

ALLIES MAKE GAINS IN WESTERN AREA

NEBRASKAN
NOT SERIOUSLY
DAMAGED

So far as the state department is informed, there is no British mine field near where the Nebraskan was struck.

SUBMARINE SEEN.

NO CHANCE FOR MISTAKE.

A message to Lloyds says that an armed trawler went to the assistance of the Nebraskan and stood by her all night.

NOT SERIOUSLY DAMAGED.

When the Nebraskan was torpedoed the crew at once took to the boats and stood by the steamer.

It was soon ascertained that the Nebraskan was not seriously damaged. She had been struck forward and her foreholds were full of water. The crew returned on board and got the vessel under way. No lives were lost among the crew. The Nebraskan did not carry any passengers.

HAD GOOD SPORT.

Messrs. C. K. Palmer and Fred Bis'op of the John Palmer Company returned yesterday from a very successful fishing trip to the Pokioi. They caught forty trout, the largest of which weighed two and a half pounds and the average was over a pound. They had Ben Griffin for guide and made their headquarters at his camp on the stream. Mr. Palmer thinks that the Pokioi is one of the best trout streams in the province.

DANISH SHIP SUNK.

London, May 27.--The Danish ship Betty was torpedoed and sank in the North Sea on Wednesday by a German submarine. The crew were landed at Shields today.

French aviators flew over the German lines yesterday and set fire to a big explosive plant opposite Mannheim on the Rhine.

BACK TO TRENCH WARFARE

(SPECIAL CABLE TO THE MAIL.)

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

BRITISH BATTLESHIP SUNK

London, May 27---The British battleship Triumph has been sunk in the Dardanelles. This official announcement was made tonight.

The disaster to the Triumph is described in the brief statement by the admiralty, which says that while operating in support of the Australian and New Zealand forces on the shore of the Gallipoli peninsula yesterday, the Triumph was torpedoed by a submarine, and sank shortly afterwards.

The majority of the officers and men, including the captain and commander, are reported to have been saved. The submarine was chased by destroyers and patrolling small craft until dark.

AUSTRIAN COAST BLOCADED

Paris, May 26--The Italian government today declared a blockade of all the ports on the Austro-Hungarian coast.

This proclamation, like that of Great Britain and France against Germany will entirely cut off all neutral trade by sea with the enemy, and indicates that the Italian fleet has done very rapid work in thus sweeping the Austrians from the seas. The official announcement does not say whether the submarine was Turkish or German, but it probably was of the latter nationality, as the British legation at Athens recently offered a reward for the sinking of German submarines supposed to be in the Mediterranean.

The Triumph, which was purchased from Chile upon her completion in 1039, had seen more fighting than any ship in the British navy in the present war.

RUSSIAN GENERALS RETIRED

London, May 26—Although called upon to face another enemy in Italy, whose troops have crossed the eastern border, the Austrians and Germans have not relaxed their efforts on the other fronts.

AUSTRIAA STAND.

In Middle Galicia they have resumed the offensive against the Russians along the River San and claim to have met with further successes; while in Flanders and Artois the Germans continue, according to the French report, to make furious attacks in an effort to regain the ground taken from them in recent weeks and to hold that which they took from the British in the region of Ypres.

Except for the German admission that the British have captured part of their trenches to the northeast of Guvenchy, the reports of the belligerent headquarters continue to contradict each other, one side claiming gains, while the other says that all attacks were repulsed with heavy losses.

So far as the west is concerned, however, the fighting, as has been the case for months, consists largely of trench warfare, in which the capture of a trench, a few prisoners and machine guns is not considered of sufficient importance to emphasize. But this is the means whereby the commanders hope to wear down their opponents until they become so weak that a real forward movement will be found possible.

The Italians, who have crossed the Austrian frontier to the east, along a front of sixty miles, toward the Isbroz River, have not yet met with any serious opposition. In fact, no important battle is expected until the invaders reach the river, as it is here that the Austrians are established, and on this line they will make their stand, as they have had a long time to prepare for an invasion. It is probable they will oppose the Italian advance by means of the same methods as caused the deadlock in Flanders.

In Greece, the illness of King Constantine, whose condition remains serious, has brought the political situation to a standstill, and it is regarded as unlikely that there will be any developments until after the pending elections.

The alleged torpedoing of the American steamer Nebraskan is featured by all the London papers, which describe the incident as "another challenge to America."

GAIN ALONG THREE MILES

London, May 26—The following official statement was issued by the British war office tonight:

The first army continues to make progress east of Festubert. A territorial division carried last night a group of German trenches, capturing—
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PRINCE WILLIAM BOY TELLS OF THE FIGHTING IN FLANDERS

Interesting Letter From Trooper Curtis Kitchen of Alberta Dragoons---His First Experience Under Fire Described.

Trooper Curtis Kitchen of Prince William who is with the Divisional Cavalry with the Canadian forces in Flanders has written a very interesting letter to his sister Mrs. Bliss M. McQuarrie, 345 Northumberland Street. Trooper Kitchen is a son of Mrs. Marvin Kitchen and enlisted in the West with the 19th Alberta Dragoons which furnished the Division at Mounted Troops.

Extracts from the letter are as follows:

Well this last week I have seen more of the actual warfare than I have seen in all the rest of the time that I have been over here. I would like to explain to you all about it but for reasons known to you I dare not.

One day last week part of our bunch had a little work to do in our part of the battle-line and our road ran through a town that has often been mentioned in despatches and around which some of the fiercest fighting of the war has taken place. This day the Germans seemed to have made a special effort to destroy everything that was in it. Parts of the town have been renamed "Snitch Corner," "Death's Lane" and "Hell's Gate," and believe me they were well named for the "Jack Johnsons" were falling with what goods they could take with them. Some were carrying their stuff. Others had wheelbarrows, some two-wheelers. A few had loaded their baby-carriages (not with babies) or any old rickshaw could get junk into. Some even had bicycles loaded down with valuables. It was too pitiful for words. Some of them were too feeble to travel alone and supported themselves by holding on to some of the officers who had such loads that one would navigate without supporting another.

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