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## ITALIAN TROOPS 30 MILES FROM PORT OF TRIESTE

Strong Roman Advance Guard Crosses Isonzo River and Arrives Before Town of Monfalcone.

### FIGHTING ON AT OTHER POINTS

Battle is Raging Around Picken and Also West of the Praedil Pass.

### AVIATION SPIES VERY ACTIVE

GENEVA, Switzerland, May 27.—(Via Paris).—A strong Italian advance guard today crossed the Isonzo river, after a sharp fight with an Austrian force, and arrived before the town of Monfalcone, which is thirty miles from the Austrian seaport of Trieste. The first of the Austrian wounded are now arriving at the latter place.

The Italians also attacked at several points along the forty miles of Carinthian frontier.

A battle between the Italians and Austrians is raging around Picken and also west of the Praedil pass in Austria.

In Adige the fighting has been limited to skirmishes.

Rebuild Railway. Italian forces which penetrated the Tyrol at Cardano and other Italian armies which captured Corvara have reconstructed the railway and are now marching on Corz, the capital of the Austrian crownland of Gorz and Gradisca.

Both the Austrian and Italian aviation spies are very active along the frontier. Many machines have been gathered at Venice to protect that city. A Paravial airplane arrived by rail at Trent yesterday from Munich, Bavaria. A Zeppelin dirigible balloon is reported to be preparing to follow it shortly from Friedrichshafen.

Heavier guns have been mounted on the Italian gunboats on Lake Garda.

Several regiments of Bavarian Alpine troops yesterday crossed Brenner pass, which is 4,965 feet high, bound for Bosen. Between Salzburg and Innsbruck forty-five trains are passing daily, transporting men and material. Swiss patrols are marking the eastern frontier of Switzerland with flags to prevent incursions.

German Official Report. BERLIN, May 27.—(Via London).—The German army headquarters today issued the following statement: "Regardless of their great failures of May 22, the French retreated yesterday in an attempt to break through our lines between Vernelle and the Lorette Hills. Strong forces were brought forward for a storm attack along a narrow stretch of ten kilometers (six miles), but the attack was everywhere repulsed. We are in full possession of our positions. An uncommonly large number of fallen Frenchmen are lying in front of our trenches.

"Further French attacks were directed late in the evening against our line of Souchez-Neuville.

"Further advance repulsed. Further enemy advance at Soissons and in the forest of Lepretre were repulsed.

"An air attack was successfully carried out by us on the fortifications at South End, on the lower Thames.

"During a reconnaissance expedition north of Dinan, we took one officer and twenty-five Bengali prisoners.

"South of Souchez the battle has not yet come to a conclusion.

"In the eastern theater, there has been no change in the situation.

"In the southeastern theater, an attack by our troops progressed to the northeast of Fresnoy and in the district of Str. The body and yesterday's results cannot yet be perceived."

## YOUNG WOMAN KILLS HERSELF IN CHICAGO

CHICAGO, May 27.—Investigation by the police today indicated that Miss Anna Johnson, said to have come here from Ludington, Mich., several years ago, committed suicide last night by shooting. She is said to have been despondent over a love affair.

## RUSSIAN NURSES ATTENDING TO WOUNDED IN TOWN OF POLAND—They do not consider nursing the wounded



## MERGER INJUNCTION DECISION SATURDAY

Opinion in Suit Aimed at Annexation Election to Be Rendered Tomorrow Morning.

### ARGUMENTS IN CASE FINISHED

Judge W. A. Redick of the district court will hand down Saturday morning his decision in the injunction suit in which South Omaha and Dundee interests are seeking to prevent the annexation election called for June 1, he announced yesterday. Opposing attorneys have practically agreed that the opinion then to be rendered will be accepted as the final word of the local court on the issue, although technically the granting of only a temporary injunction is at stake.

Arguments of attorneys were finished yesterday and the case was taken under consideration by Judge Redick.

Attorney John P. Breen spoke nearly the entire day yesterday in defense of the annexation act and the election commissioner law, the constitutionality of which is also at stake. Late in the afternoon, Samuel Winters, representing W. L. Selby, the plaintiff, summed up his attack on the measures.

Commercial and social relations between Omaha and its suburbs and their dependence upon the metropolitan city for service of public utilities, demand their consolidation, Mr. Breen argued.

