

Allied Net Tightens on St. Quentin

French Smash Through 9-Mile Front; Take Four Villages and Heights

British Command Cambrai Highroad

Germans, Fighting Desperately, Are Beaten Everywhere; Fire 2,000 Shells on Rheims

London, April 3.—The Franco-British loop around St. Quentin was drawn tighter today when Nivelle's bluecoats attacked to the west and south of the city and captured enemy positions on a nine-mile front from north of the Somme clear to the banks of the Oise.

Two Thousand Shells Hit Rheims

The Germans in retaliation have violently bombarded the cathedral city of Rheims. Their artillery today sent more than 2,000 shells into the town, killing several of the civilian population.

The Germans fought stubbornly in solidly organized units of support and were organized in large force, but the well-timed French charges forced them back to a new line of trenches.

The artillery battle in the Champagne keeps up with increasing vigor and is centering about the Butte de Meuse and the Champagne-Champagne. A German attack on the French trenches in Alsace was obliterated by gunfire before the charging enemy reached the first line.

The British feeling out process north of Arras seems to have ceased for the time being, but to-day war statement chronicles a successful raid last night opposite Arras itself.

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Russian Fliers Seize A Turkish Vessel

Drive Crew Away with Machine Gun and Sink Crippled Aeroplane

London, April 3.—A daring exploit by two Russian fliers, Lieutenant Sergeev and Sub-Lieutenant Tur, is described by the official wireless from Petrograd today.

The two aviators, in a sea-plane, were engaged with a Russian ship squadron in a raid on Derkas, on the Black Sea coast. A shot from below pierced the petrol tank and they were forced to veer toward the water.

They were tossed about by a heavy storm, and found nothing to eat or drink. They managed to reach the Turkish coast, where they were captured.

The crew of the sea-plane promptly scuttled the boat and hastily put off for shore. At that time the sea-plane was floating beside the craft.

The aviators removed their compass and machine gun to the vessel, sank the flier and made sail for Russia. They were tossed about by a heavy storm, and found nothing to eat or drink.

Germany to Extend Economy After War

Only Necessities and Raw Materials To Be Imported

Washington, April 3.—Germany has begun preparations for control by the government of the importation of raw products after the war, according to intelligence which reached Washington today.

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100,000 Exiles of Siberia Race To Freedom on 50,000 Sledges

Liberated Men and Women, Including Noted Terrorists, Defy Cold to Regain Russian Homes—Many in Chains, Others Ill. Tell of Cruelties in Prisons

Yuzne, Siberia, March 31 (via Petrograd and London, April 3). Fifty thousand sledges, carrying victims of the old regime back to freedom in the new Russia from the mines and convict settlements of Siberia, are speeding in endless chain across the snows of North Asia toward the nearest points on the Trans-Siberian Railway.

It is a race against time, as the spring thaw is imminent, and the roads, even in the coldest settlements of the Lower Lena, will soon be impassable.

In order to witness this unprecedented migration a correspondent of The Associated Press came here in company with a member of the Duma, M. Rosenoff, and two members of the former Council of Empire. The three officials were sent by the provisional government to explain to the natives in these remote Russian outposts the nature of the great change which has come to the country.

Instructing Tribes in Voting

Their mission carries them to some scores of thousands of heathen Asiatic tribesmen, and they are especially directed to instruct voters in regard to the coming Constituent Assembly, which will decide the form of Russia's new government.

Shackled Men at Feast

Among the political prisoners from Tobolsk is Alexander Popoff, who was sentenced to death for an alleged plot against the Emperor, a charge which he declares was a fabrication by the police.

Girl Exile Freed

Another liberated exile was Sophia Ljunitzky, a pretty girl of nineteen, from Vitebsk, who was arrested a year ago on suspicion of being engaged in political propaganda, and was spirited away to the remote Siberian village of sign.

Not Enough Trains

Five days after the triumph of the revolution 6,000 exiles entered Irkutsk, but the vast majority were unable to proceed west, owing to the lack of rolling stock.

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U. S. Envoy Verifies German Atrocities

Ambassador Sharp Finds Ravages of Retreat Even Worse than Reported

Paris, April 3.—United States Ambassador Sharp, under instructions from Washington, has visited the devastated regions evacuated by the Germans. Mr. Sharp was in Chaunay, Ham and Roye on Saturday and cabled the State Department an account of what he saw.

Washington, April 3.—A long report from Ambassador Sharp at Paris, detailing the terrible destruction wrought by the retreating Germans in Northern France, was received today at the State Department.

British Deny German Sank 8,000-Ton Cruiser

London, April 3.—An official statement issued tonight characterizes as "the usual pure invention" the German statement, made officially at Berlin, that an 8,000-ton British auxiliary cruiser was sunk in March.

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Berlin Offers Cash Aid

Proposal Taken as Attempt to Impress Argentina

Buenos Ayres, April 3.—The German Minister has assured the Argentine government that certain German financiers, with the Reichsbank, are ready to undertake the financing of public works in Argentina.

Rome Hears U. S. is at War

Newspaper Extras Stir Enthusiasm in Italian Capital

Rome, via Paris, April 3.—Under large headlines, special editions of the afternoon newspapers today published stories to the effect that a state of war existed between the United States and Germany.

586.8 Miles Through the Heart of Chicago in 24 Hours

A Typical Chalmers Performance

At 12 noon, Monday, March 26, a stock Chalmers seven-passenger touring car with first and second gears removed, was started north on Michigan Boulevard through Chicago traffic.

At noon Tuesday, March 27, the Chalmers was stopped at the starting point. It had gone 586.8 miles through Chicago's densest traffic. The motor had never been stopped. Nothing but high gear was used.

To prove conclusively Chalmers flexibility on high gear, the low and intermediate gears were removed from the transmission.

The car was a standard Chalmers seven-passenger touring model, complete with standard body, top and full equipment. The same model you can buy today.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that the Chalmers seven-passenger car above mentioned was a fully equipped stock car. It was driven for 24 hours through Chicago traffic. Only high gear was used. The motor was never stopped during the run. The mileage obtained was 586.8 miles. The gasoline consumption was an average of slightly over 14 miles per gallon.

Some Other Chalmers Achievements

Chicago to New York

Atlanta to Chattanooga

Dallas to San Antonio

Advertisement for United Electric Light & Power Co. featuring a large illustration of a building and text: 'Like the Genie of Aladdin INSTANTLY RESPONDS TO THE COMMANDING TOUCH - Supplying ELECTRICITY for the New Home of Abercrombie & Fitch Co. - the largest sporting goods store in the world'.

Large advertisement for Chalmers cars featuring the headline '586.8 Miles Through the Heart of Chicago in 24 Hours' and detailed text about a 24-hour test run, including 'A Typical Chalmers Performance' and 'Some Other Chalmers Achievements'.