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### GERMAN FLEETS BRITISH AND THE NORTH SEA IN CLASH

# German Report Tells of Naval Fight in North Sea

German High Sea Fleet Reported to Have Engaged British Squadron---Forces Said to Have Been Heavy on Both Sides---Greatest Naval Battle of the War.

BERLIN, June 2.-The Admiralty statement reports a big naval battle on Tuesday. between the British North Sea fleet and the German main fleet, in which some eight British vessels were destroyed. The German losses are not definitely known, but it is believed that three large warships and a number of Dayton, Ohio, fuse maker, is to ar of torpedo boat destroyers are lost.

J. M. Robinson & Sons received the following over their private wires finishing next week, there will be some this afternoon:

BERLIN (via Sayville), June 2.— The destruction of more than nine British warships by a German fleet in one of the biggest naval battles fought since the war began, was announced by the German Admiralty today. The fight took place between Skagerack and Henneriff. Two German men of war are known to have been sunk, and a third is missing. The May, when B. F. Yoakum took hold. British lost eight warships and one submarine.

BERLIN, June 2.—The following has been given out as the official 3 statement: The British ships destroyed were the Warspite and the battle Murderers GG cruisers Queen Mary and Indefatigable, two armored cruisers of the Argyle type, a small cruiser, the Durban, Nestor and Alcaster, a number of torpedo boat destroyers and a submarine.

The battle began on May 31st and raged for twenty-four hours. During the day the German ship Weisgen was sunk by gunfire, and during the night the battleship Pommern was torpedoed. The German transport Inlot is missing. The balance of the fleet returned to port.

PARIS, June 2.—In the course of heavy fighting on the Verdun front ily quarrel. which continued through the night, the French progressed slightly south of Vincenzo Abbattiello, of Westbury, of Caurettes wood, the War Office announces today. The struggle between on June 25, 1915. Supe was employ-Thiamont Farm and Vaux, east of the Meuse, is extremely violent.

Aside from the Verdun fighting the night passed quietly on the front.



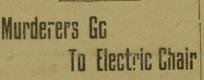
Ottawa, June 2 .- The Meredith-Duff mmission once more ran short of munition in the line of witnesses his morning, adn had to adjourn till Monday afternoon. Several more are

n prospect Mr. Dowler, of Dowler, Forbes & Co whose name has been linked up with that of Sir Courtenay Bennett, and whose concern has been referred to as manded to be heard. He is coming

Then there are a couple of Northern ectric Co. men from Montreal, to be uestioned with reference to proposals or fuse making there, and Mr. Ohmer rive Monday. He has been mentioned several times in connection with the contarcts. In order to make sure of

This morning's session occupied only

Miss Mabel Edwards, a member of Col. Allison's family, explained the orer on Yoakum for \$105,000 given he by Col. Allison, and the latter, recallhe fuse contract after the middle of Then Col. Wm. McBain went on the stand to tell about the \$30,000 he re ceived from Col. Allison.



Sing Sing, N. Y., June 2 .- Two mur derers, Roy Champlin and John Supe were put to death this morning in the electric chair in the state prison. Champlin killed his uncle, Henry Mc

Gee, at Wellsville, in June a year ago. The murder was the outcome of a fam-

Supe was executed for the murder debt owed by Supe.

### EYE WITNESS TELLS SHOCKING AIRI BULGARIAN TROOPS

Scenes of Desolation Equaling in Horror the Exodus From Belgium Reported From Macedonia---The Panic Stricken Greeks Fleeing Before the Bulgars.

#### (By Gaston Richard.)

SALONIKI, Greece, June 2 .--- I have just returned from a visit to Demir-Hissar, and Seres, where I witnessed scenes of desolation equalling in horror the exodus from Belgium and Northern France. The roads of eastern Macedonia are choked with panic-stricken Greeks fleeing before the oncoming Bulgarian hordes. The refugees are driving their sheep and callle told of having nothing to do with before them, pushing hand carts containing their belongings, and carrying weeping children.

> Beneath the torrid sun the wretched homeless people struggled along, concealed in a choking cloud of dust. Demir-Hissar, when I arrived, was dense with refugees. They had been swarming into the little town since Sunday, clamoring for prolection and begging bread. But there were only forty sacks of flour for 30,000 persons, and the majority of the refugees are starving to death.

#### THE PEOPLE TELL HORRIBLE STORIES OF

#### ABOMINATIONS BY THE BULGARIAN TROOPS

The same scenes occurred at Seres, where the authorities vainly tried to collect food. Every one of these wretched people tell harrowing stories of Bulgarian abominations. Led by pro-Bulgarian Greeks, the invading troops entered the frontier villages and seized all the available food, killing all the beasts and striking down with their rifle butts the civilians who attempted to interfere.

I saw a girl with a deep cut eight inches long around her ney and his victim worked for Willard neck, caused by a Bulgarian soldier, who had brutally snatched Straight. They quarrelled over an old a tawdry necklace from her. Another girl, who had been wearing earrings, had the lobes of both ears torn away.

