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Germans Resume Assault on French Lines West of Meuse

The Enemy Made use of Flaming Projectiles in an Attack Which Was Repulsed---Resumption of Cannonading Along the Greek Frontier.

PARIS, April 12.—Resumption of violent cannonading along the Greek frontier, in the vicinity of Gievgei and Doiran, is reported in a despatch from Saloniki to the Journal. It is said the French artillery had the advantage. It is also reported that the Germanic allies captured the fortified position at Deve Tepe, but this has not been confirmed.

The German assault on the Verdun front, west of the Meuse, was resumed this morning. Troops advanced on Caurettes wood, south of Cumierès, the War Office announced, using flame projectors, but were repulsed. East of the Meuse, in the Douaumont-Vaux sector, there was some artillery fighting. The War Office says it has been confirmed that the German losses yesterday were very heavy on the Verdun front.

Great Artillery Activity Between Douaumont and Vaux, Reported Last Night

The text of the statement follows:
"On the left bank of the river Meuse the Germans delivered an attack on our positions at the Caurettes wood, between Le Mort Homme and Cumierès, in which they made use of flaming liquids. They were everywhere repulsed.
"On the right bank of the river there has been great artillery activity between Douaumont and Vaux, but last night saw no resumption of the infantry fighting at this point.
"It has been confirmed that the very violent offensive action yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock in this section, which was repulsed by us, cost the enemy heavy losses.
"The night passed relatively quiet on the rest of the front."

Germans Trying Hard to Recover Lost

Ground Between Douaumont and Vaux

PARIS, April 12.—While bringing up reinforcements to resume their attack on Le Mort Homme, the hill of the Dead Man, the Germans are trying to recover the ground regained by the French in Caillette wood, and to the north, between Douaumont and Vaux. The French positions there describe an arc, from a point south of Douaumont Fort to the centre of the village of Vaux, and the front is a little less than two miles long.
For three days the only actions on the east bank of the Meuse have been centred there, with the habitual preparation of heavily concentrated artillery fire, with a finishing touch in the form of a couple of hours of heavy shelling with suffocating and tear-provoking gas projectiles.

French Had to Abandon Some Front Line

Trenches to Allow Gas to Dissipate

After a bombardment with high explosives lasting eight hours, and the use of gas for another hour or two, the Germans would attack in two columns, simultaneously on two flanks. There was no visible diminution in their course and ardor; neither did the French show the slightest fatigue, and the consequence is that the unprecedented carnage of the battle of Verdun goes on.

Yesterday the whole front, beaten by gas projectiles, was overhung by a yellowish cloud of chlorine vapor, which seemed to be suspended from the sky. When the cloud lifted the Germans bounded forward seemingly indifferent to the thick death dealing curtain of fire from the French artillery. Some of them got through it, only to find that the French had abandoned the first line trenches to allow the gas cloud to dissipate.

German reinforcements were sent up to fortify the trenches but before they reached the trench the French came back with an irresistible counter attack and in a few minutes drove out the Germans from the few points where they had penetrated the trenches.

Kaiser Reported to Have Had a Narrow

Escape When French Shell Burst Near Him

NEW YORK, April 12.—A special London cable to the Tribune says: A Rome despatch to the Daily Telegraph quotes reports reaching there from Berlin to the effect that the Kaiser is at present at Potsdam, where he receives no one but members of his family and a few official personages.

When on the French front before Verdun the Kaiser had a narrow escape from being killed by a French shell which exploded near him, killing several officers and destroying the imperial motor car. The German official communique on the subject announced that the Emperor was unhurt.

His unexpected departure for Potsdam, however, and the mystery with which he is surrounding himself leads to the supposition that in reality the Kaiser either was struck by fragment of the shell or that the violence of the explosion has dangerously affected his nervous system.

SAYS VILLA IS NOT DEAD OR WOUNDED

(Canadian Press.)

El Paso, Texas, April 12.—An entirely new version of the story of Villa's death was brought her today by a Mexican cattle man, who claimed to have suffered a visitation from a band of Villa's followers on his ranch near Bachinibad. This man said that Villa was neither dead nor wounded, but that Pueblo Lopez, the bandit's notorious lieutenant, and executioner-in-chief, had died and that Villa had deliberately used his death as a basis of the story of his own finish.

Dupont Powder Co. Suffers Big Loss

Roanoke, Va., April 12.—The plant of the Dupont Powder Co., eight miles west of Bluefield, W. Va., was destroyed by an explosion this morning, according to telephone advices from Bluefield. Three men were killed. The loss is estimated at \$150,000.

REMOVAL OF ALIENS FROM AMERICAN SHIP JUSTIFIED

British Reply to U. S. Note Has Been Received as Washington--Prisoners Were Engaged in Plot Against Britain.

WASHINGTON, April 12.—Great Britain's note replying to the American protests against the seizure of 38 Austrians, Germans and Turks from the American steamer China, near Shanghai, was made public today by the State Department. It follows the line of argument previously indicated, and contends that the seizure is justified on the ground that the prisoners had been engaged in plots against Britain in the Far East and were attempting to return home to take up arms. It contends that they were not clothed with the immunity which would attach to enemy subjects who merely were travelling.

Great Britain alleges that the prisoners were "engaged for some time past in the collection and transmission of arms and ammunition, both for clandestine transmission to India and if possible for the arming of a ship to play the part of a Far Eastern Moewe, and were bound for Manila to continue their work, having been exposed to the British authorities at Shanghai.

