.

What is represented as information from the Austrian general staff in the battle along Dukla-Eperies front says that the Austrians lost 26,000 men.

Popular agitation in Italy, concerning the attitude of that country, increased to a point which necessitated energetic action by the authorities to prevent disorders.

Milan, April 10.—A Petrograd dispatch says that insistent reports are heard in the Russian capital of the negotiations for a separate peace with Austria, based upon the supposition that Galicia, or probably some other territory, will be exchanged with Russia for guarantees of the preservation of Austrian integrity in the Transylvanian provinces.

German Officers Killed. London, April 10.—Private advices from Petrograd, says that Reuters announces that several German officers of high rank were killed and several injured when a train carrying the army corps was derailed in a section of Poland occupied by the Germans.

British Ships Sunk by Own Fleet. London, April 10.—Private advices have been received here from the Dardanelles to the effect that the British battleships Ocean and Irresistible, sunk during the bombardment of the Turkish fortifications on March 18, were torpedoed by the British warships after they had been badly damaged by the fire of the Turkish forts.

Information from eyewitnesses of the battle is that after the Irresistible was struck amidships by Turkish shells, "one of our craft finished her with a torpedo." The fate of the Ocean, it is said, was similar. Having struck a mine which almost wrecked her, she was dispatched by a British torpedo.

It is said that this action was taken to prevent the helpless battleships from drifting ashore where they might have fallen into the hands of the Turks.

The statement of the British admiral says that the Irresistible "sank, having probably struck a mine" and that the ocean "also having struck a mine, sank."

THE WEATHER. North Dakota: Fair tonight, and Sunday; not much change in temperature.

TODAY'S ODDEST STORY

Butte, Mont., April 9.—Fearing he would see someone he liked better while he was in Alaska, a bouncer won a forced Charles Hyland to enter a contract to marry March 1, 1918, providing he matches her \$1,000 with an equal sum.

FRENCH STEAMER TORPEDOED; CREW FINALLY RESCUED

Given 10 Minutes to Launch Boats—Drifted All Day and Night.

Le Troport, France, April 10.—The French three-master ship, Chateaubriand, from London for New York with a cargo of chalk, was sunk by a German submarine off the Isle of Wight at 11 a. m. Thursday.

CRIMEAN WAR SURVIVOR. (Herald Special Service.) Winnipeg, April 10.—James Cook, Sr., one of the few survivors of the Crimean war, died at Creston, B. C., this week at the age of 80.

GRAIN HANDLING BY GOVERNMENT

Terminal Elevators in Canada Show Interesting Profits, Says Solon.

(Herald Special Service.) Winnipeg, April 10.—Matters affecting western Canada's grain handling system engaged the attention of parliament at Ottawa for a large portion of this week.

Fort William Elevator. The terminal elevator at Fort William had gross earnings of \$215,000; direct expenses \$53,304; and that the net revenue was \$161,696.

Fort Arthur Elevator. The terminal elevator at Fort Arthur had gross earnings of \$160,000; direct expenses \$40,000; and that the net revenue was \$120,000.

Fort Simpson Elevator. The terminal elevator at Fort Simpson had gross earnings of \$100,000; direct expenses \$25,000; and that the net revenue was \$75,000.

Fort Reliance Elevator. The terminal elevator at Fort Reliance had gross earnings of \$80,000; direct expenses \$20,000; and that the net revenue was \$60,000.

Fort Chipewyan Elevator. The terminal elevator at Fort Chipewyan had gross earnings of \$60,000; direct expenses \$15,000; and that the net revenue was \$45,000.

Fort Resolution Elevator. The terminal elevator at Fort Resolution had gross earnings of \$40,000; direct expenses \$10,000; and that the net revenue was \$30,000.

6,000 POUNDS OF LARIMORE TUBERS SHIPPED TO FAIR

Western Grand Forks County Metropolis Makes Good in its Venture.

RAILROAD AIDS IN BIG UNDERTAKING

Great Northern to Prepare the Tasters for Fair Visitors—April 27 Date on Which Big Distribution Will Take Place.

Six thousand pounds of Larimore district grown potatoes were shipped out of that city this morning for San Francisco, where they will be marketed April 27, at the North Dakota building, as an advertisement of Larimore's potato growing ability.

The potatoes were shipped in sacks of 150 pounds each, the average weight of the tubers being slightly over a pound.

But in sufficient quantity to provide the potato eaters with the right flavor also accompanied the shipment. Larimore's potato day stunt at the San Francisco fair looms up as the real thing.

Were Well Selected. The shipment of tubers sent to the San Francisco fair was selected entirely from tubers grown in the Larimore district last year, being sorted from the thousands of bushels of potatoes that are stored in the Larimore elevator.

Aid for the Larimore folks has come from several sources. The Great Northern railroad has given the Larimore club the service of its dining department, and will assign expert chefs to the job of baking the great quantity of potatoes.