A Reason for Consolidation. "The provision of the law limiting its effectiveness to cities served by the same public utilities was placed in the law because such a condition is a reason for consolidation," he declared. "It is not enough that the boundaries of two cities shall touch each other, although one law making this the only consideration, was upheld in Arkansas. The Nebraska law is a much more wholesome one, because it requires that the cities shall be one for all practical purposes, not having separate street railway systems, water systems, and gas and electric light plants."

Deals with Ownership Issue. The argument dwelt upon by Attorney Samuel Winters, representing W. L. Selby, plaintiff in the injunction suit, to the effect that the annexation law is unconstitutional because it provides that the cities affected must have a common water system owned by the city, not by a private corporation, Mr. Breen refuted as follows:

"The law passed by the legislature in 1903 establishing a water district when ever a city of the metropolitan class provides adjoining cities with water service. This for all time prevents cities in such a classification from getting their water from private interests. I had a right to take this law into consideration in writing the annexation law."

Attorney J. J. Sullivan defended the election commissioner law which is also attacked in the injunction suit, on the ground that it can be construed in such a manner as to be constitutional and that in such a case it is the duty of the court to do so.

## Manufacturers For Consolidation

"The question of consolidation is more than a matter wherein the individual benefit to any individual interest is concerned," said Francis A. Brogan, speaking at a city of the Omaha Manufacturers' association at a luncheon Thursday noon. "It is a community problem. It is a big problem to be looked at from the standpoint of the entire community."

## CHARLES D. MICHAELSEN IS DEAD AT MIAMI, COLO.

Charles D. Michaelson, well known in Omaha, died at Miami, Fla., Tuesday, according to word which has reached this city. The body will arrive here for burial Monday morning. Mr. Michaelson is survived by his wife, Mrs. Gertrude Michaelson, his little daughter, Eileen, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Michaelson, a sister, Eileen, living in Minneapolis and a brother, William. Funeral arrangements have not been announced.

## ANOTHER BRITISH WARSHIP IS SUNK IN TURK WATERS

Majestic Torpedoed While Supporting Army on Gallipoli Field, But Most of Those Aboard Are Saved.

### PRINCESS IRENE IS DESTROYED

English Steamer in Government Service Blown Up and Seventy-Eight Men Perish.

### ONE SURVIVOR IS PICKED UP

LONDON, May 27.—All the crew of 250 men of the British steamer Princess Irene except one man, and, in addition, seventy-eight dockers who were at work on board the steamer, lost their lives today when the vessel was blown up by an explosion on board in Sheerness harbor. The steamer was in the government service.

LONDON, May 27.—The torpedoing and sinking of the British battleship Majestic is announced by the admiralty in the following statement: "An enemy submarine torpedoed and sank H. M. S. Majestic, Captain H. F. Talbot, this morning while it was supporting the army on the Gallipoli peninsula.

"Nearly all the officers and men were saved."

Ship of 14,000 Tons. The battleship Majestic was a vessel of 14,000 tons and of 19,000 horse-power. Its officers and crew on a peace footing aggregated 77.

The Majestic, which was built in 1895, carried four twelve-inch, twelve six-inch and sixteen three-inch guns and twelve three-pounder guns. In addition the vessel was armed with five eighteen-inch torpedo tubes.

The sinking of the Majestic makes the fifth British battleship lost in the Dardanelles campaign and the second by a hostile submarine, the Triumph having been sent to the bottom in the Gulf of Saros last Wednesday. The French also have lost one battleship in the Turkish campaign—the Bouvet.

Princess Irene Blown Up. Lord's dispatches that the British steamer Princess Irene was suddenly blown up today in Sheerness harbor. The Princess Irene was in the government service. Sheerness is a naval arsenal of Great Britain on the Thames.

The admiralty in confirming the explosion on board the Princess Irene says that seventy-eight workmen must have perished in the disaster. Only one survivor was picked up.

Admiralty's Statement. The statement of the admiralty says: "The Princess Irene was accidentally blown up in Sheerness harbor this morning. So far as is known, only one survivor was picked up. Three men belonging to the ship were not on board at the time of the disaster.

Several men belonging to vessels lying close to the Princess Irene were wounded by falling splinters."