The neutrality of the United States would have been compromised, the note contends, had the prisoners performed the acts they had in contemplation. Their acts, it is contended, deprived them of protection from the American flag, under which they were sailing.

The British government argues that the removals were perfectly justified and trusts that the United States will not feel further disposed to contend the action.

League Ball Games Opened Today

New York, April 12.—With clear weather reported from seven of the eight major league cities, the opening games of the baseball season today will probably attract big attention.

The American League's initial pennant contest at Boston may have to be postponed but that is the only city in either of the big league circuits where inclement weather conditions prevail.

As is the case each season, the two major leagues will start their initial games equally between east and west. In the National League Boston will play at Brooklyn, New York at Philadelphia; Chicago at Cincinnati, and Pittsburgh at St. Louis.

Noted Novelist Died Suddenly

Mount Kisco, N. Y., April 12.—Richard Harding Davis, author and war correspondent, died at his home here late last night from heart trouble.

His body was found early this morning and he had apparently been stricken while at his telephone.

Charges Against Alberta Minister

Edmonton, Alta., April 12.—Dr. Stanley, Conservative member for High River, gave notice in the Legislature last night that on Thursday he will move that it is advisable that the Lieutenant Governor be requested to appoint a Royal Commission to make a full investigation of the charge of corruption practices in office, laid against Hon. C. W. Cross, and to enquire into the charges previously made by Stanley in connection with the administration of the Attorney General's department.

Still Handling German Made Goods

Toronto, April 12.—The anti-German League, recently organized, has been busy gathering evidence of the continued sale in Canada of German-made goods. It is claimed that a number of houses are still handling quite a large quantity of German-made goods which are shipped into Canada from the States.

Woodstock, Press:—Charles Judge, the well known C.P.R. operator, has been transferred to Fredericton.

EFFECTIVENESS OF BLOCK-ADE AGAINST GERMANY IS BEING MAINTAINED

Important Statements in the House of Commons by Premier Asquith and Sir Edward Grey---Coming Trade Conference to be Important.

LONDON, April 12.—Sir Edward Grey said in the House of Commons, that the British and French Governments had presented a memorandum to neutrals, who protested against the seizure of enemy property passing through their ports. He declared that the effectiveness of the economic blockade was being maintained in every way possible.

Premier Asquith described to the House of Commons the general results of the recent Paris conference of the Allies. He said that the important results were the reaffirmation of the entire solidarity of the Allies, the establishment of the identity of their views, and the assurance of unity of action in the prosecution and conduct of the war.

He also said that his visit to Italy was signalized by manifestations of the traditional friendship between Italy and England, which had been accentuated by the brotherhood of arms.

MAY CUT OFF GERMAN TRADE.

In the House of Lords the Marquis of Crew stated that the coming trade conference of the Allies in Paris would discuss the prohibition of trade with the enemy, the character of the prohibited exports from Great Britain and the economic independence of the Allies. He stated that the Australian Premier would attend the conference as the imperial representative. He added that the English delegates would not bind the Government definitely to any measures.

A bill giving local authorities emergency war powers passed the committee stage today in the House of Commons.

Pemberton Billing, who was recently elected to the House on an "air defence" ticket, bluntly urged Premier Asquith to stop fooling in connection with the air service and to abolish the air committee. It is the contention of many that the air committee has not sufficient power to handle the air defence of the British Isles, and should be replaced by an air minister.

Harold J. Tennant, under secretary of state for war, stated that two members of the air committee had resigned on account of their differences, but added that there was no friction among the members. He referred to Lord Derby and Lord Montague of Beaulieu, whose resignation was announced yesterday.

PORTUGUESE OCCUPY KIONGA.

LORENZO MARQUES, Portuguese Africa, April 12.—An official communication issued today says a Portuguese expeditionary force occupied Kionga Monday. The small town of Kionga and surrounding district was taken twenty-two years ago by the Germans in violation, the Portuguese allege, of an existing treaty between the two countries. The German contention was that Kionga formed part of the possessions of the Sultan of Zanzibar, on the main land, and that it was thus rightfully occupied by Germany.

ROUMANIA AND RUSSIA.

LONDON, April 12.—A despatch from Rome says: The Giornale de Italia states that Roumania's commercial relations with Russia have been suspended. Another Rome despatch declares the service of freight trains to Hungary is to be resumed, and the export of 150,000 wagon loads of Roumanian grain to the Central Empires is about to begin. In exchange Roumania will receive German coal, machinery and other industrial productions. The question of munitions for the Roumanian army is not yet settled. Roumania has an insufficient supply of munitions, and until that is remedied she will not intervene, although troop movements continue on all the frontiers.

ANOTHER STEAMER SUNK.

LONDON, April 12.—Lloyds announces that the Senator, a British steamer of 3,497 tons, has been sunk. It is believed all hands have been saved. The Senator was owned in Whitby.

GERMAN OFFICIAL REPORT.

BERLIN, April 12 (via London).—German troops in the operations against Verdun yesterday gained some ground in Caillette woods, southeast of Fort Douaumont, according to the official statement issued today by the German army headquarters.

THE FEELING IN ATHENS

PARIS, April 12.—During a celebration of the anniversary of Greek independence at Athens yesterday, says a despatch quoting the Athens Esprit, the police arrested several persons for crying "Down with the government! Long live Venizelos! Down with Austria! Down with Germany!"