#### British Troops Decline to Hurry Into

NEW YORK, June 2.—A cable to the New York Times from Paris says?

'Premier Briand's ready acceptance in principle of a secret sission, whereof the mere threat was sufficient to overthrow Viviana, has taken the wind from his opponent's sails. It is probable that if a secret session is held it will be devoid of sensation, as in England. The position of the cabinet is generally strengthened, but intrigues continue, especially by certain groups directing attacks against those responsible for the prosecution of military operations, with a view to discrediting the to deny one of their favorite suggestions, namely, that there is a statement given to the press today, vention of the Federal authorities, government indirectly. I am charged by a very high authority lack of co-operation between the French and British general gives his reasons for tendering his which affects as much the future of the race. staffs. On the contrary, it is with the staff's accord that the hurried into action before the psychological moment.

and says the difficulty has been to restrain the British until the Borden cabinet, who, according to the those whose love of power gives them why didn't you leave before? appointed time. When the day comes -- it is perhaps not far statement, caters to the party first, be- indifference or who are kept in a false distant-the critics will be silenced and the rest of the world astonished.'

#### Negotiations Now Proceeding With a View Of Giving Roumania an Outlet in Bosphorus mier Borden would not give a direct tory of which it gives me pleasure to

LONDON, June 2 .- A Rotterdam despatch to the Daily it with his Minister of Justice. News says: "According to a special correspondent of the Senator Landry says that he got no "I hope, Mr. Premier, that you will Nieuw Rotterdamsche Courant at Bucharest, important negoli- proper answer or move from the Min- understand the necessity of my prephorus. Roumania's improved relations with the Central Pow- he could get no prover arrangement vant. (Sgd.) Phillippe Landry mutual exchange of products, one consequence of which is the closing of the Russian frontier. German troops have been with drawn from the Bulgarian fortresses on the Danube." ers are further indicated by an agreement in writing for the with the Borden government on the

## Action Before the Psychological Moment SPEAKER LANDRY IS PEEVED OVER BI-LINGUAL TROUBLES

Members of the Borden Cabinet---Tells Why He **Resigned Important Office.** 

Quebec, June 2 .- Senator Landry, in test against the doctrine of non-interbles in Ontario. The senator says that which makes of certain members of he severs from the Conservative gov- the cabinet men dangerous to our race

Mr. Landry in his letter to Premier "I resign, in fact, to give all of my Ontario. He recalls the fact that Pre- litical party interests and for the vicanswer to his letters and that he left sacrifice what few years I may still have to live.

"I resign as a public and sincere pro- Mich., is in the city.

#### THE MOST WANTON PILLAGE CARRIED ON

#### RIGHT BEFORE THE EYES OF THE OFFICERS

A great majority of the young girls were carried off by the troops under the eyes of officers, who also allowed the most wanton pillage.

When the people begged for mercy and asked to be allowed to leave their homes, the officers cried, "Where will you go? Conservative-Nationalist Senator Takes a Fling at We shall takes Seres, Drama, Kavala and Saloniki and hurl the Allies into the sea.

Men who returned to the villages to try to find their missing women folks, never rejoined the refugee columns.

#### THE UHLANS ENCOURAGED BARBARITIES

#### BUT DID NOT PARTICIPATE THEMSELVES

All stories agree that Uhlans encouraged the Bulgarian pil-Senator Landry's resignation comes "I resign as a protest against the use lage, although they did not participate in it themselves. The British methodically continue preparations and decline to be as a culmination to the bilingual trou- of that double-edged arrangement German officers made no effort to prevent Bulgarian orgies. When a young woman covered with blood threw herself at the The authority characterizes as a shameful lie the allegation he severs from the conservative gov- the cabinet men dangerous to our face erman colonel and implored his aid, he merely shrugthat the British are indifferent to French sacrifices at Verdun. he will have nothing to do with the "I resign as a protest against all ged his shoulders, remarking, "You knew we were coming;

Along the road from Demir-Hissar to Seres, Bulgarian invaders raided groups of fleeing Greeks, taking all their belong-Berden relates all he has done for the time free from any influence or tie to ings and even removing the clothes from their backs and leaving last six years to prevent the present the defence of a noble cause which I them nude. As soon as the miserable procession reached the uprising against the bi-lingual laws of wish to hold high above the mean po- Franco-British lines, the troops gave the famished people bread and soup, until they had disposed of all of their own rations.

#### GREEK POPULATION OF ONE VILLAGE

#### EXPELLED AT THE POINT OF THE BAYONET

At the frontier village of Beles, the Bulgarians expelled the ations between Roumania, Bulgaria and Turkey are proceeding, which if successful will give Roumania an outlet on the Bos-phorus. Roumania's improved relations with the Control Down raiding her home, was dragged to the village square and publicly attacked, being stoned as she ran shrieking towards the