## Will Discipline Pastors Who Aid Liquor Interests

ROCHESTER, N. Y., May 27.—So far as the 12th assembly of the Presbyterian church of the United States is concerned no further action will be taken on the Union Theological seminary. The movement to offer resolutions disclaiming any intention of implying moral turpitude on the part of the seminary's directors and providing for a committee to investigate the New York presbytery has been definitely abandoned.

Presbyterian chaplains of the United States will hereafter be appointed after a committee of the assembly has passed upon their candidacy. This action was approved by the assembly today.

The committee of temperance was given an additional \$10,000 for its work in the next year.

An overture recommending that the assembly meet biennially instead of annually was rejected.

An overture presented by the Ohio synod, giving power to excommunicate pastors or elders who by any secret or overt act give aid to the liquor interests was approved by the assembly. The action not being retroactive, does not affect the case of Dr. Charles H. Parkhurst.

The question of the right of evangelists to perform marriage ceremonies came up on an overture from a western synod. They objected to such encroaching on the prerogatives of regular pastors. The assembly decided that a synod has not power to refuse this privilege to evangelists when such marriages are within the law of the civil code.

A new synod—Wyoming—was ordered created. This makes forty-one synods in the church. Atlantic City was chosen for the next general assembly.

## WIN WITH BAYONET AGAINST THE TURKS

Allies' Forces Capture Several Ottoman Positions at Point of Steel.

### FRESH TROOPS BEING SENT

PARIS, May 27.—A dispatch to the Havas agency from Athens, dated May 26, says the action of the allies against the Turkish positions in the Dardanelles straits is continuing vigorously. Reinforcements are constantly being brought up. The Turks appear to be terrorized by the incessant renewal of the attacks. These indicate to them the absolute determination of the allies to force the straits. From time to time the British and French artillery throw a veritable hail of shells on the Turks.

Another message from Athens, dated today, says the allied forces are continuing their advance on the Gallipoli peninsula. As a result of a bayonet attack they have occupied important positions where they are now strongly entrenched. The losses of the Turks have been heavy. The aeroplane squadron of the allies is rendering splendid service. The fleet is continuing its bombardment of the Turkish positions night and day.

News reaching Athens from Mytilene says that 400 Italian families have fled from Smyrna to Youshan in Asia Minor, where they are awaiting a steamer to take them to Italy.

### Review of Operations.

LONDON, May 27.—Official narratives of the military operations on the Gallipoli peninsula from May 6 to May 19 were given out in London this afternoon. They set forth that on May 6 after the arrival of fresh troops, which included part of the territorial division, a general advance of the allied troops took place. A heavy covering fire was maintained by the allied fleets.

During the night of May 6-7 a portion of the Australian and New Zealand corps had been transferred from Kalesh Tepe to take part in the attack. Very severe fighting took place all day long, and by nightfall the allied line had been advanced from 1,000 to 1,500 yards. But the left of the advance was checked by a strong Turkish redoubt manned with machine guns.

Just at dusk French troops obtained possession of an important fortified point, which was then thoroughly fortified during the night to serve as a pivot for further operations.

On May 7 the attack continued. The French troops again improving their position, while on the left the twenty-ninth division succeeded just before sunset in driving the enemy back nearly into the village of Krithia.

May 8 the attack was again resumed and an advance in the face of very heavy fire was begun. French troops attacked the Turkish trenches with the bayonet and the whole line except on the extreme left advanced steadily. During the night the Turks attempted a counter-attack, but this was everywhere repulsed with heavy loss.

During the fighting of these three days the Australian corps at Sari Bair, in spite of having sent reinforcements to support the main attack, successfully resisted all attacks. The fighting on these three days was severe. Happily a large portion of the British casualties represented only slight wounds. It has been clearly demonstrated that the Turkish defenses were strongly constructed and that their capture must be achieved by the slow and methodical methods of trench warfare. The French throughout these operations fought with magnificent courage and dash; also they suffered heavy losses.

### Ground Gained Everywhere.

During May 9 ground was gained everywhere and consolidated. The fifteenth and sixteenth battalions of the fourth Australian infantry brigade attacked and carried with the bayonet three lines of Turkish trenches at Sari Bair and established themselves therein.