These potatoes will be served at the North Dakota building at the Panama-Pacific exposition on April 27, that day having been set aside by fair management as "baked potato" day, all through the activity of the Larimore boosters.

Anthony Stonehouse, Edgar L. Richter and Nels Hemmison, are the members of the Larimore committee in charge of the plan.

BOMB EXPLOSION WRECKS STORE

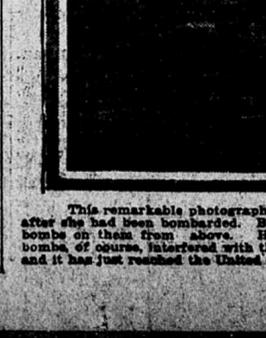
Kansas City, April 10.—A bomb explosion in the window of the grocery establishment of Palermo brothers early today is believed by the police to have been a "black hand warning." The store was wrecked, windows in the neighborhood were shattered, and pedestrians were slightly hurt.

FEDERAL LEAGUE SEASON IS OPEN

Chicago, April 10.—The Federal league clubs got into action today, four days in advance of the start of play in the American and National leagues, with games in Chicago, Baltimore, Kansas City and Brooklyn.

The injunction restrained the State railway lines, which operate the Syracuse city tracks.

GERMAN ZEPPELINS FIRED ON BRITISH SAVING CREW OF THIS SINKING GERMAN WARSHIP



This remarkable photograph shows British torpedo boats in their efforts to save scores of German sailors from a battleship that was sinking after she had been bombed. How many British and German were saved in this way will never be known. But both sides were killed, and it has just reached the United States.

BATTLE RAGING IN MEXICO SAY REPORTS TODAY

Carranza Claims Sweeping Victory Over Villa—Latter Denies It.

OBREGON SAID TO BE CHASING ENEMY

Also Reported That Villa Troops Are Evacuating Dolores—New York Mexican Colony Prepares for Arrival of Huerta, Deposed President.

Aboard the United States Steamship, Colorado, Mazatlan, April 10.—A battle between the Carranza forces and the Villa followers has been raging three days at Lamurella, Sinaloa, South Mazatlan. Only meagre reports of the hostilities have been received.

Obregon Claims Success. Washington, April 10.—General Obregon, advises to Carranza's agency here, saying the defeated Villa army, after his victory of Celaya, and advancing toward San Luis Potosi.

Advice to Villa representatives deny that Obregon gained a victory over their forces, and contend that there has been only light skirmishing.

Prepare for Huerta. New York, April 10.—There is activity in the new Mexican colony today in anticipation of the arrival here of General Huerta, deposed president of Mexico.

MANY CANADIANS. (Herald Special Service.) Winnipeg, April 10.—Nearly three hundred Canadians have been killed in northern France and Belgium or have died in hospitals at the front or in England since the Canadian contingents have landed in Europe; and over 800 wounded and sick are in the hospitals.

INJUNCTION WILL NOT BE VACATED

Auburn and Syracuse Company Win Out Over New York State Railways.

Syracuse, N. Y., April 10.—Justice Andrews today denied a motion to vacate the injunction obtained by the Auburn and Syracuse Electric Railway company against the New York State railways.

The ring leader of the gang, who escaped, has confessed. His sweetheart visited the cell daily. She got a confederate disguised as a tramp to steal into the sheriff's office, and with a piece of soap, got an impression of the key to the cell where the pickpockets were held.

BAD PRAIRIE FIRES IN STATE BURN OVER NEARLY 250 SQUARE MILES

AMERICA IS TO MAKE DENIAL OF GERMAN CHARGE

United States to Declare that She did not Acquiesce to English Order.

NOTE IS BEING PREPARED NOW

AMERICA IS TO—20 tel. Testonic Power Declared That This Country Failed in Negotiations With Allies Regarding Shipment of Food to German Civilian Population.

Washington, April 10.—A vigorous denial, it is said today, will be made by the American government that it virtually acquiesced in the British order in council, prohibiting trade with Germany as intimated by the German government in a note complaining of the United States' failure in the negotiations with the allies to obtain for American exporters the right to ship foodstuffs to the civilian population of a belligerent.

NOTED SCULPTOR SUCCEUMS TODAY

Karl T. F. Bitter, the Well Known Artist, Dies as Result of Injuries.

New York, April 10.—Karl Theodore Francis Bitter, chief of the department of sculpture of the Panama-Pacific exposition, and one of the best known sculptors of his country, died in a hospital today from injuries suffered when he and Mrs. Bitter were run down last night by an automobile on Broadway.

PICKPOCKETS CLEVER RUSE. Calgary, Canada, April 10.—The cloud of suspicion is today removed from James Cassidy, Calgary business man and former sheriff of Osaukee county, Wisconsin.

London, April 10.—Anton Kuepferle, who recently was arrested by the British authorities and is being held for trial on a charge of espionage, says he was born in Germany in 1884, and became a naturalized American citizen in Brooklyn in 1912.

