The Great War - 1913 - 1918

The Destroyers Blown Up at Zeebrugge Dock Gate

London, April 21—Two destroyers got inside the walls of Zeebrugge and blew up the dock gate, to correspond with the main attack on the town, by the British fleet. The Germans, it is said, were taken by surprise, and the results in the dock were not unfavorable. The German navy has been warned to be on its guard. If the Germans are genuine, they will have to be strengthened. If the German navy is genuine, it is not to be taken lightly.

Fog and Smoke Screen Hide Advance

Of Raiding Ships

LONDON, April 21—The British naval force, which has been prepared for many weeks, was seen proceeding to Zeebrugge. The British fleet was not visible, but it was heard approaching. Under cover of the heavy smoke and fog, the British fleet entered the harbor, probably filled with water, and the expected British raiding party was seen steaming toward Zeebrugge alone. It is understood that the British have some idea of capturing the Zeebrugge harbor and taking the German fleet. They are, however, well prepared, and they are not likely to be caught.

Grand Fleet Operations

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Boche Checked; Foch Planning A Surprise

The Germans are stronger than we thought. The French have been much more efficient than we supposed.

Haig Advances His Lines at Points

This is not the final battle of the war. There will be many more battles, and we must be prepared for them. The British have sufficient means to destroy the German army and win the war. The spirit of the Allies is unflagging.

Are you just a Boo-Hoo Patriot? Does a lump swell your throat and a tear pall your eye, as you read of our "boys over there" fighting the Black Blank of the Great Beyond? Man alive, that's not patriotism—it's only emotional auto-intoxication. True-blue patriotism includes neither weak emotion, nor sentimentality, but a cool, logical, courageous, and practical approach to the situation.