A heavy Turkish counter attack was launched at dawn of May 10 and forced the Australians back to their original trenches, but the guns of the corps were in readiness and they opened fire on the enemy at close range. The execution was terrible and the bodies of Turks lay as thick upon the ground as to form an obstacle.

During May 10, 11 and 12 further reinforcements of the French, British and Australian troops arrived. On the night of May 12 troops of the Twenty-ninth division, under Major General Hunter Weston, undertook an attack against the enemy's extreme right, under cover of a demonstration by artillery and infantry. A double company of Gurkhas crept along under precipitous sea cliffs and occupied a cleft in front of the allied line, where they dug themselves in during the night.

On May 13 and 14 the left of the allied line was again further advanced and the position of the Indian brigade made secure.

On May 17 the Twenty-ninth division worked further forward and established themselves in trenches 200 yards in advance.

## Middies Will Be Examined Again

ANNAPOLIS, Md., May 27.—The entire membership of the first and second classes of the naval academy underwent a re-examination in Spanish today because of the suspicions of the academy authorities that the question prepared for the examination had been obtained and made use of by some of the midshipmen. The suspicious of the officials were aroused through indications that the enemy's extreme right, under cover of a demonstration by artillery and infantry, had been robbed. Officials are investigating the case.

## President Arriage Of Portugal Resigns

LIBBON (Via Paris), May 28.—The president of Portugal, Manuel de Arriage, has resigned.

## ARMIES IN WEST ARENA STAYING IN TRENCHES

Galicia, Italo-Austrian Frontier and Dardanelles Expected to Furnish Next Sensational Features.

### OPEN FIGHTING IS EXPENSIVE

Each Insignificant Advance Found to Entail Enormous Losses of Life.

### OFFICIAL NEWS CONTRADICTORY

LONDON, May 27.—Notwithstanding the superb weather, the contenders in the western arena of hostilities, realising the terrible losses even an insignificant advance entails, have reverted, generally speaking, to the trench warfare of the winter and it is Galicia in the east, the Dardanelles, and perhaps the Italo-Austrian frontier which are most likely to furnish spectacular developments during the next fortnight.

The Russian at last have admitted the extent of their retreat from the chief Dunajec to the San, but they profess that the Austro-German ruse has been help up and that Presmyel is in no danger. They laud the smoothness of the Russian retirement, which they are calling a mastery as that of the allies from Mons.

The Germans and Austrians now are bringing up reinforcements and fresh ammunition and another great battle will be fought to determine whether the new lines to which the Russians have fallen back are tenable.

Censura Contradictor Each Other. Italy and Austria now are engaged in the familiar roles of issuing contradictory official communications relative to the border fighting, but it is claimed that there have been as yet no important engagements. Of the 250 miles of common frontier between Italy and Austria, it is estimated that only one-fifth is of a character for critical military operations, and Italy's forces now in the field are following the course dictated by geographical necessity, one army driving toward the river Isonzo and Trieste and the other into the Tyrol, where the rough country presents only desultory engagements at an early date.

London was but little disturbed at the raid last night of a Zeppelin airship at Southend. Such raids have ceased to be a novelty and the result this time was similar to that of previous visits, that is a few non-combatants were killed or injured and the material damage was slight.

## Adriatic Takes 296 Passengers

NEW YORK, May 27.—The White Star liner Adriatic left New York today for Liverpool with 296 passengers and 18,000 tons of general cargo and munitions, an unusually large manifest. Only three of the passengers, P. L. Foster of New York, Miss D. Wells of Philadelphia and R. A. Hoffer of Maywood, N. J., were Americans. Another passenger was Sir Thomas Shropshire, who was born in America, but is British by naturalization. He is president of the Canadian Pacific Railway company. Word that the Canadian line steamer Orduna had reached Liverpool today was received by the line here.

## May Wheat Drops Eight Cents More

CHICAGO, May 27.—Wheat for May delivery dropped in value 8 cents a bushel today in addition to a fall yesterday of nearly 7 cents. The price today went to \$1.45, as against \$1.50 at the close last night and against \$1.57 at the crest of the war excitement on February 5. Virtually no excitement resulted today and other trading months remained comparatively firm.

## THE WANT-AD WAY

"Over the hills, far away, back on the road to yesterday, is a chance I missed in the Want Ad Page of 'When life was young and youth aglow.'"

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