DEATH ROLL OF SERBIAN DOCTORS IS INCREASING

Nish, Serbia, April 10.—In recognition of the devotion of Lady Ralph Paget, the municipality of Uskub decided to rename its finest street that city after her.

The death roll of Serbian doctors from typhus fever is very heavy. During the last two months, 107 doctors out of 452 died.

IN F-4 WAS DEFECTIVE, OFFICERS ONLY KNEW IT

Honolulu, April 10.—Lieutenant Charles Smith, commander of the submarine flotilla here, referring to the statements that the lost submarine F-4 was sunk when she began her last cruise, said: "If anything was wrong with the F-4, no one except her officers knew of it."

TUNNEL GAYES IN.

San Francisco, Cal., April 10.—The tunnel, being bored through Twin Peaks, in the southwestern part of San Francisco, caved in today, injuring twelve men.

CREW, CLINGING TO WRECKAGE, SAVED

Liverpool, Nova Scotia, April 10.—After living on a water-logged schooner five days on rations of from three to six crackers a day, Captain Cooke and his crew of five, were rescued at sea and brought here today aboard the schooner Oriole.

PARDONED HIS MAN IN JAIL. Stillwater, Minn., April 10.—George Savage, federal prisoner, was too weak today to be brought into the free air outside the Stillwater prison, to die. His pardon lies in the office of the warden. It has been signed by President Wilson.

DECLARES HE IS AMERICAN CITIZEN

Anto Kuepferle, held in London on Espionage Charge, Makes Statement.

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FARM BUILDINGS DESTROYED; HEAVY LOSS TO STOCKMEN

Many Barns and Granaries Are Burned With All Their Contents.

ONE MAN LOSES HIS LIFE; TWO BURNED

One Dismal Conflagration Starts in Morton County and Does Much Damage—Big Blaze in Vicinity of Towner Destroys Hay and Grain.

(Herald Special Service.) A total of nearly 150 square miles was burned over with the loss of thousands of dollars in four prairie fires, started between 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon and this morning.

The first fire started near Freda, Morton county, and, swept by a forty-mile gale from the northeast, spread rapidly, reaching a width of five miles, and went east, passing a mile south of Timmer, and thence to the Cannonball river.

The flames jumped the river into Sioux county and the Standing Rock reservation. Near Timmer, Berli Hicks and B. H. Finch lost all their farm buildings.

Loss to Stockmen Heavy. Densons of other places are believed to have been destroyed, but rescue parties have not returned and there is no confirmation.

The loss to stockmen is heavy. It is estimated that 150 to 200 square miles were burned over, and the rest of the prairie was heading towards the Missouri river and South Dakota.

Another fire started near Solon and swept to the Cannonball river, a distance of twelve miles. Telephone lines were put out of commission, and it is unable to reach the places. The loss there is heavy.

The third fire, starting three miles west of St. Rains, swept a territory three miles wide to a point south of St. Rains, burning a district forty-five miles square.

The fourth fire started today at Huff and swept to the river. In every district hundreds of farmers are backfiring and plowing in the fields. Rescue parties left for various points.

Big Fire Near Towner. Towner, N. D., April 10.—A prairie fire, nearly twenty-five miles in width, burned over a vast area of land in this vicinity yesterday morning and is still burning, but has lost much of its force.

The fire started seven miles northwest of Towner, near the Mouse river, at 10 o'clock yesterday morning in a big strawstack, which evidently had been fired by some one.

More than 700 tons of hay were consumed. Slath's loss probably will amount to more than \$5,000.

Henry Erickson lost 300 tons of hay, Sargent Brothers lost the same amount and E. Finderson lost 100 tons of hay.

Several autos loaded with Towner volunteers went to the scene and assisted the farmers in fighting the flames, but all they could do was to keep the flames away from farm buildings.

The main fire is traveling onward in a southeasterly direction fanned by a fresh wind.

Considerable damage is believed to have been done in other sections, but further information is not available today.

One Man Loses Life. Bismarck, N. D., April 10.—Robert Hogan was burned to death and Hugh Armstrong and Allen Thompson are in a local hospital suffering severe burns inflicted while fighting a prairie fire near Steele late yesterday afternoon.

Hogan was backed into a slough of tall grass, and becoming exhausted, fell to the ground. Armstrong and Thompson were burned in trying to rescue him.

A number of houses and several barns were burned during the afternoon.

TWO OTHERS ARE EXPECTED TO DIE

Fueled Fatalities May Total Four—The Remaining Wounded Recovering

Mount Pleasant, W. Va., April 10.—It is reported that Jackson Shirley and John Bosworth, who were stabbed during a feud fight between the male members of the Shirley and Bosworth families at the Howell school near Gillsydale, W. Va., Thursday night, were so seriously wounded that all hope for their recovery is abandoned, and a dozen other members of the families and friends are recovering from the wounds received when the feud over a baseball game was interrupted by a shot fired by Shirley, which killed Bosworth and three other men.